

In the name of God amen

Christian Heinge of Salem, Stokes State of North Carolina being in perfect health & of sound mind memory & strength for which as well as for all money & favors received, God be praised, reflecting on the fragility of life & thought fit to make this my last will & testament.

I do hereby do becommennd my soul into the hands of my dear Creator & Saviour Jesus Christ & order that my body shall be interred in a decent & Christian manner. As touching my earthly estate wherein it has pleased God to bless me, I desire & bequeath the same in following manner

1) I give & bequeath unto my dear son Christian Thomas Hoff on both sides for the use of his children, all my bed clothing & common household

2) I give & bequeath unto Samuel Thomas Hoff in Salem my God child the sum of thirty dollars in hand money my watch one large & small gun & one pair of silver knee buckles.

3) I give & bequeath unto the other five children of dear Christian Thomas Hoff of Bethlehem, that is to say, to his son Theodor Christian, the wife Jakob Benjamin Hoff & his daughter Sophie Elizabeth Hoff Charlotte In answer Hoff & Caroline Sophia Hoff, each of them the sum of five dollars in hand money, that is to them in all twenty five dollars.

4) I give & bequeath unto my God child August Theophilus Gierling of Salem the sum of fifteen dollars hand money

5) I give & bequeath unto the Society of the United Brethren for the furtherance of the Gospel among heathens in Bethlehem the sum of ten dollars hand money

6) I give & bequeath unto Caroline Elizabeth Gots of Salem the sum of ten dollars in hand money.

And if thou shouldst, after all my just debts paid & this house mortgage & sums have been paid over & a portion of my remaining when it then it shall be divided among the house mentioned persons in equal shares & in case there should be a difference of claim then equal deduction shall be made of every person's share here named

And I do desire & appoint my worthy friends Samuel Hoff & John Hoff to be executors of both of Salem and President of this my last will & testament fully executing all former wills by me made.

In virtue whereof I have signed my hand & seal

this 12th day of February Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred & 24

signed & sealed & acknowledged in our presence
Nathaniel Beckel
Magnus Kuttner Priest

Christian Heinge ordered on his death bed that Thomas Hoff for shall receive the sum of eight dollars for attending him while sick Charles Huger shall receive three dollars & Mrs. Barlendenback shall have a new cover bed.

We the undersigned, Nathan Wright & John C. Blum Esqrs. being appointed to translate the meaning & construction of the last will & testament of Christian Heinge from the German to the English language, do certify that the foregoing is such a one as conveys the true meaning & sense & intention of the above mentioned will of Christian Heinge.

In testifying whereof we have subscribed our hands & seals
John C. Blum
N. Wright

Stokes County

March term 1824

The execution of the last will & testament of Christian Heinge of which the foregoing is a true copy taken from the original, was duly proved in open court before the with of Magnus Kuttner & Clerk to say so & certify
Not before me Clerk
by M. M. M. M. M.

In the name of God Amen, I John Polak of North Carolina Stokes County, being in sound mind & memory (God be praised) do this twentieth day of May in the year of Lord one thousand eight hundred & 24 = 24th make & publish this my last will & testament in the manner following = (that is to say)
First I give & bequeath my spirit into the hand of God that give it
I give & bequeath unto my son John the plantation whereon I now live, & after all my just debts are paid, the remainder of my movable property

to be sold separately amongst all my children that is to say, Mary
Mary, Sally, Thomas, John & Phoebe
And I hereby make known my sons Thomas & John Executors of this my last
will & testament, in witness whereof I the said John Blake do hereby
to this my last will & testament set my hand & seal the day & year above
written

signed sealed published and declared
by the said John Blake as the testator
in his last will & testament in the presence
of us who were present at the time of the
saying reading thereof
Jacob Holcomb
George Southwick
Benjamin Southwick
John Blake do hereby seal
Notary Public for the County of Middlebury
The execution of the last will and
testament of John Blake do hereby
solely proper in open Court by the
of Jacob Holcomb & George Southwick and Ben
Southwick Sec
by M. M. Moore

