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Brought over — £129. 15. 6
Coat Jacket &c — 4. 0. 0
500 feet of Blank — 1. 17. 6
1 Looking Glass — 5. 0
2 Tubs 2 pairs of Iron Cast — 10. 0
1 Working Bench — 10. 0
1 Bed — 2. 0

Total £137. 11. 0
Abm. Steiner } Executors
Peter Stein }

Hoke County December Term 1797.

An Inventory of the Estate of
Ballhasan Shulman ~~Estate~~ of which
the foregoing is a true copy and
returned by the Executor & ordered
to be recorded. Done accordingly by

Robt. Williams
for Robt. Williams &c

In the name of God, Amen!
I John Marks Hone of Hoke County in this
State of North Carolina Planter being weak
in body but of sound and disposing mind &
memory do hereby make my last will
& testament in manner and form following
that is to say.

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I give and bequeath unto my dear wife Ann
Elizabeth during her natural life the full sum
of Two hundred pounds in actual Gold or silver
or the same paper now in North Carolina; & it
is my will and intention that after my decease
she shall maintain herself with the interest
arising thereon besides the income unto her reserved
in the further part of this my last Will &
Testament from my son Christian Henry but
she shall nevertheless have liberty from time
to time to take of these Two hundred pounds
what she wants for her maintenance and when
the interest thereof should or shall not be sufficient
for it; and I will and ordain that after the decease
of my dear wife Ann Elizabeth these two hundred
pounds or the residue thereof with any interest thereon
then due shall be divided between my Children
John Phillip Christian Henry, Martin, Callarina
Christian and Rosina share and share alike
& if any one of them die before me the Child
or Children of the Decedent shall inherit or share
thereof together in equal parts.

And I will and ordain that after my death
my dear Ann Elizabeth shall remain living on
my plantations where I now live free from
all rents and incumbrances whatsoever until the
day of her death and enjoy all the privileges
from my son Christian Henry his heirs executors &
Assignments which I shall receive after my death
and that without any further award to him or them

And I give & bequeath unto my dear ~~children~~
John Phillip and Martin to each of them
all that tract of land on which each of
them lives that is to say to my son John &
his heirs forever the two hundred and thirty five
acres of land adjoining my said plantation
whereon he now lives and for which he has
my Deed; To my son Phillip and his heirs
forever all that tract of land in Rowan
County whereon he now lives, for which I
paid the money & for which he has a Deed from
the former owner; To my son Martin and his
heirs forever all that tract of land in Rowan
County which he has now possession of. for which
I paid the money & for which he has a Deed from
the former owner; And I give and bequeath
unto my ~~son~~ dear son John and his heirs forever
Two hundred & thirty five acres of of land more of
my present plantation aforementioned adjoining
the land on which he now lives.

And I give and bequeath unto my dear son
~~John~~ Christian Henry and his heirs forever all
the remainder of my aforesaid present plantation
which is five hundred and thirty acres of land
be the same more or less together with all the
houses, barns, stables, and other out house buildings
and any other improvements matters or things
thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining
together with all the horse and mule (cattle etc)
shall be on the plantation and belonging. and
at my decease provided nevertheless that

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the said my son Christian Henry his heirs executors
or administrators shall cheerfully and without any
demon or reward furnish my dear wife Ann
Elizabeth during her Natural life with all the bread
meat and other necessary & comfortable provisions she
may want during her that time also allow her
a good and sufficient spot in the garden to raise
pulses on and also allow her constantly the milk
from two cows or much fruit from the Orchard
and from time to time as much wood for fuel
delivered or near to her habitation as she shall
want

I also give and bequeath unto my dear Grand
children John & Elizabeth Bonthe one hundred and
thirty pounds in actual Gold or silver paying
as above or in the best other money that can
be had out of my undivided estate to be
divided between them then and then alike
or in case one of them should die before my
decease I give and bequeath there one hundred
& thirty pounds to the survivor of them

I also give and bequeath unto my dear son Christian
Henry all my plantations utensils and household
furniture the House Clock the Copper ~~stove~~ wash
Kettle Bible Hymn Book except such part of
the Household furniture ^{which} my dear wife Ann
Elizabeth want I choose to keep for her own use
I also give and bequeath all the residue of
my Estate not herein before devised or disposed of

to my beloved Children John, Phillip, Martin
Henry, Martin, Catharina Christina and Anna
to be divided among them share and share
alike and if any one of them die before
me the Child or Children of the deceased
inherit one share thereof together in equal part
And I will and ordain that in the case
of my Estate as aforesaid by my Children
or their offsprings above named none of them
shall be charged with any money, matter
or thing which they had or afrom me during
my life time

And I appoint my beloved wife Anna Elizabeth
and my dear Son John Hous and Christian
Henry Hous and the Survivors of them
Executors or executor of this my last will & testament

And I hereby publish and declare the
foregoing to be my last will and testament
all intents and purposes and I hereby revoke and
annull all wills and testaments by me at any
time heretofore made

I witness whereof I John Marks Hous have
hereunto set my hand and seal this fifteenth day
of February in the year of our Lord one
thousand seven hundred & ninety seven

Published and declared by
John Marks Hous the testator
as his last will and testament and
by him signed sealed and
delivered a book in the presence
of us who in the presence of
each other have subscribed names
as witnesses

John Marks Hous
(with in Dutch)

Henry Rippke Jurat
Jacob Rothrock
Robert Jones

Stokes County September term 1797

The execution of the last will and
testament of John Marks Hous
of which the foregoing is a true
copy was proven in open court
by the oath of Henry Rippke
and ordered to be recorded
which is accordingly done by

Thos. Armstrong De
for Robt Williams CC

March 7th 1798

We hereby certify that the whole
amount of Marks Hous Estate in money
& Bonds amounts to one thousand eight
hundred & thirty eight dollars and fifty cents
the other property
Given under our hands the date above written

John Hous } Executors
Christian Hous }

Stokes County March term 1798

the total amount of the Estate of Marks Hous
of which the foregoing is a true copy was returned
& ordered to be recorded which is accordingly done by

Thos. Armstrong De
for Robt Williams CC