

tian Schultz, of Dutchess County, yeoman. Proved, February 5, 1783.

[NOTE.—On March 8, 1784, Jannetje Donnel (late Jannetje Van Benthuyssen), qualified as executrix.]

Page 290.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSEPH CARPENTER, of the Manor of Cortlandt, Westchester County, being in perfect health. All my just debts and funeral charges and other expenses to be first paid. I leave to Sarah, my well-beloved wife, the use of my estate during her widowhood. Should she have a child or children during my life, the remainder, after her third part for her use during her life is paid to her, is to return to my children, payable at my executors' discretion. Should I die without issue, and my wife should marry after taking her thirds of the remainder, half of what remains in my executor's hands is to be equally divided between my two nephews, Joseph Crane, son of John and Tamer Crane, and Carpenter Lewis, son of Henry and Sarah Lewis, the other half equally between the above named Joseph Crane and Carpenter Lewis, and Benjamin Carpenter, son of Caleb and Amey Carpenter, and Caleb Carpenter, son of Gabril Carpenter. I make my wife Sarah, and my trusty friends, Gilbert Pinkney and Caleb Carpenter, executors.

Dated December 30, 1775. Witnesses, Jonathan Travis, jr.; Elijah Barto; Moses Travis, of Westchester County, farmer. Proved, April 10, 1776. Approved, March 9, 1784.

Page 291.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JONATHAN BLAKE, of the City of New York, considering the uncertainty of this mortal life. I leave to my beloved wife Jane, the dwelling house and lot of ground in the North Ward of said city; fronting to John Street; bounded south by the estate of Rip Van Dam, deceased; west by James Devereux; east by the estate of Anthony Rutgers, deceased; north by John Street;

being 25 ft. x 87 ft. Also, the lot of ground in said Ward, in Augustus Street, mapped by Evert Banker, Surveyor of the City of New York; and numbered lot thirty-three; bounded in front by said street; in the rear by lot number forty-eight; being 25 ft. front, 92½ ft. on the south-west side, 94 ft. on the north-east side. Also, the lot of ground in said ward in Augustus Street, mapped and numbered thirty-four. Also, a lot in George Street, mapped and numbered lot forty-eight. Also, one half of three lots of ground in said city, in Anne Street, and opposite the North Dutch Church (the other half being the property of Daniel Dunscomb), together with the appurtenances to said tenements and all my freehold and real estate; all while my widow. Also, unto her, all my personal estate. At her death or remarriage, all my real estate above mentioned to go to my children: my four daughters, Mary, Johanna, Jane and Elizabeth, and my son Robert, each one fifth part; to them, two-thirds of my personal estate in equal shares; the remaining one third part to my beloved wife, whom I make executor.

Dated August 17, 1776. Witnesses, John Mason; Robert Manley, of said city, coach-maker; Elizabeth Wilson. Proved, March 9, 1784.

Page 294.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOBUS ROOSEVELT, Jr., of the City of New York, merchant, being at present in perfect health of body. After all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid I leave to my son John, £5. The use of the residue of my estate unto my beloved wife Annatje, while my widow, for her own maintenance and that of my children, and their education, until they respectively are twenty-one, or married. Also, to pay out of the same to each of my children for their advancement in life, a sum at her discretion not exceeding £100, payable at majority or marriage; the children to have like sums with the one first advanced, and such sums are to be deducted from

their respective shares of my estate. If my personal estate and rents and income of my real estate be insufficient for the above purposes, then my executors shall sell for best obtainable prices, any two of my lots in the City of New York commonly called the Meadows; proceeds to be used as above directed. At the death or remarriage of my wife, all my real and personal estate to be sold and turned into money or good securities; proceeds to be divided: one eighth part to my beloved wife Annatje, if remarried, in trust for her own use during life; at her death to go as the residue of proceeds of sale of my estate. The remainder of said proceeds unto my seven children: Ann, John, Margaret, Jacobus, Helena, Mary and Nicholas, in equal shares. My executors, at the risque of my minor children, and unmarried, put their shares at interest on the best securities; such interest to go towards their maintenance and education. Should any child or children at my death stand charged to me on account of any monies, goods, furniture or other things, given to or advanced to any of them, such furtherance and advancement to be accounted as part of their respective shares. I make my wife Annatje, my son John, and my brother-in-law, Jacobus Bogart, and Isaac Roosevelt, of the said city, merchant, executors.

Dated December 30, 1771. Witnesses, William Wentworth; John J. Myers, of said city, scrivener; Mary McKesson; John McKesson. Proved, February 18, 1784.

Page 297.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HENDRICK VAN DE WATER, of the City of New York, gunsmith, being in a weak state of health. After all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid by my executors, I leave to my son Albertus, one large silver tankard, as being my eldest son, and bar from future pretences as heir at law to my real estate. The residue of my real and personal estate in six equal parts, to be paid in a proper time after my decease, one sixth part each to

my sons, Albertus, Henry, my daughter Elizabeth, wife to Jeremiah Brouwer, my daughter Margaret, wife to Edward Tilley, my daughter Sarah, wife to Luke Quick, and to Jannecke and Ann Pearse, the two children of my daughter Ann, deceased, late wife of William Pearse, each one twelfth part of said estate. Unto my son Henry, all my gunsmith's tools, immediately after my decease; whereas, he has had of me £50, it is to be discounted from his share. I make my son Albertus, Jeremiah Brouwer, and William Pearse, and my daughter Margaret, executors.

Dated May 2, 1771. Witnesses, Evert Byvanck; John Byvanck, and Petrus Byvanck, of the said City, merchants. Proved, February 18, 1784.

Page 299.—In ye name of God, Amen. I, STEPHEN SMITH, yeoman, of Smith Town, Suffolk County, being weak in body. I leave to my loving grandson, Obediah Smith, my homestead; beginning at the road, running westerly by the partition fence on the south of my homestead till it comes to Micah Smith's land; then to the orchard fence, etc.; taking in the yards and barn and dwelling house in which I now live. Likewise, unto him, all my land lying between the two roads leading to Mills Pond; bounded on the east by Josiah Smith, west by lands of William Mills, partly on the south by the branch roads, and also forty acres of land south of Josiah Smith's land, south of the road leading from the branch to Mills pond, and all my lands lying to the southward in the same long lot, except twenty acres on the south end; leaving one rod wide from the country road to Milses road on the west side of the land for a road for my heirs to pass; Also, all my right in the meadow opposite Pig creek; likewise my edgings from the beach to the beach channel, and "also my salt and edgings below Goose Island from the beach to Porpos channel." Unto my two grandsons, Isaac and James Smith, a tract of land, and the house in which their father lived; adjoining Micah

Smith's and Charles Smith's, containing about three acres; Also, twenty acres of woodland on the south end of my land adjoining the country road; Also, all my rights upon the great thatch bed from the beach channel to Porpos channel; my rights at Long Creek; all my rights against Nathaniel Smith's Cove adjoining Edmons thatch bed; in equal shares. Unto my grandson Obediah, my farming utensils, two horses, one yoke of cattle, and the remainder of my moveable estate except what I shall give to Unice Conkling, my granddaughter, that is, two beds with their clothing and furniture, two tables, one looking glass, one two year old colt, side-saddle, and six large silver spoons. I make my son-in-law, Aaron Smith, and Joshua Hartt, executors.

Dated July 7, 1783. Witnesses, Charles Wheeler; Aaron Smith, yeoman; Joshua Hart, clerk; both of Smithtown. Proved, February 27, 1784.

Page 301.—In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS BRUSH, of the Township of Huntington, Suffolk County, husbandman, this eighteenth of December, 1778, being in reasonable health of body. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid by my executors at some convenient time after my decease, and to receive my just dues, etc. I leave to my loving wife Temperance, my riding chair. My executors to sell all my moveables except my farming utensils. One third of proceeds of sale to go to my wife; two-thirds unto my three daughters, Rebecca Carl, Temperance Ketcham and Mary Wood, in equal shares. Unto my two sons, Thomas Brush, jr., and Jesse Brush, all my lands, meadows, etc., buildings, and farming utensils, in equal shares. I make my two sons-in-law, Gilbert Carl and Jesse Ketcham, and my son Thomas, executors; they to be reasonably rewarded for their trouble.

Witnesses, Richard Conckling; Henry Titus, of said county, yeoman; Benjamin Denton. Proved, March 8, 1784.

Page 303.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES TRAVIS, of the Manor of Cortlandt, Westchester County, yeoman farmer, being very unwell. After all my just debts and funeral charges be paid, I leave to Phebe, my dearly beloved wife, the best horse on the farm, one side saddle, my moveable estate, and the land remaining after my debts are paid (my executors to sell of the north end sufficient to do this); while my widow. Should she remarry, said remainder of land to be sold, and my moveable estate, at my executors' discretion, to be equally divided between my wife and all my children (only my son James I give £5), Susannah, Gilbert, Jesse, Phebe and John. Should any die before marriage or majority, the decedent's part to go equally among the rest. I make my beloved true and trusty friends, Phebe, my wife; and Andrew Lamoreux, both of said place, executors.

Dated August 3, 1779. Witnesses, Robert Cock; Naomy White, of said Manor, Quakeress; Isaac Hatfield. Proved, March 6, 1784.

Page 304.—I, HANNAH KETCHAM, of Huntington, Suffolk County, this third day of February, 1784, being in perfect mind and memory. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid by my executors as soon as convenient after my decease. I leave to my son Platt, one feather bed. My two daughters, Sarah and Hannah Ketcham, to have two cows and two beds apiece. The rest of my estate to be sold; the proceeds to go equally to my two said daughters. I make my good friends, Philip Conkling, Jonathan Titus and Jeremiah Wood, executors.

Witnesses, Ezekiel Conkling, of said County, cordwainer; Timothy Conkling, Amos Platt. Proved, March 6, 1784.

Page 306.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM NICHOLS, of Huntington, Suffolk County, being weak in body. I give to my wife Rachel, the bed and bedding

which belonged to her before her marriage; a red broadcloth cloke; Also, a fine Shift, which belonged to my former wife. The remainder of my former wife's clothes, and some small baby's clothes, to be equally divided between my two sons, Zophef and Samuel. Unto my son Platt, the best suit of my own wearing apparel; the remainder of my clothes unto my youngest son, Jacob. The rest of my moveable estate and my house and farm to be sold, and all debts, funeral expenses, etc., to be paid. Any remainder to be equally divided between my said four sons, allowing my eldest son, Zophar, five shillings more than the rest. I make Mr. Josiah Fingers and my two sons, Zophar and Samuel, executors, and trustees for my wife and children.

Dated January 4, 1784. Witnesses, Zebadiah Bunce; Phineas Sell, of said County, tailor; Philander Vaughan. Proved, February 28, 1784.

Page 307.—In the name of God, Amen. The twenty-third day of August, 1782. I, JONATHAN SMITH, of Huntington, Suffolk County, husbandman, being in firm in body. I leave to Elisabeth, my wife, £100; one horse, my riding chair, two cows, all my house goods, and all my negroes, while my widow. Unto my granddaughter, Elisabeth Carll, daughter of my son-in-law, Lemuel Carll, £50; payable by my executors when she is eighteen. "Should my said daughter die under age," and without lawful issue, the said sum is to be equally divided between my two sons, Zadoc and Josiah. Unto said two sons, all my lands, meadows, buildings, etc., farming tackling and utensils, and my stock, not disposed of, in equal shares. Also, all my outstanding debts; they to pay my funeral charges and all I justly owe; this to be done before any legacies be paid. Any overplus after these be discharged, to be divided as above to my two sons. I make my two sons, Zadoc and Josiah Smith, and my brother-in-law, Thomas Conkling, of Southold, executors.

Witnesses, David Smith, of said County, yeoman; Ephraim Chichester, John Ketcham. Proved, March 8, 1784.

Page 309.—In the name of God, Amen. This tenth day of January, 1777. I, NATHAN VEIL, of Eastchester, being sick in my body. I leave to my loving wife Susanah, my household goods and moveable estate (except one bed and its furniture). Unto my two loving sons, Phineas and Nathan, the homestead where I now dwell, in equal shares. Unto my loving daughter Christian, £30; to be paid her by my sons when she is fully eighteen; and one half of a bed and furniture; the other half unto my daughter Rachel, and also £30, payable as above. If her grandfather charges her for her board, it shall be paid out of her money. I make my loving brother, Joseph Veil, and my wife Susana, executors; they to sell my land in Long Reach to pay my just debts and funeral charges, one month after my decease.

Witnesses, Anthony Volentine; Daniel Townsend, of Eastchester, yeoman; Cornelius McCarthy. Proved, March 6, 1784.

Page 310.—In the name of God, Amen. I, BASIL BARTOW, of the Broughtown of West Chester, calling to mind the uncertainty of this mortal life. After my just debts and funeral charges are paid, I leave to my wife Clarina, all the goods and chattels that are remaining which she brought with her at or before our marriage; Also, two good feather beds, bedsteads and furniture; the sitting chairs, tables, looking glasses, and china ware, usually kept in the parlour; my riding chair and horse; Also, £800 in cash or bonds. Likewise unto her, 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, and such part of the kitchen for her wench to live in and do her work in, and the east side of the garden and peach orchard divided by line running southerly

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 to pass and repass to and from the several places of privilege without molestation or hindrance; Also, pasture for two cows and a horse; all for her natural life, or, while my widow; all to be in lieu of dower. Unto my daughter Clarina, £800; a negro girl called Jude; one feather bed, bedstead, and its furniture; one third part of my religious books and household furniture, not otherwise disposed of, the privilege of living in my now dwelling house, with her mother or brother during life, or until marriage. My executors to put the money at interest on good security, at her risque, to pay principal and interest when she is twenty-one, except so much interest money as she may reasonably want for her support to that time. 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 and buildings thereon, called Heden's Lot, which I bought of my brother, John Bartow; Also, the land adjoining thereto, which I bought of Duncan Reade; Also, a lot of woodland lying at North part of Cow Swamp adjoining to my brother John's land; Also, one equal undivided half part of a half of two lots of upland and two water-lots at New York belonging to my brother, John Bartow, and self, which we hold of the devises of Abraham Vanhorne and the Corporation of New York. The water-lots were granted to my brother John, and the half part of them released to me, together with one half the improvements that may be thereon at the time of my decease; Also, half of my right in the lands on Mine Fords Island, or the new City so called; Also, unto him, an equal half of the fourth part of a farm at the Nine Partners, belonging to my brother and self, which we bought of George Bugbee; Also, one third of my religious books, and household furniture; Also, £200. Unto my son, Basil

John, all my lands called the Homestead, with the buildings and improvements, except a piece of land in the field on the hill adjoining the old orchard, for a burying ground for myself, my children, and their heirs, brothers and their families, if they choose to bury there; which I give for the aforesaid use forever, with the privilege of passing to and from the King's highway through the old orchard. Also, my lands, salt meadow, and land called Scabby Indian, being lands willed to my brother and self by our deceased father, now vested in myself by a release from my brother; Also, a £25 privilege in the sheep pasture of Westchester; Also, the lands called the parsonage lands, and the lands I bought of John Oakley, and the lot of land and salt meadow, adjoining the great Creek; and the lot I bought of Hester N——, all in Town of Westchester; and one half of two lots of upland and two water lots at New York belonging to my brother John and self, which were willed by Abraham Vanhorne and the Corporation of New York; one half the water lots and improvements thereon at the time of my decease; Also, one half of a fourth part of said farm at Nine Partners, and half of my right on said Mine Fords Island; Also, one third of my religious books and household furniture. Unto the Minister, Church wardens and Vestrymen of the incorporated Church of England, known as St. Peter's Church, Westchester, £50 towards building a new church or repairing and enlarging the present Church for the worship of Almighty God; payable when they shall actually engage in such work. My executors to sell my personal estate not disposed of, or not wanted on the farm, together with the shop goods; proceeds and outstanding debts due to me, and the money remaining after the legacies be paid, to be put at interest for the use of my two sons, Punderson and Basil John, at their risque; an equal half of principal and interest to be paid to each son when twenty-one. Should my daughter Clarina die without lawful issue before she is twenty-one her

legacy to go equally to my two said sons. The devise of either of my sons so dying is to go to the survivor. My wife is to have the use of my real estate for the support of herself and children until my son Basil John is twenty-one; any overplus to be equally divided between my wife and children until my son Punderson is twenty-one, and takes his lands, then his share to cease; likewise the share of the profits coming to my daughter Clarina to cease when she is twenty-one or marries. The remainder of my whole estate, after just debts and funeral expenses be paid, to go equally to my two sons. My desire and request is that my wife and executors do take an especial care that my children be virtuously 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 mathematics and literature as may qualify them for some necessary and useful employment in the world. I make my wife Clarina, my brother John, my nephew, John Bartow, son of Theophilus Bartow, and the Reverend Samuel Seabury, executors.

Dated December 16, 1780. Witnesses, Theophilus Bartow, William Bartow, and Augustus Bartow, of the Borough of Westchester, yeoman. Proved, March 11, 1784.

Page 314.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ANNE STORM, widow of Thomas Storm, late of Philipsburgh, Westchester County, deceased, being weak in body. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to my daughter Mary, wife of Garret Storm, all my household furniture, beds, bedding, and all my wearing apparel. The remainder of my whole estate unto my three children, John Sickels, Zacharias Sickels, and Mary Storm, in equal shares. Should any of said children die in my lifetime, the decedent's share to go to their children equally. I make my two sons, John and Zacharias Sickels, executors.

Dated May 11, 1774. Witnesses, Vander Clife Norwood; George Warner, of New York City, sail-maker. Proved, March 13, 1784.

Page 316.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIZABETH WILLIAMS, of Bowery lane in the suburbs of New York, being weak in body. My body to be decently interred in the old English Church yard in the burying ground of my late husband, Alexander Irvin. All my just debts to be paid by my executor as soon as my effects will conveniently enable him so to do after my decease. I leave to my nephew, William Sermon, one shilling, British currency only, being as much as I think him intitled to in full of all claims to be by him made out of my effects. After payment of debts, funeral charges and said legacy, all my estate unto my good friend, Medeas Eden, of the City of New York, brewer, whom I make executor.

Dated February 23, 1784. Witnesses, Francis Davis, attorney at law; and Oliver Hobbs, carpenter, both of said city. Proved, March 13, 1784.

Page 317.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOB WRIGHT, of Cortlandt's Manor, Westchester County, being weak in body this fourth day of the fifth month, 1783. I leave to my eldest son, William, five shillings; the like sum to my daughters, Rachel and Marythe. Unto my daughter Phebe, £5; unto my daughter Sarah, five shillings. Unto my wife Sarah, the rest of my whole estate, while my widow; then it is given to my son Job. I make my wife Sarah, and my son Job, executors.

Witnesses, Thomas Underhill, Solomon Comes, and William Powell, of said Manor, blacksmith, a Quaker. Proved, March 10, 1784.

Page 318.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES WELLS, of the City of New York, shop-keeper, being in a weak state of health in body. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid by my executors within

some convenient time after my decease. Over and above the fee to Doctor Bard for the education of my son James, which shall be paid out of my estate, I give my son James, £25. Unto my sons, Nicholas and William, my negro man called Jeff. Unto my son James, my dwelling house wherein I now reside, and the front half of the lot adjoining; unto my son Nicholas, the south half of said lot. Unto my son William, the north half of my lot in the river, fronting opposite the half lot given to Nicholas; unto my son John, the south half of said water-lot. The residue of my personal estate to be put at interest on real estate security, said interest and income of my real estate to go towards the support and education of my children during their minority at the prudence and discretion of my executors. Except the £25 and negro man before mentioned, my said four children to share equally in my whole estate, to this end when James is twenty-one, my executors, to nominate such person or persons to appraise the said dwelling house and lots of ground respectively devised to my sons, and equalize their portions of my estate by such sums of money as may be necessary. The more valuable of said lots to be assessed to make up any deficiency in value of other shares. I make my worthy friends, George Remsen, Francis Dominick and Nicholas Carmer, of the City of New York, executors.

Dated February 11, 1783. Witnesses, John Nixon; Robert Melven, of St. John in the Province of Nova Scotia, carpenter; Bartholomew Crannel. Proved, March 15, 1784.

Page 321.—In the name of God, Amen. The nineteenth day of February, 1784. I, JOHN JOHNSON, of Brooklin, Township of Brooklin, Kings County, yeoman, being very sick and weak in body. All my just debts and funeral charges to be first paid by my executors some convenient time after my decease, out of my personal estate. I leave to Polly, my dearly be-

loved wife, in whom I am well pleased, my whole estate in Brooklin, and elsewhere, for her use while my widow, she making no waste; and reserving two rooms in my now dwelling house for the use of my mother, Phebe Johnson. An annuity of £50 to be paid to my mother by my executors for her maintenance. Should my wife remarry, my wife is to have £400 on demand; Also, all the furniture she brought into my estate, to be in lieu of dower. At her decease or remarriage, unto my son Teunis, the house I now live in, adjoining lands, farm, buildings, etc.; Also, the one half of my salt meadow and of my woodlands, when he is twenty-one; he paying to my son John, £1,000; two years after he gets in full possession; unto my son John, both the two dwelling houses at Brooklin and adjoining lands; Also, the remaining half of the said salt meadow and woodlands, when twenty-one. Unto my two sons, Teunis and John, the remainder of my undisposed of personal estate in equal shares; at their majority. My executors to sell and make proper conveyances of all my negroes and negro wenches, only the wench Susan and Jane excepted; proceeds of sale to purchase other in the room for the use of my family. My executors to take an inventory of my estate in money. I make my wife, my friend Vernandus Suydam, and my friend, Joost Wyckoff, executors.

Witnesses, John Moser, inn-keeper, and John Johnson, jr., yeoman, both of Township of Brooklyn; John Vandervoort. Proved, March 15, 1784.

Page 323.—In the name of God, Amen. I, BENJAMIN TANNER, of the City of New York, mariner, being weak in body. All my just debts and funeral charges to be first paid. I leave to my eldest son John, £10; in full of any pretensions as being my heir at law. Unto my dearly beloved wife Mary, all my estate for life, and for the support of herself and children and their education. At her decease, my whole estate to go to my children, John, Benjamin, Ann, Mary and Eliza-

beth Tanner, in equal shares. The share of any of my children, dying under twenty-one and before marriage, to go equally to the survivors. My executors may sell any part of my estate at discretion, and at any time after my decease. Any money I have at the time of my death, to be put at interest for my family's support. I make my loving wife Mary, and my brothers, Thomas Vardill and Anthony Tiebout, executors.

Dated June 4, 1763. Witnesses, Peter Bogert, of said City, black-smith; John Phenix, James Emott. Proved, March 17, 1784.

Page 325.—In the name of God, Amen. The twenty-third day of March, 1780. I, JOHANNES DURYEA, of Sowerland, Summerset County, State of New Jersey, being weak in body. All my just debts and funeral charges and other expenses to be first paid. I leave to my loving wife Anna, the use of my whole estate while my widow; for the bringing up, maintaining, etc., of my children not yet of age; or, until my youngest child is twenty-one. Should she marry again, then she is to have one seventh of my estate, and this to be in lieu of dower. Unto my children named Cornelia, Neltje, Anna, Magdelene, Elizabeth and Maria, each an equal seventh when my wife marries and my youngest daughter is twenty-one. Should she not marry the estate to be in her hands for life; at her death to be divided by my executors. I make my loving son-in-law, John Brewer, of Sowerland, and my nephew, Charles Duryea, son of Dirick and Richard Norwood, both of Fishkills, N. Y., executors.

Witnesses, Peter Perlee; Peter Demott, of Shan-neck, Somerset County in East New Jersey, cord-wainer; Isaac Van Arsdalen. Proved, February 9, 1784.

Page 326.—In the name of God, Amen. I, GEORGE SOULE, of the Great Nine Partners, Dutchess County, blacksmith, being sound and perfect in mind and mem-

ory. I leave to my well-beloved wife Lydia, all my lands, goods and chattels; to be occupied by her during life; the estate to be kept together, but in case of want she to have liberty to dispose of it. I appoint my wife and son, Rouland Soule, executors. After the decease of my wife my estate to go equally to my children. The share of my son George, deceased, to go to his son Joseph; that belonging to my daughter Margaret unto her five daughters; that of my daughter Lydia, deceased, unto her children. Should any of my children die before my wife, their dividend to go equally to their children.

Dated June 29, 1776. Witnesses, John White; Elijah Hoag, of Dutchess County, yeoman. Proved, February 28, 1784.

Page 328.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ROBERT HINCHMAN, of the Township of Jamaica, Queens County, being sick and weak in body. I leave to my dearly beloved wife Johanna, all my estate, while my widow. Unto my children, Nehemiah, Polly, John, Daniel, Robert and Benjamin, my whole estate in equal shares; notwithstanding the above, the seven acres of land that I have lying between the lands of the Rev^d Abm. Kettletas and Mr. Samuel Jones, be disposed of soon after my decease. I make my cousin, Robert Furman, David Lambertson, my son Nehemiah and my wife Johanna, executors.

Dated January 26, 1784. Witnesses, James Cebra, of said County, storekeeper; Joseph Robinson, Daniel Menema. Proved, February 26, 1784.

Page 329.—In the name of God, Amen. This nineteenth day of April, 1783. I, PETER HOGBOOM, of Beekman's precinct, Dutchess County, farmer, being very sick and weak in body. I leave to my eldest son, John, five shillings as his birthright. Unto Bartho'w Hogoboom, who goes by that name, five shillings. And after the determination of that estate, all the rest of

my goods and chattels, lands and tenements, equally unto my dear wife Elizebeth and my children, John, Jacob, Elizabeth, Sarah, Peter, Margreat, Hannah, James, Polly and Catrin. John has had part of my estate, esteemed as part of his portion. I charge and desire my loving wife and well-beloved children so far as they do expect the Lord Almighty to have mercy upon their souls, and His blessing upon their worldly business and affairs, that they will agree and divide agreeable to the true intent and meaning of this will. I make my wife Elizabeth, and Bartholomew Noxon, jr., executors.

Signed) "PETER HOOGEBOOM."

Dated April 19, 1783. Witnesses, Smiten Tripp, of said County, yeoman; Jones De Long, Samuel Irish. Proved, March 11, 1784.

Page 331.—The last will and testament of Samuel Jones, senior, in the drowned lands of the precinct of Goshen, Orange County, this fifteenth day of May, 1781. In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL JONES, being weak of body. I leave to my grandson, Nathan Jones, all my rights in lands on the west side of the Wallkill; Also, my lot on the west side of Mount Eve. Unto my oldest son, Cornelius, all my rights in the remaining part of the undivided lands in the aforesaid county. Unto my grandson, Michael Allison Jones, the two lots joining the homestead, Nos. 2 and 3, namely: Gillson's lot and the old lot; Also, the lot I bought from Gustin. Unto my granddaughter, Elenor Sheridan, my bed and bedding. My Cedar Swamp to be equally divided between my three grandsons, Samuel, Michael, and Andrew Jones. Should either of these die under age, his share to go to the survivor. Unto my grandson Cornelius, my black mare; unto my grandson Samuel, my yearling colt; unto my granddaughter, Rebecca Chandler, one cow; to my grandson Nathan, four sheep; to my granddaughters, Hannah Jones and Rebecca Chandler, each one pair of sheets; to my daugh-

ter Hannah Sheridan, my low chest; my wearing apparel unto my son Cornelius. My said daughter Hannah to have two basons, three plates, and one platter. Unto my granddaughter, Elenor Sheridan, one tea kettle; unto my grandson, George Jones, my sword and gun. My funeral charges and lawful debts to be paid; if there be an overplus my grandson Andrew to have £10; the remainder to go to my son Cornelius' children at my executors' discretion. I make my trusty friend, Peter Gale, and my grandson, Nathan Jones, and Hannah Jones, executors.

Witnesses, John Conner, of Goshen, schoolmaster; Anthony Dobbin, of said precinct, labourer; Michael Jackson. Proved, February 28, 1784.

Page 333.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ROBERT LYONS, being in sound mind and memory, this tenth day of April, 1776. All my lawful debts to be paid by my executors. I leave to my sister, Elizabeth Lyons, £5. Unto my sisters, Marthew and Mary, £5 each; to my sisters, Searey and Jean, £10 each; should there not be enough each legacy to be proportionately reduced; any overplus to my sister Searey's oldest son. I make Richard Colman and George Denniston, executors.

Witnesses, James Greer; Alexander Denniston, of Precinct of Wallkill, Ulster County; George Denniston. Proved, March 6, 1784, in Orange County.

Page 334.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB BANTA, of the City of New York, cartman, being in good health. All my just debts and funeral charges and expenses to be paid out of my personal estate; if insufficient out of real estate. I leave to my son Jacob, £5 as his birthright; payable when he is twenty-one. Unto my dearly beloved wife Jane, the use of the house wherein I now live, during her widowhood. Should the said house be sold, she is to have, out of the proceeds of my estate, a comfortable house to live in in full

of her dower right. Should she marry again my executors shall pay her £50. Unto my daughters, Annatie and Rebecca, equally, £200, the choice of two negro slaves; payable and delivered when Rebecca is twenty-one, or either marries. All my children to board with my wife till they severally are twenty-one. The interest of the legacies given to Annitie and Rebecca to be paid and applied to their comfortable support and maintenance. The remainder of my estate to my children, or the survivors of them, in equal shares. That my estate may be beneficial to my children, I order that on the marriage of either of my children, a division be made, as far as may be possible; Also, when either is twenty-one; executors to take only a receipt on account; the full distribution, when my youngest child is of age. I make my wife Jane, my daughter Annitie and my friend, Peter Hegeman, of the City of New York, merchant, executors.

Dated September 25, 1782. Witnesses, John Woods, jr., William Sackett, jr., John Woods, of said City, Esquire. Proved, March 18, 1784.

Page 3. —In the name of God, Amen. I, RICHARD FLOYD, of Brookhaven, Suffolk County, being low and weak in body. I leave to my oldest son, Richard, all my neck and farm land called Pattersquash, whereon he now lives, with all my other lands in the Manor of St. George, and in the Township of Brookhaven, and elsewhere upon the south side of the Island; and all my estate in the South Beach; Also, half of the South Bay and the creeks and islands therein; all my negro and Indian servants; the household furniture; stock of neat cattle, horses, sheep and swine; the utensils of husbandry (except the moveables on my farm in the middle of the Island where I now live) for of that I only give him the half of the stock and farming tackling; all my lands and rights of commonage southward of the County road near the middle of the Island. Unto my son Benjamin, all my houses and lands in

Brookhaven and my rights of commonage north of said road, with all my negro and Indian servants; the household furniture, stock of neat cattle, utensils of husbandry belonging to said premises; and the other half the stock farming tackling on the farm whereon I now dwell; Also, my negro boy Tice to be taken after his mother's decease or widowhood; Also, the other half of South Bay; Also, £200. As I have heretofore made some provision for my beloved wife Elizabeth, I make no further addition except my three negro wenches Jude, Zipporah and Kate (but not Kate's child, for that I give to my son Benjamin), with two good beds and suitable furniture for the same out of my son Benjamin's portion, all the silver plate she brought to me. Further, my negro boy Tice, while my widow; the use of the furniture in my now dwelling house. Also to her, £20 to buy her mourning and a ring. My sons, Richard and Benjamin, to support and provide for their mother, sufficient apparel, all other necessities and conveniences, while my widow, of their mutual expense and charges; Also, they shall provide the same (except apparel), and take care of my daughter Mary. Also, necessities for my three wenches while they live with my wife. Unto my daughter Mary, after her mother's decease or widowhood, my beds, linen and household furniture belonging to my dwelling house; and £400; payable with interest on her marriage day, or when she is twenty-one; her support to continue from her brothers until either of said events. After my just debts are paid by my sons (whom I make executors), and the legacies discharged, the residue of my money, bonds and other securities, unto my two sons, in equal shares.

Dated February 22, 1768. Witnesses, John Homan, jr., and Daniel Petty, both of Suffolk County; W. Nicoll, jr. Proved, March 17, 1784.

Page 339. —In the name of God, Amen. I, GEORGE WILLIS, of Newark Township, Essex County, State of

New Jersey, being weak in body. All my just debts to be paid. I leave to my dear and loving wife Margret, my whole estate for life; at her death to dispose of it at her will and pleasure. I make my true and loving friends, William Dow and John Somendik, executors.

Dated October 31, 1779: Witnesses, Michael Vreeland, John Dow, jr., of New York City, mason; James Dow. Proved, March 24, 1784.

Page 341.—The State of New Jersey. To all to whom these presents shall come. Greeting: Know ye that among the Records remaining in our Register's Office of Wills at Burlington it is contained as follows: In the name of God, Amen. I, ENNIS GRAHAM, late of the City of New York, merchant; but now of Middlesex County, N. J.; born in North Britain; being weak in body. I leave to Elizabeth, my dearly beloved wife, £2,000, or its value; Also, the interest of £1,000 more for life. At her decease, the said £3,000 unto my sons, Ennis, Alexander, and John, and to my daughter, Sarah Graham, in equal shares. Unto my wife, all my household furniture, plate, etc., together with my negroes. At her decease the same unto my three daughters, Sarah, Elizabeth and Jane Graham, in equal shares. Unto all my children the residue of all my estate in like manner; namely, Ennis, Alexander, John, Sarah, Elizabeth, James, Edward, Jane, Charles, and William. The shares to go to my daughters, Sarah, Elizabeth and Jane to be entailed on them, not to be broken by marriage. Unto my eldest son an additional sum of £5 for his birthright. I make my wife Elizabeth, and my trusty and well-beloved friends, Mr. Walter Buchanan, merchant, and Mr. Thomson, merchant and saddler, both of City of New York, executors.

Dated September 15, 1777. Witnesses, Israel Read, Michael Field, Peter Coehran.

[NOTE.—The will was proved by the deposition of Peter Coehran and Michael Field; the date is not

given. At Middlesex County, New Jersey, on September 24, 1777, the executrix and executors qualified before James Kirkpatrick, Surrogate. The exemplified copy is signed by "our trusty and well-beloved William Livingston, Esquire, our Governor; Captain General and Commander-in-chief in and over the State of New Jersey and territories thereunto belonging; Chancellor and Ordinary in the same, at Elizabeth Town, February 16, 1784." Attested by Bowes Reed, Secretary. Letters ancilliary were granted to the same executors by the Court of Probates of New York on March 25, 1784.]

Page 343.—In the name of God, Amen. The fourteenth day of March, 1765. I, GODFREY HELMER, of Canajohary, Albany County, being very sick and weak in body. I leave to my beloved wife Ana Margeretha, 50 acres of land in the New Patent No 118, granted to George Klock "in company, for her" while my widow; Also, the remainder of the estate I now live upon, as long as she will stay by all my children as my widow. Unto my beloved son Leonhart, all the right of said estate and my saw mill "to be commander of it till my four sons, of my deceased wife, being of age, to become equal partners of it." Unto my son Johannes, 120 acres of New Patent No 7. Unto my son Godfry, 100 acres of New Patent No 53. Unto my son Joost, 100 acres of New Patent 101. Unto my son Henry, 100 acres of New Patent 154. Lots No 7 and 53 must deliver timber for the saw mill; and timber, fencing and firewood for the said farm. Unto my four daughters, namely, Elizabeth, Margeretha, Christina and Catharina, £5 each to be paid by my five sons equally when demanded by my daughters. My daughter Margeretha to have the choice of living with any one of my sons during her life. The loose estate to be undivided until my children are of age, or one of my daughters shall marry; to take two cows if there is a stock of creatures not to be "hurtted" to the family. I make

Daniel Miller and Jacob Kraus, both of Canajoharie, executors.

Witnesses, Daniel Miller, Jacob Krausz, Andreas Reber, of Palatine District. Proved, December 1, 1783, at Tryon County.

[NOTE.—Letters of administration were granted on March 25, 1784, to John Helmer, of Canijohary district in the County of Montgomery, yeoman, a son of the testator; Daniel Miller and Jacob Kraus “are as is alleged likewise deceased.”]

Page 345.—In the name of God, Amen. The eleventh day of October, 1784. I, ROBERT CRAWFORD, yeoman, of Old Pound Ridge, Westchester County, being very sick and weak in body. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to Elizabeth, my loving wife, one third of the use of my lands and moveable estate during her life, excepting a piece of land in the Patent of Kayndrossora in Albany County containing 150 acres, for which I now have a lease, which lands are equally for my two eldest sons, John and Henderson, when they are of age. The rest of my lands in said Ridge to be undivided until all my children are of lawful age; the profits to be for bringing up the children. When the youngest is of age, my whole estate to go equally to all my then living children: John, Henderson, Stephen, Robert, David, Martha, Ann, Jane, and Abigail. The household goods belonging to my first wife to go to my daughter Martha, they being her mother's; namely: one feather bed, one chest of drawers, one square table, iron pot, kettle and some small articles well known in the family. I make my wife Elizabeth, my loving brother, Archibale Scrawford, executors.

Witnesses, Henry Eames, Isaac Scibner, Joseph Robinson, of Bedford, Westchester County, yeoman. Proved, March 24, 1784.

Page 347.—In the name of God, Amen. The twenty-seventh day of February, 1772. I, JOHN SMITH, of

Phillips Borough, being well in health. I leave to my sons, Samuel and John, ten shillings each; unto my son Michael, £25. Equally unto my two sons, Jacob and Isaac, my lands and possessions in the Manor of Phillips Borough, except one acre of cleared land; Also, one of wood-land, adjoining Mr. Barton's land. The said sons, Jacob and Isaac, I make executors. Should either die without lawful issue, his share of lands to go to the survivor. I agree with my two said sons that it shall not be lawful for me to revoke this will; they also, to pay my just debts.

Witnesses, Richard Willis, Mary Willis; James Willis, of New Rochelle, in said county, yeoman. Proved, March 12, 1784.

Page 348.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HANNAH BROWN, widow, being well stricken in years, this twenty-first day of February, 1781. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid by my executors out of my estate. I leave to my four sons, Samuel, Nehemiah, Roger, and Andrew equally, £120. My great Bible unto my son Samuel. The remainder of my estate unto my four daughters, Hannah Purdy, Elizabeth Thorn, Eunice Wilson, and Rachel Sniffen, equally. I make my sons-in-law, Caleb Purdy and Joseph Wilson, executors.

Witnesses, Job Hadden, Alexander Haines; Silvanus Purdy, of Harrison's precinct, Westchester County, yeoman. Proved March 17, 1784.

Page 350.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN BEEKMAN, late of the City of New York, now of the Precinct of Goshen, Orange County, being sick and weak in body. My body if buried in the country, when times are settled, to be carried to New York. I leave to my uncle, Verdine Elsworth, £150. Unto my brother Theophilus, my gold watch; unto my brother Thomas, my gun. Unto said two brothers, all my clothes. Unto my loving wife Christan and my child,

Samuel Gale Beekman, equally, all my estate, except what is specifically bequeathed; should my child die a minor, my wife to have his share. Unto my brothers, Theophilus and Thomas, £200 each. Unto my wife, my riding horse. My executors as soon as convenient to pay my just debts and legacies; bring up and educate my child in the best manner; to divide my estate between my wife and child at the proper time. I make Theophilus Beekman and Samuel Gale, executors.

