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with all their future female increase but the Male increase I give
and my own State during her stay with my wife and children and in
case she survive from thence then that both Male and female increase
be brought unto the said Anne and her heirs and assigns forever
And lastly to my two Loving friends Mr. Henry and Mr. Wm.
Cassidy is that they will advise and instruct my Dearest Wife in that
way they know for the carrying on and performing this my last and
last Testament and further I do desire that they will instruct my two
afore said friends in case my dear wife shall think fit to change her
Condition of Widowhood to a married Life to choose her whom she
shall marry with to enter into Bond with a sufficient Security
to perform all and singular the particulars in this my last will
expressed and for the true performance of this my last will and
Testament I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 21st day of
March 1669.

Simon Carpent. (Sealed)

Witnessed by the
Hand of John Simmons.
The March of John Simmons.

In the Name of God Amen.
The last will and Testament of me John Collett being in perfect
mind and Memory Blessed be God.
First I bequeath my soul into the hands of my Blessed Maker
and Redeemer at what hour and time he shall please to call for it
Next my Body to our Mother Earth there if possible by my dear
wife to be interred.

Next I make my two eldest Sons Samuel Collett and John Collett
my sole Executors to see this my last Will performed & executed
and my Debts to my first paid I do give and bequeath unto my
three Sons my whole Estate as followeth.

First I give and bequeath unto my eldest Son Samuel my Part
or Moety of a Tract of Land being 400 acres taken up by me
and my Brother in Law Mr. George Gossnuth also I give unto
him my part of Three hundred acres of Land lying in
Creeks in Baltimore County. The former 400 acres heretofore
lying in the River in the County of also there are several
Tracts of Land which are taken up in his Name and sent into the
Office Surveyed upon rights due to me which are granted in the
Office which I give and assign over unto my Son Samuel.
Next I give and bequeath unto my Son John Collett two Tracts

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of Land lying in Saspar River near the head of the River taken
up in my Name each of them 250 acres apiece also a tract of Land
lying in Gunpowder River being 600 acres which he is already
possessed with it being taken up upon my rights it being patented
in his Name which rights I assign over unto him.
Next I give unto my Youngest Son George Collett this Plantation
I do now live upon he to be possessed therewith at the age of one
and twenty years till which time to be in the possession of his
other Brothers to live upon it, as they shall think fit also I give
unto my said Son George Collett the Haystack and Orchard belong-
ing to his said Plantation and a Man servant three Cows and
six Swine the first Mare Colt that any of my Mares shall bring
that and her increase to go for his profit and benefit and in case
the Mares do bring none a Mare Colt from his Brothers are
to buy him a young Mare when is at age of of Eighteen years
also I give unto my said son a feather Bed and furniture to sit and
a thousand pounds of Tobacco for other Necessaries towards his
keeping also a State of Land lying in Gunpowder River -
called Georges Hill taken up in his Name upon my rights
which I give and assign unto him and if in case my said son
die before he come to Age then his two Brothers equally to
Enjoy his part.

Next I give unto my two Sons Samuel and John all my
Good Debts Chattells Moveables and Immoveables or any
thing that is or can be called Mine or Belonging to me to be
equally divided between them Samuel being to take his share
Only particularly I give unto Samuel his Mothers Wedding
Ring and my Seal Ring and a Silver Beaz Cupp and to my
Son John a Silver Wine Cupp also my Will and desire is
that my Son George may be brought up with his two Broth-
ers and I earnestly enjoin them to teach him to Read and
Write and in Confirmation of this my last will and Testament
I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 21st day of
March 1669. In the year of our Lord God Annoq Dom One thousand
Six hundred Sixty Nine
John Collett. (Sealed)
Signed Sealed and delivered
in the Presence of
John I R. Boones
his Mark
Jeromey I D. Dargor flat his Mark
Sam. Gouldsmith

(Ock)

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October 29th 1670

Sheweth in written Will of John Collett was by the oath of John Graves and Jeremiah Dingerfeldt Witnesses thereunto in Common forme proved before me the day and year above written.

Will. Collett.

In the Name of God Amen the one and twentieth day of September 1670, according to the Computation of the Church of England, I Thomas Perry of Colbert County being of perfect Memory and Understanding Prayed be God to make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and forme following (Viz)

First I bequeath my Soul unto the hands of Almighty God my Maker hoping that thorough the Meritorious Death and Passion of Jesus Christ my only Saviour and Redeemer to receive free Pardon for my Sins and as for my Body to be buried in Christian Buriall at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named.

Item I give unto Samuel Graves the younger all my plantation and Land what soever belonging to me with my Orchard and houseing thereunto belonging.

Item I give unto my Servant Jonathan Richard two whole years of the terme which the Court bound him to me for to be given him after my decease.

Item I give unto my Servant Elizabeth Barker one red Cow Item I give unto the above Monced Samuel Graves Jun^r one Cow Called by the Name of Coby.

Item all the Remainder of my Goods Chattells and Debts or any thing what soever I freely and absolutely give to be Equally Divided betwixt the other three Children of Samuel.

Graves the Elder whose Names are John Graves Thomas Graves and Jean Graves their Sister, to say I give unto them three all the rest of my Estate.

Item I ordain Samuel Graves the Elder the above said Children further my true and lawfull Executor to see this Will performed. Provided that he will pay all my Debts and Legacies and make him self Executor of this my last Will and Testament Revoking all other Wills and Testaments. I make this my last Will and Testament. In Witness Whereof I have hereunto put my hand and Seal the day & year above written The Perry Sealed

(Witness)

Libert A

Witness
Michael Higgen
Signum
William Wilkinson

October 29th 1670 The foregoing Will of Thomas Perry was by the oath of Michael Higgen one of the Witnesses thereunto in Common forme proved before me the day & year above said

Will. Collett.

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In the Name of God Amen.

The last day of January one Thousand six hundred eighty with according to the Computation of the Church of Rome, I Darby Cunningham of Colbert County in the Province of Maryland being of perfect Memory and Understanding Prayed be to God to make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and forme following (Viz)

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First I bequeath my Soul unto the hands of Almighty God my Maker hoping that thorough the Meritorious Death and Passion of Jesus Christ my only Saviour and Redeemer to receive free pardon for my Sins and as for my Body to be buried in Christian Buriall at the discretion of my Executor hereafter nominated Item I give wholly and freely unto my Loving Michael Higgen all my Land Houses and Haysteds stuffs Leases Conveyances of Land Rights and all other the promises what sover as well Moveables as Immoveables.

And further more I do give unto him the said Michael Higgen as aforesaid all my Land and what sover else that belongs to me without any manner of Incumbrances troubles Molestation Sutes Actions or Causes of actions that may happen by any person or persons What sover after my decease.

I do hereby give unto him the said Michael Higgen my Loving friend full Power as aforesaid and as my true and lawfull Executor Revoking all other Wills and Testaments And to give him full power and authority wheroby no Person what sover shall in no wise trouble in the said Executor as well neep my hand and Seal the day and year above written

Signed Sealed and delivered

The Marks of

In the presence of

The Marks of John L. Ely

The Marks of Henry H. Harris

John 3 Dyer his Mark

above said

Darby Cunningham (Seal)

October 29th 1670.

The above written Will of Darby Cunningham was by the oath of John L. Ely and John Dyer Witnesses thereunto in Common forme proved before me the day and year above said

Will. Collett.

(The)

26th Nov.

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In the name of God Amen

From One Thousand Six Hundred and Seventy Henry Cooke of London Merchant being very sick and weak but of perfect Memory Do give and bequeath my soul to my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ that gave it and my body to the ground to be decently buried In hopes of a better life when this is ended Doacknowledge this to be my Last Will and Testament Revoking all former Wills whatsoever

I give and bequeath unto my wife Barbara Cooke all my whole and sole Estate as being my Executrix of all manner of Unmovables only Not to pay unto my Brother Edward Cooke Three thousand pounds of Tobacco and after my wife's decease I give unto my said Brother Edward one half of the land that I bought of William Canedo so leaving all to the hands of the almighty I have herunto set my hand and seal this Eleventh day of November 1670

Sealed Signed & Delivered
In the presence of us -

Thomas Dent
Curtis Fletcher

The above said Will was by the Oathes of Thomas Dent and Curtis Fletcher Witnesses therunto in London for me proved this 26th Day of November 1670 - William Talbot.

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26th Nov 8
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In the Name of God Amen. The last Will and Testament of John Lawrence being very sick and weak in Body but in perfect Sense and memory in manner & form following

First I bequeath my soul to God in hopes of a happy resurrection.

Secondly my body to the Earth to be Christian (who buried) and for my worldly Estate as follo.

Thirdly I make John Wright my whole and sole Executor to look after and to Dispose of all followeth

Fourthly to Nicholas Broadaway one Cow and a Bull which is out in the Woods.

Fifthly to John Wright two Cows and four hundred Pounds of Tobacco at Nicholas Broadawayes

Sixthly Philip Conner four hundred and sixty pounds of Tobacco at Mr. Smiths in Wip River

Seventhly to John Wright Two Hundred and Forty Pounds of

(John)

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The Municipal Will of Daniel Johnson made the Eighth day of October one Thousand six hundred and seventy in the presence of Richard Todd and James Kay as followeth viz:

That on the Eighth day of October one thousand six hundred and seventy Daniel Johnson fell of his horse and called to us Good People I desire Mr. Kay to be my Executor and my wife to have her thirds and my Boy have my Horse and to be sent for England as formerly I had ordered it -

This a Court Record Will of Daniel Johnson was by the Oathes of Richard Todd and James Kay Witnesses therunto in London for me proved before me the One and twentieth Day of October one Thousand six hundred and seventy. Will. Calvert.

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In the Name of God Amen I John Barnes being weak in Body but in perfect Memory Do here grant this to be my last Will and Testament Revoking and Disannulling all other Wills and Testaments heretofore by me made and this to be taken for my last Will and Testament.

I do hereby give and Grant and bequeath unto my friend John Curtis two young Cows and likewise my hundred acres of land that lyes in Broad Brookes and also a Bill of Will. Bell End 550 due to be paid the next year and likewise two Shotes and their increase one being a Will. Goodwins and the other at the plantation of Anthony Males or thereabouts, One Barrow which is due from Edward Hester, I bequeath it to the said Hester, also the said John Curtis is to pay all my Lawfull Debts as far as my Estate goes Making and including my friend John Curtis my Lawfull Heir or Administrator. I confirmacion hereof I have herunto set my hand and seal this 18th day of November Anno D. 1669.

Testis the Marks of
Thomas F. Fletcher
James Murphoy.

The Marks of
Jn. B. Barnes (Sealed)

This 19th of November 1670

The last will and Testament of John Barnes Deceased was brought into the Office and that John Curtis the Executor herin named did then refuse to have the said will or any wife to administer or intermeddle in the Estate of the Deceased the Papers relating to the said Estate hath delivered up into the said Office -

Thus ordered to be Entered by Philip Calvert.

(An)

126. A. Take all virtue of Henry Wright In Wags River,
Eighty to John Right Mr Francis Jones Doct and the rest of
my Debt and all John Smiths two Hundred pounds of Tobacco-
and all John Dubbs one hundred pounds of Tobacco-
Monthly to Mary Tennant one hundred pounds of Tobacco-
In witness whereof I have here unto set my hand and Seal
the xxviiith Day of November 1670

Signe Sealed and Delivered

In the presence

William Aydon

Vice Notary.

John C. Lawrence
his Signe and Seale

(Sealed)

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De Robert
1670.

February 10th 1665.

In the Name of God Amen. I Ralph Bissell being in
perfect mind and Memory Doth make and ordain this my last
Will and Testament in form and manner as followeth First I
give and bequeath my Soul to him that Gave it, and my Body
unto the Earth from Whence it Came.

