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LIBER 34.

Page 1.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN LEGGETT, of the West Farms, in the Borrough Town of Westchester, yeoman, being sensible of the mortality of my body, I direct all debts and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to my son Ebenezer all my right, title and interest in, and to a certain farm or Neck of land, called Cow Neck, in the Borough Town of Westchester, with all the meadows thereto belonging. Also a negro boy, Jim. I leave to my wife Mary, the use of my house and farm where I now live, and all my meadows lying in the West Farms, so long as she remains my widow and no longer. I leave to my wife all my movable estate except as here given. If she marries then I leave to my daughters, Mary and Martha, £100 each and the remainder of my movable estate to my daughters, Anna, Abigail, Mary, and Martha. After the death or marriage of my wife I leave to my son John the farm where I now live, with all the meadows that are in the West Farms, and all farming utensils, and my silver tankard and my negro boy Faith. I make my wife and my son Ebenezer and my friend, Stephen Hunt, executors.

Dated January 8, 1780. Witnesses, John Fowler, Thomas Lawrence, Daniel White, Physician. Proved, October 23, 1780, before Carey Ludlow, Esq.

Confirmed by His Excellency, James Robertson, Governor, October 23, 1780. Samuel Bayard jr., Secretary.

Page 3.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CHARLES WILLETT, of Flushing, in Queens County, on the Island of Nassau. My executors are to pay all debts and funeral charges. I leave to my wife Helena one half of all household goods and furniture, and a maintenance out of my house and land in Flushing, so long as she remains my widow. I leave to my daughter, Sarah Willett, £1000, and a cow and a horse, and her choice of two negro girls, and one half of the household furniture (except the tables and clock and desk). I leave to my son James one half of all my lands and meadows, which half is to be taken out of the farm which formerly belonged to Jeronemus Rapalye. I leave to my son Thomas one half of all my lands and meadows, which is to be the farm where I now live. I leave to my son James my desk, and one half of my negroes, and one third of my personal estate. I leave to my daughter Sarah one third of my personal estate. I leave to my wife three cows and one horse. I make Joseph Hewlett and Joseph Field, executors.

Dated June 15, 1767. Witnesses, Robert Morrell, Thomas Willett, Edward Willett. Proved, October 5, 1780, before John T. Troup, surrogate. Confirmed, October 24, 1780.

Page 4.—I, HANNAH BURR, of Cow Neck, in the town of Hempstead, in Queens County, widow, being sick and weak. Whereas an agreement of Partnership in Trade was made between me and my son James, that he should have one half of the profits, in consideration of his extraordinary trouble. In consideration of his agreeing to relinquish the same, I leave him all my farm and tract of land, and dwelling house and premises in Cow Neck, with about 2½ acres of land adjoining the land of Caleb Morrell, and the homestead with

appurtenances. And my brothers, Samuel Mabbett and Joseph Mabbett (who have in themselves the legal title in Trust for me) are to execute a deed to my son James. I also leave to my son James £200, and he is to educate and bring up in a decent and becoming manner my three children, Jonathan, Susannah, and Joseph, during their minority. All the rest of my estate, of every description, I leave to all my children, James, Isaac, Jonathan, Susannah, and Joseph. My son James is to have at prime cost, my shop goods and merchandise, for his advancement in trade. I make my friends, Robert Mitchell and Joseph Pear-sall, and my son James, executors.

Dated September 25, 1780. Witnesses, Daniel KISSAM, Attorney at Law, Joseph Mabbett, John Burtis. Proved, October 9, 1780.

Page 6.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DAVID STUART, Serjeant in the Grenadier Company of His Majesty's 22d Regiment, and acting Quartermaster in the second Batalion of British Grenadiers. I leave to my wife, Mary Stuart, otherwise Smith, all my estate, real and personal, and all arrears of pay, and she is to pay all debts. And she shall pay to my only son, James Stuart, aged nine years, one half of what I shall die possessed of. I make my wife executor.

Dated October 10, 1780. Witnesses, Alexander STUART, Serjeant 22d R'gt, David White, Serjeant 64th R'gt, George Thompson, Serjeant 63d R'gt of Grenadiers. Proved, November 6, 1780.

Page 7.—In the name of God, Amen. I, NATHANIEL PROVOST, of Newtown, in Queens County. All debts to be paid by my executors, as soon as they can obtain an indemnifying release from my mortgage against my estate. My executors are to sell whatever may be unnecessary to keep on the place, to best advantage. I leave to my wife during her widowhood, the house and land where I now live, with the furniture,

for her maintainance and to bring up my children. I leave to my son John, when he is 21, all my real estate, and what is my personal estate out of doors for his inheritance, and Right of First born, and he is to pay to his sister Elizabeth £15, and to his brothers, Robert and Nathaniel, £15 each. My wife is to live on my estate for life if she chooses to do so. I make my uncle, Nathaniel Moore, Captain Cornelius Rapalyea, and Jacobus Ricker, executors.

Dated May 12, 1780. Witnesses, John Keams, William Hallett, Nathaniel Moore. Proved, June 10, 1780.

Page 9.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DANIEL RAPALYE SR., of Newtown in Queens County, yeoman, being in reasonable health, my executors are to pay all debts. I leave to my son Joris £5 for his Birth right. I leave to my son Cornelius the piece of fresh meadow that lyes near where William Betts now lives, being 3¼ acres. Bounded north by road, east by Joseph Burroughs, south by the creek, west by William Betts. Which is to be valued at £80, and he is to have enough more to make him equal with the rest of his brothers and sisters. I leave to my son Martin my farm where I now live, with the meadow thereto belonging, being about 150 acres, bounded northwest by Joseph Lawrence and Richard Berrian, southwest by Richard Berrian, Benjamin Cornish, John Moore, jr., the estate of Lambert Moore, and estate of Samuel Waldron, south by the estate of Samuel Fish, William Betts and Joseph Burroughs, east by highway that leads from Newtown to John Fish's mill, north by Daniel Rapalyea, Esq. Also a piece of salt meadow joining to Robert Coe's land. And the whole to be valued at £1920. And he is to pay to his brothers and sisters enough to make them equal with himself. I leave to my children, Joris, Sarah, wife of Isaac Bogart, Jannettie, wife of Hendrick Ryher, and Neeltie, wife of Jeremiah Remson, all the rest of my estate. I make my three sons executors.

Dated April 12, 1776. Witnesses, Isaac Rapalye, Jacob Rapalye, Samuel Moore, 3d. Proved, November 26, 1776. Confirmed, November 7, 1780.

Page 11.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB BLACKWELL, of Queens County, on Nassau or Long Island, being at this time in perfect health, August 29, 1779. I leave to my sons, James and Jacob, my Island known by the name of Blackwell's Island, to them and their heirs and assigns forever. And they are to pay half the legacies. I leave to my sons, Samuel and Josiah, the farm on Nassau, or Long Island, whereon I now dwell, and they are to pay one half of the legacies. I leave to my wife Lydia the choice of any room in my house, and the use of one third of my farm and Island during her life or widowhood. Also a negro wench Belinda, and one third of household furniture. I leave to my sons, Joseph and Robert, each £10. I leave to my daughter, Lydia Blackwell, £300, and a negro girl, Sylva, and one third of household furniture. To my daughter, Mary Blackwell, £300, and a negro girl and one third of household furniture. I order that a tract of land, of 8 acres, on York island, near Harlem, and the rest of my negroes, to be sold, and the proceeds used to pay debts and legacies. All the stock and farming utensils are to remain on the farm. My executors are to enclose one quarter of an acre of land, where the burying place now is, the same to be reserved for ever as a family burying place. Whereas I have in the hands of Mr. Jacob Hallett, of the Jerseys, about £200, it is to be applied towards debts and legacies. I make my sons, Robert and Jacob, executors.

Witnesses, Jacob Hallett, Jr., Richard Betts, Ferryman, Hendrick Suydam, miller. Proved, November 13, 1780.

Page 13.—I, HENRY FRANKLIN, of New York, this 26 day of the 5th month 1780, being in health. My ex-

ecutors are to pay all debts and funeral charges. I leave to my wife Mary all household goods, plate and furniture, and £50 yearly while she remains my widow. If she marries, she is to have one ninth of the personal property and the use of one ninth of the real estate, except a certain tract of land given to my five sons, and six farms in the Town of Dartmouth. My executors are to sell all real estate, except as here given, and the interest is to be paid to my wife, for bringing up and educating my children. Of the remainder I leave one ninth to each of my children, Henry, Matthew, Richard, William, Samuel, Phebe, Sarah, and Philadelphia, when of age. Now as touching the six lots or farms, in the township of Dartmouth, on the west bank of the North river I bequeath them to to my three daughters. And as touching a tract of land, granted by Governor Tryon, by Patent to me and Frederick Rhineland and others, being about six miles northwest of Onion river, in Charlotte County, my part containing about 40,000 acres, I leave the same to my five sons, when my youngest son Samuel is of age, which will be on the first day of the 3d month, 1805, but one eleventh of the profits is to be for my wife. My executors are to be guardians of my children. My five sons are to be put to trades or business, among Friends, if it can be. I make my wife and my esteemed friends, James Mott, William Rhineland, and William Rickman executors, and they are to have five per cent on all monies, above the debts.

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Page 16.—In the name of God, Amen. I, BLANCHE BEAU, of New York, spinster, being in an infirm state of health. I leave all my real and personal estate to the use of my sister, Elizabeth Beau, during her life,

and to the use of my brother, Renne Beau, during his life; and my brother, Renne Beau, is to be supported during his natural life in a Christian like, decent and handsome manner. After the death of my sister, my negro woman and her children are to be free. After the death of my brother and sister, I leave to my friend, Jane Smith, widow (late Jane Papoon), and her two sisters, Mary and Elizabeth Papoon, all my real estate during their lives. After the death of my brother and sister, I leave all my personal estate to my God children, Blanche Dominic, Phebe Totten, Magdalene Flandereau, and Garret Richard, and to the two God children of my said sister, viz., Isaac Totten, and Ann Dominic, and to my worthy friends, Elizabeth, wife of John Lasshan, Mary, wife of James Wilmet, Catharine Pino, Jane Harrison, daughter of Morly Harrison, Christina Theobald, and Mary Kelliker. After the death of Jane Smith, and Mary and Elizabeth Papoon, my executors are to sell all my real estate and pay the proceeds to my said God children. I make my sister Elizabeth, William Ustick, David Seabury, and George Dominic, executors.

Dated February 28, 1780. Witnesses, Simeon Lugin, school master, John Barrow, baker, Bartholomew Crannell, Esq. Proved, November 6, 1780.

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Island, and he is to demand all notes, bonds, and book debts.

Witnesses, Stephen Farrand, Jacob Loder, Henry Hennion. Proved, November 13, 1780.

Page 20.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSEPH CONKLIN, being weak and sick. I leave to my cousin, Jeremiah Havens, all my movable estate, after paying all debts, and I make him executor. I leave to my negro wench, Merria, her time. I also give to Merria, her daughter, Cloe, during her life.

Dated September 30, 1780. Witnesses, David Howell, John Havens, Joseph Clarke, doctor. Proved in Suffolk County before Nathan Woodhull, surrogate. November 17, 1780.

[NOTE.—The testator probably lived on Shelter Island, or on Hog Neck, in the town of Southampton. The will presents a curious instance of a mother holding a daughter as a slave.—W. S. P.]

Page 21.—In the name of God, Amen. I, GEORGE PETTINER, Lieutenant in His Majesty's 6th Regiment, at present in New York. I leave to my wife, Anna Frances, the use of all my estate for life, for maintaining and educating my daughter, Frances Kean Pettiner, and after my wife's decease I leave all to my said daughter. I make my wife executor.

Dated December 23, 1778. Witnesses, Terrence Kevin, Esq., Notary Public, I. Randel, Richard Fletcher. Proved, November 27, 1780.

Page 22.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL SACKET, of Jamaica, in Queens County, Gentleman, being sick. I leave to my wife Mary the use of all household furniture, lands, negroes, horse and chair, two best cows, with pasturing and firewood for two fires, if she lives in the country. If she chooses to live in the city, I leave her the use of the back part of my house in New York, in Queen street, with the back

room, two chambers and loft and kitchen. If she choose to live in the country, I leave her £50 a year and one fifth of the income of estate. I leave to my oldest son, Samuel, £700. To my son Richard £500. To my son Augustus £500, when of age. My executors are to allow to my wife £50 for each of my children, yearly, so long as they live with her, as compensation for their meat, drink, washing, clothing and education. And when they are of suitable age, they are to be put to callings, as my executors may think most suitable. My executors are to sell all stock and farming utensils. After the death of my wife, I leave all to my children, Samuel, Richard, Augustus, and Sophia. I make my relation, Captain Thomas Laurence, of Newtown, and my friends, James Desbrosses, of New York, and Christopher Smith and Cary Ludlow, of Jamaica, executors.

Dated September 26, 1780. Witnesses, Jacob Sharpe, Charles Welling, Samuel Welling. Proved, October 25, 1780.

[NOTE.—Mr. Samuel Sackett died at Jamaica, September 30, 1780.]

Page 25.—I, SAMUEL JACKSON, SR., of Jerusalem, in the town of Hempstead, in Queens County, July 26, 1778, being weak and infirm. I leave to my wife Mary £500, and a horse and riding chair and negro girl, and £40 yearly so long as she remains my widow. And the use of half my dwelling house. Her horse is to be kept with grass, hay, and grain, and she is to have firewood, cut and carted to the door. I leave to my daughter Ruth £300. To my daughter Mary £250. To my daughter Jemima £150. To my daughters, Letitia and Martha, £346 between them. I leave to my wife and my daughters, Ruth and Mary, all household goods, including the cloths, linnen and woollen. And my wife shall make the yarn, not made, into cloth, and the cloth, not made, into clothes for my children. My daughters, Ruth and Mary, are to live with my

wife or their brothers, Townsend and Thomas Jackson, so long as they are unmarried. I leave to my grandson, Samuel Jackson, one horse, value £20, and a saddle and bridle, when he is sixteen. I leave to my son Richard over and above what I have already given him, one half of the land which I purchased of Joseph Lockwood and of Thomas and Elnathan Hanford, at or near Cold Spring, in Oyster Bay, to be taken off the north side. I leave to my sons, Townsend and Thomas, all the rest of my estate, lands, and movables, except so much as may be sold to pay debts. I make my sons, Townsend and Thomas, and my nephew, George Hewlett, executors.

Witnesses, William Jones, Richard Jackson, Jacob Jackson.

Codicil. February 17, 1780. Revokes the gift of land made to his son Richard, and leaves the same to his grandson, Samuel Jackson, son of said Richard. And he acquits his son Richard from all due from him for money advanced. Also leaves to his wife Mary another cow and the privilege of a garden. I leave to my daughter Ruth a cow. My daughter Mary being since married, I leave her a part of the household goods immediately. I leave to each of my daughters £50, and to Mary £10 more.

Witnesses, John Jackson Jr., Jacob Jackson, Samuel Jones. Proved, November 29, 1780.

Page 28.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES BUVELOT, of New York, being in perfect health. All debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Mary the rest of my dwelling house and lot lying in Hanover Square, in the East Ward of New York, during her widowhood, and then to my nephew, John Buvelot, and my niece, Margaret Bassett. I leave to my wife Mary the dwelling house and lot in Beekman street, where I now live, and all the rest of my estate. I make my wife and my friends, John Aymar and Simeon Lugin, late of New York, but now of Jamaica, executors.

Dated August 4, 1777. Witnesses, Joseph Bell, Elizabeth Van Dyck, widow John Woods. Proved, December 4, 1780.

Page 30.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN FIELD, of Flushing, in Queens County, being in perfect health. My executors are to sell all my estate at public vendue, and pay the proceeds to my four brothers, Benjamin, Gilbert, Charles, and James. I make my brothers, Benjamin and Gilbert, and my friend, John Rodman, executors.

Dated April 1, 1773. Witnesses, John Fowler, Quaker, John Carl, Freelove Carl. Proved, October 31, 1780.

Page 31.—In the name of God, Amen. I, FERRENCE McDERMOTT, Ensign in His Majesty's 35th Regiment, and eldest son and heir of Owen McDermott, late of County Roscommon (Ireland). I leave to my wife Elizabeth £500, and all household furniture and personalities, of whatever kind, and £100 sterling yearly. In the event my wife is now with child, if it be a son, he shall have all the remainder of my estate. If a daughter, then £2000 when of age or married. All the remainder of my estate I leave to my brother Patrick, in case I have no more children. I make Christopher French, late Lieutenant Colonel, 52nd Regiment, and Hon. Hugh Wallace, of New York, Lawrence Parsons, major of 7th Regiment, Patrick McDermott, and my wife Elizabeth, executors.

Dated October 27, 1778. Witnesses, F. Rush Clark, John West, David Campbell. Proved, December 18, 1780.

Page 32.—In the name of God, Amen. I, FRANCES VAN CORTLANDT, of the Little or Lower Yonkers, in Westchester County, being in good health. My Body to be decently buried near my deceased husband in our Family vault, at discretion of my executors. All debts

and funeral expenses to be paid. I leave to my two daughters, Anne Van Horne, and Eve White, £1000 each, before any division of my estate between them and their brothers, to whom my deceased husband hath devised the most considerable part of all his real estate, and left it to me to make further provision for my two daughters, out of the estate I expected to receive or have from my father and mother, both deceased. I leave to my daughter, Anne Van Horne, the choice of my negro girl. I leave to my daughter Eve a negro girl named Susan. I leave to my son Frederick a negro wench Hester and a negro boy Pero. I leave to my son James a negro man, John, who now lives with him. All the rest of my estate, real and personal, I leave to my five children, James, Augustus, Frederick, Eve, and Anne. My executors may sell all real estate. I make my sons, James and Frederick, executors.

Dated March 2, 1771, in the 11 year of Kinge George III. Witnesses, Pelatiah Haus, John Cozine, Jr., Esq., John Noble. Proved, December 28, 1780. Confirmed, January 5, 1781.

[NOTE.—Frances Van Cortlandt was the daughter of Augustus Jay and his wife, Anna Maria Bayard. She married Frederick Van Cortlandt, January 19, 1724. He died February 12, 1749, and she died August 2, 1780, aged 79. The estate, of which Van Cortlandt Park is a part, descended to his son, James Van Cortlandt, who died April 1, 1781. Owing to entailment and want of issue, it went to his uncle, Augustus Van Cortlandt, who died in 1823. From him it descended to his grandson, Augustus White, son of Henry White, and his daughter, Anna Van Cortlandt. He took the name of Van Cortlandt. In default of issue the estate went to his nephew, Augustus Bibby, son of his sister, Augusta Van Cortlandt, who married Dr. E. N. Bibby. Augustus Bibby also took the name of Van Cortlandt, and his son, Augustus Van Cortlandt, and his sons are the present representatives of this ancient and honored

family. The daughter Eve, mentioned in the will, married Henry White. The daughter Anne married, first, Nathaniel Marston, Jr.; second, Augustus Van Horne.—W. S. P.]

Page 34.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB RAPELJE, of Newtown, in Queens County, on Nassau Island, being in reasonable health. I leave to my wife Catrina the use of all estate during her widowhood. I leave to my son Peter £5 for his birth right. After my wife's decease or marriage I leave to my sons, Peter, George, and Jacob, £50 each, being for outsets. I leave to my son Peter my negro boy Joe. To my son George a negro boy Sam. To my daughter Sarah a negro girl. To my son Jacob a negro girl, and to my daughter Catrina a negro girl. After all debts are paid I leave all my estate to all my children, Angenietie, wife of Martin Schenck, Peter, George, Sarah, Jacob, and Catrina. After my wife's decease or marriage, all my estate to be put up to sale to the highest bidder. I make my sons, Peter and George, and my son in law, Martin Schenck, executors.

Dated January 6, 1775. Witnesses, Jonh. Laurence, Edmund Pinfold, John Laurence. Proved, November 20, 1780.

Page 36.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CHARLES NICOLL, of New York, merchant, for the settlement of my temporal affairs do make this my last will and testament. I leave to my nephew, Charles Nicoll Taylor, and to my two nieces, Ann, wife of Evert Bancker, Jr., grocer, and Sarah, wife of Matthew Nicoll, all my real estate, consisting of the lot of land on which stood my late dwelling house near White Hall, in New York, and also one lot in said city which I purchased of Anthony A. Rutgers. Also one thousand acres of land in Tryon County, on the north side of the Mohawk river, being part of a large tract granted to John Glen and ninety-three others, by Letters Patent, April 12, 1770.

I leave to my nephew, Charles Nicoll Taylor, my negro lad named Edinborough, but commonly called Burrough, and my gold watch and wearing apparell, and all linnens and woollen. Of all the rest of my personal estate I leave to my brother, Edward Nicoll, one third. To my brother John one third, and to Charles Nicoll Taylor and my two said nieces, one third. I make my brother Edward, and my nephew, Charles Nicoll Taylor, and Evert Bancker, Jr., executors.

Dated December 4, 1780. Witnesses, John Kelly, Notary Public, Joseph Allicocke, grocer, Terrence Reilly. Proved, December 18, 1780.

Page 37.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ZOPHOR ROGERS, of Huntington, Suffolk County, being weak in body. November 2, 1780. I leave to my wife Deborah four cows. I leave to my wife and my four daughters (*not named*) all the rest of my movable estate. I leave to my wife the use of the best room, and chamber and small cellar, during her widowhood. I leave to my three sons, Zophor, Joel, and Moses, all my lands and meadows, and all my rights in commonage. I make my wife Deborah, Austin Jarvis, and Melancthon Ryan, executors.

Witnesses, Henry Jarvis, Stephen Rogers, Daniel Jarvis. Proved, November 24, 1780.

Page 38.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SOLOMON FOWLER, of East Chester, yeoman, being in good health. After all debts are paid I leave all my estate of lands and goods to my wife Sarah and my child Rachel. If my daughter dies under age, then all to my wife. I make my wife and my brother-in-law, Thomas Hunt, executors.

Dated April 28, 1763. Witnesses, John Bartow, Basil Bartow, Aaron Quinby. Proved, December 18, 1780.

[NOTE.—“Captain Solomon Fowler was killed in attack on the rebels at Horse Neck, May 22, 1780.”]

Page 40.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JANNETJE GOELET, of New York, widow, being in perfect health. My executors are to pay all debts. I leave to my grandson, John Goelet, son of my son, Francis Goelet, deceased, Twenty shillings. I leave to my daughter, Mary Goelet, all my furniture, plate, and wearing apparell. Whereas my son Francis had the sum of £100 before his decease, my other children, Peter, Mary, Jane Zabriskie, and Catharine shall have the like sum of £100. All the rest of estate I leave to my said children and the heirs of my son Francis. I make my son Peter, and my son-in-law, John Zabriskie, Jr., executors.

Dated February 20, 1770. Witnesses, Henry Remsen, Jr., Edmund Seaman, merchant, David Seabury, merchant. Proved, December 18, 1780.

Page 41.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MARY GOELET, late of New York, shopkeeper, and at present of Bergen County, New Jersey, spinster, being in good health. I leave to my sister Jane, wife of John Zabriskie, Jr., of Bergen County, £100. I leave to my Godson, James Goelet, son of my late brother, Francis Goelet, £50. To my Goddaughter, Jane Goelet, daughter of my brother, Peter Goelet, £50. To my nephew, John Zabriskie the 3d, son of my sister Jane, £50, to be paid to his mother. I leave to my sister, Catharine Goelet, now a single woman, all the rest of my estate, real and personal, and make her executor. I have set my hand and seal in New York, September 3, 1773.

Witnesses, John Q. Myers, William Wentworth, John McKesson. Proved, December 18, 1780, upon oath of Peter Goelet.

Page 43.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN TAYLOR, of New York, mariner, for the settlement of my temporal affairs. I leave to my son, Charles Nicoll Taylor, one thousand acres of land which was conveyed to me by my brother-in-law, Charles Nicoll, by Deeds of Lease and Release, February 6-7, 1775, being part of

a certain large tract granted by Letters Patent, April 12, 1770, to Henry Glen and the said Charles Nicoll and ninety-two others, situate in Tryon County, on the north side of Mohawks river, and designated on a map of partition as the East half of Lot twenty-six and the West half of Lot seventy-three. I leave to my said son, Charles Nicoll Taylor, my negro man and a small feather bed that I used to carry to sea with me. I leave to my friend and brother-in-law, Charles Nicoll, my large silver tankard which I formerly had from him. I leave to my daughter Sarah all the rest of my plate and household furniture, which I think equal in value to what I have already given to my daughter Anne, wife of Evert Bancker, Jr. I leave to my sister, Sarah Barns, £15. My executors are to sell my house, tenement and lot in John street, in which I now live, and the proceeds to my son and daughters. I make my brother-in-law, Charles Nicoll, and my brother, Willett Taylor, and my son-in-law, Evert Bancker, Jr., executors.

Dated April 21, 1777. Witnesses, Samuel Bard, Physician, Louis Foavere, Physician, Mary Creighton. Proved, May 3, 1777. Confirmed, December 4, 1780.

Page 45.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WHITE-HEAD HICKS, of Flushing, in Queens County, being in a low state of health. All debts to be paid. I leave to my son John all that farm or Plantation whereon I now reside, situate at Bayside, in Flushing, with all appurtenances, and he is to pay to my son Thomas £500. I leave to my sons, John, Thomas, and Elias, all my lands in Cumberland County or elsewhere. I leave all my plate, slaves, household furniture, live stock, farming utensils, and personal estate to my wife Charlotte, and my daughter Margaret, and my three sons. I make my wife and Henry Brevoort, and Hon. William Smith, Esq., Chief Justice of the Province of New York, and David Colden, Esq., of Flushing, executors.

Dated October 1, 1780. Witnesses, Joseph Laurence, Thomas Willett, Scott Hicks. Proved, November 18, 1780.

[NOTE.—Hon. Whitehead Hicks, Judge of the Supreme Court, and Mayor of New York, 1766–1776, died at Flushing, October 3, 1780.—W. S. P.]

Page 46.—I, Matthew Franklin, of Flushing, in Queens County, yeoman, this 2 day of the 8 month called August, 1779, being well in body and am desirous to set my house in order. My executors to pay all debts. I leave to Sarah Franklin, daughter of Thomas Franklin, and granddaughter of my brother, Henry Franklin, £50. I leave to Richard Titus, son of James Titus, of Westbury, £50. My executors are to put at interest £150, the interest to be applied to the use of providing poor Negro children books, and also towards paying their schooling, them that their parents did belong among the People called Quakers. I leave to my friend, Matthew Farrington, of Flushing, all my wearing apparell. My executors may sell all houses and lands. Whereas I have purchased of Matthew Farrington his dwelling house and all the land on which he now lives, containing sixteen acres, upon condition that he shall have the use during the life of him and his wife Hannah. After their death my executors are to sell the same, and from the proceeds take the amount due me on bond, and pay the rest to the heirs of Matthew Farrington. After all lands are sold and legacies paid, I leave all the rest to Henry Franklin and Elizabeth Hull, children of my brother, Henry Franklin, and to Walter, John, Samuel, James, Sarah Curser, and Mary Whister, the children of my brother, Thomas Franklin. And to Samuel Bowne, James Bowne, Mary Farrington, Sarah Titus, Abigail Embree, and Willett Bowne, children of my sister, Sarah Bowne. I make my trusty kinsmen and friends, John Farrington, James Bowne, and John Field, all of Flushing, executors.

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Witnesses, Ebenezer Beamun, Hannah Beamun, Charity Doty. Proved, November 30, 1780.

Page 48.—In the name of God, Amen. I, NICHOLAS WILLIAMSON, of the township of Gravesend, Kings County, being sick, knowing that it behooveth every man to settle his worldly affairs in such a manner that no strife or Debate may arise about the same. I direct all debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Eida the use of all my estate, real and personal, during the time she remains my widow. I leave to my son, Rem Williamson, after the death or marriage of my wife, all my real and personal estate in Gravesend or elsewhere. And he is to pay £100 to his brother William, and to his brother Coert £100, to the children of his brother Stephen £100, and £100 to the two daughters of his brother Jacobus, viz., Lucretia and Eida. And £100 to each of his brothers, Garrett, Jeremias, and John, and to his sister Eva, wife of Peter Prine, and to his sister Majaca, wife of Jacobus Rider, and to his sisters, Janettie, wife of Peter Vanderbilt, and Antie, wife of Jost Stilwell. I make my son Rem executor.

Dated September 27, 1776. Witnesses, Nicholas Cowenhoven, Peter Cavilier, of New York, Innkeeper, Garret Williamson, of Kings County, Innkeeper. Proved, December 18, 1780.

Page 50.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HENDRICK BRINKERHOFF, of Newtown, in Queens County, on Nassau Island, being in good health. All debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Lammetie the use of all my estate during her widowhood for the support and bringing up of my children. I leave to my oldest son, Joris, for his birthright £30. All the rest I leave to my wife and children, Joris, Daniel, Abraham, Tunis, and Isaac, and my daughter, Alke Brinkerhoff, and my grandson Hendrick, son of my son Johannis, deceased. Some of my children have received an outset out of my estate, and my grandson hath received the outset which I gave

to his father, and my other children must receive proportionately. I make my brother-in-law, Daniel Rapelja, and my cousin, Abraham Brinkerhoff, and my son Joris and my son Daniel, executors.

Dated June 10, 1766. Witnesses, Abraham Brinkerhoff, Samuel Waldron, Jr., Jacob Palmer. Proved, June 24, 1777.

Page 53.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ABRAHAM BRINKERHOFF, SR., of Newtown, Queens County, yeoman, being sick. I leave to my wife Elizabeth £800 and a negro woman, and a negro boy, and all my plate marked E. B. H., and my best bed and the furniture thereto belonging, and her cupboard and linnen, and my riding chair and best horse, and my large tea kettle, silver teapot, and case of silver handled knives and forks, to her and her heirs and assigns. I leave to my nephew, Abraham Brinkerhoff Rapalye, son of my sister Elizabeth, my silver tankard and £200, and a new riding saddle when of age. I leave to my nephew, Abraham Polhemus, son of my sister Anne, all my wearing apparell. My executors are to sell all the rest of my estate, and I leave the proceeds to the children of my sister, Anne Polhemus, viz., Abraham, Allette, Theodorus, Charity, Jacob, and George. And to the children of my sister, Elizabeth Rapalye, viz., Jeromus, Catharine, Abraham Brinkerhoff, Allette and Richard. And to Hendrick Brinkerhoff, son of my sister Sarah, and to the children of my sister, Polly Bloodgood, viz., Abraham, Allette, and Elizabeth. My executors are to pay to my sister Katharine an equal share. I leave to my cousin (nephew), Abraham Polhemus, son of my sister Anne, besides his share, my Large Dutch Bible and my gun. I make my cousin, Samuel Waldron, Isaac Brinkerhoff, and George Brinkerhoff, Jr., executors.

Dated June 27, 1780. Witnesses, Elathan Levrick, David Van Wickel, Mary Bloodgood, widow. Proved, October 7, 1780.

Page 55.—In the name of God, Amen. I JOHN CHRISTOFER DE HUYN, Major General of the forces of his Serene Highness, the Land Grave of Hesse Cassell, at present serving in North America, being sick and weak. I leave to my daughter, Sophie De Huyn, all my money and stock in the public funds of Great Britain, and all my personal estate. I make my friends, John George Lorentz and Justin Henry Motz, both Counsellors of war of his Serene Highness, executors.

Dated June 23, 1780. Witnesses, David Campbell, Notary Public, Charles Schmedtz, Paymaster General of the Hessians, Philip Ludewiz, Paymaster and Quartermaster and Major of Regiment Prince Hered. Proved, January 9, 1781.

Page 57.—I, PETER MIDDLETON, in the city of New York, Physician, do, this First day of November, 1780, make this my last will and Testament. My executors are to call in all open accounts and book debts, and sell all household furniture and effects, and pay all debts, funeral expenses and legacies. I leave to my daughter, Susanah Margaret Middleton, my gold watch and seals, my three silver waiters, my Pearl broach, and all my rings (except two), and all my paintings and iron chest to preserve papers. Whatever Books of History or Entertainment my executors may think proper are to be selected for my daughter. I leave to my pupil, John B. Middleton, all my wearing apparell except my large camblet cloak. And I leave him all my arms, medicines, shop furniture, instruments, medical books, and manuscripts. Also all my land lying on the Unadilla branch of the Susquehannah river, in what is called Col. Craghans Purchase, amounting to five thousand acres. Also one fifth of my personal estate and twenty-five Guineas to purchase him present necessaries. I leave to my daughter in law (step-daughter), Anne Burges, £300 Stirling as a merited gratuity for her good behavior and kind attentions to me and to my dead daughter Susan. I also leave her

twenty-five Guineas for mourning. I leave to Margaret Burges, now Mrs. Smythies, twenty-five Guineas for mourning. I leave to my esteemed sister-in-law, Mrs. Jane Harrison, my gold broach, set with red and white stones. I leave to the Hon. Andrew Elliot, Esq., my large camblet cloak and my Scots Peeble ring. I leave to Goldstraw Banzar, Esq., my Cornelian seal ring. To Robert Auchmuty, Esq., my gold mason's jewell and my apron. I leave to my daughter all the income of my estate, houses and lands, and four fifths of all my personal estate. If my daughter die without heirs, what is left to her is to go to John B. Middleton, or his oldest male descendant of the name of Middleton. And in default of heirs to him, then to my nearest male heirs bearing the name of Middleton. He leaves to his daughter certain negroes. I make my much esteemed friends, Hon. Andrew Elliot, Esq., Robert Auchmuty, Esq., and Goldstraw Banzar, Esq., executors.

Witnesses, Lambert Moore, George Webster, John King, Jr.

Codicil. My daughter is to remain under the care of Anne Burges until my executors think it necessary to remove her. And whereas I have lately had two gold watches bequeathed to me, I leave the best, with the trinkets and seals, to my daughter, and the other to Anne Burges, if they both come safe here. I leave to Mr. William Smythies ten Guineas, and to his son Carleton five Guineas. I leave to my old friend, Dr. John Bard, my Stots Horn Snishing mill. And I leave mourning rings to Dr. [Jonathan] Mallet, and to Dr. Samuel Bard, and to Dr. Michalis and Dr. Bayley, for their kind attentions during my painful and lingering illness. I leave to my good friend, Anthony Van Dam, Esq., my gold-headed cane. I leave to William Seton my Grand Master's mason jewel. And I also make them executors with the others.

Dated December 14, 1780. Witnesses, George Webster, grocer, Samuel Bard, James Wells, Jr. Proved, January 15, 1781.

[NOTE.—Dr. Peter Middleton, who was for thirty years a noted physician in New York, died January 9, 1781.]

Page 60.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOBUS LAURENCE, of Hempstead, in Queens County, being now well in health. I leave to my granddaughter, Sarah Archibald, the best bed and furniture, and two pair of sheets, two pair pillow cases, one set of white curtains, one chest of drawers, two round tables, six red-painted chairs, six silver teaspoons, and one gold ring, all of which was designed to be given to my late daughter Polly. I also leave her all my late daughter's wearing apparell. All the rest of my estate I leave to my son, Benjamin Laurence. And he is to pay to my grandson, John Laurence, £100 when of age, and to my grandson, John Archibald, £50 when of age, and to my granddaughter, Sarah Archibald, £10 when eighteen, and he is to provide her sufficient support and apparell until of age or married, and she is to have one Quarter's schooling at his expense. And he is also to furnish my grandson, John Archibald, sufficient support and apparell, and also to give him as much schooling as he conveniently can until he is 16, and then be put to a trade. My executors may purchase a piece of woodland for my son, and they may dispose of my young negroes. I make my son Benjamin, and my friends, Silvanus Bidell and Samuel Clowes, executors.

Dated February 25, 1778. Witnesses, Samuel Langdon, Adam Seabury, Practitioner of Physic, Richard Rhoades. Proved, December 9, 1780.

Page 62.—In the name of God, Amen. I, TIMOTHY HUDSON, of Wading River, in the town of Southold, Suffolk County, yeoman, being weak in body. My Body being dead, to be decently buried. I leave to my granddaughter, Mary Heggess (Hedges?), now living with me, all my movable estate, and the use of lands

and dwelling houses for three years, and then I give all my lands to my eldest son, Frederick Hudson. I make my friend, James Sill, and my granddaughter, Mary Heggess, executors.

Dated November 13, 1780. Witnesses, Wessell Sill, Zadoek Reeve, Saul Glover. Proved, December 20, 1780, before Nathan Woodhill, Esq.

[NOTE.—The farm of Timothy Hudson, inherited by his son, Col. Frederick Hudson, was the place, in late years, owned by Sylvester Miller. The famous Indian preacher, Paul Coffee, lived in the family of Col. Hudson when a boy.—W. S. P.]

Page 63.—In the name of God, Amen. I JOHN TALMAN, of Flushing, in Queens County. I leave to my wife Phebe the use and profits of my farm called the Homestead, and my lot of land and salt meadow lying by the land of Joseph Laurence, and the use of all my personal estate, for the term of seven years, in order to bring up and educate my children. But my executors may sell the same, if most to the advantage of my children, at public vendue. My executors are to sell one half of a lot of land and one half of a stone house standing on said lot, in New York, which I have in partnership with John Latham. My executors are also to sell at public vendue two lots of land, one of which I purchased of John Rapalye, called fifty acres, and the other, bought of John Field, called thirty acres. They may also sell all estate except what is left to my wife, and the money is to be paid to my wife and children, as follows: To my wife Phebe, £200, and my best bed with its furniture, and my riding chairs, and the best of my negro women, which she is to choose for herself. And the use of as much Plate as she will choose, during her life and no longer, and then all the plate is to go to my daughter, and all the beds. I leave to my son Isaac five shillings, as I have given him his portion before. I leave to my son Samuel £200, as I have before given him considerable. To my son

Thomas £400. To my son John £400. To my son Peter £400. To my son William £400. To my daughters, Sarah and Elizabeth, £250 each. To my daughter Phebe £200. To my daughter Ann £250. To be paid to my sons when twenty-one, and to my daughters when eighteen. All the rest I leave to my wife and children except my son Isaac. My young sons are to be put to learn good trades. I make my wife and my brother-in-law, William Thorne, and my friend, Richard Thorne, both of Great Neck, executors.

Dated October 7, 1777. Witnesses, Whitehead Hicks, Judge of Supreme Court, Samuel Latham, John Field, Quaker. Proved, March 9, 1778. Confirmed, January 25, 1781.

Page 66.—In the name of God, Amen. September 6, 1780. I, PHILIP WOOLLEY, of Great Neck, Queens County, Long Island, being sick. I leave to my brother, Thomas Woolley, all that sum of money which he owes me, provided he brings no account against my estate. I leave to my brother Henry £25. To my sister, Elizabeth Van Astron, widow, £25. To Jane Campbell, £6. I leave to my brothers, John, Benjamin, and Samuel, all the remainder of my estate. I make my true and faithful friends, William Thorne and George Hewlett, both of Great Neck, executors. Witnesses, Thomas Tredwell, Daniel Morow, Peter Bonnet. Proved, October 16, 1780.

Page 68.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSEPH HEWLETT, of Great Neck, in the Town of Hempstead, Queens County, farmer, being sick. I direct all debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Deborah £500, and all household and kitchen furniture, and all my negroes except Price, and one of my best horses, and my riding chair. And all my hogs and half my cows. I leave to my son, Laurence Hewlett, all my homestead farms and lands and real estate at Great Neck, and a yoke of oxen and cart, and my negro Price, and two horses,

and my boat and rigging, and all farming utensils. I leave to my daughter Elizabeth one half the money due me on bonds, and the use of the other half for life, and then to her children. Also my silver bowl. I leave to my two grandchildren, Joseph and James Davenport, my two house lots on Minnifords Island, in Westchester County. I leave to my daughter Elizabeth the rest of my cows and all my sheep. I make William Thorne and Daniel Kissam, of Hempstead, and Frederick De Voe, of Westchester County, executors.

Dated September 28, 1777. Witnesses, John Tredwell, John Touffey, George Hewlett, John Willett.

Codicil. The £500 left to my wife Deborah is to be taken out of my cash or bonds at her choice. October 1, 1777. Witnesses, John Woolley, Jr., Philip Woolley, John Willett. Proved, November 17, 1777. Confirmed, January 25, 1781.

Page 71.—I, WILLIAM JONES, of Oyster Bay, in Queens County, June 12, 1778, being weak and infirm. I leave to my wife Phebe one half of all household goods, including linnen and woolens, and my riding chair and horse, and my negro wench Judy. I leave to my wife Phebe, during her widowhood, and to my sons, Walter and John, the use of all the rest of my movable estate, and all my lands and meadows, in the Southern part of Oyster Bay, West Neck, where I now dwell, with all the improvements, bounded on the north on the east side of the highway which leads from the meadows of said West Neck, at, or near, the middle of said West Neck, to the Great Plains, by the tenth Great Lot of upland, in the Second Division of said West Neck lands. And on the east by the easternmost limits of said West Neck, until it comes to the lands which my son Samuel has purchased of my son David, on the said West Neck. Also the use of all the remainder of my Plain lands, which I Purchased of Richard Ebson, on Hempstead Plains. After the death or marriage of my wife Phebe, I leave all the rest of my household

goods, and my female negroes, to my daughters, Elizabeth, Margaret, Phebe, and Sarah. And I leave all my live stock and male negroes, and all the rest of my lands, meadows, and plains, to my sons, John and Walter. And they are to pay to my sons, Richard and Jackson Hallet Jones, £600 between them. And they are to be at the expense of learning my two sons some useful trades. And they are to pay to my son Thomas £150, for the use of my son Gilbert, and they are to pay to my son William £100 for the use of my daughter Freelove and her children. And they are to pay to my daughters, Elizabeth, Margaret, Phebe, and Sarah, £400. Of these sums, one half is to be paid in one year, and one half after the death of my wife. From the rest of my estate I leave to my wife the use of £600 for life, and then to my sons, John and Walter. I leave to my sons, Richard and Jackson Hallet Jones, £600, and the expense of teaching them useful trades. All the rest of my lands in Oyster Bay, West Neck, and my plains in Bethpage Purchase of plains, I leave to my sons, Richard and Jackson Hallet Jones, and to my grandsons, William, son of my son David, and William, son of my son Samuel, except the use of the 17th and 18th Lots in the 4th Division of West Neck lands, with the improvements, which I leave to my wife Phebe during widowhood, and then to my said sons and grandsons. My daughters, Margaret and Sarah, are to live with my sons, John and Walter, and my wife while unmarried. I leave all my beaches and marshes to all my sons. I make my wife Phebe, and my sons, Samuel, William, John, and Walter, executors.

