

I Battlieb Shober being old and yet of sound mind blessed be God do make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following (My dear wife having died a few days ago.)

- I My Lot of Ground in Salem including my dwelling house Book Store with the Post office and other improvements with an out Lot and improvements shall be sold by private sale; and if any of my children or a grand child is the purchaser, for the purpose of inhabiting the same legally he or she shall have the same for two thirds of its reasonable appraised value for ever according to the Salem Seases; And the proceeds of the sale shall belong to the test and residue of my Estate; as also the two thirds of paid by any child or grand child of mine as above said.
- II My private Library shall only be sold in the family and be so divided that each child then alive at the sale shall receive equal in value and the children of my deceased children shall have their share of their parents as if they were alive and absent children or grand children may appoint an Agent at the distribution of the purchase made & have the distribution to my executor
- III My Daughter Betwain Elizabeth is hereby acknowledged to give to my Daughter Paulina and Lucinda from my Trinkets of Silver and pictures as much as will please them or their children without accounting the value
- IV The rest of my Pictures Trinkets china ware and whatsoever Betwain and Emanuel do not retain for themselves and which is in my dwelling house in Salem such as painted Likenesses they may distribute them as they please among them selves or others or relations
- V I give to my Daughter Betwain Elizabeth four thousand Dollars and Enock my servant untill he can be legally liberated. I also give to her my Gold Watch
- VI I give to my son Emanuel his Bond to me for three thousand Dollars which is in part of his legacy and is therefore discharged. And I also give to him my Negro Woman Nancy but if she and Enock her husband can be legally liberated and they promise to move to Liberia in Africa they shall be free but not before they have moved and my Executors may pay the ship freight out of the residue of my estate
- VII I give to the widow of my deceased son Nathaniel Rebecca one hundred Dollars to Reanna blander one hundred Dollars & to Elizabeth Simbark for her own use one hundred Dollars

- I Give to every Sunday School in Exeter at my decease and only such as have united with the American Sunday School that the Stokes County Union Ten Dollars each for increasing their reading Libraries and the Ten Dollars for each is to be placed in the Stokes County Sunday School Union in Sunday School Books or money in trade for the above purposes
- IX All my Land in Surry and Stokes County I devise in fee simple to my son Emanuel on condition that he pay for the same at the rate of five Dollars per hundred acre and charge no expenses and account for it in the division of the test and residue of my Estate And if he does not choose to own it at that rate or price I devise all said Land to be sold by private or publick sale in a lump or in parcels by my Executors or either of them with power to convey by themselves or their Agent or agents to the purchasers by Special Warranty
 - X The money on hand the outstanding debts goods and books on hand in the store or left is the foundation of all specific legacies hereinafore mentioned and bequeathed and my Executors are requested to deliver all specific legacies in 5 months or less and the money legacies in six months or to secure to the legacies Interest at the rate of five per cent at least from four months after my decease untill the premises can come in and be paid to them
 - XI All the test and residue of my Estate both real and personal not hereinafore particularly devised shall be sold or rented or hired out to the best advantage by my executors or either of them or the survivor of them by private or publick contract or sale at their or his option and they may hire a clerk or store keeper and pay him out of the Estate with power singly or jointly to endorse creditors notes without removal or make Special Warranty Deeds on all sales of Land and the proceeds of the whole and which is not wanted to pay debts funeral expenses and the above legacies shall be equally divided in 6 shares to be divided among my children or their representatives as soon as may be as one hundred Dollars and 40 Dollars are received viz Emanuel Shober Paulina Sherman Teresa Moller Betwain Eli Shober and the children of Johanna Givley and the children of my son Nathaniel or their heirs 6 shares all alike and the acting Executor or administrator may retain reasonable per cent from each share for their trouble besides all necessary expenses.
 - XII If at any time any thing should be obtained procured and recovered on my purchase of land in Maryland from the Nantasket Indians as recorded in Dorchester County

29) these or off former partions or their heirs of my land plantation
in the year 1795. it all belongs to my son Emanuel if obtained at
his prouder expence

XIII Should any differences arise between the Legales and Executors
my will is that such shall be settled by sensible arbitrators impartially
chosen by both parties from citizens of Salem who if they cannot agree
may choose an umpire whose decision shall be final

XIV And I do appoint my son Emanuel and Christians Blum
Eggs or either of them or the survivor of them Executors of this my
last will and Testament trusting that he or they (or an Administrator
appointed by the Court in case of Death or resignation) will exert
themselves with such perfection as human frailty allows. an honor
And I do hereby revoke all former will or wills by me ever made
proclaiming in the presence of the subscribing witnesses hereunto annexed
that this and no other is my last will and Testament

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this
19 day of June A.D. one thousand eight hundred and thirty five
Signed sealed published and
declared by the Testator as and for his last will and Testament
in the presence of us being
thereunto expressly called
John Voglar Jurat.
Alexander & Blum

Codicil to my last will and Testament which was executed signed
on the 19 Day of June 1835. As it was always my will to assist in
extending the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ by pure Gospel
without enthusiasm and believing that the desire to extend pure heart
religion among so called Christians is a thing of the highest necessity
to prepare souls for the meeting of the Saviour either by being called
home or at the appearance of the Saviour among us
I think it to be of the utmost consequence to appoint and send out fully
authorized preachers of the Gospel according to the Augsburg confession
and Luther's smitten catechism or the doctrine therein contained

30) Which is also the doctrine of the so called Moravian
Brethren or Moravians to visit families hold meetings with them and
their children in order to encourage them not to depend upon
the day to which they may belong but only on Jesus promising down
— I therefore believe that a society ought to be formed to propagate the
pure Doctrine of Jesus as he preached them and a preacher by them
sent ought to be independent of European dictation but only to such
rules as the Bible & New Testament contains from which rules for
the society and the preacher to be sent ought to be formed according
to American principles without despotism and only friendly dictation
such as the society of true Christians approve of

Now as the Moravian Brethren have formerly done much in their
time with evident blessings to immortal souls and for bringing also
children to the Lord I think they ought to renew their exertions
and so as to erect private small churches to be attended by a
Moravian fully authorized Minister who also in case of opportunity
is openly to preach & administer the sacraments to such whom
they approve of as believing disciples of Jesus

If then such a thing is to be done it requires many
Now if the Directory of the North Carolina Moravian Ministry
do erect such a Society for the above Gospel & for sending by that
society the above itinerant Gospel preachers I have by my
Will authorized my executors to pay to such society twenty fifty
dollars a year for 5 years to come. That is one hundred Dollars a
Year. as a beginning of a society fund But if no
such Society is erected for such a purpose nothing shall
be paid by my Executors such a minister will no doubt
renew contributions to report monthly to a board appointed
by the Society for his support & prospects

In Witness whereof I have to this codicil of my last will
set my hand and seal as part of my will this 19 day of
June A.D. one thousand eight hundred thirty five
Signed by the Testator to my
last Will who saw the signing
sign this codicil

John Voglar Jurat
Alexander & Blum

For probate see Sept 1838 -
minutes Do. etc.