Secondly Concerning my Outward Estate I shall dispose on
in form and manner as followeth After my Debts is satisfied
unto Mr Crofts three Hundred Thirty pounds of Tobacco-
Unto the Sailor Three hundred fifty pounds Tobacco Unto Doctor
Hays Two hundred pounds Tobacco, Unto Mr Evans for my Booke
two years and for the Rent of fifty acres of Land two years
Unto Doctor Lane one hundred and fifty pound of Tobacco
Unto William Peridgo fifty pounds Tobacco.

Unto Thomas his son two hundred and twenty four lb of Tobacco
After these my Debts are satisfied I do ordain and appoint My
Loving Wife Mary Bissell to be the Sole Executor of my personal
Estate Excepting my fifty acres of Land I now live upon and two
Cows Called Gentle and Cherry and that I do give and bequeath
Unto my Loving son Alice Ralph Bissell Jun^r the two Oxen
to be delivered after my decease to go forward for the good of my son
both Male and female and also my wife to live upon the plantation
till the Child Comes to age I making him at age when he is
Seventeen years of age but she shall not (have) any more go and
Southward No further thence Great Charnatt and also I do give
and bequeath my Gun to be delivered unto him as well fixt as the
is now left when he Comes to age this being my last will and

(Testament)

126. A. Testament as Witness my hand the day and year above writ-
en-
Signed and delivered
in the presence of us
Francis Landry
The markes T. S. of
Thomas Watkins.

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De Robert

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In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Ingram of Kent County
in the Province of Maryland Gent^l being sick and weak in body
but of sound and perfect memory God be praised Do make and
ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and
form following that is to say First I bequeath my Soul unto the
hands of the Almighty trusting to Receive Remission of my
Sins and Enter into Eternal Rest In and through the Meri-
torious blood of my Saviour Jesus Christ.

Next my body to the Earth from whence it was taken to he-
ceive Christian buriall according to the Discretion of my Execu-
tors hereafter mentioned, Item I give and bequeath unto William
Vaughan Tenn Thousand pounds of Tobacco to be laid out to buy
for the said William a Tract of Land in the year of our Lord
one Thousand six hundred Seventy and Two, also I give unto
the said William Vaughan six and thirty pound Sterling money
which is in the hands of my Brother Anthony Ingram of the
City of London Gent^l to be delivered unto him when he shall
Come of the age of one and Twenty years either in kind or Tobacco
to the full value here of or in other Goods, Item I give and bequeath
unto My Loving Wife Mary my Boat of about sixteen foot
by the Steele and also my Brown Mare and her Calf only the
first Mare Calf the said Mare shall bring shall be to the proper
use and behoofe of the above said William Vaughan also my Share
that is att John Meathackins and one lb of Silver to be for the
keeping of my funerall the which Silver is below six and
seven years old being of the said John Meathackins proper-
marke Lastly I make Robert Dunn of the Island of Kent-
as^t Gent^l and Dyborough Bennett of the said Island or County
above said my whole and Sole Executors and Overseers of this my
last Will and Testament Provided that they shall not disturb
nor Molest my Loving Wife in the Possession of What she hath.

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 Enjoy which formerly belonged to the Estate of Capⁿ Robert
 Vaughan her Late Husband Deceased And further I give to my
 said Executors or Overseers five Hundred pounds of Tobacco to buy
 Each of them a Mourning Scarf the which Tobacco is to be the
 first paid out of my Estate And if my said Estate should not
 Contain to pay the full Sum of Legacies which I have given
 then my Will is that so many of my Cattle and Hogs be sold
 to make it good In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my
 hand and Seal this Thirteenth day of September Anno Domini
 1669

Tho. Ingram (Sealed)

Signified and sealed
 in the presence of us } on a loose paper was thus written
 Thomas Cooper
 Samuel Walter } September 18th 69

That the seal of Land in Choptank sold to Thomas Philips (if he
 holds his Bargaine) for four thousand and six hundred pounds
 of Tobacco and that hundred acres of Land sold to Robert Hunt for
 Three thousand pounds of Tobacco is part of the Tenn thousand
 given to William Vaughan and if the said Thomas Philips doth
 not fulfill his Bargaine the said Land to be William Vaughans
 in part of his said Legacy of Tenn thousand pounds of Tobacco
 as Witness my hand the Day and Yeare above written
 Witness

Tho. Ingram

Thomas Cooper
 Samuel Walter

Upon another paper was thus written of Contra is Credit
 Instructions for my Wife Upon the first Westerly Wind
 for the hands to Load the Boate at the back Landing with six
 Casks of Spices and one with Serry they being all good and fitter a
 Mr. Sawyers Judgment and there to deliver at Mr. Hoods
 Plantation taking a Receipt for so many Casks Likewise if
 Mr. Hoods should come for to Deliver six Casks of Spices to him
 taking a Receipt for so many Casks all to go out of the long room
 if he be wanting of a boate you may let him have mine provided
 he Engage to return her with Expedition but no hands there so
 leaving all other things to go to Discretion the said and protect us all
 and give us a Peaceable happy Meeting As I am your truly
 Loving Husband

Tho. Ingram

January 29 from Edward Bartons
 If you see me no more I give my seat of Land at Choptank
 to William Vaughan of Kent County to him and his heirs

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for Ever

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Walter & Thomas

the Marke

William V. Wilson

The 15th Day of April 1671

On the foregoing Will was thus written
 I Robert Dunn of Kent County Gentl. attorn of Dorchester Bennett
 above named both for the said Dorchester and myself Acknowledge
 acquit the trust reposed in us by the above named Thomas Ingram
 as his Executors of his Last Will and Testament During the
 Tido in testamentary Causes to grant Letters of Administration
 of the said Estate unto Mary Ingram Widow of the said Thomas
 deceased Witness my hand this day and year above said

Robert Dunn

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I John Bagbie of Calvert County in the Province of Maryland Plant^r
 being of sound and perfect Memory do hereby begeth
 do ordain and appoint this my last Will and Testament in
 Manner and form following First I Surrender up my Soul
 into the hands of allmighty God who gave it and to Jesus Christ
 my blessed Redeemer hoping by his Merits and Mediation only
 to attain to Eternall Salvation and my Body to the Earth
 from whence it Came to be orderly and decently buried And I
 do by these presents revoke all former Will or Wills by me made
 appointing this to be my last Will and Testament and also that
 my Just Debts and financial Charges being satisfied what
 State it hath pleased God in his Mercy to bestow upon me in this
 World I dispose of as followeth

Imp^{ly} I give and bequeath unto my Loving Wife Severall
 Bagbie three Cows Called by the names of Gentle Barbery
 and Imple and my old Mare

Item I give and bequeath to my Three Sons Amos, Michael
 and Samuel my Young Mare and my Horse

It. I give to my son Michael a Cow called Nottle

It. I give to my son Amos a Cow called Fillpale

It. I give to my son Samuel a Cow called Spott

It. I give to my daughter Charity the first Mare foal which
 shall be of the old Mare given to my Wife a Horse called
 Primrose. Also my will is that whatsoever I have formerly
 given to any of my Children that they may fully and freely
 enjoy the same

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168 Item I give to my two sons Amos and Michael three hundred acres of Land I now live upon with what buildings are thereupon to be equally divided between them.

It I give to my son Samuel and my daughter Charity all the remainder of the tract of Land not given to my other two sons and one hundred acres of Land bought of William Somers to be equally divided between them.

And that if they live to state the same, that they have one hundred Acres from this Plantation to Plant an Orchard.

It I give to my wife the bed I now lie upon and to Amos the bed he lieth upon and to Samuel the bed he lieth upon, and to Michael the bed which is by the Chimney in the room where I now lie with their several furnishings to each of them, and my Will is that my Daughter Charity shall have the bed given to my wife at her decease.

It my Will is that what other goods are in the House belong solely to my Wife disposing and the Servants to be equally amongst them all to work for them so long as their time is all the rest of my Goods not before disposed of and given to my wife and Children I give and bequeath to my son Amos whom I do ordain and appoint to be my full and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament Desiring him that all things contained therein may be performed according to the true intent and meaning thereof In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the 19th Day of April 1670.

(John Baly sealed)

Signed and sealed in the presence of
William Bolter
Henry Cole

May the 10th 1671.
This last Will and Testament of John Bagree was this Day by the Oathes of Wm. Bolter and Henry Cole Witnesses thereunto in Common forme proved before me

Will Talbot.

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In the Name of God Amen. I Richard Johnson being sick and weak of body but of sound and perfect Memory Do make and declare this to be my last Will and Testament.

Imprimis one Cow Called Browning with one Broken

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home I give to Dina Bagbie but the first Cow Calf of the said Cow I give to Ann Kent and the next Cow Calf of the said Browning I give to Mary Kent.

Item I give to Dina Bagbie one great pewter dish and one small pewter dish and three pewter spoons.

Item I give to Grace Humes one Cow Calf of my Cow Calfs.

Item I give to Grace Humes one Head of Tobacco.

Item I give to Ann Kent the younger one head of Tobacco.

Item I give to Grace Humes one great pewter dish and one small one.

At a Prorogative Court held at the City of St. Marys the 19th day of May 1671 before the Honourable Sir William Calbot Baronet Chief Judge for Probate of Wills and granting Letters of Administration within this Province of Maryland.

William Kent Henry Anderson and Elizabeth Howard being all sworn and Examined Do make oath that the above written paper being read unto Richard Johnson deceased he did acknowledge the same to be his Will and that being Moved by the deponent William Kent to make an Executor he said he would have Richard ~~Stacy~~ or James Garrett to be his Executor but the said Kent telling him he could have but one he replied hang it James Garrett is an honest fellow and present lydied whereupon the opinion of the Judge is that the writing above specified is the Nuncupative Will of the said Richard Johnson deceased and that the said Richard Johnson did Intend the said James Garrett to be his whole Executor Wherefore ordered by the Judge that Letters of Administration upon the said Johnsons Estate be to the said James Garrett granted with the said Nuncupative Will as a Condition more to thereto. By the Judge, Robert Ridgley Clarke.

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In the Name of God Amen. this is my last Will and Testament being in perfect Sense and Memory Imprimis I bequeath my Soul to God and my Body to the Earth from whence it Came and my worldly Goods which it hath pleased God to Endow me with all as followeth Imprimis I will and bequeath to my son William that Plantation which I now live in and also the first Hundred acres of and in the Woods to him and his heirs but if he dies

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without issue then to fall to my daughters and to be equally divided amongst them —

Imprimis also I bequeath to my three daughters the remainder of that Tract of Land which is four hundred acres of Land to be equally divided among them and if any of them should die before they come to age then after their decease then the said share of Land to fall among the rest and to be equally divided among them —

Imprimis I also will and bequeath to my son William one great pot, and pot hooks and one new pewter Dish and one old pewter Dish, and two pewter plates and three pewter piggins and half a dozen of spoons and one pewter Basson —

Imprimis also I will and bequeath to my daughter Mary two pewter Dishes and one and a new one and one pewter Bason and three piggins and six spoons and one Dutch Pot and pot hooks and one Dish —

Imprimis also I will and bequeath to my daughter Grace one pewter Dish and one Plate and two piggins and six spoons and also one Iron kettle —

Imprimis also I will and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth one Iron Kettle and one small Dutch Pot, one pewter Dish and two piggins and half a dozen of spoons and one Plate —

Imprimis also I do make my Neighbour Robert Perry my wholly Executor and overseer over their Estates to act and do as he shall see good to act or to do for the best of the advancement of their Estates until they come to age.