Witnesses, Richard Jackson, Silas Smith, saddler, Jacob Jackson.

Codicil. I leave to my daughter Elizabeth £20, and to my daughters, Margaret, Phebe, and Sarah, £68 each, and to my son Richard £12, over and above what is left to them. My son Richard is to be put to the trade of a Silver Smith, and my son, Jackson Hallet

Jones, is to be left one year to learn the Latin Tongue, and then put to a Doctor of Physick to learn the art and trade thereof.

Dated January 24, 1779. Witnesses, Benjamin Seaman, Nicholas Herring, Ann Herring. Proved, January 17, 1781.

Page 76.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN TREDWELL, of Great Neck, in Hempstead, Queens County, farmer. All debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Margaret £300 as soon as convenient after my decease. And one half my plate, and a negro woman, and horse and riding chairs and two beds, one to be her choice and the other at the discretion of my executors. And the use of one half my dwelling house, with kitchen and cellar room, and suitable furniture for the same during her widowhood. My farm and lands, and stocks and negroes, are to be kept in the hands of my executors until my youngest child is of age, for maintaining and educating my wife and children. And my executors and my son Thomas are to manage to the best advantage. And my executors are to make satisfaction to my son Thomas according to his care and attention, and the remainder to the rest of my children, Phebe, Benjamin, Sarah, Elizabeth, and Richard. When my youngest child is of age, my executors are to sell all my stock, negroes, and personal property, and from the proceeds and money in my possession they are to pay to my sons, Benjamin and Richard, £700 each. To my daughters, Sarah and Elizabeth, £200 each, to make them equal with my daughter Phebe, to whom I have advanced that sum. All my farm, lands and tenements on Great Neck, where I now live, I leave to my sons, Thomas and John. All the rest of my personal estate to all my children. I make my brother, Benjamin Tredwell, and my brother-in-law, William Thorne, and my wife, executors.

Dated December 1, 1779. Witnesses, Daniel Kissam,

Philip Woolly, Samuel Woolly. Proved, February 4, 1780.

Page 79.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MARY TYSON, of Richmond County, widow of Barnet Tyson. I leave to my youngest daughter, Mary, wife of William Lake, my bed and chest. All the rest I leave to my three daughters, Sarah, wife of Benjamin Pratt; Martha, wife of Aaron Depeaw, and Mary, wife of William Lake. I make my son-in-law, William Lake, executor.

Dated May 5, 1779. Witnesses, James Guyon, Joseph Guyon, Isaac Doty. Proved, January 22, 1781, before Benjamin Seaman.

Page 81.—In the name of God, Amen. September 1, 1780. I, EASTER LATOURRETTE, of Staten Island, being sick. All my movable estate to be sold in three months, and the proceeds and money in hand to be put at interest, and I leave one half of the interest to my executors for their service and trouble, and the interest on the other half to be added to the stock. I leave to my grandson, John Parker, when of age, £25, and one fourth of the remainder. To my grandson, Benjamin Parker, one third. To my grandson Ephraim one half of the sum that then shall be, and the other half to my granddaughter, Easter Parker, when of age. I make David Latourrette and Jonathan Lewis, Sr., executors.

Witnesses, Henry Latourrette, John Vanderbilt. Proved, January 19, 1781.

Page 83.—In the name of God, Amen. April 30, 1780. I, JOHN BEDEL, of Richmond County, Esq., being very sick but having my usual senses. All debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Hannah £200, and my negro wench Tenah, and two beds with their furniture, and as much other household goods as shall be sufficient for her to keep house with, and my riding chair and

horse, and two cows. I leave to my daughter Hannah, wife of Abraham Cole, £300. To my granddaughter, Charity Bogart, £250, when of age, and a negro girl, and a cupboard commonly called her mother's cupboard, and a bed. I leave to my son, Israel, £1000, including £600 already advanced, and a negro boy. I leave to my son John the Plantation he now lives on at Smoaking Point, being all the lands and meadows I purchased of Anthony Waters. I leave to my son Cornelius the Plantation I now live on, with houses, buildings, and mills. Reserving to the use of his mother, during her widowhood, the room next to the kitchen and the back bedroom, with the use of the kitchen and cellar and firewood at the door, for her own use. And my son Cornelius shall provide hay and pasture, and the privilege of one hog to run with his own, and grain and fruit. And he shall furnish her yearly twenty bushels of wheat, ten of Rye, and ten of Corn. All the rest of my estate to be sold, and I leave all to my sons, John, Israel, and Cornelius, and my daughter Hannah, wife of Abraham Cole. I make my sons, John and Israel, executors.

Witnesses, James Whiteman, Surgeon of 22d Regiment, Catharine Bedell, Benjamin Seaman. Proved, January 26, 1781.

Page 85.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DANIEL LAKE, of Staten Island. All my estate, real and personal, to be sold in four or five months. From the proceeds, I leave one half to my wife Margretha and my daughter Alleday, and one half to my son William. I make my father-in-law, Harmanis Gerritson, and my brother, William Lake, executors.

Dated December 1, 1780. Witnesses, Christian Jacobson, Christian Smith, Thomas Dagity. Proved, January 23, 1781.

Page 87.—In the name of God, Amen. September 11, 1753. I, AUGUSTIN BRYAN, being very sick. All my

meadows, lands, stock, buildings and farming utensils, and one negro man, are to be sold by way of public vendue, and all debts paid. I leave to my son Melancthon £60 when of age, and all my wearing apparell. I leave to my wife Deborah all household goods and a negro girl, and an equal proportion of my whole estate. All the rest I leave to my wife and my three sons and six daughters. My wife is to have the use of all the estate for the good and comfortable support of my children until they are of age (*names not given*). I make my wife Deborah, Epenetus Bryan, and David Resco, executors.

Witnesses, Ann Wicks, John Bunce, Samuel Allen. Proved in Suffolk County, January 16, 1781.

[NOTE.—The testator lived in the town of Huntington.]

Page 88.—In the name of God, Amen. I, PETER POILLON, of Richmond County, being very weak. I leave to my wife Margerett my best bed and a cupboard and looking glass, and all other household furniture and other things that was given her by her father, and all the hanging pictures about my house, and all silver spoons and China ware, and my riding chair and sorrel horse branded D, and four cows and £400. And the use of all lands till my eldest son, Abraham, is of eighteen years of age. And my wife is to maintain, educate, and support my three sons, Abraham, John, and Peter, in decent cloathes and proper education. I leave to my son Abraham all my wearing apparell, and my riding saddle and long gun. I leave to my son John my silver-hilted sword, pistols and holsters, and my carbine with all accoutrements. I leave to my son Peter my silver shoe, knee, and stock buckles, and a pair of gold sleeve buttons. All the rest of personal property to be sold, and all debts paid. My wife is to have the charge of all my negroes until my son Abraham is eighteen years old. I leave all my real estate to my three sons, and my executors are to

make a just and equal division among them without favor or affection. I make my trusty friend, John Micheau, and my two brothers-in-law, Peter Rezeau and William Lake, executors.

Dated October 3, 1780. Witnesses, Paul Micheau, James Poillon, Jr., Amos Rook. Proved, January 22, 1781.

Page 91.—In the name of God, Amen. March 2, 1758. I, ALEXANDER BRYAN, of the town of Huntington in Suffolk County, on Nassau Island, being in reasonable health. All debts are to be paid by my two sons, Augustine and Epenetus Bryan. I leave to my grandson, Ebenezer Bryan, my silver tankard. To my son Augustine two silver spoons. To my son Epenetus two silver spoons and my wearing apparell. To my daughter Ann, wife of Simon Fleet, two spoons and all household goods. To my son Epenetus all my shop. I leave to my grandson, Ebenezer Bryan, all that piece of land lying on the west side of Crab Meadow Neck commonly called Whitehead's Cove. Bounded west by the bank, north by the highway to the landing at the widow Bunce's, east by Eatons Neck path, south by the Cordwood path, with all appurtenances. Also my orchard joining to Whitehead's Cove. Bounded north by the cordwood path, south by land his father bought of John Skidmore, and partly by land he bought of John Smith, east by Eatons Neck path and containing ten acres. And my fresh meadow, all lying on the east side of the road at Crab meadow, opposite from the widow Skidmore's land. Also a hundred right in the Old Purchase of this Town, and a hundred right in the Crab meadow Purchase. I leave to my son Augustine all the point of land lying at Crab meadow that I bought of John and Daniel Ingersoll. Also one lot of meadow opposite to his dwelling house, and one third of a piece of land lying on Crab meadow Neck, including sixty acres that was measured to him by Solomon Ketcham, joining to the southeast side of the highway

that runs across the Neck, and also joining to James Smith's land. Also a piece of land joining to the highway that leads from Crab meadow to Town. Also a piece of land lying on the Plains near Whitman's Hollow, being fifteen acres. Also one half of a hundred right of Commonage in the Old Purchase, and a hundred and three-quarters right in the Eastern Purchase. I leave to my son Epenetus a small lot of upland at Cow Harbor, about one acre, with all the buildings. Also my mill, with all utensils and privileges. And the western half of an acre of meadow. And all that piece of land I bought of Jeremiah Smith, commonly called the Long Hill. Also all that piece of land lying on the north side of the highway that leads to Crab meadow joining to the east side of Eatons Neck path, and joining to the south side of the Cordwood path. The said piece of land, bought of Jeremiah Smith, is bounded north by the highway to Crab meadow, east by highway leading to the Long Hill, south and west by another highway that comes from the Long Hill. Also five acres joining the east side of Long Hill path. And a lot of meadow, both fresh and salt and sedge, at Crab meadow, adjoining to the land and meadow of Moses Veal. Also two lots of meadow lying on the east side of Crab meadow gut, or inlet, between the meadow of widow Skidmore and the meadow of Simon Fleet. Also a hundred and three-quarters right in the Eastern Purchase, and one half of a hundred right in the Old Purchase. I appoint Joseph Lewis, Samuel Allen, and Samuel Ketcham, all of Huntington, executors.

Witnesses, Zebediah Bunce, Jesse Bunce, William Nichols.

Codicil. I leave to my daughter-in-law, Phebe Bryan, now the widow of my son, Alexander Bryan, deceased, the use of one third of all the lands which I left to my grandson, Ebenezer Bryan.

Dated April 14, 1758 (same witnesses). Proved, January 1, 1781.

Page 94.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIZABETH COLVILL, of New Town, in Queens County, on Nassau Island. All such debts as I shall justly owe at the time of my decease, and my funeral charges and expenses, be in the first place paid by my executors. I leave to the children of my son, Thomas Colvill, deceased, one equal third part (the whole in equal parts to be divided) of all my personal estate, to be equally divided between them, share and share alike, and to survive among the children of the said Thomas Colvill, in case any of them die before the age of twenty-one years. To the children of my son, William Colvill, of the City of London, mariner, one third part of all my said personal estate, to be equally divided between them, share and share alike, and to survive among the children of the said William Colvill, in case any of them die before the age of twenty-one years. To the children of my daughter Hannah, the wife of the Reverend David Griffith, the remaining third part of all my said personal estate to be equally divided between them, share and share alike, and to survive among the children of the said Hannah, in case any of them die before the age of twenty-one years. Provided always, and the true intended meaning of this my Will is, That whereas I am held and firmly bound, in a certain Bond or Obligation, for the Payment of the Sum of £100, lawful money of New York, with interest for the same, to Richard Charlton, deceased, as a Security for & with the said Griffith, if therefore the said David Griffith, his Heirs, Executors or Administrators shall not pay or Cause to be paid to the Executors or Administrators of the said Richard Charlton the said Sum of £100 with the Interest due thereon, Then and in such Case I do will and order that so much be deducted out of the share of the children of my said daughter Hannah as shall be equivalent to the principal and interest of the said Bond till the Payment hereof. All my household furniture, stock in trade and other moveable effects to be sold at Public vendue or otherwise (except

my wearing apparel and household linen, which I do hereby give and bequeath unto my said daughter Hannah), and the monies arising from such sale together with such sum as I shall die possessed of, to put out at interest, for the use of the said children of my sons, Thomas and William, and daughter Hannah, when they shall severally attain the age of twenty-one years. And I do hereby will and order that such part shares and proportions as is hereinbefore given and bequeathed to the children of my said sons, Thomas and William, and the children of my said daughter Hannah, be paid upon the said children severally arriving at the age of twenty-one years, and not before, except to the children of my said son Thomas, who are to receive the interest, or a part thereof, or their third part share or proportion, if my executors think they stand in need thereof, for their education or maintenance, in such moderate or reasonable sums as my executors shall think necessary. I make my loving brothers, Henry Roome, of the City of New York, merchant, and William Grigg, of the same city, silversmith, executors.

Dated December 19, 1778. Witnesses, Thomas W. W. Beavans, James Bonney. Proved, August 14, 1780.

Page 97.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ADAM LAWRENCE, Esq., High Sheriff of Queens County, Long Island, and Province of New York. I leave to my three daughters, Deborah Van Wyck, Sarah Hewlett, and Catharine Platt, £100 each; unto my two granddaughters, Elizabeth and Deborah Lawrence (daughters of my late son George, deceased), the sum of £50 each; to my grandson, Philip Lawrence (son of my said son George), the sum of £160, to be paid him by my eldest son, Doctor Daniel Lawrence, as soon as he shall be in possession of that part of my real estate herein-after devised him. To my son Stephen a negro boy named Aaron. All the rest and residue of my personal estate I leave to my sons, Joseph and Clarke, to be

shared equally between them. I give and devise unto my sons, Doctor Daniel Lawrence and Stephen Lawrence, all that tract of land being on the east side of the road leading from the Great Plains to Captain Samuel Cornell, on which I now live, bounded on the west by the road above mentioned; northerly the lands of the Adriance's and of Mr. Cha. Crommelin; easterly by the land of said Crommelin; southerly by the Great Plains; together with plain lands adjoining the same, and including my rights in the said unlocated Great Plains, to be divided between them according to the quantity and quality of the land. I also leave to my said sons, Doctor Daniel Lawrence and Stephen Lawrence, a piece of woodland bounded on the south and west by the lands of John Hegeman and Philip S. Platt, on the north by the lands of Philip S. Platt and on the east by the land of Daniel Duryea, and the east of my son, George Lawrence, deceased, containing about 20 acres, to be equally divided, the west part of which division with the improvements including the last mentioned "lott" of woodland I leave to my son, Doctor Daniel Lawrence, and the eastern part, including the woodland adjoining Cha. Crommelin, I leave to my said son, Stephen Lawrence. Unto my son Clarke a piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being directly in the front of the house of Albert and Jacob Adriance, containing about 40 acres; a piece of woodland lying on the hills of the northwest of the Adriance's house above mentioned, bounded easterly and northerly by the lands of Obadiah Cornell, westerly by the lands of Thos. Forster and Thos. Mitchell, and southerly with the hills, containing 20 odd acres. I make my son-in-law, James Hewlett, and my sons, Stephen and Clarke, executors. I likewise empower them to receive from my son, Doctor Daniel Lawrence, the sum of £160, which I hereby order him to pay them for the legacy of my grandson, Philip Lawrence, and before mentioned in his bequest. I devise they will put out on interest in good security the sum of £150, and also

the two legacies of £50 each, bequeathed my two granddaughters, Elizabeth and Deborah Lawrence, for their several uses.

Dated March 6, 1768. Witnesses, Joseph Young, Gabriel G. Ludlow, George D. Ludlow. Proved, July 19, 1780.

Page 99.—In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS ROSE, give, devise, and dispose of my worldly estate in the following manner and form. I give to my true and beloved wife, Deborah Rose, all my estate, both real and personal, for the use and design of paying all my just debts and bringing up of my family so long as she remains my widow. I give unto my son William the sum of £100, to be paid to him when he comes to the age of twenty-one, and I further order that he be learnt some suitable trade such as he shall choose and my executors think proper. To my three daughters, named Ruth, Sarah, and Charity, £30, to be paid to each of them when they come of age or marry, and I further order that so long as they remain single that they shall have the liberty of a home or Residence in my house with "disturbance or controul," and further if they or either of them should be unable to maintain themselves that they be provided with whatever is necessary for their comfortable support. To my son John all the rest of my estate, both real and personal. I make my loving wife, my brother, Nathan Rose, and friend, Isaac Overton, executors.

Dated March 15, 1780. Witnesses, Jesse Rose, yeoman, Ruth Helme, John Leeke. Proved, January 23, 1781.

Page 102.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ISRAEL SMITH, of Brookhaven, in the County of Suffolk, and Province of New York, yeoman, give and bequeath all my estate, both real and personal, to the Trustees of the Town of Brookhaven, and their successors forever, upon trust and confidence, and to the intent and pur-

pose that they shall after my decease rent and hire to any person or persons at their will and pleasure all my lands, tenements, heridataments, money, and other moveable estate during the time the same shall be legally charged, and incumbered with the lawful maintenance and dower of my best beloved wife Mahittable, in case she shall survive me; and it is my will that the Trustees aforesaid and their successors do pay them themselves out of the hires of said estate, and also pay all other charges for putting this my last will and testament in execution; and that they out of the same pay all my just debts, and that the remainder of the rents and hires of said estate be yearly paid by the said Trustees into the hands of the regular minister and other ruling officers for the time being of the Baptist Church of Christ in Corum which now doth hold water baptism to be rightly administered by Immersion only, upon trust and confidence that they will use and appropriate the same to such use and uses as shall be judged by the major part of the regular members of said Church to be most for the Glory of God in promoting the best interests and lasting good of said Church of Christ, more especially in preaching the Gospel of Christ in that part of Brookhaven called Corum, which doth now hold and profess to believe that water Baptism is administered according to Scripture, by Immersion only, of which Church I am a member. And in case that at any time there should happen to be neither minister nor other ruling officers to said Church, or in case said Church be divided or broken to pieces, then it is my will and pleasure that the Trustees aforesaid and their successors in either or both these cases do and shall appropriate the rents and hire aforesaid to such use and uses, purpose and purposes, as they shall judge best and most likely to answer my design and intent in promoting the Cause of Religion and good Estate of the Church aforesaid, more especially in preaching the Gospel of Christ. And it is my will and I order that the Trustees of Brook-

haven do (at such time as the Incumbrances and Dower aforesaid shall cease) will and truly sell all the estate aforesaid, and put the monies thence arising to interest on good and real security and appropriate the interest yearly, according to the above directions concerning rents and hires and for the same purposes aforesaid. I do appoint and constitute the Trustees of Brookhaven aforesaid and their successors forever to be executors of this my last will and testament, and I do by these presents give, grant, will and transfer to my executors full power and authority to grant alien bargains, sell, convey and assure all or any part or parcel of my said estate to any person or persons in fee simple by all and every such lawful ways and means in the law as my said executors or their Council learned in the law shall seem fit or necessary; and to do all and every other act or acts, thing or things, necessary to be done in the executing this my last will and testament. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal, the Twenty-first day of May in the year of Our Lord Christ one thousand seven hundred and seventy-four, 1774.

Witnesses (In the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other afterlining these words twice, viz.: more especially in preaching the Gospel of Christ), William Dayton, James Bishop, yeoman, Ebenezer Dayton. Proved, October 7, 1780.

Page 104.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HANNAH SMITH, of the Township of Hempsted, in Queens County, on the Island of Nassau, and in the Province of New York. My executors to pay and discharge all my just debts and funeral expenses. I leave to my loving sister, Sarah Barton, the sum of £200 during her natural life, and at her decease to descend or fall to her children in manner following: that is to say, unto John Barton £100, unto Elijah Barton £50, to my niece, Elizabeth Ludlow, £50. I leave to my loving

sister, Phebe Pine, £150; to my loving sister, Elizabeth Peters, £150. My will is that my sisters, Phebe Pine and Sarah Barton, may have each one of them a bed and covering. To my nieces, Meriam Smith, Phebe Smith, Sarah Smith, and Elizabeth Cornwell, £10 each. All the residue and remainder of my estate to my above mentioned legacies, to be equally divided amongst them. My sisters to have my linen and wearing apparel. I make my brother-in-law, John Peters, and my nephew, John Barton, executors.

Dated August 22, 1780. Witnesses, James Smith, Charles Peters, yeoman, James Cornwell, yeoman. Proved, January 13, 1781.

Page 105.—In the name of God, Amen. I, EPHENETUS PLATT, of Hempsted, in Queens County, and in the Province of New York, yeoman. My executors are to sell part of my personal estate such as they shall think most proper and sufficient to pay all my just debts and funeral expenses, and also the sum of £265 which I leave to my daughter Mary, which sum is equivalent to what I have already advanced to my daughter Sarah. I give equally between my two daughters, Mary and Sarah, one hundred acres of land laying on the east of my farm, running a north and south line through the same, to be equally divided between them, and also all the remainder of my personal estate (excepting my negro man Rodger, my desk and my watch, which I give to my son Ephenetus) to be equally divided between my said daughters, and when my said son shall arrive to the age of twenty-one years, which legacies to my two daughters, or the profits therefrom, shall be left in the hands of my executors, for the bringing up and educating my said son in the study of either Law or "Physick," which he may choose, until he arrives at the age of twenty-one years. To my son Ephenetus all the residue of my real estate, to be managed and improved to the best advantage by my executors until he shall arrive to the age of twenty-one years, for

maintaining and educating my said son as aforesaid. I make my brother, Phillip Smith Platt, Uriah Platt, my son-in-law, Thomas Applebee, executors (and my daughter, Mary Platt, executrix).

Dated November 27, 1775. Witnesses, Isaac Smith, yeoman, Samuel Denton, James Cornwell, yeoman. Proved, March 1, 1777.

Page 107.—Be it known unto all men by these Presents that JAMES SMITH, SR., of Hempsted, in Queens County, on the Island of Nassau, and in the Province of New York, yeoman, being this twenty-sixth day of April, 1765, well in health of body and of sound mind and memory. I leave to my loving and well-beloved wife, Sarah Smith, all my moveable estate excepting such as I shall hereinafter dispose of, which my said wife shall make use of at her own discretion for her comfort and maintenance during her natural life, and after her death the remainder which my said wife hath not made use of be equally divided between my two daughters, Sarah Birdsall and Martha Sering, and to be at their own disposal. To my son James the one half of all my land whereon my son now liveth, situate between the road that leads from Hempsted Town to Washborns Neck and the road that leads from the said Town to Coes Neck, which said land comes to a point on the north, and is bounded on the south by the land of Joseph Rainer, Cornelius Vanostran, and also the half of the dwelling house which I do give to my son James to possess during his natural life, and after his death the said half of land and dwelling-house with the whole of the barn shall be equally divided amongst the three sons of my son James, namely, James, Daniel, and Stephen. To my son Obadiah the other half part of the above described land and dwelling-house with the appertinances. He shall not sell nor dispose of the aforesaid house and land without the "Councill and Consent and Good Liking of my executors." To my sons, Joshua and Edmund, all my whole

farm or land with the houses lying and being at south, at a place called Meroock, and to extend northward from the house as far as my land goes to be equally divided between them. Also, the half of eleven and a half acres of land; also, a piece of woodland containing about twenty-two acres which lies above Meroock; also, all the swamp or land that is lying on the east side of the main Brook in the east meadow swamp that was included in my survey. To my son Silvanus all the land and houses and grist mill that I purchased of Thomas Frost and Nathaniel Oakley, lying and being in the South Woods, also the swamp ground that lyeth on the west side of the main Brook. To my five sons my two lots of salt meadow, the one in Great Mearock, and the other upon Little Mearock on the south side within the bounds of Hempsted, equally to be divided. In case any son or sons shall refuse to pay testator's just debts, the executors are directed to sell so much of the salt meadow as shall pay such one's part and proportion of said debts and to be deducted out of his or their parts and portion, and to give a good title for the same. To my sons all my rights of undivided lands and meadows within the Patent and Township of Hempsted to be equally divided, excepting what I have already above disposed of. To my son Joshua one negro man slave named Lew; to my son Silvanus one negro man slave named Bill; to my son Edmund one negro man slave named Tim; to my son Obadiah one negro man slave named Charles; to my daughter, Sarah Birdsall, one negro woman named Sib; to my daughter, Martha Sering, one negro woman slave named Jude, and be at their disposal. To my wife, Sarah Smith, the use and privilege of the east room and leanto, wherein I now dwell, during her natural life. I make my sons, Joshua, Silvanus, and Edmund, executors.

Witnesses, Henry Smith, John Haviland, yeoman, Richard Ellison, Jr., yeoman. Proved, May 4, 1776.

Page 110.—The thirtieth day of the eighth month 1765. I, RICHARD MOTT, of Hempsted, Queens County, on Nassau Island. Give to well-beloved wife, Phoebe Mott, two cows, best bed and furniture, one hog, all my Puter, and all my Grain and Indian corn to be at her disposal. All the rest of my household goods, a Loom and Tackling, as long as she remains my widow, and no longer. All my stock of cattle, my "mear," sheep, swine, and farming utensils, to be sold by executors. Empower them to pay debts and funeral charges, and to use residue for bringing up my children. To my wife use of house and land, while my widow, in lieu of her thirds and dowry. At her marriage or death then to be sold and proceeds to be given to my children as followeth: the child that my wife is now like to have, I give the sum of £10; the remainder to my daughter Amy and my son James, James to have £20 more than Amy. If either of my children should die before they come of lawful age, or without lawful issue, then his, her, or their part to be divided among the survivors. I make my brother, John Mott, and Edmon Smith, executors.

Witnesses, James Rainer, James Smith, yeoman, Samuel Mott. Proved, March 25, 1776.

Page 111.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM COLVILLE, now of the City of New York, mariner. All debts to be paid. I leave to my loving friend, Margaret Neal, the wife of James Neal, mariner, all my estate, real and personal, and make the said Margaret Neal my executrix, and utterly disallow and unmake former wills.

Dated November 22, 1780, and in the Twentieth year of His Majesty's reign. Witnesses, Elias Pelletreau, Sophia Rusler, D. Grim. Proved, March 5, 1781.

Page 112.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOBUS CORNEL, of the new Lotts, in the Township of Flatbush, in King's County, yeoman. All just and lawful debts

and funeral charges to be paid out of my estate. I leave to my son, Gileyam Cornel, my grey stallion, and my largest gun; to my son, John Cornel, my four years old grey mare, and my smallest gun; to my loving wife Maragrietje the use and benefits of my dwelling house, barn, orchard, meadows, etc., and real estate whatsoever and wheresoever, with the sole use and benefit of the rest and residue of my personal estate, for her maintenance and support while my widow, and for the support of my children. At her remarriage I bequeath £20, my cupboard with the linen and woolen cloth therein, and also one of my bedsteads, she to have her choice. To my daughter Cornelia £50 at her marriage. After my wife ceases to be my widow, unto my two sons, Gileyam Cornel and John Cornel, my dwelling house, barn, etc., and all real, moveable and personal estate, equally, except I give to my son Gileyam £5 for his birthright before division is made. Sons to pay daughter Cornelia one half of £150 one year after they have full possession of the real estate, should she be of lawful age of 21 years, or otherways when she shall arrive at such age. Heirs are to pay the other legacies hereinbefore given. I make my sons, Gileyam, John, his brother, Johannes Cornel, and brother-in-law, Michael Stryker, executors.

Dated September 29, 1767. Witnesses, Jacob Wyckoff, gentleman, John Wyckoff, Johannes Lott, Jr., yeoman. Proved, February 23, 1780.

Page 114.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DANIEL WINANT, of Richmond County. I leave to my eldest son, Daniel, five shillings; to Catharine Wiser, my youngest daughter, all my money and goods and chattels (except Bonds); to Elizabeth Winant, my granddaughter, £5, to be paid out of the Bonds when the money is called in; to Ann Winant, my granddaughter, £10 out of said Bonds; to my granddaughter, Mary Winant, the daughter of Catharine Wiser, £10 out of said Bonds; to my daughter, Catharine Wiser, two

equal shares out of said Bonds, with my grandchildren, viz.: Daniel Butler, John Butler, Peter Butler, Catharine Butler, Christian Butler, Rachel Butler, Mary Macmoe, Daniel Winant, George Winant, Moses Winant, Zedekiah Winant, Rebeckah Winant, Elizabeth Winant, Martha Winant, Peter Winant, Cornelius Winant, George Winant, Isaac Winant, Jane Winant, Andeziah Winant, Mary Winant, each one equal share out of said Bonds. I make John Mersereau, Esq., and my daughter, Catharine Wiser, executors.

Dated November 19, 1780. Witnesses, Gilbert Totten, farmer, Jacob Rickhow, farmer, Isaac Doty. Proved, March 7, 1781.

Page 116.—In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS EVERIT, of Brooklyn Ferry, butcher. All just debts and funeral expenses to be paid. I leave to my wife Catharine all my real and personal estate, to be sold by her, three months after my decease, to the best advantage, and the monies arising therefrom to be retained by her, together with all furniture. After her decease to be distributed among her children as she shall think proper. She is to take son Richard Everitt into her entire charge, to maintain him out of the profits of the estate until his majority. I make my wife executrix.

Dated July 26, 1780. Witnesses, John Doughty, George Powers, butcher, John Hicks, tailor. "I appoint my brother-in-law, Hendrick Whihkeoff, and Abraham Burtis, my son-in-law, to be assistance to my wife Catharine.") Proved, March 5, 1781.

Page 117.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DANIEL DeVoo, of the Borough of West Chester, yeoman. All just debts and funeral charges to be paid and satisfied. I will that my dear wife Letty have the use of the profits of all my estate, real and personal, during her widowhood; at her remarriage what the law directs. To Abraham De Voo, the eldest son of my eldest son

Daniel, deceased, I leave £5 currency; to Daniel DeVoo, another of his sons, £10, to be paid at the majority of each. One half share of the land that properly did belong to my father, now belonging to my brother John and me, I give unto my two sons, Peter and Isaac, at the decease of my wife "or at her intermarriage." They shall pay unto my son John £100 currency as soon as they shall take the land in possession, but in case either Peter or Isaac should die without issue before they possess the land it shall belong to the survivor, and in case of both their deaths without issue then it shall belong to my son John and my grandchild, William Whore. One half of the land known by the name of the "Gore," now belonging to my brother John and me, which we purchased of Lewis Morris, Esq., to be sold to the highest bidder amongst my three sons, John, Peter, and Isaac, at the decease or intermarriage of my wife, and the proceeds to be equally divided amongst my five daughters, Rachel, Letty, Elizabeth, Margaret, and Laney. To my daughter Laney one milch cow and my large Dutch Bible, at her majority or marriage. My grandson, William Whore, to be paid £50 by executors at his majority, and that he have ten quarters schooling. My wearing apparel to son or sons remaining with him at his decease. After debts, funeral expenses and legacies are paid, the remainder of my estate to be equally divided among my five daughters; in case any should die without issue before said divisions, then their shares shall be equally divided among the survivors or their children. I make my two sons, Peter and Isaac DeVoo, and my son-in-law, Benjamin Archer, executors.

Dated April 3, 1777. Witnesses, Jacob Collard, John Byvack, Robert Gilmore, schoolmaster. Proved, March 12, 1781.

[The will is signed Daniel De Voe.]

Page 119.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MATHIAS SWAME, of Staten Island. I leave to my sons, John,

Simon, Matise, and Benjamin, all the piece of meadow called the Bock Meadow, to be equally divided, situate on Carl's Neck. The remainder of my lands and meadows shall be sold, and all my moveable estate, at the discretion of executors. After debts and funeral expenses are paid the remainder of the estate is to be equally divided amongst five sons; one share to be equally divided between my grandchildren, heirs of my daughter Hester, deceased. If either of these children should die before they come of age the survivor is to have their share; if both should die before they come of age then that one part is to be divided equally amongst my five sons. I make my sons, Simon Swame and Matise Swame, executors.

Dated December 20, 1780. (Before signing and seal-sealing I order that my son John should have £50 over and above the other legatees.) Witnesses, Abraham Egberts, cordwainer, Israel Britten, Richard Conner. Proved, March 12, 1781.

Page 121.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DANIEL STILES, at present of the Township of Jamaica, Nassau Island, but late of the City of New York, merchant. After my debts and funeral expenses are paid, give all my estate, real and personal, to my beloved wife, Mary Stiles, for life, and after her death I devise the same to my grandson, William Brownjohn, the son of Doctor William Brownjohn, of the City of New York. In case my said grandson, William Brownjohn, should die under age, and without lawful issue, my said estate shall be equally divided between my brothers, Richard Stiles and Coopland Stiles, both of the Island of Bermuda, gentlemen, and between my sisters, Mary Dickerson, Elizabeth Conyard, and Susannah Salter, all of the Island of Bermuda aforesaid as Tenants in Common and not as Jointenants. Whereas my daughter, Deborah Brownjohn, the wife of Doctor William Brownjohn aforesaid, is of insane mind and understanding, and altogether incapable of taking care of

herself, I hereby commit the Custody and Charge of her to my executors, and an annual charge of £100, current money, be made against the estate during her natural life for her support and maintenance, and that she be treated with Tenderness and Humanity. I make my wife, Mary Stiles, executrix, and my friends, the Hon. Hugh Wallis and John Lake, of the City of New York, merchants, executors.

Dated September 30, 1780. Witnesses, Rudolphus Ritzema, Esq., Richard Betts, one of the Captains of Militia for the County of Richmond, Stephen Higbie, labourer of said County. Proved, January 21, 1781.

Page 123.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ROELOF LOTT, of New Lots, in the Township of Flatbush, in Kings County, yeoman. All debts and funeral charges to be paid out of my moveable estate. I leave to Elizabeth, my beloved wife, all my real and personal estate for maintenance and support of herself during widowhood, and for maintenance, support and education of my children; on remarriage or death of my wife the whole personal and real estate to be sold at public vendue or otherwise; I authorize executors to give deeds in fee simple for real estate. All money arising from sale, from bonds, bill or otherwise, or by "Wills," I will and dispose of as followeth: Unto my wife Elizabeth £100 if she shall happen to remarry; to my son Michael £20, ten pounds thereof in consideration of his birthright; to my son Hendrick £10 of like money; the overplus I give unto all my sons and my daughter, equally divided, Viz.: Michael Lott, Hendrick Lott, Joris Lott, John Lott, and Rebecca Lott. Executors are to sell my negro slaves at their discretion for the advantage of my wife and children, and buy others in their Room if profitable. If my wife ceases to be my widow before children come to lawful age then executors shall use sufficient money from estate for maintenance of children. I make my wife Elizabeth,

my brother, Johannes Lott, my brother-in-law, John Stryker, and cousin, Johannes Lott, Jr., or any two of them, as executors.

Dated October 18, 1780. Witnesses, Stephen Ryder, yeoman, Derick Remsen, Johannes Lott, yeoman. Proved, March 26, 1781.

Page 125.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES VAN CORTLANDT, late of Yonkers, in West Chester County, but now residing in the City of New York. All just debts and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to my dearly beloved wife Elizabeth for life such part of my goods and chattels as she shall think necessary to keep for her own convenience, and the interest of all my estate; also the use, rents, profits and income of all my lands and real estate until the sale hereinafter directed, if she shall so long live with full power and authority to devise and bequeath by her last will and testament, or otherwise dispose of, so much of my personal estate and proceeds of sale thereof, and from sale of lands and real estate, at her will and discretion, as shall with her own estate real and personal, to which I am not entitled, make up one equal half in value of both estates together, and the rest, residue, reversive and remainder of my real estate and personal, subject nevertheless to sale or appropriation hereinafter mentioned, and the monies to arise from such sale thereof (exclusive of such part thereof as my said wife hath hereby power to dispose of as aforesaid), from and immediately after her death, I give and bequeath unto and among my brothers, Augustus Van Cortlandt and Frederick Van Cortlandt, and to my sisters, Anne Van Horne, wife of Augustus Van Horne, and Eve White, wife of Henry White, Esq., to be equally divided as Tenants in Common, all such part of my personal estate, goods and chattels as my said wife shall not want for her own use, I direct and order to be sold by my executors, and the proceeds to be put at interest by them for the benefit of my wife.

My executors are to sell all my lands, houses and real estate, and to execute good and sufficient deeds of Conveyance in fee simple and put the proceeds (if the sale is made during the lifetime of my wife) at interest, and to pay the same to her, Except that my House and Lott and Water Lott west of the Broadway are not to be sold till after my wife's death. And as to such parts of my real estate as shall happen not to be sold during her lifetime, such part and proportion aforesaid of the moneys that shall arise from the sale thereof afterwards shall nevertheless be and remain subject to her disposal as aforesaid, in the same manner as if such Estate had been sold before her death. As to such part and proportion of my estate undisposed of by will and testament, and otherwise by my wife, from and immediately after her death, I give and devise to my said brothers and sisters above named to be equally divided among them. In case of the death of any or either of these brothers and sisters during the lifetime of myself or wife, then the share and shares of the deceased in my estate, real and personal, and proceeds of sales, I give to the respective child or children of the deceased who shall be living at the time of their parent's death respectively, and to be equally divided among them as Tenants in Common. I make my wife, Elizabeth Van Cortlandt, executrix, and my brothers, Augustus Van Cortlandt and Frederick Van Cortlandt, and brother-in-law, Augustus Van Horne, executors.

Dated March 23, 1781. Witnesses, Benjamin Kissam, Samuel Nicoll, physician, Philip Kearney. Proved, April 9, 1781.

Page 127.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL SMITH, of the County of Richmond, on Staten Island, yeoman, will and positively order all debts to be paid, and give to my well-beloved wife, Elizabeth Smith, my sons, Samuel Isaac Smith and Gilbert Smith, all my estate. And as to the place whereon I now live at ye

Morning Star on the North side of Staten Island is on redemption of mortgage, it shall be sold and the price equally divided amongst them also. I reserve for my loving wife out of the Movables towards her part of the same, two feather beds and the appurtenances, two cows, one looking-glass and ten silver spoons which shall not be sold. I make my wife executrix, and John Simonson, of the north side of Staten Island, and William Talman, of Queens County, Nassau Island, executors. I do also (since the above) order that the estate whereon I live shall not be sold, but shall be left for my wife and children for their maintenance and learning, and to put them out to Trades, and also to be further kept till the said Redemption is paid, or they see a prospect of selling it advantageously. Also that the cows, two beds, be valued to the full worth and to be deducted out of the estate toward her part of the same. I order the ten spoons to be valued and kept for my two sons and also the estate on Long Island that is between me and my two brothers, Gilbert Smith and Talman Smith, my part to be sold and proceeds put at interest for the benefit of my said sons, and when my oldest son comes to age the money to be divided and the said son to receive his part and the younger one part, to be kept on interest till he comes to age, and then to be given to him. If either of them die before he comes to age his part of the estate to be given to his brother, and if they both die before they come to age their estate to fall to my brother Talman Smith's children, to be divided among them. If my said widow shall die before my children come to age, her part of said estate to be divided between them. I do also order my negro woman to be sold as my executors shall see most profitable for my heirs, by private sale or by vendue with the rest of the moveables, and the provisions that shall be in the house at my decease shall be kept for the use of my family.

Dated January 22, 1781, and in the twenty-first year of His Majesty's reign. Witnesses, Garret Elless (El-

lis), yeoman, Garet Post, Jr., James Pritchard (school-master). Proved, March 30, 1781.

Page 129.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ABRAHAM SPEARS, of Staten Island, give to my son Abraham Spears my silver watch and my gold seal ring. To my wife, Anna Spears, £25 to be paid her upon demand; also the whole of her effects that she brought with her into my house and all the "Difficiencies" of the same shall be justly made up to her, that being an agreement made between us before our marriage was instituted; also the rest of my whole real and personal estate I do bequeath amongst all my children, share and share alike, that is, Abraham, John, Hendrick, Gitty and Monos, and Closon, with this Proviso that Monos, Closon and Hendrick to be maintained and educated out of my estate till they be fit to go to their trades or occupations, and all my debts and funeral expenses paid, then to be divided as above said. I make my son-in-law, Danl. Corson and my sons Abraham and John Spears, executors, and overseers of this will to take and perform or see the same perform'd according to my true intent and meaning.

Dated October 17, 1780. Witnesses, Daniel Salter, yeoman, Moses Clendenney, blacksmith, William Evan Hughs. Proved, March 30, 1781.

Page 131.—Know all men by these presents that I, PETER COLYER, of the Township of Huntington, in the County of Suffolk, on Nassau Island, in the Colony of New York, housewright. My will and desire is that all my lands and buildings together with my stock and carpenters tools and farming "utentials" shall be sold to pay all my just and lawful debts; if in case when my estate is turned into money that there is not money sufficient with what is due to me to pay my debts, then my executors shall sell so many of my household goods as shall be needful to pay all my debts as above said. When my debts are paid, my

wife Hannah shall have all the remainder of my estate to be or to remain to her and her heirs forever. I make my friends, James Rushmore, of the Township, County and Province aforesaid, and William Seamen, of Oyster Bay Township, in Queens County, executors.

Dated August 5, 1775. Witnessed, John Colyer, Jesse Willmoth (Willmarth), Nathan Willmarth, of Huntington, carpenter. Proved, February 5, 1781.

Page 132.—In the name of God, Amen. I, EDWARD TITUS, in New Town, Queens County, Nassau Island, in the Colony of New York, yeoman, this thirty-first day of October, 1779. All just debts and funeral charges shall be paid by my executors. I leave to my beloved wife, Elizabeth Titus, my best bed and furniture, and the third of my lands that is reserved for my son, James Titus, during the time she is my widow; to my daughter, Susannah Furman, the lot lying the east side of Jonath or Furmans woodland, containing by estimation twenty acres as the fence now stands, and likewise the lot of land that lay joining to Benjamin Moores land; to my daughter "Abigail" Wiggins the lot of land joining the highway and Schencks land, containing by estimation twenty acres, as the fence now stands; to my daughter, Hannah Titus, the lot of land joining to Schencks woods, lying between my daughter Susannah and Abigails lots, containing by estimation twenty acres, as the fence formerly stood; to my daughter, Ama Titus, twenty acres of land adjoining to Thomas North's woodland, late of New York, deceased, and Edalls woods; to my daughter, Susannah Furman, two acres of land joining to Christopher Ramsen's and Thomas Betts's land; to my daughter, Hannah Titus, three acres of land joining to my daughter Susannah's lot running a south line to Thomas Betts's land; to my daughter, Ama Titus, three acres of land joining to my daughter Hannah's lot, running a south line to Thomas Betts's land; to

my son, James Titus, all the rest of my lands, buildings, meadow land and woodland; to my granddaughter, Abigail Ramsen, £50 to be paid her by my son, James Titus, when she is of age. It is my will and I do order that in case any of my children die before they are of age that it shall be equally divided between the rest of my children, except my daughter, Abigail Wiggins. In case my son die at a non age that his estate shall pay yearly to my daughter, Abigail Wiggins, £10 during her life by the survivors that enjoy the estate. When my son James comes of age that he shall pay £10 to each of my daughters then living. I make my beloved wife, Elizabeth Titus, my daughter, Susannah Furman, and my son-in-law, Jonathan Furman, executors.