Dated January 21, 1780. Witnesses, George Burling, John Shelts; Henry Gale, of Newark, New Jersey, physician. Proved, March 29, 1784.

Codicil. I make David Mathews, Esquire, an additional executor. Dated August 18, 1780.

Witnesses, William Richardson, John Williamson, John Carpenden, jr. Proved, March 29, 1784.

Page 352.—In the name of God, Amen. I, LODAWICK BAMPER, of Brooklyn, Kings County, gentleman, being sick and weak of body. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid. My executors to sell my real and personal estate at some convenient time after my decease; proceeds to go as follows: one fourth part to my eldest son, Jacob, a like part to my son Isaac, or, in case of his death equally to my other surviving children. One fourth to my daughter Anna Willamina, wife of Doctor Barbarine. The other fourth equally among the children of my daughter Margaret, wife of James McKenny. Before any division be made, unto Mary Wynkoop, £100. I make my friends, Jacob Sharpe, William Maxwell, Charles Doughty and John Anderson, executors.

Dated June 3, 1783. Witnesses, Mary Morris, Margaret Pearson; Cary Ludlow, of New York City, Esquire. Proved, March 24, 1784.

Page 354.—I, ELIZABETH BURLING, of the City of New York, widow, the nineteenth day of the seventh month, 1779, being weak in body. All my just debts

and funeral charges to be paid by my executors out of my estate. I leave to my daughter, Phebe Sackett, my son Benjamin, and my daughter, Martha Langdon, £100, each. Unto my granddaughter, Phebe Sackett, £30. Unto my five grandchildren, Sarah and Elizabeth Sackett, Mary, Elizabeth, and Abigail Martin, all my household furniture (except a closet chair) in equal shares. My executors to sell all my part of the land, with the distillery and other houses thereon, situate on Beekman Street, Montgomery Ward in New York, now in the possession of Edward Burling; the proceeds and money now in the hands of my son Thomas, to go equally between all my children, to wit: Abigaile, Edward, Phebe, Elizabeth, Sarah, Thomas, Mary, Benjamin and Martha. Unto my daughter, Phebe Sackett, the above mentioned chair, and all my wearing apparel. I make my two friends, my son, Edward Burling and my son-in-law, Isaac Martin, executors.

Witnesses, Theophilus Elsworth, of said City, baker; Joseph De Laplaine; John Lawrence. Proved, April 2, 1784.

Page 355.—I, SILVANUS HYATT, of the White Plains, Westchester County, in the Government of New York, this eleventh day of June, 1779. All my just debts and funeral charges and other expenses to be paid by my executors soon after my decease. I leave to my beloved wife Esther, all the moveables she brought to me, and my sorrel mare; all to be in lieu of dower. As I have one daughter, and my wife is now likely to have another child, if this child be a son, the bond I have of my father is to be divided, the son is to have three parts, my daughter the remainder. If it be a daughter, the bond to be equally divided. The colt, now come of the mare, to go to such son, or the value of it; if the child be a daughter, the same to be divided as the bond. The interest on the bond to go to my wife provided she bring up my children well, to

have sufficient learning, to be brought up to business. My executors, may, on just cause, undertake this order. Should the interest be insufficient, they may draw on the principal. I make my friends, Elijah Purdy and Thomas Halstead, jr., executors.

Witnesses, John Arden, Elisha Hyatt, of White Plains, yeoman; Benedict Carpenter. Proved, March 1, 1784.

Page 356.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL DEBE VOISE, of the Township of Brookland, Kings County, being very sick. All my just debts and funeral expenses to be first paid by my executors at some convenient time after my decease. I leave the use and income of my whole estate to my mother, Marietie De Be Voise, for life. At her decease, £5 to the children of my deceased brother, Jost De be Voise, in equal shares. One half of the remainder of my whole estate unto my sister Eida, wife of Fernandes Suydam; the other half unto my sister Marietie, wife of Garret Vandine for life; at her decease to her children in equal shares. I make my brother-in-law, Fernandes Suydam, and my neighbour, Jeremias Vanderbilt, executors.

Dated November 7, 1780. Witnesses, Jeremiah Vanderbilt, John Ryason, of the Township of Brooklyn, yeoman; Nicholas Couwenhoven. Proved, March 20, 1784.

Page 358.—In the name of God, Amen. I, PETER LUYSTER, of the Township of Flatbush, Kings County, yeoman, being very sick and weak in body. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to Antje, my beloved wife, my whole estate while my widow. At her death or remarriage, my real and other estate to be sold; proceeds with my other money to go as follows: to each of my sons, Matthias, John, and Peter, £10; the overplus unto my sons and daughters, Matthias, John and Peter, and Antje, widow of John

Neefyes; Margaret, wife of Johannes Williamson; Maria, wife of Cornelius Ostrander; Willimpje, wife of Peter Luyster, to each, an eighth part; unto my two grandsons, Peter and Hendrick, sons of my daughter Cornelia, deceased, each the sixteenth part. I make my sons, Matthias, John, and Peter Luyster, executors.

Dated September 27, 1776. Witnesses, Mechiel Stryker, Richard Loxham, and Johannes Lott, jr., both of the Township of Flatbush, yeomen. Proved, March 20, 1784.

Page 360.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN THEW, yeoman, of Have straw Precinct, Orange County, being now weak in body. All my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid out of my personal estate. I leave to my wife Elizabeth, for life and widowhood, the right of my farm, or so much as will employ one team of horses, which she is to have and three milch cows, and the house. My son Jacobus to have two years' schooling, out of the common stock. Unto my sons by my first wife, all monies due to me as my first wife's portion, in equal shares. Unto my son Jacobus (by my present wife), all that may become due to me by her right. Unto my loving wife Elizabeth, all goods belonging to her at our marriage. Unto my son Thunis, the mare called the "race-mare," on condition that he shall help to pay for John's horse about £13. Unto my son Jacobus, a colt from the race mare, to be kept on the farm until it is four years old, without his expense. Unto my five sons, equally, the whole of my estate, real and personal. I make my brother Abraham and my brother-in-law, Johannes Blauvelt, executors.

Dated February 28, 1784. Witnesses, Isaac Sherwood; Thomas Lawrence, of said precinct, yeoman; David Pye. Proved, April 5, 1784.

Page 362.—In the name of God, Amen. The first day of September, 1775. I, PETER OUTWATER, farmer,

of Rumbouts precinct, Dutchess County, being of sound mind and memory. I leave to my loving wife Balitje, the use of the farm on which I now dwell, with its buildings, etc.; Also, that of another farm on the north side of Johannes Schurrough's farm; Also, such of my stock, negroes, household furniture, etc., not sold to pay my just debts; all while my widow. If she remarries, then (in lieu of her dower), one bed and her choice of furniture, of a negro wench, and furniture (at my executors' discretion) for house-keeping; and her wearing apparel. Unto my grandson, Daniel Outwater, £5; the farm whereon I dwell, buildings, etc.; at the death or marriage of my widow. Unto my granddaughter, Catharine Outwater, wife of Barndt Van Kleeck, of the same county, the use of my other farm adjoining Johanne Schurrough, at my widow's death or remarriage. After said Catharine's decease, to go equally to the children of her body. My undisposed of lands to be sold, the proceeds of sale to pay my debts. Should there be a shortage, enough of my stock, negroes, and other moveables to be sold; any overplus to go equally to my two grandchildren. At my widow's death or remarriage all remaining moveables to be divided in like manner. I make my grandson, Daniel Outwater, Barndt Van Kleeck, my trusty friend, Samuel Dodge, of the same county, executors.

Witnesses, Johannes Schurri; Clement Cornell, of said county, yeoman; Antony Helst.

Codicil. The fifteenth day of May, 1777, I, PETER OUTWATER, being weak in body; my wife Balitje having died, her legacy is to go equally to the above grandchildren. Unto Peter, son of my grandson, Daniel Outwater, my grey mare. My wench Mary, and my negro boy Jim, to the one of my grandchildren she may choose; my other wench Susan, unto the other grandchild. Same witnesses. Proved, April 2, 1784.

Page 364.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM VREDENBURGH, of the City of New York, feltmaker,

being in good health. All my just debts and funeral charges to be first paid by my executors. I leave to my son John, my best Dutch Bible, in consideration that he makes no claim as my eldest son and heir at law. Unto my loving wife Willemyntie, the income of my whole estate, while my widow. At her remarriage, one third part of my personal estate. The remaining two-thirds and whole real estate unto my children, John, Mathias, William, Agenitje, Jannatje, Cathrina, and Cornelia, excepted as follows. Unto my grandchild, Willemyntje Anthoni, one eighth of the two-thirds of my whole estate, payable when she is twenty-one. To such and each of my children as have had no out-set of me, £130, or value thereof, before any division be made. Should any child die before the division and leave no lawful issue, his share to go to the survivors. "If it should please God to take me from my young children who now stands in need of necessities of living, clothing and learning," such to be provided out of my estate till fit for trade and able to provide for themselves. Should any children die leaving issue under age, or otherwise where law is not provided for, my executors or remaining children to sell or mortgage any real or personal estate, and make a division. I make my wife Willemyntje, my sons, John, Mathias, and William, executors.

Dated February 21, 1765. Witnesses, Arie King; Isaac Stoutenburgh, jr., Esq., and John Kierstead, hatter; both of City of New York. Proved, April 5, 1784.

[NOTE.—John Vredenburgh was the only surviving executor on April 5, 1784.]

Page 366.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB BROUWER, of the City of New York, masoner, being in good health of body. All my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid by my executors out of my estate in some convenient time after my decease. I leave the residue of my whole estate to my children. Unto my

son Jacob, £5: Unto my sons, Jacob, Abraham, and William, equally, all my wearing apparel. Unto my daughter Petronella, one feather bed, one set of bed curtains, and half a dozen chairs. Unto my sons, Jacob, Abraham, William, and my daughters, Anna, wife of Cornelius Cooper; Jane, wife of Henry Van Winkel, Petronella Brouwer, six sevenths of my real and personal estate in equal shares. The remaining seventh equally unto the heirs of my daughter Mary, deceased, meaning Gitty and Mary Permilliar.

Should any of my deceased father, Jacob Brouwer's state be recovered after my death, it is to be divided into four shares. One fourth equally unto my within named heirs; another unto the heirs of my brother, John Brouwer, deceased; another unto my brother, Everardus Brouwer; the remaining fourth unto my brother, Abraham Brouwer. I make my sons, Jacob and Abraham, and nephew, Jacob Brouwer, hatter, all of the City of New York, executors.

Dated at Kakiat, N. Y., October 23, 1781; and in the sixth year of American Independence. Witnesses, George Lindsay, of said City, stone-cutter; Nicholas Hillaman; Abraham Brouwer, of said City, hatter. Proved, April 5, 1784.

Page 369.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB VAN VOORHIS, of the City of New York, merchant, being in good health. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid at some convenient time after my decease. I leave to my two sons, Jacob and John, all my wearing apparel. Unto my two daughters, Gertrude and Jane, the wearing apparel that was their mother's. One sixth of the residue of my whole estate unto my wife Sarah, in satisfaction of her right of dower. Like parts unto my sons, Jacob and John; my daughters, Gertrude and Jane; the remaining sixth to my wife's daughter, Cornelia White. The share of any of my children dying under age and unmarried to go equally to the survivors. My wife to have the profits

of my estate until my youngest surviving child is twenty-one; if she lives so long and continues my widow, for the maintenance of herself, her daughter and my said four children. At her death or remarriage, my executors to divide my estate; they may at any time sell my real estate. I make my wife Sarah, and my two sons, Jacob and John, executors.

Dated September 1, 1775. Witnesses, Edward Nicoll, jr., merchant, of New York; John Robins Mesier; Abraham Mesier, merchant, of same city. Proved, April 5, 1784.

Page 370.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MARY EXCEEN, of the City of New York, residing in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, being of sound mind and memory. I leave to my grandson, Garret Exceen, £5, payable at my executors' discretion. Unto my dearly beloved daughter, Hannah Exceen, whom I make executrix, my whole estate.

Dated September 10, 1782. Witnesses, Henry Brower, Garrit Vader; Adolph Waldron, of Brooklyn, yeoman. Proved, April 6, 1784.

Page 372.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CORNELIUS SEBRING, of Dutchess County, being in good health. All my just debts and funeral charges and other expenses to be paid at some convenient time after my decease. I leave to my beloved wife, all the furniture and plate which she brought with her; a negro man named York, and a negro woman named Nanny. Unto my daughter Katherine, one negro woman named Jean. Unto my daughter Margaret, one negro woman named Rose. Unto my son Isaac, £50 before any division, and in lieu of a negro man; likewise, my silver watch and all my wearing apparel. Unto my daughters, Katherine and Margaret, equally, my remaining furniture. My house and lot in the City of New York, and improvements; an equal fourth part each, unto my wife, my daughter Katherine, my daugh-

ter Margaret, and my son Isaac. I make my son Isaac, and my son by marriage, Archibald Currie, executors. Dated July 25, 1778. Witnesses, John Brinkerhoff; Theodorus Van Wyck, of said County, Esquire; Charles Young. Proved, March 8, 1784.

Page 373.—In the name of God, Amen. This twentieth day of June, 1775. I, JOHN SCHENCK, of Flatlands, Kings County, miller, being in good bodily health. All my lawful debts and funeral charges to be defrayed. My real and personal estate to be sold at my executors' discretion. The proceeds of sale remaining to go equally between my children (and grandchildren instead of their parents), one fifth each to my son Marten, to the heirs of my daughter Cornelia, deceased, namely: Ulpeamis Van Sinderen and Femmetie Van Sinderen, to the heir of my daughter Maria, deceased, namely: Femmetie Hooglant, to my daughter Margrieta, and to my daughter Femmetie. If any of my heirs be of non age at time of my decease, my executors to invest such portions at interest rate of three per cent. per annum, until such heirs be twenty-one. I make Adriaen Voorhees, of Flatbush, and Gerrit Kouwenhoven, of Flatlands, both of Kings County, executors.

Witnesses, Antye Kowenhoven, John Ditmers and Peter Kouwenhoven, both of the Township of Flatlands, yeomen. Proved, April 6, 1784.

Page 375.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JECHAMIAH ALLEN, late of the City of New York, now, residing in New Barbadoes, County of Bergen, New Jersey, being in pain by reason of a wound I unfortunately received, but otherwise in good health. I leave to my dearly beloved wife Rachel, the interest of £1,000, while my widow; principal to be invested and interest paid by my executors, provided the neat proceeds of my whole estate is £3,000 or more. Should it be less, then she is to have the use of one third of my estate, while my

widow. Should she remarry, then £300 (if my estate amounts to £900), or, if less, then one third of my estate. My silver tankard unto my son Peter. The remainder of my personal estate equally to my two sons, Peter and Henry Allen. All my real estate to my executors in trust for my two said sons; they to sell said estate; proceeds to go equally to my two sons. I make my beloved brothers, Henry, John, and William Allen, executors.

Dated November 19, 1776. Witnesses, Donald McLean, James Van Bueren, of Flatbush, Kings County, physician; D. Isaac Browne. Proved, March 25, 1784.

Page 377.—In the name of God, Amen. I, EDWARD WILLIAM KIERS, of Haverstraw precinct, Orange County, dealer and Chapman, being weak and infirm in body. All my accounts to be settled. All my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid out of my estate. I leave to Greetie, by whom I have had children, and to my four children, namely: Rachel, William, Ufame and Elizabeth, all the remainder of my estate, in equal shares; provided that Greetie, the mother of my said children, shall have the use of the whole thereof so long as they are under her care and support. When any shall be from under her care by guardianship, marriage, or other ways, their share to be immediately delivered; my executors may sell my estate in order to make equal division, and to pay my just debts, etc. I make my trusty and well-beloved friends, John Robert, David Pye, and John Suffern, Esquire, executors.

Dated December 17, 1783. Witnesses, Dirck Ackerseen, Abraham Cooper; George Briggs, of Haverstraw precinct, yeoman. Proved, April 8, 1784.

Page 379.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CORNELIUS MARSCHALCK, of the City of New York, bolter, being in good health. I leave to my three children, Mary, wife of Cornelius Turk, jr., of said City, baker, Laetitia and Sarah Marschalek, twenty shillings each, in full

barr of claim as heiresses at law. The remainder of my whole estate unto my loving wife Eleanor. I make my wife Eleanor, executrix.

Dated January 20, 1774. Witnesses, William Williams; Magnus Beekman, of Reading Town, N. J., cordwainer; Edward Smith. Proved, April 12, 1784.

Page 380.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB GOUVERNEUR, of the City of New York, being in perfect health. I leave to my sister, Maria Farmer, £600, payable immediately after my decease; Also, my plate (except one silver tankard), she paying my executors at the rate of nine shillings per oz. Also, my china, whole and broken, she paying £8 for the same. Also, any part of my household goods and furniture, she paying for the same at the valuation made by my executors. Also, unto her, all my wearing apparel; she to give any or all to my niece, Hester Gouveneur. As I received the whole estate left by my sister Elizabeth (my sister Maria being entitled to one-half) my sister Maria is to have one-half of the clear amount I received by said bequest. Unto Nicholas Gouveneur, my silver tankard, on which is engraved 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 estate, with the gold and silver worn about my body, to be sold; the proceeds to be put out at interest, which shall be paid annually to my niece Hester during life; at her decease, both principal and interest to her children, if any, in equal shares. If she dies without issue, then the same to go to my nephew, Abraham Gouveneur. Should he die without issue, then one fourth of the principal to Samuel Gouveneur; a like part to Magdalen Hall, sister to said Nicholas; one-eighth to Frances Sharpe, wife to Jacob Sharpe; another eighth to Rineir Skates; an eighth to Peter Farmer; the remaining eighth to Jasper Farmer. I make Nicholas Gouveneur and Isaac Low, executors.

Dated September 17, 1771. Witnesses, Gerard Walton, of same city, merchant; Richard Ray, Samuel Ray. Proved, April 13, 1784.

Page 382.—In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS ELLISON, of New Winsor, Ulster County, merchant, being weak in body. I leave to my son Thomas, £5; which, with several sums of money given him when entering into trade and since, I declare to be in full of what he shall have of my estate. Unto my son John, 150 acres of land in said county, which I bought of Henry Bogart, and on which my mills are built; Also, the tract of land and meadow adjoining 51 acres conveyed by me to Nathaniel Foster, being part of 800 acres granted by letters patent to Vincent Mathews; Also, the land I bought of Patrick McDonald, likewise adjoining the same; Also, 80 acres, which I lately bought of the heirs of John Nicoll, deceased; Also, 43 acres, bought of Robert James Livingston; with the building and privileges. Unto my son William, the homestead whereon I now live, being the third part of a tract formerly granted to William Southerland and William Chambers; Also, a meadow described in the deed for my homestead; Also, 199 acres I bought of Joseph Gale; Also, the tract of woodland, eastward and adjoining the 51 acres conveyed by me to Nathaniel Foster, being the residue of my right in the 800 acre grant as aforesaid. Also, unto him, the land covered with water adjoining my plantation, and all buildings; my farming utensils, one pair of oxen, two horses, one cart and four cows. Unto my daughter Elenor, 1,750 Spanish silver milled dollars; Also, £2,475 with interest from the time of my decease, payable in good bonds due to me. Unto my daughter Mary, the like sums in like manner. Unto my two daughters, Elenor and Mary, out of my silver plate, two tankards, one pint and two half-pint mugs, twelve table and twelve tea spoons; all my linen, two beds, bedsteads, and choice of furniture, and sufficient household furniture

to furnish two rooms; all in equal shares. Unto my daughter Elenor, my negro girl named Hannah; to my daughter Mary, my negro girl named Ann. Unto said two daughters, two equal third parts of my lands and tenements in the County of Orange and of Ulster not given away, as tenants in common. Their legacies to be paid with convenient speed. Every sum of money due to me from any of my children to be part of my personal estate. Unto my two sons, John and William, 500 Spanish silver milled dollars; Also, £2,475 payable as their sisters' legacies; Also, my lands and tenements in Orange and Ulster Counties not before given away; being an equal share with either my daughters, upon the trust and to the following purpose: That they put the last mentioned dollars and the £2,475 at interest; the said lands to be divided from my daughters' portion and rented; said rents and interest to be annually paid to my daughter, Elizabeth Colden, for her separate use and maintenance for life. After her decease, the lands to be sold; proceeds and the said dollars and pounds to go equally to all her children, then living (except her sons, John and Thomas). Unto my two said sons, John and William, 500 Spanish silver milled dollars and £2,475 in good bonds due me, in trust; the interest to be annually paid to my daughter, Margaret Crooke, for life. The rest of my estate unto my said two sons, John and William; whom I make with my friend, William Wickham, late of the City of New York, attorney at law (but at present of the County of Orange), executors.

Dated September 18, 1779. Witnesses, Isaac Stonehouse; Moses Gale, of said City, tavern-keeper; John Gollow. Proved, May 22, 1784.

[NOTE.—City of New York, July 16, 1784. Received out of the Probate Office, the original will of Thomas Ellison deceased, by orders of the executors.]

Page 336.—In the name of God, Amen. The twenty-second day of December, 1783. I, JOHN MARTIN, of the

City of New York, being in a poor state of health. All my just debts and funeral expenses to be first paid. I leave to my beloved wife Rachel, my best bed and bedding; half a dozen best chairs, and two Pots of her choice; £10 worth of my moveables, £15 in money; grain, meat and other necessities for one year's provision for herself and children; all which is in lieu of dower. My executors to sell my estate remaining, at their discretion. Unto my three daughters, Sarah, Rebekah, and Elizabeth, each of them, a good bed and bedding when eighteen or on marriage day. Should either die before eighteen leaving no issue lawfully begotten of her body, then her bed and bedding shall be equally divided between my two sons. My children to be brought up and properly educated, out of my estate at my executors' discretion. The remainder of my estate to my two sons, Gershom and John, in equal shares. Should either die under age, leaving no issue lawfully begotten of his body, his share to go to the survivor of them. I make my trusty and well-beloved friends, James Bonney and John Smally, executors.

Witnesses, Jacob Hallett, Silvanus Seely; Submit Willetts, of New York City. Proved, April 14, 1784.

Page 389.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ANTHONY A. RUTGERS, of Newark, Essex County, New Jersey, late of the City of New York, being of sound mind and memory. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid by my executors at some convenient time after my decease. I leave to my dearly beloved wife Gertruyda, all my plate, jewels, carriages, harness, all my horses, and household furniture. Also, the use of the house and lots adjoining whereon I now live, while my widow. Should she choose to live therein; if not, the house and lots to be rented, and the rent paid to her during her widowhood. At my executors' discretion the rented property to be sold and the interest of the proceeds paid annually to my widow. Unto my son Anthony, £300, to be paid when he is twenty-one. The

residue of my estate and the said house and lots after my wife's interest shall determine, unto my beloved wife and children, Mariah, Maghtilda Rutgers, Cornelia Rutgers, Anthony Rutgers, Nicholas Gouverneur Rutgers, and Harmon Gouverneur Rutgers, in equal shares. My children to be brought up and educated out of their respective legacies. Should any die under twenty-one, without lawful issue, his share to go equally to the surviving children; should all my children die under twenty-one, and without issue, and my wife be surviving, then my children's shares to go to my wife; should she die before my children are twenty-one, and they should die under age and without issue, then I give £1000 equally among the living children of Robert Benson, late of the City of New York, brewer, deceased. The residue to the living children of my uncle, Samuel Gouverneur, and my aunt, Magdalena Hall, in equal shares. To pay my debts and for the advantage of my estate, my executors may sell all or any part of my real estate, except the aforesaid house and lots; this also to be sold at my wife's remarriage or death. My children's money to be put out at interest. What is given to my wife is in lieu of dower. I make my wife Gertruyda, my father-in-law, Nicholas Gouverneur, my uncle, Leonard Lispenard, of the City of New York, and Isaac Ogden and Lewis Ogden, Esquire, of Newark, executors.

Dated October 5, 1775. Witnesses, William Haddon, David Ogden, jr., of said City, gentleman; Jabez Longworth. Proved, April 17, 1784.

Page 391.—In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS WEEKS, of North Castle, Westchester County, being weak in body. All my lands and moveables to be sold by my executors; the proceeds to pay all my lawful debts; the remainder of proceeds for the use of my wife; and to dispose of the same at her decease, if she dies my widow. Should she remarry, then my daughter, Zipporah Baker, to have £5; my daughter, Phebe

Dutcher, £10; my daughter, Free love Weeks, £20; any remainder to go equally to my four sons, Thomas, Daniel, Isaac and James. I make my wife Mary, my son-in-law, Jesse Baker, executors.

Dated September 2, 1783. Witnesses, Ananias Birdsell, Samuel Vail; Gilbert Thorn, of North Castle, yeoman. Proved, April 14, 1784.

Page 392.—In the name of God, Amen. This twenty-sixth day of February, 1769. I, WILLIAM OGDEN, of North Castle, Westchester County, farmer, being very sick and weak in body. My just funeral charges and other expenses to be first paid by my executors out of my moveable estate. I leave to my loving wife Matha, my best bed and furniture; one of my Jeads, a side saddle and bridle, and three cows. Also, the best room in my houses, while my widow, and the use of one-third of my lower farm (whereon I now live) during widowhood. Unto my eldest son, William, £5, payable one year after my decease by my executors out of my moveable, which, with what I have already given him, is in full bar as my heir at law. All my upper farm to my two sons, Gilbert and Benjamin, which I bought of William Fowler and Joseph Sutton, adjoining the lands of Caleb Haight, and of Benjamin Carpenter, by John Wright's, by Francis Wright's, and Peter Totten's and land of Henry Fowler. The eastern division for Benjamin; the western for Gilbert, on condition that he pay my executors in one year after my decease, £150, to be adeemed part of my moveable estate. Also, unto my son Benjamin, the residue of my upper farm, excepting the saw mill and the convenience of passing to and from said mill and sufficient land adjoining the mill for piling boards and logs. One half of said saw mill and privileges to my said son Gilbert; the other half to my two sons, Benjamin and Joseph, on condition that Benjamin pay £100 to my executors in one year after my decease, and before he shall be entitled to the land. All my

lower farm equally unto my two youngest sons, Joseph and Jonathan, with house, barns, etc. The share of either one dying under age or before marriage, to go to the survivor. Unto my son-in-law, Gilbert Purdy, my leased farm on Cortlandt's Manor for the term of the lease, he paying the leasor, Henry Backman, all the rents and all I was bound to do in the lease given to me (A. D. 1761, and signed by Henry Beekman and Gertruy^d, his wife; witnessed by John Bryan and William Scott. Unto my six grandchildren, children of my son William, namely: John, Stephen, Jesse, Ezekiel, Gilbert, and Smith Ogden £10, each; to be put to use for them by my executors two years after my decease. Also my just debts to be paid also out of my moveable estate. Unto my daughter Martha, wife of John Brimidge, jr., twenty shillings. Unto my daughter Elizabeth, wife of Gilbert Purdy, £20; unto my daughter Amey, wife of Ezekiel Flewelling, £40. I make my wife Martha, Caleb Fowler, and my son-in-law, Ezekiel Flewelling, executors.

Witnesses, Samuel Cheesman, Caleb Haight; Solomon Sarles, of North Castle, yeoman. Proved, April 17, 1784.

[NOTE.—The executors being deceased, as alleged, Joseph Ogden, of Dutchess County, son and legatee, yeoman, was granted Letters of Administration on April 20, 1784.]

Page 396.—In the name of God, Amen. This twenty-fifth day of March, 1782. I, ISAAC DEAN, Esquire, of the Manor of Phillipsburgh, Westchester County, being in perfect health. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid. My improvements to be sold for the best advantage of all my children: Samuel, Isaac and John and Thomas and Gilbert and Mary, wife of Jacob Stinets, and Margret, wife of David Concklin, and Emey, wife of Glad Requaw; Also, cash in the hands of John Dean, £167; cash in the hands of Gilbert Dean, £100. According to my knowledge there is

some money in the hands of Isaac Dean. The rest of my moveables and household goods to go equally to my eight said children. I make my well-beloved friend, my son-in-law, David Concklin, and my well-beloved son Thomas, executors.

Witnesses, Samuel Allen, James Jurkse; William Davids, of Phillips Manor, in said county, yeoman. Proved, April 12, 1784.

Page 397.—The last will of me, JOHN CORNNEL, of New Rochel, Westchester County. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid by my executors out of my moveable estate. I leave to my nephew, Benjamin Haviland, all my lands, houses and moveable estate, except the legacies hereafter given, and my negro named Charles. Unto my brother Joseph, and my sisters, Rebecca Burling and Elizabeth Quinby, £100 each; payable twelve months after my decease. Also, £100 to my niece Mary, wife of William Cornnell, payable as above. Unto the grandchildren of my brother Richard, namely: Thomas, Richard, Haviland, and Ebenezer Cornell, £100 to be put to interest at above term and paid in equal proportion as they come of age or marry; the share of any dying under age to go equally to the survivors. Unto Hannah, wife of John Burling, jr., and Jane, Stephen, Deborah, wife of Willet Bowne; Ann, Phebe, Abigail, and Benjamin Cornnell, the children of my brother Benjamin, £100 equally between them; payable one year after my decease. The boy, Lewis Frankar, bound to me, to be put to trade when eighteen and until twenty-one; then, my executors are to pay to him £20, a token of my goodwill. "My negro Charles to be set free to labour for himself; my executors to be as a father or guardian to him, to see that he is not wronged when he labours if he chooses to stay anywhere nigh; if he lives to be old and past labour, and has not wherewith to support himself, my nephew, Benjamin Haviland, to take care to support him while he lives." Should my said

nephew die without issue living, then all my fast estate to go equally to my brothers, sisters, and all the children above mentioned to receive legacies, except £600, which is to go as my nephew shall will it. I make my loving nephews, Ebenezer Haviland and Benjamin Haviland, executors.

Dated October 8, 1771. Witnesses, Thomas Baker, of Haverstraw Precinct, Orange County, weaver; Sarah Hunt; Benedict Carpenter. Proved, April 23, 1784.

Page 399. In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN NICOLL, of the Precinct of New Winsor, Ulster County, Esquire, being in my usual state of health. I leave to my beloved wife Hannah, during the minority of my children respectively, and her widowhood, the use and profits of my real estate for her maintenance and the support and education of my children. Unto my son, John Dowden Nicoll, all the farm and buildings and improvements in said precinct where I now dwell, subject to the devise to my wife. Unto my son, Leonard William Nicoll, the farm and buildings in Cornwall precinct, Orange County, now occupied by Samuel King as my tenant, subject to the annual payment to my said wife hereafter mentioned. When my son, John Dowden, is twenty-one, my wife to have (while my widow) two rooms in my now dwelling house, as she shall choose (one of only to be a front room) and an annuity of £10 from the profits of the farm. When my son Leonard is twenty-one, my wife to have (while my widow) an annuity of £10 from the profits to the farm devised to him. Unto my son, Abimael Youngs Nicoll, and to my daughter, Frances Nicoll, all the residue of my real estate, in equal shares. Unto my son Abimael, my silver hilted sword, my watch and my negro boy named Charles. Unto my daughter Frances, my silver tankard with a flat lid, and my negro girl named Flora. Unto my son John, my negro boy named Pompey. My negro woman named Dinah to

be sold; Also, my young female slave named Tamar; the proceeds to be put at interest for the maintenance and education of my children, if necessary; said proceeds to be paid to my son, Leonard William, when twenty-one. The residue of my personal estate to my wife Hannah for the benefit of herself and my children; to be willed by her among my children as she may think proper. I make my wife Hannah; my friend, his Excellency George Clinton, Esquire; and John McKesson, attorney-at-law, executors.

Dated September 11, 1781. Witnesses, John Cochran, of the City of New York, physician; John Pantan (or Banton); Isaac Mills. Proved, April 23, 1784.

Letters of administration appear to have been granted to Henry Wisner, junior, and Jeremiah Clark, on January 30, 1787.

Page 402. In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHANNES EMMANS, of the Township of New Uytrecht, Kings County, being of a sound and perfect understanding. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid by my Executors out of my estate. I leave to my dear and loving wife Maria, my whole estate, while my widow; to cultivate and improve the same; out of the income to maintain and educate my children. Should she remarry before my children respectively be twenty-one years of age, or should she happen to die, then the estate to be so administered for my children at my executors discretion. Should she remarry, she is to have £300; Also, four milch cows, my negro wench, and the household furniture she brought to my estate. Unto my son Andrias, all my clear land in the afore said township where I now live; Also, my woodland in New Uytrecht woods, except 8 acres; Also, my meadow ground in the Township of Gravesend, except one lot within the west bank near Albert Voorhees' mill pond; and all buildings and privileges; to be delivered to him when twenty-one, or when my wife ceases to be my widow; he to pay my executors for said lands, £100

on taking possession. Unto my son Johannes, all my upland, cleared and timbered, in Gravesend; Also, the 8 acres and meadow lot mentioned above; Also, my meadow in the New Uytrecht meadow, being near Canarsie; with the buildings, etc., to be possessed in like manner as above, except the money-payment. Unto my daughter Johanna, £500, payable when she is twenty-one. Unto my son Andrias, my Dutch Bible for his birth-right. Unto my children, Andrias Johannes and Johanna, the rest of my estate in equal shares. Should my personal estate be insufficient to pay the legacies, then my sons, Andrias and Johannes, shall make good, each one half of the deficiency. Should either son die before twenty-one and without lawful issue, the survivor to have all lands and meadows bequeathed to the deceased; the survivor paying to my daughter Johanna, £250 for her share of the legacy devised to the deceased. My executors to sell any moveable estate at any time for the benefit of my family. I make my dear and loving wife Maria, and my sons, Andrias and Johannes, my friends and kind relations, Hendrick Suydam, and Hendrick Wycoff and Peter Wycoff, executors.

Dated December 23, 1779. Witnesses, Hendrick Johnson; Aurt Van Pelt, and Rutgert Van Brunt, both of New Utrecht, yeomen. Proved, April 10, 1784.

Page 405.—In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS LAWRENCE, of the City of New York, blacksmith, being in perfect health. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to my eldest son Thomas, £5, as his full share of my real and personal estate; Also, in right of birth; payable when he is twenty-one. Unto my son, John Van Voorst Lawrence, £2, 10 shillings, payable at his majority. Unto my daughter Mary, the like sum, payable at her marriage, or when she is twenty-one. Should my wife be with child, or should I have any more children by her, either male or female, then they shall each have the like sum last

mentioned, and be excluded from any further demand on my estate. The remainder of my real and personal estate to go to my dear beloved wife Ann, being fully assured of her doing justice to my children, and confident of her endeavour to bring them up creditably and religiously. I make my wife Ann, executrix.

Dated February 21, 1756. Witnesses, Samuel Bayard, of said City, gentleman; Elizabeth Hale; John Van Voorst. Proved, April 28, 1784.

Page 406.—In the name of God, Amen. This nineteenth day of June, 1776. I, JOHANIS HOGINCAMP, of the Manor of Phillipsburgh, Westchester County, am very weak in body. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to my well beloved * * * * Camp the best bed in * * * house, with all the for * * * . Unto my well-beloved * * * in Hoginchamp, before any division, the sum of two * * * * in cash; my silver show buckles, a pair of Si * * e buckles, a gun, sword and cartridge box, and all my wearing apparel. Likewise, unto my son John * * ng horrell horse colt. My wife Ann to have and remain on my improvements while my widow, if she can keep it; if she should fall back, then my executors are to sell the farm moveables and household goods (except £4 cash), which belongs * my son John, and four * * * belonging to my daughter (attrinna). The remainder of the proceeds to go to my well-beloved wife Anna, my son John and my * * well bel * d * * Catt * a Houghencamp in equal shares. I make my wife, and my well be * * * * Storm, executors, and my well-beloved * * * Eker, my executor.

Witnesses, John Vredenburg; John Storm; William Davids, of Phillips Manor, yeoman. Proved, April 23, 1784.

Certain parts of this will "were destroyed and injured by the weather, etc." Anna Hogenchamp qualified as executrix on April 29, 1784.

Page 408.—In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS TABER, of the Oblong, Dutchess County, being in perfect mind and memory. All my just debts and funeral charges and other expenses to be first paid by my executors out of my monies. I leave to my well beloved wife Annetherase, two feather beds, their furniture, two bedsteads, bed-cords, one third of my household goods (except the beds, etc.), 600 weight of pork that is good, and the fat; 700 weight of good beef and tallow; salt sufficient to cure the pork and beef; 30 bushels of wheat; 25 bushels of Indian corn, 2 bushels good turnips, 1 bushels potatoes, 6 barrels of cider put into the cellar; apples to use in the summer, 25 bushels of winter apples; 40 weight of sheep wool; 80 weight of flax; 200 weight of cheese; 40 weight of butter; 10 dunghill fowl; 2 turkeys; and the eggs and increase of the fowl. All the above articles to be given to her yearly, while my five youngest daughters shall live with her; the above provisions to be diminished according to the number that leaves her. Also, unto her, a good garden, firewood at the door, one good horse to be kept and shod, one woman's saddle and bridle, two good cows; the use of the new south part of my house, and privilege in the cellar; £12 in money yearly, under above conditions; after all daughters leave her, then £6 yearly. All to be paid by my executors and to be in lieu of dower. Unto my son Nathaniel, ten shillings in money, and a suit of clothes, payable by my executors. Unto my two sons, William and Jeremiah, in equal shares, my farm and buildings, all my money and obligations for money, stock and out-door moveables, not given away, provided they pay the legacies equally. Unto my daughter, Meribe Hazerd, a living with my two sons, so long as she don't live with her husband. Should her husband die, and she should marry again, she is to have one half as much as one of my youngest daughters, with what I have already lent her; Also, five dollars, in money, in addition. Unto my five daughters, Antheracy, Ruth,

Saloma, Amey and Mary, each two feather beds, six pair of linen sheets, five Carsey blankets, etc., six fiddle-backed chairs, six common chairs, one high case of drawers, one large and one small oval table, one square table, one great wheel, one foot wheel, two pails, one tub, one churn, one brass kettle, to hold four pails full, one large and one small iron pot, one iron pot, one frying pan, one copper tea kettle, two large pewter platters, etc., one looking glass of fifty shillings price, etc. Should my wife die, or marry away before my daughters should, they are to have the same privileges in the house, and of firewood and be supplied at the executors' table with all necessities; be found with shoes as long as they remain single. Unto my grandson, Thomas Taber Farress (son of my daughter Hannah, deceased), ten shillings; unto my granddaughter, Hannah Farress, five shillings, besides what I have given to their mother. Unto my negro man Jethro, his freedom. I make my well-beloved sons, William and Jeremiah, executors.