I being in perfect sense and Memory have hereunto set my hand and Seal this twenty eight day of December in the year of our Lord God 1670. —

Testis

William Pedder
Robert Radcliffe

Thomas W^m Thomas Seal
his Marke

On the Backside of the foregoing Last Will and Testament of Thomas Thomas Deceased was this Written Viz^t

That within ^{the year of the second 1670} Written Will of Thomas Thomas was on the day aforesaid by the Oathes of William Pedder and Robert Radcliffe witnesses to the said Will In Comon forme proved before mee

Will. Talbot

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In the name of God amen, I John Sterill being sicke in body but in good and perfect memory do make this my last Will and Testament In manner and forme following — Imprimis I give my Soul unto God my Creator, and Redeemer and my Body to Christian buriall and for that small parcel of Estate which it hath pleased God to send me in this world I do give and bequeath unto my well beloved friend John Browne as well all my Bonds and accounts and all other things belonging to me John Sterill —

And I do also appoint and ordain, the said John Browne my full and sole Executor to this my Last Will and Testament. In Witnesse whereof I have set my hand and Seal this Eleventh Day of June In the Year of our Lord God — 1671

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Edward Fishwicke

Elizabeth E. Young

her Marke

John Sterill Seal

On the foregoing Will of John Sterill was thus Written

The 28th July 1671

The above Written last Will and Testament of John Sterill was by the Oathes of Edward Fishwicke and Elizabeth Young Witnesses thereunto In Comon forme proved before me the day and year above said Robert Adgley

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In the Name of God Amen I William Allen of Charles County in the province of Maryland being Weake in Body but of perfect Mind and Memory praised be God for the same — do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revocaking all former Wills what soever this third day of January in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Six hundred Sixty Nine: And first of all I bequeath my Soul into the hands of almighty God who gave it: and my Body to the Grave from whence it came: and for what small Estate it hath pleased God to send me I desire it may be bestowed in manna following Imprimis I give and bequeath all my Estate except here after excepted unto my daughter Elizabeth Allen —

Itt. I will and bequeath that my Wife Martha Allen may Enjoy my said Estate until my said daughter comes to Age and if it please God to take her before she comes to age I give and bequeath it to my Wife Martha Allen and her heirs. Item I give and bequeath unto my said Daughter Mary —

(Harrison)

193. *Sir* ¹⁰ *h.* Harrison daughter of Joseph Harrison one Brown Cow—
Commonly called by the name of Melle Nose now using about—
the plantation of John Wheeler together with all her future—
Increase the said Curis Cropt and Slide on the right ear and—
afflowered ears on the left which said Cow I gave her the said—
Mary and her heirs for Ever—
Item I give and bequeath unto Luke Green of Charles County
one red heifer aged about two years and one steer of the same age
being marked with the above said Ear Mark now using at or
about the plantation of John Ashbrooke to him the said Luke
Greene and his heirs for Ever—

Item I give and bequeath unto John Munn Son of John Munn—
one Brown Cow called by the name of Double Hills of the forestaid
Ear Mark to him the said John Munn and his heirs for Ever—

Item I give and bequeath my Gun and Bible unto Roger Dickenson—

Item I make and ordaine my Brother in Law John Munn Executor
of this my last will and Testament Desiring him to be Carefull
to see it performed In testimony hereof I have hereunto set my
hand and Seal the day and year above written—

Signed and Sealed
in presence of us

Walter W Cooper
his Marke

Charles R Wolley
his Marke

William Allen (Sealed)

On the back side of the foregoing will was
this Written (175)

July 18th

And now all men by these presents that—

I John Munn of Charles County Do freely and of my own—
account relinquish all the Interest and Trust put unto me—
by Brother in Law Will Allen of this his last Will and Testament—
unto Gerard Brown, as Witness my hand and Seal—

Signed Sealed delivered

in the presence of us

Mary M. Hinson

John F. Munn (Sealed)

Peter D. open Blue Marke

200 In the name of God a men In the year of our Lord God 1670.
March the 20th To Nicholas Emarson of Charles County in
the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak in Body—
but of good and perfect Memory Thanks be to God To make—

(this)

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this my last Will and Testament in manner and forme following
that is to say first I bequeath my Soul and Spirit in to the hands of
almighty God my Heavenly Father by whom of his mere and—
only Grace I trust to be saved and received into Eternal Rest—
through the Death of my Saviour and Redeemer Jesus Christ
in whose precious blood I set the whole and only hope of my
Salvation my Wretched Body in hope of a Joy full resurrection
I Commit to the Earth to be buried with such Charge as in
such place as my Executrix hereafter named shall think
fit and Touching the distribution of my morall goods This
pose of the same as followeth—

1. first I will that all such Debts as I owe shall be truly paid
2. Secondly I give unto my Daughter Thebe one thousand—
two hundred pounds of Tobacco to be paid to her or her heirs
by my Executor hereafter named

3. All the rest of my Estate Real or Personall Lands Goods—
Cattle and Chattells whosoever I give and bequeath unto—
my Loving Wife Elizabeth and my daughter Mary Eman-
son to be equally divided betwixt them and my daughter
Mary's share to be delivered unto her when she comes to be
Sixteen years of age.

4. I will and ordain that the Part and Portion of my daugh-
ter Mary remain in the hands of my Wife Elizabeth—
Emarson during the time of her Minority and that my
Executrix out of the profits to be got by the life of the said Marys
part or portion do maintain and Educate the said Mary until
the said portion become due to her and if she dye before the said
part or portion become due to her then the said part portion or
Legacye of her so dyeing shall be at the disposal of my Executrix
Lastly I make and ordain the said Elizabeth Emarson my
Wife to be my full whole and sole Executrix of this my last—
Will and Testament, And I utterly revoke all former
Wills and Testaments by me in any wayes heretofore made
or declared In witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and Seal the day and year above written—

Signed Sealed and delivered
up by the said Nicholas

Emarson in the presence of
James Martin, Stephen Mountcye
William Martell

Nicholas Emarson Sealed

(1716)

Lib. No. 1. In the name of God Amen I Edward Deane being now very Sick and weak but yet in Sound and perfect memory Do in the presence of these Witnesses make this my last and last Will and Testament. First bequeathing my Soul to God my Maker and also my Body to the Earth from whence it Came with decent buriall Secondly to all and every of my Creditors their Just Dues and for all other worldly Goods as Lands Chattells Hogg or of what sort so ever that doth properly belong unto me I do here in the presence of these Witnesses bequeath them all and every of them unto Elizabeth Lindsay Daughter of Mr. James Lindsay of Charles County in Maryland appointing and decreeing her that said Elizabeth after my decease my sole heiress to Enjoy and possess all and every of such Lands Chattells and Goods as in my lifetime did properly belong unto me for her and her heirs for Ever Only Desiring the Father of the said Elizabeth and Mother may Enjoy the use of all the said Lands Chattells and Goods until the said Elizabeth shall be married or Come of age as namely the plantation that Sarah Coffee liveth upon with all rights and benefites that doth or might belong unto me and also one heifer and one young steer that is at John Wheelers and one small Iron Pot with a Brass Cover and my Chest which is at Bennett Mespagies as also a Pot and frying pan that is there these and all other things that doth belong unto me Edward Deane I do this sixth day of April in the year of our Lord Anno D. one Thousand six hundred and Seventy Bequeath unto the said Elizabeth Lindsay after she shall Come of age or after first Marriage to enjoy and possess for she and her heirs for Ever Requiring James and Mary Lindsay the Father and Mother of the said Elizabeth to Enjoy and possess all the Contents of this above specified Will until the said Elizabeth shall Come of age or be married and then to Surrender the same unto the said Elizabeth and if the said Elizabeth shall dye before she shall come of age or be Married then the nearest of her kindred to Enjoy the same So Committing my Soul unto God So here in the presence of these Witnesses I confirm this my last Will and Testament and set to my hand and seal this Day and year above Written

Edward Deane
Signed Sealed & delivered in the presence of
Jus. Ralph Bates
John Goshing
Richard Wall
his R. Mke

Lib. No. 2.

Michael Jeffrey
Jus. Tuncupa
his Will from
Lib. No. B.
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The 8th of September 1671
Commission then placed to Empower Benjamin Rogers
Gent to prove the foregoing Will of Edward Deane and make
return of the said Original Will and his proceedings thereon with
all convenient Speed

Samuel Cressy of Charles County aged twenty seven years or thereabouts Sworne Saith
That sometime in June last Michael Jeffrey being at his the said Samuel Cressys house and falling into some discourse concerning his life past and the Danger of Seasoning in this Country the said Michael Jeffrey charged him the said Samuel Cressy that in case he should dye in his Seasoning in this Country he should see whatsoever he left in this Country should be given to the Catholike Church and further Saith not Sworne this 30th day of November 1670 before me

Henry Adams

Susanna Cressy aged twenty nine years or thereabouts Sworne Saith

That sometime in June last past Michael Jeffrey being at her husband's house and falling into some discourse concerning his life past and the Danger of his Seasoning in this Country the said Michael Jeffrey charged her husband that in case he should dye in his Seasoning in this Country he should see that whatsoever he left in this Country should be given to the Catholike Church and further Saith not Sworn the 30th day of November 1670 before me

Henry Adams

I Edward Pomfret being weak in Body and in perfect memory Do make this my last Will and Testament.

First I bequeath my Soul unto the Lord my body to the Grave and dispose of my outward Estate as followeth

First after all my Lawfull Debts be paid I give unto John Boulton James Higbyes man my Cow at the Tannery and her Calf.

Secondly I give unto Mr. Saml. Withers all my Hogggs at Robt Neaves

3dly I do give all the rest of my Estate both Reall and personall unto Mr. Amuell Wilkies and James Higby and do appoint

(Mr)

Lib. n^o B

Mr. Samuel Withers my Sole Executor to see this my Will truly performed as Witness my hand and Seal this 15th day of Dec^r 1670
 my own hand and Seal
 signed Sealed and delivered of Edward Tompsett (Sealed)

In presence of us
 John Harris
 Charles Haynes } The 12th of January 1670

The above written last Will and Testament of Edward Tompsett deceased was by the oaths of John Harris and Charles Haynes Witnesses thereunto in Common forme proved before me the day and year above said
 Will Talbot

September the 19th 1688.

In the Name of God Amen I Andrew Robinson being very weak of body yett having my Perfect Senses
 In primis I bequeath my Soul to God that gave it me and my Body to the Earth to be buried in decent manner Next of all I do make my Wife Jane Robinson my whole Executor of all my Goods and Chattells whatsoever belonging to me But if it should please God that the said Jane Robinson my Wife should have a Child by me then the said Child to Enjoy all my goods and Chattells When it shall come to age My Wife never to be turned of of the plantation And to have a Maintenance out of the Estate during her life And if my Wife should marry with any Man that the said Man shall not dispose or sell any that doth belong to the said Estate formerly called Andrew Robinson without the Consent of my Wife Jane Robinson And that the said Husband should not Clear any ground belonging to the plantation Except for fencing and fencing except the said Husband shall put in sufficient Security to deliver to the aforesaid Child as good a plantation with ground cleared and fences made and houses built according to the other plantation When it shall come to age Next of all I give and bequeath unto Jane Robinson my God daughter one Cow Calf and the Increase of the said Calf to remaine in my Wife Possession Male and female for the good of the Child and if the said Child should dye the Calf or Cattle to fall to Judith Johnson and if the said Judith Johnson should dye then the said Calf or Cattle to Return to my Wife
 Next of all I give and bequeath unto William Innes Jun^r one Cow Calf and the said Calf or Cattle to remaine in the

(Possession)

Lib. n^o B

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Possession of Jane Robinson my wife until the aforesaid William Innes shall come to age and my wife to have the Male kind during the time Next of all I give and bequeath unto William Tompsett the younger one Cow Calf and the said Calf or Cattle to remaine in the possession of Jane Robinson my wife until the said William Tompsett shall come to age and my Wife Jane Robinson to have the kind during the time
 Next of all I give and bequeath unto Jonathan Brather the younger one Cow Calf and the said Calf or Cattle to remaine in the possession of my Wife Jane Robinson until the said Jonathan Brather shall come to age and my wife Jane Robinson to have the Male kind during the time
 Next of all if any of these Children William Innes William Tompsett Jonathan Brather should dye before they come to age then the Calf or Cattle to return to Jane Robinson my wife
 Next of all if my wife should have a Child and should dye and leave the Child I do appoint William Innes and Jane to look to the said Child and the aforesaid Jane Gault to take the Child and keep it until she shall dye and when the Child to be all her disposing until the said Child shall come to age this I do acknowledge to be my last Will and Testament In the Name of God sealed in the presence of us

Thomas Gault
 William Innes

Andrew R Robinson
 (Sealed)

The 23th of January 1670

The above written last Will and Testament of Andrew Robinson deceased was by the oaths of Thomas Gault and William Innes Witnesses thereunto in Common forme proved before me the day and year above said
 William Talbot Sec^y

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Richard Windley of the County of Baltimore Planter aged about four and twenty years of age being Lawfully Sworn by John Collier one of his Lordships Justices for the County of Baltimore with and Depoeth that about three years since this Depoeth being with Hugh Broadwater the dangerously Sick all the Neighbourhood of John Dixon deceased did then and there declareing the hearing of the Depoeth saying Michael Shadwell then likewise present wherefore do not you looke after the Decease I thought of Parment Wind Michael what I have I have wholly and fully unto you and your Brother John had well to Enjoy as there own the said Michael Shadwell Brother to the said John Shadwell since that time was Drawed farther this Depoeth said not

(Richard)

L^{tr} No B

Sworne before me this 4th of
January 1670. John Collier

Richard & Wmally
his Marke

Henry Caloes aged about thirty Eight years of age -
of the County of Baltimore Kauder being lawfully sworn -
by John Collier one of his Judges Justices for the County of -
Baltimore Deponent and faith that being in the Company -
with others at M^r John Dixons house in Back River where
Hugh Broadwater did then live very dangerous Sick and -
Upon his death Bed did there and then declare that what Estate
he had after M^r John Dixon was paid what he owed him
he gave the remainder of his Estate unto Michael Stedwell
who deceased and to his Brother John Stedwell now living
Further this Deponent sayeth not
sworne before me this 4th of Janry
1670. John Collier

Richard Caloes

30.