Witnesses, Jean Whipple, Samuel Waldron, yeoman, James Harper, yeoman. Proved, February 27, 1781.

Page 134.—I, DANIEL BRUSH, of the Township of Huntington, in Suffolk County, in the Province of New York, and Island of Nassau, being this twenty-sixth day of March, 1774, well in health of Body and of sound mind and memory am therefore willing to set my house in order before my final change doth come. My executors to pay all just debts, also sell my lands and buildings and all my moveable estate, except that it be judged best for my wife to reserve some of my moveable estate for her use, if so, I desire it may be allowed her. My executors shall take "Care" of the money's arising from the sale of my estate, and to see that my wife shall have a comfortable support therefrom during her natural life. My will is further that my wife shall have full power to dispose of one third of all that shall be left at her decease; the other two thirds of what remains after her death to be equally divided among all my brother, Jonathan Brush's sons, except five shillings, good current money of New York, which I give to my brother, Ruben Brush, or to

his heir. I make my cousin, Daniel Brush, son of my brother, Jonathan Brush, and my cousin, Jaccamiah Brush, executors.

Witnesses, Joseph White, Sarah Platt, John Witson, yeoman, being one of the people called Quakers did solemnly, sincerely, and truly declare and affirm. Proved, March 9, 1781.

Page 136.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSEPH LATTEN, of Oyster Bay, in Queens County, on Nassau Island, in the Colony of New York, yeoman. Executors to pay all just debts and funeral charges out of my moveable estate. All my moveable estate (except such part as I shall hereafter dispose of) and all my farm or plantation of land which I have on Oak Neck, so called, except my salt meadow and Crickthatch which I reserve for my son William, my executors are to sell after my decease for certain purposes and uses hereafter to be named. Now as touching my moveable estate I give to my son William my "worken oxen" my three negro men, Tim, Frederick, and James, always reserving so much of my negro James' time for my loving wife Mary as to cut her fire wood, and cart it home, and make "syder" as much as she may have occasion of, for her "one" use. I also give to my son William all my farming tools and utensils. To my loving wife Mary a good "Cheer" horse, my riding "Chear," one good "milks" Cow, my negro wench Lediah together with all my household furniture, of all kinds. To my granddaughter, Sarah Lawrence, eldest daughter of my daughter, Phebe Lawrence, my negro girl Ame, and if my granddaughter should not live, in that case, I give my negro girl Ame to my granddaughter, Zipahrah Lawrence, second daughter of my daughter, Phebe Lawrence, always provided my son-in-law, William Lawrence, keeps and supports her, "ye said garl Ame" till my granddaughters be of full age or happens to marry. To my granddaughter, Ann Thorn, wife of "Charls" Thorn,

my negro girl Judah. To my granddaughter, Ethalindiah Latten, daughter of my son, William Latten, my negro girl "Charroty." One half of the remainder of my Stock of Cattle, horses, sheep, hogs and all kinds of stock whatsoever I give to my son William; "ye" other half to be sold and retained in my executors hands for certain purposes as I shall hereafter order and direct. The whole residue of my estate, except my farm or plantation which I have on "Ock Neech" I give "oncontrolable" use of, to my son William, all my houses, barns, orchards, wood and "Cleard" lands of all kinds and nature whatsoever, which I have in the Township of Oyster Bay, I give to my said son for life, providing my loving wife shall have ye privilege of the west end of my house, a privilege in the kitchen and cellar for her use during her natural life, as also a garden and privilege of keeping poultry both "Gees and Dughill Fowls." My son William is to keep and support a horse and cow, both summer and winter, for my wife Mary, fit for her use, free and clear, apples for her use summer and winter out of my orchard, and apples for cider for her "one" use. Immediately after my son William Latten's decease, I devise and give to my grandsons lawfully begotten by my son William all my lands, houses, barns, orchards, woods and cleared lands, and meadow free and clear to them, always excepting ye farm I have on Oak Neck, before devised to my executors for certain purposes to be directed hereafter. I also provide that my wife Mary shall have her firewood of my land during her life free and clear of any charge. My executors are to sell my moveable estate that is not before given away, and my farm at Oak Neck, and pay to my loving wife £100 out of the first money raised from my moveable estate, and if there should not be sufficient money raised out of the moveable estate I order and direct that the £100 be made up out of ye money I have at interest at my decease. My executors are to put the money arising from ye farm or

plantation I have at Oak Neck, and money arising from my moveable estate, and what money I have at interest at my decease, except ye £100 given to my wife, at interest and pay the money arising for interest yearly to my wife during her life, and at her decease my executors are to retain in their hands £250 and put the same at interest for my daughter, Ethalindah Frost, wife of William Frost. At ye decease of my daughter, Ethalindah Frost, I give the said £200 to my granddaughter, Sarah Lawrence, eldest daughter to my daughter, Phebe Lawrence, providing my said granddaughter, Sarah Lawrence, lives to be of full age, otherwise if she should not live to be of full age nor happen to marry, I will the said £250 to my granddaughter, Zepahrah Lawrence, second daughter of my daughter, Phebe Lawrence. My executors are to take and put at interest £200 for my granddaughter, Mary Coles, wife of "Jurden" Cole, till she shall have heir or heirs to live to be of four years of age, then I order the £200 last mentioned to be paid to Mary Coles for her use, and if it should so happen that my said granddaughter should not have heir or heirs at the time of her two children which she had by her former husband, Thorn Carpenter, comes to be of full age, "to say Hannah and Thorn Carpenter," then my executors to pay to them ye last mentioned £200. The remaining moneys I will to my grandchildren, the children of my son William, of my daughter, Hannah Kirbee, of my daughter, Ethalindah Frost, and of my daughter, Phebe Lawrence, when the said grandchildren shall arrive at full age or happen to marry. Should my daughter Ethalindah live to have children, or a child, alive at the decease of my wife Mary, or should have a child any time before my granddaughter, Sarah Lawrence, shall arrive at full age or happen to marry, then I give the aforesaid £250 to my daughter, Ethalindah Frost, free and clear. I do declare the foregoing legacies given to my loving wife in full lieu of dower and if my

wife Mary does not accept the same in full lieu of her dower and discharge my full estate from every charge or further claim on receiving ye foregoing legacies and privileges and give a "Quitance" to any further demands, then the foregoing privileges allotted for her, my said wife, I then devise and give each and every privilege to my son William and every legacy to him, my son William, and to his one use free and clear. I make my son William, my loving friend, Nathaniel Coles, and my loving friend, Pryer Townsend, executors.

(Signed JOSEPH LATTIN.)

Dated August, 24, 1775. Witnesses, Pen Frost, William Roe, yeoman, Wright Crofts, yeoman. Proved May 20, 1778.

Page 140.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CATHERINE BOELEN, of the City of New York, will and order that all my real and personal estate, viz.: the part of the estate left to me by my late Father's will, shall be sold and the monies therefrom arising together with what cash there may be for divers good causes and considerations "me thearunto" moving be disposed of in the manner following: To my brother, Jacob Boelen, silversmith, of the City of New York, £150; to Mary Boelen, the wife of the said Jacob Boelen, £5; to Christian Frederic Oerter, of Bethlehem, £10; to my aunt, Catharine Van Winkler, widow of Henry Van Winkler, of Bergen, £20; to my cousin, Catharine Brower, wife of Hanis Brower, of Bergen, £5; to the Reverend Gustavus Shewkirk £10, for the use of the "Bretherns" Chapel in Fair Street, of the City of New York, £20; to Agnes Breasted, wife of Simon Breasted of New York, £10; to Cornelia Allen, widow, of New York, £10; to Martha Van Derlipp, of New York, £5. I give and bequeath all the residue of my estate that is left after the said respective legacies have been paid to Henry Boelen, son of my brother, Jacob Boelen, silversmith, of the City of New

York, and to Henry and Joseph Oerter, sons of Christian Fred. Oerter, of "Bethlem," and to Ann and Catharine Oerter, daughters of the said Christian Fred. Oerter to be divided amongst them equally. In case of the death of Henry Boelen, son of my brother, Jacob Boelen, before he is of age, then his share to go to the said children of the said Christian Fred. Oerter or the survivors of them. I make my brother, Jacob Boelen, silversmith, of City of New York, Christian Frederic Oerter, of Bethlelem, and his son, Henry Oerter, executors.

Dated January 7, 1778. Witnesses, John Houseman, painter and glazier, Dav. Thompson, cordwainer, Simon-Breasted, cooper. Proved, April 9, 1781.

Page 142.—In the name of God, Amen. I, RICHARD STILLWELL, of the Township of Gravesend, in Kings County, (September 29, 1780). Lawful debts and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to my beloved wife, Ann Stillwell, all my lands and tenements as long as she remains my widow, but if in case she marry again it is then my will that she have £1,000 and a negro girl in lieu of her dower right; to my two sons, Richard and Jaques, all my real estate as follows: to my elder son, Richard, the old farm I live on; to my younger son, Jaques, all my farm and plantation I purchased of Cornelius Van Sielen; to my eldest daughter, Ida, the sum of £1,000 and a negro girl; to my younger daughter, "Motye," £1,000 and a negro girl. It is my will that my daughters, Ida and Motye, have their money or legacies at the expiration of five years after my decease out of my moveable estate, and further, that if any loss or losses be on my estate that my wife and children, names above mentioned, "Loose" in proportion to their legacies, or what I have given them, and if there be any overplus to go to my two sons, Richard and Jaques, equally. I make my trusty and well-beloved friends, Isaac Cortleyou, Richard Stillwell, and Rutgert Stillwell, executors.

Witnesses, Derick Lake, yeoman, Abraham Emans, yeoman, Daniel Lake, yeoman. Proved, April 12, 1781.

Page 143.—In the name of God, Amen. "This eight Intwen day" of August in the year of our Lord, 1780, I, WILLHALMUS RYDER, of Gravesend, in Kings County, in the Province of New York. It is my will that my loving wife, Gartie Ryder, shall remain in full possession of all my real and personal estate as long as she shall remain my widow; that my son, John Ryder, shall have out of my estate before any division that lot of land lying to the north of said Town, bounded south by a road, west by a road, north by Samuel and "Cornelius Strykor," east by the "Hears" of Abraham Emans and by Cornelius Emans. I leave to my four sons, John, Fernandus, Willhalmus, and Steven Ryder, the residue of my estate, lands and tenements, goods and chattels. To my six daughters, Mary, Allety, Eleny, Ida, Elizabeth, and Geartie, each £50, to be paid after my wife's decease or remarriage. It is my will that my four daughters, Elena, Ida, Elizabeth, and Geartie, shall have £25 out of my estate before any division be made, for a setting out. I make my wife, Gartie Ryder, Fernandus Van Sickle, and my son, John Ryder, executors.

Dated August 18, 1780. Witnesses, John Buyce, yeoman, Richard Stillwell, Jr., yeoman, Richard Stillwell. Proved, April 25, 1781.

Page 145.—In the name of God, Amen. This one and twentieth Day of February in the year of our Lord Christ, 1769, I, CORNELIOUS STRYKOR, of Gravesend, in Kings County, in the Province of New York. After my lawful debts and funeral charges are paid by my executors my loving wife Rebecca shall remain in full possession of all my real and personal estate as long as she shall remain my widow, and if she should remarry she is to have £100 in lieu of her

dower, to be paid by my two sons, Samuel and Cornelious. Also my negro wench named Anna, to do and dispose of at her will and pleasure. Also the best "Bead" in the house with its furniture, and the best "Cobbord." To my son Garrot £350 to be paid by his brothers, Samuel and Cornelious, and a negro girl named Sale; to my daughter Hanna, the wife of Michal Strykor, the sum of £250, to be paid by her two brothers. To my daughter Hanna a negro girl named Mot. All the remainder of my estate, real and personal, to my two sons, Samuel and Cornelious, part and part alike, except a negro boy, named Harry, I give to my son Cornelius; a negro girl named "Marree" I give to my son Samuel. It is my will that my son Cornelious shall have that part of my homestead whereon my house and barn now stand the "Bretel" of three home lots next to the Town Street, to be taken of that side which joins the widow Van Sicklen and Rutgert Van Brunts land. And it is my will that if any of my children should die without issue that their part should go to the rest of my children, part and part alike. I make my three sons, Garrot, Samuel, and Cornelious Strykor, executors.

Witnesses, Anne Stillwell, (widow), Jeremiah Stillwell, Richard Stillwell. Proved, April 12, 1781.

Page 147.—In the name of God, Amen. I, GEORGE CODMUS, of Pamapough, in the County of Bergen, in the Eastern division of the Province of New Jersey, yeoman. All just debts and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to my oldest son, George Codmus, all my farm consisting of about three hundred and forty acres, now in the possession of my tenant, Barent Waldron, situate at Tappan, formerly in Orange Co., in the Province of New York, but now in said County of Bergen. To hold the said farm to my son, George Codmus, subject to the payment of such "Legacy's" as is hereinafter charged thereon, and I give to my son George my negro man called Tom. To my sons, Dirck

Codmus and Casper Codmus, my dwelling house, farm and lands, and salt meadows, situate at Pamapough aforesaid in the Precinct or Corporation of Bergen aforesaid, and at Bergen Point, and also all my salt meadow situate in the said eastern division of New Jersey, on the west side of Newark Bay, together with all my farming utensils belonging to the said farm, to be entered upon and taken possession of by my said two last-mentioned sons when Casper, the youngest of them, shall attain the age of twenty-one years, subject to the payment of such legacies as are hereinafter charged in their respective shares of the said farm. I leave to my son Dirck my negro "Tite"; to my son Casper my negro girl "Marss." I leave to my daughter Jannete, the wife of Jacob Vrelandt, £300 to be paid to her by my son George within three years next after a peace shall take place between Great Britain and America, or the present war between them shall be discontinued, which shall first happen, the payment of which sum I expressly charge on my real estate devised to my son George. I leave to my daughter "Janneke" my negro girl Sarah, now in her possession; to my daughter Jannetje, the wife of Garret Vrelandt, £300 to be paid to her by my son Dirck, within one year after he attains the age of twenty-one years; to my daughter Jannetje my negro wench Peg now in her possession; to my daughter, Matje Codmus, the like sum of £300 to be paid by my son Casper within one year after he attains the age of twenty-one years; to my daughter Matje my negro girl Susan. To my dearly beloved wife Janneke, to her own use, the sum of £100 out of my personal estate, and two cows of her own choice, my negro girl Phil, and all my household furniture she brought to me in her marriage. So long as she remains my widow, my wife Janneke may have the use, possession, and profits of my said dwelling house, farm and meadows, and farming utensils given to my sons, Dirck and Casper, and my daughter Matje, until the said

dower, to be paid by my two sons, Samuel and Cornelious. Also my negro wench named Anna, to do and dispose of at her will and pleasure. Also the best "Bead" in the house with its furniture, and the best "Cobbord." To my son Garrot £350 to be paid by his brothers, Samuel and Cornelious, and a negro girl named Sale; to my daughter Hanna, the wife of Michal Strykor, the sum of £250, to be paid by her two brothers. To my daughter Hanna a negro girl named Mot. All the remainder of my estate, real and personal, to my two sons, Samuel and Cornelious, part and part alike, except a negro boy, named Harry, I give to my son Cornelius; a negro girl named "Marree" I give to my son Samuel. It is my will that my son Cornelious shall have that part of my homestead whereon my house and barn now stand the "Bretel" of three home lots next to the Town Street, to be taken of that side which joins the widow Van Sicklen and Rutgert Van Brunts land. And it is my will that if any of my children should die without issue that their part should go to the rest of my children, part and part alike. I make my three sons, Garrot, Samuel, and Cornelious Strykor, executors.

Witnesses, Anne Stillwell, (widow), Jeremiah Stillwell, Richard Stillwell. Proved, April 12, 1781.

Page 147.—In the name of God, Amen. I, GEORGE CODMUS, of Pamapough, in the County of Bergen, in the Eastern division of the Province of New Jersey, yeoman. All just debts and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to my oldest son, George Codmus, all my farm consisting of about three hundred and forty acres, now in the possession of my tenant, Barent Waldron, situate at Tappan, formerly in Orange Co., in the Province of New York, but now in said County of Bergen. To hold the said farm to my son, George Codmus, subject to the payment of such "Legacy's" as is hereinafter charged thereon, and I give to my son George my negro man called Tom. To my sons, Dirck

Codmus and Casper Codmus, my dwelling house, farm and lands, and salt meadows, situate at Pamapough aforesaid in the Precinct or Corporation of Bergen aforesaid, and at Bergen Point, and also all my salt meadow situate in the said eastern division of New Jersey, on the west side of Newark Bay, together with all my farming utensils belonging to the said farm, to be entered upon and taken possession of by my said two last-mentioned sons when Casper, the youngest of them, shall attain the age of twenty-one years, subject to the payment of such legacies as are hereinafter charged in their respective shares of the said farm. I leave to my son Dirck my negro "Tite"; to my son Casper my negro girl "Marss." I leave to my daughter Jannete, the wife of Jacob Vrelandt, £300 to be paid to her by my son George within three years next after a peace shall take place between Great Britain and America, or the present war between them shall be discontinued, which shall first happen, the payment of which sum I expressly charge on my real estate devised to my son George. I leave to my daughter "Janneke" my negro girl Sarah, now in her possession; to my daughter Jannetje, the wife of Garret Vrelandt, £300 to be paid to her by my son Dirck, within one year after he attains the age of twenty-one years; to my daughter Jannetje my negro wench Peg now in her possession; to my daughter, Matje Codmus, the like sum of £300 to be paid by my son Casper within one year after he attains the age of twenty-one years; to my daughter Matje my negro girl Susan. To my dearly beloved wife Janneke, to her own use, the sum of £100 out of my personal estate, and two cows of her own choice, my negro girl Phill, and all my household furniture she brought to me in her marriage. So long as she remains my widow, my wife Janneke may have the use, possession, and profits of my said dwelling house, farm and meadows, and farming utensils given to my sons, Dirck and Casper, and my daughter Matje, until the said

Casper shall attain the age of twenty-one years, and then, £30 annually during her widowhood, £15 to be paid by my son George, the remaining £15 by my sons Dirck and Casper. I do declare that the bequests and provisions herein made to, and for my said wife, are and shall be in full lieu and bars of her dower in my estate. I give to my daughter Matje £50 out of the residue of my personal estate to be paid to her within six months after her marriage or when she is twenty-one years of age, which shall first happen. All the rest of my estate I give to all my children, equally to be divided among them. In case any or either of my three sons shall happen to die under the age of twenty-one years, and without leaving any lawful issue, then I leave all the estate, real and personal, given to such son or sons so dying, unto and among all my other surviving children. In case my daughter Matje shall happen to die under the age of twenty-one years, and unmarried, then I give her legacies to my other daughters. I make my wife Janneke, my son George, my son-in-law, Jacob Vrelandt, and Garret Vrelandt, executors and executrix.

Dated June 27, 1779. Witnesses, Tobias Stoutenburgh, of the City of New York, baker, Samuel Bard, Benjamin Kissam. Proved, April 10, 1781.

Page 150.—In the name of God, Amen. The fourth day of April, 1781. I, JEREMIAH SIMONSON, of the County of Richmond, and Colony of New York, will and direct that all my just debts and funeral charges shall be paid in such manner as shall be hereafter directed. I leave to my nephew, Isaac Simonson, the son of my brother Isaac, deceased, all my land and meadows with houses and all the improvements thereon which was "separated and divided" to me in the division between me and my brother Frederick, deceased, with my waggon, two horses, a plow, two harrows, all the "geers" and all my farming utensils, he paying and discharging all my just debts which

I do owe on my own account, and exclusive of any debts of my aforesaid brother, and my funeral charges. Whereas my brother Frederick by his last will and testament duly executed, bearing date, the 25 April, 1777, did give and devise to me all his plantation lands, meadows, mesuages and ferry, subjecting the same to the payment of his just debts, funeral charges and certain legacies specified in said will, as by said will may more fully appear. My will is that all that part of my estate willed to me by my brother, as aforesaid, shall be sold by my executors and the monies arising therefrom, and all my other moveable estate not before disposed of, I give and dispose of in the following manner, if any there be after paying the debts and legacies as aforesaid, to wit: One fourth part thereof to the children of my brother Simon, deceased; one fourth part to my nephew, Gozen Simonson; one fourth part to the children of my brother Jehonas, deceased; the remaining fourth part to the children of my brother Ram, deceased. I make my friend, Haremonas Garrison, my nephew, Gozen Simonson, and my nephew, Jehonas Simonson, the son of my brother Simon, executors.

Witnesses, Benjamin Seaman, Surrogate, Cornelius Corson, yeoman, Joseph Lake, yeoman. Proved, April 16, 1781.

Page 152.—In the name of God, Amen. The twenty-sixth of November, 1776, I, HANNAH CORNELL, of "Hemsted," in Queens County, Long Island. All just debts and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to my granddaughter, Hannah Cornell, £40; to my granddaughter, Hannah Cornell, three table-spoons and three tea-spoons and one piece of "Hucker Back"; to my grandson, Henry Cornell, £10; to my grandson, Barak Cornell, £10; to my grandson, Joshua Cornell, £10; to my grandson, John Cornell, £10; to my granddaughter, Mary Cornell, £10; to my granddaughter, Hannah Brucks, £20 and one bed and bedsted that I

do sleep on, and one "pece" of Hucker Back; to my granddaughter, Abigil Sands, one bed and bedsted, is below, with a sale Tick, and £20, and one pece of Hucker Back; to my granddaughters, Hannah Brucks and Abigil Sands, equal alike three silver table-spoons and three tea-spoons bet een both. I do give my negro Pompe his liberty if he can pay my son, Barak Cornell, or his heirs, the sum of £4 per year for eighteen years. I give my negro Beller her liberty if she can pay my son Barak, or his heirs, the sum of £3 per year for eighteen years. When my negro girl called Jennea comes to be eighteen years old I give her liberty if she can pay my son Barak the sum of £3 per year for eighteen years. I give my negro boy Charles, when he is with age, his liberty if he can pay my son Barak the sum of £4 per year for eighteen years. I leave to my son Barak all the remainder of my moveable estate, and make him my sole executor.

Witnesses, Thomas Fowler, yeoman, Margrit Fowler, spinster, Deborah Cornell. Proved, March 11, 1777.

Page 153.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JESSE SMITH, of New York, mariner. First, after all my just debts be paid I give to my loving son Jesse all my houses and lands. If he, the said Jesse Smith, does not live to the age of twenty-one years, I then give it to my loving wife Charity, and my loving daughter, Hannah Smith, equally to be divided. I also leave to my wife Charity one third of my money, negroes, and moveable estate of whatsoever kind it be; to my son, Jesse Smith, one third of the same; to my loving daughter, Hannah Smith, one third of the same, at the age of twenty-one years, but if she should marry before she arrives at the age of twenty-one years, then she is to be paid the one half of her legacy. I also order that my wife receive the income of all my estate for her and my children's maintenance until they come of age. I make my loving wife Charity, my loving

brother Aron, and my loving friend, John Lawrence, executors.

Dated November 15, 1771. Witnesses, John Lawrence, merchant, Quaker, Joseph Lawrence, Mary Harkur. Proved, April 23, 1781.

Page 155.—These presents witnesseth this sixth day of the ninth month, in the year of Christ, 1775, that I, SAMUEL MOTT, of Hempsted, in Queens County, on Nassau Island, carpenter. My executors are to sell all my moveable estate, execept such things as I shall hereafter give away, and pay all my just debts and funeral charges, and if any remain from the sale thereof I give to my son John. I leave to the children of my son Richard, that is "Amay" and James, and to such a child, or children, as his widow is now like to have, twenty-five acres of land to be taken of the south end of my farm where I now live. But if either of them should die without lawful issue before they are of lawful age, then his, her, or their part, or parts, shall go and pass to the surviving children of said Richard, and if they should all die without lawful issue, or before they are of lawful age, then the land given them I leave to my two sons, Samuel and John, but the use of twenty-five acres, as also the use of all my farm and houses where I now live, I leave to my wife and daughter Hannah as long as they remain unmarried, and after the death or marriage of my wife and daughter Hannah the other part of my plantation, where I now live, not given away, I give to my son John. To my son Samuel all my lands that I purchased of Edwin Tateson. To my two sons, Samuel and John, all rights in the undivided lands. To my son Jehu £2 and all my stays, gears and wearing apparel, and the use of one bed and bedding as long as my executors think proper. I give to my wife the use of two cows, my riding "chear" and my best horse or mare, two hogs, my cow bell, and all my household goods that is not given away (except one bed and furniture which

I give to my daughter Hannah), and also one cow, as long as she remains my widow, and after her marriage or death, if any of these things yet remain, then I order them to be sold and the money that arises therefrom shall be for the support of my daughter Hannah, my executors to let her have it as they see proper as long as she remains unmarried, and if any yet remain after her death or marriage it shall be equally divided between my two sons, Samuel and John. To my wife at her disposal all my grain in the ground. I make my brother, Jehu Mott, and Gideon Seaman, executors.

Witnesses, Elizabeth Rainer (Reynor), Andrew Allan, Seoman, Jacob Dosesee. Proved, April 23, 1781.

Page 157.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM CORNELL, of Hempsted, in Queens County, yeoman. I leave to my son William my negro boy named Cesar, and another of my negro boys named Charles; to my son John, and to my son Timothy, I give another of my negro boys named Fortune, to be and remain to them respectively. I give unto my daughter Susannah my silver teapot; half a dozen silver teaspoons to my daughter Ann; half a dozen more of the same lot I give to my daughter Elizabeth. I will and require that all, and singular, my messuages, dwelling houses, lands, meadows, tenements and hereditaments where I now live in the Township of Hempstead, shall be sold by my executors, by public vendue or by private sale. Also the remainder of my moveable estate, excepting my wearing apparel, which I give my three sons equally to be divided. Out of the proceeds of such sale my executors shall pay all my just debts and funeral charges, and out of the overplus I give my son William the sum of £300; and the like to my son John; and £300 to my son Timothy. To my daughters, Susannah, Ann, and Elizabeth, I give the sum of £200 each, to be paid to them respectively as soon as the money can conveniently be collected, incoming by the sale of my estate (my sons being first paid their respective

legacies), and as to the surplus money, if any be, after paying my debts, and all and every, the legacies, I give and bequeath the same to my three sons above named in an equal proportion. As to my son Timothy, being in his nonage, I order that his share shall be put and kept at interest, and the proceeds applied towards his maintenance and education during his nonage, and the residue of his legacies, gifts or bequests, paid him at his majority or marriage, which shall happen first. I make my sons, William and John, my daughter Susannah, and well-beloved friend, Henry Van Flack, of the City of New York, merchant (or such and so many of them as shall think fit to "qualifie" themselves), executors.

Dated June 14, 1756. Witnesses, Elias Doughty, John Cromwell, Sarah Doughty, Quakeress. Proved, April 5, 1781.

Page 159.—Know all men by these presents that I, ISAAC RUSHMORE, of the Township of Oyster Bay, in Queens County, on Nassau Island, yeoman, being this seventeenth day of the seventh month called July, 1779, will and order that all my just debts be paid out of my moveable estate. I leave to my two sons, Stephen and Edmund, one fourth part of a fifteen shilling patent right in the undivided Brushy plain, and in the undivided marshes in the South Bay, all in the Township of Hempstead, being a right that fell to my wife, Sarah Rushmore, by her father, Edmund Titus, by his father, Silas Titus, and also the third part of a five shilling patent right in the undivided plain land, in the Township of Hempstead. To my two sons all my lands and buildings when of age. My executors are to let my lands and buildings for the use of my family until my son Stephen comes to the age of twenty-one years, and then he to have all my lands and buildings unto his possession, and to be at all necessary expenses in bringing up my son Edmund until he shall arrive at the age of "twenty" years, and then my will is that all my lands

and buildings be equally divided between them. If there be any overplus arise from the use of my lands and buildings, more than is necessary to be expended for the use of my family, then such overplus to be equally divided between my three daughters, Phebe Downing, Mary Rushmore, and Jane Rushmore. My son Stephen shall have my watch when he comes to age. To my two sons aforesaid I leave my wearing apparel (except my new "beaver hatt") to be divided between them; that my three youngest children should be brought up and educated in a becoming manner both as to learning and otherwise according to the discretion of my executors. I leave to my daughter, Mary Rushmore, £70, to my daughter, Jane Rushmore, £70 to be paid "on her day of marriage, or when she arrive to the age of eighteen years," both which foregoing legacies to be paid out of my moveable estate; the other part of my moveable estate together with my lot of salt meadow at Matinacock be equally divided between all my daughters, viz.: Phebe, Mary, and Jane. I leave to my son-in-law, Silas Downing, my new beaver hat. I make my brother-in-law, Willets Kerby, my brother-in-law, Henry Post, and my friends, Jacob Underhill and Gedion Seaman, executors.

Dated July 17, 1779. Witnesses, Samuel Willets, Jacob Underhill, Thomas Prior, of Oyster Bay, quaker. Proved, April 23, 1781.

Page 162.—Know all men by these presents that I, JAMES ELLISON, of the Township of Hempstead, in Queens County, this nineteenth day of February, 1780. All my just debts be fully paid together with my funeral charges after my decease, out of my moveable estate. I leave to my loving and well-beloved wife, Elizabeth Ellison, one feather bed, bedding furniture and appurtenances, and one cow, and my bay mair, and my cubbord and round table, and all my grain both cut and on the ground, and my three swine, all to be at her own disposal. To my son, William Ellison,

all my wearing apparel, and also my black colt, to his own disposal. I direct that my sorrell mair and the remainder of my neat kind be sold, and the proceeds, when collected, to be equally divided amongst my surviving daughters; and that my said wife shall have the use of all the remainder of my moveable estate, both within doors and without, together with the use of five acres of woodland (it being the east part of my woodland), for and during widowhood, but no longer, and after that time my daughters, Elizabeth and Hannah, shall have each of them one feather bed and appurtenances to their own disposal; the remainder of my household goods shall be equally divided amongst my daughters, Freelove, Elizabeth, Mary, and Hannah, or the survivors of them. I leave to my sons, James and William, all the remainder of my moveable estate without doors. To my two sons, James and William, my homestead, my dwelling house and land, whereon I now dwell, situate on the north side of Hempstead Plains, equally to be divided between them. I make my trusty friend, Peter Titus, Jr., and my son, James Ellison, executors.

Witnesses, David Losee, Benjamin V. D. Water, Richard Ellison, quaker, of Hempstead. Proved, March 24, 1781.

Page 164.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILHELMUS WYCKOFF, of New Town, in Queens County, on Nassau Island, the colony of New York, yeoman. All such debts and dues as I owe in law or conscience to any person or persons be justly and truly paid within some convenient time after my decease by my executors out of my moveable estate, and also my funeral charges. I leave to my dearly-beloved wife Phebe the use and income of my farm during her widowhood, and all my real and personal estate, excepting paying the sum of £10 a year to my mother, Adrajana Wickoff, during her life, but if my wife should remarry she is to have one negro wench named Sara, and £50 to be

paid out of my moveable estate in lien and "stide" of her dower out of my said estate. To my loving son John the farm where I now live upon, or the land and meadow that formerly did belong to William Leverich with all improvements, house, orchard and barn, with rights thereunto belonging, excepting a free passage for his brother, Peter Wickoff, down to a Landing place; to my dearly beloved son Peter the farm that did belong to John Wickoff, all that to the western of a division line as it has been divided before. To my loving daughter, Cornelia Wickoff, £500, two hundred and fifty to be paid by her eldest brother, John Wickoff, and £250 by her brother Peter. I make my loving wife, Phebe Wickoff, Cornelius Rapelje, John Vander Veer, Sr., and Nicholas Schanck, of Kings County, executors.

Witnesses, John Lawrence, Samuel Lawrence, yeoman, Daniel Lawrence. Proved March 21, 1781.

[NOTE.—Phebe Wyckoff (now Phebe Cornell), Nicholas Schanck and Cornelius Rapelje renounced and refused to take upon them or either of them the executorship; letters of administration were granted to John Wyckoff, of New Town, yeoman, eldest son of Wilhelmus, on April 25, 1781.]

Page 166.—These presents witnesseth that I, PERMENAS JACKSON, of the Township of Hempstead, in Queens County, January 14, 1781. I leave to my wife, Elizabeth Jackson, the whole of her portion that she brought me, likewise the sum of £100; to each of my two daughters, Elizabeth and Rosannah, £500; to each of my two sons, Permenas and John, £100. I leave to my wife and four children all the residue of my moveable estate, after all my just debts and funeral charges are first paid, and my children brought up, all which several bequests to my wife are in lieu of her dower in my estate. To my two sons and two daughters equally, the use of all my real estate, until my son Permenas is eighteen years old, to be hired out by my executors for the benefit of my children. To my two sons, Permenas

and John, my real or "fast" estate, after my son Permenas is eighteen years old. It is my will that the whole of my real estate be possessed and enjoyed by my son Permenas from the time he is eighteen years old until my son John shall marry, or is eighteen years old. The whole of my moveable estate, except what I had with my wife, be put to sale and sold, and the proceeds to go to my wife and children as above given. I make my brothers, Obadiah Jackson, Thomas Seaman, and John Jackson, executors.

Witnesses, Jacob Seaman, yeoman. Elijah Smith, of Hempstead, yeoman, Nathaniel Whitson. Proved, March 19, 1781.

Page 168.—To all people to whom these presents shall come know ye that I, JOHN WEEKS, SR., of Oyster Bay, being this thirteenth day of March, 1780, very weak in body. I leave to my beloved wife Rebecca the use of all the houses and lands, during her widowhood, and all my household furniture, three cows and £50, to be paid her out of my estate, all which I give to her in lieu of her right of dowry; to my beloved daughter Jane I give my house and lot of land where I now live, which she is to have after her mother's decease or day of marriage, bounded as followeth: beginning at the southwest corner, joining to the street at the northwest corner of the homestead that is possessed by the widow of my son John, deceased, and running easterly to the northeast corner of the aforesaid homestead to the road that leads by my son Augustine's barn on the east, and by said road till it comes to John Parish' land, and on the north by said Parish land, and on the east partly by said Parish land until it comes to the southeast corner of Henry Powel's land, thence by said Powels until it comes to the southwest corner, and from thence on straight line to the northwest corner of my garden by my house, thence by the highway to the front "Boulder" containing within said Bounds 20 acres more or less. Also one piece of

woodland lying near Norwich, bounded on the north by the highway that leads from Norwich to John Nostrant's, on the east by the said Nostrant's land, and on the south and west by Henry Cocks and John Wright's land, containing ten acres each, to her after her mother's decease or day of her marriage. To my son Augustine that piece of meadow ground and swamp lying northward of my garden, bounded on the west by the highway, on the north by the watering place, and on the east by Henry Powel's land, and on the south by the land I gave to my daughter Jane. To each of my granddaughters, Anne, Elizabeth, Judah, Ruth, and Charlotta Weeks, £20, to be paid out of my estate. To my grandsons, William, John, and Rafine Weeks, £10 each, to be paid out of my estate at the discretion of my executors. To my daughter-in-law, Elizabeth Weeks, the third part of the use of the homestead she now lives in, with the use of the third part of the house and barn, and the use of the third of all the out land that I give among my son John's children. I give among my grandchildren, viz., William, John, Anne, Elizabeth, Judah, Ruth, and Charlotta Weeks, all that house, barn and land that they now live in, bounded on the west by the highway, on the south by George Weeks' and land of William Butters, on the east by a highway, and on the north by land that I have given to my daughter Jane, and also half of all my out-lands and meadow that is not disposed of. I give to my son, Augustine Weeks, all the remaining part of my lands and meadow that I have not disposed of. I make my son, Augustine Weeks, of Oysterbay, executor.

Witnesses, Samuel Townsend, Esquire, Micheal Butler, Thomas Wright. Proved, April 7, 1781.

Page 170.—In the name of God, Amen. The 28th Day of May, 1777. I, BENJAMIN RAINER, of the Township of Hempstead, in Queens County. I leave to my beloved wife my best bed and furniture, one horse and

saddle, one round table, half a dozen chairs, two iron pots, one dozen pewter plates, one iron trammel, two pewter platters, two basons, one wash tub, one pair hand irons, two cows and calves, all the meal and provisions I have, and my grain in the ground and elsewhere of every kind, and all my "Cloath"; all which articles I give in lieu of her dower and not otherwise. To my loving wife Anna one sixth part of all my moveable estate and also my negro boy named "Stephneg," and also the use of all my lands and tenements during widowhood, nevertheless my two sons, Joel and Isaac, shall have the privilege of living in the house with my said wife as long as she remains my widow; at her marriage or decease I give and bequeath unto my three sons, Amos, Joel, and Isaac, all the proceeds of the sale of my lands and tenements. My executors are to sell my lands and divide the proceeds equally among my three sons. My son Isaac shall have the privilege of disposing of his part of the money as he thinks proper, notwithstanding what is said above. I leave to my son Isaac one cow and calf; to my two sons, Joel and Isaac, my plow and all my farming utensils; to my daughter Anna one bed and furniture, one cow and calf, one chest, eight sheets, two flannel blankets, ten pillow cases, four towels, and two table-cloths. All the remainder of my moveable estate not already bequeathed I leave to my five daughters, viz. Bithia Hall, Anne Smith, Mille Bedel, Abigail Mott, and Anna Rainer, excepting £10 which I give over and above to daughter Anne. I make my son Amos, and my son-in-law, John Hall, executors.

Witnesses, James Searing, "practitioner of physick," Benjamin Bedell, David Batty, yeoman. Proved, August 9, 1777.

Page 172.—I, MARY ROWLAND, of the Township of Hempstead, in Queens County, November 12, 1776. I leave to my daughter, Zerada Rowland, two of my best feather beds, six pair of sheets, four "coverleds," two

bedsteads and the furniture, two of my best pewter platters, six pewter plates, three table cloths, six towels, all which she may choose, and my cupboard and chest. All the residue and remainder of my estate after my just debts and funeral expenses are all paid and discharged (excepting the legacy ordered for me in my father, Robert Marvin's last will and testament) I leave to my three daughters, Abigail Thorne, Phebe Hagner, and Zorada Rowland, equally divided amongst them. My will and my mind is that the legacy above mentioned shall be equally divided amongst all my children, Marvin Rowland, and my daughters above mentioned, provided my said son is a loyal subject to his majesty, King George the Third, and a true friend to Government; if my son is otherwise, the legacy shall be equally divided amongst my daughters. I make my two friends, Samuel Denton and James Cornwell, both of Herricks, in the Township and County aforesaid, executors.

Witnesses, John Searing, William Hewlett, yeoman, Emry Hewlett. Proved, November 27, 1776.

Page 173.—I, RICHARD MOTT, of Herricks, in the Township of Hempstead, in Queens County, being this 12th day of the eighth month, 1779, in a weak state of health. I order my executors to collect all my moneys due to me, and with the same to pay all my just debts, funeral charges and incidental expenses that may happen in executing my will and testament. I leave all my wearing apparel to my brother, Samuel Seaman Mott; my bed and furniture to my sister, Sarah Manlove; to my executors the sum of £4 to be paid into the hands of the Treasurer of the monthly meeting of Friends at Westbury for the use of said meeting; all the remainder of my estate not heretofore willed I leave to the children of my brother, Seaman Mott, to the children of my sister, Sarah Manlove, and to the children of my sister, Elizabeth Seaman, to be equally divided among them, and to be possessed thereof when

they arrive respectively to the age of twenty-one years, or their respective days of marriage. I desire my executors to put each "Legates" part out at interest for their advantage. I make my kinsman, Jiles Seaman, and Richard Seaman, sons of my uncle, Jiles Seaman, of Oysterbay and County aforesaid, executors, and that my executors be reasonably paid for their time, trouble, and expense in its execution.

Witnesses, Thomas Pearsall, John Searing, yeoman, Sarah Lake, spinster. Proved, July 28, 1780.

Page 175.—I, JACOB VAN NOSTRANT, of the East Woods, in Oysterbay, in Queens County, yeoman, being this 30 day of March, 1779, weak and low in body. All just debts and funeral charges to be paid before any division be made in my estate. I leave to my wife Cornelia my best bed and furniture and cupboard to her own disposal, and the use of my house during her widowhood, all which I give her in lieu of her dower and not otherwise. I leave to my children, viz.: Albert, Leannah, Esberite, Maria, Garrit, and Aaron, all the remainder of my estate whatsoever, both in lands and moveable, that lyeth in Oysterbay or elsewhere (except my son Garrit that at present is indisposed) to be equally divided between them and him the said Garrit with the rest if he should get better of his indisposition, which matter is hereby left discretionally to my executors as they shall think fit, at such time as they shall think fit to make a division in my estate, and I further leave at their discretion to sell and dispose of my whole real and personal estate when they shall think best for my family's support, and the payment of my just debts. I make my friend, Samuel Van Wyck, and my son, Albert Van Nostrant, executors.

Witnesses, Anne Wortman, John Van Nostrant, yeoman, Nathaniel Whitson. Proved, April 20, 1779.

Page 177.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HANNAH BEDELL, of Hempstead, in Queens County. I leave to

Catharine Bedell, daughter of Silvester Bedell, my bed and all the furniture thereunto belonging. To Mary Bedell, daughter of my brother Jeremiah Bedell, all my wearing apparel, be the same of what nature or kind soever. All the rest of my estate, both real and personal, after all my just debt and funeral charges are paid I leave to "Cozen" Silvester Bedell. I make Silvester Bedell to be my only and sole executor.

Dated October 6, 1776. Witnesses, Samuel Pettet, yeoman, Peter Pettet, Aletty Dorlan. Proved, November 20, 1776.