Dated September 4, 1783. Witnesses, Abraham Thomas; Benjamin Deuel; Edward Shove, of Dutchess County, yeoman. Proved, December 23, 1783.

Page 410.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ZACHARIAS VAN VOORHIS, of Rombout, Dutchess County, yeoman, being in health and of sound memory, this twenty-seventh day of January, 1783. After my just debts and funeral expenses be paid by my executors, I leave to my well-beloved nephew, Henry Van Voorhis, son of my brother Coart, one half of my farm, whereon Abraham Van Voorhis now lives; Also, my gun and one of my best horses. Unto my well beloved nephew John, son of my brother John, deceased, the other half of said farm; in the division strict justice to be done to each of them. Unto my well beloved nephew Jacob, son of my brother Jacob deceased, my farm whereon I live, containing 400 acres; together with my dwelling house and out buildings; Also, my

personal estate, save one horse and the gun, and the negroes to be made free at my decease; he paying in gold and silver: Unto my well-beloved nieces, Kathrine and Jane Van Voorhis, daughters of my brother Jacob, deceased, £600, payable in twelve months after my decease, in two equal shares. Unto my well-beloved nephew John, son of my brother Jacob, deceased, £300, payable as above. Unto my loving sister, Garachey Brinckerhoff, in two years after my decease, the like sum in like manner; Also, unto my well-beloved nephew, Zacharia Van Voorhis, son of my brother Coart, and my god-son, £100, payable in three years; Also, unto my brothers and sisters children, not heretofore mentioned, £240, payable in four years, and divided equally; all above sums to be levied out of the said farm and my personal estate. Unto my negro men Mink, Henry, and Sam, and my negro wench Massey, their full and entire freedom to come, go, act and do whatsoever is lawful for their own support; it is not my intention to throw them adrift whereby I am now instigated, but that I may remunerate their faithful services to my person and interest, my executors are to oversee them for good, and to help them in case any person or persons should aim to defraud them or cheat them of their earnings. After my body is interred my executors will please to order my said negroes into that apartment in my house where I died, and there in the most solemn manner proclaim to them their freedom; my desire is that they shall strive to live soberly, righteously, and Godly with respect to my negro children, namely: Charles, Nick, Tom, Ab and Peg; my executors to put them out to such of my relations as will use them well, teach them to read the Scriptures until they arrive at lawful age, when they are to have their freedom. My other negro children, namely: Peter, Tone, and Mary, unto my affectionate and loving nephew, Jacob Van Voorhis, aforementioned. I make my nephews, Henry, Jacob, and John Van Voorhis, executors. The reason

why the greatest share of my estate is given to my nephew Jacob, is because I and his father, my brother Jacob, got the greatest part of our estate in partnership.

Witnesses, Daniel Ter Bos, Peter Bogardus, Isaac I. Sebring, of Dutchess County, yeoman. Proved, February 27, 1784.

Page 413.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CORNELIUS VAN SCHAAK, of Kinderhook, Albany County, Esquire, being in good health. All my just debts to be paid out of my whole estate. I leave my large gun to my son Henry as bar to his right of primogeniture. Unto my well-beloved wife Lydia, £150 per annum, payable quarterly or semi-annually, during her widowhood. Unto my granddaughter, Mary Van Alen, £100, payable when she is twenty-one, or day of marriage, without interest. The remainder of my estate equally unto each of my sons: Henry, Cornelius, jr., David, and Peter Van Schaaek; and my daughters: Margaret, wife of Lowrens L. Van Alen, and Jane, wife of Peter Silvester, as tenants in common. The remaining seventh equally unto my grandchildren: Isaac Van Vleeck, Margaret Van Vleeck, and Lydia Van Schaaek Van Vleeck, being the issue of my late daughter, Lydia Van Vleeck, deceased, as tenants in common. As my grandchildren are very young, my executors are to put at interest their shares of my personal estate, and of the proceeds of sale of real estate. In investing the same, I recommend them to consult my son-in-law, Isaac Van Vleeck, the father of my grandchildren; out of the yearly interest to maintain and educate my grandchildren; their education commended to my sons, Henry, Cornelius, David, and Peter jointly with their father. The infancy of any legatee not to impede the division or settlement of my estate. The sums due to me from children who are executors are to be deemed part of their respective portions. Any disputes about said accounts to be amicably settled by my executors, or three

arbitrators to be appointed by them. I make Lowrens L. Van Alen, Peter Silvester, and Col^o. Peter Vosburgh, executors.

Dated July 31, 1775. Witnesses, John Pruin, of Kinderhook district, blacksmith; Chrystina Pruin, Caty Prune. Proved, February 8, 1784.

Page 416.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HENRY HERCKHEIMER, of Burnets field, German Flatts district, Tryon County, being in perfect health of body. My true and lawful wife Catharine to remain in possession of the cattle, and all my moveables, while my widow. At her remarriage, she is to have an equal share of the same with all my children. Unto my eldest son, Hon Yost, twenty shillings in right of primogeniture. Should he become heir to the estate of my father, Hon Yost Herckheimer, now in the possession of my brother John, he to have 100 acres of Bushland, left me by my father, along with the said estate; if he is not my father's heir, then he to have one-third part of 1,000 acres at the lake Coneadrago, part of a patent granted to George Croughan, along with his brothers, George and Abraham. Unto my son Nicholas, 200 acres between Peter S. Deygarts and the Indian castle in Conajoharie district. Unto my two sons, Abraham and George, equal shares of the aforementioned 1,000 acres, with their brother, Hon Yost; but should he be heir to the estate of my brother John, as mentioned before, then the 1,000 acres shall be divided between my three sons, Abraham, George, and Henry. Unto my five daughters, Catharine, Elizabeth, Magdalene, Anna and Gertrude, 1,000 acres, being half the 2,000 acres in Croughan's patent at the lake Coneadrago, at the lower end of said lake, in equal shares. Should there be any costs or charges on said lands, the children to pay such charges levied on their respective portions. My eldest son, Hon Yost, is not to share in my cattle or other moveables, as he has had his share. I make my true and trusty friends, Ritcul Bligart, of

the City of Albany, attorney at law, and my two sons, Hon Yost and Nicholas, executors.

Dated August 17, 1778. Witnesses, Peter Bellinger, of the little falls in said County, yeoman; Johannes Hess, Isaac Johnson. Proved, September 9, 1783.

Page 418.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN PETERIE, at Burnitts field in the German Flatts district, Tryon County, yeoman, being of perfect health of body. I leave to my dearly beloved wife Maria Elizabeth, during her life or remarriage, the possession of my whole estate; to sell and dispose by the approbation of my executors what her lawful needs require. Unto my proper heir of my son, John Jost Peters, deceased, twenty shillings for his birthright. Unto my son, John Peter, junior, my Lots N^o 11 and N^o 10, at the east of the ditch, except 2 acres just four square, which shall be for my son, Dederick Petre, for a dwelling place. Also, unto my son Dedrick, the westernmost part of my land at the ditch and little creek of Lot N^o 10, and above mentioned two acres; Also, 100 acres of woodland in Lot N^o 23 in the Patent called Glans Purchase, adjoining Daniel Petre; Also, 100 acres in Lot N^o 24 in same purchase, joining the old patent. I make my beloved friend, George Deamud (Demuth), and George H. Bell, executors.

(Signed) "JOHN PEDREIJ."

Dated March 14, 1783. Witnesses, William Quin, Henrich Wallrath (or Walcath), of Burnets field, farmer. Proved, November 25, 1783.

Page 420.—In the name of God, Amen. I, FRANCIS PRUYN, of the Town of Kinderhook, blacksmith, being sick and weak. All my just debts to be paid out of my estate. I leave to my dearly beloved wife Christina, the use and enjoyment of my whole estate, except blacksmith's tools, while my widow. My son John, his wife and children to remain in the house and family and be supported out of the estate if there be surplus-

age, my wife not to be cut short of anything for her ease and comfort. The trade of blacksmith to be kept up if thought by my executors necessary or advantageous for the above purposes. The bequest to my wife is in lieu of dower. Unto my son John, all the blacksmith's tools in right of primogeniture, and in bar of claim as heir at law. At my wife's death or remarriage, unto my son John, all my real and personal estate, but not to dispossess my widow. Should he die before the death or remarriage of my wife, and should there be more than sufficient to support her, then I recommend her to afford all possible assistance to my son's wife and children out of the income of the estate without curtailing that maintenance intended for her. I make my wife Christina, my son John, and his wife Catharine, executors.

Dated November 22, 1783. Witnesses, John Quithot, of Kinderhook district, Doctor John C. Wynkoop, Myndert Vosburgh. Proved, February 8, 1784.

Page 421. In the name of God, Amen. I, ADAM EMPIE, of Stoneraby, Tryon County, being very weak of body. I leave to my beloved son John, ten shillings for his birthright as my first born son; Also, 100 acres of woodland in the patent granted to George Klock, William Nellis and others, known as Lot No 125, which I bought of Dewald Nellis. Unto my beloved son Adam, 50 acres in same patent, known as Lot No 123, being the south westerly moiety of said lot, which I bought from the said Nellis; Also, 10 acres of woodland, out of Lot No 84 in the patent granted to Christian Garlach, Andrew Finck and others, which I hold by deed of gift from my father, Johannis Empie. Unto my step-son, William Saltsman, 50 acres of woodland out of Lot No 7, in the last mentioned patent, which I bought of Johannis Baccus. Unto my beloved wife Anna Maria, my two black slaves, a man named Bres-ton and a woman named Jenny. At my wife's decease, the man slave to go to my step-son, William Saltsman;

the negro woman to my son Adam. Also, unto my wife, my personal estate, with my bonds, notes and book debts, and the money I advanced on the estate of the late Michael Saltsman, deceased. I make my true and trusty friends, Peter S. Deygert, Esquire, Christopher W. Fox, and Richard Young, executors.

Dated October 20, 1782; and in the sixth year of our Independence. Witnesses, Nicholas Strader and Frederick Empie, both of Stone Arabia, Farmers; Georg Salzman. Proved, December 8, 1783.

Page 423.—In the name of God, Amen. I, NICHOLAS WOHLER, of Burnet's field, yeoman, being weak in body, this 23rd day of February, 1773. I leave to my oldest son, Henry, £5, and my right upon the stony hill at the German Flatts. Unto my two sons, Dieterick and Johannis, the west side of a lot called No 30, whereupon I dwell, the whole containing 200 acres. The other side of the said lot unto my other two sons, Abraham and Jacob. The four brothers to keep up the fences without any dispute; Abraham and Jacob to have the plow, Hark, waggon, iron sledge, mare and horse, they to maintain their mother for life or as long as she bears my name; Also, to maintain the other children to their age. Unto my beloved wife Maria Elizabeth, three cows, four sheep and four hogs, which are to be kept in pasture, and over the winter with sufficient feed. Further, unto her, my Bible, the book of sermons, the Prayer Book and the Song book. The Lot No 21 in the southernmost part of the first tract to go equally to my four sons, Dieterick, Johannes, Abraham and Jacob; they to work together upon the land four years, and pay of the yielding of the land, the interest and debts; at the expiration of said term, they may divide. After this time Dieterick and Johannes shall pay the rest of my debts; the two others are held and bound for their mother's and sisters' maintenance, until their sisters are of age. My daughter Anna Maria, if maintained by them is to keep two sheep and

have pasture and winter feed for them. Unto my daughter Sophia, 100 acres out of Lot No 3, the first tract of the southermost part; the other 100 acres of same lot to my sons, Dieterick and Johannes. Lot No 8 in the second tract equally unto my five daughters, Catharine, Elisabeth, Magdalena, Anne and Anna Maria. My personal estate to be divided at expiration of said four years. The stuff and furniture in the house to remain undivided till after the death of my wife. My last named two sons to pay my beloved wife at end of four years an annuity of £2 each for life or widowhood. My daughter Anna Maria to have liberty to live with one of my four sons. I make my daughter Anna Maria, Jacob Böshorn and Dieterick Stähl; they, my loving friends, to be my executors.

Witnesses, Loruntz Herter, Johan Nicklas, Herder, William Petrij. Proved, November 11, 1783.

Page 425.—In the name of God, Amen. The twenty-fourth day of March, 1772. I, HENRY DIEFENDORF, of Conajohary, Albany County, yeoman, being in good health. I leave to Anna Rosina, my dearly beloved wife, one-third of my moveable estate; Also, my whole estate for life, for the bringing up of my children, which are all under age. After her decease to go equally among my then surviving children. Should she marry again after my decease, then, if my children be of full age, they shall divide all my estate equally between them. Unto my eldest and first born son Jacob, by reason of primogeniture, ten shillings, and with his equal share above mentioned children to be contented. My sons to have all my lapds; my daughter or daughters an equivalent proportion in my moveable effects. My just debts shall be paid, if any be. I make my wife and my trusty and well-beloved friend, John Pickerd, executors.

Witnesses, Peter Miller; Henrich Sander, and Johan Henrich Meyer, of Canijohary district. Proved, August 20, 1783.

Page 427.—In the name of God, Amen. I, PURYER REEVE, yeoman, of Southold, Suffolk County, being sick and weak in body. All my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid by my executors. I leave to my well-beloved wife Mary, the use of my lands and meadows, except 8 acres joining to the North road, and half an acre lying northward of said road, while my widow. Unto my eldest son Hezekiah Reeves, after my wife's interest therein ceases, my lot lying between the land of William Penny and the North road, about 50 acres, and the horse and half acre, on which he now lives; Also, a piece of meadow at Saw Mill Brook, adjoining the meadow of David Parshall, deceased, etc.; he paying to my second daughter, Mehetable Reeve, £20 within four years after my death, or on her marriage. Should he refuse to pay this sum, my executors shall sell sufficient land to pay the same. Unto my second son, Puryer, £20. Unto my two youngest sons, Isaac and Selah, equally, all the rest of my lands and meadows. Unto my second daughter, Mehetable, one cow, three ewes and three lambs, one bed and its furniture. Unto my eldest daughter, Mary Fanning, ten shillings. After my just debts and legacies be paid, the remainder of my moveables to remain and improved by my wife for life; at her death to go to my two youngest sons, Isaac and Selah, and my daughter Mehetable, equally. My wife shall give her nephew [niece] Sarah Lhomedieu, one bed. I make my brother-in-law, Benjamin Lhomedieu, and my wife, Mary Reeve, executors.

Dated November 25, 1782. Witnesses, Daniel Wells, Esquire, Henry Corwin, Sarah Lhomedieu, spinster-ess. Proved, April 13, 1784.

Page 428.—In the name of God, Amen. I, RICHARD HOWELL, of Southold, Suffolk County, yeoman, being weak and infirm of body. All my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid by my executors. I leave to my well-beloved wife Elisabeth, two cows, six sheep,

two feather beds and furniture, six chairs, one trammel, shovel and tongs; Also, one half quarter of an acre to use as a garden, while my widow. Unto my eldest son Edmund, the part of my lot I bought of Deacon Colman; Also, all my lands and meadows east of Mapes lane, and south of the Ele branch; Also, my meadow called Muddy-Creek meadow; he paying my wife, his mother, five loads of wood yearly at the house where she, my widow, lives. Unto my second son Phinehas, all the land I bought of Aaron Howell, Samuel Hallock and Peter Hallock; Also, the broad meadow point beach and meadow I bought of the Fannings. Unto my son Richard, £30. Unto my son Parshall, the remainder of my land, meadows and buildings not yet mentioned, he paying my wife yearly, 12 bushels of wheat, 10 of corn, 110 pounds of pork, 50 lbs. beef, 15 lbs. flax, and also keep two cows and six sheep summer and winter, for his mother; Also, sufficient firewood, with what my son Edmund shall find for her; Also, a privilege in the orchards and fruits, sufficient for her person. My son Pearshall to keep my son Abram, as is becoming in a Christian land, during his life. If he does not provide for Abram, my executors to take sufficient lands, willed to Parshall to support Abram. Unto my wife the one half of my dwelling house while my widow; all given her is in lieu of dower. Unto my four daughters, Elisabeth Brown, Joanna Terry, Keziah Sopers, and Mary Benjamin, thirty shillings each. All my negroes to be sold, and sufficient stock to pay my just debts and legacies, and my executors reasonably for their trouble; the remainder unto my son Parshall. I make my sons, Edmund and Pearshall, and my trusty friend, Daniel Wells, executors.

Dated March 14, 1783. Witnesses, Thomas Aldrich; Jacob Aldrich, and Joseph Mapes, both of said County, yeoman. Proved, March 17, 1784.

Page 430.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHAN JOST HERCKHEIMER, of Burnetsfield, Albany County,

being in reasonable health of body. I leave to my eldest son, Nicholas, ten shillings in right of Primogeniture. My beloved wife Catharine to remain sole and absolute Mistress of my estate during her life. After her decease my son John shall have the farm I now live on; Also, 100 acres adjoining in the New Patent; two of the best Negroes; all my wearing apparel; three geldings or stallions, three mares, three cows, six sheep and six hogs, all of the best, plow, wagon, sleigh and their Geers and tackling; one gun, two beds and furniture and sufficient farming utensils. Should he die unmarried, and without lawful issue, then said estate is to go to my next heir named Herckheimer, and he may not alienate any part of it without my executors' consent. Unto my loving son George, the lot whereon he now lives, called Lott No. 36. Should my wife become unsound in mind after my decease, my executors shall have her under their care and protection, and maintain her out of the income of my estate. Such of my children as are indebted to me, shall pay the amounts to my executors for hereinafter mentioned purposes, or have the amounts deducted from their respective portions. The residue of my estate, after my wife's decease, to go equally unto all my children. The share of any child dying without lawful issue to go equally to the survivors. I make my sons, Nicholas, Henry, and Jost Herckheimer, junior, executors.

Dated April 5, 1771. Witnesses. Thomas Porter; Han Jost Herckheimer, junior; William Petrj, of the German Flatts. Proved, October 4, 1783.

[NOTE.—The only surviving executor being absent from the State, letters of administration were granted to George Herckemer, of Canejohary, Esquire, on April 30, 1784.]

Page 433.—In the name of God, Amen. I, URIAH SMITH, of the Township of Brookhaven, Province of New York, being very weak in body. I leave to Desire,

my dearly beloved wife £50 out of my estate, and her lawful thirds of my whole estate. Unto my cousin Uriah Smith, son of my brother John, all land in the Lots No. 26 and 27 below the County road, and £10. Unto my cousins, William Garrard, and Uriah Hulse, £10 each. Unto my well-beloved daughter Desire, all the rest of my estate. Should she leave no child surviving at her death, the same to go to maintain the Gospel of the Baptist Church at Coram. I make my wife, Nathaniel Ouerton, and Jesse Hulse, executors.

Dated February 27, 1783. Witnesses, Messenger Ouerton (Overton); Jonathan Benjamin; Manle Wells, of said County, yeoman. Proved, April 1, 1784.

Page 434. In the name of God, Amen. I, NICHOLAS HERKHEIMER, of Conajohary, Tryon County, being of a sound mind, this seventh day of February, 1777. I leave to my beloved wife Maria, the rents or issues of 300 acres in a patent granted to Edward Holland, said tract now leased and possessed by Charles Gordon. Also, for life, £150 to be paid by the hereafter disposed Possessor of my Tenements (whereon I now have my present dwelling), ten years from the day of my decease, that is, £15 yearly for ten years. Also, the issues of all my shares in the lowland and upland bought of the Indians in the Canajohary Castle in joint partnership with my father-in-law, Peter S. Tygert, during the minority of my wife's brother Peter. Unto her, one of my young negro wenches named Mya, about one and a half years old. Also, a tract of land in George Clock's Patent, containing 100 acres of woodland, formerly conveyed by release by Severinus Tygert of Stonearaby, deceased, unto my first married wife deceased. Unto my wife Maria, upon proviso that, during her widowhood of me, she shall and will conduct herself in Chastity and other Christian manners becoming to a decent and religious widow, she to have the use of the room in the North-east corner of my present dwelling, one quarter acre in one of the

gardens, four apple trees, fire-wood and water, one of the young negro wenches; a horse and mare, two cows, six sheep, six hogs; three silver spoons and four teaspoons, a half dozen China teacups and saucers, etc., the moiety of my linen and home-spun store (the other half to be divided by her among my black servants for their clothing); her wearing apparel and that of my first wife; Also, during widowhood, the use of one half of said dwelling, and the profits of the 500 acres of surrounding land; the issues of my wenches, horses and other cattle, she paying one half of the expenses incurred. Should she marry one of my brother's sons, they shall enjoy the interest of my lands now leased in said Patent; Also, one lot of wood-land, not leased, adjoining the Fallberg Patent. Should she marry one of my sister's sons, then the said interests of said leased lands, and the woodland to appertain to them, their heirs, etc., during both their lives. Unto my eldest brother, Henry, £5, as a prerogative, payable immediately by bond, notes or cash of my brother George or his heirs. Unto my brothers, Henry and John, £50 each. Unto my sisters, Elisabeth, Barbary, Gertraut, Magdalene, Curtelia, Anna, Maria, Elisabeth, Anna, and Catharine, each £30. Unto my god-son, Nicholas Herkheimer, son of my brother Henry, 100 acres of woodland in the Randolph Shaley patent, if leased at my decease, then the rents according to the lot falling to him in the drawing. Unto the other sons of my brother Henry, namely: Han Yost, George, and Henry, and to his daughter Elisabeth, each 100 acres of woodland in the Staley Patent, according to lot; if leased, then the rents. Unto my god-son, Nicholas Herkheimer, son of my brother, Han Yost, 150 acres of woodland in the same Patent, or the rents thereof; Also, £50, payable when he is lawfully aged by my brother George. Unto my god-son Nicholas, son of Peter D. Schuyler, 250 acres of the same, drawn in same manner; or the rents; and my best suit of clothes, from head to heels. Unto my god-son Nicholas, son of the

Rev'd Abraham Rosecrants, 200 acres of the same, or rents; Also, one young horse or mare of the value of £12, estimated by my executors. Unto my god-son, Nicholas Herckheimer, son of Peter Ten Broeck, 200 acres of same, or rents; Also, the money owing me by his father. Unto Rudolph Shoemaker, jr., son of Rudolph, £25, payable at majority by my brother George. Unto the four children of Jurry Henry Bell, namely: Nicholas, Hanyoost, Anna, and Maria, £50 by equal shares, at their respective majorities, by my said brother. Unto the three daughters of Rudolph Shoemaker, namely: Catharine, Elisabeth, and Gertraut, £10 each, payable as above. Unto my god-child Mary Catharine, daughter of Werner Tygert, £20, payable by my said brother, when she shall marry; and to his daughter, Magdalene Tygert, £10. Unto Nicholas, son of Peter S. Tygert, £25, when married. Unto Maria, daughter of John Tygert, £20, when married. Johannes Bierhausen, present miller of my grist mill on Lot N° 8 in Edward Holland's Patent, shall, while managing said mill, have its full issue and of the land near the mill (between the Two Hills and the Dam, excepted), provided the family living in my present dwelling shall have free grinding; he to maintain said mill and pay for repairs. Should he fall sick and be unable to manage the mill, he is to be maintained in my dwelling house, and tended sufficiently by my brother George. Unto my said brother, the Tenement of 500 acres of land whereon I now live; Also, 130 acres of woodland in Holland's Patent, adjacent to the aforesaid tract; Also, all my shares in my father's estate, all my other real and personal estate, cattle, money, bonds, etc., on condition that he or his heirs pay the legacies aforementioned, and my just debts, funeral charges and all other expenses and sums further devised. Should my brother John have one or more lawful male heirs, the said 630 acres to be valued by my executors, and the equal moiety thereof be paid by my brother George to his brother's male heirs when

the first born shall be of lawful age; the interest of the moiety to become due from the birthday of such first-born to said term shall go to the education of those male heirs under my executors' discretion. Unto Peter P. Tygert, son of my father-in-law, Peter S. Tygert, my share in the lands I bought in Canajoharie Castle of the Indians, in joint partnership with my said father-in-law. Should Peter P. Tygert die before his lawful age the lands to go to my brother George. My negro slaves, Dick, Sam and Mary to be well used in their ages in remembrance of good and faithful services; should they be misused or urged to work against their abilities in their old ages, such to be taken away by my executors from my brother George. I make Messrs. Hanyoost Shoemaker, John Eisenlord and John Tygert, my trusty friends, with my beloved wife, executors; they to have for their pains, Hanyoost Shoemaker, £37; John Eisenlord, and John Tygert, £12 each; besides their extraordinary charges when employed in the performance of my will.

Witnesses, Johann Jost Koch; George House, William Stine, of Canijohary, labourer. Proved, October 4, 1783.

[NOTE.—Hanyoost Shoemaker and Maria Herckheimer, the only surviving executors, having relinquished the executorship, letters of administration were granted to George Harkimer, of Canajoharie, Montgomery County, brother, etc., on April 30, 1784.]

Page 439.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOB HADEN, this eighteenth day of November, 1783, knowing that all flesh must depart this life. I leave to my son Benjamin, my lands and tenements in Harrisons Precinct, and in the White Plains, with my moveable estate without doors, he to pay my just debts, funeral charges, and legacies. Unto my son Job, one desk that came from his grandfather. Unto my son Thomas, £80, payable by my son Benjamin, one year after my decease. Unto my daughter, Charity Purdy, £30.

which is owing to me out of the estate of Jonathan Purdy, deceased. Unto my daughter, Elizabeth Merriitt, one negro wench named Jean, one large pewter platter and Brass Reflector that was her great grandmother's. The remainder of my household goods unto my daughters, Charity, Sarah, Elizabeth and Susannah, in equal shares. I make my brother-in-law, Benjamin Griffen, Richard Sands, Joseph Cornel, and my son Benjamin, executors.

Witnesses, William Barker, of the White Plains, Westchester County, yeoman; Eli Scholefield; William Dunlap. Proved, April 23, 1784.

Page 440.—In the name of God, Amen. The twenty-first day of December, 1780, I, WILLIAM BARKER, senior, of Scarsdale, Westchester County, farmer, being very sick and weak in body. I leave to Tamer, my dearly beloved wife, one bed and furniture, her riding saddle, and all her wearing apparel. Likewise, unto her, all the easternmost part of my land, from the road leading to the White Plains, with my house and barn, the use of my negro wench Sib, and one cow, while my widow. All my moveables to be sold or properly appraised some time conveniently after my decease. After my just debts and funeral charges be paid, unto my son Samuel, £150, and to my son William £100. Unto my son Samuel the use of the other half of my said farm. At my wife's death or re-marriage, my whole estate to be sold; the neat proceeds in cash to go as follows: one fifth to each of my sons, Thomas, John, William, and Samuel. The other fifth to be equally divided between my daughter Sarah, wife of Jn^o Tomkins, and Peter Burnet's six oldest daughters, namely: Jane, Susanna, Mary, Frances, Sarah, and Tamer; these each to have one sixth part. I make my sons, Thomas and John, and my wife Tamer, executors.

Witnesses, William Dixon; William Davis, of Mamaroneck, said County, carpenter; Thomas Johnson. Proved April 28, 1784.

Page 442.—In the name of God, Amen. This twenty-third day of March, [1781]. I, JOHN WOGLOM, senior, of Staten Island, Richmond County, yeoman, being very weak in body. I leave to my well-beloved wife, an out-set of my moveable estate, after my decease. Unto my son John, a mare and £5 in token of his birth-right, and of my affection and good will. Unto my son Abraham, £5. Unto my son Peter his Mare, which is taken as his property. All my estate in lands and goods to be divided equally among my children, John, Abraham, Peter, Cornelious, Benjamin (and to Mary, £5 additional), Elizabeth Johnson, Catharine Story, Seiley Johnson, and Jane Woglom. I make my wife Catharine, and my loving or beloved son John, executors.

Dated, in the twenty-first year of our Sovereign Lord George III., A. D. 1781. Witnesses, Peter Woglom; Robert Piggot; Abraham Rickhow, of said County, vintner. Proved April 30, 1784.

Page 443.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ISAAC SEBRING, of Brookland, Kings County, being in good health. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid at some convenient time after my decease. I leave to my beloved wife a life interest in £500 at 6%, interest payable annually. Unto my son Cornelius, the house, mill and lands, now possessed by him, and all my wearing apparel. Unto my daughter Katherine, £150 for an outset; one of my negro children (as all my other children have already had), providing she does not in my life-time receive the same. Unto my daughter Margaret, wife of Whitehead Cornwell, £75. My present farm whereon I dwell, with all improvements, salt meadow, etc., to go as follows: One fourth equally amont Katherine, Margaret, and Isaac Sebring, my grandchildren by my daughter Altie, now deceased, spouse of Cornelius Sebring in New York; like fourth part to my daughter Katherine, to my executors for the use of my daughter Elizabeth, and the

remaining fourth to my granddaughter, Mary Terhune. The remainder of my moveables to be divided in the same manner. The portions of any of my children or grandchildren dying under age, without lawful issue, to the survivors equally without exception. All that is bequeathed to the use of my said daughter Elizabeth or shall fall to her by any such decease, is to remain in the hands of my executors and put out at interest for her benefit; the capital also to be paid to her when she thinks proper to demand it. What is bequeathed or may fall to my granddaughter, Mary Terhune, to be so entrusted; payable as my executors judge most proper. They shall run no risque for bad debts in the management of my estate; but only liable for their actual "Intromissions." I make my son Cornelius, my two sons-in-law, Cornelius Sebring and William Caverly, and my grandson by marriage, Archibald Currie, executors.

Dated September 14, 1771. Witnesses, Duncan Currie; Jo. Boyd; David Currie, of the City of New York, merchant. Proved, May 3, 1784.

Page 446.—In the name of God, Amen. I, BENJAMIN BOOTH, of the Walkill Precinct, Ulster County, at present residing upon Long Island, being of sound and disposing mind and memory. I leave my whole estate to my wife during her widowhood, provided she shall maintain my daughters out of the profits, until they respectively are eighteen or marry; and subject also to the following bequests: To each daughter at either of said events, £100. Upon the termination of my wife's interest, the residue of my whole estate to go equally to my sons or their issue. Should any son be incapable by the laws of New York at my decease, or thereafter, to his devise of my estate; or shall have committed any act whereby the same may forfeit, then my son's shares shall go to their issue; or in default of such issue, then to my other sons or their survivors in fee simple. I make my wife, my friends, Thomas

Bull and Thomas Curtis, both of Ulster County, executors.

Dated November 6, 1779. Witnesses, Thomas Colden, of City of New York, Esquire; John Colden, Jane Colden. Proved, May 7, 1784.

Page 447.—I, RICHARD LAWRENCE, of Flushing, Queens County, Long Island, this fourth day of April, 1776, being far advanced in years. All my lawful debts and funeral charges to be paid by my executors. I leave to my son Caleb, £400; and to his son Richard, my house and land in the Town of Flushing. Unto my son John, £200; my son Effingham, £300; my daughter, Ledia Hunt, £100. My executors to retain £100, and pay the yearly interest to my daughter Mary for life, and after her death to divide the principal sum between said executors. Unto my grandson, Norris Lawrence, £100, and my negro boy Elick, my watch, sleeve buttons, and shoe buckles, provided that his present guardian be continued, or that he choose one of his uncles, Caleb, John or Effingham; otherwise, he forfeits his legacy, which is to be given to his uncle Joseph, ye present Guardian. I make my sons, Caleb and John Lawrence, executors; and order all my remaining negroes to be sold. After payment of debts, legacies, etc., the residue of my estate to go equally to my four sons: Caleb, John, Effingham, and Joseph.

Witnesses, John Bowne; Comfort Cornell; Phebe Lawrence, of Flushing, spinster. Proved, May 7, 1784.

Page 449.—In the name of God, Amen. The ninth day of April, 1784; and in the eighth year of our Independence. I, WILLIAM RIDER, of Cakeate, Haverstraw Precinct, Orange County, farmer, being very sick and weak in body. I leave a piece of land by Matthew Coe's, to Martha, daughter of my lawful daughter Phebe, with Elizabeth Suckey and Millee, my two twins (the part of Lydia's estate to run to her), a south line on an equal division among my lawful

daughters and granddaughters as they agree among themselves. North of the brook to be divided among the boys, William, Joseph and John. My Jemima to have her living of the boys' place until they come of age, and my lawful wife to have her living of the whole farm for life; my lawful debts to be paid from the farm; my children to have their education paid from the estate; the place where James Emmons now lives, to be sold; proceeds to pay debts and to keep a comfortable stock of living creatures, as cows, sheep, etc., with a team for the support of my family. I make William Smith and John Palmer, executors.

Witnesses, Matthew Coe, wheelwright; Isaac Smith; John Cox, yeoman, both of Haverstraw Precinct. Proved, May 7, 1784.

Page 450.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES BOWNE, of Flushing, Queens County, Nassau Island, yeoman, being weak of body, do this sixth day of the tenth month, 1781. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid by my executors. I leave to my well-beloved wife Caroline, £400; Also, the use of my real estate in the City of New York in Jane's Street until my sons, John and Walter, are of lawful age. Unto my sons, Walter and John, my said real estate in equal shares, as they respectively come of age. The share of one dying in minority to go to my surviving son: should both so die, then the above real estate is to go equally to my four daughters, namely: Catharine, Elizabeth, Mary, and Caroline, when every one is of lawful age. Unto my wife Caroline, for the better maintenance and education of my children, the use of my whole real estate in the Township of Flushing for the above mentioned term; at its limitation, then to my two said sons equally. Unto each of my four daughters, £400, to be put at interest; payable as each is of age. The interest and residue of my personal estate to go equally to my wife and each surviving child. I make my wife Caroline, my trusty and well-beloved

friends, Samuel Franklin, of New York, and John and Willet Bowne (both of Flushing), executors.

Witnesses, Scott Hicks; Mary Field, of Flushing; Anne Field. Proved, March 19, 1784.

Page 452.—In the name of God, Amen. I, BENJAMIN CORNWELL, of Hampstead, Queens County, being sick and weak in body. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid out of my estate. Then I leave to my beloved wife Mary, the best bed. Unto each of my daughters, Lenah and Mary, a bed; the bedding to go equally with the beds. Also, to Lenah, the cupboard, her mother to have the care thereof until she is capable. Unto Mary, four pewter plates. Unto my wife Mary, one pot, one pan, one table. The grain and Indian corn is for family use. The remainder of the whole estate to be sold; the proceeds divided into four parts; the use of one part for my wife's maintenance while my widow. Should she marry, the said support to stop; if she has another child while my widow, then to stop likewise. Another fourth interest to my daughter Mary, at lawful age. Another fourth to my daughter Lenah, at lawful age. The remaining fourth to be for the support of my unborn child, until it is of lawful age. I make my friends and neighbours, Martin Van Nostrand and Joseph Skidmore, both of this place, executors; allowing to them reasonable satisfaction for their trouble.

Dated September 21, 1783. Witnesses, Nathaniel Box, schoolmaster, and John Cornell, of Hempstead, both of Queens County; Caleb Cornwall. Proved, March 22, 1784.

Page 454.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSEPH SKIDMORE, of the Township of Hempstead, Queens County, miller, being sick and weak in body. I leave to my daughter Mary, my chest of drawers, half dozen best chairs, a feather bed, and furniture, my best looking glass, and one of my best milch cows, and calves.

Unto Mary, my dearly beloved wife, all my indoor moveables; my riding chair, best horse, two milch cows; all, while my widow. When her widowhood ceases, the same to go equally to my two sons, Walter and Joseph. Unto said Walter, the moiety of my tenements, grist mills, lands, meadows, and all real estate; and the half of my personal estate. Unto said Joseph, the other half of my real and personal estate. The said devise to my sons upon condition that they pay my widow an annuity of £20; and provide for her, sufficient Bread Corn, 200 lbs. beef, 300 lbs. pork, yearly; firewood, pasture and fodder for her horse and cows, summer and winter. Also, that they pay unto my daughter Mary, £150; to my son Nathan, £100; to his granddaughter, Susannah Skidmore, £110; to his grandchildren, children of said son Nathan, namely: Samuel, Walter, William and Simon Potter, £15 each, payable as each one is of lawful age. Unto my wife, the free use of one half of my dwelling house, while my widow. Unto my granddaughter, Susannah Skidmore, one milch cow, and my best pair of Handirons. I make my wife Mary, and my sons, Walter and Joseph, executors.

Dated September 8, 1779. Witnesses, Matthias Burnet, of Jamaica, Queens County; Peter Smith, Robert Hinchman. Proved, March 16, 1784.

Page 456.—In the name of God, Amen. I, BERNARDUS BLOOM, of New Town, Queens County, on Nassau Island, being of sound and perfect mind. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid by my executors. I leave to my grandson, Bernardus Bloom, my real estate in New Town. Should he die before twenty-one without lawful issue, then the same is to go to Bernardus Rapalje, son of my daughter Mary. Should he so die, then it is to go to John and George Rapelje, sons of my said daughter Mary. My son Simeon to reside on and have the use of a dwelling and seven acres, that I purchased of Samuel Culver, during life.

Unto my daughter Mary, wife of George Rapelje, Esqr, £100; to John, Bernardus and George Rapelje, sons of my said daughter, £100 each, payable out of my personal estate; and for this purpose, my executors are to sell such as may be best spared from the Farm. The residue of my whole estate unto my said grandson, Bernardus Bloom; who shall allow my wife Catharine a decent support, while my widow, and residence on my homestead. I make Robert Field and Caspar Springsteen, of New Town; and John Polhemus, of Jamaica in Queens County, executors.

Codicil. Unto my son Simeon, my workshop, iron, tools and utensils belonging to the Blacksmith's business; a horse, saddle and bridle, one cow; my wearing apparel and clothing; an annuity of £5, payable by my grandson Bernardus.

Dated September 17, 1780. Witnesses, Thomas W. W. Beavans; Richard Morrell, James Bonney. Proved, March 24, 1784.

Page 458.—Be it known to all that it may concern I, GILBERT WRIGHT, of the Township of Oysterbay, Queens County, being this twelfth day of December, 1783, of perfect and sound mind and memory. I leave to my mother, Elizabeth Wright, the use of my small back room (which hath a fireplace in it) for her to live in during her widowhood. Unto my sister, Almy Wright, my negro girl named Inde. Unto my sisters Sarah, Almy and Deborah Wright, £30 each. Should either die before my will is in force, and without lawful issue, then the decedent's legacy is to go to the survivors. The residue of my whole estate, after my just debts be paid, unto my two brothers, Benjamin and William Wright, equally; or to the survivor, if one die without lawful issue, or before my will is in force. I make my brothers, Benjamin and William Wright, executors.

Witnesses, William Seaman, of Oysterbay, yeoman, Henry Dickinson. Proved, March 17, 1784.