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Manning of the
County of Calvert being weak in Body but of perfect
Memory Do make this my Last Will and Testament viz
In primis I Comitt and give my Soul to God that gave it
me in assured hope of Eternall Life through the only Merit
of my only Saviour Jesus Christ and my Body to the Earth to
be buried at the Discretion of my Loving Wife Grace Manning
my Executrix of this my last Will and Testament
Item my Will is that my said Executrix do pay all my Just Debts
Item I do give unto my Sonns Thomas Mannings
Nathaniel Manning and to their heirs for Ever all that
Eight hundred acres of Land at Manly Called Mannings
Resolucion to be Divided into Equall portions between them
Item I do give my Dearest Son John Manning that part of
Lane according to Patent being part of the Sheabush -
Commonly called Eltons plantation now to have the profits of it
and to be in his own Custody to him and his heirs for Ever when
he comes to the age of one and twenty years -
Item I give to my Eldest Son John Manning and his
heirs for Ever three hundred acres of Land in the Woods -
Called the Dove -
Item I do give unto my Loving Wife and Executrix
Grace Manning the rest of that Plantation Called the Sheabush
with all orchards housing and other profits during her life -

(and)

L^{tr} No B.

and after her decease to my Son John Manning & his heirs for Ever
Item these Cattle that goe by the name of the Childrens Cattle with
their Increase be their own Cattel as likewise the Mares and horses
Item I give unto my Eldest Son John Manning a Mare -
Called Beal with her Increase for ever In witness whereof I
Set my hand and seal this ninth day of October 1666 -

Willness

Christopher Rousby

Chas. Cooke

Tho Manning (Seal)

Memorandum the above written will Bearing date the
Ninth day of October 1666 I do Confirm only the last
Item is void the Mare being Dead and in the place of it
I do give my said Son John a young Sorrell Mare the of
Henry Michard the 5th of Oct^r 1670 - Tho Manning -

The 8th of March 1670

The above written last Will and Testament of Thomas
Manning deceased was by the Oath of Christopher Rousby
One of the Witnesses thereunto in Common forme proved
before me

Will: Ballad

31.

In the Name of God Amen, I Samson Wareing of the
County of Maryland being weak in Body but of sound
and perfect mind and Memory Comitting my Soul to him that
gave it, My Body to the Earth Do make and ordain this
my last Will and Testament in Manner & form following
In primis I do will and bequeath my beloved wife Sarah
Wareing to be my whole and sole Executrix and after my
Debts being paid My estate equally divided betwixt her
and my Son Passill Wareing she having the use of my now
dwelling house and plantation during her life and the bringing
up of my Son until he be of Twenty years of age in Case of
his death dying without heirs his part of the Estate Goods and
land to return to my Wife and her heirs for Ever

Item I give and bequeath to Thomas Pritchard my Country
man one Cow, I publish and pronounce this to be the ab-
solute last Will and Testament of me Samson Wareing -
In witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal
January the Eighteenth one thousand Six hundred Sixty
Three

Samson Wareing
(Seal signed)

(Signed)

Lib. N^o. B. Signed sealed and delivered
In the presence of
Stephen S. Benson
Mark
Thomas Ellis
James Riggs
Henry Foster
Auch. Johns
The Marks of F. Francis Backstone
John Vahan — his mark.

Proved before me this Eighteenth of March 1670 by
Henry Foster and Richard Johns, William Talbot.

32 In the Name of God amen I Robert Slye of Bushwood one
of Clements Mannor in St. Marks County of the Province of
Maryland Merchant being at this time of Sound and perfect
Memory praised be God and Calling to mind the Short and un-
certain Estate of this present Life and that all flesh must yield
unto Death, I do there fore Commend my Soul to God my Creator
hoping through the merits of Jesus Christ my Saviour
to inherit Eternal Life My body I commend to the Earth
to be decently buried beyond the Church at Malapeny as near as
may be to those of my Children already gone before me, and in-
vokes to the selling and disposing of that Estate that it shall please
God to possess and Endow me with all, I do hereby publish Testate
Ordains and Appoint this present Writing to be my last Will
and Testament First of all I will and Ordaine that all my Just
Debts that I owe either in Right of Law or Conscience be speedily
and punctually paid and if it happen that there are Effects in
my hands (all the time of my Death) Belonging to other persons
or Persons (whatsoever my Will is that full return be made
to each person as soon as may be with Convenience)

I give and bequeath to my Little Daughters Elizabeth and Francis
my Tract of Land Called Rich Neck lying between Malapeny
and Bushwood, reputed to be five hundred Acres of Land more
or less to them and the heirs of their Bodies for Ever to be equally
divided betwixt them when either of them is Married but if one
of the two happen to dye before that time then the surviving
Sister to have and enjoy the whole to her and her heirs But in
default thereof then to be divided amongst the rest of my surviving
Children after the decease of both my daughters if they dye

(without)

Lib. N^o. B without heirs lawfully begotten and my further Will is that my
said two daughters have thirty Thousand Pounds of Tobacco a piece
out of my Estate and that the same be sent for England the first
next year after my Death by Tenn Thousand each year and
brought to Old Ferry Mease and my Kinsman M^r. Strang-
ways Mudd of London for the use of my said Children and the
Produce of the said Tobacco to be paid being equally divided betwixt
them at the time of Marriage or at fifteen years of age and if
either of them dye before that time the surviving Sister to have
it all and if they both dye then the rest of my Children that survive
to have the produce of the said Tobacco equally divided amongst
them, or if but one survive then that Child to have all.

I give and bequeath to my youngest Son Robert my Plantation
Called Lapworth with all the Land there unto belonging together
with Newwood Lapworth Lodge and Bear Doule three other
Tracts adjoining therunto, all which I give to my said Son
And he is heirs for Ever together with all my Negroes now living
at Lapworth, as also my other Servants there for that time
they have to serve and likewise all my Stock of Cattle horses
Mares Swine or what else shall be found belonging to the said
Plantation all the time of my death, but if my said Son happen
to dye before he arrive at the Age of Eighteen years or without
heirs of his Body lawfully begotten then both my Land

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Negroes Servants and Stocks as shall Come and be found
to the rest of my Children surviving to be equally divided
betwixt them or if but one survive then that Child to have all.
I give and bequeath to my dearly beloved Wife Susan
Slye for and in Consideration of her Dower and in full Satis-
faction thereof the Mayety or one half of all my Stocks
of Cattle Swine horses Mares Sheep or other things what-
soever that may come under that term or Notion ex-
cepting only the Stock belonging to Lapworth given to
my Son Robert and likewise give unto my said dear
Wife the one half of all my Negroes belonging to Bush-
wood, together with half the white Servants belonging
therunto for the time they have to serve as also the one
half the one half of all the household Goods or goods for-
merchandise that are in my Custody and properly be-
longing to my self at the time of my death and she to have
thirty thousand pounds of Tobacco paid her out of my
Debts within two years next after my decease and also to

(have)

Lib^{ro} 7^{to} B. have the dwelling house and half the other houseing belonging to Bushwood with the use of half the Land belonging therunto during her life and afterwards the same to come and descend to my son ^{Gerard} (that is to say) the Land and houses only. I give and bequeath to my Eldest Son Gerard Esq. all the rest of my Estate both real and personal that is to me belonging or in any wayes appertaining Excepting only what is before or shall hereafter be excepted in this my said last will and Testament. And do also hereby declare ordain and appoint my said son Gerard to be my sole Executor of this my last Will and to have the whole and full benefit of an Executor, in as large and ample manner as the Lawes of the Kingdom of England or the Province will admitt or allow. And yett neverthelesse my further will is that if my son Gerard should happen to dye before he come to be Eighteen years of age or have heire of his body lawfully begotten then that such Children of mine that shall survive shall equally share in that part of my Estate Given to my said son Gerard or if but one survive that to have it all And the next blood to have the benefit of the Executorship and either he or she to be my sole Executor or Executrix But in regard none of my said Children are yett come to such ripe Maturity as to understand how to Manage the Affairs and Concerns of my Estate aforesaid I do therefore hereby request and intreat my Loving friends Mr. Thomas Notley my Brother Mr. Justinian Gerard my Brother Mr. Nehemiah Blackstone and my loving friend Mr. Benjamin Holly or any two or more of them to be the Overseers and Executors in trust of this my last Will to see and cause the same to be performed and fully Executed according to the true Intent and Meaning thereof and if it should so happen that any Ambiguity Doubt or Scruple should arise by reason of any word Clause or Sentence therein Contained Then my further Will is that my said friends that I have nominated to be Overseers of this my last will and Testament may Construe or Interpret my true Intend and meaning therein or any two or more of them and none others And I do also hereby appoint the sole Guardianship of my Children to my dear Wife during their Minority desiring her to take due Care that they be brought up in the true fear of God and instructed in such Literatures as may tend to their improvement.

(with)

Lib^{ro} 7^{to} C. both for their present and future good But if my Dear Wife should happen to dye then my Will is that my Brother Mr. Nehemiah Blackstone and my Loving friend Mr. Benjamin Holly take my said Children that are under sixteen years of age into their Guardianship and Tutorage who I request to take the same Care for their Education that I have desired of my beloved Wife during the time of her life And my further Will is that when there shall happen any division to be made of my Estate according to this my last Will that the same be done by the discretion of any two or more of my said overseers without partiality from time to time as there is occasion and by none others if they or any two of them are then living But in Case I should please God that my Children should all dye before they or any one of them arrive at the age of twenty one years or have issue lawfully begotten then I give and bequeath my said Land of one thousand acres (more or less) Called Bushwood, to my brother in Law's Thomas Gerard and John Gerard and my Sister in Law Mary Gerard or the Survivors or Survivor of them and their heirs for Ever after the decease of my beloved Wife but not before and further more my Will is that in Case of the death of all my Children aforesaid before any one of them arrive all fully one years of age or have issue lawfully begotten then I give and bequeath my said Land Called Rich Neck upon St. Clements Mannor, to the Eldest Son of my dear Sister Mr. Elizabeth Russell of London and to his heirs for Ever and my plantation Called Lap worth with the Land thereunto belonging unto my Nephew Timothy Coper and Norwood Lapworth Esq. and Anne Doute to my Nephew Thomas Coper both of Springfield in New England and unto their heirs for Ever. In testimony that what is above written is the true intent and meaning of my last Will and Testament written and signed with my own hand and Sealed with my Seal this 18th day of January 1670. and in the 39th year of the Dominion of Charles II.