Page 18.—I, BENJAMIN SMITH, of the Township of Hempstead in Queens County doth this tenth day of January, 1779, make and publish this will. All my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid. My executors to sell such part of my lands as they shall think proper and convenient, sufficient to pay my daughters their portion hereafter mentioned, should my personal estate be insufficient for the same. I leave to my loving wife Hannah the use of two-thirds of the remainder of my real estate until my son Benjamin arrives the age of eighteen years. This towards bringing up my children, and then my wife and two sons, Niah and Benjamin, to have the use of the same equally amongst them during her natural life. Also to my wife one-fifth of my household goods within doors, my riding chair, my negro man Siah, eight head of cattle, twenty sheep, two horses, and utensils to carry on farming, and £50 cash in lieu of her dower. To my four daughters £1200, equally divided among them when or as they arrive to the age of eighteen years, and their equal fifth part of my household goods within doors. To my son Niah my black mare & black gelding, my negro boy Bill, and ten sheep; to my son Benjamin my bay colt. My daughters, as long as they remain single shall have one room, pasture for one horse, and two cows, and firewood sufficient for one fire; she or they to bear expense of getting the same.

All other personal estate to be sold as my executors deem advisable, in order to pay off my daughters' legacies, viz.: to Meriam, Phebe, Sarah, and Hannah Smith. To my sons, Niah and Benjamin, all other lands and tenements or real estate, with my right in the undivided lands in the Township. Benjamin to have my homestead in his division. Should he die under age or before twenty-one years of age, then his portion to be equally divided amongst my surviving children. My executors shall improve or put to interest their portion during non-age for the bringing up and maintaining my children. I make my two loving brothers, Richard Smith and James Smith, and my loving son Niah, executors.

Witnesses, Benjamin Treadwell, jr., John Marvin (yeoman), and James Cornwall (yeoman). Proved, May 6, 1779.

Page 180.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB PETERSON, of Hempstead in Queens County, yeoman, make this my will. My just debts and funeral charges to be duly paid. I leave to Mary, my dearly beloved wife, all the household goods, and furniture which I received with her at our marriage; also the sum of £30, to be paid within one year after my decease. To my son Zebulon £20, to be levied out of my estate; to be paid him when twenty-one years of age. All other estate to be divided into three parts; one part for my son Zebulon; one equal third to my daughter Hannah; a like part to my daughter Mary; to be paid them as they arrive at lawful age. I make my trusty friends and neighbors, Martin Van Nostrand and Robert Doughty, executors.

Dated November 10, 1776. Witnesses, David Ludlow (yeoman), Rulif Vorhis, Nathaniel Box (yeoman). Proved, January 25, 1779.

Page 182.—In the name of God, Amen. I, GEORGE HEWLETT, of the north side of Hempstead Plains in the Township of Hempstead in Queens County, yeoman,

make this will. All my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid as hereinafter directed. I leave to my son William all that my farm at Hericks in the Township aforesaid, which he now occupies, with all its appurtenances. Also, one full and equal undivided third part of all my shares and rights of undivided marshes at the south side of Hempstead, and of my undivided rights of land at Hempstead Plains not in fence. Also, eight sheep to be chosen for him out of my flock by my executors; two heifers and one yearling horned beast, to be chosen out of my stock by the said William. To my daughter Hannah eight cows and eight sheep, chosen by my executors; also, my negro boy, Jim, and my black mare and riding chair and tackle, and also my household furniture and plate (except my silver tankard, and one bed, pillows, and covering, hereafter disposed of) and the sum of £160 in cash to be paid to her as directed. To my son William my negro named Jacob; to my son Richard my silver tankard; to my son Emry all the rest of my sheep. To my sons, Richard and Emry, one bed with the pillows, sheets and covering. All other estate, real and personal, to my sons, Richard and Emry, to be equally divided between them as tenants in common, subject nevertheless to the payments of all my debts and funeral expenses, and £160 to my daughter Hannah; the one-half thereof to be paid within six months, and the other half within one year next after my decease. I expressly charge the payment of the said debts, etc., and the legacy as a Lien on the real estate devised to my sons, Richard and Emry, to be bound and paid by them equally. I make my brother, Benjamin Hewlett, of Great Neck, Valentine Hewlett Peters, Esq., of Hempstead, and Benjamin Hewlett the younger, of the same place, executors.

Dated February 12, 1778. Witnesses, Joseph Kissam, Esq. (attorney at law), Benjamin Kissam, and Martha Carman (spinster). Proved, November 10, 1778.

Page 184.—The twenty-seventh day of April, 1778. I, DANIEL HUELETT, senior, of Hempstead on Long Island, will that all my just debts be well and truly paid. I leave to my beloved wife Elizabeth all my personal estate and all my possessions of what kind soever during her natural life. Likewise one feather bed and furniture. My son John shall live on the said personal estate and possessions with my wife Elizabeth. To my son John one negro wench named Rose; to be put in his possession or disposal as he and my executors shall agree upon. Also, to him, all my personal estate after the decease of my wife Elizabeth. To my three sons, Daniel, William, and John, all my plain lands, and marsh, to be equally divided between them. My executors, with the consent of my wife and son John, to sell all or any part of my personal estate for the benefit of my wife and son. I make George Huelett and Daniel Huelett, executors.

Witnesses, George Hewlett, Jemime Hewlett (spinster), and Matthias Cooke (yeoman). Proved, May 20, 1778.

"The will of Stephen Martino recorded in Liber B of Wills, Page 119, &c."

The above entry is made on the margin of page 185, Liber 34. Search has been made in the Hall of Records and in the New York County Clerk's office; inquiry has also been made in Richmond County, where the will was probated, August 4, 1779. Cornelius Martino, Benjamin Martino, and Stephen Martino, were named as executors, and subsequently qualified.

Page 186.—In the name of God, Amen. I, PETER VAN DE WATER, of Flushing, in Queens County, cordwainer, do make this will. I leave to Elizabeth, my dearly beloved wife, one feather bed and furniture, including two pairs of sheets and pillowcases, one case of drawers, six sitting chairs, six pewter plates, two pewter platters, six knives and forks, two iron pots,

one trammel, one tea kettle, one copper kettle, my burnt china bowl, and my negro woman named Silvia. Unto my daughter Elizabeth the feather-bed which belonged to her aunt, Winche Van De Water, with its furniture, three silver table-spoons, three silver tea-spoons, one small case of drawers, one pair of gold buttons, and one gold ring. Unto my daughter Winche one feather bed and furniture including two pairs of sheets, three silver table-spoons, three silver tea-spoons, one pair gold buttons, one gold ring, and one "Bilsted" chest. Unto my son, William Sherlock, all my wearing apparel, silver tankard, my negro boy named Harry, and one Feather bed and furniture, including two pairs of sheets. Unto my daughter, Mary Sherlock, as much of my estate as I have above given to my above named daughters. All my estate, real and personal (except what is above given) to be sold as soon as deemed advantageous for my children; the proceeds of such sale to be divided equally amongst my wife and children. I make my trusty and loving friends, John Rodman and John Field, executors.

Dated May 27, 1777. Witnesses, Daniel Hitchcock (house carpenter) Pepperrell Bloodgood, and Robert Hinchman (Deputy Clerk of Queens County). Proved, April 13th, 1780.

Page 188.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN BEATTY, of the South Division of Richmond County, yeoman, make this will. I leave my beloved wife, Ann Beatty, during her natural life, one bed with all the bed furniture belonging to it, six chairs and a table, one pot, one kettle, six tea-cups and saucers and tea-spoons, one tea and sugar pot; at her decease whatever is left shall go to the children. Unto my wife and son John the use and possession of the farm I now live upon; together with two horses, two cows, one waggon, one plough and harrow, and other farming utensils, for the term of three years after my decease; they paying yearly for the same, £10, if they choose to

accept the conditions of this article. My three daughters, Elizabeth, Ann, and Charity, shall live with their mother and brother, and work for their mother, who shall provide them with every necessary during the three years as she now provides for them. At the expiration of said term the remaining part of my whole estate to be sold and turned into money. If my wife and son John shall agree to live on the place as above mentioned, then all the rest of my personal Estate that is not allotted for their use to be sold and turned into money; my just debts and funeral expenses to be forthwith paid. When said term expires and the residue of my estate is turned into money, the proceeds shall be divided into seven equal parts; of which my wife and five children, Edward, John, Elizabeth, Ann and Charity shall each have one part, and the remaining seventh part to be equally divided among the four children of my daughter, Isabel Vanderbilt, deceased, viz.: John, Aris, Catharine, and Isabel Vanderbilt. Should any of my children die under age his or her part shall be equally divided among the surviving grandchildren. I make my loving wife Ann, and my two sons, Edward and John Beatty, and my trusty friend, Daniel Leake, jr., now living at the mill on the Great Kills, executors. Dated August 27, 1778. Witnesses, Peter Cortelyou, Joseph Guyon, and John Guyon (yeoman). Proved, May 7, 1781.

Page 190.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSEPH HOWARD, of the Township of Flatbush in King's County, yeoman, make this will. All my just and lawful debts and funeral charges be duly paid out of my moveable estate. I leave to my grandson, Christoffel Howard, son of my son William, late deceased, all my lands which lie on the westerly side of the highway or road that leads from my dwelling house to Brooklyn Ferry; being the most part thereof in the bounds of Flatbush and part in the bounds of Brookland; together with the orchard, woods, and other

appurtenances thereunto belonging. Also, my two lots of wood-land, containing ten acres, which I bought of the sons-in-law of Johannes Rapalje, deceased; also, the equal third part of my meadow. Unto my grandson William (also a son of my son William), so much of my land in number of acres as I conveyed to my said son William in his lifetime (as by a certain instrument in writing thereof may appear), adjoining thereto on the southwesterly side thereof. Unto my two grandsons, Joseph and William Howard, sons of my son William, my dwelling house, barn and all and singular the rest of my lands, wood-lands and real estate. Unto my daughter Mary, the now wife of Cornelius Sebring, the sum of £1,200. Unto each of my granddaughters, Hilletye, Grietye, and Femmetye (daughters of my son William) £200; £100 whereof to be paid to each of them one year after my decease; that is to say, to them that shall be of lawful age; and the other £100 one year thereafter; and to each of them which shall then not be of lawful age, £100 when they shall arrive at lawful age, and the other £100 one year thereafter. Unto my three said grandsons, equally, my horses, wagons, farmer's tools and utensils. Unto my said daughter Mary, and my said granddaughters, all my household goods and furniture to be equally divided amongst them. To my said grandsons and granddaughters all the residue of my estate to be equally divided. My grandchildren to be brought up and maintained out of the use, incomes, and profits of my estate until they arrive to lawful age, or marry, which shall happen first. My daughter-in-law Femmetye to continue to dwell in my house for so long a time as she shall remain the widow of my son William, but shall in the meantime be liable to assist in the bringing up and maintaining my grandchildren. I make my grandson, Joseph Howard, my cousin, William Howard, of New Town, my cousin, Cornelius Wyckoff, and my neighbor, Johannes Lott, executors. Dated November 25, 1777. Witnesses, Jacob Snede-

ker, Jurrien Lott (yeoman, of New Lotts), and Johannes Snediker. Proved, May 24, 1781.

Page 192.—I, JOHANNES ELDERT, of the New Lotts in the Town of Flatbush in Kings County, yeoman, will that all my just and lawful debts and funeral charges be paid out of my estate. I leave unto Femmetje, my beloved wife, all and singular my real and personal estate, so long as she remains my widow. At her death or remarriage I give to my two sons, namely, Hendrick and Isaac, all my certain piece or parcel of land whereon I now dwelleth so as it now lyes in fence; being seven lots or thereabouts, to each of them the equal half thereof; to Hendrick the easterly side with the dwelling house, barns, orchards, and gardens (except my dwelling house, barn, orchard, and garden and five acres of land from the east side of my dwelling house and barn, wherein my son Isaac now dwelleth) to the westerly half of my land along the road. Unto my son Isaac the westerly equal half with the dwelling house (wherein he now dwelleth) barn, orchard, garden, and five acres of land. Also, unto my said two sons, all the residue of my lands and meadows and real estate, equally; they and their respective heirs to pay unto my daughter, Grietye, the now wife of John Van Dever, jr., the sum of £200; each of them £50 two years after my decease, and yearly thereafter the sum of £50 each, until the whole sum be paid. Unto my sons, Hendrick and Isaac, and my daughter Grietye (after my wife shall cease to be my widow, and my lawful debts and funeral expenses be paid) all the rest of my moveable estate, to be equally divided amongst them. I make my sons, Hendrick and Isaac Eldert, executors.

Dated February 15, 1777. Witnesses, Johannes Lott, Jacob Snedeker, and Johannes Lott, jr. (yeoman). Proved, June 8, 1781.

Page 194.—I, CORNELIUS WILLETT, of the Borough of West Chester, in the county of West Chester, gen-

tleman, will that all my just debts and funeral charges be duly paid and satisfied in some convenient time after my decease. I leave unto my well-beloved wife Elizabeth, during the time she remains my widow, and no longer, the use and improvement of my two farms and salt meadows, together with all my houses, barns, and stock of creatures of every kind, and all the tools and utensils of husbandry upon or belonging in any wise to my said farms; as also my plate, linen, beds, and household furniture, and all my negroes not herein particularly mentioned to be disposed of otherwise. Unto my wife, for life, my negro men Robert, Israel, and Andrew, and boy Henry. My executors to permit my said slaves Robert, Israel, and Andrew to choose their own masters at what time they are disposed of. Unto my wife, as her own property, at her disposal, my negro woman Caroline, my clock, worked chairs, large looking glass, a feather bed and curtains with a bedstead and a bedding for the same, six large silver table-spoons, a silver milk pot and pepper box, and all the pictures hanging in my parlor. Unto my daughter, Rachel Haviland, my negro girl named Nanny; unto my daughter, Mary Graham, my negro man named Phillip; unto my daughter Martha my negro girl named Nelly; unto my daughter Sarah my negro boy named Joseph. Unto my grandson, Willett Leaycroft, all my right, title, and interest in a certain tract of land commonly called the Flat Lands in Kings County on the Island of Nassau. In case he should die before he attains to the age of twenty-one years, not having lawful issue, I revoke and annul my said devise; then my executors to sell said tract, and the proceeds to be divided as the rest of my estate. Unto my grandson, Cornelius Willett Vanranst, the sum of £100, and my negro boy named Robert. Unto my grandson, James Graham, my negro boy named Harry; but he is not to have him until the death of my wife. Unto my granddaughter, Amelia Ogilvie, my negro girl named Hannah. Whereas my daughters,

Martha and Sarah, are unmarried, my executors to pay unto each that shall remain unmarried at the time of my decease the sum of £50 to be as an outset. On the death or remarriage of my wife, my executors are to sell and dispose of either at public or private sale, as they shall think best, all my estate, real and personal, not hereinbefore given and devised. In case my executors shall think it will be more for the advantage of my wife and children to sell my upper farm during my wife's widowhood they have full power and authority to sell it at any time after my decease. After the payment of all my just debts and legacies hereinbefore given, all the proceeds of the sale of my lands and meadows, together with all the residue of my estate, real and personal, are to be divided into six equal shares for my children and grandchildren in the following manner: viz.: one sixth part unto my daughter, Rachel Haviland, and to her son, Willett Leaycraft, to be equally divided between them; a sixth part unto my daughter, Mary Graham (except £50 of her division, which sum I give to her eldest son, Cornelius Willett Vanranst); a sixth unto my grandson, Edward Stevenson; a sixth part unto my daughter Martha; a sixth to my daughter Sarah; a sixth unto my two granddaughters, Elizabeth and Amelia Ogilvie, to be equally divided between them. In case either of my said granddaughters, Elizabeth or Amelia, should die before they attain to the age of twenty years or marry, her share shall be given to her surviving sister; should both die before the age of twenty years, or marry, then their share I give to my surviving children and grandson, Edward Stevenson, to be divided between them as the last division of my estate is to be made. Should my said grandson, Edward Stevenson, die before he is twenty-one years old, not having lawful issue, what I have given him shall be considered part of my estate and be divided as before. Should any of my children or grandchildren die before the last division of my estate, having lawful issue, such issue shall have por-

tion of my estate as his or her parent would have had if then living. My Executors to put out at interest all such sums of money as shall belong to any of my children and grandchildren before-named, that may be under age at the time of my decease; such portions, with the interest due, to be given at the time of marriage, or when twenty-one years of age.

Whereas there are divers sums of money which I have paid on account of Augustin Graham, husband of my daughter Mary, whatsoever money that shall appear to be due to me from him shall be deducted out of the share of my daughter Mary when the last division of my estate is made; excepting the interest of £100, which I give to my son-in-law. My executors shall, at their discretion put out my grandson, Cornelius Vanranst, to such trade or calling as they shall think most suitable to his circumstances.

What I have given my beloved wife Elizabeth is in lieu of her dower or thirds; also, that she is at the pains and cost of bringing up and maintaining my two granddaughters, Elizabeth and Amelia Ogilvie, during the time of her widowhood. But in case their father, George Ogilvie, or their guardians, shall refuse and not permit them to live with my wife, then she shall be free from any obligation to maintain them.

I make my dearly beloved wife, Elizabeth Willett, my daughter, Martha Willett, my nephew, Isaac Willett, and my trusty friends, Doctor Daniel White and Theophilus Bartow, executors.

Dated January 19, 1781. Witnesses, Robert Hunt and Cornelius Leggett (yeoman) and Ebenezer Leggett. Proved, June 11, 1781.

Page 198.—I, WILLIAM PHILLIPS, of the Royal Regiment of Artillery, and Major General in his Majesty's service, being of sound mind and in present Health of Body, Do make this my last Will and Testament in my

own handwriting at New York this fifth day of January, 1781. I recommend myself to God the Father of all in a belief of His infinite Goodness and Mercy. I leave to Mrs. Elizabeth Brown, now or late of High Street, Mary la Bonne, London, lately the wife of John Brathwaite, but now divorced in due course of Law, all I shall stand possessed of at my death in Estates, real or personal. In case the said Elizabeth Browne shall die before me, I leave William Collier, Lieutenant in the Royal Regiment of Artillery, to Thomas Forsyth, Esq., William Faqahar (Surgeon of Marlborough Street, London), and to Major Drummond of the Royal Regiment of Artillery, all my estates, real and personal, In Trust to be by them given in equal shares to my natural children, William Edward Browne, Charles Browne, Charlotte Browne, and Emeily Browne, at the time the children shall arrive at the age of twenty-one years.

In case of all their deaths, to Lt. Collier of the Royal Regiment of Artillery. To be first paid out of my real and personal estate at my death unto Miss Caroline Williams, now in the care of Mrs. Levina Brudenell, the sum of £500 sterling, and to be placed in the Funds for her use until her age of twenty-one years. Should the said Caroline Williams die before that age, the interest of the legacy to go to Mrs. Levina Brudenell for her life; after which the principal and interest to go to my heirs as before described. Out of the receipts of my real and personal estate £30 per annum be paid to Mrs. Lucy Phillips, otherwise Thomson, during her life. I acquit Lieut. Collier of any Debts he may owe me at my Death. Unto Miss Catharine Van Horn, of Flatbush, Long Island, 100 guineas, to be paid her at my death.

Witness my hand this fifth day of January, 1781. Witnesses, John Yorke, Mungo Noble (Captain in his Majesty's 60th Regiment of Foot), Edward Fage, and Edward Thecher (gunner in Royal Regiment of Artillery). Proved, June 8, 1781.

Page 200.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HANNAH SMITH, of the Township of Hempstead in Queens County, do this fourteenth day of January, 1780, make this will. I leave to my four daughters, Meriam, Phebe, Sarah, and Hannah, all my whole estate (after my just debts and funeral expenses are paid) within doors and out, equally divided among them. I make my two brothers-in-law, Richard Smith and James Smith, executors.

Witnesses, Nier Smith (yeoman), William Wright, and James Conwell (yeoman). Proved, March 16, 1781.

Page 201.—I, JOHN DORLON, of Hempstead, in Queens County, do make my will as followeth: First, I leave to my son John all the farm, or the lands whereon my said son now lives, lying on the west side of the highway that leads from my now dwelling house to the house where the widow Burlugh, deceased, formerly lived; and fifteen acres of land to be taken off the south end of the farm whereon I now live, beginning at Samuel Williams' field (so called) and running southerly to Noah Comb's land, and extending as far west as to make fifteen acres. Also, all the remaining part of my meadow which I have not heretofore given my late son Elias a deed for. Likewise one half of all my plain land that is already laid out to me, and also one half of all my timber or swamp land that lies at Hungry Harbour Neck adjoining the Boggs, and one half of all the undivided right in the Township of Hempstead which now belongs to me, which was my father's, also one half of all my land at Hick's Neck. Unto my daughter-in-law Hannah, the widow of my late son Elias, the entire use and benefit of a good room in the dwelling house where my son lately lived, and also to get firewood for her own use (on the lands I have hereafter given to my grandsons, Joseph and Linninton) the firewood to be cut and brought home to her by my aforesaid grandsons. Also give unto her pasture for a cow on the farm where I

now live. My grandsons shall find sufficient hay for wintering the cow; all which for the use of my daughter so long as she remains my son's widow, and no longer. Unto my grandsons, Joseph and Linninton, children of my late son Elias, all the remainder of my lands, rights and shares of land, with the buildings thereon, to be equally divided between them. Also unto them, all that part of the house or lands which I have heretofore given the use of unto Son Elias' widow. Unto my son Samuel, and unto my son Joseph's children, and unto my daughters, Mirriam and Anne, and unto my daughter Mary's children, all my moveables, be the same of what nature or kind soever, to be equally divided between them. But my son Joseph's children and my daughter Mary's children are to have a share equal to one of my other children. I make my son, John Dorlon, and my friend, John Williams, executors.

Dated June 16, 1778. Witnesses, James Burtis, Elias Burtis (yeoman) and James Burtis. Proved, June 5, 1781.

Page 203.—These presents witnesseth JOHN DER-YEE, in Queens and province of New York, this nineteenth day of October, 1779, do make my will. My estate, real and personal, to be put to sale at the discretion of my executors (except my desk and silver watch and one of my beds with its furniture). I leave my son Rulof £100 and my desk and silver watch; unto my son Pratt £100; unto my well-beloved wife Nancy one bed and its furniture. The remaining part to my wife Nancy and to my two sons and three daughters, viz.: Catherine, Mary, and Nancy; to be equally divided. I make Nancy, my well-beloved wife, my brother-in-law, John Pratt, and Samuel Seamen, of Jerusalem, executors.

Witnesses, Obadiah Seaman, James Birdsall, and Thomas Seaman, of Hempstead (schoolmaster). Proved, May 30, 1781.

Page 204.—In the name of God, Amen. On the tenth day of March, 1780, I, ADAM CARMAN, of Hempstead in Queens County on Nassau Island, being in a poor state of health. I leave to my daughter Hannah the bed that I now lay on, together with the bedstead and cord with all the covering belonging; also the looking glass; and £5 to be levied out of my estate and paid soon after my death. Unto my daughter Nancy £5 raised and paid as above. All my out-door moveable estate to be sold soon after my death; the proceeds to pay my just debts, funeral charges, and the legacies. Also to the use of all my fast estate for the expiration of four months after my death; but all my in-door moveables over and above not already disposed of, to be sold, and all lands and tenements, together with all the Rights of Lands that I shall happen to have, to be sold four months after my death; of the proceeds of all sales one fifth part to my loving daughter Phebe, wife of James Antony; a like part to each of my daughters; Elizabeth, wife of Daniel Thurston; to Hannah Carman; to Nancy Cadman; and the remaining one-fifth part to my grandchildren (children of my daughter, Mary Rainer), Mary and Almy Rainer, equally to be divided, and to be paid as they arrive at the age of eighteen years. I make my trusty friends, Samuel Cadman and Uriah Bedle (both of Hempstead), executors.

Witnesses, Abraham Mall (yeoman), Caleb Southard, and Isaac Denton (yeoman). Proved, February 20, 1781.

Page 207.—In the name of God, Amen. October the seventh, 1776. I, DAVID PINE, of Hempstead in Queens County on Nassau Island, yeoman, being sick and weak, leave (my just debts and funeral charges being first satisfied) to my well-beloved mother, Sarah Pine, a decent maintenance, such as house-room, clothing, utensils, washing & lodging and every necessary of life; at her death, a decent funeral; all to be raised out

of my estate. I make my well-beloved sister, Sarah Pine, and my loving cousin, John Linninton, and my loving cousin, Elias Dorlin, the 3d, and my loving friend, James Wood, executors; and empower them to sell and convey such lands and meadow or both, as they shall think proper before paying my just debts and funeral charges. Unto my loving sister, Sarah Pine, my house, barn, orchard, fences, land and meadow, and all my moveable estate, such as cattle, sheep, horses, farming utensils; together with all my moveable estate, also all my undivided Rights in the Township of Hempstead. If any person or persons shall raise a dispute about any of my rights, lands or meadow I give my executors full power to answer in law as though I were present myself.

Witnesses, John Smith, Amos Smith, and William Pettit (yeoman). Proved, November 20, 1776.

Page 209.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DANIEL COLLIER, late of Connecticut, at present of New York, mariner, leave (after my just debts be paid) the remainder of all my personal or real estate to my brother, William Collier, of Hartford in Connecticut. I make David Gregg, of the City of New York, inn-keeper, executor.

Dated June 29, 1780. Witnesses, William Cumming and John Welsh. Proved, June 25, 1781.

[NOTE.—Coleman Fisher, of the City of New York, merchant, being of the people called Quakers, affirmed and declared that he saw the testator and the above two witnesses sign, etc. The executor named, Daniel Gregg, died before the probate, and made Jane Fegan his sole executrix, who was made administrator of Daniel Collier's estate.]

Page 210.—Be it known unto all men to whom these Presents shall come, or in any ways concern; that I, ROBERT ALLEN, of Mill Neck in the Township of Oysterbay in Queens County, being this sixteenth day of December, 1778, weak in body. My executors are to

dispose of such a part of my estate, as they shall think most proper, to discharge all my just debts. The estate otherwise to be left for the use of my wife and children until my youngest child becomes of age; then the residue to be sold for the benefit of my children, except what I leave to my wife. Unto my wife Hannah one cow, one bed, such as she shall choose, with the furniture; one cupboard, one table, one pewter platter, one large bason, and one half dozen pewter plates, and one trammel. Unto my second son, Baruch, £15 for his own use and purpose. All the rest of my estate to my children as follows: a double portion to my sons, viz.: Darias, Baruch, Robert, and Abraham; unto the daughters, viz.: Freelove, Lorete, Phebe, Sarah, and Hannah. I make my friend, Thomas Cock, and my friend, Thomas Smith, jr., and my wife, Hannah Allen, executors.

Witnesses, Henry Ludlam, Daniel Allen, of Oysterbay (yeoman), and Sarah Ludlam. Proved, June 4, 1781.

Page 211.—Know all men by these presents that I, JOHN MOTT, of Cowneck in the Township of Hempstead in Queens County, being this 28th day of the second month, 1773, well in health of body. All my real and personal estate, both lands and moveables, to be sold as soon as convenient after my decease. The proceeds, all moneys due to me upon Bonds and otherways to be collected; with the same my just debts, funeral charges and incidental expenses in executing this will, or that may otherwise happen, to be paid. The residue of my estate to be for uses and purposes after mentioned.

Whereas, my brother Edmond Mott has been and is at this time in a "Delirious" unsettled condition of mind, not of a capacity fit to have the Disposal of any Temporal Enjoyments, therefore my executors are to assist and support him out of my estate as long as he continues in this unsettled state of mind. Should

he recover his understanding and come to right state of mind, and my executors should judge him of a fit Capacity to have the Disposal of what I have committed to their Trust, he is to have all my estate then in trust (except, as I am at this time possessed of a negro man named Hance, who has been for some time at his Liberty respecting Slavery, notwithstanding what is above written, the negro man to be continued his Liberty, and brought under no restraint as to Slavery; my executors to have the care and oversight of him, and also keep and retain such a part of my estate in their hands as they shall think proper for his support should he become necessitous). After the death of my brother, and the death of the negro Hance, and all charges paid respecting them, then all remaining in the hands of my executors to go as follows: Unto each of my executors £50; and £100 to the use of the poor belonging to the Society of Friends within the Province of New York, or otherways to be disposed of as the Yearly Meeting of Friends within said Province shall think proper. The residue of my estate to go to my niece, Margaret Smith, wife of Melancton Smith, and Richard Sands and Adam Mott, both of Cowneck in said Town and County, my executors.

Witnesses, John Willis and Stephen Mott (Quakers and yeomen), and Elizabeth Mott. Proved, March 16, 1781.

Page 213.—I, SARAH SEAMAN, widow of Richard Seaman, near Herricks in the Township of Hempstead in Queens County, being this seventeenth day of the eighth month, 1780, far advanced in age, but of a tolerable state of health. All moneys due to me on bonds and otherwise to be collected; the same to pay all my just debts, funeral charges, etc. I leave to my daughter, Sarah Lake, wife of Joseph Lake, my best bed and its furniture, all my wearing apparel and old riding "Shaise." To the intent my daughter Sarah should have some place of residence after my decease, she

is to have the use and profits of all my lands during her natural life; at her decease they to be for all her children then living equally to be divided. The residue of my estate, not above willed, to be divided into equal parts; one of which to be for my daughter Sarah; the other half to be for six of my grandchildren, equally to be divided, to wit: my son Richard's three children, viz.: Elizabeth, Richard and Benjamin, and my three grandsons, Richard, Daniel, and Joseph Lake, children of my daughter Sarah. My executors to take care of that part given to my grandson, Benjamin Seaman, until he attains the age of twenty-one years. I make my friends, Adam Mott, John Searing, and Geddon Seaman, of Hempstead, and Jiles Seaman, jr., of Oysterbay executors.

Witnesses, Daniel Toffey (yeoman), Mary Searing, jr. (spinster), and Susannah Searing.

Proved, March 16, 1781.

Page 215.—In the name of God, Amen. The third day of October, 1776. I, ADRIAEN HEGEMAN, jr., of the Township of Oysterbay in Queens County on the Island of Nassau, yeoman, being at present weak in body. After all my lawful debts are paid and my funeral charges defrayed, I leave my daughter, Doortie Hegeman, my Dutch Psalm Book for her birthright, before any division is made of my Estate. All such, real and personal estate (except such as in hereafter named) to be sold for the discharging of my lawful debts. Any money remaining I give to my loving wife Egbertie one sixth part; to my five dear children, namely, Doortie, Jannetie, Maria, Hendrickie, and Geurtruy (except the one-sixth for my wife), share and share alike. Unto my loving wife my cupboard, together with all the things in the same; one of my best beds with curtains thereto belonging, one horse and saddle, one brown dining table, one looking glass, six common chairs, two cows, one churn, four keelers, two pails, one tray, three pewter dishes, one pewter bason,

twelve pewter plates, two iron pots, one tea kettle, one pair hand irons, shovel and tongs, one large brass kettle, one spring wheel, one wool wheel, one dresser, one gridiron, one large iron ladle, all the tea pots, cups, saucers and bowls, one Dutch Psalm Book and another small Dutch Book, one large wash tub, one pair wool cards, one frying pan, and three knives and forks. Unto my dear children, Doortie, Jannetie, and Maria, one large brown chest for their joint use. To my other dear children, Hendrickie and Geurtruy, one common chest for their joint use. To my child Jannetie my silver shoe buckles. To my five children all my wearing apparel, my executors to do with the same most advantageously for my children; and they shall take charge of the children that they may obtain knowledge or learn trades; the money in the hands of the executors to be applied for this use if it is wanted. I make my loving wife, Egbertie Hegeman, my executrix; my loving father, Adriaen Hegemen, my loving father-in-law, Jan Van Noorstrandt, and my worthy friend, Anthony Van Noorstrandt, executors.

Witnesses, Folkert Rappalje, Tunis Rappelje (yeoman), Engerbert Lott, jr. Proved, March 14, 1781.

Page 217.—Know all men by the Presents, that I, JANE HEAVILAND, widow, of the Township of Hempstead in Queens County, being this sixteenth day of October, 1780, sick and weak in body. All my just debts being fully paid out of the money I have by me, I leave to my granddaughter, Sarah Smith, my black Cloak. Unto my granddaughter, Jean Smith, my silver shoe-buckles. Unto my granddaughters, Sarah and Jane Smith, and the daughters of my son, Joseph Heviland, my wearing apparel to be equally divided; only my silver sleeve buttons which I give to the said Jane Smith. Unto my son, Joseph Heviland, my gold sleeve buttons and all my Jack coats and Brieves silver buttons. Unto my son John the bond I have against him and also my silver beaded Chain, and sil-

ver spoon. Unto my son Joseph as much of my household goods as will make him equal with the bond I have against my son John; he to have such of the goods as he likes best. Unto my sons, John and Joseph, the bond of £58 against them. Unto my granddaughter, Hannah Heaviland, my green cloak and best bed. Unto my granddaughters, Sarah and Jane Smith, and to Jane, Jerusha, Jemima, Phebe, Hannah, and Jane Heaviland, the daughters of my son Joseph, all the remainder of my household goods, to be equally divided; which shall be left in the hands of my son Joseph until they arrive to the age of eighteen years, or day of marriage. Unto my sons, John and Joseph, all my moveable estate without doors, and the remainder of my money equally to be divided between them. I make my sons, John and Joseph Heaviland, and my son-in-law, Silvanus Smith, executors.

Witnesses, Micajah Combs, Cornel Smith (yeoman), and Richard Ellison. Proved, January 21, 1781.

Page 219.—Know all men by these Presents, that I, JONATHAN SMITH, of the Township of Hempstead in Queens County, yeoman, being this twenty-second day of June, 1777, not well in body. I leave to Mary Smith, my wife, two feather beds, bedding, furniture, and appurtenances. My executors to sell all my homestead where I now live, and land adjoining; situate in the South woods within the Township; and my land with fences on the plains; together with all my rights of lands and meadows, of what kind soever, within the patent of Hempstead; also, all my moveable estate not above disposed of, after my decease. The proceeds to be disposed of as follows: Unto Mary, my wife, £10; to my daughter-in-law, Conericke Smith, £10. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid; but of proceeds of sale of real and personal estate I give to my three granddaughters, Jane, Sarah, and Mary Smith, each £20 in money to be put to interest for them, and paid to each arriving to age of eighteen years. Unto

Thomas Smith Rock, son of Thomas Smith, deceased, £6. Unto my grandson, Jonathan Smith, £10; to be put to interest and paid to him when he is twenty-one years old. Unto my two grandsons, viz.: Silvanus and Jonathan Smith, all the residue of my real and personal estate, equally to be divided (excepting my great Bible, which I do give to Jonathan). The executors shall put the money to interest for the use of my two grandsons, for their education and bringing up, and to put them to such trades as they shall most incline to, and pay to each his equal part on coming at the age of twenty-one years. I make my trusty and loving friends, Richard Hewlett, Esquire, of Rockaway, and my brother, Cornell Smith, and Benjamin Hewlett jr., executors.

Witnesses, John Van Nostrand (yeoman), Zabulon Smith, and Richard Ellison (yeoman). Proved, January 20, 1778.

Page 221.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB GOUVEUR, of the City of New York, being in perfect health. I leave to my sister, Marie Farmer, £600; to be paid her immediately after my decease. Also, all my plate (except one silver tankard), she paying therefor to my estate at the rate of 9 shillings per oz. Likewise, all my china, whole and broken, she paying £8 for the same. All or any part of my household goods, furniture, and linen which she shall elect, she paying such price as the same or any part shall be valued at by my executors. I give to her all my wearing apparel, leaving it to her discretion to give the whole or any part thereof to my niece, Hester Gouverneur. And as I received the whole estate that was left by my sister Elizabeth, of which estate my sister Maria was entitled to one-half part thereof, my said sister Maria must also have and receive out of my estate the half of the clear amount of which I received of my sister Elizabeth's estate. Secondly, unto Nicholas Gouverneur my silver tankard on which is engraved

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my father's Coat of Arms. Unto Isaac Low, of the City of New York, merchant, an Arabian gold pocket-piece; also, a small picture burnt on glass. The residue of my real and personal estate, with the gold and silver belonging to and worn about my body shall be sold, and disposed of, and the proceeds thereof put out at interest upon good and sufficient security; the interest to be paid annually to my niece, Hester Gouveneur, during her life. If at her decease she have any lawful issue, the produce of the remainder of my Estate, with the interest to the child or children of the said Hester; if more than one, to be divided. Should she die without issue, then unto my nephew, Abraham Gouveneur, during his life. After his decease, if he should die without lawful issue, then one-fourth part of the said principal to Samuel Gouveneur; a like part to Magdalen Hall, sister to Nicholas Gouveneur; one eighth part to Frances Sharpe, wife of Jacob Sharpe; one eighth to Rineir Skates; a like part to Peter Farmer; the remaining eighth part to Jasper Farmer. I make Nicholas Gouveneur and Isaac Low, executors.

Witnesses, Gerard Walton, of the City of New York (gentleman), Richard Ray and Samuel Ray. Proved, June 25, 1781.

Page 223.—These Presents Witnesseth that I, CORNELIUS HOOGLAND, of the Township of Oysterbay in Queens County, being this sixteenth day of May, 1777, much indisposed in body. I leave to my beloved wife Sarah one bedstead, bedding, and other furniture. Unto my three sons, viz.: Tunis, William and Cornelius, in equal shares, all my carpenter's tools, shoemaker's tools and weaver's tools. Unto my son Tunis my Great Bible; to my daughter Mary, a bed, bedstead, bedding and other furniture. The remainder of my estate is to be sold, both lands and moveables, and turned into money at some convenient time after my decease. Of such proceeds (after my debts are first paid), unto my daughter Mary £30, to be paid her be-

fore a general division be made; and to my three sons £100 each to and for the purpose of supporting their mother, my wife, with all things necessary and convenient for her natural life. The remainder to be equally divided amongst all my children, namely: Tunis, William, Cornelius, Margaret Vanderbelt, Catharine Simonson, Mary Hoogland, Anne Bennett, and Phebe Duryee. I make my son Tunis and my son William, executors; giving them discretionary power to adjust all differences and contests. Whereas, I have given to my daughter, Catharine Simonson, a legacy there expressed, but upon further reflection, I bequeath to all her children that legacy which I gave to her, in equal shares.

Dated May 16, 1770. Witnesses, Daniel Birdsall, Peter Luister (or Luyster), yeoman; and William Seaman. Proved, June 12, 1781.

Page 224.—I, JAMES SEAMAN, of Jerusalem in the Township of Hempstead in Queens County, being weak in body. I leave to Martha Seaman, my well-beloved wife, half of all my lands, meadows, and buildings during her natural life, or as long as she remains my widow. After her death or marriage the said lands, meadows, and buildings unto my son Benjamin, together with the other or remaining half of my lands, after my just debts and funeral charges are paid out of it. To my wife, my negro woman named Mime, and one bed and bedding, all my linen, one "bilstale" table and chest, one great chair and two small chairs, and my riding chair. After the death of my wife my negro woman Mime to have her freedom. Unto my son Benjamin my negro boy named Tim and my negro girl named Lender; my farming utensils and my grain of all sorts, threshed and unthreshed, lying, standing, or growing; as also my flax, dressed and undressed; and all my hay or fodder. Unto my daughter Phebe £40, 11 shillings; to my daughter Martha £28, 8 shillings; to my three daughters, Phoebe, Martha, and

Mary, all the remainder of my moveable estate in equal shares. I make my son Benjamin and my kinsman, Thomas Seaman, executors.

Dated, June 22, 1777. Witnesses, Jonathan Pratt, Obadiah Seaman, and Jacob Seaman (yeoman). Proved, June 19, 1781.

Page 226.—Know all men by these Presents, that I, SAMUEL SEAMAN, of Oysterbay Township in Queens County, on Nassau Island, this sixteenth day of ye Second month, 1780, do make this present writing to contain my last will. My just debts to be fully paid and all necessary charges that may happen. I leave to my daughters, Rachel Hicks, Martha Titus, Abigail Willets, Phe Hicks, Meriam Robens, and Ester Sands, each £100 and all my household goods, in equal shares. Unto my grandchildren, viz.: Samuel Seaman, Samuel Robens, and Samuel Hicks, my grandsons; and Martha Hicks, Martha Willets, Martha Seaman, Martha Titus, and Elizabeth Seaman, all my granddaughters, £10 each, to be preserved in my executors' hands for their use, and paid as each shall come of age. Having taken into consideration that I am now in possession of divers black-people, do hereby by virtue of these presents give them all, both male and female, their freedom and fully discharge all them from me and my heirs forever at my decease, feeling an entire freedom so to do in my mind. The residue of my estate, real and personal, unto my three sons, Willet, Obediah, and Samuel Seaman. But having deliberately considered the legacy given to my son Obediah, I have thought it proper for his benefit and advantage to impower my executors to take his equal portion of lands and goods into their care and possession, and carefully to let my son have the privilege and benefit of all his portion during his life. In case they have any of my Estate in their hands at my son's decease, then his wife, Phebe Seaman, should have the use of one-third of the Estate left by him, and the

other two-thirds to go to his children in the following manner: Unto his sons, two-thirds; and to his daughters, one-third, as they respectively come of age. Further observe, the legacy given to my son Obediah Seaman's wife is to be understood given to her during her widowhood, and no longer. Her portion to go to Obediah's children as their portions be directed. I make my brother-in-law, John Williams, Samuel Way, and my kinsman, Henry Post, executors.

Witnesses, Jonathan Wright, Joshua Titus (yeoman), and Henry Post. Proved, June 12, 1781.

Page 228.—I, COLES CARPENTER, of Moscheto Cove in the Township of Oysterbay in Queens County, being under infirmity of body. All my just debts be paid by my money or moveables at the discretion of my executors. I leave to my wife Sarah during the time she remains my widow, the use of one-third part of my real estate; and also a bed and furniture and other necessities for keeping house. My wife at her discretion to distribute the residue of my in-door moveables amongst my three daughters; Elizabeth Deborah, and Freelove Carpenter. Should my wife marry again then she is to have £50 in money, together with all her wearing apparel, in lieu of her dower, to quit the place. Should my executors see best to sell the place or any part, then my wife to have the use of one-third part of the money arising from such sale. Nothing herein contained to be construed to eclipse my wife of her thirds and the articles above mentioned during her widowhood. Should she marry again, to quit her thirds and to take the above-mentioned £50, together with said wearing apparel. Unto my oldest son Maurice, £15 in money. Unto my four sons, Maurice, Benjamin, Latting, and James, all my lands, meadows, and real estate, in equal shares, to come into their hands when the youngest son that lives comes of age, on conditions that they shall pay to my three daughters the sum of £100 apiece; the same £300 to be paid

as soon as my youngest living son comes of age. My sons are to have all the overplus money, if any there be (after legacies be paid and just debts discharged), together with all my stock and farming utensils, equally amongst them. If either of my sons or daughters die without lawful issue, the survivors of the sons to have the deceased brother's part equally amongst them; and also the surviving daughter or daughters to have in like manner the deceased sister's part. I make my kinsmen and neighbours Charles Valentine, David Valentine, and William Mudge, executors.