Page 460.—In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS RODMAN, late of Flushing, on Long Island, now of Fishkill, Dutchess County, being weak and infirm of body. All my just debts to be paid by my executors out of my estate, that is, with what Continental money I shall leave, and proceeds of sale by my executors, of my lot of land in New York. Should this be insufficient, then they shall sell my woodland lot. I leave to my beloved wife Martha, in lieu of her right of dower, the use of my farm in Fishkill, and buildings, etc., until my daughter Elizabeth arrive to lawful woman's age; provided, she so long remains my widow. Should she marry before that time, my executors are to pay her £500 upon her giving to them a full discharge. My wife to allow my dear Mother the use of the two east rooms in my house, for life. My beloved daughter Elizabeth to be my sole heiress to all my estate in Flushing, that is my farm, buildings, etc., provided she lives to said age. Should she die a minor, then an equal fifth of my said estate to go to each of my four sisters, namely: Ann Field, Hannah Hicks, Caroline Bown, and Penelope Shoemaker; the other fifth to go equally to my two nieces, Margaret Hicks and Elisabeth Tom. Unto Clarissa (daughter of Rachel North, widow), £100, payable to her when she is sixteen. I make my worthy brothers-in-law, Charles Hicks and James Bown, and my wife Martha, executors; they also to settle my father's estate with my brother John.

Dated January 27, 1780. Witnesses, Thomas Williams, junior, of Dutchess County, trader; Aspinwall Cornwell, Robert Williams. Proved, May 1, 1784.

Page 461.—These presents witnesseth that I, ZEBULUN WILLIAMS, late Zebulun Seaman, of the Township of Oyster Bay, Queens County, this thirty-first day of May, 1781, being indisposed in body. I leave to my well-beloved wife, Phebe Seaman, her choice of my horses, and my riding chair. Unto my son, Zebulun Seaman, John Williams Seaman, and Leonard

Seaman, all my wearing apparel in equal shares. Unto my son, John Williams Seaman, my ivory-head cane. Unto my son Leonard, £25, or choice of my remaining horses. Unto my wife, sufficient provisions for my family's support, until my lands be sold by my executors, who are directed to sell, in a convenient time at their discretion, my whole remaining estate; after my just debts be paid they to divide the remainder of proceeds of sale amongst my wife aforesaid, and my children, namely: Zebulun, John Williams, Leonard, Leah Willits, Mary, Martha Doty and Phebe Seaman; my sons to have a double share with my wife and daughters; which division is made with this reserve: as my daughter Leah and my sons, Zebulun and John, have already received a part of their portion, my daughter to have £60 less than my other daughters; my sons, Zebulun and John, £100 each less than my son Leonard. The bequests to my wife to be in lieu of dower; she to choose and have such articles of my estate, notwithstanding the general order for the sale, at the appraisement of impartial men, in part of her legacy. The legacies of those under age to be put at interest by my executors, for their respective uses. Whereas, there is a body of land at Jericho belonging between William Seaman, deceased; and me, of which no division has been settled by us; Also, an exchange of land between Richard Willits and me, not confirmed by writing, my executors, namely: John Williams Seaman and Leonard Seaman, my sons; and Thomas Willits, my son-in-law, and John Williams, my brother-in-law, are to make a settlement with any person appointed by the said William Seaman, deceased, for that purpose, and Richard Willits respecting said lands. After settlement, my executors are to sell lands then belonging to me; the proceeds to go in manner above described.

Witnesses, Jacob Willits, of Oyster Bay, yeoman; Noah Seaman, Thomas Williams, of Hempstead, yeoman. Proved, March 17, 1784.

Codicil. Whereas my sons, Zebulon and John Williams Seaman, will have more than their proportion of my estate, my son Leonard shall have £200 more than each of his said brothers, instead of the £100 given in the will. Unto my wife Phebe, one bed and furniture, six silver spoons, additional to those already willed her. Codicil, dated March 13, 1782.

Page 464.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DAVIS DICKSON, of the City of New York, merchant, being in good health. All my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid by my executors some convenient time after my decease. I leave to my dearly beloved wife Helen, her choice of one half of my furniture, except what is hereafter given away. Unto her, also, my negro man named Frank, my negro wench Jenny; and the remainder of my silver plate. She also to have the use and care of my negro girl Sarah until the marriage of my son John. Unto my wife, the house and lot, now in the tenure and occupation of Doctor John Stiles, while my widow; to be in lieu of dower. Unto my son John, £5, a bar to any claim to any part of my real estate as being my eldest son; Also, my silver tankard with his name upon it, a half dozen best silver table spoons, pepper box, salt celler and spoon, punch spoon, and the silver watch I now wear. Also, unto him, in case he should marry, the said negro girl Sarah. Should he die without marrying, the said negro to be sold; the proceeds to go to my wife Helen and my surviving children in equal shares. Unto my son David, my negro boy named Jack, one silver tankard with the cypher D. D. upon it; half dozen silver table spoons, pepper box, salt seller and spoon, and punch spoon. Unto my daughter Elizabeth, the other half of my furniture, one silver tea-pot, silver bowl, milk pot, pepper box, salt seller, half dozen silver table spoons, my negro girl named Peggy and my negro boy Tom. My executors, as soon as convenient to sell my real estate (except the house occupied by my wife).

and the residue of my personal estate remaining for the most money; the proceeds, after paying just debts, and funeral expenses to go as follows: A fourth part unto my wife Helen; another to my son David, payable when he is twenty-one, or day of marriage; another to my daughter Elizabeth, to be put at interest and payable in like manner; the remaining fourth to be put at interest by my executors upon land security, for the benefit of my son John for so long a time as they shall think fit, and pay the whole or part thereof to him as they think expedient. Should he die without lawful issue, the said fourth shall be divided equally between my wife Helen, my son David and daughter Elizabeth. Should my wife Helen remarry, my executors shall sell the residue of my real and personal estate; the proceeds to be divided in like manner as the proceeds of sale of personal estate before mentioned. At the death of my wife, they are to sell my real estate and remaining personal estate, and divide the proceeds into three parts; one part unto David when twenty-one or married; the interest of another part to my daughter Elizabeth, the principal payable when she is twenty-one, or married; the remaining third part unto my son, with the aforesaid limitations and contingencies. I make my wife Helen, and my good friends, Henry Law, Jeremiah Brower, and Cornelius Bradford, executors.

Dated February 23, 1773. Witnesses, Aletta Crimsheir, Abraham Willett; John D. Crimsheir, of the City of New York, Attorney at law. Proved, May 12, 1784.

Page 468.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES WRIGHT, of the City of New York, mariner, being weak in body. All my just debts and funeral charges to be first paid. I leave to the children of my sister Jane, wife of John Pock, by what names they respectively have, £400, in equal shares. The share of any dying before twenty-one, or day of marriage, to go equally to

the surviving. Unto the children of my sister Helen, £300, in like manner. Unto my natural son James, by the name of James Wright, begotten on the body of Ann Ellsworth of this City, the interest of £400 until he is twenty-one, towards his support if necessary. Should he die before twenty-one, or day of marriage, then the said £400 to go to my nephew, James Pock. Also to the said natural son James, the lot of ground in the Township of Argyle, Albany County, which I lately bought of Duncan Brown of the City of New York, mariner, lately deceased. Unto my uncle, Hugh Atchison, £200, to be distributed to the poorest and most necessitous of my relations in manner most charitable. Unto James, son of Elias Degrushe, junior, of this city, the interest of £50, payable when he is twenty-one. Unto the granddaughter of my said uncle Hugh, £100 when she is of full age. To facilitate these payments, my executors shall sell all my real and personal estate. The remainder of my estate unto my nephew, James Pock. I make David Dixon, John Pock, and Henry Law, executor.

Dated May 31, 1770. Witnesses, Francis Van Dyk, merchant; Adam Todd, carpenter, both of City of New York; James Emmott. Proved, May 13, 1784.

Letters of administration granted to James Howman, of Horseneck, in the State of Connecticut, gentleman, a principal creditor of James Wright, late of the same place, formerly of City of New York, on May 13, 1784. The only surviving executor being absent from the State of New York.

Page 471.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ABRAHAM PARCEL, of the City of New York, cartman, being weak in body. All my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid. I leave to my son John, £10, if living; and if dead at time of my decease, then my house and lot on Golden Hill to any legitimate children he may leave, in equal shares as tenants in common; should he leave no such issue, then the same property with my corner house

and lot on Cowfoot Hill, adjoining Rutgers Street, and fronting Queen Street; together with as much ground adjoining in the rear as will make one half my ground between Chestnut and Queen Streets, unto my son William for life, and to like issue he may leave; should he die leaving no such issue, then the two houses and lots to go to all the children of my daughter Sarah already born and to be born, in equal shares. Should either of these children die before William, leaving legitimate issue, then the parent's share to such children equally. Unto my daughter Sarah for life, my corner house wherein I now dwell, adjoining to Rutgers Street and Chestnut Street, together with the residue of my above described ground, not given to William; at her death the same to go to all her aforesaid children equally; the share of any child dying in her lifetime, leaving legitimate issue, after her death to their respective children equally, as tenants in common. Unto my granddaughter, Jane Fine, £50. Unto my grandchildren, John, Sarah and Mary Neil, £100, at interest for their use; a third part of said sum to each at majority. My cupboard to my said granddaughter, Mary Neil; my silver snuff-box to my granddaughter, Sarah Neil. Unto my nephew, William Parcel, son of my brother Thomas, 105 acres of ground in the eastern division of New Jersey in New Britain, between Raway River and the southernmost branch of the Passaic, being part of a 315 acre tract laid out by John Harriman; said tract now devised begins at or near the North Mountain, extends to the South Mountain. Unto my said son William, the residue of said tract, being 210 acres. Unto my said daughter Sarah, the term of years yet to come of and in my house and lot which I hold by lease from the corporation of the Dutch Church in this City, near Cowfoot Hill, fronting Queen Street that leads from Hanover Square down to Fresh Water. Also, unto William and Sarah, each three silver table spoons; to my granddaughter Jane, six silver tea spoons. The

residue of my estate unto my son William, my daughter Sarah, and all her children living at my death (collectively to have but a third), in equal shares. I make Huybert Van Waggenen, William Pearse, Thomas Thorne, executors.

Dated July 17, 1781. Witnesses, Alexander Leslie, Hugh Simon; Cornelius I. Bogert, of said City, attorney at law. Proved, May 10, 1784.

Page 473.—This is the last will and testament of me, SAMUEL DEA, of Greenwich, being sick and weak. All my just debts to be paid out of my effects at some convenient time. I leave to my wife Elizabeth and children in England, the residue of all my estate. I make Francis Davis and Joseph Clarke, executors.

Dated May 9, 1784. Witnesses, Thomas Newman; George Campbell, of Greenwich in the City and County of New York; Elizabeth Newman. Proved, May 14, 1784.

Page 475.—I, WILLIAM KELLY of Percy Street in the Liberty of Westminster, Esquire, being at present in Bath for the recovery of a Numbness that has attacked me in my feet, but enjoying my usual share of understanding. I leave to my worthy friends, Beeston Long, Brook Watson and Robert Rashleigh, all of the City of London, merchants, all my real estate in Great Britain, North America and in the Island of St. Thomas or elsewhere, and all my plantations, lands, tenements, etc., upon the trusts, for the uses hereinafter expressed; that they pay to each of my sons, William and Henry, a moiety of profits of said estates until the same be sold or divided in equal shares; nevertheless subject to these Incumbrances, vizt: In case my son-in-law, Thomas Wooldridge, has not had a Title made to him for £3,000 in lands in the Provinces of New York and New Jersey, or either of them, agreeable to a verbal promise, made him previous to his intermarriage with my daughter, that the same promise be completed by the aforesaid trustees; in case my two said

sons on closing my affairs do share £20,000 between them, that each of them in three years after my decease give a bond conditioned for payment of £1,000 and interest from date, unto said trustees, for the use of my daughter Susanna; she to receive the interest during her Coverture of £1,000 from each of my sons; if a widow, then the whole amount of £2,000. Should her husband survive her, she to have the right to leave him the said £2,000 if she thinks proper; the same to be free from the debts and control of her husband. My trustees may sell any part of my real estates, negroes, etc., and divide the money between my two sons, equally. My trustees not to be accountable for the acts of each others; nor be liable for any loss by securities unless through wilful default. I make said three friends, executors; giving £50 to each, to purchase them rings.

Dated August 2, 1774. Witnesses, W. Cross, upholder; Thomas Cottell, carpenter; Henry Derham, wine merchant, Bath.

Codicil. As my will is silent concerning the house Mr. Lott and I have taken Mr. Thomas Woolridge one fourth concerned from January 1, 1773, he paying interest for what is deficient; which house, by limitation of its partnership must expire next Summer, I direct that my son Henry shall be empowered to continue and carry on the business of said house at such expiration, and if he thinks proper, to continue as a partner the said Mr. Woolridge; and that Mr. Lott have option to put his son in one fourth with necessary capital. My son Henry to hold from June 28 last, until expiration of the present Partnership, one eighth of the whole concern, which is to be part of the three eighths I now hold therein.

Dated August 2, 1774. Same witnesses. Proved, August 5, 1774, at London, before the Surrogate of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury. Letters of Testimonial issued by said Court at London on June 10, 1784.

In the Court of Probates, at the City of New York, August 25, 1784, ancillary letters of administration were granted to John Foxcraft, Thomas Smith, and Thomas Golsbrow Banyar, all of the said City, Esquires, attorneys of Brook Watson and Robert Rashleigh of the City of London, Esquires, the two acting executors of the will of William Kelly, late of the Parish of St. Mary le Bone, in the County of Middlesex, England, Esquire, deceased.

Page 478.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM BROWNEJOHN, senior, of the City of New York, druggist, being of perfect, sound and disposing mind and memory, tho' weak in body. All my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid by my executors at some convenient time after my decease; my funeral to be at the discretion of my beloved wife Mary. I leave to my eldest son, William, £5 in full bar of any claim as heir at law. Unto my said beloved wife, my lot and house wherein I now live, in Hanover Square in said City; and my lot of ground and stable in Jews Alley, said City; for her natural life; my executors to permit her in said term to have the sole use of my plate, furniture, household stuff, slaves and servants, with taking an inventory. Also, the use of £700, to be raised as described below, and 200 guineas to buy a carriage and horses, if she calls upon my executors for the same. Unto the Rector and Inhabitants of the City of New York, in communion with the Church of England as by law established, £100 for the advantage of the Charity School in said City under their direction. My servants to be furnished with decent mourning out of my estate. Unto each of my executors, who qualify in two months after my decease, £100 in token of my regard and as a consideration for their trouble in settling my estate. Of the residue of my personal estate, one equal seventh part to each of my children: William, Samuel, Elizabeth, wife of Joseph Bartow; Mary, wife of Timothy Hurst; Catharine, wife of Oli-

ver Templeton, and Rachel, wife of John Price; the remaining seventh to the children of my son Thomas, deceased, namely: William, Elizabeth, Mary and Catharine, and their survivors, in equal shares, payable when they respectively are of full age, or marry; in the meantime to be kept at interest either in the British National Funds or upon good land security; said interest to go towards their proper education and support. The residue of my real estate unto my executors and their heirs, upon trust that during my wife's lifetime, they pay her an annuity of £700 out of the income, in quarterly payments in advance, beginning immediately after my decease; further, of the residue of said income, to make necessary repairs; Also, of any overplus, to pay and divide unto each of my children aforesaid, one seventh part, to my daughters' sole use; the remaining seventh to my said grandchildren when of age, or at marriage, and in like manner and use as above. Upon the decease of my wife, my other executors are to sell my real and personal estate to the best advantage; the proceeds to be invested on good land or house security, or purchase of stock in the British National Funds; the interest to be paid from time to time to my children and grandchildren as above ordered; should any of my children die, leave a husband, or wife living, my executors are to pay unto the widowers or widows respectively during life, unless they remarry, a moiety of the rents which would have been payable to such children so dying. My executors are to regularly pay to Elizabeth, widow of my son Thomas, while his widow, one moiety of the profits willed to his children, and the several bequests, for her own use. The sum of money which my son Thomas or other children or any of the respective husbands of my daughters have received towards settling them or advancing them in life, or by way of loan, or for which I have given a bond, or security, shall be deemed part of their respective shares, with interest thereof as shall exceed £500; the legacy of £5 to my

heir at law to be excepted. As I am bound with Timothy Hurst and his brother Charles, by a certain bond, in a considerable sum of money to George Folliott, given, as I have understood principally for the proper debt of said Charles, my executors are enjoined to use all due diligence to recover any money which I or they may pay in consequence, so that my estate may not suffer. Recourse to the estate of said Timothy until said sum cannot be recovered from said Charles Hurst. I make my wife Mary, my friends, Gabriel William Ludlow, Cornelius Clopper, James Beckman and Henry Remsen, all now or formerly of the City of New York, merchants, executors.

Dated June 14, 1783. Witnesses, Hugh Gaine, printer and book-seller; Eleazar Miller, junior, merchant, both of said City; Daniel McCormick. Proved, August 4, 1783.

Codicil. Any dispute about loans to my children to be finally settled by decision of majority of three arbitrators; one to be chosen by my executors, one by the appellant, and the third by the two so appointed.

Page 484.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIZABETH CARPENTER, of the City of New York, widow, being in my usual health. I leave to my son, John Carpenter, ten shillings in bar of claim as my eldest son and heir at law. Unto my grandson, John Carpenter, junior, if living at the time of my decease, £200 to be raised and paid to him out of my real and personal estates as soon as convenient. The residue of my whole estate to go as follows: One fifth unto my said eldest son, John; another to my daughter Catharine, wife of Samuel Bayard, of said City, mariner; another to my daughter Elizabeth, widow of Sidney Breese, late of said City, merchant, deceased; another unto my executors in trust to receive the rents of the real estate until sold, and invest at the risk of my son William, the fifth part of my personal estate and like proceeds of sale of real estate, towards the mainte-

nance of my said son, now in that part of Great Britain called England, while he is deprived of his reason. Upon his recovery, he is to have the one fifth of my whole estate with interest remaining unexpended. Should he die in a state of madness, and without lawful issue, then the said one-fifth and unexpended interest to go equally to my son John, my daughter, Catharine Bayard; my daughter, Elizabeth Breese, and my granddaughter Sarah, wife of William Malcolm of the City of New York, merchant. The remaining fifth of my estate also unto my executors, in trust for my said granddaughter Sarah in manner above described, during the joint lives of William Malcolm and Sarah, his wife; the interest to be paid to her in the lifetime of her husband; to be paid to her at his decease. Should he survive her, then the said interest is to be for the use of her children, for their maintenance and education respectively until they are of age or marry; to pay and distribute the same amongst all her children at their respective majority; the share of any child dying after her in non-age and without lawful issue to go equally to the survivors. My executors to sell my whole estate at their convenience, particularly the corner-house wherein I now dwell and the lot of ground fronting to Smith Street; Also, the house and ground next adjoining, which I bought from Peter Bosch; Also, another house and lot fronting said street, which I bought from Cornelius Wyncoop; Also, the house wherein my daughter, Elizabeth Breese, now dwells, and the lot of ground belonging thereunto. As a token of high esteem for my executors, unto each, £30. I make John Cruger, of the City of New York, Esquire, and Messieurs David Clarkson and Augustus Van Horne, executors.

Dated June 25, 1774. Witnesses, William Wentworth; John J. Myers, of said City, scrivener; John McKesson. Proved, May 3, 1784.

Codicil. All my wearing apparel to Catharine Bayard, my above named daughter.

Page 487.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN WHITE, of the City of New York, baker, being in perfect health. All my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid by my executors at some convenient time after my decease. I leave to my daughter Hannah, £500 out of my personal estate; payable when she is twenty-one; in the meantime to be put at interest upon good land security for her support and education. Unto my son John, the like sum, payable and used in like manner; Also, my house-clock. Unto my dearly beloved wife Hannah, the remainder of my household furniture; the rent of all my real estate in said city and elsewhere, while my widow. At her death or marriage, all my real estate to be sold; the proceeds to go as follows: One third put to interest for my daughter Hannah; another for my son John; both in like manner and purpose and payable as the above legacies. The other third, if my wife remarrys, to be so invested for her life interest, the interest to be paid her annually. At her death, the said third to go equally to my two children. Should either die in non-age, then to the survivor. Unto my sister Hester, wife of Samuel Hewlet of the Province of New Jersey, payable at the marriage or death of my wife, out of my real estate; and her receipt only to be given for the same, so that her husband is to have no control thereof. The residue of my estate unto my wife. My dear aged father to be decently maintained for life out of what is heretofore given to my loving wife. I make my wife Hannah, and my good friend, William Irwin, of the City of New York, shopkeeper, executors.

Dated August 2, 1781. Witnesses, David Philips, gentleman; and Thomas Gillespie, shopkeeper, both of said City; James Lisk. Proved, May 20, 1784.

Page 489.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN BOGERT, of the City of New York, gentleman, being in perfect health of body. I leave to my oldest son, John Bogert, junior, £5 for his birthright in bar of demand

of more than what is bequeathed to him. All my moiety of the house and lot in King Street in said City, between the houses and lots of Doctor Jacobus Van Dyck and John Jauncey, equally unto my three sons, John Bogert, jr., Nicholas Bogert, and Jacobus Bogert, upon condition that they, within three calendar months after my decease, pay to each of my daughters, £9; should any refuse or neglect to pay his share of the said £36, the share of such son so neglecting is to go equally amongst my seven children. The residue of my whole estate unto all my children, equally, to wit: John Bogert, junior, Nicholas, Jacobus, Belitje, wife of Francis Wessells; Elizabeth, wife of John Leary, Margaritta, wife of Jacobus Van Antwerp of the said City, and Annatje, wife of Jacobus Roosevelt of said City, John's son. The residue of my whole estate unto all my children, equally.

Dated December 21, 1769. Witnesses, Henry Roome, Edward Cowenhoven; John MacCalpine, of said City, baker.

Codicil. I revoke the seventh part devised to my daughter Elizabeth, and all other parts of my will relating to her; the same to go to my three sons, John, Nicholas and Jacobus in trust during her life; they to invest the same and pay the interest unto her for life. At her decease, to divide the said seventh equally amongst her four children, to wit: John, William, Margaret, and Ann; or their survivors.

Dated March 9, 1773. Witnesses, William Wentworth, Mary McKesson; John McKesson, of said City, Esquire. Proved, November 25, 1775.

[NOTE.—Letters of administration were granted to William Leary, of said City, merchant; a grandson and legatee, who neglected to appoint executors, on May 24, 1784.]

Page 493.—In the name of God, Amen. The 28th day of November, 1781, being sick in body. My executors to be Hannah and Nathaniel Gildersleeve. I leave

to my dearly beloved wife Hannah, the best bed and furniture, a good horse, saddle and bridle; and a good milk cow. Unto Nathaniel Gildersleeve, £10, and then to share with the rest of sons, James, Joseph, Elkanah, Benjamin and Thomas. My wife to have full possession of the estate until my youngest son is of age, if she remains my widow; then to my executors for the best advantage of my heirs. Should any heir die under age, then his share to go to the survivors. I make my loving friends, Hannah and Thaniel, executors.

(Signed)

BENJAMIN GILDERSLEEVE.

Witnesses, Francis Hasbrook, of Rumbout precinct, yeoman; Matthew Valentine. Proved, at Dutchess County, May 8, 1784.

Page 494.—In the name of God, Amen. I, EVERT BYVANCK, of the City of New York, boulder and backer, being in good health of body. After my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid by my executors in a reasonable time after my decease, I leave to my eldest son, Johannis, £5. As all my children equally have had deeds of gift for lots of ground in the North Ward of this City; Also, to my sons, Johannis, Petrus, and Evert Byvanck, and to my daughter, Mary Byvanck, wife to Gerrit Abeel, each £500 for their outsets; and have paid to John and Thomas Jones, Doctors of Phisick, £100 for the instructing my son Abraham in their art and mistry. Unto my son Abraham for his outset £400 out of my real and personal estate to make him equal with the others. The residue of my estate equally unto my five children, Johannis, Petrus, Mary, Evert and Abraham. If, as the last named is not capable of managing his affairs with that discretion I could wish, the last one fifth of my real and personal estate unto my loving friends, Nicholas Rosevelt, Theodorus Van Wyck and Isaac Rosevelt in trust for my said son for life for his own use, interest on the same to be paid annually. At his death, the said fifth

for the use of Abraham's issue, lawfully begotten, in equal shares. All my estate to be apportioned by a valuation or vendue among themselves; or, if they cannot agree, then by appraisement of two or three honest and judicious persons. If necessary, to pay debts, my executors are to sell sufficient real estate, as may seem fit to them and to their Council learned in the law. I make my children, Johannis, Petrus and Evert Byvanck, and my son-in-law, Garret Abeel and my friends, Nicholas Rosevelt, Theodorus Van Wyck and Isaac Rosevelt, executors.

Dated June 11, 1776. Witnesses, John Oothout, Abraham Van Wyck, Nicholas Van Antwerp. Proved, at Newark, N. J., April 24, 1783.

Page 497.—In the name of God, Amen. I, RICHARD JACKSON, of Jerusalem, Township of Hempstead, Queens County, on Long Island, being of sound mind, memory and understanding. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid by my two sons, Richard and Jacob, equally, at some convenient time after my decease; their bequests to be charged with said payment. I leave to my wife Jane, all my household goods within doors, her choice of one horse; my said sons to purchase at joint expense, a good riding chair, and wench; Also, an annuity of £50 while my widow, payable by my sons jointly and equally; Also, the use of the west room in the house where I now live, and the bedroom on the north and the Chamber above, the north division of the cellar, the free use of the kitchen by her and my son Jacob; the use of three cows, provided by my said two sons, the third part of my garden, sufficient fruit out of my orchard; wool and flax for clothing her and her wench; meat, grain, firewood, hay and pasture; all while my widow, and to be in lieu of dower, and all charged on the estate herein given to my two said sons. Unto my son Richard, my land and meadow on Oyster Bay, west neck; the last meadow on Half Neck; the lot joining on the

north to the barn of my son Richard, now in fence; the lands on the west side of the highway where my son Richard now lives; Also, all the land as far west and south as my land extends on the west side of the highway, as far north as his present possession extends; Also, the land I bought of Isaac Jackson as far east as Seaman's Brook; Also, my lands on Seaman's Neck adjoining Obadiah Seaman. Unto my son Jacob, the house and lands where I now live, southward to land herein given to my son Richard, eastward, westward and northward as far as my land extends on both sides of the highway; all my meadow on Great Neck, and land adjoining, for his natural life, with ut impeachment for waste; at his death, the same to go to my son Richard for life, of my said son Jacob to preserve and support the contingent uses and remainders hereinafter limited, in trust to permit my son Jacob to receive and take the rents and profits; at Jacob's death to go to his first son and heirs male of body of such first son, lawfully issuing; in default of such issue, then to the use of the second, third, and any other son of my son Jacob. In case of default, the house, lands and meadows shall go to my grandsons, Richard Jackson Seaman, son of my daughter Jane, and Micah Jackson, the son of my son Richard, equally; they to receive the rents, etc. After the decease of Richard Jackson Seaman, one half of said property so limited to my son Jacob for life, shall go to the first son of said Richard Jackson Seaman, and to heirs male of the body of such first son, and in manner above. After the decease of said Micah Jackson, the other equal half of said house, lands and meadow, so limited, unto the first son of said Micah Jackson, etc., in like manner as above. Should either Richard Jackson Seaman and Micah Jackson die without male issue, the part of him so dying to go to the survivor, or his issue, as above. All said property to be subject to the privileges hereinbefore given to my said wife. Should my son Jacob die without issue male, and leaves more than one

daughter, then Richard Jackson Seaman and Micah Jackson, and their issue male, shall as soon as conveniently may be, out of income of said property, pay to each daughter, £100. Unto my son Jacob, 11 acres, at north end of my westernmost great lot of meadow on Half Neck; Also, two lots on Seaman's Neck adjoining land he bought of James Pool; Also, unto Jacob, two negro boys (one named Tice; the other Jef), the choice of one pair of oxen, two cows, six young cattle, and seven hogs, two plows, one ox-cart, two hoes, two axes, etc. Unto my son Richard, my negro man named Peter, my negro boy Elijah. The residue unto my two said sons, Richard and Jacob, equally, as tenants in common, they paying my debts and legacies. Unto my daughter Jane, the use of £300 for life; at her death, the same unto her son, Richard Jackson Seaman, payable by my said two sons; should he die in her lifetime without issue, then to her surviving child or children; should she leave none, then to sink into the residue of the estate for my two sons. Unto my granddaughter Charity, daughter of my daughter Mary, £300, payable by my sons when she is twenty-one, or married; if she dies under age and unmarried, then said sum to sink back into the residue of my estate. I make my sons, Richard and Jacob, executors.

Dated February 28, 1780. Witnesses, Hannah Jones, Peter Herring, Samuel Jones, of Oyster Bay, Queens County, attorney. Proved, March 10, 1784.

Codicil. Made February 10, 1783. Unto my wife Jane, while my widow, over and above the aforesaid bequests, the privilege of raising and keeping, where I now live, such poultry as she may think proper. Also, the command of my negro boy called Jef, to make fire for her, tend her garden and horse, etc. She to have two barrels of cider from my orchard yearly, made by my two sons, Richard and Jacob. Whereas I willed to my said son Jacob, two lots of land on Seaman's Neck (adjoining land he bought of James Pool), the said devise is revoked to him; the same is given, with the

house, which I have lately purchased, unto my daughter Jane, for her sole and separate use for life; not to be subject to the debts or control of her husband. At her death the Pool property and the two adjoining lots to go to her two sons, Richard Jackson Seaman and Jacob Jackson Seaman, in equal shares. Also, unto Jane, the horse and three cows now in her possession; Also, during life, privilege of firewood and timber on my land on Seaman's Neck to the northward of above devise; Also, of five wagon loads of salt hay on meadow devised to my son Richard, the same from meadow given to Jacob, yearly; Also, pasture to fatten one cow yearly on land on Half Neck given to my two sons; Also, pasture for horse on Half Neck in the Spring of the year. Neither she nor her husband to have right to sell said firewood, timber, hay or grass. What is here given is additional to bequests made to her in my will. Whereas my lands below the highway on Half Neck were willed to my two sons equally, now the said land is to be divided by a line to run from the highway to the meadow; Richard to the easternmost and Jacob the westernmost. Lot given to Richard joining to his barn, is to be bounded southerly by the lot whereon the barn now stands, etc. My son Jacob to pay to my son Richard, £200 with interest from the date hereof, within one year after my death.

Witnesses, Peter Herring, Samuel Jones, and Samuel Jones. Proved, March 10, 1784.

Page 503.—Translation from the Dutch Extract:

In the name of God, Amen. This twenty-first of August, 1760, before me Dr. Thierrij Daniel De Marolles of Amsterdam, Notary Publick admitted by the Honourable Court of Holland, and in the presence of witnesses, came Jacob Henrij Chabanel, gentleman, merchant, and Madam Maria Anna le Roy, husband and wife, residing within this City on the Lelij Gracht between the Heere and Keizers Gracht, very well known to me, the said notary, both sound of body, hav-

ing and using well of their understanding, memory and utterance, as it appeared outwardly, who declared in consideration of the uncertain hour of the death, to have resolved to make their testament, and to dispose of the goods that are to be left by them in the manner following. After Christian recommendation of soul and body, disposing by these presents, wholly anew, the testators did constitute each other and mutually, vizt.: the first dying the survivor of them both to be the sole and whole heir or heiress in all the goods, as well moveable as immoveable, actions, credits and titles that the first dying of them both I shall leave nothing excepted nor reserved in order in the testator was the first dying that the testatrix shall be qualified to do and act therewith at her pleasure. The first dying of their testators appointing their child or children and further descendants by representation to be co-heirs of the legitime portion appertaining to them according to law in satisfaction or diminution whereof shall be reckoned what each of their children will enjoy of for dowry Bride's farings, or otherwise. Moreover the testators do appoint and commit each others vizt.: the first dying, the survivor of them both, to be executor or executrix of this their testament and sole tutor or tutress of the child or children in minority they may leave and likewise to be administrator or administratrix of their goods with all power and authority required, etc. All and in all cases with exclusion of the Honourable Lords, Officers of the Orphans Estates, as well of this as other cities and places where their decease should arrive, and their goods be situated and due to them, thanking the said Lords for the pains they otherwise should take and excluding them well expressly by these presents, etc. Desiring, etc. What is written above the testators did declare to be the testament of them both and each of them desiring that the same shall be observed and accomplished after their demise as such be it as a solemn testament; or, if not so, as a codicil, gift for death's sake, or else like it shall

subsist the best and take effect according to law; praying thereabout to enjoy of the extreme benefit. Thus done and passed within Amsterdam, in the house of me the said notary, in the presence of Nathanael Wilthuyzen and Francois Lathouwer; who together with the testators and me, the said notary, did signe the minute of these presents (Lower) Quod attestor (signed) Drij de Marolles, Not: Pubt. 1760.

Abstract approved by said notary within Amsterdam, May 24, 1783. (signed) D. V. Vianen, 1783. Notary.

Faithfully translated from the Dutch, Amsterdam, May 30, 1783. We, underwritten Notaries publick, dwelling in Amsteldam, do hereby certify and attest to all whom it may concern that Joannes Vergeel Luc: son whose firm is above, is a sworn translator in this City of Amsterdam and to all acts and instruments by him signed and translated full faith and credit is and ought to be given in court and thereout.

Witness, our Notarial firm in Amsteldam, May 30, 1783. I. V. Vienen, notary; E. H. Dorper, notary; Js. Vanden Brink, Nots. Pubs.

[NOTE.—Ancillary letters testamentary were granted to Egbert Benson, of Poughkeepsie, Attorney of Mary Ann Chabanel, executrix of estate of Jacob Henry Chabonel, deceased, during her absence, by the Court of Probates at the City of New York, April 7, 1784.]

Page 505.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SIMON SANDS, of Cow Neck, Queens County, yeoman, being weak and infirm in body. My executors to sell the part of my estate which my father, John Sands, bequeathed to his son George; being the equal half of the farm he then lived on, and in case of default of issue in said George, at his decease, to be equally divided between his three sons, Simon, Gedion, and Benjamin. Also, to sell all my right title and interest therein, and sufficient my other lands off from the farm whereon I now live; and of my moveable estate for the following purpose.

Out of said proceeds, to pay all my just debts and funeral expenses; Also, they to pay to my daughter Hannah Sands, £150. Also, those moveables bequeathed her by her mother and two sisters. Unto my wife, Sarah Sands, my riding chair and chair horse, my two best beds and bedding complete, my best oval table and tea table, one large cupboard above stairs, six silver table spoons and one of my best milch cows; all in lieu of dower. Also, the use of the equal two-thirds the remainder of my said farm and buildings, with use of like quantity of my whole stock, grain, farming utensils, and indoor moveables, except what is given away. Said use to be for educating and bringing up my children in a proper and decent manner until my son Tredwell is twenty-one; when she is to return the farm, stock, and farming utensils in as good order as she received them. Should she die or marry before said event, my executors are to take possession of said property and improve the same for the aforementioned object. Unto my son Edwine, the use of the other equal one-third of the remainder of my farm, stock, farming utensils, buildings, and grain, until my son Tredwell is twenty-one, at which time my son Edwine is to return the same to my executors as in the case of my wife above mentioned. Unto my two sons, Tredwell and John, £200 each, payable when they arrive at lawful age, by my two sons, Edwine and James, in equal proportion. Unto my two daughters, Rebeckah and Sarah, £150 each, payable as above; Also, all the remainder of my indoor moveables, in equal shares. Unto my two sons, Edwine and James, in equal shares, all my farm on which I now live that may remain after my executors have sold what they may think proper for the aforementioned purposes, with all my stock and farming utensils. When my son Tredwell arrives at lawful age, and said farm is possessed by Edwine and James, then my said wife (if she remains my widow) shall possess one equal third part of my dwelling house; an equal half of my garden; fruit sufficient

for her use; the privilege of enough fire-wood for one fire without damaging the timber; the privilege of keeping a horse, cow and a hog, winter and summer; Also, one acre of corn-ground for planting. My Indian man, Hareulas to be maintained off my farm under care of my wife Sarah. My negro man, Cato, and negro woman Sary, both to have their freedom soon after my decease with condition that Cato pay forty shillings yearly to support him in old age or infirmity, otherwise to be at his own disposal at his decease. Unto my said wife the choice of one of my negros (she to choose), excepting the above mentioned. My other negros to be sold, at the discretion of my executors, for a certain term of time or for life as they shall think proper in the circumstances of my affairs. I make my two kinsmen, Richard and John Sands, and my son Edwine, all of Cow Neck, executors.

Dated February 23, 1782. Witnesses, Joshua Cornwall, of Queens Co., yeoman; Mary Sands; John Farmer. Proved, May 21, 1784.

Page 507.—In the name of God, Amen. I, AMOS DENTON, of Jamaica, Queens County, yeoman, being sick and weak in body. All my just debts and funeral charges shall be duly paid by my executors out of such part of my estate as to them shall seem best. I leave to my two sons, Amos and James, all my messuages, dwelling houses, lands, meadows, tenements, and hereditaments in Jamaica, in Queens County, to be divided so that Amos shall have in value £50 more than James; Also, they to have my stock of horses, cattle, hogs, farming utensils of every kind; my negro man named Harry; Also, all my bonds, notes and book debts, excepting out of the above three milch cows which I give to my dearly-beloved wife Mary, in equal shares; Also, to each feather bed, bolster, pillows and other things necessary to furnish each bed. Unto my daughter Sarah, one feather-bed, bolster, pillows, etc.: Also, £100. Unto my daughter Mary, wife of John

Skidmore, £50; to my daughter Patience, wife of Othniel Smith, £50; to my daughter Martha, wife of Peter Albertus, £50. Unto my said wife, £100; Also, all my household furniture, beds, bedding, linen, woolen, pots, kettles, pewter, brass, and other indoor moveables whatsoever; Also, the right to live in my said house with a privilege to do all necessary work in said house while my widow; my daughter Sarah to have like privilege while unmarried. My sons, Amos and James, are to pay unto my said wife and daughters the several sums of money afore mentioned. What I have given to my said wife to be at her own disposal and in lieu of her dower, my said sons shall find and provide for her sufficient quantity of bread, corn, meat and other eatables, fire-wood, hay, and pasture for her cattle, while my widow. I make Mary, my wife; my son Amos, and my son-in-law, Othniel Smith, executors.

Dated June 25, 1777. Witnesses, William Ludlam, Daniel Ludlam, both of Jamaica, Queens Co., yeomen; Rob't Hinchman. Proved, March 24, 1784.

