

In Witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed my seal
the day and year above written

Henry Wittels Secret

John Schorly

Minajah Weiser

John Hinshaw Seal

Stokes County December term 1800

The execution of the last Will and
Testaments of John Hinshaw Esq. of
which the foregoing is a true copy was
duly proven in open Court by the oath
of Henry Wittels and ordered to be recorded
which is accordingly done

Robt Wittgens &

J. H. Armstrong

In the name of God Amen!

I Abraham Hopley of Bethlehem in the County
of Stokes and State of North Carolina, Clerk being
weak in body but of peaceful and sound mind
and memory do make and declare this my last
will and Testament in manner following
First & principally I recommend my soul to God
who gave it and my body I commit to the
Earth to be decently interred and as to such
worldly Estate as God shall give me I do hereby

bestow upon me I give and dispose thereof

in manner hereafter mentioned that is to say

1. I will that all my just debts funeral expenses and
experts shall by my executors hereafter named be
paid out of my open Accounts or Cash in hand
2. I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary
Salome all my Household furniture and remaining open
books debts and Cash in hand

3. I give and bequeath unto my beloved Brother John
William Hopley of Hope in Duplin County, New Jersey
the sum of Fifty three and one third Dollars Money of
the United States and in case of his decease before
the payment of said sum I give the same to his
lawful begotten Children in like shares

4. I give and bequeath unto my beloved Sister Anne
Designa Doye of Bethlehem in Pennsylvania Widow
& Relict of the late Nicholas Lawrence Doye of like
residence in Pennsylvania aforesaid deceased the sum
of One hundred & five & two thirds Dollars of like
Money as aforesaid. And I will that the two
last mentioned bequests shall by my executors be
paid respectively as above said within six months
next after my decease

5. I do give and bequeath unto my said beloved
wife Mary Salome for and during her
natural life all the Interest which shall and
may be due of and on the remainder of my
Estate comprised & contained in several parcels

sum due me on several bonds and notes of Hand so that such interest does not exceed five per centum. And I will that my said Executors the said principal sum put out on interest and the said interest pay as above said unto my said wife during her natural life yearly and every year.

6.) I give and bequeath unto the Society of United Brethren in North America for propagating the Gospel amongst the Heathen the sum of Two hundred and fifty Dollars like money of the United States for the use of said Society.

7.) I further give and bequeath unto the said Society the sum of Two hundred and fifty Dollars like money in trust for an institution for the United Brethren for supporting aged Ministers amongst them known by the name of 'Sustentation Society' the said Two hundred and fifty Dollars by the said Society immediately on receipt thereof to be paid unto the hands of Frederic William Marshall esq. of Salem in North Carolina or his Successor in office for the inclusion and benefit of the said institution and the said two last mentioned Legacies & Sums shall by my said Executors be paid respectively as aforesaid within three months next after the decease of my said wife Mary Salomon.

8.) All the residue and remainder of my said Estate I give and bequeath unto the Natural Children of my said beloved wife Mary Salomon then and there alive and the same shall by my Executors be paid unto each of them respectively within six months next after the decease of my said beloved wife.

9.) And I hereby constitute & appoint my trust friends Christian Lewis Deacon of Salem in North Carolina Joseph Hane Christian Schwing Esquire and John Shroff Gentlemen both of Bethlehem in Pennsylvania my Executors of this my Last Will and testament hereby revoking and making void all former Wills by me heretofore made.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal the seventeenth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and a nearly six

Abraham Hepler (Seal)

signed sealed published & declared by the above named Abraham Hepler to be his Last Will & Testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as Witnesses in the presence of the Testator

Abraham Hepler

Witness Known

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Giles County December term 1800

The execution of the Last Will and testament of Abraham Hepler of which the foregoing is a

copy was duly proven in open Court by
the oaths of Abraham Stearns and others
to be recorded which is accordingly done

Robt Williams cc
J^r H. P. Armstrong do

In the name of God Amen the thirteenth
day of September one thousand eight hundred
I Silman Guinan of the County of Stokes State
of North Carolina being weak in body but
of perfect mind and memory thanks be
to God for the same and calling to mind the
uncertainty of death & knowing was once
appointed for all men to die do make and
ordain this to be my last will and testament
in manner and form following that is to
say. Imprimus I give and bequeath to my
dearly beloved wife Mary one negro woman
named Lucy and a negro man named Paul
during their natural life one Feather bed
and Furniture & on third of the other part
of my house hold furniture then to go as shall
be hereafter mentioned which is to be after
my just debts are paid. Item I give to
my dear daughter Martha and her heirs

to be equal divided five negroes namely
Aggy John Philomen Bob Frank Ross & Kate
them I also give to my Daughter Elizabeth
Daniel Half that tract of land lying between
Alexander Russell and Robert Adams during
her natural life and then the whole hole
of the tract to be equal divided between
Peter Burton & Thornton Preston Guinan my
son in Law None Item I also give to my
three Daughters Min if any be with
Sarah Loopy & Nancy five shillings each
Item I give to my Daughter Frances Britton one
the one half of my land whereon she now
lives in Halifax County Virginia one negro
man named Mike all which she is to hold
during her natural life then after her death
to go to her Daughter Mary Britton Item
I give to my Daughter Mary four one negro
woman named Hannah the children and
their heirs. Item I give to my daughter
Rebekah Burton that tract tract of land
which I now live on shall my stock fettle
Hogs Sheep & three hogheads of tobacco one
negro woman named Amy & her son Guinas
Item I give to Thornton Preston Guinan the
balance of my Estate Rail & Personal
to wit my plantation on the South Side