Dated the sixth day, fourth month, 1779. Witnesses, Thomas Kirkley, Jacob Downing, and Mary Crooker. Proved, June 23, 1781.

Page 229.—In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS THORNE, of Cowneck in the Township of Hempstead, yeoman, being at present indisposed in body. My just debts and funeral expenses to be paid. I leave to my daughter Sarah such parts of my household furniture as are particularly mentioned in a list or schedule bearing even date, signed by me in the presence of the witnesses to my will. Which several articles are to be chosen and delivered to Sarah by her mother. Likewise to Sarah £80 in cash to make her equal to what I have heretofore given to each of her sisters. Unto my son Thomas, junior, the sum of £200; to be paid as hereinafter directed. All the rest of my household furniture and plate, all my hogs, my riding chair, and my negro wench Teen to my dearly beloved wife Mary, to her own use and disposal. Also, for and during her widowhood, all my dwelling house, and farm, together with four milch cows and two horses, to be chosen by herself, and all my farming utensils; to be used by her during the said term. Also unto my wife, my negro man Jack so long as she shall continue in the actual occupation of my said farm; but whenever the same shall be sold or be rented, then, the said Jack to belong to my sons, Amos, Richard, and Thomas, equally. All

bequests made to my wife are in Barr and in lieu of all claim or right of dower in my estate. The rest of my stock of every kind, not before disposed of, I order to be sold, and the proceeds, together with the cash that may be left, after paying Sarah's legacy, be applied to the payment of the above legacy of £200, as far as the same will extend. Should there be any surplus, the use and interest thereof to my wife during her widowhood. I authorize my wife, together with both or any one of my executors at any time during her widowhood to sell the said farm and real estate. In case of such sale in her widowhood, my wife to have the interest of the moneys during such term. Should the farm be unsold during my wife's widowhood, then, at her death or remarriage it is to be sold. Should the provision above made for the legacy of £200 be insufficient, then, at the death or remarriage of my wife, the deficiency be made up and paid out of the proceeds of sale of the farm. The remainder of the proceeds, and whatever else is herein given to my wife during her widowhood (except the said negro man) is to go, at her death or remarriage, to all my children, to wit: Philip, Mary, Joseph, Susannah, Amos, Richard, Thomas, Catharine, and Sarah, in equal shares. Should either of my children die during my lifetime, leaving a child or children, then his, her or their share or shares of my Estate respectively unto their respective child or children in equal shares. Should any of my children so dying in my lifetime leave no child or children, then the share or shares of each of them so dying unto my surviving children in equal shares. I make my wife Mary and my two sons, Joseph Thorne and Thomas Thorne, junior, executors.

Dated February 20, 1778. Witnesses, Benjamin Kissam, John Burtis, and James Burr. Proved, October 17, 1778.

Page 231.—In the name of God, Amen. I, AMOS THORNE, of Cow Neck in the Township of Hempstead

in Queens County, farmer, do order all my just debts and funeral expenses to be fully paid and satisfied. I leave all and singular my farm, messuages, and tracts of land situate on Cow Neck (which I lately purchased of my father's estate, and whereon I now live), unto my brother, Richard Thorne, subject to the right and interest of my mother in the same, and to be possessed by him after her death or remarriage, and not before. Also to the several clauses, articles, etc., in and by a certain writing of agreement made and indented between me and my mother, bearing date the sixteenth day of December, 1778; on my part and behalf to be performed, reference being had, he paying for the same at the death or remarriage of my mother, and when the same shall come into his possession, the respective sums following, to wit: to each of my brothers and sisters, Philip, Thomas, Mary, Susannah, Catharine, and Sarah, the sum of £80; and to each of my brother Joseph's children, viz.: to his sons, William and Thomas, £30 each, and to his daughters, Hannah and Margaret, £10 each. Unto my brother Richard's son Amos my small piece of salt meadow lying near Rockaway at a place called Hungry Harbour (which I purchased of my father). My brother Richard must pay to his son Amos the sum of £20 when he arrives to the age of fifteen years; my brother Richard having the use of the money and said meadow till his son Amos comes to said age, he giving a bond to my executors for the payment of the money and the delivery of the meadow. The residue of my personal and moveable estate unto my brother Richard for his own full use and disposal forever, provided always in case my brother Richard shall refuse or neglect to pay the said several legacies above ordered to be paid by him, then my executors are to sell and dispose of my farm and lands to the best advantage. After the death or remarriage of my mother the surplus, if any, of the proceeds of sale shall go to my brother Richard. I make my loving brothers,

Philip and Thomas Thorne, and my respected friend, Joseph Pearsall, executors.

Dated January 16, 1780. Witnesses, Adrian Onderdonck (yeoman), David Brooks, and George Onderdonck (yeoman). Proved, May 27, 1780.

Page 234.—I, SAMUEL CORNELL, of the Town of Newbern & Province of New Carolina, merchant, but at present residing in the City of New York, leave all my estate, both real and personal, after my just debts are paid, as follows: Unto my sister, Hannah Brown, £400, New York currency; to each of my granddaughters, vizt.: Susannah and Rebecca Edwards, £500, like money, payable to each at the age of eighteen years. I give for the sole use of the Church at Flushing, Long Island, £200 payable to the parson and church wardens for the time being. Unto my five daughters, Mary, Susannah, Sarah, Hannah, and Elizabeth, all the residue of my estate, both real and personal, in equal shares; observing at the same time that my daughter, Mary Edwards, has already received from me in part of her proportion of my Estate, £5000 proclamation money of North Carolina, which sum must first be deducted out of her fifth share in order that all my children may be put upon an equal footing. Should any of my children die without leaving issue lawfully begotten, then such child's or children's share of my estate shall devolve to the surviving sisters; should one or more of my daughters die, leaving issue lawfully begotten, then such child or children shall be equally and fully intitled to their mother's share of my estate; provided, nevertheless, that should such child or children also die without issue lawfully begotten, then such child's or children's share shall revert to my own children, or such of them as may at that time be living. All my outstanding debts to be collected as soon as possible in order to make a general settlement of my estate, and that each child, vizt. Mary, Susannah, Sarah, Hannah & Elizabeth, may receive their divi-

dend or share agreeable to the intent of this will. I make Thomas Haslen, Jacob Blount, and William Low, Esq., of the Province of North Carolina, & the Honourable Henry White, Esq., of the City of New York, executors.

Dated February 24, 1781. Witnesses, Archibald Hamilton, James Barclay (merchant) and Samuel Camfield (merchant). Proved, July 2, 1781.

Page 236.—I, JESSE CARLL, of Dicks Hills in the Township of Huntington in Suffolk County, this tenth day of February, 1781, being sick and weak in body. I make my just debts and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to my loving wife Temperance Carll, all the things that she brought to me, also the sum of £50, and two cows, also the use of my negro girl named Tamer so long as she remains my widow, and no longer. All which shall be in lieu of her dower. Unto my son Israel all that tract of land and house standing on the same (which I bought of Solomon Platt and Ephene-tus Platt), being about 300 acres, more or less; also, 20 acres that I bought of Daniel Wickes, all joining to the road leading from Town to Selah Carll's, and two rights in the squa pits purchase, and one right and a half in the old purchase, and a right and a half in the Beach and Islands; all which is to my son Israel. Unto my son Eliphalet all the tract of land near my homestead on which my house stands, being about 137 acres, more or less, and also about two and a half acres called Homestead, on which my orchard and house now stands; also, one piece of land, about six acres, lying between the land of Platt Carll and the land of Ananias Carll, near the house of Simon Totten; and also about four acres southward of said Totten's, both joining to the highway; and also one lot of meadow lying on the west side of the little Neck, at south joining to the creek, which I bought of Joseph Whitman; also two rights in the Squa Pits Purchase. Also, to my son Eliphalet, that tract of land in which

my barn stands, being about seven acres, with all the appurtenances thereto belonging. Unto my son Eliphalet my great Bible; to my son Israel my silver tumbler. My daughter Batsheba shall have £100, and all my household goods not disposed of, except one bed and furniture. Unto my two sons Israel and Eliphalet, one bed and furniture and all my stock of all kinds, and all farming utensils in equal shares (except the two cows which I give to my wife). My son Israel shall have my negro boy named Seneker; to my son Eliphalet my negro boy named Frank; my executors to sell all the rest of my negroes, & to give titles for the same. The proceeds and the residue of my money and moveables unto my two sons in equal shares. I make my cousins, Ananias Carll, Platt Carll, and Gilbert Carll, executors.

Witnesses, John Kelcey (yeoman), Jonathan Kelcey and Solomon Ketcham. Proved April 3, 1781.

Page 238.—Know all men by these presents, that I, TIMOTHY CARLL, senior, of the Township of Huntington in Suffolk County on Nassau Island, yeoman, being at present in a pretty good state of health, but far advanced in years, will and direct that all such debts as I shall justly owe at the time of decease, and funeral charges and expenses be in the first place paid out of my personal estate as soon as conveniently may be after my Decease. I leave to my eldest son Selah all that farm or tract of land where his dwelling house now stands adjoining the land of Sylvanus Balden. Unto my son Selah all that certain piece or tract of land which I purchased of Ebenezer Blatchly, lying northward of Samuel Townsend's land and containing eighty-one acres, more or less. Unto my son Selah a Two Hundred Right in the Squaw Pitt Purchase. Unto my son Gilbert all my lands called Whitman's Hollow, and the little Hollow, and all my meadow on Saxter's Neck, & all my right in the said neck, and all the remainder of my rights in the said Squaw Pitt Purchase

not disposed of as above, and all my building, not before granted, and all the remaining undisposed real estate wherever situate, the whole with their appurtenances to my son Gilbert. Also one bed, two pair of sheets, two pair of pillow cases, two coverlits, my silver tankard, loom and farming utensils. Unto my grandchildren, Jonathan or Scudder Valentine, Gilbert Valentine, Abigail Valentine and Ruth Valentine, each £20 apiece, to be put out at interest on good real and personal security, and to be paid to them principal and interest as they respectively arrive to full age or marry. Unto my grandchildren Scudder and Oliver Ketchum, Phebe, Sarah, Jerushe, and Mary Ketchum, each £20 apiece and paid in like manner as before directed with respect to my other grandchildren. All the residue of my personal estate unto my daughters, Abigail Youngs and Sarah Valentine in equal shares. I make my good friends, George Youngs, late of Oysterbay in Queens County; Joshua Wood and Jesse Ketchum of the Township of Huntington in Suffolk County, executors.

Dated May 15, 1776. Witnesses, Lindley Murray, Silas Carll (yeoman), and Elles Carll.

Codicil. I, the said Timothy Carll, do give to my daughter, Abigail Youngs, £20 more than I have herein before disposed of to her. Unto my grandchildren, George Youngs and Timothy Youngs, £20 apiece out of my personal estate, to be paid at full age, or the time of their marriage. And I desire that this may be taken as a part of my will hereto annexed.

Dated May 15, 1776. Witnesses, Lindley Murray, Silas Carll (yeoman), Elles Carll. Proved, June 15, 1781.

Page 241.—In the name of God, Amen. October the seventeenth, 1776. I, SARAH PINE, of Hempstead, in Queens County, on Nassau Island, being sick and weak. My just debts being first satisfied, I leave to my well beloved mother, Sarah Pine, a decent maintenance,

such as house room, clothing, victuals, washing, lodging, and every necessary of life, during her natural life; at her death, a decent funeral. Whereas my brother, Daniel Pine, in his will has ordered his executors to sell land and meadow to pay off bonds that I have against him, and other of his debts, my executors are to act agreeable to his will. Unto my two cousins, Salvenas and Philop Pine, sons of John Pine, all my houses, lands, and meadows, but not to be enjoyed by them till after the death of my mother. Unto Hannah Dorlin, wife of Elias Dorlin, and to Sarah Smith, wife of Joshua Smith, all my household goods such as beds, pewter, pots, chest of drawers, and the like. Unto Hannah Linninton, daughter of John Linninton, one full suit of cloath, and the rest of my wearing apparel, unto Hannah Dorlin and Sarah Smith. The household goods and clothing are not to be enjoyed by the persons they are given to, till after the death of my mother; she to have the use of them as long as she lives. Unto Hannah Dorlin, wife of Elias Dorlin, and to Sarah Smith, wife of Joshua Smith, and to John Carl, junior, all my cattle, horses, sheep, swine, & farming utensils, together with all my moveable estate, and that my mother have her maintenance out of it; my just debts and funeral charges paid out of it; but it is not to be enjoyed by them till after the decease of my mother. I make my well-beloved cousin, Elias Dorlin, and my loving friends, James Wood and Thomas Dorlin, executors.

Witnesses, Benjamin Barker (yeoman), Thomas Tredwell (yeoman), and Millicent Van Nostrand. Proved, November 20, 1776.

Page 243.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB VANDERBILT, of the half Hollow Hills in the Township of Huntington in Suffolk County, being this twenty-fifth day of May, 1779, weak in body. My just debts and funeral charges of every kind be paid. My executors are to sell so much of my moveable estate and

lands as will raise money sufficient to pay all my debts. I leave to my well-beloved wife, Lucretia Vanderbilt, one bed and cloathes thereto belonging; likewise, one table, one chest and trammel to her free disposal (if taken by her for her Right of Dower and not otherways). Unto my beloved wife all the profits of the residue of my estate for her support and my children's during her widowhood, and no longer; or until such time as the children come of age. I make my trusty friend, Jacobus Nostran, of the half Hollow Hills, and Wilmot Oakley, executors.

Witnesses, Jesse Ketcham (yeoman), Richard Wiggins, and Charity Ketcham. Proved, June 15, 1781.

Page 245.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES BRADLEY, Soldier in his Majesty's Seventh Regiment of Foot, native of Broomsgrove, Worcestershire, Great Britain, being of sound mind and memory. After all my just debts be paid I leave to Mr. James Bennett, of the City of New York, jeweller, all my real and personal estate, whatsoever, in Great Britain or elsewhere; desiring the said James Bennett to pay to Mr. Samuel Harrison £20 sterling for favors received. Likewise I make the said James Bennett, my executor.

Dated April 17, 1779. Witnesses, Thomas Dixon, William Milbourne, and Ann Smith (spinster). Proved, July 16, 1781.

Page 246.—In the name of God, Amen. I, TIMOTHY KELLEY, a seafaring man out of the City of New York, being of sound mind and memory. All my just debts to be paid and discharged. I leave to Mr. James Dillitt, of the City of New York, my real property both by sea and land. I make the above said James Dillitt, executor.

Dated October 26, 1778. Witness, Nicholas Connerly. Proved, July 16, 1781.

Page 247.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES DESBROSSES, of the City of New York, distiller, being

in good health of body. My just debts and funeral expenses to be paid. I leave to my son, James Desbrosses £100. Unto my daughter, Mary Ann Desbrosses, all my linen, silver plate, household and kitchen furniture. To my son James one half of my real estate and the other half to my daughter, Mary Ann Desbrosses. I make my son James, my daughter, Mary Ann, and my brother Elias, executors.

Dated October 27, 1774. Witnesses, Pelatiah Haws, Jr., Theophilus Anthony (blacksmith), and Michal Garret. Proved, July 16, 1781.

Page 249.—In the name of God, Amen. On the seventh day of February, 1778, I, WILLIAM SMITH, JR., of Hempstead in Queens County, being sick and weak in body. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid out of my estate, and after such payment I leave to my well-beloved wife, Martha Smith, my best feather bed and furniture to the same; one good cow, she to take choice, one table and chest, one iron pot and kettle, frying pan, one wash tub and pail, one great wheel and one half of all my pewter. All the residue of my estate, real and personal, to be sold to the best advantage; the proceeds to go to my loving son Samuel; £8 to be paid when he arrives to the age of twenty-one years. Unto my well-beloved son, Johanas Smith, £8, when twenty-one years old. All the overplus is to be equally divided between my wife and four children, namely: my wife Martha, and my sons, Samuel and Johanas, and my daughters, Sarah and Jean Smith. All the money left to my children to be put at interest, and paid to my wife toward the bringing up of my family till my children are of age; but in case that is not sufficient, my executors are to let her have as much of the principal as they shall think proper. What I have already given to my beloved wife Martha to be in lieu of her thirds and dowry, and not otherways. My executors are to put my children to apprenticeship to such trades

as they shall choose. I make my trusty friends, William Jonson and Isaac Denton, both of Hempstead, executors.

Witnesses, Micael Demott, of Hempstead (yeoman), Joshua Pettit and James Pettit. Proved, July 10, 1781.

Page 251.—In the name of God, Amen. This nineteenth day of May, 1781, I, WILLIAM SMITH, of the Township of Hempstead, Queens County, being in a weak and low state of health. My just debts and funeral expenses to be paid. I leave to my daughter Elizabeth, the wife of Jacob Downing, £200; to be paid to her within six months after my decease. Unto my sons, John, William, Tredwell, and Joseph, all my real estate, and the residue of my personal estate, equally to be divided among them as tenants in common. In case my sons Tredwell and Joseph, or either of them shall die under the age of twenty-one, and without lawful issue, the share is to go to my surviving sons. In case my daughter Elizabeth shall die before the time of payment of her bequest, then the £200 to go to such child or children as she shall have at the time of her death. Should she die without any children before the time of payment, and such child or children die before they attain the age of twenty-one years, then I give the same equally among my above-said four sons. I do expressly declare my sons, John and William (altho' hereby appointed my executors), shall be accountable to my other children for their shares of money now due, or that shall be due to me from them (my sons, John and William, or either of them), at my death, as part of my personal estate above bequeathed; it not being my intention by the appointment of my two eldest sons as my executors, to release or discharge them from such debts. I authorize my executors at any time during the non-age of my youngest surviving son (if they think it best and most advantageous) to sell all or any part of my

lands and real estate. I make my loving sons, John and William, and my loving brother-in-law, Samuel Birdsall, executors.

Witnesses, George Rapelje, of Hempstead, Jno. Kissam, and Thomas Appleby, Jr., of Hempstead. Proved, July 9, 1781.

Page 253.—In the name of God, Amen. On the twenty-eighth day of June, 1779, I, THOMAS TREDWELL, of Hempstead in Queens County, being in a reasonable state of health. I leave to my well-beloved wife Phebe, two of my best feather beds and furniture to the same, six sitting chairs, cupboard and two tables, and all the linen that I shall have in the house at my death, together with all my silver plate (except my silver tankard), also my best horse and riding chair, two cows and calves; she to take choice out of my stock. Also, £20 to be raised and levied out of my moveable estate and paid to her soon after my death. All the above I have given to my well-beloved wife Phebe to her own disposal over and above what I have already given to her. Also, the use of my dwelling house and of the equal fourth part of all my land and meadow, with the use of the equal fourth part of my barn, and my negro man Sias and my silver tankard during her natural life or widowhood. All above I give in lieu of her thirds and dowry, and not otherways. The same tankard I leave to my grandson, John Tredwell, son of my son Benjamin. All the remaining part of my moveable estate to be sold. Of the proceeds, the £200 in money already given to my wife Phebe is to be paid, and unto my grandsons, Tredwell Jackson and Samuel Jackson, the sum of £25 each. All the money remaining over and above, after paying the above legacies to be for paying my just debts and funeral charges; should the money fall short of paying the legacies, then so much of my lands to be sold to make up the deficiency. And also 10 shilling to my granddaughter, Charity Tredwell, daughter of my son

as they shall choose. I make my trusty friends, William Jonson and Isaac Denton, both of Hempstead, executors.

Witnesses, Micael Demott, of Hempstead (yeoman), Joshua Pettit and James Pettit. Proved, July 10, 1781.

Page 251.—In the name of God, Amen. This nineteenth day of May, 1781, I, WILLIAM SMITH, of the Township of Hempstead, Queens County, being in a weak and low state of health. My just debts and funeral expenses to be paid. I leave to my daughter Elizabeth, the wife of Jacob Downing, £200; to be paid to her within six months after my decease. Unto my sons, John, William, Tredwell, and Joseph, all my real estate, and the residue of my personal estate, equally to be divided among them as tenants in common. In case my sons Tredwell and Joseph, or either of them shall die under the age of twenty-one, and without lawful issue, the share is to go to my surviving sons. In case my daughter Elizabeth shall die before the time of payment of her bequest, then the £200 to go to such child or children as she shall have at the time of her death. Should she die without any children before the time of payment, and such child or children die before they attain the age of twenty-one years, then I give the same equally among my above-said four sons. I do expressly declare my sons, John and William (altho' hereby appointed my executors), shall be accountable to my other children for their shares of money now due, or that shall be due to me from them (my sons, John and William, or either of them), at my death, as part of my personal estate above bequeathed; it not being my intention by the appointment of my two eldest sons as my executors, to release or discharge them from such debts. I authorize my executors at any time during the non-age of my youngest surviving son (if they think it best and most advantageous) to sell all or any part of my

lands and real estate. I make my loving sons, John and William, and my loving brother-in-law, Samuel Birdsall, executors.

Witnesses, George Rapelje, of Hempstead, Jno. Kissam, and Thomas Appleby, Jr., of Hempstead. Proved, July 9, 1781.

Page 253.—In the name of God, Amen. On the twenty-eighth day of June, 1779, I, THOMAS TREDWELL, of Hempstead in Queens County, being in a reasonable state of health. I leave to my well-beloved wife Phebe, two of my best feather beds and furniture to the same, six sitting chairs, cupboard and two tables, and all the linen that I shall have in the house at my death, together with all my silver plate (except my silver tankard), also my best horse and riding chair, two cows and calves; she to take choice out of my stock. Also, £20 to be raised and levied out of my moveable estate and paid to her soon after my death. All the above I have given to my well-beloved wife Phebe to her own disposal over and above what I have already given to her. Also, the use of my dwelling house and of the equal fourth part of all my land and meadow, with the use of the equal fourth part of my barn, and my negro man Sias and my silver tankard during her natural life or widowhood. All above I give in lieu of her thirds and dowry, and not otherways. The same tankard I leave to my grandson, John Tredwell, son of my son Benjamin. All the remaining part of my moveable estate to be sold. Of the proceeds, the £200 in money already given to my wife Phebe is to be paid, and unto my grandsons, Tredwell Jackson and Samuel Jackson, the sum of £25 each. All the money remaining over and above, after paying the above legacies to be for paying my just debts and funeral charges; should the money fall short of paying the legacies, then so much of my lands to be sold to make up the deficiency. And also 10 shillings to my granddaughter, Charity Tredwell, daughter of my son

John, to be paid when she is eighteen years of age. All legacies, debts, and funeral charges being paid and the remaining and undisposed of part of my estate to go to my son Benjamin, together with all my Patent Right in the Patent of Hempstead, over and above what I have already given to him. Also, unto him, after my wife Phebe's death or marriage, all that I gave her the use of (except my silver tankard). I make my loving son, Benjamin Tredwell, and my trusty brother-in-law, Benjamin Smith, and my friend, Isaac Denton, all of Hempstead, executors.

Dated June 28, 1779. Witnesses, Benjamin Carman, Michael Demott, of Hempstead (yeoman), and Isaac Denton, Jr. Proved, July 10, 1781.

Page 255.—Know all men by these presents that I, JACOB DERE, of Jericho within the Township of Oysterbay in Queens County, yeoman, being this twenty-seventh day of August, 1779, weak of body. My just debts and funeral charges and other expenses be paid out of my moveable estate before any division be made. I leave to my well-beloved wife Sarah the just and full sum of £50 and all the household goods and furniture she brought to me, at her free disposal, and the use of my "mair" and chair to ride in as long as she remains my widow, and no longer. All the residue of my estate, real and personal, to be sold at the discretion of my executors, and turned into money and to be put at interest until my children shall arrive at lawful age; then to be equally divided between my three sons, George, Joshua, and Garred. Should my wife be with child then it should have its equal share with the rest, and my estate equally divided among my surviving children, who are to be brought up to learning suitable to their circumstances, and all to have trades or mechanical branch as they shall choose. Unto my well-beloved wife Sarah all the cattle, or as many as she brought to me. I make my brother-in-law, Nethaniel Smith, of Hempstead, and my neigh-

bour, Willets Kirby, and John Wortimon, both of Oysterbay, all of Queens County, executors.

Witnesses, Joshua Smith, of Hempstead (yeoman), Abraham Probaseo, and John Wright. Proved, July 30, 1781.

Page 257.—Know all men by these presents, that I, CORNEL SMITH, of the Township of Hempstead in Queens County, yeoman, being this twenty-eighth day of May, 1781, weak in body. I leave to my loving and well-beloved wife Mercy my best feather bed and furniture, two cows and calves, two horses and my farming utensils, ten sheep and £30 in money; all at her own disposal and in lieu of her right of dower. My wife shall have the use of all my household goods and four cows; and the use and profits of my dwelling house and land, viz: all the land belonging to my homestead that derived to me from my deceased father, and also the lot of salt meadow and upland that I bought of Abijah Bedel, so long as she shall remain my widow, towards the education and bringing up of my children until my younger sons shall be twenty-one years of age. Unto my daughter Susannah, one feather bed, bedding and appurtenances; unto my son Amos, my gun and "cutlash"; and the sword that was my son Elijah's, unto my son John. The remainder of my moveable estate, not above disposed, to be sold; the proceeds to pay the above sum of £30 to my wife, to my daughter Susannah £60. All my just debts and funeral charges to be fully paid. It is to be understood that my negro slaves are to be sold as my moveable estate. Unto my son Jacob all the residue of my farm or land that I bought of Nehemiah Sammis, only excepting the south part that I have already conveyed to my son, Cornell Smith, Jr. Unto my son Amos all the land that I purchased of my brother Jonathan, deceased, it being about ten acres, and also all the land that I purchased of Jonathan Smith, Jr., deceased, adjoining to the said ten acres; and also a

piece of plain land and hollow ground that I purchased of Silvanus Smith. Unto my two youngest sons, namely, John and David, my homestead, where I now live, and appurtenances, viz., my dwelling house and land near and adjoining that derived unto me from my deceased father, Jonathan Smith, together with my lot of salt meadow and upland situate on Cove's Neck, that I bought of Abijah Bedel; and a small hay house on said Neck to be removed thereon; and also five acres of woodland, part of the land that I purchased of Samuel Clowes and James Wood adjoining to the west side of the path that leads to Samuel Mott's mill, all which is to be shared equally by my sons, John and David. Should they die in nonage without issue, then all the land and meadow that is herein given to them is to be equally divided amongst my surviving sons. Unto my sons, Cornell, Jacob, and Amos, my lot of salt meadow and upland lying on Coes Neck, that I purchased of Elisha Bedel, excepting a small house thereon. Should either die in nonage and without issue, then his part shall be equally divided between the surviving brothers. Unto my said sons, Cornell and Amos, all the remainder of the woodland that I bought of Samuel Clowes and James Wood. Should my said daughter Susannah die before she come to be eighteen years of age, or day of marriage, the said £60 given to her shall be divided between said wife and daughter, Mary Rainer, to their own disposal. My wife is to have £30 out of my moveable estate in addition to the above £30. The residue of my moveable estate, not above disposed of shall be equally divided amongst my wife and two daughters, Mary Rainer and Susannah Smith. I make my loving wife, Mercy Smith, and my trusty friends, Uriah Bedel and Richard Mathews, both of the Township of Hempstead, executors.

Witnesses, Hannah Whaley, Moses Cornelius, and Richard Ellison, of Hempstead (yeoman). Proved, July 28, 1781.

Page 259.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ISAAC WILLET, of the Borough Town of West Chester, in the County of West Chester, gentleman, being at present weak in body. All just debts to be paid. I leave to my dearly beloved wife Margaret, for life, all that my neck of land called Cornwell's Neck, where I now live, and after her death to be divided into two equal parts, by one or more lines beginning at a large white oak tree which I have marked with two notches on four sides; from thence to run as will most equitably divide said neck, having regard to wood and timber. The easternmost half part according to such division, with the buildings and improvements thereon and the remainder and reversion thereof, I give to my nephew, Isaac Willet, subject nevertheless to the finding and providing thereout a good and sufficient maintenance of my brother, William Willet, during his life if he survives me and my wife; and subject also to a devise hereinafter made of the use of the salt meadows at Black Rock to my brother, Cornelius Willet, for his life, if the same or any part thereof shall fall within the easternmost half so devised to my nephew Isaac. The other westernmost half part of the Neck unto my nephew, Lewis Graham, subject to a devise, hereinafter made, of the use of the salt meadow aforesaid at Black Rock, to my brother, Cornelius Willet, for his life, if the same or any part thereof shall happen to fall within the westerly half part so devised to Lewis Graham; and subject also, with the rest of my estate devised to him, to the payment of £600, hereinafter charged upon the same. I think proper here to declare that this last mentioned moiety given to Lewis Graham was intended for my nephew, Gilbert Colden Willet, but his grandfather, Governor Colden (who I suppose is well able to make handsome provision for him), has treated me and my wife very unkindly in removing my nephew, Lewis Graham, from the office of Sheriff of this County, which I resigned in his favor expecting it would have been some provision for him;

and my wife, in consideration of the devise to Lewis Graham, has consented that the lands in the Mohawk's Country (which I had expressly engaged to devise to her by will) should by my last will be otherwise disposed of as I should think fit. I give all my personal estate to my wife, to her own use and disposal, for this Reason, That all my present slaves, except three, came by her, and her industry and prudence has procured the greatest part of my personal estate, and she will, by this devise to her, have in her own Power to reward those who treat her with respect and civility. As I have no children of my own to provide for I think this bequest highly just and reasonable. But I nevertheless request of my wife that as long as my nephew, Isaac Willet, behave dutifully and kindly to her, that she will assist him in his maintenance; and also request that she will take the care and charge of bringing up Anna McElworth, and allow her a maintenance out of my estate until she come of age or marry, if she shall behave in such manner as to deserve it; of which, however, my wife is to be the sole judge. In case my brother William survives me, that my wife allow him out of my estate a good and sufficient maintenance during his life. Unto my nephew, Lewis Graham, the part of Cow Neck in the Borough of West Chester which is in the possession of Ichabod Lewis, and on which he now lives; he paying within three months after my decease to my brother, Cornelius Willet, if then living, the sum of £200, which in such case I give to said Cornelius. Should my brother be not then living the £200 is to go to such of his children as shall then be living, in equal shares. Unto my brother, Cornelius Willet, the use of my salt meadow at Black Rock for and during the term of his natural life. Likewise unto him all my lands, tenements, hereditaments and real estate at Barren Island or Flat Lands in Kings County, and elsewhere upon Nassau Island. As I heretofore conveyed to Lewis Graham a small farm which I had in the Manor of

Cortlandt, and on my informing him that I provided for him in my will he has requested I would charge him with the payment of £600 as I should direct, as a consideration for said farm, I do therefore expressly charge upon the lands and estate herein before devised to him the further sum of £600, to be paid within one year after my decease for the use and purposes hereinafter declared. I order my lands in the Mohawk's Country (which were given to my wife by her father, and by her conveyed to me before marriage), to be sold. Out of the proceeds and the above £600 I direct £500 put at interest; the income to be applied toward the maintenance and education of Thomas McElworth; the said principal sum of £500 I give to him at his majority. Also £500 to be kept at interest, both principal and interest I give to Anna McElworth when she is twenty-one years of age, or marry. In case of death of Thomas under twenty-one years, then what is devised to him is to go to Anna at her majority or marriage. In case of her death before coming to majority or marriage, then the said £500 and interest thereof to go to Thomas at his majority. Should both die under twenty-one, and Anna being unmarried, then the whole sum of £1,000 and interest due on Anna's part, to go to my nephew, Isaac Willet. Out of the residue of the proceeds of sale of land in the Mohawk's Country, and the said £600 charged on my estate devised to Lewis Graham, all my just debts shall be paid; and the surplus, my executors are to apply towards assisting my nephew, Gilbert Willet, if he shall then be living, and in such a situation that a small sum of money can be of service to him, but not to pay his debts. I particularly recommend to my nephews, Isaac Willet and Lewis Graham, who have both been brought up in my family and on equal shares of my fortune, to live together in brotherly love and friendship, and to endeavor to promote each other's interests and happiness upon all occasions. I make my wife Margaret, my brother, Cornelius Willet,

Lewis Graham, and my nephew, Richard Morris, Esq., executors.

Dated January 30, 1770. Witnesses, Israel Honeywell, Gilead Honeywell, and Samuel Downing.

Codicil. Whereas, I, the before-named Isaac Willet, in and by my aforegoing will have directed, that if there be any surplus after the payment of the two legacies amounting to £1,000, and my debts out of my estate appropriated for such purposes, that my executors apply the whole or such part at their discretion towards assisting my nephew Gilbert, I have since thought it most prudent to limit this exercise of discretion, and for that purpose do declare that the sum shall not exceed the aggregate of £150. In case that after the payment of particular legacies, and debts directed to be paid from proceeds of sale of lands in the Mohawk's Country and the £600 charged on Lewis Graham, and the further bequest to Gilbert Willet, there shall still remain any surplus, I do give such surplus to my wife Margaret, the better to enable her to perform the particular matters requested of her.

Dated January 30, 1770 (same witnesses). New York Secretary's Office, August 12, 1774, certifies that the original will and codicil of Isaac Willet is on file, and that a true copy has been made.

The preceding is a true copy of our official copy of the original will and codicil of Isaac Willet issued by me as appears by the preceding certificate signed by my own hand on the date therein mentioned. Examined with the said official copy this seventh day of August, 1781.

SAM. BAYARD,
Junior Secretary.

Page 264.—In the name of God, Amen. I, GRIFFIN CORY, of Hempstead in Queens County, being weak of body. My just debts to be paid. I leave to my well-beloved wife Sarah £120; to be raised out of my estate lying or being on Cortlandt Mannor in West Chester

County. All my moveable estate and every other individual I now have in the Township of Hempstead unto my wife Sarah. Unto my two daughters, Hannah and Elizebeth, £20 apiece; and unto my eldest son, Thomas, £20; to be raised and levied out of my estate. All the residue to be equally divided between my eight sons, namely: Thomas, John, Gilbert, Amos, Silvenus, Griffin, Lewis, and Morris, at the discretion of my executors; and the last-mentioned equal division not to be made until this present war between Briton and the Americans be settled; after such settlement my executors to make the best of my estate and pay out to the legatees when they come to the full age of twenty-one years. Should one or more happen to die in nonage then the survivors to have such portion or portions in equal shares. I make my well-beloved wife Sarah, and my two eldest sons, Thomas and John Cory, executors.

Dated August 19, 1780. Witnesses, Joseph Place (yeoman), John Place, and Robert Dingee (yeoman). Proved, December 1, 1780.

Page 266.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN HITCHCOCK, of the Borough Town of West Chester, being sick. I leave my loving wife all my estate, real and personal, after my just debts and funeral charges are paid. At her death or remarriage, to go to my son, Jeremiah Hitchcock, all my lands and tenements whatsoever, he paying such legacies hereafter mentioned. Unto my eldest son, John, the sum of £12; unto my sons, Samuel and Miles, £10 each; unto my two daughters, Mercy and Mary, £10 each. Should my son Jeremiah neglect to pay the legacies in some convenient time after the death of my wife, the lands to be sold to pay the legacies. My moveables to be divided amongst all my children. I make my wife and my sons, John Hitchcock, and Jeremiah Hitchcock, executors.

Dated in the year of Our Lord. 1780. Witnesses,

David Oakley, yeoman, Joseph Reynolds, and Mary Buckee. Proved, August 14, 1781.

Page 267.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ISAAC RODRIGUES, now of the City of New York, mariner, being of sound mind and memory. After all my just debts be paid and discharged, I leave to John Roberts of the City of New York, tavernkeeper, all my estate, real and personal, of whatsoever kind it be, and I make him executor.

Dated June 18, 1779, and in the 19th year of his Majesty's reign. Witnesses, Richard Hall, grocer, and John Graham. Proved, August 14, 1781.

Page 269.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN SCHAU, formerly of Norfolk, Virginia, merchant, but at present of the City of New York, being of sound mind and memory. After all my just debts be paid I leave to Ann Fraiser, at present of the City of New York, spinster, tho' born in Roshier in Scotland, all my estate, real and personal, and mixed. I make Niel Jamison, of the City of New York, merchant, executor.

Dated July 23, 1781. Witnesses, John Falthausen, William Ketcham, Esq., and John L. C. Roome, Esq., public notary. Proved, August 14, 1781.

Page 270.—In the name of God, Amen. The first day of March, 1758, I, JOSHUA PELL, of the Manor of Pelham in the County of West Chester, yeoman, being sick and weak in body. All my just debts and funeral charges to be fully paid as soon as conveniently can be done after my decease. I leave to my well-beloved son, Joshua Pell, Jr., £5, to be paid within one year after my decease. Unto my well-beloved wife, Phebe Pell, the use and command of the best room in my house, a bed, bedding, and other household goods for her comfortable subsistence; also, a sufficiency of provision and clothing for her and my younger children during her natural life or widowhood; to be provided and allowed her by my two sons,

Joshua Pell and Edward Pell. Also £7 yearly under same conditions. In case she marries after my decease, £100 is to be paid her immediately, and the other above specified privileges to cease. Unto my son, Gilbert Pell, one negro boy slave named Michael to be delivered to him at the expiration of his apprenticeship, which he is now serving with Joseph Latham at New York, also £100, to be paid to him as follows: £20 at said expiration, and £80 as hereinafter specified. To my son Philip £100, to be paid as herein-after specified; £100 to my son Benjamin under like conditions. To my daughter, Mary Latham, £20, likewise. To my daughter, Phebe Pell, £100 and one negro girl slave named Arabella, to be paid and delivered to her at the day of her marriage. To my daughter, Sarah Pell, £100, and £100 to my daughter, Jerusha Pell, and one negro slave named Hagar. None of the above mentioned legacies, nor any part thereof (except such as are expressly limited to a time of payment) be liable to be paid until my youngest child arrives to full age, and then all to be fully paid and discharged. In case any of my six youngest children, viz., Gilbert, Philip, Benjamin, Phebe, Sarah, and Jerusha, should die before they come to lawful age, or without lawful issue, their share to be divided among the survivors of them. All such parts of my moveable estate as my executors shall think necessary to pay all my just debts and funeral charges to be sold for that purpose; the use or profits of the remainder to be employed in the maintenance of my wife and the educating of my younger children. The remainder, if any, to be divided among my six younger children. Unto my two sons, Joshua Pell, Jr., and Edward Pell, all my lands, meadows, and tenements, in equal shares, in the following manner. To begin at a water fence where a small creek puts up on the southernmost side of a ditch commonly called Ben's Ditch, and to run an easterly line so as to divide the whole into two equal parts. The northermost half

to my son, Joshua Pell, Jr., the southermost half part to my son, Edward Pell. Unto my son Edward the whole of a Hammock lying in the west meadows, commonly called the West Hammock. The lands to be freely possessed and enjoyed by my two sons immediately after my decease. In case either of them should die without lawful issue, his land shall go to my next oldest son upon the same conditions as is hereinafter mentioned. My son Joshua, in consideration of the above devise of one half part of my land, shall pay £500 as his part towards discharging the legacies bequeathed to my wife and other children; payable when due. My son Edward, under the same consideration, shall pay £220 as his part, for the same purposes. To Joshua, my cane and my large Bible. I make my said son, Joshua Pell, and my trusty and loving son-in-law, Joseph Latham, of the City of New York, ship-wright, my executors in trust.

Dated March 1, 1758. Witnesses, Charles Vincent, Sr., of West Chester (yeoman), Philip Pell, Robert Rolfe. Proved, August 14, 1781.

Page 273.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MARGARET CRISK, late of the City of Philadelphia, in the Province of Pennsylvania, but now of the City of New York, widow, being sickly but of sound and disposing mind and memory. After my interment, all my just debts to be paid, and after which I leave to my loving friends, Joseph Thomas and Hannah Thomas, his wife, and their two children, Mary and Elizabeth Thomas, all my wearing apparel for their own use, but none to be made sale of; and all my plate and household furniture, except what I shall mention hereafter, and all sums of money, lands, tenements, etc., to go to my loving friend, Joseph Thomas, aforesaid, and I make him my sole executor.

Dated August 8, 1781. Witnesses, John Hicks, surgeon mate in his Majesty's Hospital, Juliana White, married woman.

Page 275.—I, SAMUEL LATHAM, of Cowneck in the Township of Hempstead in Queens County, physician, being this twenty-fourth day of the fourth month, 1780, in a tolerable state of health and of a sound mind and memory. I order my executors to collect all monies due to me on Book and otherwise; with the same to pay all my just debts, and funeral charges. I leave to my adopted son, Singleton Latham, son of my brother-in-law, Robert Mitchell (on conditions hereinafter mentioned) all my mills, houses and buildings with all the lands whereon they stand; and all the lands to the North of my dwelling house and to extend so far southward along the mill-pond and brook that a west line across to the bay will contain 100 acres of land. All which is devised to him on condition he pays (immediately after my decease) to my executors £2,000; which sum I bequeath to my respected brother, Thomas Singleton Latham. Should he refuse or neglect to pay the £2,000, as above directed, then I order my executors to sell such part of the lands, buildings, and mills willed to him as will pay the above legacy. All my lands not above willed, unto my nephew, Charles Mitchell, on condition he pay to my brother-in-law, Robert Mitchell, Adam Mott, or Austin Mitchell, my executors, £1,200 within one year after my decease. Should he refuse or neglect to pay the sum, my executors are to sell all the lands willed to him, the proceeds to be for such uses and purposes as herein-after directed. Unto my said nephew, Charles Mitchell, £1,000, to be paid him immediately after my decease. Unto my cousin, Samuel Mitchell Latham, son of Robert Mitchell, £2,000, to be paid to him when he is twenty-one years of age. Unto my sister, Mary Mitchell, wife of Robert Mitchell, the use and profits of £400 during her natural life; at her decease, the said sum unto two of her sons, namely: Joseph and George Mitchell, in equal shares. Unto my cousin, Jane Mitchell, daughter of Robert Mitchell, £300; unto Priscilla Mitchell, daughter of Robert,

£200; unto Ann White, a young woman that for several years has been in my service, £100. I desire my executors to take care of each legatee's part of what I have willed to them, during their nonage, for their advantage; and that they be well educated, schooled, and brought up out of the issues and profits arising from what is devised to them; and that they fully enjoy and possess the same when they come of age, viz.: the boys at twenty-one and the girls at eighteen. If it should happen that Samuel Mitchell Latham or Singleton Latham should decease before they attain the age of twenty-one years, not leaving lawful issue, the survivor of them is to have and enjoy such deceased legatee's part. If Jane or Priscilla Mitchell should decease before they attain to the age of eighteen years, not leaving lawful issue, the deceased child's part I will to the survivor of them. Further, if Joseph or George Mitchell should die before they receive what is willed to them, then the £400 that my sister Mary has the use of (willed to her), I will to the survivor of them. I direct my executors to dispose of my stock of creatures, farming utensils, and household furniture at their discretion; the proceeds for the discharge of legacies above given. I make my brother-in-law, Robert Mitchell, my friend, Adam Mott, my cousin, Charles Mitchell, and my friend, Austin Mitchell, executors.

