

1370 ¹ up		L	20
1 Sifter			1 1/3
15 Geese			1 1/2
3 Spinning wheels 11/2			1 1/2
1 Loom			1 5/8
4 Knives & 6 forks			1 10
11 shoats & 10 Diggs			9 7 1/2
10 Pewter plates			1 5
4 d ^o dishes			1 1/2
6 Pewter basins			1 1/2
10 Spoon			1 1/2
1 dividing spoon			1 1/3
2 Grabbing hoes	old		1 7 1/2
1 Saw & 3 pigg			1 5

At a Court held for Sussex County the 11th day of October 1777.

The aforementioned Inventory and appraisement of the estate of Thomas Echeage deceased was returned & by the Court ordered to be recorded

Teste

Wm. Chisborne Jun^r C. S. C.

- I Benjamin Hancock of Sussex County (being as well as usual both in body & Mind but at the same time not knowing how soon I shall die) do make & appoint this to be my last Will & Testament in manner & form as followeth —
- 1st I Give & Bequeath to my son John Hancock and to his heirs forever the land & plantation which I purchased of John Jenkins in Sussex County containing by Patent two hundred and ninety eight acres be the same more or less together with one negroe girl called Venus, one feather bed and furniture & two cows & calves.
 - 2^d I Give & Bequeath to my son James Hancock the land and plantation whereon I now dwell containing two hundred and five acres be the same more or less to him & his heirs forever provided he shall live to the age of twenty one years or be married & also give to my said son James and to his heirs forever one negroe girl named Rose & twenty five pounds current money.
 - 3^d I Give & Bequeath to my son Samuel Hancock one negroe boy called Moses, ten pounds current money & in case my above named son James Hancock should die before he arrives to the age of twenty one years or be married the land & plantation which I have herein devised to him, to him my said son Samuel & his heirs forever.
 - 4th I Give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Hancock & to her heirs forever one Negroe girl called Kate & twenty pounds current money —
 - 5th I Give & Bequeath to my son Stephen Hancock twenty Shillings Cash.
 - 6th After my just debts & Legacies are paid I desire that all the remaining part

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of my estate of every kind & Quality both real Personal shall be sold & the money
thereon arising may be equally divided between my son Samuel Hancock
& daughters Sarah Hancock Rebekah Hancock, Mary Hancock, Lucy
Freeman & Savannah Clary daughter of Mary Clary provided the said
Savannah Clary lives to the age of eighteen years or Marries but if not
I desire that ^{part} which I have given her may be equally divided amongst all
my children herein named.

I do hereby appoint son John Hancock & friends Ebenezer Bailey and John
Nicholson (son of Robert) to be my whole & sole executors of this last Will
& Testament, utterly revoking and disallowing all former Wills made by
me. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal
this fifteenth day of November Anno Domini, one thousand seven hundred
and seventy five.

Signed, sealed and acknowledged
in presence of

Benjamin Hancock (seal)

Thomas Hancock

John Hancock

John White

Ann White

At a Court held for Suffolk County the 25th day of November 1777

The last Will and Testament of Benjamin Hancock deceased was
presented into Court by John Nicholson & John Hancock two of the Executors
therein named who made oath thereto as the law directs and the same was
proved by the oath of John White and the affirmation of John Hancock (a
Quaker) witnesses thereto and by the Court ordered to be recorded and on
the motion of the said Executors Certificate is granted them for obtaining a
Cec. probate thereof in due form.

Teste

Wm. C. Laiborne Junr. C. S. C.

I do hereby renounce all benefit and advantage which I may or can
claim by the last Will and Testament of my late husband Benjamin Hancock
deceased and refuse to accept any Legacy that may be given to me therein Witness
my hand and seal this 15th day of October 1777.

Witness

Mary Hancock (seal)

John Nicholson

Samuel Hancock

At a Court held for Suffolk County the 26th day of November 1777

This renunciation was proved to be the act and deed of the thereto subscribed
Mary Hancock by the oaths of John Nicholson & Samuel Hancock the witnesses
thereto and by the Court ordered to be recorded.

Wm. C. Laiborne Junr. C. S. C.

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A True and perfect Inventory of the estate of Mary Nicholson deceased.