Robert Rye (Cousin)

In the Backside of the said last Will and Testament of Robert Rye was thus written &c.

The within written Testament was owned by Robert Rye the Testator to be his act and Deed In the presence of us that

(are)

Sir M^r. Bar witnesses thereunto January the Eighteenth in the year
of our Lord one thousand six hundred and seventy and in the
29th year of the Dominion of Cecilus &c. over the Province
of Maryland

John Blackiston
Ebenzer Blackiston
Squire
John H. Bullocks
Mary Gerard.

This day being the thirteenth day of
March 1676 the within written
last Will and Testament of M^r. Robt.
Hyc was in due manner and forme
proved by the oaths of M^r. John Black-
iston and M^r. Mary Gerard witnesses
thereunto before me Will Talbot.

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In the Name of God Amen. I Adam Delap of South River
in the County of Ann Arundell in the Province of Maryland -
planter being in my perfect Sense and Memory and sensible
of Many Casualties that doth fall men in this present World
do make this my last Will and Testament in Manner and forme
as followeth. First I bequeath my Soul to God that gave it and my
Body to the Earth from whence it Came and all my Temporall
and Moveable goods as followeth -

Inprimis as for my Plantacon and the whole divid out of Land
belonging thereunto I give and bequeath unto my loving wife
and Delap and to my son Abraham Delap freely for Ever-
and as for my Cattel and all my other Moveable goods to be
equally divided between my wife and my five Children that is to
say Abraham Delap Mathew Delap Sarah Delap John Delap
Deborah Delap to be divided by the discrecion of my wife when
they shall be of age she being my sole Executor In witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this
fifteenth day of February one thousand six hundred and
seventy

Signed sealed and delivered
in the presence of

John Greene
Nicholas Pasaway
Mark
Francis Johnson
David Dilleward

Adam Delap
his
Mark
Sigilli

the 15th of May 1671.

This Will proved before George
Addington by the oaths of John
Greene Nicholas Pasaway and
Francis Johnson (Witnesses thereunto)

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In the Name of God Amen. I John Tawney of Salucent
River in the County of Albort being sick in body but of good
and perfect Memory (Thanks be to God) and Calling to -

(mind)

Sir M^r. B

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mind the uncertain Estate of this transitory life and that all
flesh must dye when it shall please God to Call So Make Consti-
tute and Ordain and Declare this my Last Will and Testament in
manner and forme following The waiking and an nailing by
these presents all and every Testament and Testaments Will
and Wills by me made and declared Either by word or Writing
and this is only to be Taken for my last Will and Testament
and no other. And first being penitent and Sorry from the
bottom of my heart for my sins Past most humbly desiring
forgiveness for the same I give and remit my Soul unto all-
mighty God my Saviour and Redeemer in whom and by the
merits of Jesus Christ I Trust and believe assuredly to be -
Saved and to have Remission of my Sins and my body to the
Earth to be decently Buried as my Exec^r hereafter shall thinke.
Imprimis I constitute Ordain and appoint my Brother
Michael Tawney and John Hawes to be my Exec^r and E-
qually EmPOWER them together and in Case of their Mortalities
then M^r. Thomas Trueman and Alexander Magruder to in
their Reads for to take my whole Estate into their possession
and Carefully to Manage it for the good of my Children and
untill they Come at age to Board them out and to let them
have such Learning and Education as their Capacities will -
attain or can be had here fitting for a Man or Woman
and when they Come at age my estate to be equally divided
between them only my Boy to have the plantacon whereon
Francis Lee lives Called by the Name of Tawneyes Reserve
and my Girls to have the plantacon whereon I now live and
in Case either dyes before they Come at age then the Longest
Liver to Enjoy all.

Secondly I do give and bequeath unto my Brother Mich^l
Tawney my best Suet of Coathes Namely Loose Coat breeches
and Wastcoats Likewise I bequeath and give unto John Hawes
two whole Holtham Shirts and unto John Deacocke I do give
my Goose-bodied Coat -

Thirdly I Affranchise Lee live upon the plantacon two
years longer then his agreement Then I order to give him -
a Cow

All the Premises in this my last Will being performed I

(50)

Lib. B Doe by these presents interchangeably set my hand and seal
this Twentieth of March. In the Year of our Lord one Thousand
six hundred and Seventy -
Sealed and delivered in the
Presence of - Henry Haugh, Chy
Margarett Gooday.

The 7th of April 1671.

The last Will and Testament of John Sawney deceased by the
Oathes of Henry Haugh and Margarett Gooday Witnesses there-
unto in Common forme proved before me Will. Talbott.

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The last Will and Testament of George Peake being Sick and
weake in body but perfect in memory Comitteth his body to the
Earth and his soule to him that gave it
I Imprimis I give all my Houehold stuff and all my Cattle
to my Loving Wife Mary Peake and my Children to be
equally divided She only having the Steer Calf to maintain
the Children and this Lease of Land. I now Live on I give to my
son George Peake and my Wife the third part of it, so long as
she lives, and after her death my son George is to have it all to
him selfe, and that Lease of Land ~~which~~ I have in Choplauke
which is three hundred acres I give to my son Joseph Peake
and three Horses, I give unto my Wife to pay my Debts
and I give to my wife a Mare called Peggy and I give unto
my daughter Johanna Peake a Mare called Jenny and out
of these two Mares the rest of my Children are to have each
of them a Mare foale with their Increase so ever and if any
of these Mare foals shall hapen to dye the Childer Children
are to have another from the two Mares aforesaid and my
old Mare I give to my Wife to pay my Debts only the first Calf
I give unto John Cable, and all my Hogs I give unto my wife
to maintain my Children, her wife and to both my daughters
I give them each a Man servant which my wife is to pay
to them at the day of Marriage or the next Shipping after
to the Boyes likewise when they are at age each of them
a Man servant which my Wife is to pay. Witness my
hand and Seal the 27th day of March 1671 -

In the presence of us
John Foster
Robert Heighe Jr

George Peake
Sealed

Lib. B And I make my Wife Mary Peake my true and Lawfull
49. Executrix as Witness my hand and Seal as above March the
27th 1671.
John Foster
Robert Heighe Jr. George Peake
Sealed ff.

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In the Name of God amen. I Joseph Riggs now of Calvert
County Subscribed finding myself weake in body but perfect
mind and knowing the Certainty of Death and the uncer-
tainty of this life.

I Item I Comitt my Soul to my Redeemer and my Body
to the Earth and for my Worlly Estate I give and bequeath
as followeth my Debts being paid

I Item I make my Well beloved Wife Jane Riggs my whole and
sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament.

I Item I also give and bequeath unto my said Wife Jane Riggs
and her heirs a parcell of Land lying on the Clefts in Calvert
County called the Name of Lower Bennett at the Governm^t Tin.

50.

And I do here by declare that my last Will and Testament
In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal
this Eighth day of April in the year of our Lord one Thou-
sand six hundred Seventy and one.

Signed Sealed and delivered

Joseph Riggs Sealed

In the presence of us

Rich^d Johns

Henry Hooper

April the 20th 1671

The above Written last Will and Testament of Joseph Riggs
was this day by the Oathes of Richard Johns and Henry Hooper
Witnesses thereunto in Common forme proved before me

Will Talbott

50.

In the Name of God amen.

I Joseph Horsley of Calvert County being very Sick and
weake yet of perfect Memory Doe make this my last Will
and Testament in Manner and for me following -

I Do make my wife Rosamond Horsley my sole Executrix
I Item I give unto John Coleman one gray Mare with my
my hand and Seal this 27th of February 1670.

Further I give unto Mr. Richard Baylye four Barrels of
Corn also I give unto Judith Cooper one Cow - his Mark

Joseph W. Horsley (being)

Lib. No B. Being present John Colman
George Howzell Richard Bayley
William King.

On the Backside of the foregoing last Will and Testament
of Joseph Horfley deceased was thus Written (vizt)

The deposition of William King of the County of Calvert
Inholder, Aged Seven and Twenty Years or thereabouts
who being Sworn Saith

That on the five and twentieth day of November last past
being at the house of Richard Bayley Inholder at Palgrave
River being in Company with Joseph Horfley there who
being at that time sick and weak but of perfect sense and
memory this deponent and Mr. George Howzell did put the
said Horfley in Mind of settling his business and making his
Will whereupon he desired some person to come that could write
and this deponent asked the said Horfley how he would dispose
of what he had the said Horfley said he would give it all to his wife
and that he would make his wife his full Executrix and it
was further demanded of the said Horfley who should have his
Land and he replied his Wife should have the Land and all offe
And then they were in dispute in what form it should be conveyed
to his wife and they did all (and so did the said Horfley) conclude
that to make her his whole Executrix would convey the Land
and Estate to her whereupon they drew the Will accordingly
which the said Horfley perused severall times and further
this Deponent saith that the Writing within written is the
said last Will and Testament which he saw the said Joseph
Horfley sign seal deliver and Publish as his last Will and
Testament and further this Deponent Saith not.

Sworne before us the 28th
Day of April anno Domini 1678
Philip Calvert
Will. Talcott.

In the Name of God Amen, this three and twentieth day
of April in the year of our Lord God one Thousand six hundred
Seventy and one I Thomas Stockell of the County of Ann
and all in the Province of Maryland being Sick of Body
but of good and perfect Memory Thanks be unto almighty

(God)

Lib. No B.

God and Considering that He out of his Infinite Wisdom hath
thought fit not to acquaint man with the last of his Visitation
and that all flesh must yield unto Death when it shall please
his Heavenly Will to Call, To make Infructible Obedience and declare
this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following
Revocable and annulling by these presents all last Wills
and Wills by me formerly made Either by word or Writing and
this is to be taken only for my last Will and Testament and none
other And first being Penitent and sorry from the bottom of
my heart for all my sins past most humbly desiring forgive
ness for the same I give and Commit my soul unto almighty
God and Heavenly Father that gave it in whom and by the
merits of Jesus Christ I trust and believe assuredly to be saved
and to have full remission and forgiveness for all my Misdemeanors
and that my soul with my Body at the General Day of Resur
rection shall rise again with Joy and through the Merits of
Christ to Death and Passion to pass and Inherit the Kingdom
of Heaven Prepared for his Elect and Chosen. And my Body to be
buried in my own Burying place as my Executors here
after named I desire may appoint, and for the settling of my
Temporall Estate and such goodly Chancells and Debts as it
hath pleased God far above my Deserts to bestow upon me
I do give and dispose the same in Manner and form
following. First I will that all these Debts and Dues as I owe
in right and Conscience to any manner of Person or persons
whosoever shall be called and truly Owled and paid or to be order
ed to be paid within Convenient time after my decease
by my Executors hereafter mentioned Item I do give unto my
dear Wife Mary the profits and possession of my whole Estate
During her Naturall life and after her decease I give and be
queath the same to be equally divided amongst my daughter
Excepting my Sainds Which I will unto my son Thomas
and if it shall please God that the Child my Wife now go
eth with shall be a man And that then my Will is that
the said be equally divided Betwixt it and Thomas and if
it prove a daughter that then it hath its Portion equally
with my daughters Item I do give and bequeath unto my
dear and loving Brother Francis Stockell my Silver Scale
with the arms of our family Engraven thereon and my black
Gedding known by the Name of Dicky and to my dear

(Brother)

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 Lib^r M^r B. Brother Henry my Ware also unto my Loving Brother -
 Mr Richard Wells I give my Silver dram Ring, that my Name
 thereon and unto my Cousen Henry White I bequeath my
 Lovell Stone Ball, and if it shall please God to take out of this
 World any of my Children before they Come to Age Enjoy their
 Estates that the Survivors shall Enjoy it by an Equal Division
 the Boy keeping the Land, Thus have I bestowed the Silent -
 which was lost me in this Life by my Gracious Good God -
 Leaving putting in trust and appointing this my last -
 Will and Testament to be executed and performed by my -
 Dear and loving brothers Francis Stockell Henry Stockell -
 and Richard Wells in Every Clause to my plain Intent and
 Just meaning herein and under the protection of all mightie
 God I give and Committ my Children to the Mother and
 Christianlike Care of my most dear and Loving Wife
 who I fully trust will not neglect any Endeavour that shall
 be tending to their good both in Religious Education and for
 the advancement of their temporall Fortunes which I beseech
 the Lord of Heaven to give his assistance unto and I humbly
 Intreat my mercifull God God the true Father of mercy -
 to be a husband to my Wife and a Father to my Children and
 give them all peace of Conscience in this World and Everlast-
 ing Peace in his Heavenly Kingdom This I desire to be
 published as my last Will and Testament Whereunto I sett
 my hand and Seal the day and year above Written &
 Signed and Subscribed

Tho. Stockell (Sealed)

In the presence of
 Thomas Hoston
 Tho. Hedge.

