John M. Collom's Will

In the name of God Amen, I, John M. Collom of the County of Alexa in the State of North Carolina being of sound and perfect mind & memory, blessed be God, Do this day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifteen make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following, that is to say;

First It is my will that all my just debts be paid, and my body buried in a decent manner, in masonick form if practicable, but with as little expense, as possible;

Item, It is my will that my Executor, after my decease, purchase out of my estate, and present to my respected friend Molly Young a dress of black Bombazett to wear in remembrance of me;

Item, I give and bequeath to my friend Michael Sweetman the sum of One hundred and sixty dollars.

Item, I give and bequeath all the residue and remainder of my estate, whatsoever and wheresoever to my brother Hugh M. Collom of the County of Antrim, Ireland, — In case he should die before me. Then I give and bequeath one moiety of the said residue and

of the County of Antrim, Ireland, — In case he should die before me, then I give and bequeath one moiety of the said residue and remainder to my brother Bernard, and the other moiety thereof to the children of my sister Mary in the said county of Antrim. In case my said Brother Bernard should also be deceased before me, then I give and bequeath the whole of the said residue and remainder to such child or children of my said sister Mary as may be living at my death. —

Lastly I do hereby make and ordain my worthy friend Peyton R. Nesbitt, of the County of Halifax aforesaid, Executor of this my last will and testament. In Witness whereof I the said John M'Collom — Collom have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal the day and year first above written. —

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said John M'Collom the testator as his last will and testament in the presence of us who were present at the time of signing and sealing thereof.

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Halifax County } Then this Will was exhibited in open
} Nov.y Sess.s 1815 } Court and duly proven by the oaths of John E. Parker & Robert Mc. Man
who say that the said Will was read over verbatim to the said
John M. Collom, that in their presence, he acknowledged, pub-
lish'd & declar'd it to be his last will & testament & that he
was at the time of so doing of sound mind & disposing me-
mory — Ordered to be Recorded —
Witness Richard Eppes Clk

In the name of God Amen, I William Parker Sr.
being sick and weak but of sound mind & memory and
calling to mind the mortality of my body & knowing it ap-
pointed for man one to die, do make and ordain this as
my last will & testament.
Imprimis I give to my Daughter Polly Marshall four ne-