Codicil. Since the making and executing my last will I have by purchase made a large addition to my real estate, and desire my two sons to have the same equally; the one equal undivided half part thereof to Amos, and the other like share to James. All the money due and to grow due to me from Daniel Saxe, at Elizabeth town, in New Jersey, to be given to my daughters, in equal shares.

Dated September 12, 1781. Witnesses, Samuel Cutler; Thomas Smith, of Jamaica, Queens County, cord wainer; Robert Hinchman. Proved, March 24, 1784.

Page 510.—In the name of God, Amen. I, OBADIAH MILLS, of Jamaica, Queens County, this May 15, 1777, being sick and weak in body. My just debts, funeral expense, be duly paid and satisfied. I leave to my loved wife Sarah the use of all my estate, real and personal (excepting as is hereafter excepted), while my

widow, out of which she is to maintain my grandson, Jacob Mills, and to give him a liberal English education. Should my grandson die before he arrives to twenty-one years or marriage, then all my real and personal estate to be divided equally between the brothers and sisters I shall then have living, but should my grandson live to the age of twenty-one years or marriage, then said estate to go to him. Unto my sister, Deborah Denton, the interest of £50 at 7 per cent to commence immediately after my death. I make my beloved wife Sarah, my brother Nathaniel, and Samuel Skidmore, executors.

Witnesses, Rev'd Matthias Burnet, John Smith, Edward Willett. Proved, May 14, 1784.

Page 511.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MARGARET TODD, of the City of New York, widow, being of sound mind and memory. I leave to the rector and inhabitants of the City of New York in communion of the Church of England, as by law established, £200 out of the first monies that shall come into the hands of my executors, to be by them applied to the use of the Charity School in the said City as they shall think fit. Unto John Key, the son of the sister of my late husband, £200; to Isma Burnet, widow of George Burnet, late of the City of New York, deceased, £30; to Elizabeth, daughter of George Burnet, £20. Unto my niece, Elizabeth Williams, my silver coffee pot and £300. The remainder of my whole estate to my beloved sister, Catharine Williams, and my two nieces, Elizabeth and Dorothea Williams, in equal shares. My executors, as soon as convenient after my decease, shall convert the whole of my estate into cash, and, after paying aforesaid legacies, divide the remainder in manner before mentioned; for that purpose they are to sell my whole estate. I make my sister, Catharine Williams, and my worthy friends, Walter Rutherford and Francis Lewis, executors.

(Signed)

MARGARET TODD.

Dated December 8, 1770. Witnesses, Richard Nicholls, Ann Burges, Richard Harison, of said City, Esquire. Proved, May 20, 1784.

Page 513.—I, JOHN FARRINGTON, merchant, of Flushing, Queens County, being in an infirm state of health. All my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid and satisfied by my executors out of my personal estate. I leave to my son Walter all my messuages, lands, meadows and real estate in the township of Flushing, upon condition that he pay to Mary, my dearly beloved wife, £100, within one year after my decease; Also, he to pay her £20, yearly, during her natural life. Unto my said wife two rooms in my dwelling house, to wit, the room I now make use of for my own lodging room and the room in the north-west corner of my chamber, while my widow; Also, my best bed and furniture, half a dozen silver table spoons, half a dozen silver tea spoons, my wild Cherry chest of drawers, my round Bilestead table, my best milch cow, and my riding chair; my son Walter to provide sufficient keeping for one cow, both winter and summer, while my widow; all of above legacies to be in lieu of her dower. Unto my son George £200, payable out of my personal estate. The remainder of my whole estate to my son Charles; Also, to him £400, payable out of my personal estate. Unto my four unmarried daughters, namely: Deborah, Mary, Abigail, and Milicent, £100 each, payable as above. The residue of my personal estate to my daughter Sarah, wife of Benjamin Haviland, my daughter Catharine, wife of Thomas Todd, and my four unmarried daughters, in equal shares. What I have given to my daughter Deborah my sons, Walter and George, are to take into their care and put the same to interest and pay it to her yearly; should she marry with the approbation of said sons they to pay the same to her, but if otherwise, they to pay the interest during her natural life, and after her decease her part or portion to go unto such children as she shall

leave. I make my sons, George and Walter, and my son-in-law, Benjamin Haviland, executors.

Dated November 10, 1782. Witnesses, Samuel Stringham, William Loweree, Daniel Clement, of said County, yeoman. Proved, May 15, 1784.

Page 515.—I, STEPHEN CORNWELL, of the Township of Hempstead, Queens County, being sick and weak in body, the February 14, 1766. My executors shall sell such part of my personal estate as they may think sufficient to pay and discharge all my lawful debts and funeral charges. I leave to my two dearly beloved sons, Gilbert and Japheth my desk equally between them. Unto my dearly beloved wife Elizabeth my homestead which is about ten acres; the remainder of my personal estate, after payment of abovementioned debts, to her, in lieu of dower and for the maintenance and bringing up of my said children, desiring and empowering my loving brother James to assist my wife in the same. Unto my two said sons all my other lands, meadows and marshes in the Township of Flushing and elsewhere in equal shares when they shall arrive to the age of twenty-one or marry. Unto my nephew, Stephen Cornwell, £25, payable by my executors when he shall arrive to the age of fourteen years. I make my dearly beloved wife Elizabeth, executrix; my loving brother James and my trusty friend, Charles Hicks the third, executors.

Witnesses, Henry Stocker; William Thorne, of said County, yeoman; Samuel Cornell. Proved, May 21, 1784.

[NOTE.—James Cornwell and Charles Hicks, surviving executors, having relinquished the executorship. Letters of Administration were granted to Gilbert and Japheth Cornell, May 27, 1784.]

Page 517.—In the name of God, Amen. May 1, 1782. I, AARON BUSSING, from the Out Ward of the City of New York in Harlem, at present of Rombout's Precinct, Dutchess County, being weak in body. After my

lawful debts are paid and my funeral defrayed, all my real estate lying in Harlem to be sold, by my executors, to the best advantage for my children and grandchildren, and out of the proceeds to pay my just debts, the remainder, together with my personal estate to be divided amongst my children and grandchildren as follows: Before any division be made my grandson, Aaron Bussing, to have £100 in silver or gold; to my two grandchildren, John and Polly Waldron, each £25 as aforesaid; the remainder to be divided into four equal shares, one-fourth to my daughter, Catharine Storm; a like part to my daughter, Polly Sickels; another fourth part to my two grandchildren, Aaron and Susannah Bussing, in equal shares; the remaining fourth part to my two grandchildren, Polly and John Waldron, in equal shares. I make John Sickles, Sr., Adolf Myers and John Myers all of the place aforesaid, executors.

Witnesses, Zacharias Sickels, William Delamarter, P. V. Steenbergh, of the City of New York, schoolmaster. Proved, May 27, 1784.

Page 518.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MARGARET WILLETT, of the Borough and Town of Westchester, Westchester County, widow, being of sound mind and memory. All my just debts and funeral charges to be first paid. I will that my executors build a small vault near the place where my dear departed husband now lies buried in, and that my remains and his be deposited, provided it be with the consent of the owner of that part of my late husband's estate when the said vault shall be built. As soon as convenient after my decease my executors shall sell and dispose of my negro men named Pompey and Pontius, and my negro woman named Betty, together with such other part of my personal estate necessary to make up in the whole £500 which sum is to be put out at interest, and the interest therefrom to go to my nephew, Lewis Graham, and be by him applied towards the education and main-

tenance of Anna Mellworth until he arrive to twenty-one years of age or marry, provided, she shall be under the direction and government of the said Lewis Graham and his sister Arrabella, or such other person as they shall think proper. After the said Anna Mellworth arrives to twenty-one years or marries, or after her death, should she not attain such age, I give to Mary, Anna and Euphemia Willett, daughters of my brother-in-law, Thomas Willett, £300 in equal shares; in the same circumstances, to Gilbert Colden Willett, Alice and Anna Willett, children of my brother-in-law, William Willett, £60; in a like case, to Gilbert Willett, son of my brother-in-law, Thomas Willett, £50; Also, to my nephew, Isaac Willett, £40. To the said Anna Mellworth when she arrives at twenty-one years or marriage (provided it be with the consent of my executors), whichever happens first, £50, and my negro girl Hagar by way of outset. Unto my nephew, Isaac Willett, my silver tankard and soup spoon. To my niece, Arabella Graham, my negro woman Jenny, trusting that she will treat her kindly, also, my watch and stone studs. Unto Augustin, Morris, Charles, John, Isabella Landon, and Arabella Graham, children of my sister Graham, £20 each. Unto my nephew, Lewis Graham, the remainder of my whole estate. I make Lewis Graham and Doctor Daniel White, executors.

Dated August 31, 1776. Witnesses, Anthony Glean, of Westchester, farmer; Elizabeth Ashfield, Jane Glean. Proved, May 28, 1784.

Codicil. I leave to my sister, Arabella Graham, all such of my wearing apparel as will suit her to wear excepting a rich flowered silk gown which I give to my sister, Elizabeth White, and a long scarlet cloak which is for my sister, Ann Antle. Unto my niece, Arabella Graham, my studs or sleeve buttons; Also, my chest of drawers, dressing table and dressing glass and all my wearing apparel not already disposed of. Unto my niece, Elizabeth Ashfield, £5 cash, payable by my ex-

ecutors, also, two of my best calico gowns and two under petticoats. Unto Lewis Morris, son of Richard Morris, Esq^r, my enameled gold ring marked with the name of Lewis Morris. Unto Ann Mellworth my worked Petticoat, my bed in the little room, bolster, two pillows, two blankets, four pair of fine sheets marked T W M, one other pair of sheets marked T=W N^o 2, six diaper table cloths marked T W M, the bedstead in my room and checkered green curtains; my old lining and old calico gowns and checkered aprons to my female servants.

Dated September 27, 1776. Witnesses, Anthony Glean of Westchester, farmer; Gilbert Hunt, Dorothy Lewiz. Proved, May 28, 1784.

Page 521.—In the name of God, Amen. April 26, 1781. I, JOHN ZUNICHER, now resident in Haverstraw Precinct, Orange County, stone-cutter, being at this time but weak and infirm in body: All my just debts and funeral charges be fully paid and discharged by executors. I leave all my real estate in the City of New York, bounded by Hudson's River, being two lots to my six children, five daughters and one son, in equal shares; should any die under age without heirs and unmarried, the share of such dying to be divided among the survivors. Unto my son Lodiwick (my only son) all my wearing apparel. Unto my daughter Magdalan, my bedstead and bedding thereto belonging, the set of new curtains and looking glass before division is made of my personal estate. Unto Magdalan, Elizabeth, Hannah and Naney, my daughters, the remainder of my personal estate in equal shares as my executors can best agree or other ways sold, and the proceeds therefrom equally divided amongst my four daughters aforesaid. I make my daughter Magdalan and my son-in-law, Frederick Eckert, the husband of my daughter Marrito or Molly, executors.

Witnesses, Jacob Brouwer, Abraham Brouwer, both of said City, hatters. Proved, May 29, 1784.

Page 523.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSEPH HAWKINS, of the City of New York, yeoman, being of sound and perfect memory. All my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid by my executrix. I leave to my loving wife Sarah all my goods, furniture and personal estate, excepting my silver watch, a silver hilted sword, a brace of pistols, and a gun, which I give to my eldest son, Joseph. My real estate to be disposed of as follows: a lot of land lying in Bergon Town with a right of commonage to my wife Sarah for her use or disposal. The remainder of my whole estate to be equally divided into seven parts as follows: one seventh part thereof to my loving wife Sarah and a like part to each of my sons, Joseph, William and John; the same to each of my daughters, Mary and Deborah, and one seventh part to my youngest son, Stephen; in equal shares so soon as my youngest son arrive at twenty-one years, should he die then said estate may be sold and shared as aforesaid so soon as the youngest of my children now living shall attain twenty-one, but my said wife shall receive all rents that shall become due from any of my estates to be applied to her own use till the youngest shall come to twenty-one years. I make my loving wife Sarah executrix; should she die before my youngest child arrive to age aforesaid then I make Mr. Peter Mesier, the elder, of the City of New York, gentleman, and Mr. Daniel Smith, of the Township of Bergon, yeoman, executors of this my last will, in trust for the uses of my children in manner before expressed an undivided right of a piece of land laying at Sea Cocus in the Cedar Swamps and meadows, I give solely to my son William, so soon as he arrives to twenty-one years.

Dated February 12, 1761. Witnesses, William Sloo, of said City, tavern keeper, Isaac Kip, James Baker. Proved, June 1, 1784.

Page 525.—In the name of God, Amen. October 2, 1765. I, PETER MESIER, bolter, of the City of New York,

being at present in good state of health. All my lawful debts and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to my eldest son, Abraham, the corner house and lot of ground wherein he now lives, with the other building thereon erected, lying in the West Ward of the City of New York, on the south side of Cortlants Street, bounded north by Cortlants Street, south by ground of Richard Patet, east by the house and lot of ground of Cornelia Kip, and west by Mesier Street, containing in length on both sides one hundred and four feet, and in front and rear forty feet, with all the appurtenances thereunto. Unto my son Peter the corner house and lot of ground wherein he now lives, with the storehouse thereon erected, and all appurtenances, lying in the West Ward of said City, on the south side of Cortlants, bounded north by Cortlants Street, south by the house and lot of Captain Lane, deceased, east by Mesier Street and west by the house where Abraham Bussing now lives, containing in front and rear fifty feet. Unto my daughter Elizabeth wife of Abraham Bussing, the house and lot of ground wherein he now lives, being in the West Ward of said City, on the south side of Cortlants Street, bounded north by Cortlants Street, south by the house and lot of Captain Lane, deceased, east by the lot of ground where Peter Mesier now lives, and west by ground belonging to above mentioned testator, containing in front and rear fifty feet. Unto my two grandchildren, Jacob Van Voorhis, and John Van Voorhis, children of my daughter Catherean, deceased wife of Jacob Van Voorhis, the house and lot of ground where Jacob Van Voorhis now lives, being in the West Ward of said City, on the south side of Cortlants Street, bounded north by Cortlants Street, south by ground of Richard Pattet, east by the house and lot of ground of the heirs of Jacob Abrahams, west by ground of Cornelia Kip, containing in length on both sides one hundred and four feet and in breadth in front and rear thirty-nine feet. Within five years after my decease the remainder of my whole estate

in the City of New York or elsewhere shall be divided into four equal parts: to Abraham Mesier one fourth part; to Peter Mesier, a like part; the same to Elizabeth Mesier, and another fourth part to my two grandchildren, Jacob and John Van Voorhis. I make my sons, Abraham Mesier and Peter Mesier, executors.

Witnesses, John Van Dalsom, of said City, mason; Marselus Gerbrandts, Henry Sickles. Proved, June 1, 1784.

Page 527.—In ye name of God, Amen. I, PETER DEMAREST, of Bargain County, in the Eastern division of ye Province of New Jersey, being at this present time in good health. All my just debts and funeral expenses be first paid by my executors out of my estate. I leave to my dear and loving wife Elenor the use and improvement of all my real estate, and my negro boy Cesar, while my widow. Unto my loving daughter, Mary Ely, all my estate, both real and personal, should she die without issue then the same to go to my son-in-law, Abraham Ely. I make my wife Elenor, executrix, and my son-in-law, Abraham Ely, executor.

Dated October 29, 1764. Witnesses, William Ely, of the County of Essex, in the State of New Jersey, yeoman; Elizabeth Ely, Mary Demerest. Proved, June 3, 1784.

Page 528.—In the name of God, Amen. February 21, 1770. I, HELINA MCPHEADRIS, of ye City of New York, widow, being weak in body. All debts and funeral charges to be paid. I leave to my well-beloved daughter, Catharin Livingston, wife of Robert G. Livingston, of said city, merchant, one full half of my wearing apparel, none excepted; also, one half of all my wrought silver and gold, house furniture, linen, etc., according to inventory, the other half of the same to my two granddaughters, Helina McLeod and Susannah McDonald, daughters of my late daughter, Susanna Meyer, in equal shares. The one half of the

remainder of my personal estate to my said daughter; the other half as follows: one sixth part to Helena MacLeod; to Susannah McDonald a like part; a one sixth portion to my grandson, Andrew Meyer, Junr., to be paid unto him in trust for the use, maintenance, bringing up and educating his children, these he now hath, as well as these he may have hereafter; one sixth part to my grandson, John Meyer; a like portion my grandson, Simon Johnson Meyer; and the remaining sixth part to my grandson, Gilbert Meyer, payable to him by my executors when he arrives to twenty-one years or marriage, till then to be put out at interest for his benefit. (Andrew, John, Simon Johnson, and Gilbert are sons of my daughter, Susannah Meyer, deceased.) I make my son-in-law, Robert G. Livingston, and my daughter, Catharin Livingston, executors.

Witnesses, Margaret Stuyvasent, Peter Stuyvesant, of said City, Esquire. John Mekel. Proved, June 3, 1784.

Codicil. I, Helena McPheadrys, of the City of New York, May 23, 1772. Whereas in my last will, dated February 21, 1770, I did give my grandson, Andrew Meyer, Junr, the one sixth part of half my personal estate, in trust for the use of his children, etc. I do, after consideration, find no reason to continue the same in that manner any longer; I now direct that said sixth part shall continue and remain in my executors, to be put at interest and the proceeds to be applied by them for the purpose aforementioned till the youngest child shall arrive to twenty-one years, then the same to go to said children in equal shares. I did also give to my grandson, John Meyer, another sixth part of half of my estate, since I have taken it into consideration seriously and do not think fit to continue said legacy any longer, and more especially as I have been very disobligingly used by him, said legacy now to be left in the hands of my executors to be disposed of as they think proper, if they should at

any time find and be convinced and assured that ye said John Meyer should behave himself to their liking then they may at their discretion deliver him the said sixth part. The sixth part given before to my grandson, Gilbert Myer, shall also remain in the hands of my executors, to be given to him if he behaves well to their liking. Likewise at their discretion my executors may pay £100 as a voluntary gift or donation towards educating the poor children in a free English School belonging to the Dutch congregation in New York, said money shall be paid to the Trustees and managers of said School, which shall be put out at interest, and same to be applied for abovementioned purpose.

Witnesses, John Keily, Ann Mepherston, Mary Peterson, of said City, widow. Proved, June 3, 1784.

Page 532.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN PARKER, of the Precinct of Harverstraw, Orange County, being of sound mind and perfect memory. All my just debts and funeral charges be first paid. I leave to my eldest son, John, five shillings, for his heirship. Unto my loving son Peter six shillings; to my loving son David, six shillings; to my loving daughter Mary, six shillings; to my loving son Jacob, £30, now I leave it in my younger son Isaacks breast whether he will allow my son Jacob the sum above mentioned or fifteen acres of land in the room of that sum, in any part of my land where my son Isaac thinks proper to let him have it. Unto my younger son, Isaac, my farm whereon I now live in said Precinct and County, beginning at the south east corner and then running all along the land of John Lorillard and Daniel Coe till it comes to the brook or minor fall, and then all along the Brook or Fall till it comes to the land of John Denoyel, then easterly along the land of Denoyel till it comes to the brook or miners Fall, then along said Fall till it meets the land of Benjamin Allison, and on in a direct course to the place of beginning. Unto my loving son Isaac a cer-

tain piece of land at the west side of the Brook or Fall whereon my son John now lives, to dispose of to pay all my just debts and legacies. Unto my loving wife Jemime one good dwelling room, two good cows, twelve bushels of grain yearly, three bushels of wheat, three of rye, three of corn, and three of buckwheat during widowhood; two good hogs, and a quarter of beef yearly for her own living and, if she wants more, she must have it out of my estate; should she be sick, or lame, or in want, my estate must relieve her in distress, and whenever it pleases God to take her out of this world she shall be buried in a Christian-like manner out of my estate; she and my loving son Isaac to have all my movable goods and household furniture, I also make them executors. Unto my loving granddaughter Mary, daughter of my eldest son, John, if she lives with me or her grandmother till she be of age, one good cow with calf and a good callico rapper. Unto my grandson John, the oldest son of my son John, £5.

Dated December 12, 1774. Witnesses, Thomas Osborn, Benjamin Furnien, John Hitchcock. Pr ved, February 3, 1777, at an Inferior Court of Common Pleas, held at Clarkstown in and for the said County of Orange.

Page 534.—I, JACOBUS DEMOTT, of the Precinct of Newborough, Ulster County, yeoman, being weak in body, November 30, 1783. I leave to my loving wife Cathorine, after my just debts are paid, the use of all my estate, both real and personal, while my widow. After her death, one half of my real estate to be divided amongst the children that I have by her as she shall direct by her will. Unto my son James £50. To my son Michael the remainder of my real estate. Unto my daughter, Hannah Lusee, the bond and accounts that I have against her husband, Eliezer Luse, provided he brings no accompt against my estate. Unto my daughter, Elizabeth Demott, £30, payable to

her at the end of six years from the date of this will, if she marries before, if not, as soon as she does. I make my wife Catherine, Eliezer Lusee and Gilbert Jones, executors.

Witnesses, Isaac Demot, of New Burgh Precinct, County of Ulster, yeoman, David Keech, William Buckingham. Proved, June 4, 1784.

Page 535.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN CROCHERON, of the County of Richmond, carpenter, being in perfect mind and memory this 10th day of February, 1783. I leave to my oldest son, Abraham, £20. All my lands, tenements, and moveable estate to be sold by my executors after my decease at their discretion for the benefit of my children, Abraham, Mary Elizabeth and Janne, in equal shares after all my funeral charges and just debts are paid (except what is given to my oldest son, Abraham); should any die under age or have no issue, their share to go equally to the survivors; my executors to pay their shares when the youngest comes to eighteen years, unless they think proper to do so before that time. I make my brother Abraham, executor, and my loving friend, Anthony Egberts, overseer of this my last will.

Witnesses, Cornelious Fountain, Abraham Egberts, both of said County, yeomen; Mary Egberts. Proved, May 21, 1784.

Page 536.—In the name of God, Amen. August 3, 1783. I, JOHN LA FORGE, of Staten Island, Richmond County, farmer, being weak in body. All my just debts to be paid. My whole estate, both real and personal, to be sold and turned into money. I leave to my daughter Cataran, £500, payable as soon as she comes of age. Unto my wife's daughter Mary, £100, payable when she comes of age. Unto my wife Sarah, all the rest of my estate. Should either of the children die under age, or without issue, then that part shall return to my wife. I make Cornalius Cole and John Lisk and Sarah, my wife, executors.

Witnesses, Richard Mercerea, Christian Mercereau, Anne Mercerau. Proved, May 18, 1784.

Page 537.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JEHONAS BENCON, of Haverstraw, Orange County, being weak in body. All my just debts to be paid. I leave to my brother, Corel Benson, as for his birthright, one Dutch Testament and five shillings. Unto my mother, Cornelya Benson, widow of Cornelius Benson, one lot of land, now in her possession, number twelve, commonly called A contest lot, in the precinct of Harverstraw; Also, to her, my whole estate, real and personal. I make my trusty friend, Abraham Pew, and my mother, Cornelia Benson, executors.

(Signed)

JEHONAS BENSON.

Dated September 18, 1782. Witnesses, William Campbell, Daniel Gero, of Orange town, Orange County, yeoman; William Campbell, jr. Proved, June 11, 1784.

Page 539.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN MORTON, late of the City of New York, but at present of Somerset County, State of New Jersey, being in health of body. All my just debts and funeral charges shall be paid by my executors out of my personal estate. I leave to my beloved wife, Mary Sophia, all my household furniture, my riding chair, and any one of my horses which she shall choose; Also, the profits, use and improvement of one seventh part of my whole estate that remains after payment of my debts and funeral expenses, while my widow, all in lieu of her right to dower. My said wife shall have the guardianship, custody and charge of my younger children and of their education, while my widow; should she marry, then my other executors shall take such charge, she to be excluded from any and all parts of my estate herebefore given unto her. My gold-headed cane to my son Jacob; my gold watch to my son John; my wearing apparel to my sons, James Washington and

George Clark, in two equal shares; should either of them die under age the other is to take it, and if both of them die under age then my sons, Jacob and John, are to take equally between them such parts as may then remain. I desire that a part of my estate be set aside for the maintenance, education and support of my younger children, and that my sons, James Washington and George Clarke, have good liberal educations, and that my daughters, Margaret and Elizabeth Susannah, be brought up and educated in a manner suitable and proper for young women of their station in life, and that for these purposes the following sums of money be paid out of my estate by my executors: for my sons, James Washington and George Clark, until they respectively attain the age of ten years, £30, proclamation money of New Jersey, in gold or silver, yearly, for each of them; from then till they attain fourteen years, £40 in like manner; from fourteen years of age until twenty-one, £50, in same manner; for my daughters, Elizabeth Susannah and Margaret, until they respectively attain the age of ten years, £20, like money yearly for each; from then till the age of fourteen years, £45, as before; from then till twenty-one years, £40, in same manner. The remainder of my whole estate to my said children: Jacob, John, James Washington, George Clark, Margaret, and Elizabeth Susannah, in equal shares. My executors shall sell and dispose of all or any part of my real estate whenever they shall think most for the advantage of my children. I make my wife Mary Sophia, during her widowhood, and my sons, Jacob, John, and James Washington, and my friends, Henry Remson and Elias Boudinot, Esquires, executors.

Dated February 4, 1782. Witnesses, John Reed, Robert Morris, Robert Boggs. Proved, May 25, 1782.

[NOTE.—On June 11, 1784, the Court of Probates affirmed the Letters Testamentary granted to Mary Morton and Jacob Morton by the Prerogative Court of New Jersey on November 27, 1782.]

Page 541.—In the name of God, Amen. I, PAULES GERSLER, of the Precinct of Haverstraw, Orange County, yeoman. All my just debts and funeral charges to be paid by my executors. I leave to my loving wife Leah, all my whole estate, real and personal, while my widow; after her death or remarriage, as follows: To my eldest son, Harmaines, six shillings for his being heir at law; all my lands and tenements, in equal shares, to my two sons, Peter and Philip; my moveable estate to my two loving daughters, Maria and Christian, in equal shares. I make my trusty and loving friends, Daniel Gero and Cornelius Hannium, executors.

(Signed)

P. ULUS KESELAR.

Dated May 30, 1774. Witnesses, Joannis Snedeker, Jacob Polhemus, of Haverstraw Precinct, Orange County, yeoman; Gartie Polhemus. Proved, June 11, 1784.

Page 543.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN CRAGE, of the Precinct of Mamacatting, Ulster County, being weak in body. All my just debts and funeral charges and other expenses to be paid by my executors out of my moveable estate at some convenient time after my decease. I leave to my loving wife James [Jane]? and my children James, David, John, Martha, Margaret, and Isabella, all my estate, real and personal, in equal shares. For the better education of my children, above named, I do give and dispose of the tuition and custody of them to my said wife (while my widow), till such time as either of them continue unmarried and under the age of twenty-one years. The fifty acres of land which I formerly sold to Daniel Ross, for which he has not deeds of conveyance, my executors are to settle with him, and to give him sufficient and reasonable deeds for the same. I make said wife executrix and Daniel Graham, Esq^r, and Capt William Cross, executors.

Dated October 12, 1779. Witnesses, James Fulton,

David Crage, Adam Crage, of Shawangunk Precinct, Ulster County, yeoman. Proved, June 12, 1784.

Page 544.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOBUS STOUTENBERGH, of the City of New York, gunsmith, December 4, 1772. All my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid by my executors. I leave to my well-beloved son Isaac, six shillings for his birthright. My beloved wife Mary shall have the whole management of my estate, both real and personal, while my widow. Unto my three daughters, namely: Ann, Mary, and Eleanor, all my household furniture and "Cichen" furniture, in equal shares, should any of them die before sharing, and having no lawful heirs then that part to the survivors. My son Isaac shall have all my wearing apparel, except my gold buttons, which shall be for my daughter Eleanor; the £45 with all the interest then due which I have paid for him shall be as part of his share, that is to say that my three daughters, Ann, Mary and Eleanor, and each of them shall share so much of my estate equal with the money that I stand security for and the £20, fifteen shillings and nine pence before he has any right to share, after said daughters have their full proportion equal as above mentioned, then he is to share with them. My son Isaac shall also have my large Dutch Bible. I make my beloved wife Mary, my son Isaac, my daughters, Mary and Eleanor, executors.

(Signed) JACOBUS STOUTENBURGH.

Witnesses, Michal Ryer, John Bailey, Anthony Ford, of said City, cartman. Proved, May 21, 1784.

Page 546.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MALTBY GELSTON, of Southampton, Suffolk County, yeoman. I leave to my son John, all my real and personal estate, except the house and lot I purchased of Ebenezer Edwards, and the five acres I had of Thomas Sanford, and ten acres upon the south side of Fordham lot, which I give to my son Thomas. Unto my son David, £5; to

my son William, £5; to my son Hugh, £100. Unto my daughters, five shillings a piece. My wife shall have the improvement of third of my real estate, and the improvement of all my personal estate, while my widow. My son John to pay all my debts and legacies whom I also make executor.

Dated March 7, 1783. Witnesses, John Hulbert, merchant, Prudence Hulbert, both of said County; Polley Doane. Proved, April 9, 1784.

Page 547.—In the name of God, Amen. May 15, 1781. I, JOSEPH GOLDER, of Jamaica, Queens County, being now advanced in years. All my just debts and funeral charges be satisfied and paid. I leave to Elizabeth, my dearly beloved wife, £20, payable by my executors, and to be raised and levied out of my moveable estate; my executors likewise shall find a reasonable support for my said wife for the space of six months after my decease, and my dwelling house for her to live in for same term. Unto my well-beloved son William, £10; to my well-beloved son John, £5; to my well-beloved daughter, Dianah Wood, now wife of Elijah Wood, £60; should said daughter die before she shall be entitled to said legacy, then said sum to be equally divided among all her children. Unto my well-beloved daughter Garsenah, £60, but this legacy is to remain in the hands of my executors, payable as they shall think her wants or needs do require. Unto my three well-beloved granddaughters, daughters of my son Michael, deceased, namely: Elizabeth, Elche, and Mercy, each £20. Unto my well-beloved granddaughter Mary, daughter of my son Garret, deceased, £60, payable when she shall arrive at her perfect age, or marriage. My executors shall sell and dispose of all my real estate, both lands, meadows and improvements, when and as they shall think convenient and to the most advantage of my two aforesaid sons. I give to my well-beloved grandson Joseph, son of my son William, £5; to my well-beloved grandson Joseph, son

of my son John, £5; all the remainder of money arising from said sale to be equally divided between my two said sons. I make my son William, and my trusty friend, Isaac Amberman, sr., and my cousin, William Hendrickson, executors.

Witnesses, James Everit, Simon Vores, Bernardus Lamberson, of said County, yeoman. Proved, May 7, 1784.

Page 550.—Know all men by these presents that I, WILLIAM CRUCKER, of Wheatly, in Oyster Bay, Queens County, on Long Island, being this sixth day of April, 1782, very poorly in body and far advanced in age. I leave to each of my daughters, viz.: Elizabeth Weeks, and Anna Albertice, £30; to my granddaughter, Phebe Crucker, £25; to each of my grandsons, viz.: James and William Pine, £25; all the above legacies to be paid out of my moveable estate, before any division be made, by my executors, as they think most proper. Also, to my son William, all my farming utensils, the half of my hogs, and one gun. The remainder of my moveable estate, not given away, be it bonds or whatsoever of any kind, both here and elsewhere, to my three daughters, viz.: Sarah Valentine, Elizabeth Weeks, and Anna Albertrice, in equal shares. My real and fast estate, that I am in possession of, both here and elsewhere, to my son William, with this reserve, that is, he is to give my three daughters, abovementioned, £50 each, in some short time after my decease; should he refuse, my executors are to sell ten acre lots, adjoining Adonijah Underhill, in order to pay above legacies which make £150. The part of my estate given to my daughter, Sarah Valentine, my executors are to take into their hands and deal or give it out to her as they think best, should they think best to give it to her children, they are so to do, but not till they come of age. I make my friends, Timothy Townsend, Richard Valentine, executors, and my daughter, Anna Albertice, executrix.

Witnesses, Jan Montfoort, of said County, yeoman, Charles Frost, Henry Post. Proved, May 26, 1784.

Page 551.—In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS WENDOVER, of the City of New York, cordwainer, being in good health. All my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid at some convenient time after my decease. I leave to my son Hercules, at my decease, my silver watch, which I had of my brother, Peter Breastead. Unto my daughter Mariah, widow of John Shan, late of this City, mariner, deceased, £20; payable one month after the decease of my wife; said sum intended to make her equal with her two sisters, Anatie and Elizabeth, for their respective outsets at time of their marriage. The residue of my whole estate unto my loving wife Elizabeth for her life, to receive the income and profits thereof for her better support and maintenance. To enable her to pay my debts which I now owe, she and my executors may at discretion sell any one of my dwelling houses, which she shall approve of, and not otherwise. The overplus of proceeds of sale, after debts, funeral expenses be paid, to be put at interest by my executors for her maintenance. At her death, all my estates to go to my children and grandchildren in the following proportions: one fifth to my son Hercules; another to my daughter Anatie, widow of Henry Play, deceased; another to my daughter Mariah, widow of John Shan, deceased; another to my three grandchildren, Joseph and Robert Ketch and Elizabeth Melvin, wife of Peter Melvin, mariner, being the children of my deceased daughter, Elizabeth Ketch; the remaining fifth to the children of my deceased son, Peter Wendover, namely: Thomas, John, Margaret, Mary, Peter and Stephen, in equal shares. Should any of my six grandchildren die under twenty-one or before they marry, their part to the survivors equally. To facilitate the division of my estate at my wife's death, my surviving executors to sell all my real estate at discretion. I make my wife Eliza-

beth, my son Hercules, and my friend, Thomas Col-
lister of said City, joiner, executors.

Dated November 6, 1773. Witnesses, Augustus Van
Cortlandt, of said City, Esquire; Robert Towt, Isaac
Stymets. Proved, February 16, 1784.

END OF LIBER 36.

LIBER 37.

Page 1.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL
MURCITTROYD, of the City of New York, Grocer. I
leave to my wife, Esther Murgittroyd, of the same
City, all my estate, real and personal, and make her
executrix.

Dated January 8, 1784. Witnesses, Andrew Bowne,
shop keeper, Ann Letson. Proved, New York, Sep-
tember 11, 1784.

Page 2.—By his Excellency William Livingston
Esquire, Governor, Captain General and Commander-
in-Chief of the State of New Jersey to all to whom
these Presents shall come Greeting. Know ye that at
New Brunswick on the date hereof the last will of
FRANCIS BRASIER, late of Somerset County, deceased,
was proved, and is now approved by me, and admin-
istration granted to Rev. Mr. Abraham Beach and
Samuel Beekman, two of the executors. Burlington,
N. J., May 10, 1784.

In the name of God, Amen. I, FRANCIS BRASIER, of
the County of Somerset in the Province of New Jer-
sey, being in health and of sound mind and memory. I
give to my loving wife Elizabeth, all my furniture,
plate, etc., with £500 out of any part of my personal
estate she shall choose. Also the farm or plantation
whereon I now live to be known by the name of New
Aperfield, a house and lot and two meadow lots at
Raritan landing, a wood lot of sixty odd acres at the
Roundabouts and four acres of salt meadow on South
River, with all the servants, slaves, cattle, horses and
other stock, and farming utensils, all of which to my
wife while she remains my widow, in quiet and peace-
ful possession. If my wife die or remarry then all my

estate shall be sold and the remainder (not otherwise here given) shall be divided between my sisters, Mary Brasier, Sarah Hay, Frances Lagrange, and my nephew, Meads Brasier. My wife shall have power to sell or bind out any of the slaves. To my sister, Sarah Hay, my house and lot on Smith Street, New York, wherein she now lives, on condition she pay to my executors £410 current money of the City of New York, at the rate of eight shillings to the Spanish dollar; and if any of my sisters or nephew shares in my late sister Avory's estate insist on interest on my note due said estate £280 and will not receed therefrom my will is that they be cut off from any share in my estate and their share be equally divided among the other shares; and if my sister, Sarah Hay, refuse to comply to the above condition, then my executors to sell the said house and lot and deduct therefrom the £410 and whatever interest is insisted upon, and the overplus, if any, be paid to my sister, Sarah Hay. To my friend, Henry Beekman, my suit of black clothes, and my joyners tools not wanted on my plantation, and I discharge him from all debts due me. To Francis Brasier Beekman, son of Henry Beekman, £50, for his schooling. To my niece, Mary Hay, my mourning hair ring to keep in memory of her two aunts, whose names are engraved thereon. I nominate my wife Elizabeth, executrix, and the Rev. Abraham Beach and Samuel Beekman, executors, all of the County of Somerset.

Dated June 15, 1781. Witnesses, Henry Beekman, William Vanduyn, John Bice.

Page 4.—The People of the State of New York to all to whom these presents shall come send Greeting. Whereas ANTHONY TEN EYCK, of the Manor of Rensselaerwyke, Albany County, deceased, did make his will bearing date the 24th day of April, 1775, and thereby appointed Coenraed Ten Eyck, Catheren Ten Eyck and Susan Ten Eyck, executors, and whereas on the 20th day of June, 1775, at Albany County, the will

was proved, and on the 15th day of July following administration was granted to Coenraed Ten Eyck and Catharine Ten Eyck, two of the executors, and whereas Susan Ten Eyck, the other executrix, at that time an infant under the age of seventeen, but now arrived at lawful age is willing to be joined in the said administration. Now Know ye that administration is now granted to Coenraed Ten Eyck, Catheren Ten Eyck and Susan Ten Eyck, New York, October 27, 1784.

Page 4.—I, ROBERT JOHNSON, of America Precinct, New York, seriously considering the uncertainty of human life in the best and more particularly of my own in my declining state of health do while in a sound state of mind make this my last will. I give to my beloved wife Jane, over and above what is agreed to in a jointure, mutually executed by her and myself for the express purpose of barring her dower, dated in November, 1778 (which jointure I would have punctually performed), as a small recompense for her incessant labour and kindness to me during two years of tedious illness, one cow, one pewter platter, four pewter plates, which she may chioose, one pair of large andirons, my newest bed, and one stew pan, with all her wearing apparel, and all the things she brought me when I married her. Also, if she survives me £20 New York money, estimated by wheat at six shillings per bushel, within one year after my decease. To my son Samuel, all my lands which I am seized of, with all my goods and chattels, except as above excepted. To my son, George Johnson, Sarah Kelsey and Ruth Cleaveland, £8 within two years after my decease. To my son Robert, £5. I appoint my son Samuel, and my friend, Mr. Isaac Darrow, executors.

Dated October 4, 1781. Witnesses, James Reynolds, Silas Marsh, Junr, of Poghkeepsie Precinct, Dutchess County, gentleman, Silas Marsh. Proved, Dutchess County, June 3, 1784. Confirmed, New York, June 15, 1784.