On the back side of the foregoing Will was thus Written
 The 4th day of May 1671.

The within Written last Will and Testament of Thomas Stockell
 within Named was by the oath of Thomas Hedge one of the
 Witnesses therunto In Comon for me proved before me -
 the day and year above said

Will. Talbot

The within written last Will and Testament of Thomas -

(Stockell)

Lib^r M^r B. Stockell within named was by the oath of Thomas Before him
 the other of the Witnesses therunto in Comon for me proved
 before me the day and year above said Sam: Child &

In the Name of God Amen

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 I James Lindsey of St Thomas Mannor in Charles County
 and in the Province of Maryland Gent. being weak in body
 but in perfect mind and memory Do make and ordaine this my
 last will and Testament in manner and forme following
 That is to say: -

First I bequeath my Soul into the Hands of my dearest -
 Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ Hoping to be saved through
 the merits of his bitter Death and Passion my body to the
 Earth from whence it Came to be decently buried as my Ex-
 cutrix and Overseers hereafter named shall appoint and to them
 seem Convenient -

Secondly as concerning my Wordly Estate which all mightie
 God hath given me in this World I do give in manner fol-
 lowing (vizt) I do give to the Priest (in Token Dye a
 Roman Catholike) that shall officiate or be here at Bur-
 burio one hhd of Tobacco yearly during the naturall life of
 my Loving Wife Mary -

Thirdly as for the rest of my Estate both Land and Goods
 that is all what soever Either Moveables and immoveables
 to me belonging and appertaining I do give and bequeath
 unto my dearly beloved Wife Mary to be by her disposed
 of amongst my Children at her own will and pleasure
 as she shall Judge meet and Convenient -

Fourthly and I do make my foresaid Wife Mary my Sole
 Executrix of this my last Will and Testament -

Fifthly I do constitute and appoint my Loving Friends
 Benedict Merchages and Ralph Christie Overseers of this my
 Will requashing them to use their Endeavour and see that my
 said Wife Mary be not wronged of what shall be according
 to this my Will properly hers or any wayes belonging to her
 Lastly I do hereby revoke all former Wills by me hereto
 fore made and do ordain that this Will stand only in force
 and none other as Witness my hand and Seal this one and
 twentieth day of April in the year of our Lord God 1671

James Lindsey Sealed

(Signed)

Sic. 7th B. Signed and sealed in the presence of
 Will. Bretton
 Nicholas Solby
 John Sherman
 This last Will and Testament of James
 Edesq was by the oaths of William
 Bretton and John Charrman, witnesses
 thereunto in Common forme proved before
 me this third day of May 1671
 Will. Calboff

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In the Name of God amen

I George Manwaring of Portobacco in Charles County and
 in the Province of Maryland Gent being sick in body but
 in perfect mind and Memory (Praised be almighty God
 therefore) Do make and Ordain this my last Will and last wish
 in Manner and forme following that is to say.

First I bequeath my Soul into the hands of my Lord and Saviour
 Jesus Christ hoping to be Saved through the Merits of his
 bitter Death and Passion my Body to the Earth from whence
 it was taken, to be decently buried as my Executor and Overseer
 hereafter named shall appoint and thinke convenient

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Secondly as touching my Worldly Estate whereof almighty
 God hath put me his Steward over in this World, I do give &
 bequeath in Manner following (Viz^t) to M^r Henry Warren
 of Portobacco twelve hundred pounds of Tobacco to M^r
 Michael Foster of St. Inegoes Eight hundred pounds of
 Tobacco to M^r Bernard Haines four hundred pounds of
 Tobacco to M^r Will Furbervill four hundred pounds of Tobacco
 Thirdly my debts and funerals Expenses being defrayed
 and paid I do give my Land in St. Marys County being
 seven hundred and Eighty acres my Plantation in Charles
 County which I hold by Lease all my Debts and what other
 Goods I owe to me belonging and appertaining to my dear
 and Loving Wife ann, to be by her disposed of as in her best
 discretion she shall Judge meet and convenient

Fourthly I do constitute depute and appoint my Loving
 friends M^r Henry Adams and M^r Thomas Mathews
 both of Charles County my Executors of this my last Will
 and Testament to dispose of my Goods and manage my
 Estate for the sole use and benefit of my dearly beloved Wife
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(Rightly)

26th B. Wisthly I do nominate and appoint M^r Henry Warren of Portobacco my Overseer of this my last Will requesting him to be all things herein contained fulfilled
 Sixthly and lastly I do hereby revoke all former Wills I have
 made by me formerly made ordaining them to be void and
 null and that this will be and stand in full force and none other
 In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed
 my Seale this Eleventh day of April in the year of our Lord God
 1671.
 Geo. Manwaring (Sealed)

Signed and Sealed in the presence of
 Willm. Bretton
 Temperance Bretton
 William Guilther
 The 5th of May 1671—
 The above written Last Will and Testament of Geo. Manwaring Decerned
 by the oaths of William Bretton and
 William Guilther Witnesses thereunto
 in Common forme proved before me the day and year above
 said
 Will. Calboff

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The 18th day of March 1671.

In the Name of God amen

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I Lyonell Paullly of the County of annarundall in the
 Province of Maryland Planter being sick and diseased in
 body but in perfect Sense and Remembrance

I do make this my last Will and Testament as followeth
 First I Commit my Soul to God that gave it my Body
 to the Earth to be buried at the discretion of my Executor
 Item I do give my Temporall Estate as followeth
 Item I do give to Nathaniel Smith a parcel of Land lying at the
 back of Serico Called Bee sheba to him and his heirs for ever
 Item I do give to my Man William Anderson his freedom
 after the tenth day of October and it is my Will that he shall
 live with my Executor not as a servant until he hath finished
 his Copy. I do give to the said Anderson one hundred acres of
 Land lying on the back of Richard Deavers Likewise I do give
 the said Anderson one Cow and one Sow, to him and his heirs for
 ever with their Increase to be Delivered by the tenth day of
 October next ensuing Likewise the said Anderson is to have
 half his own Copy. I do give to my loving friend Grace Dancy
 four hundred pounds of tobacco and Cash to be paid at or about
 the 10th day of October next ensuing the date hereof

(H.)

Lib: 7th B. I am I do give to my Loving friend Charles Beeson my whole and sole Executor after all my due Debts and Legacies be faithfully paid both Lands Goods Chattells both moveables and Immoveables to him and his heirs for Ever with this proviso that he pay all my just Debts as above said and this I do make my last Will and Testament Revoking all other Wills and Testaments In Witness hereunto set to my hand and Seale the date above Written. *Samuel Saully* Sealed

signed sealed and delivered
in the presence of

Samuell Lane

the mark of

Richard R. Deaver

The Within Written Last Will and Testament of Srd John Lawley within named was by the Oathes of Samuell Lane and Richard Deaver Witnesses thereunto in Common forme proved before me the day and year above said.

On the backside of the said Will -
was thus written -

The 20th day of May 1671.

The Within Written Last Will and

Testament of Srd John Lawley within named was by the

Oathes of Samuell Lane and Richard Deaver Witnesses

thereunto in Common forme proved before me the day and

year above said.

Sam. Deaver

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This will proved
the 21st

In the Name of God Amen, I Samuel Withers of Duants Point in the County of Ann Arundell in the Province of Maryland being Weak in Body But in perfect Memory praised be God Do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following Revoking and by these presents Do disannull all former Wills by me made or pretended to be made and do own and acknowledge this to be my last Will & Testament. Imp: I recommend my Spirit into the hands of God my Maker, hoping to be saved by the Merits of Jesus Christ and my Body to be buried where it shall please my Executor hereafter named And for what temporall Estate it shall please God to bestow on me with I give and bequeath as followeth - Item I give and bequeath unto my Loving Wife Elizabeth Withers my Debts being paid and funerall Expences discharged the one half of all and singular my Lands Goods and Chattells as well moveables as the moveables Debts Bills Bonds or accompts which is due unto me either on this Side or beyond the Seas to have and to hold During her Natural life and after her decease the Sum to be paid ^{and come} Unto my Son Samuell

(Withers)

Lib: 7th B. Withers his heirs Executors administrators or assigns for Ever Item I bequeath unto the hands of my Loving friend Captain William Burgess and Richard Hill the Custody and Education of William and Thomas Pennington orphans of William Pennington Late of the County of Ann Arundell deceased and I do hereby give power unto them or either of them to dispose of Six hundred acres of Land Commonly known by the name of Sussops Land Lying in Duck Creek in Choptank to pay them their Debts Limited by their Debts as appears upon Record if they see it be for the good of their orphans which I leave wholly to their Discretion - Item I give and bequeath unto my Loving Son Samuell Withers all my Estate both real and personal after the death of his mother my Loving Wife Elizabeth Withers and likewise when my Loving Son Samuell Withers shall come to the age of twenty years then to possess and enjoy the one half of all my whole Estate both real and personal as well moveable as immovable within the County of Ann Arundell or beyond the Sea be it by Bills Bonds or accompts of what nature kind or quality beaved or in whose hands or Custody soever they may be found to have and hold For ever and take all and every the promises as aforesaid and if it shall happen that my Loving Son Samuell Withers should dye before he attains the age of Twenty years as aforesaid then I give and bequeath all my estate both real and personal formerly bequeathed to my Loving Son Samuell Withers (my Debts being paid and my funerall Expences discharged) Unto William Pennington the eldest Son of William Pennington Late of Ann Arundell deceased Unto his heirs Executors adm^{rs} or assigns for ever after the death of my Loving Wife Elizabeth Withers and in case the said William Pennington dye before he be at full age then I give and bequeath my estate aforesaid both real and personal Unto Thomas Pennington Brother to the said William Pennington and to his heirs for Ever after the death of my Loving Wife Elizabeth Withers - Item I give unto my Loving friend Capt^{ain} William Burgess and Richard Hill whom I desire to be Supervisors of this my Last Will and Testament twelve Shillings apiece to buy them rings withall to wear for my sake with this Mark Love your friend the rest of my Estate my Debts being paid and funerall expences discharged not being

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(all)

Lib. No. B already Bequeathed I give and Bequeath unto my Beloved Son Samuel Withers whom I make sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament I in witness whereof I have here set my hand and Seal this twenty third day of March Anno Dom. 1670.

Samuel Withers Sealed

Signed Sealed and delivered
In the Presence of us
Thomas March
Robert Tisbie
Richard Hill The second of June 1671.

Upon the foregoing last will and Testament of Samuel Withers deceased administration of all and singular the goods Chattels Rights and Debts of the said deceased was unto Elizabeth Withers Widow and Adm^r to the said Samuel during the minority of Sam^r Withers Jun^r & the Exec^r in the said Testament Committed —

In the Name of God amen. I George Collings of the County of Ann Arundell being Sicks and weak in Body but of perfect agility of mind and Memory Doth make my last will and Testament in Manner and forme as followeth.

I Imp^r I bequeath my Soul to God that gave it and my Body to the Earth from whence it Came to be buried after a Christian forme and Manner

I Imp^r I do bequeath my well beloved friend John Clarke of the said County above said to be my sole and only Executor of all my Temporall and Reall Estate to me now belonging.

