

37/ I Christian Minkler of Salem Stokes County State of North Carolina being in a declining state of health but thank God of sound mind and memory do this first day of November in the Year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and thirty six make this my last will and Testament in manner & form following to wit

- 1 My Burial I wish to be conducted after the customary manner in Salem
- 2 I bequeath and leave to my son William Parmenia out of particular regard of his services rendered unto me my legal & equitable little to my house and lot with the improvement thereon all the Stoves in house & kitchen as well as the Bakery & confectionary with all the utensils of copper Iron Brass wooden & earthen kind belonging thereto for the sum of sixteen hundred Dollars to be divided and paid unto my five children Christian, Henry William Parmenia Mathilda Amalia undermarried with Jacob Peters Lewis Benjamin and daughter Angelica share and share alike

I Give also unto William Parmenia a Desk and a 24 hour clock with case in my Southwestern Room

- 3 I Give to my son Christian Henry the chest of Drawers now in his use and the Eight day clock with case in my North Western Room & I Give to my Daughter Mathilda Amalia a Golden Watch

- 4 To my son Louis Benjamin I Give the Desk in my North Western room and my silver Watch

- 5 I Give to my youngest daughter Henrietta Angelica the Cherry Desk in my South Eastern room and a little brass dresser

- 6 Whereas all my children except the two youngest ones have been provided with bed and bedding; it is my will that my both Louis & Henrietta and each of them shall receive a complete bed bedding & bedstead

- 7 I Give & bequeath unto each of my before said five children two silver Dishes and two silver Tea spoons, and it is my will & desire that all remaining clothing Draper's Garments & wearing apparel Muslins & Linens should be as much as possible equally divided my named five Children

- 8 The Residue of all my personal property & Shalles consisting in money Notes money Accounts but standing debts due me shall be collected by my heirs after named Executors and all the remnant of my house & kitchen furniture & utensils bottles of all kind Grain the prepared & saleable confectionary wares as well as all flower butter sugar Molasses & other

38/ Ingredients whatsoever shall be sold at public sale by the Executors and as soon as my funeral expenses and my other Just debts shall have been paid it is my will that the remaining Ballance shall be equally divided between my five above mentioned Children share and share alike

- 9 & Lastly I hereby constitute & appoint my son Henry and my son in law Jacob Peters or either of them Executors of this my last will & Testament hereby revoking all other wills made and declaring this my Last will & Testament
- In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal day and year first above written

Witness

Benj^r Warner Jurat

Jacob Peters

William P Minkler

Christian Minkler (Seal)

Stokes County March Term 1839

The execution of the last Will and Testament of Christian Minkler was produced in open Court and duly proven according to Law by Benj^r Warner and ordered to be recorded which is done accordingly

Rd. Goldsboro, C. C.

In the Name of God Amen

I Rebecca Westman of Salem Stokes County North Carolina spinner do make & ordain this as my last will & Testament in manner & form following

- 1) I Give & bequeath unto Rebecca Feller daughter of Jacob Feller my black Merino Shawl black silk Handkerchief & several Towels also my German Golden Treasury & a box
- 2) I Give & bequeath unto Belinda Feller daughter of Jacob Feller my yellow silk Shawl & several Towels also a box with a cushion
- 3) I Give & bequeath unto Dorothea Christman wife of Jacob Christman my black cambray Drape & a cotton shall
- 4) I Give and bequeath unto my niece Demigna Feller my new undressed covered & Pillow & furniture belonging thereto also my new dark callies Drape & a quilt & bed spread also a blanket
- 5) I Give & bequeath unto my sister Elizabeth Christman my bedstead old undressed strawed Pillow & Cases belonging to it also the knife & fork I eat with
- 6) I Give and bequeath unto my niece Rosina Krause my light callies Drape a red flannel Petticoat & dark Apron
- 7) I Give & bequeath unto my sister-in-law Elizabeth a dark callies Drape & a white Handkerchief