Witnesses, John Morrell, Stephen Mott, Sarah Mott. Proved, August 7, 1781.

Page 277.—To all Christian People to whom these Presents Shall come or in any way concern: Know ye, that I, JOSEPH DEREAY, of the Township of Oysterbay in Queens County, yeoman, being this first day of April, 1781, in but a weakly state of health, but mind and understanding quick and good and well. I order my executors to fully pay all my just debts and funeral charges. I leave to my well-beloved wife, Willimpey Dereay, two of my best beds and full furniture, my

best horse and riding chais, my cupboard, two tables, looking glass and household furniture of all sorts and all kinds that is in my house (sufficient to furnish her for housekeeping), with sufficient meat and bread corn to last her one whole year after my decease; with two of my best swine, and the use and profits of all my lands which my son, George Dereay, leased to me and my wife. Unto my wife £200; to be paid her by my executors within three months after my decease. All which is to her free disposal. Unto my daughter Willimpey the next choice of my beds and full furniture; and £30; to be paid her within four months after my decease. Unto my grandson George, son of Jacob Dereay, £10; to my grandson Rudof, son of John Dereay, £10; all current money to be put on interest until they arrive at lawful age. Unto Nealey Nostrand, £20. Unto my son George one shilling Right of Land in the Common in the Township of Hempstead, which I bought of James Pearsall of Huntington. Likewise unto my son George twenty one acres of plain land, which I bought of Jonathan Pratt, situated in Oysterbay Plain, with all my "Wites" of land whatsoever that is not already given away. Unto my son Charles 5 shillings; which makes, with what I have before given him, his full share of my estate. My executors are to sell all my estate not already disposed of, and divide the proceeds in the following manner. Unto my son George four eleventh parts; to my grandchildren (children of my son John, deceased), two eleventh parts, to be put on interest until they come to age, to my three grandsons (sons of Jacob, deceased), two eleventh parts, to be put on interest until they come of age; unto my daughter, Mary Bennet, one eleventh part; unto my daughter Willimpey one eleventh; unto my son-in-law, Garret Nostrand, the interest of one eleventh part, as long as he liveth, and, provided my daughter Cornelia should have lawful children, then the principal shall be divided between such children. In case my daughter should live to be a widow, I give

the one eleventh part to her free disposal. I also give to Nelas a Lawfull Bond I have against her husband, Garret Noostrand, dated ye twenty-first of March, 1781. Condition of one hundred pound, fourteen shillings, three pence, to be paid them when they arrive to lawful age, and the interest yearly paid to their mother, Nealey Noostrand. In case that Nealey should not have lawful issue and should de cease before her husband, Garret Noostrand, then I direct that her eleventh part and the money due on Noostrand's bond be equally divided into six parts, George Dereay to have two parts; John Dereay's children to have one part; Jacob Dereay's children to have one part; Wilimpey Dereay to have one part; and Mary Bennett one part. I make my friends and neighbor, John Wortimon, Willits Kirby, Gabriel Dereay, and Abraham Monfoort, executors.

Witnesses, Isaac Wright, George Montfort, John Wright (yeoman). Proved July 30, 1781.

Page 280.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES FORBES, late of Aberdeenshire in North Britain, now residing in New York, merchant, being very sick and weak in body. After payment of all my just debts and funeral charges, I leave to my well-beloved wife Dorothy all my household and kitchen furniture, bonds, bedding, plate, jewels, and whatsoever I use appertaining to housekeeping. All the residue of my estate to be sold, which, with my ready money is to be divided as follows: one half to my wife; two third parts of the other half part to my honored mother, Anne Forbes, and my beloved brother Alexander (now commonly called and known by the name of Alexander Gall) to be equally divided; the remaining one third of the half part to my other brothers and sisters, in equal shares. I make my worthy friend, Richard Sause, of the City of New York, merchant, and John Thompson of said city, stone-cutter, executors.

Dated August 11, 1781. Witnesses, David Master-

ton, Thomas Bartow (merchant), Bartholomew Crannell, Esq., Notary Publick. Proved, August 27, 1781.

Page 282.—In the name of God, Amen. I, PETER Du Bois, of the Wall Kill in the County of Ulster, being of sound mind, memory and understanding. All my just debts to be fully paid and satisfied, for which purpose I do hereby authorize my executors to sell so much of my real estate as shall be necessary. I give the remainder of all my real and personal estate to my dear, most excellent and amiable wife, Catharine Du Bois. I make my very good and worthy friends, the Honourable Henry White, Esq., James Duane, Esq., Jacob Walton, Esq., and Samuel Ver Planck, Esq., executors; hereby recommending my said wife to their friendly care and protection.

Dated March 14, 1772. Witnesses, John Bowles, Wm. Banyar, Crean Brush. Proved, September 15, 1781; by John Kelly, Esq., and Philip A. Schuyler, merchant, both of the City of New York, who identified the handwriting of John Bowles, William Banyar and Crean Brush, and also of Peter DuBois. On September 14, Henry White and Jacob Walton refused to be executors, and James Duane and Samuel Ver Planck "being not at present resident within the protection of his Majesty's government of the Province," the said Peter Du Bois became intestate; letters of administration were granted to his widow, Catharine Du Bois, at Fort George in the City of New York on September 20, 1781.

Page 284.—I, Amos Wood, of Huntington in Suffolk County on Nassau Island, being this ninth day of January, 1776, in weak and low circumstance of body, but understanding sound and memory quick and good. I order my executors to dispose of all my houses, lands, and tenements in the bounds of Huntington, also my equal part of the moveable estate that was my father's and all that was my own (except my oldest horse). All my lawful debts to be paid. I leave to my

sister, Mercy Wood, my bay horse before mentioned; and £200 arising from my estate. Unto my sister's son, Daniel Oakly, £100. All the residue of my estate I leave to my three sisters, Sarah, Hannah, and Deborah, in equal shares. I make my friends, Nathaniel Oakly and Jacob Willits, Jr., of Islip in Suffolk County, executors.

Witnesses, Richard Willits, Arthur Dingee, Stephen Abbet (weaver). Proved, September 1, 1781.

Page 286.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ALIDA CUYLER, of the City of New York, spinster, being weak and low in body. I order all my debts and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to my niece, Catherine Cuyler, daughter of my deceased brother, Henry Cuyler, my silver coffee pot. I hereby discharge and emancipate my negro wench Nan from slavery, and desire my executors to release her from servitude. Unto my sister, Hester Cuyler, all the residue of my personal estate, and one half of all my real estate. The remaining half of my real estate to my nephew, Henry Cuyler, son of my deceased brother Henry, and to my nieces, Catherine Cuyler and Alida Ogden, daughter of my sister, Hannah Ogden; to each one third part. In case Alida should die without issue before she attains the age of twenty-one years, her part to go to her mother, Hannah Ogden. I make Stephen Skinner, Esq., and my sister, Hester Cuyler, executors.

(This will is not signed nor witnessed.)

NOTE.—On October 1, 1781, Christian Marschalk, widow; Hannah Farmer, spinster; and Samuel Farmer, merchant; all of the City of New York, made declarations before the Surrogate. The first named declared that on the third day of September last, the testatrix desired the deponent to put down her will in writing, saying, "You know how I always told you it should be done." That agreeable to her desire the deponent did put in writing what the testatrix had be-

fore dictated to her; and desired the above-named Samuel Farmer to copy it over in some better form. This was done without any substantial difference from the original. The deponent read the copy over twice to the testatrix, who approved of it and desired that it might be given to an attorney to be put in form that she might execute it. Before the same could be done and executed the said Alida Cuyler died. Also, that at the time, the copy of the notes, from which the preceding will was drawn, and contains the same in substance, was read to the testatrix. She was of sound disposing mind and memory, etc. That the said notes first taken and those copied by Samuel Farmer have been lost or mislaid and cannot now be found; but the preceding instrument in writing contains the substance, etc. Hannah Farmer and Samuel Farmer corroborated the declaration of the first witness.

Page 288.—The last Will and Testament of SAMUEL WOGAN, Captain of the American Legion. Viz.: First paying all just debts and Demands that shall appear Due of me. I leave to Rachel Davis, late of Rhode Island, 100 guineas; together with what Effects of mine now in her possession. Unto my mother, Mrs. Amy Wogan, widow, the remainder of my property, which I have left in Alexander I. Hamilton, late Lieut. of the 45th Regiment's Power to Receive from the undermentioned Persons; Viz.: Alexander & Miller's acknowledgment to me for £407, 2 shillings and 11 pence, sterling, out of which I have received 60 guineas. To the amount of my account with Cox, Mair & Cox, Lieut. Col. Bayard, Dr., 25 guineas. Lieut. Simson, 17th Regt., Dr., 8 guineas.

Dated December 18, 1780.

Richard Ness, and Robert Rolls, both Captains in the American Legion identified the handwriting of the testator. Proved, October 1, 1781.

Page 289.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIZABETH SLEIGHT, widow, and relict of Mathew Sleight,

sister, Mercy Wood, my bay horse before mentioned; and £200 arising from my estate. Unto my sister's son, Daniel Oakly, £100. All the residue of my estate I leave to my three sisters, Sarah, Hannah, and Deborah, in equal shares. I make my friends, Nathaniel Oakly and Jacob Willis, Jr., of Islip in Suffolk County, executors.

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(This will is not signed nor witnessed.)

NOTE.—On October 1, 1781, Christian Marschalk, widow; Hannah Farmer, spinster; and Samuel Farmer, merchant; all of the City of New York, made declarations before the Surrogate. The first named declared that on the third day of September last, the testatrix desired the deponent to put down her will in writing, saying, "You know how I always told you it should be done." That agreeable to her desire the deponent did put in writing what the testatrix had be-

fore dictated to her; and desired the above-named Samuel Farmer to copy it over in some better form. This was done without any substantial difference from the original. The deponent read the copy over twice to the testatrix, who approved of it and desired that it might be given to an attorney to be put in form that she might execute it. Before the same could be done and executed the said Alida Cuyler died. Also, that at the time, the copy of the notes, from which the preceding will was drawn, and contains the same in substance, was read to the testatrix. She was of sound disposing mind and memory, etc. That the said notes first taken and those copied by Samuel Farmer have been lost or mislaid and cannot now be found; but the preceding instrument in writing contains the substance, etc. Hannah Farmer and Samuel Farmer corroborated the declaration of the first witness.

Page 288.—The last Will and Testament of SAMUEL WOGAN, Captain of the American Legion. Viz.: First paying all just debts and Demands that shall appear Due of me. I leave to Rachel Davis, late of Rhode Island, 100 guineas; together with what Effects of mine now in her possession. Unto my mother, Mrs. Amy Wogan, widow, the remainder of my property, which I have left in Alexander I. Hamilton, late Lieut. of the 45th Regiment's Power to Receive from the undermentioned Persons, Viz.: Alexander & Miller's acknowledgment to me for £407, 2 shillings and 11 pence, sterling, out of which I have received 60 guineas. To the amount of my account with Cox, Mair & Cox, Lieut. Col. Bayard, Dr., 25 guineas. Lieut. Simson, 17th Regt., Dr., 8 guineas.

Dated December 18, 1780.

Richard Ness, and Robert Rolls, both Captains in the American Legion identified the handwriting of the testator. Proved, October 1, 1781.

Page 289.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIZABETH SLEIGHT, widow, and relict of Mathew Sleight,

late of the City of New York, merchant, being in good health of body. I leave to my beloved son, Mathew Sleight, my whole estate, both real and personal. My executors are to sell the whole of my real and personal estate (except such part of my furniture as they shall think proper to keep for the use of my said son), the proceeds to be put at interest for the use of my son. My son Matthew to live with my father and mother, Samuel Pell and Mary Pell, and my sister, Hester Pell, during his minority, and they to be his guardians. My executors to pay to my said guardians, the interest on the money left to my son by his father, Mathew Sleight, for his support, maintenance, and education, so long as he shall live with them. If he dies without lawful issue then my whole estate to go to my father and mother, Samuel and Mary Pell, and one-third part thereof to my sister, Hester Pell. I make my sister, Hester Pell, my friends, Evert Banker, and Henry Van Vleck, executors.

Dated June 24, 1765. Witnesses, Cary Ludlow, Surrogate, Barnard De Forest, Abraham Ferdon. Proved, October 8, 1781.

Page 291.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SEBASTIAN LUCAS, of the City of New York, white-smith, being of sound mind and memory. After all my just debts be paid, I leave to Mrs. Judith Lester, of the Parish of St. Giles, widow, £20 sterling. In case of her death the legacy to go to her youngest son. All the residue of my estate, real or personal, to my son, Sebastian Lucas, when of age. Should he die without lawful issue, then the remainder as follows: To Mrs. Judith Lester, £100 sterling. To my niece, Nancy Lucas, daughter of my sister, Nancy Lucas, £100 sterling. To my nephew and godson, Sebastian Lucas, son of my brother, John Lucas, of Birmingham, £100 sterling. The remainder of my estate to my nearest relation that shall be living at the time of my said son's decease. I make my friends, Miles Sherbrook,

Esq., of the City of New York, merchant, to be guardian to my son, for whose support I set apart the interest arising from my estate. I also make the said Miles Sherbrook, Esq., to be sole executor.

Dated September 12, 1781. Witnesses, Luke Bird, blacksmith, Thomas Goudge, wheelwright, Samuel Deall. Proved, October 15, 1781.

Page 293.—I, THOMAS WHITE, of the City of New York, being weak in body. All my just debts and funeral charges be first satisfied out of my estate, the whole of which I make liable to the payment thereof. I give the use of my dwelling house with the furniture to my beloved wife Ann, during her widowhood. My executors are to place at interest £1,000 for the uses, trusts and purposes hereinafter named. In trust to permit and suffer my wife to receive the interest thereof during her natural life. After her decease, in trust, to pay the principal to such child or children of mine as she by her last will and testament shall direct, and to and for no other uses and purposes. Unto my wife Ann £200, annually, said annuity being in lieu of her dower. In case of her again intermarrying, I give her £500, and she is to relinquish one-half of the annuity of £200. I give to my son, Thomas White, £500 and my dwelling house with the lot of land and buildings, situate in Elizabeth Town in the Province of New Jersey (in which house Broughton Reynolds heretofore lived) in right of primogeniture. I order that my children shall be clothed and educated out of the rest of the interest until they attain the age of twenty-one years, or day of marriage; and are to live with their mother until such time shall arrive, if it should be their respective choice, they severally paying her for such living or maintenance a reasonable compensation. It is my desire that such education shall be as good as can be procured for them in the opinion of my executrix and executors, in whose candor and integrity I repose the utmost confidence, and it is also my

request and desire that my sons be brought up to some profession or business, in the choice of which I would have their natural inclinations consulted; and if my youngest son should be inclined for a military life, I would have him indulge therein. The residue of my estate, my five children, Thomas, Matthew, Daniel, Charlotte, and Amelia, equally. It is my express desire that if either of my said daughters should marry before twenty-one years of age with the approbation of my executors, then I order that £1,500 shall be paid to each of them so intermarrying; the same to be deducted out of the shares of my estate. I make my wife Ann, executrix, and my son, Thomas White, and my friends, Alexander Wallace, Robert Ross Waddell, John Thurman, and John Kelley, all of the City of New York, executors.

Not dated. Witnesses, the Honourable Hugh Wallace, Esq., John Marston, merchant, John Miller, merchant, all of the City of New York. Proved, August 15, 1781.

Page 296.—In the name of God, Amen. I, REBECCA SIKKINS, of the City of New York, widow, this nineteenth day of March, 1747, do make and declare my will. After payment of just debts and funeral expenses by my executors, I leave to my grandchild, Christina Breested, daughter of my late son Gerrit Breested, deceased, £100. Unto my grandchild, Cornelia Waldron, daughter of my late daughter, Elizabeth Griffith, deceased, £150; unto my three grandchildren, John, Rem, and Rebecca Remsen, children of my said daughter Elizabeth, deceased, each £50; unto my grandchild, Maria Van Der Heul, daughter of my late daughter, Johanna Van Der Heul, deceased, £150; unto my grandchild, John Taylor, son of my daughter, Rebecca Griffith, £150. My executors are to put out at interest the several legacies given to my grandchildren, and the interest shall be applied towards educating and maintaining them until they come to age.

All the residue of my estate, real and personal, unto my well-beloved daughter, Rebecca Griffith. I make my daughter Rebecca and her husband Willm, executors, and guardians of my grandchildren.

Witnesses, Wm. Bogert, Cornelius Boghart, Simon Johnson, Esq. Proved, December 5, 1755.

NOTE.—The several blanks in this Record being defacements in the said probate and copy of the Will when put into my hands.

SAM. BAYARD,

Junr. Sec'y

New York, Secretary's Office, October 29, 1781.

Page 300.—In the name of God, Amen. J, ARTHUR HELME, of the City of New York, mariner, this twenty-sixth day of January, 1747, do make this Will and Testament. All my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid. I leave to my dear and loving wife Jane the rents, issues, and profits of all my real estate during her widowhood, in order for her better maintenance and support, and the better to enable her to educate, bring up and maintain my children. After the remarriage or death of my wife, all my real estate to go to my well-beloved children, William, Francis, Benjamin, Jane, and George Helme, and unto the child or children wherewith my wife now goeth and is pregnant, to each an equal part. The interest of all my personal estate to be used toward educating, maintaining, and bringing up my children, until they arrive at majority or marriage, then my personal estate to go to my wife. I make my dear and loving wife Jane, and my loving and good friends John Coe and William Helme, executors.

Witnesses, Thomas Heysham, William Heysham, Catherine Heysham. Proved, October 29, 1781.

NOTE.—Letters of administration were granted on October 29, 1781, to Francis Panton, of the City of New York, shopkeeper, son-in-law of Arthur Helme, deceased, who became intestate by the death of Jane Helme, John Coe, and William Helme.

Page 302.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN AMAR, master carpenter to the Board of Ordnance, and late of Pensacola, but at present of the City of New York, being of good mind, etc. After all my just debts are paid I leave to my brother, Daniel Amar, and to my sister, Deborah Amar, both of the Parish of Bromham, near the Devises Wilsts in the Island of Great Britain, the sum of £50 sterling each. The remainder of my estate I give to my beloved wife Sarah, and I make her and my friend, Thomas Austin, Overseer of Works to the Board of Ordnance, executors.

Dated September 19, 1781. Witnesses, Wm. Hingston (Kingston), grocer, Wm. Cook, John L. C. Roome. Proved, October 29, 1781.

Page 304.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DANIEL PROVOOST, of the City of New York, merchant, now residing at my country seat on New York Island, being weak in body, but in perfect state of mind, memory, and understanding. My executors to pay all my just debts and funeral expenses. I leave to my daughter-in-law, Mary Provoost, widow of my late deceased son John, £200; also the use, income, and profits of my farm at Dover, in New Jersey, during her widowhood. After her decease or remarriage I give the said farm to the children of my deceased sons, John and William. Unto Mrs. Sarah Bolton Loftus, who has for a long time past, and at present does reside with me in the capacity of a housekeeper, £350, to be paid to her brother twelve months after my decease, £50 whereof she may lay out in a suit of mourning. Whereas she by her faithful services and great attention to my interest during the time she has resided in my family has been a great means of preserving and increasing my estate, I do therefore hereby further give her the use, increase, and profits of my house and lot of ground at the Old Slip, now rented to James Wier, also the use, increase and profits of my lot of ground fronting Smith Street and King Street and which I

leased to the late Mr. Nathaniel Marston, since deceased; also of my lot of ground fronting Wall Street, which I leased to the late Simon Johnson, Esquire, since deceased; also of my farm with the buildings thereon, situate at Hallets Cove on Nassau Island, during her natural life. I ratify and confirm the deed of gift which I have heretofore executed to the said Sarah Bolton Loftus for the farm, buildings, and improvements thereon on which I now reside, situate on the East River and commonly called the Lowvee, and also will such other deeds and instruments in writing as I have heretofore executed to the said Sarah Bolton Loftus. After her decease I give one half part of that part of my estate hereby given to her during her natural life, to and among the children of my said deceased son, John Provoost. I give to my executor £300. Whereas the management of my estate will require great pains and attention I do further give to my executor £2 ten shillings on every hundred pounds he shall receive and pay out of my estate. All the remainder of my estate, both real and personal, I give in manner and form following: One half part thereof to the children of my deceased son, John Provoost, and the other half to the children of my deceased son, William Provoost. I make David Matthews of the City of New York, Esquire, to be sole executor.

Dated September 1, 1781. Witnesses, Robert Ross Waddell, merchant, Robert Waddell, John Hardenbrook, gentleman, David Richardson. Proved, October 29, 1781.

Page 308.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIAS ELLIS, of the City of New York, being weak in body, yet of a sound and perfect understanding and memory. All my just debts and funeral expenses be discharged, and the rest and residue of my worldly estate I dispose of as follows: I leave to my son, Henry Ellis, £5 in consideration of his birthright, also to him together with my daughter, Yaneka Day's children

(whom I will and order shall have and share their mother's part equally among them), also my daughter, Elizabeth Steenbarger, and my daughter, Mary Kip, my son, William Ellis, and my granddaughter, Margaret Devue, who shall also share her mother, Margaret Quackenbusses full part: unto the aforesaid children and grandchildren all my real and personal estate; being one half lot binding on my son William's, next to George Duncan's; also one house in Crown Street, next to my son William's; and one other house in Derick Dye Street, lately occupied by Benjamin Quackenbuss, deceased; likewise one house and two lots of ground in the Bowery Lane on the west side of the road formerly belonging to Hendrick Mellisa, deceased, joining the land of Nicholas Bayard, together with all my goods and chattels, to be divided into six equal parts. My son Henry to have one part; my daughter Yanake's children to have one part, my daughters, Elizabeth, Mary, my son William, and my granddaughter, Margaret Devue, each one part. I make my sons Henry and William, and my son-in-law, Abram Day, executors.

Dated August 7, 1775. Witnesses, Roelef Westerveldt, Michael Smith, John Aldrington, captain of a company of guides and pioneers in his Majesty's service. Proved, October 29, 1781.

Page 310.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIAS DURLON, of Hempstead, in Queens County, being now weak in body. I leave to my loving wife Hannah one cupboard which now stands in my dwelling house with all such linen as may happen to be in the same at the time of my decease, and also such beds and bedding which I have lately had from the family of Daniel Pines; also one cow such as my wife shall choose, and all the pewter, all of which I give her in lieu of her right of dower. Unto my daughter Hannah one negro girl named Tish, and as much household goods or other things as will make her equal with what my

daughter Mary has already had. All the remainder of my estate, both real and personal, I give to my sons, Joseph and Linninton, upon the condition that they pay all my just debts and funeral charges, also that they shall at all times hereafter support and maintain my wife in a decent manner with meat, drink, washing, lodging and apparel, or pay to her £15 yearly during her life, which my wife shall choose. In case my sons shall refuse to pay all the legacies, my executors are to sell as much of my estate as will pay and satisfy my debts and legacies. Whenever any of the debts which are owing to me from persons in Dutchess County are received, I order that all such debts shall be divided amongst all my children. I make my son Joseph, and my friends, Sylvanus Bedell and Timothy Clowes, executors.

Dated April 6, 1778. Witnesses, David Bedell, George Weeks, Jacamiah Bedell, of Hempstead. Proved, October 24, 1781.

Page 312.—I, DANIEL BLACHLY, of the Township of Huntington, in Suffolk County, the twenty-first day of February, 1781, being in health of body and of sound disposing mind and memory. Executors to pay all my just debts and funeral charges. I leave to my loving wife Prudence all the moveables and money that fell to me or to her by the decease of her uncle, John Scudder, except two cows which I have kept for the use of my family, but my executors are to let her have two cows instead of them; also, to my wife, one bed and furniture; also, the use and improvement of half of all the lands and buildings that I shall hereafter give to my son Moses, during her widowhood and no longer, with the proviso that she cut no more timber than is necessary for firewood and to repair fences. I leave to my son Benjamin all that piece of land whereon his house stands; also all that piece of land that I bought of the "Sammises," lying on the second tier of lots joining to the land of Eliphelet

Sammis; also ten acres of land on which his barn stands, joining to the land of Ezekiel Wickes, with the house and barn where he now liveth. I leave to my son Ebenezer all that tract of land that lyeth to the southward of my house joining to the south side of the homestead of Nathaniel Buffett, jr., which did formerly belong to Jeremiah Platt, deceased. I leave to my son Moses four "Dieces" of land all joining to the Country Road, the "eastermost" piece joining to the Clay Pits road, the next piece lying east of Buffetts Barn, the two westernmost "Dieces" on which my house and barn now stands, except the ten acres above given to my son Benjamin. My executors are to sell the remainder of my estate. I leave unto my four daughters that are not married, viz.: Jemima, Rhoda, Jane, and Experience, each £50, which makes them equal with my daughters that are already married. I leave to my two sons, Ebenezer and Moses, £20. If either of my two sons, Ebenezer or Moses should die under age, his part shall be divided between my two surviving sons; if either of my four daughters that are single should die under age her part shall be divided between all my daughters without exception. I make my good friends, Joseph Lewis, Ananias Carle, and Zebulon Buffet, executors.

Witnesses, Jonas Williams, Isaac Rogers, Solomon Ketcham. Proved, October 19, 1781.

Page 315.—On the 10th day of June, 1772. I, THOMAS HICKS, of Hempstead, in Queens County, on Nassau Island. All my just debts to be paid out of my moveable estate. I leave to my loving wife my "Riding Cheer and ye best Hors or Mare that I may have at ye time of my Deth"; to my son Thomas the best cow and calf that I shall have; to my sons, Jacob and Silas, my two negro men called Luke and Ceser, also the two best working horses that I shall have, that is not already given, together with all my utensils for farming. I leave to my wife and to my daughter

Elizabeth as much out of my moveable estate as to make each of them equal with what I have given to my daughter Hannah. All the rest of my moveable estate to my wife and my daughter Elizabeth and to my grandson, Charles Cornell. I give to my wife and daughter Elizabeth the use of the best room that I have in my house, the use of the bedroom adjoining my chamber, and my cellar, and the liberty to "appels or frute" out of my orchard for their own use till they marry. I leave to my two sons, Jacob and Silas, all my lands and meadows with all my buildings and improvements thereon, but Jacob and Silas shall pasture three cows and one horse for my wife and Elizabeth, and to bring them firewood to the door and to cut it fit for the "Fier," and to find hay for three cows and one horse for them as long as they shall remain unmarried; and Jacob and Silas shall find my wife her "Bred" Corn and meat as long as she remains my widow, and to pay her £3 yearly during her widowhood. My said sons shall let my son Thomas cut six load of grass in my meadow a year. They shall pay to my son Austin £300, in six equal payments, and board him till they pay him the last payment. If either shall refuse to pay the legacies, I order my executors to sell as much of my land and meadow that I have given to the said Jacob and Silas as will pay the £300 to my son Austin, with all the other legacies. I make my brother, John Hicks, my cousin, Silas Hicks, and my two sons, Jacob and Silas Hicks, executors.

NOTE.—All the lands and meadows that I have above given to Jacob and Silas is given equally between them.

Witnesses, Charles Hicks, yeoman, Stephen Hicks, John Mott, yeoman. Proved, March 25, 1776.

Page 317.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HEZEKIAH ROGERS, of Huntington, in the Province of New York, yeoman. All just debts to be paid out of my estate. I leave to my loving wife Ruth all the cash

I have now by me, and also the use of one cow as she shall choose. My son Alexander shall provide sufficient meat and bread, firewood, etc., that my wife shall have need of in lieu of her dowry or power of thirds. I leave, to my sons, Isaac, Muha, Hezekiah, Ezekiel, and Topars half of the money that shall arise from the sale of a certain piece of meadow which I shall hereafter order to be sold. I leave to the five children of my son Obadiah, viz.: Ruth, Zobulon, Isaac, Platt, and Abel, the other half of said proceeds. I order my executors to sell a certain piece of meadow land lying near Fleets on the north side of the east neck so called, and to dispose of the money as above mentioned. I leave to my two daughters, Phebe Rogers and Ruth Sammis, £10 each. I give to Isaac Rogers, son of my son Obadiah, all that certain tract of land lying on the north side of the road leading from Huntington to Coldspros, fifty-two acres, more or less, with all the fencing and all thereunto belonging. I give to my two grandsons, Platt Rogers and Abel Rogers, the house and barn, as also about twenty acres, called the Hempstead, my son died in possession thereof, and built thereon, as also a field on the other side of the road, containing about fifteen acres, more or less, as also a piece of meadow land that I bought of Nathaniel Wickes both salt and fresh, excepting two roods on the west side, which I give to my son Alexander as far up as a certain Ditch, also a lot of upland and meadow called the North lot, all being on a neck called the Great Neck. My daughter-in-law, Mary Rogers, shall have a privilege in the buildings and lands that I have given to her children until they come of age, or so long as she shall remain a widow. I leave to my son Alexander my dwelling house, barn and all my lands and meadows, and all my real and personal estate that I have not heretofore disposed of. I make my son, Alexander Rogers, and my friend, John Brush Miller, executors.

Dated September 22, 1778. Witnesses, Samuel

Conklin, Matthew Hopper, John Shannon. Proved, October 19, 1781.

Page 319.—In the name of God, Amen. The 20th day of June, 1777. I, JOSIAH RAYNER, of the Township of Hempstead, in Queens County. I leave to my well-beloved wife Elizabeth my best bed and furniture, two cows, two iron pots, one trundle, one frying pan, one pair of tongs, one iron shovel, one warming pan, all my pewter, one square table, one wash tub, one cupboard, all the linen and yarn I have in the house, all my Tea tackling, all the provisions and wool, all the grain on the ground and elsewhere of every kind, and flax on little Dutch wheel and great Wheel in lieu of her dower; also the use and benefit of all my lands and tenements, and the interest of £25 during her widowhood, that my son Henry is to be charged with. I give to my loving wife, old white mare at her disposal, also the interest of all the remainder of my moveable estate, not already bequeathed. After her marriage or decease to divide the principal among my daughters and granddaughters as follows: To Elizabeth Roads £5; to my daughter, Sarah Tuttel, £5; to my daughters, Jemima Natorn, Sarah Tuttel, Catharine Covert, and to my granddaughter, Martha Doxee, the remainder of my moveable estate. I leave to my son Samuel six shillings; to my son Henry all my lands and tenements in the Township of Hempstead, and all my Rights of Land upon condition he pays the money that I owe in the Loan Office in Queens County and £25 at the decease of my wife Elizabeth to the uses above mentioned; in case he should refuse to pay the £25, my executors are to sell two pieces of land situate southward of Benjamin Rainer's one piece, bounded north and south by my brother, Joseph Rainer's land, and one piece bounded south by my brother Joseph Rainer's land and north by my cousin, Benjamin Rainer's land, containing in both pieces about fourteen acres, more or less. My just debts be

paid, and proving my will, and funeral expenses out of my moveable estate. I make my respected friends, Timothy Clowes, and Joseph Hall, both of Hempstead, and my wife Elizabeth Rainer, executors.

Dated June 20, 1777. Witnesses, Elijah Rainer, Ezekiel Rainer, David Batty, of Hempstead, yeoman. Proved, October 24, 1781.

Page 321.—In the name of God, Amen. August 27, 1781. I, JOHN HAGERMAN, of Hempstead, in Queens County, on Nassau Island. I leave to my well-beloved wife Ann one good cow, she to take her choice out of my stock; also my best feather bed and bedstead and cord and furniture belonging to the same. I leave to my daughter Mary one feather bed and furniture to the same, and one cow. My real and personal estate that remains to be sold at the discretion of my executors; the proceeds to pay all my just debts and funeral charges, and of the remainder I give £100 to my well-beloved wife Ann, to my daughter Mary £20; to my daughter Hannah £15 to be paid out of my estate when my youngest son Aureyon is twenty-one years old. The remainder I give equally among my three sons, John, Joseph, and Aureyon. My executors are to put my sons to apprenticeship. I make my loving wife Ann, and my trusty cousin, Benjamin Hagerman, in Queens County, my executors.

Witnesses, Charles Dorlin, Benjamin Jackson, Isaac Denton. Proved, October 13, 1781.

Page 323.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSEPH LEWIS, of Huntington, in Suffolk County, this 10th day of September, 1781. My executors within one year after my decease to sell such of my moveables as they shall think will be the most benefit for the children, and pay all my just and lawful debts out of my moveable estate. I leave to my oldest son Azel, and my third son Concklin, all my part of the mills, dams, houses, and lands, etc., at Cow Harbor, and my house

and lands at Cuby, which I bought of Alexander Lewis. Likewise I give to my sons, Azel and Joseph, one pair of oxen, which I bought of William Hubbert in lieu of one span of horses they now claim. I give to my second son, Joseph, and my fourth son, Richard, all my houses, out houses, lands, rights, and privileges to the same belonging in the "Townd spot" of Huntington, and likewise my tract of land that lays adjoining the south part of Zebulon Platt's homestead, containing about forty-five acres, more or less. I give to Richard Lewis the yearling colt. I give to my four daughters, namely: Abigail, Elizabeth, Amelia, and Naomi Lewis, all my moveable estate, except what I already disposed of. If any of them should die under age, my will is that it should be equally divided among the survivors, and if any of my four sons should die under age their part shall be equally divided among the surviving sons, except £200 of the deceased part, and that shall be equally divided among the surviving daughters; if any of my sons so die then his partner shall have the refusal of his part, and that my executors shall make the valuation. I give to my son Concklin my silver watch. I make my friend, John Squire, and my brother, Scudder Lewis, executors.

Witnesses, Nathaniel Harrisen, Epenetus Concklin, yeoman, Phebe Bayles. Proved, October 19, 1781.

Page 325.—In the name of God, Amen. July 15, 1781. I, PEARSON LANGDON, of Hempstead, in Queens County, on Nassau Island. I order my executors to sell so much of my moveable estate as shall pay all my just debts and funeral charges, and after so doing the remaining part of my estate, both real and personal, I give my wife Nancy the use of, during her natural life or widowhood, provided she brings up my children till they are able to get their own living. After my wife's death or marriage the whole to be sold by my executors and the proceeds I give to my well-beloved daughters, namely: Nancy, Phebe, Almy, and

Hannah to be equally divided among them. In case my wife Nancy should bare a child within nine months from the date hereof, if it be a female I order my whole estate equally among the five; if it be a male child, give to him all my estate, provided he pays to each of my daughters £20; in case he neglects or refuses paying to my daughters the above mentioned £30, the whole money that shall arise by the sale of my estate to be equally divided among my children. All that I have given to my well-beloved wife Nancy I give to her in lieu of her thirds and dower. I make my loving brother, Joseph Langdon, and my loving cousin, Adam Pearsall, executors.

(Signed PEARSALL LANGDON.)

Witnesses, Thomas Combs, John Langdon, Isaac Denton. Proved, October 13, 1781.

Page 327.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ALEXANDER EAGLES, of the City of New York, sadler. After my just debts be paid and discharged I give to my loving wife Elizabeth all my estate, both real and personal, and I make her executrix.

Dated January 11, 1775. Witnesses, Jas. Giles, schoolmaster, Jacob Bogart, Jno. Burger. Proved, November 12, 1781.

Page 328.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DANIEL WIER, Esq., Commissary Genl. to His Majesty's Army in North America, now residing in the County and Province of New York. After paying all my just debts and funeral expenses I give to my beloved brothers, William Wier and Thomas Wier, £2,000 sterling, each; to my dear sisters, Frances Wier and Grace Wier, £2,000 sterling, each; to my friends, Captain Colebrook Nesbitt, of the 82d Regt., Thomas Wilkinson, son of my friend, Jacob Wilkinson, Esq., of London, and Thomas Aston Coffin my Secretary, £5,000, sterling, each. Also, I give to my friends, Mrs. Susannah Nesbitt, widow of Arnold Nesbitt, Esq., late of

Grafton Street, London, Colonel George Garth, of the 1st Regt. of Guards, and Thomas Lee, son of Richard and Jane Lee, of Leeds, £2,000 sterling, each. To my friends, Jacob Wilkinson, Esq., of London, John Lodington, son to my Aunt Lodington, and John Wier, surgeon to the Hospital of the Northern Army, £1,000 sterling, each. To my friends, John Burke, Esq., of London, and Captain Mungo Noble, of the 60th Regt., £500 sterling, each. To my friends, Henry White, Esq., of New York, Joshua Loring, Esq., Commissary General of the Provinces, and Gregory Townsend, Esq., Assistant Commissary to the Army, £200 sterling, each. To my godson, Daniel Wier James, 100 guineas. Also as a testimony of my regard I give to my friends, Sir William Home, Major General Charles Grey, Major General Edward Mathew, Major General James Pattison, Lieut. Colonel James Marsh, Lieut. Colonel Edmund Stevens, and Dr. Robert Roberts, £100 sterling, each. Also I give to my friend, Lord Cornwallis, as a testimony of my regard, my antique ring which I now wear. Also as a testimony of my regard I give to my friend, Major Henry Bruin, my watch which I now wear with the chain and seals. Also as a testimony of my regard I give to my friend, Major General James Pattison, my spectacles set in gold. I give to my godson, Isaac Wallace, my silver Turrenne. I give to my butler, William Marshall, £100 sterling, with all the linen, wearing apparel, horses, carriages, and household furniture I may be possessed of at the time of my death. To all the servants at the day of my death I give £20 sterling, each. To my aforesaid brother, William Wier, I also give and bequeath all my plate. To the aforesaid Thomas Aston Coffin I give all my books and shaving case. To the aforesaid Joshua Loring, Esq., I give my emerald ring. To the aforesaid Dr. Robert Roberts, I also give my gold snuff box and gold-headed cane. Lastly, it is my desire that the remainder of my estate be secured at interest by my executors, the interest there-

of to be equally divided between my aforesaid brothers and sisters, William, Thomas, Frances, and Grace Wier, and the survivors or survivor of them, and each of them, during their natural lives and after their deaths I give the said residue and remainder of my estate to the aforesaid Thomas Wilkinson and Thomas Aston Coffin to be equally divided between them. I make Jacob Wilkinson, Henry White, Gregory Townsend, and Thomas Aston Coffin, executors.

Dated August 31, 1781. Witnesses, Edward Goldstone Lutwyche, gentleman, Robert Ross, gentleman, William P. Parsons, gentleman. Proved, November 19, 1781.

NOTE.—On the same day, Thomas Aston Coffin, one of the executors named in the will, was duly sworn to the true execution and performance before the Hon. Cary Ludlow, Surrogate for the City and Province of New York.

Page 330.—Know all men by these Presents that I, MOSES FOWLER, of the Township of Flushing, in Queens County, carpenter. I order my just debts and funeral charges all be fully paid and satisfied. I give to Anna, my beloved wife, all my estate both real and personal, and I make her and my brother, Thomas Fowler, and Captain Samuel Cornwell, executrix and executors, all of the Township of Flushing.

Dated August 16, 1781. Witnesses, Stephen Carman, yeoman, Thomas Fowler, Luke Cumming, yeoman. Proved, October 11, 1781.

Page 331.—I, THOMAS KELLAM, of the Township of Huntington, in Suffolk County, the 23d day of July, 1781. My executors to pay and discharge all my debts and funeral charges. I leave to my loving wife Levi-nah two cows and one sorrel mare and two swine; also the use of one third part of my farm and buildings, and firewood as it stands, so long as she remains my widow; also the use of all my household goods and

furniture (except what I shall hereafter dispose of); also I give to my wife what new cloth there is in the house for the use of the family, all which is in lieu of her dower. To my daughter Jemima one bed and furniture without curtains, and one cupboard, to be taken as soon as she shall see fit, and so much money, with what household goods she shall have, as to make her equal with her sisters, with liberty to live in the house so long as she remains single. All my grain and provisions and swine not disposed of shall be applied for the use of all my family. I leave to my three sons, Ebenezer, Jesse, and Joshua all my lands, meadows, and buildings, both on Santepogue at South, and all at or near the long swamp, to be equally divided between them. My son Ebenezer shall have his third part of all my lands at or near the Long Swamp, taken off the north part of that piece of land lying west or southwest from my house, from Daniel Smith's land. Also to my son Ebenezer £50 including what he hath already had to make it up to £50. My two daughters that are married shall have all the moveable estate that they have already got. Unto my wife that piece of cloth that was carried to the fulling mill, to be used in the family. My three sons shall find hay for their mother's cows and horse, during her widowhood. To my son Ebenezer one red pied heifer and one steer; to my son Jesse my loom and tackling, and my bay mare and colt and one steer; to my son Joshua my other mare; to my three sons all my farming utensils, to carry on farming. There shall be one creature fattened for the use of the family. All my wearing apparel shall be equally divided between my three sons. My wife shall have what money there is now in the house. My executors shall sell of the remainder of my creatures and moveable estate (except all the flax which is to be applied for the use of the family), as soon as they shall think proper; but the oxen not to be sold until they have done getting of hay. After the debts and legacies are paid by my executors they shall divide

all the remainder of the money between my three daughters. I make my good friends, Jonah Wood, and Ananias Carl, executors, and my wife, executrix.

Witnesses, David Smith, yeoman, Josiah Smith, Solomon Ketcham. Proved, October 19, 1781.