Page 6.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JONATHAN WEEKS, of Bedford, Westchester County, New York, being sick and weak of body. I leave to my daughter, Hannah Weeks, when of lawful age, one bed with the furniture thereunto belonging, her mother's wearing cloaths, all my pewter, chest with draws and the kittle. I direct my executors by the first day of May next to sell my dwelling house, and all my lands, and personal estate as soon as they can and pay my debts therefrom, and what remains to let out on interest till my three sons come to lawful age. To my said sons, namely, Amos, John and Lewis, said money equally divided, only to my son Amos £5 the most. I constitute my trusty friends, Joseph Webster and Robert Bostwick, executors.

Dated May 4, 1784. Witnesses, Henry Taylor, Zebediah Mills, of Bedford, yeoman, Zephaniah Mills. Proved, Westchester County, May 24, 1784.

Page 7.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JEREMIAH DRAKE, of the Manor of Cortlandt, Westchester County, in good health. I give to my son John, all my right from a Bond and Mortgage deed that I have against the estate of Isaac Kronkhite which sum I suppose to be about £800. To my son Jeremiah a farm at Callehara containing 145 acres, mortgaged to me by Joseph Jones, deceased, also about thirty acres in Mile Square about four miles from Kings Bridge, mortgaged to me by the same. To my son Benjamin the farm I now live on, on the north side of the road leading from Peekskill landing to Crum-pond, containing about 200 acres. To my son Peter, that part of the farm I now live on, on the south of the said road, containing about 145 acres, also that farm I purchased from John McCoy that Col. James Hammond now lives on. To my daughter Martha, about 60 acres on the north side of the farm that formerly belonged to Cornight Brigs, which I have a mortgage deed for, also a negro girl named Dine, and £100 in cash at my decease. To my

twin daughters, Mary and Jane, £200 equally divided between them. To my sister, Mary Taylor, that house and land she now lives on during her life and then to her daughter Billicky. The farm I purchased of Jonathan Stephens to be sold and the money divided between my four above sons. Also the land that Bloomer Ogden lived on formerly to be sold and the money divided among my children. To Martha, my loving wife, £500 and one negro boy named Ned, and all the cattle, horses and live stock, and the best room in the house I now live in and the privilege of keeping two cows and one horse, my son Benjamin to find keeping for these creatures, and firewood for my wife during her widowhood; but if it be her choice to live with any of my other sons they shall be under the same obligation of taking the same care of her as Benjamin. If my wife marry then she is to quit the aforesaid privileges with only £200. To my grandson Jeremiah, son of my son, John Drake, £50. The remainder of my estate to be equally divided between my children. I make my wife Martha, and my sons, Benjamin and Peter, executors; my wife to be sole executrix while my widow.

Dated January 2, 1783. Witnesses, John Rooney, Benjamin Field, of Harrison's Purchase, Westchester County, yeoman, being of the people called Quakers, and Joseph Travis. Proved, Westchester County, May 24, 1784.

Page 9. In the name of God, Amen. I, EZEKIEL HAMUS, of Bedford, County of Westchester, carpenter, being aged and infirm of body. I leave to my dearly beloved wife Martha, and my daughter, Reuamy Harris, the sole privilege and use of the west room and bedroom of my house, also the west chambers and equal privilege in the kitchen during the said Martha's widowhood, or for Reuamy's use so long as unmarried and no longer. To my wife the use of all my moveable estate except my carpenter's tools and farming utensils, but she shall not dispose of any except driven thereto

by the force of necessity or the benefit of the legatees, and then only by the approbation of my executors; at the decease of my wife the said moveables to my three daughters, Martha, wife of Silace Miller; Doreus, wife of Lemuel Light, and Sarah, wife of Zephaniah Miller. To my daughter, Reuamy Harris, that tenement or messuage of land on the west side of the highway, which I purchased of Richard Honeywell, except my son Ezekiel shall pay to the said Reuamy £100, then the land to be his. To my son Ezekiel the remainder of my lands on the east side of the highway, except the temporary reserve above mentioned for his mother and sister; Also my carpenters tools and farmers utensils. I make my good friends, Martha Harris, my wife, Lemuel Light, and Lott Sarlls, executors.

Dated May 3, 1783. Witnesses, David Holmes, Abraham Berritt, Lot Sarlls, of Bedford, yeoman. Proved, Westchester County, May 28, 1784. Confirmed, New York, June 16, 1784.

Page 10.—In the name of God, Amen. This 22d day of December, 1776. I, ELIZABETH MILLER, of Bedford, Westchester County, widow, being very sick and weak of body. I leave to my loving daughter Anna, wife of Jonathan Lion, all my wearing clothes, and one feather bed and furniture, viz.: two cover leds, one pair of sheats, one pair of pillers and pillow cases, to chuse the same out of my beads and bedding. To my grandson, Samuel Lion, son of Jonathan Lion, my negro man Jaek to dispose of him as he shall think proper. The remainder of my estate to be equally divided between my daughter Anna and my four granddaughters, viz.: Elizabeth Gran [?], Phebe Lion, Theany Lion, Deborah Lion, as they shall come of age. I make my loving brother, Jacob Smith, and my trusty friend, John Miller, Jr., both of Bedford, executors.

Witnesses, Nathan Canfield Junr, Samuel Ambler, Joseph Robinson, of Bedford, yeoman. Proved, West-

chester County, May 29, 1784. Confirmed, New York, June 16, 1784.

Page 12.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN BRADY, of Cortlandts Maner, Westchester County, being weak in body. I give to my son John £5 for the reason I have given him his part before. To my son William, 40 acres in North Cassel; to my daughter, Mary Washbon, £20; to my son Zebulon, 60 acres in North Cassel; to my son Simeon, 45 acres in North Cassel. To my grandsons, James, Daniel and Josiah Brady, sons of Thomas Brady, 60 acres in North Cassel. To my daughter, Rachel Brundig, £20. I make my son and good friends, Simeon Brady, Abraham Carpenter, Joseph Cornal, executors.

Dated August 14, 1782. Witnesses, Jonathan Newman, Benjamin Morehouse, cordwainer, Asa Newman, Elizabeth Arnold. Proved, Westchester County, May 27, 1784.

Page 13.—In the name of God, Amen. This 21st day of April, 1784. I, SAMUEL SACKETT, of the Manor of Cortlandt, Westchester County, Minister of the Gospel in Christ, being weak in body. I give to my grandson, Joseph Sackett, my riding saddle and bridle and ten shillings. Whereas I am bound as security in several obligations for my son Nathaniel, for which he has conveyed to me by deed his farm in Dutchess County, as security, I therefore will my executors to sell the said farm, and discharge the said obligations, and return the overplus, if any, to my said son Nathaniel, and whereas he now is indebted to me for monies lent I order he pay the same to my executors. To my loving wife Hannah, her choice of my beds, with all my flax and wool and the wool which shall be taken off my sheep this spring, my looking glass and six silver table-spoons. My negro woman Sill, my household goods and stock and moveable estate to be sold and the monies with all my other moneys to be for the support of

my wife so long as she shall live. I bequeath my library with all my books to my wife Hannah, Hannah Bauldin and James Sackett. To my son James, all my land in the Precinct of New Cornwell, Ulster County. The money remaining at the death of my wife to go one moiety to my daughter, Hannah Bauldin, and the other to my son James. To my son-in-law, Benjamin Peck, my watch, shoe and knee buckles and walking staff. I make my wife, my sons-in-law, Isaac Bauldin and Benjamin Peck, and my son James, executors.

Witnesses, Mary Purdy, Joseph Lee, Joseph Strang, of Cortlandts Manor, Esquire. Proved, June 16, 1784.

Page 15.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CALEB SMITH, of Goshen Precinct, Orange County, being weak in body. I give to my beloved wife Abigail, one third of the grain, and one third of the swine that I shall die possessed of, my young gray mare and side saddle, two cows of his choice, ten sheep, my case of drawers, one bed her choice, and £15 for the purpose of purchasing other articles of furniture sufficient to keep house, she also to have the use of the best room in my house where I now live, and of one third of my homestead farm, and premises thereto, containing about 113 acres, while she is my widow and no longer, and I bequeath to her the use of the cleared land on the north side of the road that leads past Israel Well's house to the Wallkill bridge at Henry Wisner Jr., until my son Caleb attains the age of twenty-one. To my eldest son, Henry Conkling Smith, lands as follows: beginning at a great rock by the road leading to Israel Well's at a division fence between the meadow and upland, thence northeasterly as the said fence runs, across the lot I purchased of Col. Samuel Gales's estate, then across my homestead lot to a small rock in the line of Solomon Carpenter's land, then along his line to the said road and along this to the place of beginning, containing all within those bounds and twenty-six acres I purchased of Jesse Gale (except about half an acre on the side thereof

next Israel Wells land which I devise to my son Stephen, so as to include part of the spring brook; in paying my son Henry therefore not to exceed £5); Also twenty-five acres in Ulster County adjoining the lands of John Ketcham, and half of my right in the Cedar Swamp, the above to my son, Henry Conkling, forever, nevertheless chargeable with the legacies hereafter mentioned; Also to Henry, my building timber already cut, and my pine and oak boards on hand for building him a house, and one third of the apples that my orchard on my homestead shall produce for ten years after my decease. To my son Stephen, the land as follows: beginning at the great rock before mentioned, running northeasterly as aforesaid by the lands given to Henry to the small rock in the line of Solomon Carpenter's land, then southeasterly along said Carpenter's land to the road, then along said road to the lands of Joseph Wood, then northwesterly along said Wood's land to the road leading to Israel Wells, then across the same to the place of beginning; Also the remainder of the northwest end of my homestead lot, and the other half of my right in the Cedar swamp. I give to my son Caleb my land lying between the lands of my brother, Stephen Smith, and the said Israel Wells, about 75 acres, he to come into possession when at the age of twenty-one, subject to the payment of £100 to my daughter Abigail. To my son John, 100 acres in Ulster County, adjoining the lands of David Horton and Daniel Case. To my daughter, Abigail Smith, one bed and one cow. All the rest of my personal estate to my said sons, Henry Conkling and Stephen, and I order them to pay my debts and funeral charges, equally between them; and my son, Henry Conkling Smith, shall pay to my son Joshua £80 when Joshua is twenty-one; and Stephen shall pay to said Joshua £100 when twenty-one; and my wife Abigail and sons, Henry and Stephen, shall give to my son Caleb good English learning and Arithmetic, I hereby making the lands devised to my said sons, Henry, Stephen and Caleb, and the legacy to

my wife chargeable for the payment of the debts and legacies herein, and if any of my said sons or daughter die before twenty-one, unmarried or without lawful issue, then his or her share to be divided among the survivors. Also my said sons, John and Joshua, shall be put out to learn trades by my executors hereby making them guardians for that purpose. I make my brother, Stephen Smith, my friend, Benjamin Conkling, my said sons, Henry Conkling Smith and Stephen Smith, executors.

Dated April 17, 1784. Witnesses, James Carpenter, John L. Moffat, of Goshen, Coe Gale, Reuben Hopkins. Proved, Orange County, May 6, 1784. Confirmed, New York, June 18, 1784.

Page 18.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN RODMAN, of Flushing, Queens County, Nassau Island, yeoman, being sick and weak. I give to Martia, my dearly beloved wife, a riding chair with a black mare used with it, and a negro wench named Pegg with her youngest child named Mandrew; Also the use of my whole estate as long as she remains my widow, to support and bring up the children and give them learning. Also my whole estate (except that above given) to my wife and six children, equally divided and kept till the youngest child comes of age. I nominate my loving friends, John Allen of Hempstead and Elijah Pell of Flushing, yeoman, executors, and I empower them to settle all my affairs relating to my brother Thomas Rodman's widow and myself according to the article of agreement made between us.

Dated April 30, 1784. Witnesses, Daniel Tuthill, schoolmaster, Matthew Farrington, Darby Doyel. Proved, Queens County, June 4, 1784. Confirmed, New York, June 17, 1784.

Page 19.—I, THOMAS OAKLY, JR., of the Precinct of Goshen, Orange County, being very sick. I leave to my brother, John Oakly, all the gratuity of lands and the

wages due me as a soldier in Col. Lamb's Regiment of Artillery; and all the rest of my estate with this Previso to it to pay to my brothers and sisters, Phebe, Jeremiah, Augustus, Marthar, Sarah and Juliana, out of the same when it shall be collected such sums as my executors shall think proper. I make my uncle, William Holly, and my brother, John Oakly, executors.

Dated June 23, 1783. Witnesses, William Holly, Jr., of Goshen, Samuel Holly, James Hannes. Proved, Orange County, April 30, 1784. Confirmed, New York, June 18, 1784.

Page 20.—These Presents witnesseth this first day of May, 1780, that I, RICHARD TATTERSALL, of Hempstead, Nassau Island. I give to my wife Marth, all my estate, after my debts are paid, for her to bring up my children withal, but I empower my executors to sell all or any part of my estate for the support of my family. But if my wife should marry or die before my estate shall be expended then what I have given her I give to my two sons, Richard and Losee, and to such son or sons as my wife may have within nine months after my decease, if any die before of lawful age his part to his surviving brother or brothers, and if all die then to my daughters (not named). My executors to put my children out to such trades and such places as they think best. I make my wife and John Mott, executors.

Witnesses, Rebekah Mott, James Cornall, John Mott 3d, yeoman. Proved, Queens County, June 16, 1784.

Page 21.—I VINCENT MATHEWS, of Mathews field, Cornwall Precinct, Orange County, Esquire, being in a comfortable state of health, do this 12th day of March, 1783, make my last will and testament. I leave to my two sons, Fletcher and James Mathews, and my daughter, Bridget Jones, together with the children of my son David, all my lands at Western hook in Albany

County which came to me by my first wife, Catalina Abeel, equally divided amongst them, one fourth to Fletcher, one fourth to James, one fourth to Bridget Jones, one fourth to the children of David. To my sons, Fletcher and James, and the children of David, and to my daughter, Elizabeth Beekman, all the residue of my real estate in the State of New York, the State of Connecticut or elsewhere, one fourth to each. It is my will that my children and grandchildren divide my estate as aforesaid in as short a time after my decease as they, or any two of my children, shall agree to such division, first giving three months notice in one or more of the Public newspapers of this State, and if they do not agree within six months then my executors to make a division, provided always that if my said son Fletcher shall refuse to come to a division of that part of my estate at Western hook aforesaid, and to make releases to the said James, Bridget Jones, and the children of David when thereto required, he shall be barred from any right or title to any part of my estate herein given him; and provided also that if my said son Fletcher shall produce any account against me after my decease, such account shall be deducted out of that part of my estate herein given him; and provided likewise that if my aforesaid son David doth not take up and cancel a bond in which I was security for him to George Foliet, of the City of New York, merchant, for a certain sum, the amount of the same when my executors shall be called upon for its payment shall be deducted out of that part of my estate devised to the children of my said son David. To my said daughter, Elizabeth Beekman, my jewels and plate which my late wife Elizabeth brought to my house at Mathews field. All the remainder of my personal estate to be divided in the following manner, one fourth each to my son Fletcher, to my son James, the children of David and to my daughter, Elizabeth Beekman, but if Fletcher refuse to comply with the directions heretofore given as to

lands at Western hook then he to be barred of receiving any of my personal estate, and in such case it to be divided as follows: one third to James, one third to the children of David, and one third to Elizabeth. My executors to sell that part of my estate, real and personal, devised to the children of my son David, and to pay them the money or equal shares as they arrive at full age. I appoint my son James, my son-in-law, Theophilus Beekman, and my friend, Mr. John Ellison, of Ulster County, executors.

Witnesses, William Hudson, Richard Goldsmith, Thomas Moffat, of Cornwall Precinct, Orange County, Esquire. Proved, New York, June 21, 1784.

Page 24.—In the name of God, Amen. I, PETER STRYKER, of Flat Bush, Kings County, Island of Nassau, Province of New York, being not well in bodily health, but of perfect understanding, considering the uncertain continuance of my life, and the many hazards and dangers that it is obnoxious to and being desirous to leave that small estate and fortune that God has been pleased to bless me with in my family with as much peace and unity as may be, and that I may have nothing of this transitory world or the entanglements thereof to incumber my contemplations with at my going out of it, but to meditate of the next world and the inestimable blessings and comforts that are there to be enjoyed, I do make this my last will and testament. I leave to my eldest son, Peter Stryker, Jr., £5, and my silver hilted sword for his birthright. My loving wife Jannitje shall remain in quiet and peaceable possession of my houses, lands, meadows and woodlands in Flat Bush and Flat lands, during the time she remains my widow, also the use of so much of my furniture and farmers' tools as she thinks meet; Also all my horses and my negro slave named Joo, while my widow. To my son Peter, my houses, buildings, lands, woodlands and meadows in Flat Bush and Flat lands, from the day after the burial of my

said wife and forever thereafter; Also my farmers and Brewers tools; and I order him to pay the following legacies: To my son Gerrit, £250 one year after my wife's decease and £250 further two years after the same; to my daughter Sarah, now wife of Cornelis Cornel, £200 three years after my wife's decease; to my daughter Jannetje, now wife of Jacob Mizasol, £200 four years after my wife's decease. I leave to my son Gerret, my bed and bedstead with the red calico curtains, sheets, pillows, bolsters, coverlets, etc., now standing in my large southwest room; Also three milch cows, two heifers and my young horse, and my new iron bound waggon. All monies in cash in my house, or out upon use to my wife, my sons, Peter and Gerret, and my daughters, Sarah and Jannetje, each one fifth. Whatever crop of grain found on my lands and in my barn at my decease shall belong to my wife, and the crop of all sorts only on the land at my wife's decease to my son Peter. To said Peter all my right in the undivided land in Flat Bush patent by an Indenture bearing date the 16th of November, 1738. I make my cousins, Micheal Stryker, Peter Lott, Capt. Leffert Martenson and George Martenson, all of Flat Bush, executors.

Dated June 9, 1773. Witnesses, Barent Van Deventer, Joh^s Casp. Rubel, Petrus Van Steenburgh, of New York City, schoolmaster. Proved, Kings County, May 27, 1784. Confirmed, New York, June 22, 1784.

Page 27.—In the name of God, Amen. This 4th day of April, 1767. I, JOSIAH ELTINGE, of the New Paltz, Ulster County, considering the uncertainty of this transitory life, do make my last will. I leave to my dear wife Magdalena, for life the annuity of £20, paid her yearly by my five children, Abraham, Rovloff J., Solomon, Cornelius and Catharyntje Eltinge. But if she shall not be contented therewith but shall require or sue for her dower then she to be utterly debarred from the said annuity. Also to my wife my negro wench

Saer, one bedstead, one feather bed and underbed and all the bedding unto the same, for life, and after her decease to my said five children. To my son Abraham (being my first born) one full moiety of the one third of all the right of inheritance, and one moiety of the one third part of all the lands lying in the Colony of Maryland, which Petrus Eltinge and Elizabeth, his wife, conveyed to Petrus Edmundus Elmondorph by their deed dated July 16, 1763, which said one third of the said premises was conveyed to me, Josiah Eltinge and Noah Eltinge by the said Petrus Edmundus Elmondorph and Mary, his wife, by deed dated September 10, 1763; Also to my son Abraham those two lots commonly called the Bouwery and the Verkens way lying within the Patent of New Paltz, Ulster County, on the east side of the Paltz River, bounded on the north by the land of Soloman Hasbrouck, deceased; west by the Paltz River, and south by the land called the Bouwery, late of Jacob Hasbrouck deceased, now in possession of Jacob Hasbrouck, Jr.; Also that lot in the same Patent known by lot No. 10 in the first twelve lots of the new division called the First Tier, east of the old divisions, east of the Paltz River; Also lot No. 4 (of the same Patent, etc.) in the second twelve lots of the new division called the Second Tier, east of the said First Tier; Also lot No. 2 in the lot No. 11, called "Grand Pere's" lot in the first twelve lots of the said Second Tier; Also lot No. 3 in the lot No. 5, called "Grand Pere's" lot, in the second twelve lots of the said Second Tier; Also lot No. 2 being one fifth of a lot called "Grand Pere's Verkens Way" adjoining the north side of the lot called the Verkens Way belonging to Jacob Hasbrouck, Jr. To my said son, Rooloff J. Eltinge, those lots in the said Patent which Abraham Dubois, of Somerset County, New Jersey, conveyed to my father, Roolof Eltinge, Esquire, deceased, by deed dated June 20, 1734, the lot called the "Troicare" and those two lots above devised called the "Bouwery" and the "Verkens" only

excepted; Also that land in the said Patent on the west side of the Paltz River called the "Pies a Cham-bre," which Simon Dubois exchanged to me for the aforesaid lot called the "Troicare" by deed dated September 12, 1752; Also lot No. 11 on the east side of the Paltz River granted among other lands to Noah Eltinge and Nathaniel Lefever, by letters, Patent dated May 12, 1748, which said lot No. 11 was conveyed to me by Noah Eltinge by deed dated March 15, 1754; Also that house wherein he now dwelleth and the homestead and ground unto the same belonging in the town of New Paltz, on the east side of the street, which the heirs of Samuel Bevier, late of New Paltz, deceased, conveyed to me by deed dated May 12, 1760; Also the southermost third of lot No. 3, and the northermost third of the same, situated in the first twelve lots of the aforesaid new division called the "First Tier"; and those westernmost lots called lots Nos. 7 and 9, in the said Patent of New Paltz, in the new division of twelve lots called the division over the Great Meadow, lying between the new division called the "Second Tier" and the old division on the west branch of Hudsons River, which were released to me by Noah Eltinge, Abraham Donaldson, Johannis Rosecrans, Jr., and Margaret his wife by deed dated February 13, 1767, all the above to my said son, Roolof Josias, provided he pay £600 in manner following: to my son Solomon, £25, within one year of my decease; to my son Abraham, £25, within two years of my decease; to my son Cornelius, £175, within three years of my decease; to my daughter Catharyntje, £325, within six years of my decease. I give to my son Solomon, lot No. 7 in the said Patent of New Paltz, in the second twelve lots or north division on the west branch of Hudson's River, and the southermost moiety of lot No. 4 in the second twelve lots as above. To my son Cornelius, lot No. 11 in the said Patent in the first twelve lots or South division on the west bank of the Hudson; Also lot No. 1 in the

lot No. 4, called "Grand Pere's" lot, in the said first twelve lots; Also lot No. 1 in the lot No. 3 in the second twelve lots or north division on the west bank of the Hudson; and also part of lot No. 4 in said lot No. 3. To my daughter, Catharyntje Eltinge, all the lands I have in a tract in Ulster County granted to Noah Eltinge and Nathaniel Lefever by Patent dated May 12, 1748, beginning in a line of old trees, run from the Paltz point, etc., etc. To my son Roolof, that small lot No. 3 in the lot No. 5 in the first twelve lots of the new division, adjoining an old line of marked trees called "Graham's Line," the said lot No. 5 called "Grand Pere's" lot. To my son Cornelius, my negro boy Jack. To my daughter Catharyntje my negro girl Jin. The rest of my estate to my said five children, equally. I make my said five children executors.

Witnesses, Jacob Hasbrouck, Jr., David Hasbrouck, both of New Paltz, farmers; Joseph Coddington. Proved, Ulster County, May 19, 1784. Confirmed, New York, June 3, 1784.

Page 32.—Dutchess County in the State of New York, this 22nd day of January, 1784. I, SIMEON LOSEE, of Charlotte Precinct, in the said County, being weak in body. I leave to my dear wife Meriam, in lieu of her dower, the furniture she brought me before marriage and £60. To my son James, one sorrel year-land colt, four sheep, and £50. To my son Nathaniel, £10. To my daughter Sarah, £10. To be paid when they respectively arrive at lawful age or at marriage. The rest of my estate to my son James, and daughters, Sarah Losee, Phebe Losee, Anna Losee, and my son Nathaniel, and the child my wife is now pregnant with, equally divided. It is my will that all my children be brought up out of my estate, and that the whole of my estate, real and personal, be sold. I make my loving brother, James Losee, my friend, Jesse Oakley, executors.

Witnesses, John Platt, of Dutchess County, farmer;

James Pettet, Elizabeth Golden. Proved, Dutchess County, June 19, 1784. Confirmed, New York, June 23, 1784.

Page 33.—In the name of God, Amen. This 26th day of July, 1782. I, THOMAS MESICK, of Claverick, Albany County, yeoman, being very sick and weak. I leave to my eldest son, Hendrick, one horse which he may chuse for his birthright. To two of my sons, namely, Fite and Johannis, all my real estate whereon I now dwell, with the buildings and orchards, equally divided, possessed and enjoyed, on condition that they pay to each of my daughters, namely, Catharina, Rosiena, Mary and Elizabeth, £30, all to be paid within four years after my decease and the decease of my wife, Mary. My will is that my two said sons shall pay the said sum to each of said daughters jointly and not that each shall pay the said sum to each. To my said sons, Fite and Johannis, my farming tools. To my beloved wife, Mary, for life the choice of all my beds and bedding as much as she thinks fit, and the choice of my negro wenches, and after her death the above to be divided between my said four daughters. My wife to have the use of my real estate as long as she is my widow. My daughter Rosiena shall have the liberty to dwell in my house with my said two sons, and to be in the family as she now dwells with me as long as she remains a widow if she "chuseses"; to her also £10 in lieu of the goods which two of my daughters have had of her towards an outset. To my daughter Mary, £3, for to make up her outset. To my daughter Elizabeth, £25, to make up her outset. The remainder of my personal estate to be divided between my wife Mary and all my children, namely: Hendrick, Fite, Johannis, Thomas, Catharina, Rosiena, Mary and Elizabeth. I make my two sons, Fite and Johannis, executors.

Witnesses, Dirick Van Der Kar, farmer; Abraham Brower, farmer; David Brower. Proved, Albany

County, November 7, 1783. Confirmed, New York, June 23, 1784.

Page 35.—In the name of God, Amen. I, PETRUS LANCENDYCK, of the Platte Kill in the town of Kingston, Ulster County, yeoman, being weak of body, do this 5th day of October, 1775, make my last will. I give to my beloved wife Catherine the full and absolute use of my houses, messuages, lands, etc., in Kingston, and all other estate during the time she remains my widow and no longer. After her remarriage or death to my eldest son, Cornelius, one of my best horses, saddle and bridle; and to my youngest son Petrus one other of my best horses, saddle and bridle; and to my daughter Maria one of my best milch cows; Also to my said sons and daughter all my estate in Kingston, etc., equally divided. To my sister-in-law's daughter, Annatje, who now lives with me, the privilege to live with my wife and to be maintained out of my estate until she happens to marry and then my executors to give her one good milch cow, a good sheep, and to provide for her a marriage suit with a good decent outset, to wit: a good bed, bedstead and furniture thereto, two iron pots, one half dozen pewter plates and half dozen pewter spoons, dishes, and other household furniture. I give to my three children, Cornelius, Petrus and Maria (after the death or marriage of my wife) the rest of my estate. If my wife shall now be pregnant with a child or children, such shall share equally in my estate with my above children. I make my beloved wife Catharine, executrix, and my brother-in-law, Christian Valkenburgh, executor.

Witnesses, Petrus A. Winne, Arent Winne, of Saugerties, farmer; Christ Tappen, of Kingston, Esquire. Proved, May 24, 1784. Confirmed, June 23, 1784.

Page 37.—The following will was written in Dutch. Translated an abstract is as follows: In the name of God, Amen. Oct. 22, 1765. I, ABRAHAM WITBEECK,

of the Manor of Renselaerswyck, Albany Co., N. Y., being sick of body but fully enjoying my understanding and memory, leave to my son, Harpert Witbeeck, as right of primogeniture, my silver can. To my worthy wife, Annatje Witbeeck, I bequeath during her life a decent income to maintain her. The property, as the testator at present owns it is to be enjoyed in common, "during my above said wife's life and no longer." I leave to my two sons, Harpert Witbeeck and Johannis Witbeeck, the entire estate or farm as the same is now owned or used, besides the woodland granted to me by the Lord Patroon, for which I have not as yet a deed, though the same has been entered in his [the Patroon's] book. All situated in the Manor of Renselaerswyck, alongside the Hudson River, south of the City of Albany, partly opposite the northern portion of Papsknees Island, Albany Co., Prov. of N. Y. "All which I bequeath and give with the farming implements which I now possess and belong to it to Harpert and Johannis Witbeeck, under condition that my said two sons, Harpert Witbeeck and Johannes Witbeeck, their heirs or assigns shall pay for the same the amount of £200 current money of this Province, viz.: six years after my wife's death £100 current money of this province to my daughter Marretje, and to her heirs or assigns, the other £100 current money of this province to my daughter, Catharina Witbeeck, her heirs or assigns. Further, my above two sons shall be obliged according to my directions to give to my three afternamed daughters when they shall happen to marry to each of them a reasonable dower, viz.: to Marretje, Catharina and Geertruy Witbeeck. I further bequeath to my youngest son, Abraham Witbeeck, his heirs or assigns, my house and lot situated in the 3d ward of Albany in the northern portion of said city and ward. The lot is bound as follows: to the East the house and lot of Elbert Gerritse, deceased, to the West the house and lot of Jacob Witbeeck, deceased, to the South the street. Under the following condi-

tions: my said son, Abraham Witbeeck, his heir or assigns are to pay for the same the amount of £100 current money of N. Y. to my youngest daughter, Gertruy Witbeeck, her heirs or assigns, six years after my wife's death. Further, I give and bequeath to my 6 children, Harpert, Johannis, Abraham, Marretje, Catharina and Geertruy Witbeeck, the entire remainder of my estate personal as well as real estate, nothing accepted, to be equally divided between them or their heirs." Appoints my two sons, Harpert and Johannis Witbeeck, executors.

ABRAHAM WITBEECK.

Witnesses, Abraham Witbeeck, Jacobus Cool, Gerrit Van Den Bergh. Proved, May 17, 1784.

Page 40.—In the name of God, Amen. I, FREDERICUS MAZELIUS, of Orangetown, Orange County, New York, being sick and weak. I leave to my trusty and well-beloved friend, Doctor Gardner Jones, and Joost Mabee, all my estate, real and personal, which I have in America, Europe or elsewhere, equally divided; whom I likewise make my executors.

Dated March 7, 1782. Witnesses, Cornelius C. Roosevelt, of New York City, merchant; Joseph Withton, Anthony Polishie. Proved, June 25, 1784.

Page 41.—In the name of God, I, ANDREW TRUMPOVER, waggon maker, of the County of Ulster, Precinct of Montgomery, tho, weak in body yet of a sound understanding. I leave to my dear wife Elisabeth one of the rooms furnished with two feather beds, two cows, a mare, and £15, with good and sufficient maintenance off the estate. To my daughter Elizabeth, wife to Malice Clearwater, my land estate, and I charge her with the payment of my debts and funeral charges; and as my negro man is not yet paid for, if not sold before my death, my said daughter may sell him; and for my young children, Shusanah, Mary and Cathren, and Andrew my son, I desire they may be

"kept" on the farm till of age, and "get edecation to read the scripturs" and my son to write and "sipher," and if these three girls stay till of age they to have the same freedom as if bound out to others, which is to give them every one a good "shute of cloaths," besides their wearing apparel, a cow and "little weel." To my son Andrew, £40, when of age. To my wife, two sheep. To my daughter Elizabeth, my waggon and plough. To my son Peter, that improvement where he now lives which I bought him, and what else he has had of me. To my son Nicholas, the sorrel horse and the iron bound "slea" (sleigh). That no dispute should be about my land I give it to my daughter Elizabeth. To my daughters, Margret, Crislin, Shusongh, Mary and Cathren, to every one of them a young "hepher." My waggon tools to Peter and Nicholas. And the rest of my moveables to be equally divided between my wife and all my children. As for the crop on the ground, Nicholas to have one third, and the rest to my wife and the four young children. I make Stufel Movl and Henry Cranss, executors.

Dated December 29, 1783. Witnesses, Jacob Newkirk, Adam Newkirk, both of Montgomery Precinct, farmers; William Steuart. Proved, Ulster County, June 4, 1784. Confirmed, New York, June 28, 1784.

Page 43.—The following will was written in Dutch. Translated an extract is as follows: July 8, 1769, SAMUEL MOWRIS, of Marble town, Ulster Co., N. Y. In good health. My oldest son, Samuel Mowris, is to receive and have the 50 acres of land situated to the northwest of the Esopus Kill at Marbletown, bounded by the land now possessed by Jacob Roosa and Benjamin Akeley. My son, Henry Mowris and my son Petrus Mowris, the house, barn, hayracks, orchards, land, clear and uncleared, now occupied by me at Marbletown, being about 300 acres. I also give to my said sons, Henry and Petrus Mowris, all my personal estate of whatever nature or species (excepting what

shall hereafter be given or bequeathed), but under condition that my said sons, Henry and Petrus Mowris, shall pay all my lawful debts and that none of my other children shall be burdened with any of them, and that they shall give my dear wife Geesje, a decent and christian sustenance. I also give to my son Daniel, the house, barn, orchard and land between the Esopus Kil and the King's highway which leads from Kingston to Rochester and so on, bounding and situated between the land of Andries Joh^a DeWitt and Frederick Davis. And further a pareel of low land situated between the land now possessed by Jacob DeLametter, Capt. Stephen Nottingham and Frederick Davis and the Esopus Kill. Both these parcels of land with everything belonging to them are situated under Marbletown. To my dear wife Geesje, all her clothing and also a reasonable and christian maintenance during her widowhood, which maintenance must be paid to her from the portions of my estate left to my sons, Henry and Petrus Mowris. To my stepdaughter, Arjaentje Oosterhout, a child of my wife Geesje, by a former marriage, I bequeath the amount of £5, N. Y. money, a milch cow and a feather bed, the choice of my feather beds—a pillow and two cushions, a green rug, two "combaers" and two sheets and the wooden frame of the bedstead, and after the demise of my wife—her mother—all her clothes and all the furniture she brought with her when I married her. Executors: sons, Henry Mowris, Petrus Mowris, and friend, Willem Eltinge.

SAMUEL MAURUS.

Witnesses, Hendr Sleght, S. Hasbrouck, Jr., Hendr I. Sleght. Proved, June 12, 1784.

Page 45.—In the name of God, Amen. I, STEPHEN NOTTINGHAM, Esq^r, being weak in body, do this 2nd day of September, 1776, make my last will. I leave to my true and loving wife Nealtje, all my lands and tenements, as also all my personal estate. I make my

"kept" on the farm till of age, and "get education to read the scriptures" and my son to write and "sipher," and if these three girls stay till of age they to have the same freedom as if bound out to others, which is to give them every one a good "shute of cloaths," besides their wearing apparel, a cow and "little weel." To my son Andrew, £40, when of age. To my wife, two sheep. To my daughter Elizabeth, my waggon and plough. To my son Peter, that improvement where he now lives which I bought him, and what else he has had of me. To my son Nicholas, the sorrel horse and the iron bound "slea" (sleigh). That no dispute should be about my land I give it to my daughter Elizabeth. To my daughters, Margret, Crislin, Shusongh, Mary and Cathren, to every one of them a young "hepher." My waggon tools to Peter and Nicholas. And the rest of my moveables to be equally divided between my wife and all my children. As for the crop on the ground, Nicholas to have one third, and the rest to my wife and the four young children. I make Stufel Movl and Henry Cranss, executors.

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shall hereafter be given or bequeathed), but under condition that my said sons, Henry and Petrus Mowris, shall pay all my lawful debts and that none of my other children shall be burdened with any of them, and that they shall give my dear wife Geesje, a decent and christian sustenance. I also give to my son Daniel, the house, barn, orchard and land between the Esopus Kil and the King's highway which leads from Kingston to Rochester and so on, bounding and situated between the land of Andries Joh^s DeWitt and Freederick Davis. And further a parcel of low land situated between the land now possessed by Jacob DeLametter, Capt. Stephen Nottingham and Frederick Davis and the Esopus Kill. Both these parcels of land with everything belonging to them are situated under Marbletown. To my dear wife Geesje, all her clothing and also a reasonable and christian maintenance during her widowhood, which maintenance must be paid to her from the portions of my estate left to my sons, Henry and Petrus Mowris. To my stepdaughter, Arjaentje Oosterhout, a child of my wife Geesje, by a former marriage, I bequeath the amount of £5, N. Y. money, a milch cow and a feather bed, the choice of my feather beds—a pillow and two cushions, a green rug, two "combaers" and two sheets and the wooden frame of the bedstead, and after the demise of my wife—her mother—all her clothes and all the furniture she brought with her when I married her. Executors: sons, Henry Mowris, Petrus Mowris, and friend, Willem Eltinge.

SAMUEL MAURUS.

Witnesses, Hendr Sleght, S. Hasbrouck, Jr., Hendr I. Sleght. Proved, June 12, 1784.

Page 45.—In the name of God, Amen. I, STEPHEN NOTTINGHAM, Esq^r, being weak in body, do this 2nd day of September, 1776, make my last will. I leave to my true and loving wife Nealtje, all my lands and tenements, as also all my personal estate. I make my

good friends, John Cantine and William Pick, Esq^r, executors.

Witnesses, Jacob K. Keatter (Keeler in proof), of Marbletown, Ulster County, farmer; Fradrick Markle, of same place, weaver; Frederick F. Markle. Proved, Ulster County, August 25, 1778. Administration granted on the above will to Henry Brodhead, of Marbletown, Ulster County, blacksmith, a nephew of Stephen Nottingham of the same place, Esquire, as the executors relinquished the executorship by an instrument dated November 26, 1779, New York, June 28, 1784.

Page 46.—This 12th day of October, 1775. In the name of God, Amen. GASHAM BUSHUP, of Philips Burrough, Westchester County, being infirm of body. I leave to my loving wife Mathew, the interest of the sum of £250 during her lifetime. To my loving daughter, Sarah Bowne, £30. To my loving son, Noah Bush, £30. All the rest of my estate to be equally divided among my three dafters, Sarah, Ame and Abigal. I ordain my son, Noah Bushup, and my trusty friend, Elisha Barton, Jr., executors.

Witnesses, Elisha Barton, tailor, Isaac Smith, of Phillips Manor, yeoman; Elisha Barton, Jr. Proved, Westchester County, June 23, 1784.

Page 48.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN STORM, of Phillipsburgh, Westchester County, being weak in body, do this 15th day of May, 1771, make my last will. I leave to my son Abraham, the bond for which I was security for him I having discharged it, and my wearing clothes to my sons, James and Henry. To my beloved wife Mary all that she brought with her, likewise a feather bed and its furniture and curtains, and a horse and saddle, likewise all the linen except what is made use of in the family, and one half of the remainder of my moveable estate except the farm which I now have on the Manor of Phillipsburgh.

To my sons, Gregory and Thomas, my said farm, equally divided, each of them paying the rent of it equally, reserving for the use of my wife one room in the dwelling house for her for life or while my widow. The rest of my moveable estate to my son Thomas. I make my beloved wife Mary and my son Thomas, executors.