I Imp^r I do order the said Clarke my Executor to pay all my Debts that may be Justly made appear as far as the ten^r of my estate shall be responsible or able to satisfy and what remain^r after my said Debts is satisfied I do bequeath to the above said Clarke my Executor or to his heirs Exec^r & Adm^r for aye for ever as witness my hand and Seal this seventh month of November in the year of our Lord 1670. Lord have mercy upon my soul

Signed Sealed and delivered

In the presence of

Henry Lewis

Oliver Holkway

4th June 1671.

Georg S Collings Sealed

(Commission)

Lib. No. B. Commission was then issued unto Robert Burll Gent^r to empower him to Swear the executor and prove the will & return^r upon the foregoing last Will and Testament of George Collings deceased administration of the said Estate was then granted unto John Clarke Executor therein named

66. In the name of God amen. I Richard Wells of S. 10th Creek in the County of Ann Arundell in the Province of Maryland being Sicks in Body but in good and perfect memory Do make this my last Will and Testament.

First I bequeath my Soul into the hands of God which gave it, and my Body to the Earth from whence it Came in hopes of a Resurrection to be buried in some decent manner as my Executor shall thinke fit and for what worldly Riches it hath pleased God to bestow upon me I do give in manner and forme following.

I Imp^r I do give unto my dear and Loving Wife Sophia Wells all my Personall Estate what soever of Servants Chattels Monies in England Goods and what soever moveable and Immoveable as well without doors as within except what shall be here in here after excepted to have and to hold to her the said Sophia her heirs and assigns for ever. Item it is my Will and I do give and bequeath unto my said Wife Sophia all that my Plantation and Estate of Land which I now dwell on Called Wells Crnt^r 250 hundred acres with its appurtenances and also one parcel of Land Called Little Wells Crnt^r 200 hundred acres with its appurtenances adjoining to the former in all seven hundred and also one parcel of Land Called Wells Hill Crnt^r 200 hundred and thirty acres in ann Arundell County adjoining upon M^r Anthony Sollomayes Land being in all Eleven hundred and thirty acres with all Soles orchards houses and what soever there unto belonging to have and to hold to her the said Sophia and the Male heirs of her Body for ever but for want of such heirs then to the heirs Male of my brother George Wells and for want of such heirs then to my Brother Benjamin for ever to him and his heirs. I do give and Bequeath my Part of Land on the

(Adger)

7th B Ridge Called Brothy Hall it being eight hundred acres
to my loving friend Mr Samuel Lane to him and his
heirs for ever at being a full satisfaction for his care and
attendance on the said Richard Wells in his sickness
Item it is my Will and I do hereby appoint and ordain
my loving Wife Sophia Wells aforementioned to be my whole
and sole executrix of this my Last Will and Testament
according to the honour and true meaning thereof Re-
nouncing all former Wills and Testaments by me made
In witness whereof The said Richard Wells have hereunto
putt my hand and Seal this Eleventh day of May in the
year of our Lord one thousand six hundred seventy one
Signed and Sealed in the — Richard Wells Sealed
presence of Memorandum
the Month of Octob^r 1671 Under the above written
cut and May putt in it then — Will was thus Written — 1671
Bearing Date — June 9th 1671
Richard Ewen, John Jeffries } The above Written Last Will and Testament
of Richard Wells doth was by the Oathes
of Richard Ewen and John Jeffries Witnesses thereunto
in Omen forme Proved before me this day and year above
Written — June 9th 1671 Charles Calvert?

Upon the foregoing Last Will and Testament of George Collings
p 438 late of Annamundell County deceased Recorded fol 138 was thus
written —

These may Certifie that according to Comission to me directed
from the Honble J^{ts} William Salbott Baronett Chief Judge
for Probate of Wills and granting of Administrations within
this Province) this above said Instrument was proved to be
the last Will and Testament and Last act and Deed of George
Collings deceased Upon the Oathes of Mr Henry Lewis and
Shewer Holloway (in Omen forme) the Witnesses to the said
Will which were taken the 14th of July 1671 With my
hand —

Robert Purle Jurat Esq^r
Commis^r Annamundell

26th 770 B On the Backside of the last Will and Testament of Samuel
Withers late of the County of Annamundell deceased Recorded
fol 138 was thus Written (Cryst)
These may Certifie that this Instrument within specified was
proved before me (according to Comission to me directed from
the Honble J^{ts} William Salbott Baronett Chief Judge for
Probate of Wills &c) to be the Last Will and Testament and
Last act and Deed of Samuel Withers Gentle of Annamundell
Deceased Upon the Oathes of Thomas Marsh Gentle Robert Lewis
and Mr Richard Hill Witnesses to the said Will their Oathes
taken solemnly upon the Holy Evangelists also that Richard
Withers the Heir and administratrix of the Deceased took her
Oath and gave Bond to the said Proprietary Whereupon I
delivered her the Letters of Administration also that I gave
the Oathes to Robert Davidge and Robert Lifford appointed
to be appraisers of the Estate all which was done the 26th of
June 1671 With my hand this day before said —

Robert Purle Jurat Esq^r
Commis^r Annamundell

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In the Name of God amen. I Tobias a peesant of the
Island of Kent in the Province of Maryland being sick and
weak in Body but of sound and perfect Memory God be
blessed for it Do make this my last Will and Testament —
in the manner and forme as followeth That is to say —
First I bequeath my Soul into the hands of the almighty
God trusting it shall be received into Eternall happiness
in and through the blood of my Meritorious Saviour
Jesus Christ Secondly my Body to the Earth from whence
I was taken to receive Christian Buriall according to the
direction of my Executor hereafter mentioned and my
Worldly goods as after mentioned Item I give and bequeath
unto Henry Davis four hundred Pounds of Tobacco —
and Cash Item I give unto John Moore one hide of upper
Leather and one Sole Leather and lastly I bequeath unto
Richard Nash all my whole Estate Personall and Real
and further I make Richard Nash my whole and sole
Executor of this my last Will and Testament as witness
my hand and Seal this 14th day of Sept^r 1671
Signed in the presence of Interlined before Protes the marks of
of us John Erickson Tobias Capelford (witness)
Shewer Holloway & Bradborn (In)

1075 B In the Name of God Amen, the twelfth day of October
 Anno Domini one thousand six hundred and Seventy I
 Samuel Gouldsmith of the County of Baltimore in the
 Province of Maryland Gent. being sick and weak in Body
 but of sound and perfect Memory Give thanks to God for
 the Same and knowing the uncertainty of this life on Earth
 and being desirous to settle things in order To make this my
 last Will and Testament in manner and forme following. That
 is to say first and principally I Comend my Soul to Almighty
 God my Creator assuredly believing that I shall receive full
 Pardon and free remission of all my sins and be saved by the
 precious Death and Merits of my blessed Saviour and
 Redeemer Christ Jesus And my Body to the Earth from whence
 it was taken to be buried in such decent and Christian manner
 as my Executor and Executrix hereafter named shall be-
 thought meet and Convenient. And attouching such Worldly
 estate as the Lord in Mercy hath Lent me my Will and meaning
 is the same shall be Impleaded and bestowed as here after by
 this my Will is expressed and first do Revocake Renounce frustrate
 and make Void all Wills by me formerly Made And declare and
 appoint this my Last Will and Testament. —
 Item I will that all Debts and duties that I owe in Right or Conscience
 to any one Person or Persons what soever be well and truly
 Contented and paid —
 Item I do give and Bequeath to Capⁿ George Wells my well
 beloved Son in Law the One half of my Estate Real and personal
 immediately after my decease according to a deed of Gift
 by me formerly Made unto the Said George Wells bearing
 Date the seventh day of October 1667.
 Item I do give and bequeath unto my loving Wife Johanna
 Gouldsmith the other Moiety or half of my estate Goods
 Chattells Lands and houses Moveables and Immoveables
 Whatsoever during her Naturall life only for her use and
 maintenance to be improved what in her lies not Impleaded
 or made away But to be given according to the after Clause
 of my Will. —
 Item I do give and bequeath to my Daughter Susannah

(vly)

Lib^r No B My wife of Mr. George Wells that Moiety or half of all and
 singular my goods Chattells as well as all as persona except
 ing Land housing Orchard. and State all other part and par-
 cels left by me, to my Wife during her life to her heirs after
 her and in Consideration of the above said Land Orchard and
 housing the which I do will and bequeath unto my above
 named Son in Law Capⁿ George Wells, I will that he pay
 unto my daughter Susanna Wells the Sum of fourtyn
 Toward pounds of Lawfull Tobacco and Cashes the same
 to be paid upon demand after the decease of my loving
 Wife Johanna Gouldsmith unto my Daughter Susanna
 Wells or her heirs. —
 Item I do give and bequeath unto my daughter Blanch
 Wells the plate above excepted out of the Moiety or half
 of my estate that my loving Wife Johanna Gouldsmith
 is possessed withall during her life to her and her heirs
 after her.
 Item I do give a Legacy unto my beloved Son in Law
 Mr. George Wells to be delivered forth presently after my death
 my Rapier and Belt and all my Wearing apparell and
 Coathes Wollen and Lining not reckoning them as part of
 my Estate.
 Item I do give my Godson George Gouldsmith my Seal
 Ring and piece of plate of the Value of five pound Sterling
 and M^r Mary Gouldsmith my part of the great Boate to
 be possessed off her without Molestation.
 Item my Will is that my Loving Wife Johanna Gould-
 smith and my Son in Law Capⁿ George Wells be the
 Executor and Executrix of this my last Will and Testament.
 to see that every part thereof be fully performed in every
 Respect In witness whereof I have hereunto sett my
 hand Subscribing my Name and sett my Seale unto this
 my last Will and Testament the day and Year above
 Written.
 Signed Sealed in the presence of Samuel Gouldsmith (Sealed)
 Matthias Stevenson I ou the foregoing Will of M^r Samuel
 Gouldsmith was thus Written (vly)
 The above Written Will of Samuel Gouldsmith was proved by
 Matthias Stevenson and Nicholas Banks Witnesses to the same
 before me this 21st of October 1671. Charles Calvert.

7th Dec

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Lib^{ry} No B
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The Deposition of Samuel Bowen of Baltimore County
aged one and thirty years or thereabouts being sworn sayeth
That he the said Samuel Bowen being Servant unto Henry
Jones about January last the said Henry Jones being taken
sick in body but being then in perfect Memory did call to
him this Dependant and one Samuel Howes and did then declare
unto them his mind how he would have his Estate disposed
of after his decease which this Depont. saith is as followeth
First what Estate it hath pleased God to bestow upon him
he would have equally divided between ann his Wife and his
Two daughters Sarah and Mary and this Dep^t further saith
that the said Henry Jones dyed to the best of his knowledge
possessed of 8 Cows 3 Horses 3 Steers 3 Calves one Mare
and one Colt, two years old 30 head of Hogs 3 beds and
furniture 3 pewter Dishes one man Servant one year to serve
one servant 3 years to serve a lease for one hundred acres of
Land running 11 years and other old Lumber and further
this Dep^t sayeth not.