4 Negroes, 12 head of cattle 24 Head of sheep 26 of hogs 3 horses 1 Still 24 byder
casks 4 feather beds and furniture 1 dish 1 corner cupboard, 1 large looking
glass 1 large black walnut table 1 ditto small 2 pine ditto 10 leather chairs
10 plain ditto 1 candle stand, shovel & tongs 1 pair dog Iron 1 box Iron &
heater 16 bottles 3 stone jugs 2 d. pots 1 pint pot and funnel, 1 bottle pot
1 stone mug 1 pair spoon moulds 1 hone 2 tin canisters 1 official 25 brown
sugar 1 flour tub 1 candlestick, 1 pair snuffers 1 pair gardeners shears 1 pair
sheep d. 1 Chest 1 flap hatchet 1 flap wheel 2 ditto wooden 18 books 1 pair
money scales 1 large Drinking bowl 1 ditto small 1/2 dozen cups & saucers 1 Tea
pot 1 Wine glass 1 salt cellar, 1/2 dozen tea spoons 1/2 dozen stone plates 1 ship & hon
1 pepper box 1 Cream pot 1 sugar box 10 dishes 14 basons 2 1/2 dozen plates
9 spoons 8 knives and forks 5 pair cards 1 large copper Kettle 1 ditto small 1 Iron
pots 1 Iron Skillet 1 frying pan 1 spice mortar and pestle 2 pot racks 3 pair d.
hooks 1 Iron spit 1 Loam 14 Rags 14 harpins 3 shuttles 1 Quill wheel 1 pair flesh
hooks 1 half bushel 1 washing tub 1 puggon 2 trays 1 hand Mill 1 drawing knife
1 hand saw 1 d. whip 1 d. brogs butt 2 Whipsels 2 Augers 1 Yoke 1 fount 1 adze
1 spore 2 pair Iron wedges 3 grubbing 1 whirling d. 3 Wooding d. 1 Now d. 3 plain
hoes 2 pair Iron tugs 3 axes 3 Bells 2 Saw nests, Rule and Corn passers 1 Bar
Iron 1 small Hatchet 1 claw hammer 1 ditto shoe 1 pair punches 1 d. 12 pair
2 Deer hooks 1 set warping barrow 1 d. boxes 2 Sifters 1 Warming pan 2 pair
steads 2 Deer hives 1 Side saddle and bridle 1 pair cart wheels 3 powdering
tubs 1 Tobacco hoghead 1 pair traces 1 grind stone 1 Flax break 14 sides leather
2 skins 3 raw hides 2 Chamber pots a parcel old Copper 1 dozen Green, 3 Turkey
1 dozen dung hill fowles

Nov. 15th 1777.

John Nicholson, Executor.

At a Court held for Sussex County the 20th day of November 1777.

This Inventory of the estate of Mary Nicholson, deced was returned &
by the Court ordered to be recorded.

Teste

Wm Claiborne jun. C. C.

An Inventory of the appurtenment of the slaves & Personal estate
of John Jackson deced.

Negro	Mingo	\$ 100.00
	Abraham	70.00
	Tharper	70.00
	Bon	50.00
	Nice	50.00

Cornell

5 Hyder bawls	1 " " "
1 funnel w/ 12 George	1 " 5 "
7 bladders	" 6 "
1 parcel of fodder	2 " " "
2 plow and hoes	1 " " "
1 Reap hook and spindle	" 2 " 6 "
1 gun	" 7 " 6 "
1 Groe 1 Roll &c. &c.	" 10 "

Anderson's Surdiment Executor.

^{his}
 Wilburn & Spain jun^r
 mark
 Burwell ^{his} Wilburn
 mark
 Benjⁿ & Wilburn
 mark

} Appraisers

At a court held for Sussex County the 15th day of Jan^y 1770.

The aforesaid Inventory and appraisement of the estate of John Anderson Surdiment deced^d was returned and by the Court ordered to be
 Ex^o recorded.

Teste³

Wm. Claiborne jun^r Clk.

A True and perfect Inventory and appraisement of the estate of
 Benjamin Hancock deced^d.

Negroe	Jack; valued at	200 " " "
negrae	Beck	180 " " "
negrae	Peter	160 " " "
negrae	Venus	80 " " "
Negroe	Rose	70 " " "
negrae	Catherine	70 " " "
negrae	Moses	70 " " "
negrae	Julia	50 " " "
1 Roan horse		35 " " "
1 ditto Mare		15 " " "
1 Bay Colt		35 " " "
1 Bay horse		20 " " "
1 Old black		2 " " "
1 Colt		20 " " "
33 Cattle		151 " 10 "
22 Sheep		30 " 10 "
67 Hogs		102 " 5 "
6 Sows with Pigg		14 " 5 "