Witnesses, Mary Miller, William Miller, Daniel Miller, of Phillips Manor, weaver. Proved, Westchester County, June 24, 1784.

Page 49.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SOLOMON DAVIS, of the township of Brookhaven, Suffolk County, being in perfect health of body, and having my usual understanding and discernment. I leave to Jane, the daughter of Jane Wallace, late Jane Crawford (which said Jane, daughter of the said Jane Wallace, now lives with me) £500, to be paid her when she arrives at the age of eighteen or at her marriage. The rest of my estate to my beloved niece, Elizabeth Davis, daughter of my brother, Samuel Davis. I nominate John Aspinwall, of the City of New York, merchant, Selah Strong, of the township of Brookhaven, Esq^r, and my said niece, Elizabeth Davis, executors, and I order them to sell all my estate as soon as conveniently may be after my decease, and out of the monies therefrom to place out at interest on land security the said legacy of £500 given to the said Jane, and that they apply the interest toward the support and education of the said Jane till she arrives at the age of eighteen or day of marriage, but in case she die before them the said sum shall go to my said niece, Elizabeth Davis.

Dated August 12, 1772. Witnesses, John Woodhull, Caleb Woodhull, Merritt Woodhull, yeoman. Proved, Suffolk County, March 30, 1784. Confirmed, New York, June 30, 1784.

Page 50.—This is the last will and testament of me PASCHALL NELSON, late of Boston in New England,

now residing in the Parish of Saint Margaret's, Westminster, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire. I leave to my nephew, John Nelson, of Portsmouth in New Hampshire, New England, merchant, all my lands on the river Kenebec, in the Province of Massachusetts Bay, he conveying thereout to the children of my sister Lloyd, one seventh thereof, one other seventh to the children of my sister Hubbard, they first paying to my said nephew their several proportions of the expenses which I have been at in the settlement and protection of the said lands. And as to my lands in the Mowhock County in New York Government I give 1,000 acres thereof to John Temple, late of Boston, now residing in London, England, Esquire; 500 acres thereof to John Lloyd, of Stamford, Connecticut, merchant; 500 acres to Nathaniel Hubbard, of Stamford, Esquire, and 500 acres to Paschall Smith, of Stamford, son of the late William Smith of the same place; the papers relating to these last mentioned lands are in the hands of the Hon. James De Laney, of New York, Esquire. All the rest of my estate, real and personal, to my two nephews, the said John Temple and John Nelson, whom I appoint executors.

Dated July 19, 1759. Witnesses, Jn^o Dagge, Richmond buildings, Soho (in proof called "late of Richmond Buildings, Soho, but now of Bloomsbury Square, Parish of St. George, Bloomsbury, Middlesex County, Gentleman"), John Hudson, Peruke maker, Charles Street, Westminster (in proof, late of Charles Street "but now of Kings Street in the Parish of St. Margaret, Westminster"), Jane Smith. Proved, September 17 or 19, 1760, London, before the worshipful Arthur Collin, Surrogate, Prerogative Court of Canterbury. Registered, November 13, 1784, New York.

Page 52.—In the name of God, Amen. I, STEPHEN TERHUNE, of the Precinct of New Barbadoes, Bergen County, New Jersey, being weak in body, do this 16th

day of September, 1779, make my last will. I leave the whole of my real estate consisting of a house and lot of land lying in the City of New York in a street commonly called Crown Street, and also a lot of land in the township of Besoklynon, Nassau or Long Island, to my beloved wife Letitia, to be let, leased or sold at her pleasure, for the support of my children until the youngest shall arrive at the age of twenty-one. I order that all my real estate unsold after my youngest child shall be twenty-one, shall be sold at Public sale, and one third of the amount of the sale be paid to my wife, and the remainder equally divided among all my children. To my wife, one bed and bedding with the curtains and furniture thereto complete. The rest of my personal estate after payment of my debts and funeral charges to my wife for the support of herself and my children. I make my beloved wife, Letitia Terhune, my dear brother, Roelef Terhune, and my good friends, Isaac Huysman and Abraham J. Huysman, executors.

Witnesses, Samuel Verbryck, Bernardus Verbryck, of Bergen County yeoman; Peter Wilson, New York, May 21, 1784. Administration granted to John Byvanck, of the City of New York, merchant, a principal creditor of Stephen Terhune of the same place, printer, deceased; whereas Letitia Terhune, Roelef Terhune and Abraham J. Huysman, the surviving executors, did relinquish the executorship by two papers May 25th last and June 25th last, New York, July 1, 1784.

Page 54.—I, HENRY BEEKMAN, of the City of New York, enjoying my usual share of understanding tho' in a very advanced age, and duly considering the importance of a proper disposition of my temporal estate, do declare this to be my last will and testament. I would have it understood that the main objects of my will are first to provide for my wife a decent support as my widow, secondly to testify my affection for

my daughter Livingston, and thirdly consistent with the confidence I have in her to prevent my estate on the contingency of her decease from passing to any other than her descendants, which design I persuade myself, Mr. Livingston, my son-in-law, whom I tenderly love, will as he has fair prospects from his own father heartily approve of as just and natural. First, therefore, let it be remembered that the five lots in an angle of Beekman and Cliff Streets in this City, which I engaged in an ante nuptial contract between me and my wife and Philip Van Cortland, deceased, to devise to her, are sold with her consent to Trinity Church Corporation, and the proceeds have been laid out for her use and in improving her separate real estate on the west side of Beekman's slip, and I further declare that my wife shall not be accountable for any expediture of mine in improving the same. I give to my said wife the use of my negro Robin and his brother Sam, and such other two of my slaves as she shall choose, with the use of my chariot horses, the chariot and chaise, and all my wrought plate and furniture during her life; such part of my household furniture as she brought at marriage I give her absolutely, and also such bonds and the money due thereon, as shall have a memorandum under my hand written on the same purporting my gift thereof to her for her sole use. I also give her absolutely the gold and silver coin she has collected and holds the separate possession of. I devise to her, in fulfillment of the ante-nuptial contract, my dwelling house and the lot thereto during her life, and for life £200 annually, the first payment to commence one year after my decease; and during life the privilege of residing at my house at Rhinebeck six months in the year, and liberty to take the fruit of ten apple trees in that seat every fall. To my godson Henry, the son of William Beekman, Jr., £50. My farm whereon I now live and my mills I leave to my daughter and her husband, Robert R. Livingston, during their lives. All the rest of my estate,

real and personal, I devise as hereinafter mentioned, more particularly explained to my daughter Livingston, as a testimony of the great affection I have for her, and had for her mother, who was a woman of the most amiable temper and of singular virtue, prudence and piety, meaning that her personal estate shall be absolutely at her disposal, and that she shall be tenant in fee simple of such of my real estate as is not in Dutchess County, but of my estate there she shall be only tenant for life, and take the rents and profits thereof, and this in addition to the ample fortune which her husband has and may expect, cannot fail to be an honorable provision for my said daughter. For her children and to preserve their dependence upon their parents which for many reasons appears to me wise, I authorize my daughter and her husband to convey my lands whereof she is hereby made tenant for life or any portions thereof to all or any of her children on such terms as they may think proper. If any part of the said lands at her death remain unconveyed I devise what shall remain to all the children of my said daughter equally divided, if any of them be then dead and have left issue such issue to take the share that would have belonged to their father or mother. I constitute my wife Gertruyd, my son-in-law, Robert R. Livingston, and my daughter, Margret Livingston, and my friend, William Smith, of New York, executors; and I authorize them to manumit my negro Robin and his brother Sam, and to pay their indemnity to give them the full benefit of their freedom after the decease of my wife, or sooner, if she consent.

Dated October 23, 1775. The testator having in a great degree lost his sight declared that the above will had been frequently read to him by John White, Jr., one of the witnesses. Witnesses, John White, Jr., Johannes Georg, miller, John Hause. Proved, June 4, 1784, when Margret Livingston, an executrix, personally appeared at the Court of Probates and swore the above to be the will of Henry Beekman.

Page 57.—I, ROBERT R. LIVINGSTON, being in health of body and calling to mind the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time when it shall please God to call me hence, and being this day to set out on a journey in which if any unforeseen event should befall me I may not have an opportunity to make such disposition of those worldly goods which it has pleased God to bestow on me as I think justice requires, do declare this my last will, making my dear wife my sole executrix and desiring her after committing my body to the earth in the most frugal manner to pay my just debts. I bequeath her all my real and personal estate, leaving my dear children to her care. I can make no other provision for them at present because I think this best for them and most suitable to my circumstances, therefore leaving them with the most sincere regard for their eternal and temporal welfare I sign this the 3rd day of February, 1766.

Witnesses, Wat. Du Bois, Jr., Robert R. Livingston, Jr., John Skinenton.

Codicil. It having pleased God to make a considerable addition to my real estate since I made the above will, I republish it this 15th day of January, 1773, with this sole alteration that the house and farm at Claremont shall be my wife's only during her life after which it is to go to my heir as the law directs.

Witnesses to Codicil, Young Ferol, Margret Hill, Wilhelmus Post. Proved, June 4, 1784, when Margaret Livingston, the executrix, swore to the above will and Codicil.

Page 58.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIAS DESBROSSES, of the City of New York, merchant, being of good health of body. I leave to my loving brother, James Desbrosses, all the lands I own in the Herdbergh Patent. To my loving sisters, Magdalen and Elizabeth Desbrosses, the lot, house and store fronting King, Queen and Dock Streets, which I bought of the heirs of Cornelius V. Horne, with all

the Plate and household furniture during their lives, and afterwards to my niece, Mary Ann Desbrosses. To my nephew, James Desbrosses, the lot and house fronting Queen and Dock Streets, which I bought of Piere G. Depyster. I give £1000 to the Rector and Inhabitants of New York in communion of the Church of England as by law established, in trust, to be placed at Interest by the vestry for the maintenance of a French "Clergiman" who shall perform divine service in the French language in this City according to the "liturgie" of the Church of England, and should it be any considerable time before such establishment is effected then the interest shall become principal for the same use. To the Rector, etc., as above, £500 to be laid out for the clothing and educating of the poor children of Trinity Church School in this City. To Mrs. Charlotte Favieres, £20 per annum for life. To the widow Cazal, £10 per annum for life. To my brother James, my sisters, Magdalen and Elizabeth, my nephew James, and my niece, Mary Ann Desbrosses, the residue of my estate divided into five equal shares, and I nominate them my executors.

Dated June (blank), 1773. Witnesses, Adrian Renaudet, Smith Richards, of New York, grocer; Stephen Randall. Proved, July 2, 1784; and administration granted to James Desbrosses, nephew of the deceased.

Page 60.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN CRUGER, of the City of New York, Esq., being at this time in good health. I leave all my estate to my beloved children by name: Anne, Henry, John, Sarah, Mary and Rachel Cruger, equally divided. I nominate my said children executors.

Dated New York, September 4, 1742. Witnesses, Jno Chambers, Rich'd Nicholls, John Van Cortlandt, of New York City, Esquire. Proved, New York, July 3, 1784, administration granted to John Cruger, an executor, the same date.

Page 57.—I, ROBERT R. LIVINGSTON, being in health of body and calling to mind the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time when it shall please God to call me hence, and being this day to set out on a journey in which if any unforeseen event should befall me I may not have an opportunity to make such disposition of those worldly goods which it has pleased God to bestow on me as I think justice requires, do declare this my last will, making my dear wife my sole executrix and desiring her after committing my body to the earth in the most frugal manner to pay my just debts. I bequeath her all my real and personal estate, leaving my dear children to her care. I can make no other provision for them at present because I think this best for them and most suitable to my circumstances, therefore leaving them with the most sincere regard for their eternal and temporal welfare I sign this the 3rd day of February, 1766.

Witnesses, Wat. Du Bois, Jr., Robert R. Livingston, Jr., John Skintenton.

Codicil. It having pleased God to make a considerable addition to my real estate since I made the above will, I republish it this 15th day of January, 1773, with this sole alteration that the house and farm at Claremont shall be my wife's only during her life after which it is to go to my heir as the law directs.

Witnesses to Codicil, Young Ferol, Margret Hill, Wilhelmus Post. Proved, June 4, 1784, when Margaret Livingston, the executrix, swore to the above will and Codicil.

Page 58.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIAS DESBROSSES, of the City of New York, merchant, being of good health of body. I leave to my loving brother, James Desbrosses, all the lands I own in the Herdenbergh Patent. To my loving sisters, Magdalen and Elizabeth Desbrosses, the lot, house and store fronting King, Queen and Dock Streets, which I bought of the heirs of Cornelius V. Horne, with all

the Plate and household furniture during their lives, and afterwards to my niece, Mary Ann Desbrosses. To my nephew, James Desbrosses, the lot and house fronting Queen and Dock Streets, which I bought of Piere G. Depyster. I give £1000 to the Rector and Inhabitants of New York in communion of the Church of England as by law established, in trust, to be placed at Interest by the vestry for the maintenance of a French "Clergiman" who shall perform divine service in the French language in this City according to the "liturgie" of the Church of England, and should it be any considerable time before such establishment is effected then the interest shall become principal for the same use. To the Rector, etc., as above, £500 to be laid out for the clothing and educating of the poor children of Trinity Church School in this City. To Mrs. Charlotte Favieres, £20 per annum for life. To the widow Cazal, £10 per annum for life. To my brother James, my sisters, Magdalen and Elizabeth, my nephew James, and my niece, Mary Ann Desbrosses, the residue of my estate divided into five equal shares, and I nominate them my executors.

Dated June (blank), 1773. Witnesses, Adrian Renaudet, Smith Richards, of New York, grocer; Stephen Randall. Proved, July 2, 1784; and administration granted to James Desbrosses, nephew of the deceased.

Page 60.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN CRUGER, of the City of New York, Esqr, being at this time in good health. I leave all my estate to my beloved children by name: Anne, Henry, John, Sarah, Mary and Rachel Cruger, equally divided. I nominate my said children executors.

Dated New York, September 4, 1742. Witnesses, Jno Chambers, Rich'd Nicholls, John Van Cortlandt, of New York City, Esquire. Proved, New York, July 3, 1784, administration granted to John Cruger, an executor, the same date.

Page 61.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ABRAHAM BOCKEE, of Amenia Precinct, Dutchess County, being in good health, do this 11th day of January, 1769, make my last will. I leave to my loving wife Maria, the rents and profits of my whole estate, real and personal (except what shall be herein particularly disposed of) until my son Jacob arrive at the age of twenty-one, the better to enable him to bring up and support the expense of my said son's education, and from the time he is of age my wife then to have only one third of the said profits. To my wife also a negro woman named Grace, and my household furniture during her life, and then the said wench (if living) to remain to my son Jacob, and the furniture to be equally divided between my daughters, Maria Salkeld, Annitie Bockee, and my son Jacob. To my daughter, Maria Salkeld (to commence at my son's lawful age), half of that lot or farm of Enogh Brigs and Robert Willbore in Charlotte Precinct, Dutchess County, being part of lot No. 27 in the second division of the Great Nine Partners Patent, the same to my said daughter and her heirs forever, except that she shall not have any power to sell "during the time of her present coverture and she become a feme sole." To my daughter, Annitie Bockee, the other half of the said lot, her right to begin at the above time, also one negro girl named Pamilla, also six silver spoons, also in case she marry before a division be made \$40 to buy her an outset. To my son Jacob, when of age, that farm whereon I now live, containing 552 acres lying in Amenia Precinct; Also the negro slaves, Low, David, Hester; two children, Tom and Simon, and if any of the negro children die, then the girl Lidia shall supply the place thereof, provided always that if the negro men or woman shall misbehave themselves before my son comes of age, my executors shall have power to sell the same, and lay out the money for others if necessary, or put it at interest for my son's use. To my said son my farming utensils, wearing apparel,

armory and law books. My executors can sell the following lots, as may be necessary to pay my debts, viz.: a lot in the first water lot in first division, a lot in lot No. 16 in tenure of Willm Irish and Palmer in second division, and a lot No. 7 in ye third division of the great Nine Partners, and the overplus, if any, with my stock of creatures equally divided between my three children. I make my wife, my daughter Annitie, and my son Jacob, executors.

Witnesses, Thomas Fish, Joshua Fish, of Amenia Precinct, yeoman; Elijah Browning, John Fish.

Codicil. I, ABRAHAM BOCKEE, being weak in body. I empower my executors to sell my lands in lot No. 27 in the second division of the Great Nine Partners, and apply the money therefrom as I have ordered the moneys to be applied arising from the sale of the other lands.

Dated January 19, 1776. Witnesses to Codicil, Thomas Fish, Isaac Smith, of Dutchess County, Esquire; Matthias Burnet Miller, of New York City, physician. Proved, New York, May 18, 1784. Administration granted to Jacob Bockee, July 6, 1784.

Page 64.—Following will written in Dutch. Translated extracts. May 10, 1764. DIRRIK VAN VEGTE, on the Flats in Lonenburg, Albany Co. Healthy. To oldest son, Teunis Van Vegte, the choice from among my house for his primogeniture. To my wife Helena, entire estate for her life and no longer. To my son Teunis, the Bowery where he lives at present as in the map made by Clinton, lot No. 77; if he die without heirs the same to go to my nephew, Dirreck Van Vegte, son of my son Hubartus; to my son Teunis, one half of the lot in the Beregat, being in the above said map No. 72; Also to my son Hubartis and his heirs, the other half of the lot in the Beregat, lot No. 72, and in case my son Teunis has no heirs, the same to my son Hubartis or his heirs. My Bowery where I live after my wife's death to my daughter Jannetie Van Vegte;

my said daughter or her heirs are to pay to my daughter Sarah, wife of Isaac Kalier, or their heirs, and to my daughter Eve, wife of Abraham Van Valkenberg, or heir, to each £50, each one half one year after the death of the survivor of myself or my wife; the other half two years after the death of the said survivor. To my daughter Maria, wife of Nicholas Spoor, and her heirs, my five acres in the Beregats valley, marked on map of Patent of Lonerburgh by Charles Clinton, as part of lot No. 24. To my sons, Teunis and Hubartus, and my daughters, Catarina, wife of Lambert Van Valkenburg; Maria, wife of Nicholas Spoor, and Janetie, all my share in the woodland still in common with the Hallenbecks and Isaac Corlean and myself in the same Patent. Also my share in the new Patent Stigkock at the mountains west of the Patent of Lonerburgh, equally. Also they shall use the same as far as they need without being prevented by the others, till the time when it shall be deemed advisable to divide it. To all my said children my personal estate equally. My son Teunis and daughters, Catarina, Sara and Eve, shall be charged for the black slave they have received according to value. To Teunis and Hubartus my clothes, woolen and linen. To my five said daughters the clothes of my wife. Executors: my son Hubartus, sons-in-law, Lambert Van Valkenburg and Nicholas Spoor. Witnesses, John Ten Broeck, Martin Lydius, Jacob Roseboom, John H. Lydius. Proved, June 16, 1784.

Page 67.—In the name of God, Amen. I, NATHANIEL RAY, of George Town in the County of Frederick and Province of Maryland, "Taylor," but at present (by the fortune of war) residing in the City of New York, being sick and low in body, and not knowing whether it will please God ever to return me in safety to my own habitation and likewise considering the many accidents that may happen to this mortal body, am induced to make this my last will and testament. I leave

to my loving brother, William Ray, that tract of land in the County of Frederick, Maryland, commonly called by the names of the two brothers, containing 200 acres, which tract I got from my father by deed of gift, which deed remains in his, my said father's hands, the butts and bounds of which by reference to the said deed may fully appear. To my said brother my negro wench called Jude, with her child, and my negro man called Ned. To Melines Conkling, of New York City, Taylor, that tract of land in Frederick adjoining the tract called the Cold Springs which I got from my father. To Ann Owen, my horse called Derby. To my brother William and Ann Owen all other my moveables and effects equally divided. I appoint Melines Conklin sole executor.

Dated January (blank), 1777. Witnesses, Robert Smith, Lewis Boudinot, Jane Conklin. Proved, New York, July 7, 1784, when Elizabeth Dun, of N. Y. City, spinster, swore she saw Nathaniel Ray sign the above will.

Page 68.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CHARLES JANDINE, of Staten Island, Richmond County. I leave to my five daughters all my whole estate, real and personal, such as lands, houses, household goods, wearing apparel, plate, jewels, etc. to my five daughters, to wit: Susanah Jandine, Cathrine Lamb, Mary Lamb, Hanah Lawrence and Martha Allicocke, equally divided, and to my two granddaughters, Catherine Davis and Sally Davis, I bequeath them their full mother's share. I nominate Joseph Alliocke and William Smith, one of his Majesty's Council of New York, my executors.

Dated September 22, 1779. Witnesses, Daniel Crocheron, Moses Clendenney, Benjamin Cole. Proved, March 21, 1780. Administration granted to James Lamb, of the City of New York, mariner, who intermarried with Mary a daughter and one of the residuary legatees of Charles Jandine, late of Richmond

County, gentleman, deceased, whereas administration was granted to Joseph Allicoëcke, one of the executors whereas he has since departed this State, the estate not being fully administered, and whereas William Smith, the other executor, is likewise absent from this State, administration is hereby granted to the above. New York, July 9, 1784.

Page 70.—In the name of God, Amen. I, LEONARD VAN KLEECK, of Poghkeepsie Precinct, Dutchess County, Esq., being sick and weak this 18th day of July, 1783. I leave to my two grandchildren, John Van Kleeck and Annatije Van Kleeck, £200, that is £100 to each, on condition that they upon receiving the said money shall pay yearly £14 a year to my mother-in-law, Hannah Ten Bruck, during her life towards the discharge of a bond she hath against me for the yearly payment of £15 for the said term of her life. To my eldest son, Lawrence, £535, and to my son Leonard, £525. To my two daughters, Sarah and Gertrude, each £500. To my said four children the further sum of £1,000 equally divided. The legacies to my said children shall be paid them severally as soon as they are twenty-one or at their marriage days, and the said legacies till then to be put out at interest and the interest to be paid to my beloved wife Janetije in order the better to enable her to bring up and educate my children. Also to my wife my negro man slave, called Bob, and £100, in lieu of her right of her dower or third of my estate. The rest of my estate I devise as follows: one fifth each to my son Lawrence, to my second son, Leonard, to my daughter Sarah, to my daughter Gertrude, and one fifth to my two grandchildren above named. I nominate my wife and my loving friends, John Davis, John Cooke, Myndert Van Kleeck and John P. Van Kleeck, executors.

Witnesses, Teunis Tappen, Peter B. Van Kleeck, Robert Noxon, all of Poghkeepsie Precinct, gentlemen, and Richard Snediker. Proved, Dutchess

County, October 17, 1783. Confirmed New York, July 9, 1784.

Page 72.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN WYCKOFF, of the City of New York. Whereas I have lately made a contract of sale with Hendrick Wyckoff, of the New Lotts in the township of Flat Bush, Kings County, agreeable to which I have sold him all my real estate at New Lotts for £1,275, except a piece of land, lately wo dland adjoining the lands of Garret Boorum, and another piece of meadow land adjoining the lands of Daniel Rapalje, on which bargain I have received £200 and have not executed any conveyance to the said Hendrick Wyckoff, I do therefore order my executors on the receipt of £1,075 to give him such a deed of conveyance. I leave to my beloved wife the choice of one of my beds, with furniture thereto, and all my linens, in consideration of her bringing up my two daughters. To my daughters, Anne and Sophia, each, one of my beds. To my sons, Hendrick and Albert, as much money as my executors shall judge the beds bequeathed to my daughters are worth. All the rest of my estate to my wife, my sons, Hendrick and Albert, and my daughters Anne and Sophia, equally divided. My executors to sell my real estate as they shall judge most, to the advantage of my wife and children, and all my personal estate (except that already bequeathed) one year after my decease, my wife having the use of my household furniture till then, and to put out the monies for my children's share at interest till they are of age or till my daughters marry. I appoint my wife, my nephew Hendrick Wyckoff, my beloved friends, William Boerum, Esq., and Jacob Sharpe, Jr., executors.

Dated April 15, 1784. Witnesses, Archibald Currie, Abraham Brinckerhoff, David Currie, the two last of New York City, merchants. Proved, New York, July 13, 1784. The administration shows that the name of the wife of the above John Wyckoff was Mary.

Page 74.—In the name of God, Amen. I, PHEBE PARSONS, of Easthampton, Suffolk County, being very sick. I leave to my daughter Phebe, one gold ring; to my granddaughter Phebe, my negro girl Sarah, my black taffety gown, sattin cloke and my "pompedore" gown; to my granddaughter Elizabeth my "gold beads." To my beloved cousin, Lucretia Wickham, £10 in cash. To my daughter, Mary Osborn, the remainder of my estate, viz.: the whole of my cash, my house, lot, goods, plate, etc., the remainder of my clothes, the "coat" that I have against Jeremiah, also my negroes, namely, Jaek, Violet and the negro child. I nominate my friend, Stephen Hodges, and my son, Jeremiah Osborn, my executors.

Dated May 17, 1781. Witnesses, Thomas Talmage, yeoman; Thomas Osborn and John Stratton, yeoman. Proved, Suffolk County, May 19, 1784. Confirmed, New York, July 13, 1784.

Page 75.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JONATHAN OSBORN, of East Hampton, Suffolk County, yeoman, calling to mind the mortality of my body how precarious and uncertain my life is do make this my last will. I leave my well-beloved wife Elizabeth, two of my best cows for milk, also two other fat cows, my household goods, two thirds of all the grain in the house or barn or on the ground, also two "fating and three store swine," all my sheep, the west half of my house, and a third of my real estate as the law directs. To my son Joseph, my old roan mare, also a bond and note for £130, with a mortgage deed I have against my brother, David Osborn, and one third of all my grain. To my youngest son, Daniel, my house and barn and house lot, with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging, also one sixth of a share of Montauket, also my meddow at Nappeague, also my "shaw close," also half my norwest woodland, and all my three mile harbour woodland, and half my woodland by Sag harbour road between Jeremiah Miller and

Ezekiel Mulford, also "my nowest close," and two acres of commonage. If my son Daniel should die without male issue his share to be equally divided between my four surviving sons, viz., Joseph, Jonathan, Henry and Samuel. It is my will that my wife and my two oldest sons, Joseph and Jonathan, should improve all the lands and meadows of my children under age, till they arrive at the age of twenty-one, the produce to bring up my three youngest children. All the remainder of my neat cattle to my four youngest sons, Jonathan, Henry, Samuel and Daniel. My five sons equally to pay my debts. My other three horse kind to my three youngest sons, according to their ages so let them divide the horses. The remainder of my estate to be divided between my sons Joseph, Jonathan, Henry and Samuel. I appoint my friend, Samuel Hutchinson, and my sons, Joseph and Jonathan Osborn, executors.

Dated East Hampton, November 11, 1781. Witnesses, William Huntting, Recompence Sherril, Jr., both yeomen; Samuel Hutchinson. Proved, Suffolk County, May 19, 1784. Confirmed, New York, July 13, 1784.

Page 77.—Southampton, March 29, 1783. I, NATHANIEL HERRICK, of the Town of Southampton, Suffolk County, being weak in body. I leave all my lands and moveables to my wife and children, as long as she remains my widow. In case my wife leaves the above said place she is entitled to £150. Likewise to my children, equally, all my land and moveables. I ordain my brother, Henry Herrick and Josiah Foster and my wife, executors.

Witnesses, Henry White, of Suffolk County, physician; Mehitable Baynor, John Fordham. Proved, Suffolk County, May 21, 1784. Confirmed, New York, July 14, 1784.

Page 78.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN PARSONS the fourth, of East Hampton, Suffolk County,

New York, yeoman, being indisposed in body. I leave to my beloved wife Phebe, the use of one third of all my lands, also the use of my now dwelling house during her life. Also all my household goods, my negro wench Violet, and my riding chair, and half the remainder of my moveable estate; the other half of said remainder I give to my two daughters, Phebe Hutchinson and Mary Parsons, equally divided, except my young bay mare which I give to my son-in-law, Samuel Hutchinson. To my daughter Phebe, my house lot and lot of land I bought of Benjamin Leek, both together containing eight acres, and my now dwelling house, barn and other buildings. To my daughter Mary, my land on the south side of the road, nearly opposite my house, containing five acres. To my two said daughters all the remainder of my lands, meadows and rights of land, but in case my daughter, Mary Parsons, should die without issue all the above lands to her given to go to my daughter, Phebe Hutchinson. I constitute my wife, Phebe, my son-in-law, Samuel Hutchinson, and my daughter Mary, executors.

Dated October 21, 1775. Witnesses, Ezekiel Mulford, Lemuel Mulford, Isaac Schellinger. Proved, Suffolk County, May 19, 1784. Administration granted to Mary Osborn, formerly Mary Parsons, an executrix, New York, July 14, 1784.

Page 80.—In the name of God, Amen. I, STEPHEN FOSTER, of Southampton, Suffolk County, carpenter, being in health of body. I give to my son Jeremiah, half of my carpenters, coopers and joiners tools, also half of my farming tackling. To my son Stephen, that land I bought of George Herrick (except 16 acres off the south end) which lies at or near the place called Wickapogue, also one quarter of a Fifty of commonage from the east bounds of the town to Canoe place, also one quarter of a Fifty in the great south division in the lot No. 36, also one half of my carpenters and coopers and joiners tools. To my two daughters,

namely, Temperance and Hannah, five shillings each. To my four daughters, namely, Sarah, Jerusha, Phebe and Ruth, forty shillings each. To my loving wife, sixteen acres off the south end of the land mentioned above, also the use of half my dwelling house, barn and home lot so long as she remains my widow; Also the remainder of my estate, after my debts, funeral charges and legacies are paid, to dispose of as she pleases. I constitute my son, Jeremiah Foster, and my loving wife Sarah, executors.

Dated February 26, 1761. Witnesses, James Rogers, Obadiah Rogers, Jr., Stephen Rogers. Proved, Suffolk County, May 26, 1784. Administration granted to Sarah Foster, an executrix, New York, July 14, 1784.

Page 81.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SILVANUS WHITE, of Southampton, Suffolk County, Nassau Island, clergyman, being in health of body. I will that all debts or duties I owe in conscience or right be truly paid. I leave to my oldest son, Silvanus, my silver tankard after my wife's decease. To my daughter, Hannah White, widow of Edward White, £20. To my son Hezekiah, £25. To my daughter, Phebe Tiley, £25. To my son Silas, £25. To my son Ebenezer, £25. To my son Henry, my house, barn and all my lands in Southampton Township. To my granddaughter, Phebe White, daughter of Edward White, deceased, £15, and a bed and bed clothes. To my grandson, Daniel White, son of Daniel White, deceased, £10. To my well-beloved wife Phebe, the whole of my moveable estate not already disposed of in lieu of her dowry, also the whole of my lands in Southampton to be improved by her whilst my widow. I constitute my friend, Henry Herrick, my wife Phebe, and my son, Henry White, executors.

Dated May 3, 1782. Witnesses, Obadiah Rogers, Jr., David Sayre, joiner, and Timothy Bishop. Proved, Suffolk County, May 21, 1784. Confirmed, New York, July 15, 1784.

Page 83.—In the name of God, Amen. I WILLIAM JAGGER, of the Township of Easthampton, Suffolk County, marriner, being in perfect health. I leave to my loving wife Abigail, all my estate, real and personal, all debts due and demands that are or shall be due me at my decease, also my buildings and moveables, as long as she remain my widow. I make my wife sole executrix.

Dated July 25, 1775. Witnesses, Silvanus Wick, Joseph Gibbs, schoolmaster; Nancy Gadner (Gardiner). Proved, Suffolk County, May 19, 1784. Confirmed, New York, July 16, 1784.

Page 84.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ABRIHAM VERMILYA, of the Yonkers, Westchester County, yeoman. I leave to my beloved wife one third of my estate as long as she liveth. To my son John, £100, to be paid to him by my sons, Abraham and Edward, equal alike. To my daughter, Sarah Hustis, wife of Soloman Hustis, £100, to be paid by my sons, Abraham and Edward, equal alike. To my son William, £100 paid by my sons, Abriham and Edward. To my son Abriham, one half of the farm I now live on, with half my salt meadow at Kings Bridg, and half my moveable estate. To my son Edward, the other half of the above. My sons, Abraham and Edward, shall share alike of all my lands, buildings and moveables. I make my sons, John and Edward Vermilye, executors.

Dated February 15, 1782. Witnesses, Joel Mead, Frederick Vermilya, of Yonkers, yeoman, and William Betts. Proved, Westchester County, July 1, 1784. Confirmed, New York, July 20, 1784.

Page 85.—In the name of God, Amen. This 15th day of April, 1773. I, ALBERT OGDEN, of North Castle, Westchester County, being weak in body. I leave to my loving wife Phebe, the best bed and its furniture in my house and all my plate. I order my whole estate to be sold, excepting the bed and plate. To my brother

Jonathan, five shillings and no more. My debts and funeral charges to be paid and all the money arising from the sale of my lands and moveables I give to my wife, Phebe Ogden. I nominate my wife and my friend, Thomas Weeks, executors.

Witnesses, Elnathan Lyon, Israel Reynolds, of North Castle, blacksmith; David Dayton. Proved, Westchester County, July 6, 1784. Administration granted to Phebe Ogden, executrix, New York, July 20, 1784.

Page 87.—In the name of God, Amen. I, NICOLL HAVENS, of Shelter Island in the County of Suffolk and Government of New York, being weak of body. I leave to my indeared wife Desire, the use of my house that I formerly lived in with the buildings, gardens and orchard thereto adjoining with 200 acres of land, meadow and timber inclusive to be set off to her at my decease upon that side of the farm where the house stands; Also all the moveables she brought me, and the choice of any two of my negroes with an ample competency of provisions for herself and servants for one year, also £50 immediately on my decease; all of which is in lieu of her dower for her life or widowhood, but if she marries again then I earnestly request of her to accept of £450, besides the said £50, and thus to relinquish all demands upon the rest of my estate. To my beloved children, Jonathan Nicoll Havens, Esther Sarah Havens, Mary Catharine Havens, Catharine Mary Havens, Renslaer, Gloriana, Francis, Watson and Henrietta Havens, the remainder of my estate, real and personal, share and share alike, saving to my eldest son, Jonathan Nicoll, a double portion; Also that part of my farm, given to my wife, when she has done with it to be divided amongst my children. I ordain my wife Desire and my son Jonathan Nicoll Havens, executors, and constitute them guardians to my younger children till they shall arrive at proper ages to chuse for themselves.

Dated September 20, 1782. Witnesses, Mary Brown, "spinstress"; Hutchinson Davids, yeoman; Berret Havens, Hannah Havens. Proved, Suffolk County, June 6, 1784. Confirmed, New York, July 20, 1784.

Page 88.—I, THOMAS BETTS, of New Town, Queens County, yeoman, being all this time weak in body, think it dutifull to sett my house in order. I leave to Anthony Betts, son of William Betts, my brother, £10, to be paid him one year after my decease for his birth-right. To my well-beloved wife Sarah, whatsoever estate of any kind, goods, chattels, etc., did belong to her when I married her or she brought me after marriage; Also £100, with a privilege of the best room in this house I now live in, pasture for a cow and horse, and fadder for the same, fire wood for one fire, with a privilege of a small garden and of keeping fowls, geese, ducks or turkeys, the above privileges to be to her while my widow, the above estate and £100 to her forever. The remainder of my estate to Benjamin Betts, son of William Betts, my brother. I nominate my cousin, Benjamin Betts, and my wife Sarah, executors.

Dated May 23, 1773. Witnesses, Philip Edsall, yeoman; Jonathan Roberts, Peter Alburtus. Proved, Queens County, July 3, 1784. Administration granted to Benjamin Betts, an executor, July 21, 1784.

Page 90.—In the name of God, Amen, the 19th day of June, 1753. I, JACOB PIETERS VOSBURGH, of Kinderhook in Albany County, batchelor, being in good health. I leave unto my two brothers, Johannis and Isaac Vosburgh, all my real and personal estate and I make them executors.

Witnesses, Jacob Vosburgh, Bartholomevous P. Van Valkenburgh, of Claverick, cordwainer; Arent Van Dyck. Proved, Albany, N. Y., July 8, 1784. Confirmed, New York, July 22, 1784.

Page 91.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL KING, of Amenia, Dutchess County, being in health, do this 12th day of October, 1777, make my last will and testament. I leave to my son Samuel the lot of land he now lives on and ten aeres lying in my house lot, at the southwest corner of my meadow west of my house, and one yoke of three year old steers. To my son Nathaniel, the rest of my lands. To my daughter Deborah, £60 out of my moveable estate. To my daughter Rebeckah, £100, to be paid by Nathaniel, my youngest son. To my dear wife Rebeckah, the rest of my moveables, and one third of my farm, so long as she remains my widow. I make my wife Rebeckah and Ephream Paine, Esqr, executors.

Witnesses, Robert Hebard, farmer; Jesse Pike. Proved, Dutchess County, July 17, 1784. Administration granted to John King, of Berkshire, Massachusetts Bay, a brother, and principal creditor of Samuel King, late of Amenia Precinct, Dutchess County, yeoman, deceased. Whereas Rebeckah King and Ephraim Paine, the executors of the above, did by an Instrument dated July 7, 1784, renounce the executorship, New York, July 22, 1784.

Page 92.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM ALWORTH, of Nobel Town, Albany County, being weak in body, this 5th of July, 1781, do make my last will and testament. I order all my debts to be paid and the rest of my lands, goods, and personal estate to be equally divided, one half I give to my loving sister, Sarah Alworth, and the other to my son Thomas. I make my good friends, Seth Pettet, Peter Stulp and Mathew Krum, my executors in trust for my said son Thomas and my sister, Sarah Alworth, and my sister to have the use of that half I give to Thomas untill he arrives at the age of twenty-one.

Witnesses, Jonathan Rude, of Hillsdale, Albany County, carpenter; Mary Bigsbey, Sarah Alworth. Proved, Albany County, July 5, 1784. Administration

granted to Jurre A. Smith, of Clavarack District, Albany County, farmer, a creditor of William Alworth, of Noble Town, yeoman, deceased. As the above executors renounced their executorship, New York, July 23, 1784.

Page 94.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ANTHONY BUYBANK, of the City of New York, being sick and weak in body. I will that my debts and funeral charges be paid by my wife and other executrix, and that they may be better enabled to pay them, it is my will that they have full power over all my estate, to dispose of the same or any part thereof. To my eldest son, Anthony, £5, as his birthright over his equal third part of my estate. I give all my estate, real and personal, the house I now live in and the next to it in Nassau Street on Golden Hill in the City of New York, with all my goods and chattels, into the hands of my wife, Catharine, during her life or widowhood and no longer; and if she marry again my other executrix to sell my whole estate, give my widow one third of it, and £25 more, then all that remains to be divided equally among my three children, viz.: Anthony, John, and Catharine Buybank, each one third of that remaining. I constitute my loving wife Catharine, and the widow, Mary Burnside, executrices.