In the name of God Amen, I Charles Dalton of the County of Middlebury of
the State of Vermont being of sound & disposing mind & memory do make certain
public & certain the following to be my last will & testament, to wit

1st It is my will that all my just debts & funeral charges be paid by my
Executors out of my cash or home & out standing debts

2nd It is my will & desire that my well beloved wife Susannah shall possess
during the plantation when I now live together with one other tract of land
on the water of old field's creek known by the name of Lower old place
containing about four hundred & fifty acres & including about twenty
three acres around the old labor meeting house & extending out of the last
mentioned quantity as much thereof as I have heretofore claimed for the use of
said meeting house, together with all the profits & emoluments arising therefrom
during the time of her or dowryhood or so long as she shall survive & after the death
of my said wife Susannah or if she shall voluntarily leave the said premises then
either of them unto I give & bequeath the said two tracts of land and
premises together with all the profits & their appurtenances to my brother David
Dalton & to him & his heirs forever

3rd I give & bequeath unto my said wife Susannah the following negro
slaves to wit: Simon, Lewis, Bartley & his two children, Jonathan & Joseph
Hogg, Alonzo & his wife & children, Peter, Andrew, Hannah,
Hannah & Phoebe, Sally, Isaac, Dor, Anne, Keturah, Paulina, & Stephens
4th I give & bequeath unto my said wife Susannah four thousand
dollars in cash & I give & bequeath unto my said wife Susannah

hold a children's furniture except such as may hereafter be otherwise dis-
posed of, and my carriage and harness together with such part of my wearing ap-
parel as she may choose to keep & the balance to my brother David Dalton
5th I give & bequeath unto my nephew Madison Dalton a negro man
called (Blacksmith) Sam, but do not warrant the title of said negro
further than against all claims under me or in my name provided
nevertheless that if my estate shall sustain any loss or damage by the
sale of my brother Stephen Dalton's debt my said wife shall retain the
possession of said negro man Sam & have rent until such loss or
damage shall be reimbursed to my estate

6th It is my will that after the death or removal of my wife from this place
where I now live, that my said nephew Madison Dalton shall have
my desk and my nephew Isaac Dalton shall have my clock

7th I also give & bequeath unto my nephew Madison Dalton a gun
which I purchased at his father's sale

8th I give & bequeath unto my brother David Dalton my two
shot guns and my rifle and my silver watch, also the following
books, to wit: John Mills treatise on cattle, Henry's meditations, life &
travels of George Fox, Young's shepherds guide, a small prayer book,
Pittsford's, Sheridan's Dictionary, & Methodist Magazine to him &
his heirs forever

9th I give & bequeath unto my said wife Susannah the
following books, to wit: My family Bible, Hymn Book, Walter's catechism,
Family advice, Experience of Walter an Orator, Walter's hymns, Methodist dis-
cipline & the grounds of a holy life to her & her heirs forever

10th I give unto my nephew John & his wife Nancy each and also the additional sum of two hundred
and a fifty dollars each of my navigation stock

11th I will that if Susannah & her children do not shall have one
hundred & fifty dollars each in consequence of the death of a negro which
I sold to Charles Dalton

12th It is my will that all my negroes not otherwise disposed of, shall
be sold in a series of twelve months and the one half of the proceeds
of such sale I give unto my brother David Dalton, and the other half
thereof I lend to my wife Elizabeth & her surviving her natural life and upon
her death the same to be equally divided among all her children

13th I will that all my stock of horn cattle, hogs & sheep and farming utensils
shall be sold either for cash or a certain quantity of produce at the discretion of
my Executors & that my wife Susannah shall have one third part of the pro-
ceeds of such sale & sold that my brother David Dalton shall have one third
of the proceeds & the balance to my sister Elizabeth & her surviving