4 shovels

4 n 10 n

4 Barrels brandy

92 n

1 Bed and furniture

15 n

1 ditto ditto

15 n

1 ditto ditto

10 n

1 ditto ditto

6 n

1 ditto ditto

10 n

1 Pewter

3 n 3 n

Wines and forks

2 n

11 pair hares

13 n 5 n

1 Black walnut table

1 n 10 n

1 do. stone

1 n 8 n

1 Chest 20/ 1 do 12/

1 n 12 n

8 leather chairs

3 n

1 Quart pott and two bowls

1 n 10 n

12 dozen bottles and 4 Jugs

1 n 15 n 9

1 Tin funnel and pitcher

1 n 4 n 3

1 Gun 10/ 1 ditto 50/

4 n 10 n

1 hand saw 15/

1 n 15 n

1 Whip saw 21, 5 n 1 x butt 20 25/

2 n 10 n

Carpenters and Coopers tools

2 n 10 n

3 Axes 30/ 11 Hoes 60/

1 n 10 n

5/ Bloes and harrow hoes

1 n

1 Iron Chain 20/ 1 pair Wedges 10/

1 n 18 n

4 Spinning Wheels

1 n 12 n

1 flap ditto

1 n 3 n

4 Reape hooks

1 n 8 n

1 pair stachyades

1 n

1 Box Iron and heaters

1 n 15 n

2 Plates 4/

1 n 4 n

1 parcel of Books

1 n 7 n 6

1 pair tongs

1 n 10 n

1 Locking glass

1 n 5 n

1 old Chest

1 n 10 n

4 Razors 11/ 1 hone 10/

1 n 4 n

1 Spice mortar

1 n 10 n

1 claw hammer

1 n 2 n 6

1 Saddle and harness

3 n 10 n

1 do. Saddle

1 n 15 n

1 do. 15/ 1 Woman do

4 n 15 n

1 do. Woman

3 n

1 parcel lumber

1 n 2 n 3

1 Sword	.. 12.. 6
1 Silver band buckle	.. 10..
1 Trunk	.. 15..
1 Pair money scales	.. 10..
2 Tob ^o boxes	.. 3.. 9
1 Brandy bottle	.. 5..
2 Pair Spectacles	.. 7.. 6
1 Sugar box	.. 1.. 3
1/2 ^{lb} Spice	.. 2.. 6
Allum and Burnstone	.. 2..
5 Phials	.. 1.. 8
1 Pepper box and handle stick	.. 5.. 3
1 Cloth brush and handle	.. 5.. 6
2 Pair shears	.. 4.. 3
1 Iron spindle	.. 1.. 3
1 flap Hatchet	.. 5..
Wearing apparel	19.. 10..
2 Drunk salt	6..
535 "10" Nails	.. 10.. 6
26 ^{lb} Barre Iron	.. 6..
1 Coopers pointer	.. 1.. 3
3 Meal bags	.. 9.. 6
3 Ols cards	.. 2..
Cotton scales	.. 1.. 3
7 Shoe lasts	.. 5..
12 ^{lb} Wool	2.. 10..
200 lb Cotton	5..
1 Half bush	.. 3..
parcel lumber	.. 10..
2 ^{lb} Spun yarn	.. 15..
17 ^{lb} Spun Cotton	3.. 6..
1 Butter pot 1/2 2 Chamber d. 7/7	.. 11..
1 Wheat sieve and basket	.. 4.. 3
1 Knife	.. 1.. 3
3 Meal sieves and 1 bottom	.. 13..
1 Loom and gear	3.. 5..
1/2 ^{lb} Harney cotton	.. 1..
1 Ink glass and Salt cellar	.. 1..
1 Table cloth 2 towels	.. 3..
1 parcel Leather	1.. 15..

3rd Bear was 13th. Follow 24th.
Hogs land 5th. flesh hooks and Mats
1 Horse when I bought
6 Iron pots
2 Frying pans
1 Bread hoe 5th. 1 Pot rack 3/6
2 Iron skillets 2th. 1 Tub 1/2 pignus
Carting Geer
2 Geese
3 Hives of Bees
1 Hand Mill 14th. flax break
A Parcel flax 20th.
1 Cart & 10 wheels 30th. 1 Grind stone
1 Cart 5th. 1 plow 14th.
1 Cow hide 50th. 10 Bushels wheat
5 Tobacco hogsheads
9 Cyder barrels
A Parcel pease 14th. 1/2 carts 14th
1 Can 2/6 A Parcel flax seed
5 Pairs knitting needles
Rule and Compasses
1 Tackler 1/3. 1 Trawl 5th
1 Tobacco line
On the Copper Hook plantation.
1 Looking glass 6th. 1 Reuter 30th
Tin ware
Pop Iron and heaters 5th. 2 Rocks 5th
Barpenters tools
1 Meal Sive 7/6. 1 Meal bag 2/6
Tub & Piggins 5th. Cyder barrels

