

W. H. Everett, Raleigh Downman & W. H. English Come before
me & made oath to the above Inventory of the Estate of Jm. Lyell as
agreeable to Law.

Thos. Yerby
Recorded among the Records of Richmond County
Teste LeRoy Peachey C.R.C.

In the name of God Amen I John Lyell of the County of Rich-
mond being very low and weak of Body but of a Perfect sound mind and memory
knowing there is a time for all flesh to die do make constitute and ordain that
my last will and Testament in manner and form as Followeth First I give
and bequeath to Almighty God my Soul who gave it to Me Hoping by the merits of
my blessed Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ to have restored to me at the day of
Resurrection my Body I leave to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors

hereafter mentioned and for what worldly Estate it hath Pleas'd Almighty God
to bestow on me I give and bequeath as followeth Viz
It is my will and desire that my just Debts be first paid
I then I Give and bequeath to my loving wife Sarah Lyell my Land and
Plantation whereon I now dwell during her Natural life and after her decease
I give the said Land and Plantation to my son John Lyell and his heirs for
Ever, I then I Give the use of all my Slaves and other Estate to my Loving
Wife Sarah Lyell for the Purpose of raising and supporting my Children
during her widowhood or until my Youngest Son Robert Lyell Arrive to the
Age of Twenty one Years at which Period of time it is my will and desire that
my whole Estate of Slaves Stock & furniture be Equally divided between
my said loving wife Sarah Lyell allowing her a Childs part during her Natu-
ral life and all my Children that may be then living both Male and female
and for that part of my Estate my Loving Wife Sarah Lyell may be posses-
ed of during her life after her decease It is my will and desire may be Equally
divided among my Children as aforesaid

And for that part of my Estate my loving wife Sarah Syell
of during her life after her decease it is my will and desire may be Equally
divided between all my Children both Male and female Allowing to the Third
of each of my children Lawfully begotten to inherit and have that part of my
Estate as would have fallen to either their father or Mother

And lastly do constitute and appoint my loving Wife Sarah Syell, my son
John Syell and my Neighbour Vincent Redman Executors of this my last will
and Testament revoking and Disannulling all other former wills, deeds or
Gifts by me made or bequeathed. In Witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and Seal this fourteenth day of November And in the Year of our
Lord one thousand seven hundred & Eighty seven

Sealed and Acknowledged
in the Presence of

Thomas Franklin

Mason Sandy

Joseph Syell

John Syell



gives some made or equivalent. On the 14th day of November and in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & Eighty seven

Sealed and Acknowledged
in the Presence of
Thomas Franklin
Mason Sandy
Joseph Lyell

John Lyell



It is now held for Richmond County the 8th day of April 1788.
This Will of John Lyell dec^d was presented in Court by Sarah Lyell the Executrix
& John Lyell the Executor married who made oath thereto according to Law and
being proved by the Witnesses thereto was admitted to Record and on the motion
the said Executors giving security a certificate is granted them for obtaining a
-bate thereof in due form

Teste Le Roy Pichey Clerk