Sa: Bowen. (Clerk)

Sworn before me this 13 day of October 1671. Robert Gage

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In the Name of God amen. the 26 day of August Annoq.
Dom. 1671. I James Selby of Dorchester County and Province
of Maryland being at present sick and weak in body, but
thanks be to God in good and perfect memory Do make Constitute
Ordain and declare this my last Will and Testament in
Manner and form as followeth Revoking and annulling
all and every Will and Wills heretofore by me made either
by word or Writing and this only to be taken for my last
Will and Testament and no other, And first being penitent
from the bottom of my heart for all my sins most humbly
desiring forgiveness for the same I give and Commit my soul
to the Almighty God my Saviour and Redeemer in whom
and by the Merits of Jesus Christ I trust and believe assured
ly to be saved And my Body to be buried in decent Manner
as the overseers of this my Will shall think fit and now for
the settling of my Temporall Estate which it hath pleased
God to bestow upon me in this said Province I do order

(give)

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give and dispose in Manner and form following (viz) First
I will that all these Debts and duties that I owe of Right of
Conscience to any Manner of Person what so ever shall be
well and truly paid by my Executor and Executrix hereafter
named, and after all my Just Debts so paid I do give and bequeath
unto Thomas Newben and Samuel Pritchard all my wearing Cloaths
between them and to Thomas Kendall my best Shal, and a goodly
Shirt and the rest of my Linen to the said Newben Sam^l Swill -
that Thomas Newben shall have full satisfaction for the
trouble and Charge of his house, Sam^l Swill and bequeath
unto Mr Daniel Perke a Parcel of Land Called South lying
all the head of the Main Branch in Black Water, and all the
rest of my debts Land Chattells dues and Demands what so ever
I do give and bequeath unto my Executor and Executrix
hereafter named and after their deceases to the first Child
that shall be born of the Body of my said Executrix after
the date of these presents and to its heirs for ever. and I do here
Make and ordain William Morgan and also his wife -
my Executor and Executrix of this my last will and Testament
and I do here also make and ordain my Loving friends
Mr Daniel Perke overseer of this my last Will and
Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto
Subscribed my Name and putt my Seal the day and year
above Written

James Selby (Sealed)

Sealed and delivered

In the presence of us

Thomas R. Kendall

Samuell J. Pritchard

On the foregoing Will of James
Selby was thus Written viz
The 13th day of Oct^r 1671

This day appeared before me Thomas Kendall and Samuell
Pritchard witnesses to the above Written Will and Testam^t
and by their Oathes Proved the same In Common form the day
and year above said before me. Robert Gage Clerk

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Maryland In the Name of God amen. I Barbara
Wright of Baltimore County in Maryland and late of
Bobill in the parish of St Andrew in the County of Glamorgan
Shire Widdow being sick in body but of Sound and perfect
Memory Praised be to God Do make this my last Will and
Testament as followeth

Imp^t I bequeath my soul unto the hands of my Loving Jesus
Christ in whose Merits I hope Death and Passion I hope

(for)

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for money and Salvation at the last Day and my Body to the Earth from whence it came to be decently buried. Item I will and bequeath unto my well beloved Niece Margaret Perry of the Parish of St Andrew aforesaid all the Personal Estate Right and Title whatsoever belonging unto me in the Province of Maryland and also all my Estate Right Title Interest Claim and Demand whatsoever to my house and Land called by the Name of Boovill in Cammargan Shire aforesaid or elsewhere and to her heirs for Ever.

Item my Will and Meaning is that my said Niece should satisfy and pay all such Debts Contracts and other demands whatsoever which is from me Justly due.

Item I will and bequeath unto my Maid Servant Dorothy Thomas one Thousand Weight of Tobacco.

Item my Will and Intention is that my said Niece be my Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fourteenth Day of February anno Dom 1670.

Witness Thomas Howell Barbara Wright Sealed

John sworn } on the foregoing Will of M^{rs} Barbara
Tho. Scott. } Wright was thus Written

16th of October 1671.

The above Written Last Will and Testament of Barbara Wright was by the Oathes of Thomas Howell and Thomas Scott Witnesses thereunto In Person for me proved before me the day and Year above said Robert Kedgeley Clerk

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In the Name of God Amen. I Edward Dean being now very sick and Weak but yet in Sound and perfect Memory Do in the presence of those Witnesses make this my Last and last will and Testament first Bequeathing my Soul to God my Maker and also my Body to the Earth from whence it came with decent Buriall

Secondly to all and every of my Creditors their Just dues & for all other worldly Debts as Land Chattels Hogs or what sort so ever that doth properly belong unto me I do here in the presence of those Witnesses bequeath them all and every of them unto Elizabeth Lindsey Daughter of M^r James Lindsey

(of)

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of Charles County in Maryland appointing and ordaining her the said Elizabeth after my decease my sole heir to enjoy and possess all and every of such Lands Chattels and Goods as in my lifetime did properly belong unto me for her and her heirs for Ever only I desiring the Father of the said Elizabeth and Mother may enjoy the use of all the said Lands Chattels and Goods until the said Elizabeth shall be Married or Come of age, namely the Plantation that stand upon the River of the Potomack with all Rights and Benefits that doth or might belong unto me and also one horse and one young steer that is at John Whollers and one small Iron post with a brass door and my Chest which is at Bonnett Woflagies as also a pot and frying pan, that is there there and all other things that doth belong unto me Edward Dean Do this sixth day of April in the year of our Lord anno Dom 1670. bequeath unto the said Elizabeth Lindsey after she shall Come of age or at her first Marriage to enjoy and possess for she and her heirs for Ever. Requiring James and Mary Lindsey the Father and Mother of the said Elizabeth to enjoy and possess all the Contents of the above specified Will until the said Elizabeth shall Come of age and be Married and then to Surrender the same unto the said Elizabeth and if the said Elizabeth shall die before she shall Come of age or be married then the next of her kindred to enjoy the same So Committing my Soul to God I do here in the presence of those Witnesses Confirm this my Last Will and Testament and Set to my hand and seal this day and year above Written.

Signed Sealed & delivered in the presence of us
Ralph Coules John Colling
Richard H Wall
his Master

Edward Dean Sealed
his wife

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On the back side of the foregoing Last Will and Testament was thus Written as followeth
To the Honble S^r William Talbot Barronett Chief Judge of Ecclesiastical Causes within the Province of Maryland
By Vertue of a Commission from your Hon^r bearing Date the 30th day of September in the 40th year of the sa =

(mission)

Lib^{ry} N^o B

Union of Cecilus & Annag Don. 1671 to me directed and me empowering to call before me the several Witnesses to the last Will and Testament of Edward Deane Late of Charles County deceased and by their oaths to cause the same to be proved thereupon to certify that on the 14th day of September in the year above said came before me Ralph Bates and Richard Will two of the Witnesses to the within written Will and made oath that they saw the within named Edward Deane Sign Seal and Publish the within Written as his last Will and Testament and further that he was in perfect Sense and memory when he executed the same. *Perij. Haver.*

In the Name of God amen I William Allen of Charles County in the Province of Maryland being weak & in body but of perfect mind and memory Praise be to God do hereby make and ordain this my last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all former Wills what so ever this third of January in the Year of our Lord 1669 and first of all I bequeath my Soul into the hands of all mighty God who gave it and my Body unto the ground from whence it came and for what Small Estate it hath pleased God to send me I desire it may be bestowed in manner following. Imp^t I give and bequeath all my Estate (except hereafter excepted) unto my Daughter Elizabeth Allen. Item I will and bequeath that my wife Martha Allen may Enjoy my said Estate until my said Daughter come to age and if it please God to take her before the Cometo age I give and bequeath it unto my wife Martha Allen her heirs Item I give and bequeath to my God daughter Mary Harrison Daughter of Joseph Harrison one Brown Cow Commonly Called by the name of Mealy Horse now using about the plantation of Ju^s Wheller together with all her future increase the said Cow is kept and Shet on the right Bar and afflower Delue on the left which said Cow to her the said Mary and her heirs for Ever. Item I give and bequeath unto Luke Green of Charles County one red heifer aged about two years and one steer of the same age being Marked with the above said Ear

(Mark)

Lib^{ry} N^o B

Mark now using at or about the Plantation of John Green brooke to him the said Luke Green and his heirs for Ever Item I give and bequeath unto John Munn Son of John Munn one Brown Cow Called by the name of Double dits of the off^r Barre Marked to him the said John Munn and his heirs for Ever Item I give and bequeath my Gun and Rifle unto Roger Duke Son of John Duke and ordain my Brother in Law John Mann Executor of this my last Will and Testament to see it performed. In testimony hereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the Day and year above Written.

Will: Allen. Sealed
Signed and sealed in the presence of
Walter W. Cooper
his M^{rk}
Charles R. Woolley
his M^{rk}
On the backside of the foregoing last Will and Testament of W^m Allen was thus written. -
W^m Allen
July 18th

I now witness by these presents that I John Munn of Charles County do freely and of my own account Relinquish all the Interest and trust put unto me by Brother in Law William Allen of this his last Will and Testament unto Gerrard Brown as witness my hand and seal

his M^{rk}
John Munn Sealed
Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of
Mary M A Allenson
Peter B. D. Debon.
his M^{rk}

Also was thus Written.

By Virtue of a Commission from the Hon^{ble} Sr. William Talbot Barronett Chief Judge in Chancery Causes within this Province of Maryland bearing date the Eleventh day of August in the 40th year of the Dominion of Cecilus & Annag Don. 1671. to me directed and me empowering to call before me John Munn the Executor of the last Will and Testament of William Allen Late of Charles County deceased and take his acknowledgment of his renunciation of the trust and Executor reposed in him by the said deceased Likewise to

(Call)

Lib. N^o B. Call the witnesses to the said Will and cause the same by their -
oaths to be proved these are humbly to certify that on the -
thirteenth day of September in the year above said Came before -
me John Mann, the Executor above mentioned and did acknow-
ledge the Renunciation of the trust of an Executor deposited
in him by William Allen deceased as above written likewise
then Came Charles Wolley one of the Witnesses to the within
written Will and made oath that he saw the within written
Will signed sealed and published by the within named -
William Allen as his last Will and Testament and further
that the said William Allen was in sound sense and memory
when he attested the same Berj. Aloxer?

In the Name of God Amen, in the year of our Lord God
1670 March 20th I Nicholas Emanson of Charles County
in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak in body
but of good and perfect memory Manke to God to make
this my last Will and Testament in Manner and forme
following That is to say first I bequeath my Soul and -
Spiritt into the hands of Allmighty God my Heavenly
Father by whom of his Mercy and only Good Trust
to be saved and Received into Eternal Rest through the
Death of my Saviour and Redeemer Jesus Christ in
whose Precious Blood I put the whole and only hope of my
Salvation my Wretched Body in hope of a Joyfull resur-
rection I Commit to the Earth to be buried with such Charge
and in such place as my Executrix hereafter named -
shall think fit and touching the distribution of my mortal
Goods I dispose of the same as followeth -
First I will that all such Debts as I owe shall be truly paid
Secondly I give and bequeath unto my daughter Ables -
One Thousand Two hundred pounds of Tobacco to be paid
to her or her heirs by my Executor hereafter named -
all the rest of my estate Real and Personall Land goods
Cattel and Chawells whatsoever I give and bequeath unto
my Loving Wife Elizabeth and my daughter Mary
Emanson to be equally divided betwixt them and my -

(Daughters)

Lib. N^o B. Daughter Marys share to be delivered unto her when she Come
to be fifteen years of age -
Lastly I will and ordain that the part and portion of my
Daughter Mary Remains in the hands of my Wife Elizabeth
both Emanson during the time of her minority and that
my Executrix out of the profits to be got by the use of
the said Marys Part or Portion do maintain and edu-
cate the said Mary untill the said portion become due to
her and if she dye before the said Part or Portion become
due to her then the said part Portion and Legacy of her
so dying shall be at the Disposal of my Executrix -
Lastly I make and ordain the said Elizabeth Emanson -
my wife to be my full whole and sole Executrix of this
my last Will and Testament and I do utterly revoke
all former Will and Testaments by me in any way
heretofore made or declared. In witness whereof I have
herunto set my hand and seal the day and year above
written

Nich: Emanson Sealed
Signed Sealed and delivered
up by the said Nicholas
Emanson in the presence of
James Martin
Steven Montgome
Wm. Marritt
The 8th of September 1671 -
witnesseth the foregoing
last Will and Testament
was thus Written as follows
(15th)

Came the above named James Martin and made oath
that he saw the above named Nicholas Emanson sign-
seal deliver and publish the above written as his last
Will and Testament and further that he was in perfect
sense and memory when he executed the same

Sworne before me the day and year
abovesaid Robert Kingley

On the back side of the foregoing Last Will and Testam^t
of Nicholas Emanson was also thus Written (15th)
By Virtue of a Commission from the Honble Sr -
William Joffcott Barronet Chief Justice in Testa-
mentary Causes within the Province of Maryland
bearing date the 8th day of September in the 40th

(year)