Knives, forks & Razor
2 plow hoes
A Parcel old Iron
2 Axes 12/6. 1 Cow bell
1 Saws and hammer
1 Whetting hoe
1 Iron Skillet
1 Pigger
1 Old lock
1 Plow and harness
1 Beef rope
1 Grind stone
1 Cart and Wheels
1 Hoghead and pease

1st 19th...
" 7th 3
" 2nd 6
6th 7th 6 2
1st 7th... 2
" 8th 6 6
" 0th 6 6
1st 5th 6 3
3rd 5th...
3rd 3rd...
2nd 3rd...
1st...
2nd 12th 6
" 9th...
7th...
1st...
2nd 4th...
" 0th...
" 7th 6
" 6th 3
" 2nd 0
" 6th 3
" 1st 3
1st 14th...
" 7th 6
" 10th...
" 6th...
" 10th...
1st 1st 0
" 3rd...
" 15th...
" 18th...
" 17th 6
" 3rd 9
" 8th...
" 3rd...
" 2nd 6
" 1st 3
" 9th...
" 1st 3
" 6th...
1st 10th...
2nd 14th...

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Bro't over	.. 6 ..
Apparel old barrels	8
Apparel Tobacco	.. 6 ..
1 dozen Chickens	1 .. 5 ..
Apparel of cotton	.. 2 .. 6
1 Table cloth	.. 1 ..
1 Rule	5 .. 4 ..
13 Shoats	<u>£ 164⁷ 2¹ 5</u>
Cash	17 ¹ 13 ..
	<u>£ 166⁴ 15¹ 5</u>

John Cornwell

John Hancock

John White

At a Court held for Superior County the 15th day Jan^y 1778

The aforesaid Inventory and appraisment of the estate of Benjamin Hancock deced was returned and by the Court ordered to be recorded.

Teste

Wm. Claiborne ju^r C^lk.

In obedience to an order of the worshipful Court of Superior County bearing date August 21st 1777 We the subscribers being first sworn have appraised the Estate of Nathan Warren deced in current money.

6 head Cattle £9.0.0. 3 sheep £1.10.0	£ 10.10.0
6 Shotes 18 ¹ . 23 hogs £6.0.0. 1 Gun £3.0.0	9.18.0
1 Rifle £1.10.0. 7 Hares 18 ¹ . 3 Hares with 9 ¹	2.7.0
3 Axes 10 ¹ . 1 st Sledge & Saddle 6 ¹	0.76.0
1 Sheep hook & Carriage stick 2 ¹ . 1 Box Iron 4 ¹	0.6.0
5 3 ¹ wood 10 ¹ . 5 Chains 9 ¹ . 2 Sets old Rough Harness 4 ¹	1.3.0
20 th Cotton 3 ¹ . 5 ¹ . 1 Chest 2 ¹ 6. 1 st Sheet 1 ¹ 3 ¹	0.10.6
3 Saddles £2.10.0 1 Tub & 2 Pails 6 ¹ . apparel of old Prater £1.10	1.6.0
3 Earthen plates 2 ¹ 6. 1 st young pear 7 ¹ 6	0.10.0
11 Bushels wheat £1.13.0. 4 barrels 1 Hog's head 10 ¹	2.3.0
Part of a new hide 3 ¹ 9. 2 Breshes 2 ¹ . a parcel of Books £1.6.0	1.11.9
8 Bottles 4 ¹ . 1 Bayonet 2 ¹ 6. 1 Sugar box 3 ¹	0.9.6
2 Shaves & 2 Bowles 4 ¹ . 1 Mug & Tea Pot 1 ¹ 3	0.5.3
1 Drawing Knife 1 ¹ 6. Shears & Pepper box	0.1.0
1 Chest 5 ¹ . 7 Gallons brandy 7 ¹ 6. 9 Gallons 2 ¹ 12. 6	2.7.6
1 Bed & furniture £8.0.0. 1 Tunnel 4 ¹	8.1.0
1 Horse £20.0.0. 1 Pith £12.0.0. 1 negro man Jack £20.0.0	52.0.0
1 Negro Girl Paid £80.0.0. apparel of knives & forks 6 ¹	80.6.0
Apparel of Cloaths £4.6.0 old Lumber 3 ¹	4.9.0
Shoemakers Tools 6 ¹ . Seed & Chalk 2 ¹ 6	0.8.6
1 Horse Coll £15.0.0 1 piece Buck leather 4 ¹	15.1.0