Page 334.—I, MARY SAMMIS, spinster, of Huntington, in Suffolk County, this twenty-fourth day of October, 1781, being in perfect mind and memory, etc. My executors to pay and discharge all my just debts and funeral charges as soon as convenient after my decease, of my estate. I leave to my loving sister, Margaret Plumb, all my household goods and wearing apparel (except one bed, which I give to her daughter, Mary Plumb): Unto my sister, Margaret Plumb's children, all the residue of my estate; and appoint my good friends, Silvanus Chichester and Peleg Wood, executors.

Witnesses, Jeremiah Wood, junior, yeoman, Alexander Denton, yeoman, John Ketcham, yeoman. Proved, October 27, 1781.

Page 335.—In the name of God, Amen. May 20, 1768. I, JAMES REEVE, of Southold, in the County of Suffolk, yeoman, being in perfect health and of sound mind. I leave to Mary, my beloved wife, her full power of dower according to law, in all my lands, buildings, and meadow, with all my personal estate whatsoever, to enable her to pay all my just debts and for her comfortable support, and to dispose of at her discretion among my six children, excluding my son James. Unto my son Isaac all my land and meadow which I purchased of David Brown's executors, and of Barnabas Ferrell, with my three rights in the manor called Ferrell Manor, and my two rights in the manor called Mapes Manor; also the privilege of cutting the same hay off of my meadow as my said son usually hath done in time past, to do still for twenty-five years after my decease. Unto my son Selah my farm, pur-

chased of James Hoell, and my land called Coleman lot, with the remainder of my land in the manor aforesaid, being seven rights; also his privilege of cutting the same meadow twenty-five years next after my decease which his brother James usually cut when he lived on the farm, and also privilege of cutting wood of the same piece of woodland, said son James used to cut on, for the same term of years. Unto my son Ebenezer all my land in the Manor of St. George, with all my right at a town called Andover or Other Creek, and my half right at Susquahannah. I make Mary, my beloved wife, my sole executrix.

Witnesses, John Case, joiner, David Arnold, John Case, junior. Proved, May 10, 1781.

Page 337.—I, SOLOMON KETCHAM, of Huntington, in Suffolk County, this 20th day of September, 1781, being in perfect mind and memory. My executors to pay and discharge all my just debts and funeral charges. I leave to my loving wife Hannah one riding chair and one horse, my negro girl named Leah, and six cows, and so many swine as my executors shall think proper, and all my household goods (except what I shall hereafter dispose of). I give her the use of half of the buildings where I now live, and the use of one fourth of my farm, so long as she remains my widow. All which I give to my wife in lieu of her dower. Unto my daughter, Mary Sands, my negro girl named Merea; to my daughter, Mary Sands' four children, Elizabeth, Sarah, Daniel, and Hannah Sands, £100, to be equally divided between them; to be paid when they are of lawful age or at the day of marriage. Unto my daughter, Sarah Ketcham, one bed and furniture and £100. Unto my daughter, Hannah Ketcham like articles, and like sum, all to be paid to my daughters as they arrive to the age of eighteen years or day of marriage. Unto my son Philip £100; to my son Solomon £30. My four sons, Philip, Solomon, Conkling, and Platt should improve and carry on,

jointly together, all my lands and meadow till such time as all my just debts and legacies above given are paid. After all my debts and legacies are paid I give unto my four sons all the remaining part of my estate. If either of my sons should die under age, his part to be divided between the surviving brothers. My executors shall give a pass to my negro James and his wife to look a master for themselves. I make my good friend, John Ketcham, and my two sons, Philip and Solomon, executors.

Witnesses, Israel Wood, of Huntington, farmer, Jeremiah Wood, Jr., Alexander Denton, of Huntington, beaver. Proved, October 22, 1781.

Page 339.—In the name of God, Amen. This 2d day of July, 1767. I, PARROT FLEET, of Huntington, in the County of Suffolk, Island of Nassau, yeoman, being sick and weak in body. My executors to pay all my just debts. I leave to my loving wife Abigail all my whole household goods of every kind that I shall not dispose of in this Will; likewise four cows, fifteen sheep, a horse, the creature as she shall choose, also my riding chair, a full year's provision of every kind. I give to my wife forty bushels of wheat as also thirty bushels of indian corn, also a fat beast, fifty pounds of flax, every year my wife shall continue my widow. I also give to my loving wife four good swine as she shall choose. I also order my wife full liberty of this my dwelling house during her remaining my widow. Unto my three sons, my whole estate in lands, upon the north side of this Island to be equally divided. Unto my youngest son, Jesse, one half of all my lands and meadow on the south side lying on the neck called Little East Neck. Unto my two sons, Simon and Jeremiah, the remainder of my lands and meadow to be equally divided. My son Jesse shall have a free right in the south house. My three sons to pay every article to their mother as above mentioned in good order year after year. My three sons to pay to my three daughters,

ters, Deborah, Sarah, and Anna, £50 each. Unto each of my daughters, one bed and furniture as also a home, as long as they shall continue single in this my house I now dwell in. I make my loving brother-in-law, Jeremiah Wood, and my sister's son, John Bryan, my sole executors.

Witnesses, John Johnson, Peter Scudder, Gilbert Potter, all of Huntington, yeomen. Proved, October 20, 1781.

Page 340.—In the name of God, Amen. The 21st day of July, 1781. I, SAMUEL MILLS, of Jamaica, in Queens County, cordwainer, being at the time very sick and weak in body. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to my well-beloved daughter, Martha Mills, £100, to be raised out of my estate; also my best bed and bedding complete, all the linen in the cupboard, one looking glass, one Bilsted Chest, some chairs, six pewter plates, four platters, one stand. All the remainder of my estate, both real and personal, I order to be sold and the proceeds of the sale I give to my three well-beloved sons, Henry, Samuel, and Stephen, to be equally divided, and paid to them as they arrive at the age of twenty-one years. I make my brother, Amos Mills, and my brother-in-law, Nicholas Ludlam, executors.

Witnesses, James Everit, yeoman, Barnardus Hendrickson, Hendrick Hendrickson, yeoman. Proved, September 14, 1781.

Page 342.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ANN ANTILL, at present of the City of New York, in North America, being of sound mind but old and infirm, etc. I leave to my son Edward my lands in the County of Bergen, in the Province of New Jersey, left to me by the last Will of John Corbett, Esq. I desire that my money in the hands of Charles Lowndes, Esq., given to me by the Will of my deceased sister, Euphania Norris, be divided into five equal parts and disposed

of as follows, viz.: to my grandson, John Collins Antill, son of John Antill, Esq.; to my granddaughter, Isabella Graham Antill, daughter of my son, Edward Antill, Esq.; to my granddaughter, Ann Cochran, daughter of Richard Cochran, Esq.; to my granddaughter, Sarah Morris, daughter of Lieut. Colonel John Morris; and to my granddaughter, Elizabeth Col-den Antill, daughter of my son, Lewis Antill, deceased. As to the money given to me by my late beloved husband, Edward Antill, Esq., and any other money I may die possessed of, I desire it may be equally divided among my children. I make my son, John Antill, Esquire, my sole executor.

Dated-March 27, 1778. Witnesses, Thomas Davies, Ann Morris, Thos. Skinner, baker. Proved, November 20, 1781.

NOTE.—On December 3, 1781, John Antill, Esq., appeared before the Surrogate for the City and Province of New York, and was duly sworn to the true execution and performance of said Will.

CARY LUDLOW,
Surrogate.

Page 344.—In the name of God, Amen. I, STEPHEN LAWRENCE, of Flushing, in Queens County, yeoman, this 30th day of December, 1779, being well in body and of perfect mind and memory. All my just debts and funeral charges be well and truly paid. I leave to my loving son, Somerset Lawrence, £1,000; to my loving son, Leonard Lawrence, £400; to my loving son, Robert Lawrence, all my real estate which I have in Flushing. I give all the remainder of my moveable estate to be equally divided between my three loving sons. I make my son Leonard and my trusty friend, John Field, executors.

* Witnesses, Thos. Cornell, John Cornell, Oliver Cornell, yeoman. Proved, September 22, 1781.

Page 345.—In the name of God, Amen. The 5th day of May, 1779. I, JOHN GEORGE WEDDERHANE, of the

Out Ward of the City of New York, butcher, being in health of body and of perfect mind and memory. First I will that all those debts and duties as I do owe in right or conscience to any manner of person or persons whatsoever shall be well and truly contented and paid in convenient time after my decease by my executors. I leave to Mary Magdalene, my dear and well-beloved wife (whom I likewise make my only and sole executrix), all and singular, my lands, messuages, tenements, buildings, household furniture, moveables, money, and sums of money, due or becoming due to me by books, or bond, or otherwise, from any person or persons whatsoever, by her fully to be possessed and enjoyed.

Witnesses, Nicholas Lackman, sugar baker, George Kline, bread baker, Peter Sparling. Proved, November 19, 1781.

Page 347.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CATHARINE KIBBLE, of the City of New York, widow and relict of Stephen Kibble, late of the same City, Assistant Deputy Commissary General, deceased, being sick and weak in body. My just debts and funeral charges to be paid. Immediately after my funeral is over I order all my furniture and plate of every kind to be sold and disposed of at public auction or vendue. I leave to my sister, Jane Wallace, who now lives with me, my house I now reside in, the same being in Wall Street, the corner of New Street, opposite the old Presbyterian meeting. Unto my much-esteemed friend, Mrs. Mary Butler, wife of William Butler, Esq., ten guineas, in order to purchase her a mourning ring. Unto my loving niece, Dorothy Wallace, a bed and window curtains, and six pair of good Russia Sheets, and six pair of pillow cases; I further give her twenty guineas to purchase her mourning. Unto Thomas Cumpston, my executor, hereinafter named, a large case now in my cellar containing twelve large case bottles each of which case contains two and one half gallons.

My executrix and executors are to fully liberate and manumit my negro wench called Phillis, and that she be by no means sold nor otherwise disposed of, as a reward for her faithful services. All the remainder of my estate, real or personal, I give to my beloved daughter, Catharine Kibble, provided that if my daughter Catharine should depart this life before the age of twenty-one and day of marriage, then I give all the estate to Sally, Betsey, and Penelope, sisters of my husband, Stephen Kibble, deceased, and to my sister, Jane Wallace, and Dorothy Wallace, my said niece, to be divided between them in equal portions. I direct that my said daughter Catharine shall be and remain under the tuition and guardianship of my much-valued friend, William Butler, Esq., in order that she may be properly taught, instructed, and educated. I direct that my ear-rings, buckles, gold watch, and other things of the like kind, together with all my wearing apparel be kept and reserved for the use, wear, and clothing of my daughter Catharine. I make my sister, Jane Wallace, executrix, and Thomas Cumpston, and Benjamin James, Esq., Assistant Deputy Commissary General, executors.

Dated April 14, 1781. Witnesses, John Faulkner, cabinet maker, Peter R. Ludlow, merchant, Will Cock, Esquire.

Codicil. Whereas, I did will that all my wearing apparel be kept and reserved for the use, wear, and clothing of my daughter Catharine, now I, the said Catharine Kibble, out of love and affection to my niece, Dorothy Wallace, and considering that it will be a long time before my wearing apparel is fit for the use of my daughter Catharine, I direct that my daughter Catharine shall have five of my richest dresses and no more, and that all the remainder be given to Dorothy Wallace to her use for ever. I do further order that all my Shifts be given to my niece Dorothy, except twelve which I desire may be kept for the use and wear, and given to my daughter Catharine. All

that set of china which was sent to me by Mrs. Kibble, mother of my deceased husband, from London, together with the Tea Board on which the said set of china is usually placed, and which was purchased here, be given to my niece Dorothy. And wherever I have now in the house one piece of purple sattin, I dispose of the same as follows, to wit: half part be given to my loving sister, Jane Wallace; the remaining half part be given to my nurse, Elizabeth Daniel, as a reward for her care and attention to me.

Dated May 18, 1781. Witnesses, Chas. Shaw, John Scott, Will Cock. Proved, November 20, 1781.

Page 351.—In the name of God, Amen. On the 14th day of December, 1778, I, MICHAEL FLOWER, of Hempstead, in Queens County. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid out of my moveable estate. I leave to my well-beloved wife Mary the use of all the remainder of my moveable estate, together with the use of all my lands and meadow, during her life or widowhood, provided she brings up my children in a decent manner and gives them Common Learning till my sons, John and William, are twenty-one years old, and my two daughters, Elizabeth and Ann, are eighteen years old. At the time my executors deliver my moveable estate to my wife Mary, I order that she shall give security to make good the value of my moveable estate at her death or marriage. In case my wife refuses or neglects bringing up my two sons, my executors are to sell as much of my "Fast Estate" as shall bring them up to the age of twenty-one, and my two daughters till they are eighteen. After my wife's death or marriage I give to my well-beloved sons, all my lands that shall then belong to my estate to be equally divided. All the moveable estate that shall remain I give to my well-beloved daughters to be equally divided. I order my executors to put my sons to apprenticeship as they think proper, to such trades as my sons shall choose. I make my loving brother,

John Flower, and my trusty friends, Luke Eldert and Isaac Denton, all of Hempstead, executors.

Witnesses, Harman Flower, Timothy Flower, Gilbert Flower. Proved, November 19, 1781.

Page 353.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM RICE, of his Majesty's ship *Iris*, being of sound and disposing mind and memory. I leave to my friend, George Mitchell, of his Majesty's ship *Iris*, all sums of money as shall be due, owing and payable to me for wages, prize money, or any other account whatsoever, as also my wearing apparel and personal estate. I make the said George Mitchell, executor.

Dated October 17, 1781. Witnesses, Jam. Callam, Peter Malone, mariner, Joseph Bulkeley. Proved, December 4, 1781.

Page 355.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB PARCELL, of New Town, in Queens County, on Nassau Island, yeoman, being at this time weak in body. All debts with my funeral charges be justly paid. I leave to my beloved grandson, Jacob Parcell, son of my son, Nicholas Parcell, £5, as his full proportion with what his father hath received out of my estate. I omit the heirs of my son, Jacob Parcell, as he hath received more than his proportion out of my estate. Unto my beloved granddaughter, Rebecca Hornbrook, £100 to be paid her in one year after the last legacy, herein-after named, shall be paid. Unto my beloved daughter, Mary House, my large brass Kettle and Iron Gridle. Unto my grandson, Jacob Parcell, son of Isaac Parcell, my silver watch, at my decease. To my beloved son, and son-in-law, John Parcell and John House, the whole of my estate, they paying all my debts, with the legacies heretofore bequeathed, and those that shall hereafter be named. Unto my beloved children, by name, William, Isaac, Richard, Abram Parcell and Catryntje Melinshaw, £800 to be equally divided and paid in five yearly equal payments. If any of my children should die in nonage or without

lawful issue, that part to be equally divided among the surviving children. I make my beloved son, John Parcell, and son-in-law, John House, with my esteemed friend, Richard Betts, Esq., executors.

Dated September 4, 1781. Witnesses, John Parsall, yeoman, William Parsell, yeoman, Cornelius Berrien, yeoman. Proved, November 22, 1781.

Page 357.—New York, August 3, 1781. The last Will and Testament of MRS. JANE MALONEY, desires and requests, if she should die of her present illness, that her son, James Maloney, should be left in the care and charge of Mrs. Anna Butler until such time as its convenient to send said child to Mrs. Anna Council, sister to the above Jane Maloney, in Wilmington, New Castle, unless intercepted by Mr. Peter Maloney, father to said child. Also I do desire that Mr. Benjamin Gatfield will pay Mrs. Anna Butler whatever sum of money that shall be adjudged proper by any two or three honest inhabitants of the City of New York, as a recompense for her trouble in maintaining my child, and that to be paid to her quarterly. I desire that Benjamin Gatfield will defray all manner of charges which may be wanting to me at my burial, also to advance clothes to my son James when wanting or necessary, all such sums of money advanced by Benjamin Gatfield to be deducted out of the sum of £118 which I lodged in Benjamin Gatfield's hands. If my son James should go to Wilmington the net balance what shall then remain due, must be sent along with him. If my husband Peter and my son James should both die, then I desire the balance to be given to my sister, Ann Council. The within mentioned £118 I do acknowledge to have received and promise to comply with this Will and Testament. In Witness whereof both Jane Maloney and I do interchangeably sign our Hands. Jane Maloney, Benjamin Gatfield.

Witnesses, James Hanrahan, trader, William McPhily. Proved, November 5, 1781.

Page 359.—I, DAVID BISHOP, of the Township of Huntington, in Suffolk County, being this 14th day of August, 1781, being indisposed in body and also pretty far advanced in years. My executors to pay my just debts out of the money arising from the sale of my estate. I leave to the children of my brother, Nathan Bishop, viz.: Nathan, Enos, Sarah, Unas, and Hannah, each £3. Two thirds of the remainder of the proceeds I give to my brother, Parson Bishop and my sister, Hannah Hoit, and my brother's son, Benjamin Bishop, to be equally divided. The remainder of my estate, or the money arising therefrom, I give to my brother James' widow, Sarah Bishop, to my sister Abigail's son, Abraham Chichester, and to Nathaniel Finch's wife Rachel, equally between them. I make James Noorstrant, of the Township of Huntington, and Thomas Pearsall, of Bethpage, in the Township of Oysterbay, executors.

Witnesses, William Stilwell, farmer, Mary Stilwell, Thos. Pearsall. Proved, December 5, 1781.

Page 361.—In the name of God, Amen. I, GEORGE RAPALJE, of the Township of Flatbush, in King's County, yeoman, being sick and weak in body. I leave to Mary, my dearly beloved wife, all the use, incomes and profits of my whole estate, both real and personal, during the time she continues my widow, and which shall be in lieu of her right of dower. After her death or remarriage I give and dispose of my estate in manner following: to my son Daniel £200, and one third part of the remainder of my estate; to my daughter Mary, the wife of Elbert Snedeker, one third; to my daughter Phebe, the wife of Martin Johnson, the other third part. I make my sons-in-law, Elbert Snedeker, and Martin Johnson, and my brother, Cornelius Rapalje, executors.

Dated October 10, 1779. Witnesses, Abram Snedeker, Isaac Snedeker, yeoman, Robt. Hinchman, scrivener. Proved, November 28, 1781.

Page 363.—In the name of God, Amen. I, BASIL BARTOW, of the Borough Town of West Chester. After my just debts and funeral charges are paid I leave to my wife, Clarina Bartow, all the goods and chattels that are remaining which she brought with her, and was her own property, at or before our marriage, also two good feather beds, bedsteads, bedding, and furniture thereunto belonging, such as she shall choose, the sitting chairs, tables, looking-glasses, and china wear usually kept in the parlour, my riding chair and horse, and the sum of £800 in cash or bonds, to be paid to her within six months after my decease. I give to my wife the use of the room called the parlour, and the chamber over it, in my now dwelling house, the use of the northwest part of the cellar as partitioned off, the use of such part of the kitchen for her wench to live in and do her work in, the use of the east side of the garden and peach orchard on a southerly line from the north gate, as the middle walk now runs to Quinby's orchard fence, her firewood, and apples for eating and cider for her own use, liberty of the wells and liberty to pass and repass to and from the several places of privileges without molestation or hindrance, also pasture for two cows and a horse, during her natural life or as long as she remains my widow and no longer, and is in lieu of her Right of Dower. Unto my daughter Clarina £800, a negro girl called Jude, one feather bed, bedstead, bedding and furniture thereunto belonging; also one third part of my religious books, and household furniture not otherwise disposed of, and the privilege of her living in my now dwelling house with her mother or brother during her natural life or until marriage. My executors to pay the principal and interest of the money to her when she shall be twenty-one years old. Unto my son Punderson, all the lands, buildings and salt meadow which I bought of Sarah Hunt and her son Gilbert; also the lot of salt meadow called the Parsonage meadow; also the lot of land, and buildings

thereon, called "Haddens Lott," which I bought of my brother, John Bartow; also the lot of land adjoining thereto which I bought of Duncan Reade; also a lot of woodland lying at north part of Cowswamp, adjoining to my brother John's land; also one half of two lots of upland and two water lots at New York, belonging to my brother, John Bartow, and self, and which we hold of the Devises of Abraham Vanhorne and the Corporation of New York (the water lots were granted to my brother, John Bartow, and the half part of them, by him, released to me) together with one half of the improvements that may be made thereon; also half of my right of the lands on Minefords Island, or the new City so called; also my equal half part of a fourth part of a farm at the nine partners, belonging to my brother and self, which we bought of George Bugbee; also one third part of my religious books and household furniture, not otherwise disposed of, and the sum of £200. Unto my son, Basil John Bartow, all my lands called Homestead, with the buildings and improvements made thereon (excepting a piece of land in the field on the hill adjoining the old orchard of three rods square, two rods in the field westward and one rod eastward into the orchard as it is staked out for a burying ground for myself, my children, and their heirs, brothers, and their families, if they choose to bury there, which I hereby give and grant for the aforesaid use of a burying ground for ever, with the privilege of passing to and from the King's Road through the old orchard to the said burying ground without molestation or hindrance); also my lands and salt meadow called below, and the lot of land known by the name of Scabby Indian, being all the lands and meadows devised to my brothers and self by our deceased father, and which are now vested in me solely by a release of right from my brothers to me, together with a £25 privilege of commonage in the sheep pasture of West Chester; also the lands called and known by the name of "The

Personage Land," and the lands I bought of John Oakley, and the lot of land and salt meadow called the Causeway lot adjoining the Great Creek, and the lot I bought of Hester Nichools, all in the Borough Town of West Chester, and also one half of two lots of upland, two water lots at New York; also an equal half part of one fourth part of the farm at the nine partners, belonging to my brothers and self, which we bought of George Bugbee, also the one half of my right in the lands on Minefords Island; also one third of my religious books and household furniture, not before disposed of. I give to the Minister, Church Wardens and Vestrymen, of the Church of England, known by the name of St. Peter's Church, in the Borough Town of West Chester, £50 towards building a new church in said Borough Town, or repairing and enlarging the present church, to be paid to them when they shall actually engage in such work. My executrix and executors are to sell any part of my personal estate not herein disposed of, together with the shop goods, for the best prices they can get, and the proceeds and the outstanding debts due to me and the other moneys remaining after the foregoing legacies are paid, be put out at interest for the use of my two sons, Punderson and Basil John, the principal and interest thereof to be paid to them when of age. If my daughter Clarina should die without leaving lawful issue before she attain the age of twenty-one years, the moneys I have given to her I give to my two sons, Punderson and Basil John. My wife Clarina shall have the use of my real estate for herself and my children's support and maintenance. The remainder of my estate whatsoever not herein before disposed of (after my just debts and funeral charges are paid) I give to my said two sons, Punderson and Basil John. My earnest desire and request is that my wife, Clarina Bartow, and my executors do take an especial care that my children be virtuous and religiously educated and kept from associating with vain and idle

company, and that they be careful to have them learned to read, write, and cypher, and such branches of the mathematicks and literature as may qualify them for some necessary and useful employment in the world. I make my wife Clarina, executrix, my brother, John Bartow, my nephew, John Bartow, son of Theophilus Bartow, and the Reverend Samuel Seabury, executors.

Dated December 16, 1780. Witnesses, Theophilus Bartow, William Bartow, yeoman, Augustus Bartow. Proved, December 17, 1781.

Page 367.—In the name of God, Amen. I, RICHARD PARSELL, of the City of New York, labourer, considering the uncertainty of this short life, and being of sound and perfect mind and memory, but weak in body, will that all my just debts and funeral charges be paid and discharged. I leave to my loving wife Mary all that sum of money or legacy so called by last Will and Testament of Jacob Parsell, deceased, which was given to me by said Will, and all other estate whatsoever, and all the remainder of my personal estate, goods and chattels of what kind or nature soever. I make my said loving wife, Mary Parsell, sole executrix.

Dated November 19, 1781. Witnesses, Louis Andrew Gauteer, David Mellows, tobacconist, Abigail Fowler. Proved, December 18, 1781.

Page 369.—I, PETER VAN DE WATERS, of Westbury, in the Township of Hempstead, in Queens County, yeoman, being, this 12th day of the fifth month called May, 1781, weak in body, but of sound mind and memory. I leave to my wife Mary my best bed and full furniture, and the use of half of all my other household goods, so long as she remains my widow. My executors are to sell the remainder of my moveable estate and pay all my just debts and funeral expenses. The remainder of the money to be put out at interest,

for the support of my wife during widowhood. If any part remains after my wife's marriage or death, it is to be divided in the following manner, viz.: half to my son John, and the other half equally between my daughter Mary, the wife of James Lewis, and my grandson, Benjamin Balding. I also give to my wife the privilege of living in my bedroom that hath a fireplace in it. In case that my children shall think best to sell the farm, then they shall pay her so much money as my executors may think is as good as the privilege of living in the said room, and she to quit her right therein. I give to my son John half of all lands, rights of land, buildings, and improvements. Unto my grandson, Benjamin Balding, the other half of all my lands, rights of lands, provided they will each of them and my son John, give bonds to my executors to return their proportions for the support of my wife if my moveable estate shall not be sufficient for her maintenance. Unto my son, daughter, and grandson, all my bonds, bills, notes, and book debts, to be divided between them in the same proportion as the other part of my estate, that I have given to them, except a bond I have against my son, John Van De Waters conditioned for £100. I make my nephew, Benjamin Van De Waters, and my nephew, Gideon Seaman, executors.

Witnesses, Richard Spragg, of Hempstead, yeoman, Samuel Titus, of Hempstead, yeoman, Joseph Place. Proved, December 8, 1781.

Page 371.—Know all men by these Presents That I, JOHN SMITH, of Merrock, in the Township of Hempstead, in Queens County, yeoman, being this 18th day of August, 1777, well in Health and of sound mind and memory. I leave to my son Joseph all my houses, buildings, lands, and meadows at Merrock, and likewise the patent right that lieth in common within the Township of Hempstead, that derived unto me from my father, Jonathan Smith, deceased, and my son

Joseph shall pay to my loving wife Rachael, and to my three daughters, Phebe, Anne, and Elizabeth, £30, to be equally divided between them. I likewise give to my said son Joseph my black bald mare and one feather bed and bedding. My family shall have one year's provision out of my moveable estate, after my decease; and my beloved wife Rachael shall have the use of one third part of my Homestead, with the easternmost dwelling room in my house, and the two bedrooms adjoining as long as she shall remain my widow. Unto my three daughters, Phebe, Anne, and Elizabeth, all the patent right to the undivided or common lands in the said Township of Hempstead that I purchased of Samuel Totton, to be equally divided. Unto my loving wife Rachael £43, nine shillings, one horse and riding chair, six sheep, three cows and calves, two feather beds, bedsteads and cords, bolsters and pillows, six coverlids, and eight sheets and pillow cases. Unto my two daughters, Anne and Elizabeth, £86, eighteen shillings, twelve sheep, six cows and calves, four feather beds, bolsters, pillows, bedsteads, and cords, twelve coverlids, sixteen sheets and pillow cases to be equally divided between them. I direct my executors to sell my house and land on the Plains at the East Meadow, and the house and lands I purchased of John Haviland, and also my lands adjoining the lands of Josiah Rainer and Isaac Smith, situate in the south woods in the bounds of Hempstead, together with all my moveable estate, and with the proceeds pay any just debts and funeral charges, and the above legacies. The remaining part of the money to my wife and three daughters. If either of my daughters shall die under the age of eighteen years her part to be divided amongst my surviving daughters. If my said son Joseph shall refuse or neglect to pay the £30 as above directed, my executors shall sell the lot of salt meadow adjoining the south side of the place called the Island, and divide the proceeds amongst my wife and three daughters. All which I

have given to my wife is in lieu of her right of dower. I make my wife Rachel, my son, Joseph Smith, and my son-in-law, Benjamin Smith, executors.

Witnesses, Hezekiah Bedell, yeoman, Hannah Bedell, Mary Batty, spinster. Proved, May 20, 1778.

Page 373.—The will of SAMUEL WOGAN, Captain of the American Legion. (For text see page 288 of this Liber.)

Codicil. Dr. Hamilton having 35 guineas with me, I leave a memorandum in my pocket-book for you to receive it, with which I request your acceptance. Sam'l Wogan, Staten Island, December 18, 1780. Witness, Captain Richard Ness. Proved, December 17, 1781.

Page 374.—In the year of our Lord, 1776, August the fourteenth. In the name of God, Amen. I, LUCAS HEVELAND, of Hempstead in Queens County, being sick and low, but of perfect mind and memory. All my wearing apparel I leave to my two brothers, and to my brother Benjamin's sons, John, Joseph and Benjamin, sons of Benjamin Hevaland, deceased, share and share alike. Unto my niece, Jane Hevaland, one bed and bedstead with two sheets and two pillows and blankets, with one "callocow" bed quilt, to be left in the care of my mother until Jane is married, or arrives to the age of sixteen. The remainder of my moveables I order to be sold and my debts to be paid by my executors, which are as followeth: Cornelius Van Nostrand, and Silvanus R. Smith. The use of my lands I give to my mother during her life. After her death I order my lands and meadow to be equally divided between my two brothers, John Hevaland and Joseph Hevaland. Unto my niece, Jean Hevaland, my chest that hath a drawer.

Witnesses, Cornelius VanNostrand, Elijah Spragg, and Samuel Carman, of Hempstead, merchant. Proved, December 11, 1781.

Page 376.—In the name of God, Amen. The 14th day of February, 1774, I, HENRY BROWN, of the Town of Southold in the County of Suffolk, yeoman, being weak in body. I leave to my son, Henry Brown, all that land (which I bought of Aaron Howell, which he bought of Jehobod Halliock), bounded on the east by a two-pole way (which I bought of Noah Halliock; and also one lot of meadow lying at the "Brawd Meadows," on the south side of Peconock River, called the short lot, which I bought of Capt. James Fanning. Unto my son Peter all that my land and meadow (which was my Uncle David Brown's, which fell to me at his decease); and also one lot of meadow lying at the Brawd Meadows, on the south side of the Peconock River, called the long lot, adjoining the meadow of Brother John Griffing. Unto my son Richard all that land which I bought of Noah Halliock, whereon I now live; and all that part of the Neck which I bought of said Halliock; and also all my meadow at the creek called "Brush his Creek"; and also two lots of meadow lying at the Brawd Meadows on the south side of the Peconock River called the Long lots. Whereas I stand indebted on account of the land which fell to me at the decease of my uncle, David Brown, that towards canceling said debts my son Peter shall pay £100; my son Richard £45; and my son Henry £15. Unto my son Pain £25; to be paid as follows: £10 to be paid by my son Peter in ten years after my decease; £5 in twelve years; £10 to be paid by my son Richard in ten years. I give my oxen and horses and all my farming utensils to my two sons, Peter and Richard; also their fire arms and swords. To my daughter, Anna Halliock, six sheep. After all my just debts, and funeral charges are paid the remainder to go to my beloved wife Mary. I make my wife Mary executrix, and my son, Peter Brown, executor.

Witnesses, Berick Moore Cleves, yeoman, Phinehas Mapes, Israel Youngs. Proved, April 30, 1781.

Page 377.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MARTHA STRONG, in Brookhaven in the County of Suffolk, widow woman, being in good health and of a sound and disposing mind and memory. I leave to my son Selah £200, to be raised out of my moveable or fast estate. As to my son Benjah (who has already had his portion of estate given to him by his father), I further acquit him of all the bonds or debts that by me are demandable of him. All my household goods and personal estate to be equally divided among my four daughters, Sarah, Charity, Abigail, and Johanna (except Oliver my slave, who I give to my son Selah). My estate of every kind not disposed of to be equally divided between my four daughters and my son Selah. I make my beloved son, Selah Strong, and my faithful son-in-law, Ebenezer Miller, executors.

Dated December 18, 1777. Witnesses, Micah Mills, Jonas Hawkins, yeoman, Eliazer Hawkings. Proved, December 17, 1781.

Page 379.—£500 For Mrs. Muter, wife of Robert Muter; 300 for Mr. Mewburn in Yorkshire; 100 for William Robertson; 100 for Adam Dolmage. The remainder to his nephew, Thomas Parkin in Baltimore, Maryland. The Deceased has remitted a bill for £400 to his kinsman in New York, which he bequeaths to him. His watch to Capt. Robertson. For his servant, William Vincent, whatever is recovered from the Sloop *Patty*, now sunk, by order of the Deputy Quartermaster General. The above bequests were made by the deceased THOMAS PARKINS, Esq., Dep'y Comm'r Gen'l at this place to the above persons, this ninth day of October, 1781. In the presence of G. Robertson, Agt. for Transports, Adm. Dolmage, Dep'y Comm'r of Prov's.

Proved, January 9, 1782; by George Robertson, Esq., and Adam Dolmage, who declared that Thomas Parkins, Esq., on the 9th of October, 1781, being the time of his last illness, and some short time before.

his decease, gave directions for making his will; which on the same day at Yorktown in the Colony of Virginia, in the lifetime of the testator was reduced to writing, read to, and approved by him. That the said will above mentioned is since lost and cannot at present be found; but that this is a true copy of said original, made on the same day and within a few hours after the testator's decease.

On January 16th, 1782, Richard William Parkin, Esquire, Assistant Commissary of Provisions, then residing at Jamaica in the Province of New York, nearest of kin to Thomas Parkin, deceased, having given sufficient security in the sum of £1,200 was granted letters of administration.

Page 381.—In the name of God, Amen. The seventh day of October, 1777, I, RULUF VOORHIS, of Hempstead in Queens County, on Nassau Island, yeoman, being at this time very sick and weak in body. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to Cornelia, my dearly beloved wife, one bed, and bedding complete for one bed, one spinning wheel and one cupboard. All the residue of my estate, not hereinbefore given, I order to be sold; the proceeds to be equally divided between my wife and children; viz.: Cornelia, my wife, my daughter, Catherine Voorhis, my son, Stephen Voorhis, and my son, Abraham Voorhis. If any or either of my aforesaid children shall die before they arrive to perfect age that share shall be equally divided between the survivors. I make Catherine Voorhis, my daughter, my Cousin, Simon Voorhis, and my cousin, John Pratt, executors.

Witnesses, James Everit, David Ludlow, yeoman, Jacob Peterson, yeoman. Proved, October 27, 1777.

Page 382.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB SUYDAM, of Flushing in Queens County, yeoman, being sick and weak in body. I direct that my executors pay all my just debts and funeral charges out of my

personal estate. I leave to my dearly beloved wife Mary £500; also all the furniture or household goods in my house; and the use and profits of all my real estate during the time that her son, Joseph Totten, shall arrive to the age of twenty-one years; at that time the real estate shall be equally divided between my wife, Mary Suydam, and her son, Joseph Totten. At her death or second marriage, which may first happen, all my real estate to her son, my son-in-law, Joseph Totten, upon conditions of his part of his father's estate which came in my hands by his mother, my wife, Mary Suydam; which considerably overruns his portion that came in my hands by his mother, my wife. All which I have herein given to my wife I give to her in lieu of her dower. To my loving brother, John Suydam, the sum of £1,000. I do order that my negro woman named Lyddea shall, if she choose, work for herself, and if she can support herself without any expense to my estate, and maintain the child she is now pregnant with; if it should live, my will is and do give the said negro child its Freedom. All the remainder of my personal estate to be sold at publick vendue; the proceeds to be equally divided between my loving brother, John Suydam, and my two loving sisters, Catherine Cornell and Phebe Suydam. I make my loving wife, Mary Suydam, and my loving brother, John Suydam, and my trusty friend, John Field, all of Flushing, executors.

Dated September 7, 1780. Witnesses, Isaac Smith, miller, and his wife, Haty Smith, Mary Divine. Proved, October 15, 1781.

Page 384.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SYLVANUS DAVIS, of Southold, in the County of Suffolk, being weak of body, but of sound mind and memory. All my just debts and funeral charges be paid out of my personal estate. I leave to my daughter, Phebe Goldsmith, £5; also one feather bed. To my son, Joshua Davis, £5. To my son James £5, and one feather bed.

All the residue of my real and personal estate to my son Benjamin, with all appurtenances. I make my son, Benjamin Davis, executor.

Dated November 17, 1771. Witnesses, Barnabas Terrel, yeoman, Parker Wickham, Joseph Wickham, yeoman. Proved, May 16, 1781.

Page 386.—In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS WENDOVER, of the City of New York, cordwainer, being in good health, and of sound and disposing mind and memory and understanding. All my just debts and funeral expenses be fully paid. I leave to my son Hercules my silver watch which I had of my brother Peter Breastead. To my daughter Mariah, now the widow of John Shaw (late of the said city, mariner), deceased, £20, which sum is hereby intended to make her equal with her two sisters, Anatie and Elizabeth, for what they respectively received for their out-sets at their time of marriage. All the residue of my estates to go to my loving wife Elizabeth for and during her natural life for her better support and maintenance. To enable my wife to pay debts, which I do now owe, I empower her and my other executors to sell any one of my messuages or dwelling houses. After the death of my wife, all my real and personal estate unto my several children and grandchildren; viz.: one fifth to my son Hercules; a like part to my daughter Anatie, the widow of Henry Play, deceased; a like part to my daughter Mariah, the widow of John Shaw, deceased; a like part to my three grandchildren, Joseph and Robert Ketch, and Elizabeth Melvin the wife of Peter Melvin, mariner, being the children of my deceased daughter, Elizabeth Ketch; and the remaining one fifth part thereof to the children of my deceased son Peter; viz.: Thomas, John, Margaret, Mary, Peter, and Stephen, to be divided among them share and share alike. In case either of my six grandchildren, the children of Peter Wendover, shall happen to die before majority or marriage, then

I give the deceased child's share to the survivors. The one fifth part given to the children of my son, Peter Wendover, deceased, to be put out at interest for their use, and paid to them as they respectively arrive at the age of twenty-one years, or marry. I make my loving wife Elizabeth, my son Hercules, and my friend, Thomas Collister, of the said city, joiner, executors.

Dated November 6, 1773. Witnesses, Augustus V. Cortlandt, of Flatbush, esquire, Robert Towl, Isaac Stymets. Proved, July 28, 1779.

Page 388.—In the name of God, Amen. The twenty-fourth day of July, 1775, I, JOSEPH HINCHMAN, of the Town of Southold in the County of Suffolk, "circeion," being weak in body. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid out of my book debts or accounts; and if they should be deficient, some of my creature and household goods and outlands be sold by my executors. All the remainder of my Estate I give the use thereof to my wife Annar and my children until they are brought up; then all my estate is to be sold and the proceeds are to be equally divided between my wife Annar and all our children; only to my oldest son ten shillings more than his equal proportion. I make my wife sole executrix, and her brother, John Griffing, and Mr. Daniel Osmonjrher, Assistants to execute this Will and Testament.

Witnesses, Joseph Griffing, yeoman, Prudence Downs, spinstress, Israel Youngs. Proved, September 12, 1775.

Page 389.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HENRY PIKE, of Southold in the County of Suffolk, being weak in body. After my decease my body may be decently buried at the expense of my executors. I leave to my beloved wife, all my Home estate, both house and lands, as well as personal estate, during her widowhood. My executors are to sell a certain piece of

land, bounded by Jonas Tuthill on the east, and by John Corwin on the west and south, and the highway on the north. As to my mill, I order it sold by my executors when they think it necessary. Unto my wife, a certain tract of land bounded north by Timothy Corwin, west by Hannah Harvey, south by the highway, and east by the land of John Hubbard, deceased. My executors are to sell, within one month after my decease, three cattle and all my carpenter's tools. I make John Corwin, executor, and my wife executrix.

Dated November 13, 1780. Witnesses, Thomas Wines, yeoman, Jonathon Pike, yeoman, John Leveret Hudson. Proved, December 7, 1780.

Page 390.—In the name of God, Amen. I, RUTGART VAN BRUNT, of Brooklyn in Kings County, yeoman, being sick and weak in body. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to my two sons, John and Jacob Van Brunt, the farm on which I now live, with eight acres of woodland laying and being at the Narrows; with two acres of woodland laying in Bedford in the Township of Brooklyn. My son John keeps the house, barn, and all the buildings on the said farm to his own use. When my son Jacob comes to the age of twenty-one years, then the executors are to have the said house and barn valued, and the half of what they are valued at is to be paid by my son John to my son Jacob. My son John is to take his choice of one of the negroes and the choice of one of the best horses with a new bridle and saddle. My son Jacob shall have my negro boy named Joe. To my son John one silver-hilted sword and a pike; to my son Jacob, one silver-hilted sword. In case my son John should marry and have lawful issue before he comes to the age of twenty-one years, then in case of his death, his share to go to his lawful heir or heirs. My beloved wife, Lena Van Brunt, shall have two negroes to her sole use and benefit. My sons to have all the wagons, sleighs, plows, harrows, and horse

tackling. My son John, further to have one good horse. All the residue of my personal estate unto my wife Lena and my two daughters, Lana and Jane Van Brunt. In case either of my daughters should die before she comes of age, without lawful issue, then her share is to go to the surviving sister. If they both die, then to my sons, John and Jacob. Whereas by the will of my grandfather I stand chargeable with the payment of the annual sum of £12 to my mother during her life, I do hereby order that the same be paid by my executors to my mother during her life; for the payment thereof I charge my whole estate. Further, that piece of meadow adjoining Nicholas and Fise Vandiekes to be for the sole use of my wife and two daughters. My children to be maintained and supported by my whole estate until they arrive to the age of twenty-one years, or marry; and that my wife also live upon my homestead farm and be supported with them out of the Profits thereof, without committing any waste. I make my beloved wife Lena, my friend, John Rupleja, of Brooklyn, and Cornelius Van Vorst, of Bergen County, executors.

Dated January 20, 1781. Witnesses, Christopher Sweetland and Michael Grant, of Kings County, gentlemen; and Joseph Furmer, executors. Proved, December 18, 1781.

Page 392.—I, JOHN L'HOMEDIEU, of Southold in the County of Suffolk, cooper, being sick. I leave to three of my children, John and Henry L'homedieu and Mary Reeve, five shillings apiece. To my well-beloved wife Mary all my moveables after my funeral expenses and legacies are satisfied; and the use and improvement of all my lands and buildings that shall remain unsold by my executors to pay all my just debts; so long as she remains my widow, and to be in lieu or right of dower. Unto my youngest daughter, Mary, £20; to be paid to her at the time my wife shall cease to be my widow, and not before. Unto my sec-

ond son, Benjamin, the reversion of all my lands and buildings thereon erected, provided he shall pay the legacy above mentioned to my youngest daughter, Mary. If he shall refuse to pay it then my executors shall sell so much of my lands as shall pay the legacy. I make my well-beloved wife, Mary L'homedieu, and my trusty, well-beloved friend, Micah Wells, executors.

Dated January 23, 1777. Witnesses, Ezekiel Pat-tery, jr., Isaiah Wells, Youngs Wells, yeomen, all of the County of Suffolk. Proved, April 25, 1777.

Page 393.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DAVID FERRY, of Southold in the County of Suffolk, yeoman, being of sound mind and memory. After my just debts and funeral expenses are paid, I leave to my well be- loved wife Mehetabel the use and improvement of all my estate, both real and personal, so long as she re- mains my widow. To my oldest son, David, £30. To my second son, Thomas, £5. To my three sons, John, James, and William (after my wife's interest therein) all my lands, buildings, stock, and farming implements of all sorts. To my eldest daughter, Mehetable Ed- wards and my youngest daughter Bethiah, all my household goods of every kind (after my wife's in- terest therein) equally between them. I make my sons, John and James, executors.

Dated October 3, 1778. Witnesses, Jershom Al- drich, Eli Corwin, Daniel Wells. Proved, June 26, 1779.

Page 394.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ABIGAIL SEARY, widow to Mr. John Seary, of Huntington in the Province of New York, being weak in body, but of perfect mind and memory. I leave to Jonathan Scudder my clock that now stands in my house. To Jonathan Scudder's wife my horse and riding chair. To Elizabeth Scudder, daughter to Jonathan Scudder, my gold beads and silver buttons. To his daughter, Mary Scudder, my negro girl named Judah. To Abi-

gail Platt, daughter to Obadiah Platt, all the residue of my estate, both real or personal. I make my three friends, John Brush, Jonathan Scudder, and Joseph Lewis, executors.

Dated August 5, 1779. Witnesses, Platt Wickes, Ephraim Chichester, Moses Scudder, farmer. Proved, May 12, 1781.

Page 395.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES HALLIOCK, of Southold in the County of Suffolk, being weak of body. I leave to my son James the house and land whereon I now live, bounded south on the road, west on a lane, north on Daniel Aldrich, and easterly on Richard Howell and Micah Howell, containing about one hundred and twelve acres. Also, another piece of land containing thirty acres, bounded westerly by the heirs of the late Capt. Conkling, easterly by Capt. Richard Howell, southerly by Isaac Reeve, and north- erly by the road. Also, all my meadow ground in Southold or elsewhere, with all edifices, building, fences, ways, easements, and appurtenances, provided my son James shall pay to my two sons, Jeremiah and Benjamin, £50 each when they arrive to the age of twenty-one years. Unto my son William my lot of land bounded westerly on Samuel Hudson and Daniel Worner, southerly by Thomas Copkling, easterly by the land late of David Horton, north by the road, containing about ninety acres. My executors are to sell ten or fifteen acres of the above piece of land for the payment of my just debts. Unto my Son Thomas one piece of land adjoining westerly to Zerobable Halliock, south and east by Micah Howell, and north by the road, containing about thirty acres. To my two sons, Jeremiah and Benjamin, £50 each; to be paid them by my son James when they shall arrive to ye age of twenty-one years, respectively; or on his neglect, by my executors. To my wife Mary three cows, and to keep fifteen sheep of my stock until my youngest child shall arrive to ye age of ten years.

after that six sheep; which I freely give her. All my indoor moveables (except my silver tankard) two fat cattle, my fatting hogs, and a sufficiency of grain and produce now growing, for an ensuing year. All which I freely give her during her widowhood. To my two daughters, Mary and Abigail, £5 each. To my son William my silver tankard. All the remainder of my personal estate to be sold. I make my wife, Mary Halliock, my two brothers, Zerobable and Joseph, executors.

Dated September 22, 1774. Witnesses, Parker Wickham, Micah Howell, yeoman, Richard Steer Hubbard, yeoman. Proved, December 14, 1775.

Page 397.—The will of the Lord Jehovah be done. My will is as follows: I leave all my moveable estate to my children; to my two eldest daughters, namely, Jerusha and Mary, each £100, with the use or interest of it after my decease. Also, to them, all their own mother's household goods. Then my whole estate to be equally divided between all my daughters, only that Abigail, Juliana, and Phebe have all their mother's household goods divided between them only. I make my brethren, Capt. Josiah Smith and David Howell, executors.

Dated December 24, 1773.

(Signed)

MICAH MOORE.

Witnesses, John Bousseave, Nathaniel Bousseave, yeomen, John Pain. Proved, February 8, 1776.

Page 398.—Know all men by these Presents that I, JOSHUA BRUSH, farmer, of Huntington in Suffolk County, this fifth day of August, 1776, being sick and weak in body. My executors to pay all my just debts and funeral charges. I leave to my loving wife Margaret, one horse, saddle, and bridle, one cow, one bed and furniture as she shall choose, and the use of my cupboard, so long as she remains my widow. All except the cupboard I give to her free disposal. There

shall be flax, wool, and all other necessary provisions for my family for one year after my decease. Unto my daughter Susannah £10 and my cupboard after my wife is done with the same. My wearing apparel and two deer skins should be equally divided between my two eldest sons, Abel and Philip. The £10 given to my daughter should be kept at interest and paid to her with interest when she is eighteen years of age, or on day of marriage. My executors are to sell all the remainder of my estate, and the proceeds to be divided between my wife and my three sons, Abel, Philip, and Jonathan. My executors to be guardians of my estate, and bind out all my children to trades as they shall think proper. If either of my children should die under age or without issue, then that part to be equally divided between my surviving children. I make my good friends, Jesse Brush, Esq., and Jesse Whitman, executors.

Witnesses, Joseph Ireland, Pearesan Brush, Solomon Ketcham, yeomen. Proved, March 28, 1781.

Page 399.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES HALLETT, of New Town in Queens County on Nassau Island, wheelwright, being at this time in a reasonable state of health, and perfect understanding. All debts and funeral charges to be paid out of my personal estate. I leave to my beloved wife Lydia one bed and furniture, six chairs, six knives, and forks, three dishes, six plates, six spoons, a set of blue and white china tea furniture, and tea kettle. Also, the choice of the best room in the house, half of a good beef, one fat hog, firewood cut and brought to the door for one fire, a privilege in the garden and fruit in the orchard as she shall have occasion of for her own use, one hog's head of good cider, the milk of one good milch cow, and bread corn sufficient for her use, and the use of a horse and chair, the sum of £20 yearly during her natural life instead of her dower. Unto my son James, £10 for his birthright. Unto my son, Stephen, the

whole of my real estate, and also the remaining part of my personal estate, on condition that he does faithfully and particularly provide for his mother the hereinafore mentioned articles for her use and support. I make my loving sons, James and Stephen Hallett, and my brother-in-law, Nathaniel Moore, Sr., executors.

Dated July 21, 1781. Witnesses, Isaac Bragaw, yeoman, William Hallett, Moses Hallett. Proved, October 23, 1781.

Page 401.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MARY VANDERBILT, of Staten Island, in the County of Richmond, widow, being weak in body, do this twelfth day of December, 1781, make and publish this will and testament. I leave to my son Cornelius my house I now live in, with all my lands I now possess, on condition he paying six months after my decease to my [son?] John Vanderbilt, £100; unto my son Oliver £100. Unto my two daughters, Eloner Johnson and Doretea Garrison, all my wearing apparel to be divided between them, share alike. Likewise, to my said two daughters and my grandson, Jacob Vanderbilt, all my moveable estate (my funeral expenses first being paid). I make my two sons, Oliver and Cornelius, and my son-in-law, Nathaniel Johnson, my executors.

Witnesses, Christian Jacobson, yeoman, John Barbank, yeoman, Mary Barbank. Proved, December 18, 1781.

Page 402.—In the name of God, Amen. GEORGE WIZER, of Wine Common on Nassau Island, yeoman, being weak of Body, yet of a Perfect understanding, will and positively order after all my debts and funeral charges are paid, to my dearly beloved wife all the farming tackle, with one pair of oxen, the biggest pair together, with all my stock, to bring up his [sic] children, and to give all good learning together for the use of the farm. Unto my beloved son George all

my land and meadow, with all its buildings, when at age; and my wife to give him a team of oxen and horses. Unto my dearly beloved daughter Rebecca, three cows and calves, together with one good bed and bedding. Unto my beloved daughter Margaret, three cows and calves. I make my trusty true Friends, Elijah Wicks and Isaac Burr, executors.

Dated November 26, 1778. Witnesses, Samuel Bruce, Lemuel Roös, John Wickes, of Winocomack, farmer. Proved, March 21, 1781.

Page 403.—I, ESTHAR BRYAN, of Huntington in Suffolk County, this third day of July, 1780, being weak in body but of perfect mind and memory. I leave unto William Netherway, 80 shillings; unto Margaret Netherway the use and improvement of all my part of the homestead that did belong to my brother, John Bryan, so long as until it be sold by me or my executors, if she see fit to live there; and to have the use of my part of the building and firewood; and when sold it shall be equally divided between her and Esther Bennett, daughter of Joseph Bennett. Unto the said Margaret Netherway, one case of drawers, one table, and one bedstead, two wheels, one iron pot and one tea kettle, and one set of curtains. Unto Elizabeth and Esther Bennett, each, one chest. To Elizabeth Bennett, one bed. Unto all my sister's daughters, all the remainder of my moveable estate to be equally divided between them; after my debts and funeral charges are paid. If the said Margaret Netherway should die without any heir, her part should be equally divided between my sister's daughters and her sister's daughters, to their free disposal. I make my good friend, Henry Sammis and William Pleas, executors.

Witnesses, Thomas Sands, Mary Sands, Solomon Ketcham, farmer. Proved, May 12, 1781.

Page 405.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JEREMIAH RULAND, of Huntington Township, of Suffolk County,

of Long Island, being weak in body. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to my dear wife, Dinah, £20; also one riding horse and chair; with the use and profits of all my farms, she making no waste or destruction thereon, until the full age of my son, Jeremiah Ruland, except she should brake her widowhood and marry. Then in that case my executors should take such profits of my farm for the use of bringing up and for a necessary education of all my children. Unto my two sons, Obediah and Jeremiah, all my lands and fast estate. Unto my wife, two milch cows with the use of all my household furniture during her natural life. To my wife, forever, one feather bed and furniture to dispose of them as she may think fit. Unto my three daughters, Experience, Keturah, and Amy Ruland, each £10; to be paid to each at their proper age. I make my worthy friends, Serjeant Vanbaclah Robbins and Mr. Moses Wicks, both of the Township abovesaid, executors, and my wife, Dinah Ruland, executrix.

Dated October 12, 1779. Witnesses, Nathaniel Brown, Lemuel Roos, Stephen Vedeto, of Huntington, schoolmaster. Proved, February 8, 1781.

Page 406.—In the name of God, Amen. This sixth day of November, 1776, I, JEMIMA WICKES, widow and relict of Eliphalet Wickes, Esq., deceased, of Huntington in Suffolk County, being of perfect mind and memory. I leave to my grandson, Eliphalet Wickes Close, £100; to my granddaughter, Elizabeth Close, one bed and furniture and likewise £10 in money; to my granddaughter, Hannah Brush, one bed and furniture and £5; to my granddaughter, Sarah Wiser, one bed and furniture and likewise the curtains belonging to the same, and £10; to my granddaughter, Vileter Allen, £5; to my granddaughter, Sarah Jarvis, £5, and likewise to her sister, Phebe Jarvis, £5; to my granddaughter, Sarah Wiser, one large cupboard and one round table; to my granddaughters, Rebecca Youngs,

Freelove, Phebe and Hannah Brush (the daughters of John Brush), each £5. Unto my daughter, Mary Close, the wife of the Rev. John Close, one silver tankard and six silver spoons. If any of the children above mentioned should die before they come of age, their legacy shall devolve upon the rest of the children, who must wait for their legacies until the land in the eastern purchase which was laid out upon the right held by Jonathan Scudder, is sold. I likewise order a certain lot of upland and meadow, that my husband bought of Oakley upon Santipague, to be sold, and all my other lands, cattle and sheep, and my negro woman named Rachel. One-fourth part of the proceeds in the eastern purchase to be equally divided between the children of my daughter, Margaret Allen. The rest unto my two daughters, Hannah Brush, the wife of John Brush, and Mary Close, the wife of the Rev. John Close, in equal shares. I make Captain John Wickes, Joseph Lewis, and John Brush, executors.

Witnesses, John Brush, Sr., Moses Rolph, yeoman, David Ruseo, yeoman. Proved, May 12, 1782.

Page 408.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSEPH COLES, of Oysterbay, Queens County, yeoman, being in good health and perfect memory, do this twelfth of January, 1780, make this will and testament. I leave to my beloved wife, Freelove Coles, one-third part of the incomes of the whole estate during her widowhood; and the best room in the house and the benefit of the household furniture, one horse and chair. All my debts and funeral charges to be paid. Unto my son Stephen, £110; to my daughter, Achsah Craft, £50; to my daughter, Elizabeth Feeks, £50; to my daughter, Anne Mott, £50; unto my daughter, Zipporah Coles, £50, and then as much more as to make her equal with the rest of her sisters in the outset and privileges in the house. Unto my daughter, Sarah Willis, £50. Unto my son, Robert Coles, one equal

half of my fast estate: unto my son, Jesse Coles, the other half of it. If Jesse dies without any heir, then his estate to be divided equally between Stephen and Robert Coles. If my daughter Zipporah dies without an heir, then her estate to be divided equally between her sisters. I make my three sons, Stephen, Robert, and Jesse, my sole executors.

Witnesses, Daniel Albertson, David Doty, Caleb Cole. Proved, December 31, 1781.

Page 409.—Know all men by these Presents that I, THOMAS POWELL, in the Township of Hempstead in Queens County on Nassau Island, being this twenty-eighth day of the sixth month, 1781, very poorly in body, but of perfect mind and understanding. My just debts to be fully paid. I leave to my dearly beloved wife, Sarah, £100 and one silver tankard before any division be made out of my estate. Unto my daughter, Mary Powell, £60 and one good bed and furniture; when she comes of age, or day of marriage. The remainder of my estate, both real and personal, to be equally divided between my wife Sarah, and my sons, viz: Solomon, Samuel, Thomas, Richardson, David, and James Powell when they come of age. My children to have learning given to them at the discretion of my executors, and such trades as may appear best for them to learn. My wife and children (that arrive at age) to pay the schooling of my younger children. If my lands be sold, the executors are to pay the charges of schooling out of the legacies, but to be sure-minded that the division be as above directed in every part thereof. I make my brother, Stephen Powell, and my friend, Samuel Way, with my well-beloved wife, Sarah Powell, executors. But before I conclude, notwithstanding what is above written, I give to my son Thomas, one young sucking colt, before any division be made of my estate.

Witnesses, Mary Post, Sarah Hutchens, Henry Post, yeoman. Proved, December 21, 1781.

Page 410.—In the name of God, Amen. This twenty-sixth day of November, 1781, I, THOMAS BEADLE, of Hempstead Harbour in Queens County, being sick and weak in body. All my just debts and funeral charges be paid out of my moveable estate. I leave to William Beadle, my son, so called, five shillings. To my son Thomas all my real estate. All the remaining part I give to my wife and my daughters, Catherine and Mary, to be equally divided. I make my friends, Timothy Smith, Esq., and William Valentine, both of Hempstead Harbour, executors.

Witnesses, Charles Titus, yeoman; Susanna Titus, George Weeks. Proved, January 9, 1782.

Page 412.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM SMITH, of Hempstead in Queens County, being sick and weak in body. All my fast estate, houses, land and meadow, to be sold the next spring. Likewise all my moveable estate, both within doors and without, except that shall hereafter be mentioned. All my lawful debts and expenses to be paid. I leave to my well-beloved wife Mary, £130; likewise, two cows, one horse, one cupboard, two beds and furniture, one table, two pewter platters, six pewter plates, six knives and forks, six chairs, my looking glass, two iron pots, one trammel, one tea-kettle, two keelers, one piggen; also my negro girl Sal, so long as she shall remain my widow. Unto my children all the remainder of my estate equally among them; my wearing apparel also, in like manner to be shared. My executors to put my children to trades as soon as they shall come to sufficient age. My father to take my son Jacob and bring him up until he shall be old enough to put to a trade. I make my brother, Isaac Smith, my brothers-in-law, Thomas Dorlon and John Pettit, executors.

Dated October 17, 1781. Witnesses, William Stilwell, Peter Thomas, Abel Southard. Proved, December 22, 1781.

Page 413.—DERICK ALBERTSON, of Mosquito Cove in Township of Oysterbay in Queens County, being advanced in years and under infirmity of body: All my just debts be paid. I leave my son Derick, £20; and to each of my daughters, viz.: Anna, and Mary, and my granddaughter, Mary Golding, each 40 shillings. Unto my son Daniel all my personal estate, provided he pay yearly to my wife the sum of £4 during her life, and maintain her, and my son John, comfortably during their lives, I make my sons Derick and Daniel Albertson, my wife Rebecca, and my neighbour, Charles Valentine, executors.

Dated July 17, 1781.

Added before execution.—Notwithstanding what has been done, my wife to have all the indoor moveables at her own disposal.

Witnesses, Obadiah Lawrence, Albert Albertson, Thorn Goldin. Proved, December 31, 1781.

Page 414.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM HEWLETT, of the Township of Hempstead in Queens County, being weak in body. My executors to sell and dispose of all my real estate (except land and meadow at Near Rockway, laying the west side of the road that leads through the same), and pay all my just debts and funeral charges. I leave to my loving wife Phebe, all my moveables within doors and out, in lieu of her dower. Unto my sons Isaac and Samuel, and the child my wife is now pregnant with (if a son), my land and meadow above mentioned, equally to be divided between them, when my youngest son shall arrive at the age of twenty-one years. Unto my daughters, Rosannah and Hannah, and the child my wife is now pregnant with (if a daughter), the sum of £200 apiece; to be paid when they arrive to the age of eighteen years. Unto my sons, all the residue of my estate, equally between them. My wife to have the use or interest money of all children's parts or portions during their non-age for their maintenance and bringing

up. I make my brother, Richard Hewlett, Benjamin Hewlett, Jr., and Samuel Way, all of the Township and County aforesaid, executors.

Dated August 31, 1781. Witnesses, Samuel Townsend, yeoman, Oliver Willis James Cornwell, yeoman. Proved, December 21, 1781.

Page 416.—In the name of God, Amen. I, RICHARD LAWRENCE, of New Town in Queens County, gentleman, being sick and weak in body. I leave to my dearly beloved wife Amy, £450, and my negro girl named Phillis, my best bed and furniture, including three pair sheets, and three pair pillow-cases, half a dozen fiddle back chairs, half a dozen silver table and half a dozen tea spoons. All to be in lieu of her dower. Unto my brother, Samuel Lawrence, £7 a year; to be paid to him by my executors yearly during his natural life. All the remainder of my estate, both real and personal, to be disposed of either at public vendue or otherwise. The proceeds to all the children of my brothers Joseph, William, Thomas, Jonathan, and Daniel Lawrence, and to the children of my sister, Anna Sackett, equally to be divided. I make my brothers, William and Thomas Lawrence, executors.

Dated December 15, 1780. Witnesses, Hendrick Suydam, Richard Betts, Robert Hinchman.

Codicil. September 24, 1781. Whereas, I have given unto Amy, my wife, £450, my executors are to pay her instead £500. I leave to Melancton Lawrence, son of Elizabeth Fowler, £200. All my negro slaves, ordered to be sold, shall have a reasonable time to look out for their own masters. In case my negro girl named Phillis, given to my wife, shall die with her present illness, in lieu of her, I give to my wife my negro girl named Mary. Unto my brother, William Lawrence, my lot of land lying adjoining to the land of David Provoost and Capt. Samuel Hallett, and the road leading from New Town to Hallett's Cove, containing ten acres, more or less, upon condition, that he pay to

my brother Thomas, for the use of my estate, £20 per acre.

Witnesses, Hendrick Suydam, yeoman; Richard Betts, Jacob Hewlett. Proved, December 24, 1781.

Page 418.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN BELL, of the City of New York, carpenter and joiner, being aged, sick and weak in body, but of sound mind, do this twenty-fifth day of June, 1762, make this will and testament. My executors to pay my just debts and funeral charges out of my personal estate. I leave to my granddaughter, Elizabeth Rowe, of said City, spinster, all my messuages, lands, tenements, and hereditaments, also the remainder of my personal estate, upon condition that she shall cloathe, maintain and take good and proper care of my beloved wife Elizabeth, for and during the term of her natural life. I make my trusty friends, Abraham Anthony, ship carpenter; Thomas Brookman, and Elizabeth Rowe, executors.

Witnesses, Susanna Boskark, John Norris, Charles Morse, scrivener. Proved, October 11, 1775.

Page 420.—Know all men by these Presents that I, ELIAS DOUGHTY, of Flushing in Queens County on Nassau Island, yeoman, being this twenty-third day of January, 1764, well in health of body and mind. I devise all my land and rites to lands, houses, buildings, and improvements, and all my moveable estate, (except what is hereafter willed away), to be sold. I leave to my son Jacob, £50, to be paid at the discretion of my executors, and if my executors don't think proper to pay it unto Jacob, what remains shall be paid unto his children as they come of age. Unto my son William, £50; payable at the discretion of my executors; and if they don't think proper to pay it unto William, then it shall be paid unto his children as they come of age. Unto my two grandchildren, Mary and Sarah Doughty, daughters of my daughter Mary, deceased,

£20 each. Unto my sons, John, Charles, and Timothy Doughty, and daughter, Sarah Doughty, all my estate to be equally divided. Unto daughter Sarah, the two best beds and furniture, and all my linen, my riding chair, and large brass kettle, half dozen new pewter plates, notwithstanding I have ordered all my estate to be sold; my daughter Sarah shall have the things mentioned, over and above her equal part, with the deduction of £100 for a negro boy Ceasar, which I have already given her. I make my sons, John, Charles, and Timothy Doughty, executors.

Witnesses, Jan Hageman, Benjamin Hageman, yeoman, Gilbert Clement, yeoman. Proved, May 13, 1777.

Page 422.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HENRY HARRISS, of the Town of Southampton in the County of Suffolk, husbandman, being in health of body and of sound mind and memory. All my just debts shall be truly paid out of my moveable estate. I leave to my loving wife Lydia, one-third part of all my moveable estate. Unto my son George, the house, barn, and home-lot where he now liveth; also, that piece of land called the old "Pitte," which was formerly Joseph Lupton's; also, a piece of land on Cow Neck, containing about fifteen acres, called the Indian Hedge; also, one-half of a lot of woodland joining to Mattuck Swamp; also, one-half fifty right of land in the lot No. 44 in the Great North Division; also a piece of land lying adjoining to the Fish Cove, which I bought of Jackson Scott, containing about five acres; also, that piece of land and meadow called Mitchel's meadow; also, that piece of meadow called Indian Hedge meadow; and that piece of sedge meadow called Cedar Point; also, one-third part of all my woodland lying in the Great South Division. Unto my son Henry, my new dwelling house, barn and home lots; bounded north by Joseph Rugg; east by the highway; south by David Rose; and west by Joseph Ruggand, the lands of Thomas Jennings, deceased; also, that piece of land

and meadow called the Swamp Pitte; also, a piece of land and meadow lying on Cow Neck, containing ten acres, which was formerly Samuel Clark's; also, a piece of land on Cow-neck, lying by the west side swamp; also, a piece of land and meadow lying at Cow-neck Gate, called by the name of "the nearest way meadow"; also, that piece of land lying at the clay pits, which was formerly Joseph Lupton's; also, a piece of woodland adjoining to William Jones's land at the fresh pond; also, one-half fifty right of land in the lot No. 44 in the Great North Division; also one-third part of all my woodland lying in the Great South Division; and one-half fifty right of commonage running throughout the Town Quogue purchase excepted. Unto my son Daniel, all my lands and meadows that I have at the place called Little Noyack, running up southward to a ditch called Randals Ditch; also, that piece of land which I bought of Benjamin Foster, adjoining to Joseph Post on the west; also, one-half of my right of woodland in the Lot No. 47 in the Great North Division; also, one-half fifty right of commonage running throughout, the Town Quogue purchase excepted. Unto my three sons, John, George, and Henry, one fifty and a half right of commonage within the north sea-line; also, one half lot of woodland within said line, to be equally divided between them; that half lot of land lying the eastward of David Haines Forster's. The remainder of my moveable estate to be equally divided among all my five sons and three daughters. I make my son John and my friend, Stephen Rogers, executors.

Dated December 23, 1769. Signed, Henry Haris. Witnesses, Timothy Peirson, yeoman, Elias Cooper, Abraham Fordham. Proved, December 10, 1781.

Page 424.—I, ELBERT HOOGLAND, of Flushing in Queens County on Nassau Island, yeoman, being weak of body, but of sound mind this thirteenth day of March, 1780, make this will and testament. All my

just debts, with my funeral expenses to be paid. I leave to my well beloved wife Catlinetie, £25 to be paid yearly during her lifetime. Unto my wife, my best bed and furniture, my cupboard, best dining table, arm chair, half a dozen of my best other chairs, my tea kettle and all my china ware, best looking glass, riding chair, and a horse fit to draw the same; all which said money and moveables to my wife, "Together my Beaufat," to be at her own absolute disposal, and in lieu of her Dower. I also allow my wife the use of my best room in my house, during the time she remains my widow. My son Elbert shall provide for my wife, bread and meat and all other necessaries that shall be judged reasonable and necessary for her to keep house with by herself, if she shall choose it, during her widowhood. Unto my son Elbert, all my real estate, together with the remaining part of my moveable estate, on his paying all legacies. Unto my daughter, Phebe Monfort, £200. Unto my granddaughter, Catlinetie Schenk, (daughter of my son Cornelius, deceased), £100. I have heretofore given to my son John, deceased, in houses, cattle and other things, to the value of £50, and also £300 in money; I do now further hereby leave to my granddaughter Catharine, daughter of my son John, deceased, £50; to be paid when she shall arrive to the age of twenty-one years. Unto my granddaughter Elizabeth, the daughter of my son John, deceased, £100; to be paid in like manner. I make my well beloved wife Catlinetie, and my son Elbert, executors.

Witnesses, Cornelius Rierison, Joseph Willis, Frederic Jahn, all of Queens County, yeomen. Proved, November 9, 1781.

Page 426.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SARAH HORSFIELD, of Jamaica in Queens County, widow, being sick and weak in body. My executors to pay and satisfy all my just debts and funeral expenses. To my daughter, Elizabeth Willett, my best bed and furni-

ture; all my wearing apparel and wrought plate. To my son, Benjamin Whitehead, my next best bed and furniture and £30. The remainder of my estate to my daughter, Elizabeth Willitts, and my son, Benjamin Whitehead; to be equally divided between them. My executors to sell all such my estate as is not herein before given away; the proceeds, together with all other money, to be paid out to interest for the use of my daughter and son, and paid to them as they respectively arrive to lawful age, or marry. I make my brothers-in-law, Thomas Horsfield and Samuel Skidmore, and my nephew, Whitehead Cornell, of Rock-ay, executors.

Dated April 29, 1781. Witnesses, Abigail Cornwall, Robert Hinchman, scrivener. Proved, November 3, 1781.

Page 427.—I, SAMUEL DENTON, of Jamaica in Queens County, yeoman, being very weak and low in body, but of sound mind, this ninth day of October, 1776, make this will. My just debts, and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to Martha, my dearly beloved wife, £50, my best bed and furniture and two cows, as also the pasture and fodder for said cows, for so long a time as she shall continue my widow; also, the use and choice of one of the rooms in my new dwelling house, as also bread, corn, and fireing wood sufficient for the said room; all to be provided and supplied to her by my son Nathaniel for so long a time as until my son Samuel shall arrive to lawful age, and then by my two sons equally between them. Unto my two daughters at "Gotion," Catherine, the now wife of Henry Smith, and Phebe, the now wife of Abel Gale, each five and thirty Pounds; to my other two daughters, Martha and Hannah, a hundred Pounds and all my indoor moveables to be equally divided between my wife and my two daughters last named. All the remaining part of my estate to my two sons, Nathaniel and Samuel, except thirty pounds in money I give to

my son Nathaniel. I make Martha, my wife, my two sons, Nathaniel and Samuel, and my daughter Martha, executors.

Witnesses, Joshua Carpenter, yeoman, Obadiah Mills, Daniel Smith, yeoman. Proved, February 27, 1780.

Page 429.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN WALKER, of His Majesty's ship *Carisfort*, mariner, being of sound mind and memory. After all my just debts be paid and discharged, I leave to my friend, John Jack, belonging to His Majesty's ship *Centurian*, of the Shire of Anguish, North Briton, all wages, sums of money, lands, tenements, goods, and chattels and estate whatsoever as shall be any ways due me. I make my friend, John Jack, my only and sole executor.

Dated January 11, 1782. Witnesses, Jno. Lawrence, surgeon; William Johnstone, of the City of New York, cordwainer; Thomas Cantillon. Proved, February 18, 1782.

Page 430.—In the name of God, Amen. The seventeenth day of February, 1781. I, EFFEE VAN VARICK, of the city of New [York], widow, being sick in body. All my just debts and funeral expenses be paid and discharged by my executors. They, as soon as convenient after my decease, to sell all my real estate at public vendue or otherwise, the proceeds therefrom, together with all my personal estate, I leave in manner following; one-third to my daughter, Effee Stout, wife of John B. Stout, of this city, baker; one-third to my daughter, Dinah Periam, wife of Thomas Periam, of said city, mariner; the remaining third to the children of my son, James Van Varick, deceased, to be equally divided between them; their share to be put at interest upon good land security, until he or she shall arrive to the age of twenty-one years, or marriage. I make my sons-in-law, John B. Stout, and Thomas Periam,

and my nephew, John Walter, house carpenter, executors.

Witnesses, Jacob Durye, Andrew Ricker, Peter Thompson, bricklayer. Proved, February 18, 1782.

Page 432.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB COLE, of Staten Island in the County of Richmond, being weak in body. My executors to take so much of my moveable estate as shall discharge all my just debts and funeral expenses; also, to take the sum of £25, and keep and apply it for the best use of my son David; it being a legacy given him by his uncle, David Cole. All the residue of my estate, both real and personal, I leave to my beloved wife Anne during her widowhood, upon condition she brings up my children. But if she marry, then my executors are to sell the whole of my estate, real and personal, at vendue or otherways and the proceeds to be equally divided, between my wife and five sons, John, Cornelius, David, William, and Jacob Cole. If my wife marry, my executors to take that part of my estate which falls to the children, and out of the same to support them so long as the youngest is no longer chargeable to my estate.

I make my brother, Cornelius Cole, and William Lakarman, my brother-in-law, executors, and my loving wife Anne, executrix.

Dated October 28, 1781. Witnesses, Ephraim Johnson, Abraham Cole, Isaac Dooty. Proved, February 21, 1782.

Page 433.—I, CHRISTIAN JACOBSON, of Staten Island, the County of Richmond, being in good health and of sound mind, this fourth day of January, 1782, ordain this will and testament. I leave to my loving wife, Ann Jacobson, my house I now live in, with all the land now in my possession, and also my negroes, live stock, farming utensils, household furniture (except such articles as are given to each of my children); as

long as she remains my widow. After her death to go to my son, John B. Jacobson. Unto my daughter Catharine, £1050; to my daughter Elizabeth, £1000; to be paid to them when they come to age of twenty-one years; or till then, so much of the interest as is necessary for their bringing up. To my son John the sum of £400; to be paid when he is of age; till then to have his maintenance on the place. To my loving wife Ann, the sum of £600, in lieu of dower in case she should marry again. I give to the Brethren's Church on Staten Island, £20 and to the Reverend Mr. Gambold, £10, also to him £20 for the use of the Missionaries amongst the Indians. The rest of my money after the foregoing legacies are paid shall be divided in equal shares between my wife and children. To my son John, all my wearing apparel, my horse, clock, and watch; to my daughter Catharine, my silver tea pot and six silver table spoons; to my daughter Elizabeth, my silver tankard and my little negro wench Suek, and also one good feather bed with furniture. I make my wife Ann, my brother-in-law, Cornelius Vandeventer, and my good friends, Cornelius Cortelyou and Lewi Ryersz, executors.

Witnesses, Catharine Ryersz, Richard Seaman, Samuel Woodward. Proved, February 20, 1782.

Page 434.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ANN VANHORN, of the County of Richmond, being weak in body, doth this fourth day of February, 1774, make this my only last will. I leave to my brother Hendrick Demott's daughter Margaret, £25 (living in Morris County and Province of East New Jersey). To the eldest daughter of my brother in law, John and Mary Van Wagenin, whose name is Margaret, £25, to the second oldest daughter of the aforesaid, whose name is Ann, all the remaining part of my estate. If she should die without issue, then that part of my estate shall be divided equally among the surviving children of my aforesaid brother-in-law and Mary his wife. I

make my loving brother-in-law, John Van Wagenin, and Mary his wife, together with my trusty friend, Jacob Freeland, executors.

Witnesses, John Jacks, Anthony Fountain, yeoman, Vincent Fountain. Proved, February 21, 1782.

Page 436.—In the name of God, Amen. The twenty-fourth day of April, 1781, I, GARRET COSINE, of the County of Richmond, yeoman, being weak in body. All my just and honest debts and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to my two sons, Jacob and Cornelius Cosine, a certain piece or parcel of land lying and being on Long Island at New Lots in Kings County, now in the possession of the said Cornelius Cosine, to be equally divided between them. Also, to my son Jacob, £3 in consideration of his being my eldest son. To my son James, £90. To my son Wilhelmes, £100. To my two sons, James and Wilhelmes, all my Farmer utensils of all kinds; also, all my cattle, horses, sheep and hogs, to be equally divided between them. To my son James, my brass "cittle," but order that he shall pay to my daughter, Altie Dougan, 40 shillings in lieu of the said cittle. To my daughter Altie, one pewter platter and three pewter plates. All my estate, real and personal, to be sold at publick auction or vendue at the expiration of one year after my decease. After all my estate shall be turned into cash the residue after paying debts, shall be equally divided between all my children, viz: Jacob, Cornelius, James, Wilhelmes Cosine; Affie, wife of John Blaw; Altie, wife of Cornelius Dougan. My executors to deduct £33 out of the share of Affie, wife of John Blaw, in lieu of money as I have paid for her. My executors to retain in their hands the portions of my two daughters, Affie and Altie, and not pay their husbands, but distribute to my daughters as they shall have need or occasion for the support of nature; if their husbands shall die, my daughters to receive their remainder in full immediately. I make my dearly beloved sons Jacob, Corne-

lius, James and Wilhelmes, executors. Signed, Garret Cosyne.

Witnesses, Peter Houseman, William Kingston, yeoman, John Houseman.

Dated February 20, 1782.

Page 438.—In the name of God, Amen. The 27th day of November, 1781. I, BARNT SLEIGHT, of the County of Richmond, yeoman, being at this time very weak and low in body, but of sound mind. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to Elizabeth, my beloved wife, all my lands and all my stock of horses and cattle that is on my farm and my farmer's utensils and everything that belongs to me, so long as she remains my widow. If my wife marry then my three sons, Henry, Jacob and Barnt, should divide my estate equally between them, excepting Henry to have £5 more, and they to pay unto my wife £40 instead of her Right of Dower. My three sons each to have a negro boy; but not to be in their possession while my wife remains my widow. I make Elizabeth, my wife, and my son Henry, and my brother-in-law, James Seguire, all of the County of Richmond, executors.

Witnesses, Joshua Wright, yeoman, John Cole, Daniel Peatman, yeoman. Proved, February 21, 1782.

Page 440.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN BURN, mate of the Brigantine *Nancy*, a Navy victualer, at present about to sail for Great Britain, being of sound mind and memory. After all my just debts be paid I leave to my loving friend, John Henderson, King's Pilot for the Harbour of New York, dwelling in New York, all my effects, real and personal. I make the said John Henderson, executor.

Witnesses, Daniel Wardrop, Wm. Glassell, at present of the City of New York, gentleman. Proved, February 27, 1782.

Page 441.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN SLOAN, being of sound mind and memory. After all my just debts be paid, I leave to my brother, William Sloan, baker, near Bow Church Yard, London, all wages, debts, sums of money, goods and chattels, and estate whatsoever. I make Thomas Clousedale, of New York, trader, executor.

Dated August 10, 1779. Witnesses, James Foreman, Ranald McDonald, mariner. Proved, February 18, 1782.

Page 443.—In the name of God, Amen. I, THEODORUS POLHEMUS, of Bushwick, in Kings County, being weak and weak in body, but of sound mind and memory. All just debts and funeral charges to be paid out of my moveable estate. I leave to my beloved wife, in whom I am well pleased, £300; also my negro woman named Peg, my riding chair, and the use of a horse when she shall have occasion, and the use of two of my milch cows and pasture and fodder for them, which horse and two cows my two sons, Theodorus and Jacob, are to find her during widowhood. I also order my two sons, Theodorus and Jacob, to find my wife and her family, grain sufficient and also beef and pork and other vegetables for her family during her widowhood; also, the use of my west dwelling room and one of the rooms adjoining to it, and the use of the kitchen, and also firewood delivered at the door; as much of my household furniture as she shall have occasion of. Unto my son Abraham, my house and lot of ground and all the tenements thereon, situate in the City of New York, which I bought of William Taylor, also £300. Unto my sons, Theodorus and Jacob, all my farm-house and tenements, which I have in Bushwick, also the remaining part of my moveable estate to be equally divided between them. To my son Jores, £600, which sum my executors are to retain and keep in their hands for the use and support of my son Jores during his life. After his death, what

is remaining of it, (if he should die without issue), is to be equally divided among my children. Unto my daughter Geartry, widow of Paul Vandervoort, £500. In case of her death before that time, to be paid to her children when of age. Unto my daughter Altje, £500; also, the sum of £60. If she dies then to her children. Also to her my negro girl named Dinah. Unto Altje Rapelye, daughter of John Rapelye, deceased, £40. Whereas, I have bought a house and lot of ground, situate in the City of New York, in Ferry Street, whereon I have paid £120, (the Title being vested in me), whenever my wife's sister, Mary Bloodgood, shall repay the £120 to my two sons, Theodorus and Jacob, then my executors are to give a deed to Mary Bloodgood, or to her executors, for the use of her children. I make my three sons, Abraham, Theodorus, and Jacob Polhemus, executors.

Dated December 23, 1781. Witnesses, Joost Durye, of Kings County, yeoman; John De Voo, Abraham Schenk, of Kings County, yeoman. Proved, March 4, 1782.

Page 446.—In the name of God, Amen. I, PAUL VANDERVOORT, of Bushwick, in Kings County, carpenter, being in good health of body and of sound mind. All my just debts to be paid and funeral expenses out of my moveable estate. I leave to my dear and loving wife Charity, with whom I am well pleased, and children named Peter, Antie, Elizabeth, Lettie, Paul, Matje, and my daughter Charity, all my real and personal estate to be equally divided amongst them after my wife's death or remarriage. Should my widow die or remarry, all my real and personal estate to be disposed of within two months, either at private sale or public vendue. Before any division is made I give £25 to my son Peter; my wearing apparel to be equally divided to my sons Peter and Paul; the residue of the estate to be divided as aforesaid. Should any of my children, after such division is made, die under

age and without lawful issue, then their share to be my two sons', Peter and Paul. I make my dear and loving wife Charity, and my brothers-in-law, Abraham Polhemus, Theodorus Polhemus and Jacob Polhemus, to be executors.

Dated December 5, 1781. Witnesses, Burger Vandewater, cordwainer, Lettie Polhemus, Theodorus Colyer. Proved, March 4, 1782.

Page 448.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM BOWNASS, Matross in the Royal Regiment of Artillery, being of sound mind and memory. All just debts to be paid. I give to my beloved wife Martha, all my real and personal estate. I make my wife and my worthy friend, Lieut. John Cockburn, of the Royal Regiment of Artillery, executors.

Dated December 4, 1780. Witnessed in the City of New York where no stamps are used. Peter Clopper, John L. C. Roome, Public Notary, Edward Greswold. Proved, March 5, 1782.

Page 449.—In the name of God, Amen. January the 1st day, 1779. I, BENJAMIN BARKER, of Hempstead in Queens County in Nassau Island, yeoman, being in good health and of sound mind and memory. My just debts and funeral charges to be first satisfied. I leave to my loving daughter, Catharn Laranace, wife of Edward Laranace, five shillings; to my loving daughter, Margaret Stuart, wife of John Stuart, five shillings; to my loving son, Samuel Barker, £5. All estate not given away in this will, such as horses, cattle, swine, beds and bedding, pewter, I give to my well-beloved wife Hannah. In case of her second marriage or death, what remains of my estate in her hands I leave to my two sons, John and William, equally. I make my friends, Samuel Pettit, Jr., and Christian Snatecor, executors.

Witnesses, James Wood, yeoman, Elijah Wood, yeoman, Harry Shaw. Proved, February 18, 1782.

Page 451.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSEPH REEVE, of the Town of Southold in the County of Suffolk, yeoman, being in a tolerable state of health and of perfect mind and memory. I give to my beloved wife, Bethiah Reeve, the privileges of one-half the rooms in my dwelling house that she may choose; to live in and to use as she thinks proper during the term of her natural life. Also, I give her yearly twelve bushels of wheat; ten bushels of Indian corn; thirty pounds of flax; one hundred-weight of beef; fifty weight of pork; twenty pounds of tallow; eight pounds of wool; ten pounds of hog's fat; her fire-wood, cut and carted, as much as she needs for fuel; two cows, which are to be kept for her, summer and winter; to be paid to her by my son James. I leave my wife all my household goods and £40 and a garden. To my daughter, Bethiah Conkling, £100; to my granddaughter, Elizabeth Reeve, £40; to my granddaughter, Sarah Conkling, £40; to my granddaughter, Wate Woodhull, £40. What my wife leaves after her decease shall be equally divided betwixt my granddaughters. I leave to my grandson, Ezra Woodhull, my rights in Indian Necks, so called in Southold, both lands and meadows; also, my rights in the common creek. To my son James, all the residue of my lands and meadows during the term of his natural life. Should he leave no son, then such residue shall be for my grandson, Ezra Woodhull. To my said son, James, all my farming tackling. The remainder of my personal estate I leave to my five grandchildren: Joseph, Benjamin, Zebulon, James, and Thomas Woodhull, to be equally divided betwixt them. All bequests to my grandchildren to be paid when they are twenty-one years of age. My negroes to have the choice of their masters without regard to the price. I make Zebulon Woodhull and Daniel Osborn, executors; and authorize my executors to sell my part of the wind-mill; the proceeds to be paid to my said grandson Ezra.