Dated February 25, 1760. Witnesses, Frances Cooley, of New York City, grocer; Michael Saitz, George Gordon. Proved, New York, March 12, 1784. Administration granted to Catharine Bingham, wife of James Bingham, of New York City, Vendue Master, and daughter of Anthony Byvanck, late of New York City, deceased, whereas the executrices of the above will Catharine Buybank and Mary Burnside are, as is alleged, deceased. New York, July 24, 1784.

Page 96.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES MORTON, being weak in body but sound in mind and in perfect senses, do bequeath my soul to God and my

body to the dust, considering the uncertainty of life. I do constitute my loving brother, John Morton, and Henery Ramson, merchants, now at Moristown to be my executors. I bequeath my gold watch to Jacob Morton, my brother, John Mortons son, and the rest of my effects to be equally divided amongst my brothers and sisters in America, Ireland or elsewhere.

Dated April 27, 1777. Witnesses, Allen Wilson, James Wilson. Proved, Elizth Town, July 19, 1784. Administration granted to Jacob Morton, of the City of New York, attorney at law, nephew of James Morton, formerly of the same place, merchant, deceased. Whereas Henery Ramson, the only surviving executor, by Instrument dated July 23, instant, relinquished the executorship, New York July 26, 1784.

Page 97.—Know all men by these Presents that I, BENJAMIN CONKLIN, of Huntington, Suffolk County, this 22d of May, 1778, being in health. I leave to my beloved wife, Keziah, my "old brownd mair," "riding hear," four cows, all the grain on the ground and in the house, and all the household goods. To my oldest and youngest sons, Nathan and Benjamin, my whole farm, except a piece of land lying before Jesse Sammis door and that to be sold when my youngest daughter comes of age, and equally divided between my four daughters. I order said Nathan and Benjamin, to see that my second son, Joel, be put to school and given such learning as will be sufficient to keep a Book of Accounts, and likewise at the age of fourteen be put out to learn a trade, and at the age of twenty-one to have £60 paid him by his brothers, Nathan and Benjamin. To my wife the use of my whole farm, with all my stock and farming utensils to bring up my children, so long as she remains my widow, and if she should have a child within nine months, if a male, my sons, Nathan and Benjamin, to make that child equal to my second son Joel, if a female, to make her equal to my daughters (not named). I constitute my good friends

and beloved wife, Keziah, Jonas Rogers, and John Conklin, executors.

Witnesses, Daniel Wiggins, Scudder Platt, Zebulon Rogers. Proved, Suffolk County, July 12, 1784. Confirmed, New York, July 27, 1784.

Page 98.—In the name of God, Amen. This 12th day of August, 1772. I, JOHN SAMMIS, of Huntington, Suffolk County, Nassau Island, miller, being weak in body. I give and confirm a deed given to my son Henry, for land in the Caster purchase. To my two sons, John and Jonas, all my lands, houses, buildings, mills, fences, timber, trees, fields, and in general all my real estate in the west neck so called of the town of Huntington, equally divided. First, hereby ordering that before any division is made my said two sons pay £210 as "leguaseys," £100 to my son Jacob within six months after my decease, £100 to my son Ebenezer in the same time, and £10 to my daughter, Susannah Undle; and in case of my sons not complying therewith I empower my executors to sell as much as required to pay the same. To my five sons, viz.: John, Henry, Jonas, Jacob and Ebenezer Sammis, all my right to an Island in South Bay, known as Cedar Island. To my daughter, Abigail Scudder, my negro girl Jane, which she now has. To my loving wife (not named) all the "effects" she brought with her nothing excepted. I appoint my friends, Cornelius Conkling, Jr., and Gilbert Potter, executors, empowering them to sell as much of my woodlands joining Richard Denton as shall with my moveables not disposed of, be sufficient to pay my debts, giving my sons, John and Jacob, all overplus, except my negro boy Prince, whom I order my executors to sell and equally divide the proceeds between Susannah Undle, Jacob and Ebenezer Sammis.

Witnesses, Samuel Conklin, Jesse Sammis, yeoman, and Benjamin Conkling. Proved, Suffolk County, July 12, 1784. Confirmed, New York, July 27, 1784.

Page 100.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DAVID RICKARD, of the Precinct of Rhinebeck, Dutchess County, yeoman, being sick. I leave to my eldest son, Joseph, my big Dutch Bible. To my stepdaughter, Elizabeth Coupes, a cow, an ewe and a lamb. To my son, Johannes Rikard, my farm at Rhinebeck, as it is now in my possession with the waggon, sleds, plows and farming utensils, on condition, and not otherwise, that he pay my wife Mary, and my other ten children, Joseph, Henry, Jacob, David, Philip, Zacharia, Barent, Susanah, wife of Lodwick Elsefer; Mary, widow of Unry Siperly, and Catharine, wife of Wilhelmus Feller, and to their respective heirs 500 Spanish milled silver dollars, share and share alike in three equal payments, and further that my said son Johannes, allow my wife Mary, a good room in the dwelling house and the same kept in sufficient repair with cellar and garret room, and sufficient firewood cut by the door; and if in the division with my children my wife get a cow and two sheep, he to keep them summer and winter as his own cattle, and if any turn old, he is to change them and keep up the number to her so long as she doth live, and those she hath at her death are to be at her own disposal; but if she doth not get the cow and two sheep as aforesaid, then my son Johannis is to provide them for her, to keep and change them, but at her death they are in this case to revert to him; he also to provide for her use yearly a sufficient quantity of garden stuff as herbs, potatoes, turneps, cabbage and roots for summer and winter, also apples for her summer use and winter store, and liberty to feed a pig each Fall out of the fallen apples; Also to sow for her yearly half a schiple of flaxseed, to pull, bring in and thresh the flax; Also to deliver to her yearly twelve bushels of merchantable wheat, and three of Indian corn, and carry the same to mill and bring home the meal to her; Also to deliver her every Fall three barrels of cider, if there is a sufficiency of apples for both families, if not then in proportion only; Also

every Fall a quarter of good beef, and 125 pounds of good pork well fattened. All the residue of my worldly estate I devise to my wife Mary and my said ten children, share and share alike. I appoint my son Joseph and my two sons-in-law, Lodwick Elsefer and Wilhelmus Feller, executors.

(Signed) DAVID REICHERT.

Dated December 30, 1783. Witnesses, Will Cockburn, James Cockburn, farmer; Philip Verplanck. Proved, Dutchess County, July 22, 1784.

Page 102.—In the name of God, Amen. I, PHILIP LYDIG, of the City of New York, baker, being weak in body. I leave to my son David, £500, when he shall attain the age of twenty-one years. To my stepson, Philip Ebert, £100, to be paid him immediately after my decease. My wife Margrett to have, hold and enjoy, during her widowhood all my estate, real and personal. After her decease all my estate to be equally divided between my son, David Lydig, and my grandchildren, Mary Sheaff, Catharine Sheaff and Sabina Sheaff, that is to say, I mean that my son David have one half of my estate, and the other half to be divided among my grandchildren. The portion of my grandchildren when due to be laid out in real estate. If my son Daniel die before twenty-one, and not be married, nor have heirs, then his share to go to my said grandchildren. I nominate my wife Margret, my stepson Philip Ebert, and my son, David Lydig, executors.

Dated August 11, 1781. Witnesses, Zeloronder fick (Alexander Fink of New York City, butcher), Philip Oswald, D. Grim. Proved, New York, June 30, 1784.

Page 103.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ALEXANDER GILCHRIST, of Argyle Township, Charlotte County, being weak in body, this 20th day of September, 1776. I leave to my sons all that land whereon I now live. To my three eldest daughters, Jane, Catharine and

Agnes, each an equal part of that lot of land in my possession, known by the number 83. Each of my sons to pay each of my youngest daughters, Flora and Margret, £29. Each of my eldest daughters, Jane, Catharine and Agnes, to pay my two said youngest daughters £5 each. To my true and loving wife (not named) one third of all my goods, clothes, etc., and the other two parts to be divided among the rest, to go toward their schooling. I ordain Duncan Gilchrist and John McNeil, executors.

Witnesses, John McDougall, Alexander A. McDougall (of Washington County, farmers). Proved, Washington County, July 5, 1784. Confirmed, New York, July 29, 1784.

Page 104.—In the name of God, Amen. I, OBADIAH ROGERS, of the town of Southampton, Suffolk County, yeoman, being in declining state of health. I leave to my son Zephaniah, my now dwelling house and barn at town with all my home lot adjoining, also my upper lot at Captain's Neck, and half of my lower close upland and meadow at Captain's Neck, and the south part of my lot at Wickapog as far as the great ditch, and half of my lot called Mill neck, and all my piece of meadow at Shinnecock, and half my woodland in the great south division, and my piece of land at the north end of town as you go to North Sea, and half my land at Pomeqwang, and one Fifty of commonage throughout the township, and half my lot beyond canoe place on the north side of the road as you go to Qwang, and half my meadow on the short point at Asup's Neck. I give to my grandson, Obadiah Rogers, half my lower close at Captain's Neck, and my land at the north side of the Close so far as the great Ditch at Wickapang, and half of my land called Mill Neck, and three quarters of a fifty of my woodland in the great south division, and one fifty right of commonage throughout the township, and half my meadow on the short point in Asup's Neck. To my grandson, Jere-

miah Rogers, all my buildings at Qwang with my land adjoining, and my land and meadow on Asup's Neck (except the meadow on Short point), but in case he should die without male heirs then his lands shall go to my son Zephaniah, but my will is that my son Zephaniah, and grandson Obadiah, shall have the improvement of all those lands given to said Jeremiah equally between them, till Jeremiah comes to the age of twenty-one. To my grandson, Matthew Rogers, my land at first neck. To my son Zephaniah, my meadow at West Beach and £20 in cash, two cows, one bed, my negro wench, Lucy, my negro man, Cato. To my grandson Jeremiah, my bed and bedding at Qwang. To my four daughters (not named) £8 each. To my grandson Obadiah, £5. To my son Zephaniah, the remainder of my moveable estate; Also he and my grandson Obadiah, to pay to my son Stephen's widow yearly, thirty shillings each, that is £3 a year, and if my son's widow, Hannah Rogers, should be deprived of a house, it is my will that they should provide a room for her and necessaries convenient for her subsistence so long as she remains my son's widow; Also it is my will that her youngest daughter Mehetabel, live with her mother till eighteen years of age. To my grandson, Mathew Rogers, one quarter of a fifty right of woodland in the great south division. My will is that my grandchildren, Millisunt, Gabriel and Ruth, shall have a right in my house at Qwange, as a home as long as unmarried, that is my deceased son James' children. To my grandson Obadiah, half my land at Pomeqwang. I appoint my son Zephaniah, and grandson, Obadiah Rogers, executors.

Dated September 29, 1782. Witnesses, Joseph Jacobs, cordwainer; Oliver Howell, William Herrick. Proved, Suffolk County, July 14, 1784. Confirmed, New York, July 30, 1784.

Page 107.—I, CHRISTOPHER LUPTON, of Southampton, Suffolk County, Long Island, do make my last will

in ye manner following: I leave to my wife Mary, half my buildings and lands and meadows and woodlands, and all my fast estate. I give her my said wife all my moveable estate. The other half of my said real estate to my three daughters, viz.: Sarah, Mary, and Phebe Lupton. To my sister, Anne Lupton, ye privilege of residing in my now dwelling house, and of keeping a cow on my land as long as unmarried, and if she chuses not to dwell here she may have ye improvement of my house and the lot it stands on at North Sea. I constitute my wife Mary, my brother, Abram Post, and Henry Herrick, executors.

Dated November 23, 1782. Witnesses, Henry Herrick, Sarah Jones, Mehetabel Howell, spinster. Proved, Suffolk County, July 8, 1784. Confirmed, New York, July 30, 1784.

Page 108.—In the name of God, Amen. This 12th day of February, 1784. I, ISAAC FROST, of Hempstead, Queens County, being in a poor state of health. I order my executor to raise out of my estate a reasonable support for my daughter, Elizabeth Mearit, as long as she doth live single, or keeps herself at a distance from Mearit and no longer. My executors to sell my lands and moveable estate and with the money to put to school my two youngest sons, "and to put them two to trades, Nathaniel and Israel, and such trades as the children may have a mind to larn." After my "debts and funerals" be paid, and my daughter Elizabeth be provided for according to the words of this my last will. I give to my five sons the remainder of my estate, equally divided, that is to James, Plat, Townson, Nathaniel and Israel Frost, and if any die his share to the survivors, and the division to be made when Israel, the youngest, arrives at the age to chuse his "gardeen," and if my executors shall "see reasonable" that my two eldest sons shall need their part as they arrive to full age, that is, Platt and Townson, I leave that to their "discesion." I make James Oakly,

Jr., of Huntington, and Elijah Cornell and Platt Frost, both of Hempstead, executors.

Witnesses, William Langdon, Jeremiah Hutchings, wheelright; David Stilwell. Proved, Queens County, July 26, 1784.

Page 109.—In the name of God, Amen. I, NICHOLAS VAN AUSDALEN, of Jamaica, Queens County, yeoman, being in good health. I leave to my son Abraham, £5. To my well-beloved wife Jane, the use of the best room I have, and a comfortable sufficient maintenance out of my estate as long as she remains my widow. Likewise the use of a brown chest I now have, as long as she is my widow, and after her death or marriage I give the said chest to her son Johannes, if living, and if dead to her daughter the now wife of John Amberman. If my widow marry again my executors to pay her £30 on her quitting said estate. To my son John, £250. To my daughter Sara, the now wife of Nicholas Lamberson, £50. To my granddaughter Charity, daughter of Cornelius Amberman, £25, three years after my decease. To my grandson Nicholas, son of my son Abraham, my weaving loom and weaving tackling to be his own. To my son Isaac, in case he don't marry till after my decease, two cows and the best horse, the rest of my estate to my sons, Abraham and Isaac Van Ausdalen, equally divided. I make my sons, Abraham and Isaac, and my loving cousins, Isaac Amberman and John Amberman, sons of Isaac Amberman of this town, executors.

(Signed) NYCKLAES VAN ARSDALEN.

Dated March 8, 1781. Witnesses, Isaac Amberman, Stephen Higbie, Nathaniel Box, schoolmaster. Proved, Queens County, July 24, 1784.

Page 111.—In the name of God, Amen. The 16th of November, 1775. I, JOHN MONTANYE, of Hempstead, Queens County, Nassau Island, yeoman, being now at this time in a weak state of health and strength. I

leave to my dearly beloved wife Mercy, my house and lands in Hempstead where I now live, and two lots of meadow, one fresh and one salt, in the far east neck, so called, in the Township of Jamaica, Queens County; likewise my cupbord and all that shall be therein, two of my best beds, one round table, one tea table, one looking glass, six of my best chairs; Also the use of my large Dutch Bible so long as she shall have "occasion" for the same, after that I give it to my cousin, Abraham Montonye, son of my uncle, Johannas Montonye. To my cousin, John Montonye, of the City of New York, eldest son of my uncle Johannas, £5, and to all his brothers and sisters living at my decease £5 each. To the daughters of my uncle, Jacobus Montonye, each £5. To the children of my Aunt Peter-nella, £5 (no surname given). To my cousin, Sarah Foncise, wife of Cornelius Foncise, of Gravesend, Kings County, £10. To my cousin, Jane Smith, widow of Benjamin Smith, £5. To my cousin, Aaron Hendrickson, £5. To my cousin, James Everit, £5. To Deborah Box, wife of Nathaniel Box, £5. To the Trustees of the Dutch Church of Success in Hempstead and to their successors £20, to be put out at interest for the support of a Minister in the said Dutch Church. To my wife the whole right in the aforesaid church. If there shall be moneys wanting to pay the above legacies, etc., I empower my executors to sell such of my estate as I have not bequeathed for the same, selling such things first as my wife shall think she can most conveniently spare. The remainder of my estate to my wife. I make Mercy my wife, my brother-in-law, John Hendrickson, John Skidmore, Jr. (the son of John Skidmore) and Christian Snedecor, executors.

Witnesses, Whitehead Skidmore, Ruluf Vorhis, Albert Hendrickson, of Queens County, weaver. Proved, July 23, 1784. Administration granted to Mercy Montonye and the two other executors, New York, July 31, 1784.

Page 113.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CORNELIUS VAN WYCK, of the Township of Flushing, Queens County, Nassau Island, being sick, I will that my executors as and at such time as they think most for the benefit of my wife and children sell my real estate, and also my personal estate, and the monies therefrom and the monies of which I may be possessed, and which may be due me I dispose of as follows, to wit: To my son Stephen, £500; to my son, Whitehead Hicks Van Wyck, £500; the rest of my estate to my beloved wife, Sarah, and my said two sons, Stephen and Whitehead, and my daughters, Harriet and Peggy, equally divided. My executors to put the legacies to my children out at interest for the benefit, and to pay my sons theirs when they are twenty-one, and my daughters theirs when they are eighteen, and the legacy to my wife immediately on the sale of my estate; the interest from the legacies to my children to be used in bringing them up, educating them and maintaining them in such manner as my executors think proper; my sons to be educated to such possessions or business as my executors think most for their benefit. My wife to receive so much of the profits of my estate as to enable her to maintain herself and my children till my estate shall be sold. I make my brothers, Stephen Van Wyck, Gilbert Van Wyck and my brother-in-law, John Thorne, executors, and my wife, executrix.

Dated October 15, 1781. Witnesses, Jacob Duryee, of Queens County, yeoman; Mary Duryee, John Stark. Proved, Queens County, August 2, 1784.

Page 115.—In the name of God, Amen. We, MARTE BEEKMAN, of the City of Albany, blacksmith, and GEERTRUY BEEKMAN, lawful wife of the same, both being of sound and perfect mind and memory, considering the transitory state of our mortal bodies and being willing to settle the affairs of this life that we may not thereby be hindered in our preparations for eternity, do therefore make this our mutual last will

and testament. Both our will is that the survivor of us shall remain in full possession of all our estate, real and personal, until it shall please the Lord to take us both to himself. We leave to our son, Johannis M. Beekman, £10, for his right of Primogeniture, and as a bar to his pretention of being heir at law to either of us; Also the lot of ground and buildings thereon in the City of Albany, between the house and lot now in the tenure and occupation of Abraham Douw, Esq., and the small house and lot of Barent Bratt. We give to our daughter Eve, the wife of Abraham Schuyler, the house and lot with the buildings thereon erected wherein we now live, and as the same is now in our possession to use, occupy and enjoy during her and her said husband's lives, and at their decease the same to go to her children. To our son Johannis M. (before any division of our estate between him and his said sister) £60. The rest of our estate either in possession or inversion at the time of our decease, or which of right we or either of us are entitled to from the estates of our Fathers, Johannis Beekman and Tjereck Harmense Visger, by their respective last wills devised to us or either of us, we give the same to our said two children, Johannis M. Beekman and Eva Schuyler, equally divided. We nominate our said son Johannis M. and son-in-law, Abraham Schuyler, and our daughter, Eva Schuyler, executors.

Dated September 16, 1768. Witnesses, John Ja Lansing, Johannis Eversen, of Albany, cooper; John Roorback, of Albany, Esquire. Proved, Albany, August 2, 1784. Administration granted to Johannis M. Beekman and Abraham Schuyler, New York, August 10, 1784.

Page 117.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CORNELIS CORNEL, at Flat Bush, Kings County, Nassau Island, being well in bodily health, considering the uncertain continuance of my life and the many hazards and dangers it is obnoxious to, and being desirous to

leave that small estate and fortune which God has been pleased to bless me with as much in peace and union as may be, and that I may have nothing of this transitory world to incumber my thoughts and contemplations with at my going out of it, but to meditate on the next world and the inestimable blessings there to be enjoyed, I do make this my last will. I leave to my son Guiljam my shooting gun to him and his heirs for ever as his birthright. To my loving wife Sarah, the use of all my real and personal estate, with all the profits and advantage thereof during the time that my youngest son shall come to the age of twenty-two, and if she shall happen to die or marry before them, my executors shall dispose of the same as to them in their discretion shall seem most profitable to my children, and further they shall yearly pay to my wife Sarah, while my widow, £20, the first payment to be made at the day my youngest son shall attain the age of twenty-three. Also to my wife one bed and bedstead with all the necessaries thereunto which now stands in our dwelling room, and where we now commonly sleep, also my large cupboard. To my son Guiljam when twenty-two, £400, for him to use for seven years without paying interest therefor, and he then to repay the said £400 to my executors, and in case he chuse to retain the same it shall be at his election either to repay it as aforesaid or to pay a reasonable interest yearly, always provided that in such case the said sum shall be deducted from his share in the division of my estate hereafter ordered. To my son Peter, from my personal state, when he shall come to the age of twenty-two, £400, to use for seven years, etc. (with the same restrictions as the above legacy to Guiljam). To my son Cornelis, all my houses, barns, edifices, lands, woodlands and meadows in Flat Bush or elsewhere to him his heirs and assigns forever as soon as he shall be twenty-two, and in consideration of the premises he shall pay to my executors £600 on the day he comes in possession. To my daughter Jannitje,

at the day of her marriage £60, as an outset. My sons, Peter and Cornelis, and daughter Jannitje, shall be maintained with all necessaries till they are respectively twenty-two, and my said sons shall each learn a trade or occupation and be maintained in the time of their apprenticeships, but if one or more of my children marry before twenty-two then my estate shall be discharged of maintaining such. To my three sons at the day my youngest shall be twenty-two, £300, that is, to Guiljam, Peter and Cornelis, £100 each. To my said four children my personal estate equally divided when my youngest is twenty-two. I empower my executors to sell one or more or all of my slaves if it seem most "adviceable" and to buy others, and I order them to make an inventory of my personal estate six weeks after my decease. I appoint Sarah, my loving wife, my brothers, Johannes Cornel, Cornelis Cornel, my brother-in-law, Peter Stryker, Jr., and my cousin, John Van Der Bilt, executors. In witness whereof I have to this fourth sheet set my hand and seal, and to each of the three foregoing sheets subscribed my name this 20th day of November, 1766.

Witnesses, Jacob Lefferse (Lefferts of Flat Bush), Gerrit Stryker and N. Steenbergh. Proved, Kings County, June 22, 1784. Administration granted to Peter Stryker and John Van Der Bilt, New York, August 10, 1784.

Page 120.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JONATHAN WRIGHT, of Flushing, Queens County, yeoman, this 4th day of June, 1779, in order to settle my worldly affairs to prevent any differences after my decease, I do make this my last will and testament. I leave to my loving daughter, Melicent Hunt, half of my real estate in Flushing or elsewhere, and half of my personal estate. To my loving daughter, Hannah Drake, and her two youngest sons, Stephen and Richard Drake, the other half of my real and personal estate equally divided one third to each, my said grand-

sons to receive their legacies of their mother when they arrive at the age of twenty-one or marry; if the real estate should at that time be sold, and if either of my said grandsons die under age without issue then his part shall be divided between his mother and brother. I appoint my two daughters, Melicent Hunt and Hannah Drake, executrices.

Witnesses, Thos. Cornel, yeoman; John Cornel, John Field. Proved, Queens County, August 3, 1784. Administration granted to Hannah Hunt, formerly Hannah Drake, one of the executrices, New York, August 11, 1784.

Page 122.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES THORNE, of Flushing, Queens County, yeoman, this 20th day of August, 1766, being in a reasonable state of health, so as to prevent differences after my decease, do make this my last will and testament. I leave my desk to my cousin, George Thorne, son of my cousin, Samuel Thorne, deceased; the rest of my personal estate, except my riding chair which I bequeath to my dearly beloved wife Sarah, and except my two negro slaves. I give to my wife and my cousin, George Thorne, equally divided. To my wife the sole use and profit of my real estate during the whole time till the said George Thorne is twenty-one or is married, then he shall have half of my real estate and my wife the other half during her natural life and no longer. To the said George Thorne, son of my cousin, Samuel Thorne, sadler, deceased, all my real estate in Flushing, after the decease of my wife Sarah, on condition he do pay the sum of £250 in manner following: £100 thereof to my cousin, Mary Farrington, daughter of my deceased cousin, James Farrington, £30 thereof to my cousin [nephew] William Thorne, son of my deceased brother, William Thorne; £10 thereof to my cousin, Joseph Thorne, son of my said brother; £10 thereof to my cousin, Catharine Joneses children, grandchildren of my said deceased brother William;

£20 thereof to my cousin, James Thorne, son of my brother, John Thorne, deceased; £20 thereof to my cousin, William Thorne, son of my brother Thomas; £10 to my cousin, John Thorne, son of my brother John; £20 thereof to my aforesaid cousin, Samuel Thorne's sons, Samuel and William Thorne, and £30, being the residue thereof, to John Field, Jr., of Flushing, as a legacy for the use of friends belonging to the quarterly meeting on Long Island to be disposed of as the members of the said meeting think proper. I order that my two negro slaves, that is, my man called Bristo, and my maid called Elener, his wife, shall have their freedom if they chuse on condition that my man bring in yearly to my executors, if George Thorne be not of age, £3, and my maid £2, which money shall be kept for the support of the said negroes, and if they be not capable of supporting themselves then George Thorne or his heirs shall support them as long as they live. If George Thorne die before twenty-one without lawful issue then I leave all my real estate bequeathed to him to my cousin, John Thorn, son of my brother John, deceased, on the same conditions. I appoint my cousin, John Thorne, son of my brother John, and my trusty friends, James Bowne, of New York, and Daniel Bowne, of Flushing, executors.

Witnesses, Benj^r Field, Hannah Thorn, Gilbert Field, shoemaker. Proved, Queens County, August 2, 1784. Administration granted to John Thorne, New York, August 11, 1784.

Page 125.—In the name of God, Amen. The 24th day of August, 1782. I, JOHN ADEE, of Hogpen Ridge in the Township of Rye, Westchester County, weaver, being weak in body. I leave to my grandson, Samuel Adee, eldest son of my son, Jonathan Adee, Doward the sum of £5 in full bar of his claim as heir at law. To my grandchildren Pheby, Sarah, Rebeckah and Jonathan Adee, £24 equally divided. To my eldest daughter, Hannah, all my household furniture which I

shall have at my decease, and £40 on condition that my executors can collect the moneys due me upon Bonds and notes. To my son John, my two "weavers lombs" with the utensils thereto, to his use absolutely. My executors shall sell my real estate and the moneys, with the moneys due me on note or bond, after my debts are paid, shall be divided equally among my three sons, William, David and John, without fraud or advantage taken one from the other. And whereas my present wife (not named) when the widow of Benjamin Haviland made articles touching our estate I hereby certify that they shall remain in full force. I appoint my sons, William and Daniel Adee, executors.

Witnesses, Christopher Bennet, Thomas Howell, Griffen Gale, of Rye, cordwainer. Proved, Westchester County, July 30, 1784. Confirmed, New York, August 13, 1784.

Page 126.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JONATHAN THUSTAN, of Jamaica, Queens County, being in perfect health of body and mind through the goodness of God and mindful of death and the uncertainty of the hour thereof. My worldly estate I bequeath as followeth, earnestly desiring all those concerned to be therewith satisfied. I leave to my well-beloved wife Pricilla, my moveable estate, indoors and out, in lieu of dowry. To Millicent now the wife of Nathan Smith, Jr., £30, paid as soon as convenient after my decease. To John Cornwell, the son of Elizabeth Cornwell, now wife of Thomas Cornwell, £5. My wearing apparel all of it to be equally divided amongst the sons of Daniel Tuthill and Plat Neil; and the rest of my estate I give one half thereof to be equally divided amongst the children of Daniel Tuthill, and the other half between the children of Plat Neal. My debts and legacies and funeral charges to be paid out of my real estate; my executors having power to sell it as soon as they see cause. I make my two loving brothers, Daniel Tuthill and Plat Nail, executors.

Dated August 27, 1776. Witnesses, Nehemiah Carpenter, clerk; Nehemiah Carpenter, Jr., Nicholas Everitt, yeoman. Proved, Queens County, August 10, 1784.

Page 128.—In the name of God, Amen. I, NICHOLAS VAN DAM, of Queens County, Long Island. I order all my estate, real and personal, to be given to my loving wife Aletta, during her widowhood, but in case she marries again I order the whole to be sold and equally divided between the said Aletta, my sons, Richard, Jonah and James Van Dam, and my daughter Magdalen. In case my wife remains my widow during life she shall have power to will my whole estate to my children, Richard, Jonah, Magdalen and James Van Dam, in proportions as she shall think proper. I make my wife Aletta, and Hugh Gaine, of the City of New York, printer, executors.

Dated June 15, 1778. Witnesses, Agness Gamage, Hope Mills, Ed^d Willett, shopkeeper. Proved, Queens County, August 4, 1784. Administration granted to Aletta Van Dam, New York, August 14, 1784.

Page 129.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL MESSENGER, of Jamaica, Queens County, being very sick and weak. I empower my executors to sell my real and moveable estate at some convenient time after my decease as they think best, and the monies arising I leave as follows: To my son John, £50; the rest of my estate to be divided into five equal parts, one part I give to my son John, and one part to my daughter Keziah, one to my daughter Sara, one to my daughter Mary to each when they arrive at lawful age; and for the remaining fifth part I give the interest thereof to my wife Sarah, so long as my widow, but if she marry or die then this part to be paid to my surviving children, except £25 which I give at her own disposal. I appoint my wife Sarah, my brother William Messenger, and my friend and uncle, John Roads, executors.

Dated April 2, 1777. Witnesses, Nathaniel Box, schoolmaster; Waters Lamperson, shopkeeper; Isaack Rhoades. Proved, Queens County, August 4, 1784. Administration granted to Sarah Messenger and the other executors, New York, August 14, 1784.

Page 130.—In the name of God, Amen. I, STEPHEN HOWEL, of the Precinct of Cornwall, Orange County, carpenter, in good health, do this 30th of March, 1779, make my last will. I order my debts and funeral charges to be paid in as short a time after my decease as may be done with conveniency. I leave all my estate, real and personal, to my well-beloved brother, Charles Howell, and I make him sole executor.

Witnesses, Matt^w Carpenter, Susanna Moffat, Thomas Moffat, Esquire. Proved, Orange County, July 26, 1784. Confirmed, New York, August 14, 1784.

Page 131.—In the name of God, Amen. ISAAC MILLS, of Smithtown, Suffolk County, being in good health. To my well-beloved wife (not named) all my moveable estate except my farming tackling. To my son William, my buildings, lands and meadows and half my farming tackling. To Ebenezer, £100; to my son George, £100, "when he is with age"; to my son Isaac, £100, "when he comes to be with age"; Also to my daughter Sarah, £10; to my daughter Elizabeth, £60; to my daughter Mary, £60; to my daughter Hannah, £60; "when they come to be with age." My wife to have one third of my buildings and lands as long as she is my widow. It is my will that my wife and William should bring up my children. If William refuses to pay the money given to my children, my executors are to sell part of my farm that can be spared best. I make my trusty friend, Nathan Woodhill, sen., my son William and my wife Sary, executors.

Dated August 11, 1781. Witnesses, Jonathan Mills, of Smithtown, yeoman; John Bennett, Jedediah Mills,

Proved, Suffolk County, August 4, 1784. Confirmed, New York, August 17, 1784.

Page 133.—In the name of God, Amen. I, RICHARD LAWRENCE, of New Town, Queens County, gentleman, being sick and weak. I leave to my dearly beloved wife Amy, £450, and my negro girl named Phillis, my best bed and its furniture including three pairs of sheets and three pairs of pillow cases, half a dozen of my fiddle back chairs, half a dozen silver table and teaspoons, all of which is in lieu of her right of dower or thirds. To my brother, Samuel Lawrence, £7 a year for life. All the rest of my estate, real and personal, I order my executors to sell, and the moneys arising I give to all and every the children of my brothers, Joseph, William, Thomas, Jonathan and Daniel Lawrence, and to the children of my sister, Anna Sacket, equally divided. I appoint my brothers, William and Thomas Lawrence, executors.

Dated December 15, 1780. Witnesses, Hendrick Suydam, of Newtown, miller; Rich^d Betts, Robert Hinchman.

Codicil. I, Richard Lawrence, of Newtown, do this 24th day of September, 1781, make this codicil. Whereas I have in my last will given unto Amy, my dearly beloved wife, £450, I order my executors to pay her instead £500 one year after my decease. I leave to Melancton Lawrence, son of Elizabeth Fowler, £200, one year after my decease. It is my will that all my negro slaves ordered in my will to be sold shall have a reasonable time to look out for their own masters. In case my negro girl Phillis (in my will given to my wife) shall die with her present illness, in lieu of her I give her my negro girl named Mary. To my brother William, my lot of land, adjoining the land of David Provoost and Capt. Samuel Hallett and the road leading from Newtown to Halletts Cove, containing about ten acres, on condition that he pay to my brother, Thomas Lawrence, for the use of my estate

£20 per acre for every acre, if he neglect to pay this within one year of my decease I order the same to be sold as is directed in my will.

Witnesses to Codicil, Hendrick Suydam, Richard Betts, Jacob Hallett. Proved, New York, August 17, 1784.

Page 135.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM BOGERT, of the City of New York, sail maker. I leave to my loving sister Elizabeth, now the wife of James Van Vark, of the said City, hatter, all my real and personal estate but in case she depart this life before my decease then I devise the same to the children of my said sister equally divided. I make James Van Vark, executor.

Dated December 6, 1762. Witnesses, Jacob Labagh, James Quick, of New York City, baker; Cha^s Mors. Proved, June 22, 1784. Administration granted to Elizabeth Van Varick, of New York City, widow of James Van Varick, and sister of William Bogert, sail-maker, deceased; James Van Vark, executor of the above will, being dead. New York, August 18, 1784.

Page 136.—By his Excellency William Livingston, Esq^r, Governor and Commander-in-chief over the State of New Jersey, etc., to all whom these presents shall come greeting. Know ye that at Bernard's town the last will of Theodorus Van Wyck, late of the County of Somerset, deceased, was proved on the date hereof, and Administration was granted to Helena Van Wyck, Helena Bogart and Abraham Van Wyck, executors, February 17, 1778. In the name of God, Amen. I, THEODORUS VAN WYCK, of the City of New York, merchant, being weak in body. I leave to my son Abraham, £70 over and above his share of my estate as being my eldest son. To my beloved wife Helena, £800; Also all my household goods and kitchen furniture, and my family books, and what else is used in the family, except my Plate, Liquors and

large Dutch Bible. To my son Abraham, my large Dutch family Bible, and my large silver salver or waiter which was presented to me by my friends, Samuel Schuyler, William Lupon and Cornelius Switts: Also to my son Abraham, my family Vault in the New Dutch Church yard under the following condition, that is to say, that all my children and grandchildren either in blood or by marriage shall have a right at their death to be interred therein in case any of their relations or friends require it. I give unto my sons, Abraham and David, all my wearing apparel and military accoutrements equally divided, except my silver watch to Abraham, and my silver hilted sword to David. To Abraham that sum of £300 he had of me by way of discount when he went to Currasoa, and £200 which I discounted with him in breaking up the Company's store, which completes the sum of £500 to his portion of my estate. To my daughter, Helena Bogert, that sum of £411 which she had for an outset; Also that further sum which I lately paid her of £89, which completes the sum of £500 her portion of my estate. To my daughter Catharine, wife of the Rev^d John Mason, £500, which she had as an outset, her portion of my estate. To my son David, £500, his portion of my estate. To my daughter Margaret, £500, her portion of my estate. To my daughter Anna Mary, £500, her portion of my estate. The above to be paid unto each as they severally attain the age of twenty-one or marry, provided that such sums they or either of them stand charged with in my books shall be deducted out of their legacy, and the portion of my underaged children shall be paid out at interest, and they to be supported out of the income therefrom till they are twenty-one or marry; in case any die before they are twenty-one or marry, I give the share of such to the survivors of my children equally divided, allowing my grandchildren the share which would have been their father's or mother's if they are not living, which shares shall comprehend their respective lands here-

after expressly given as well as money. To my son Abraham, 1,000 acres I hold by an original grant or Patent in a tract known as the Township of Monkton, lying now or late in the County of Albany. To my son David, one other 1,000 acres in the said Township which I hold by virtue of a release of John Oothoudt. To my daughter, Helena Bogart, 1,000 acres which I hold by an original Patent in a tract known as the Township of Mecklenburgh, now or late in Albany County. To my daughter, Catharine Mason, 1,000 acres in the said Township which I hold by a release of Peter Stoutenburgh, Evart Byvanck, Jr., and Garret Abale for 3,000 acres. To my daughter Margaret, 1,000 acres, one third part of the said 3,000 acres last mentioned. To my daughter Anna Mary, 1,000 acres, the remaining third of the said 3,000 acres. I will that one half of the house and two lots of ground at Hackensack, Bergen County, New Jersey, be reserved for the sole use of my wife Helena, during her life and afterward I give it to my above children, the same to be sold and the money divided. My family Plate, except the said salver, to my wife and my said six children equally divided. All the rest of my estate real and personal, to my wife and said children equally divided. If any of my children being executors shall be indebted to me they shall account for the same out of their share. I make my wife Helena, my son Abraham, my daughter Helena, and my son-in-law, John Mason, executors.

Dated July 19, 1776. Witnesses, Richard Laidlee, Mathias Ernest, John Oothoat. Administration granted to Abraham Van Wyck, New York, August 18, 1784.

Page 140.—I, HENRY FRANKLIN, of the City of New York, on the 26th day of the 5th month, 1780, being at present in health of body. I leave to my beloved wife Mary, all my household goods, plate and furniture, and £50 yearly while she is my widow, but if she

marry in lieu of the £50 one ninth part of the residue of my personal estate over and above the goods, plate, etc., given her, and one ninth of the rents and profits of my real estate (except a tract devised herein to my five sons and six farms in Dartmouth devised to my three daughters) until the same shall be sold, and then one ninth of the money therefrom. I order my executors to sell all my real estate (except what is excepted) for the best price that can be got, and as speedy as may be after my decease to sell all my stock in trade and collect my outstanding debts, and to put the money therefrom out at interest, and apply the interest to paying the £50 yearly to my wife and for bringing up and educating my children till they respectively attain to lawful age according to their sex; and if the interest be insufficient for the above purposes I empower them to apply so much of the principal as shall appear to them really necessary; and out of the residue they shall pay to each of my five sons, Henry, Matthew, Richard, William and Samuel, one ninth thereof as they attain the age of twenty-one respectively, and to each of my three daughters, Phebe, Sarah and Philadelphia, one ninth thereof when eighteen; As touching the said six farms in Dartmouth on the west branch of the North river I give them to my said three daughters when eighteen, equally divided. As touching the above mentioned tract of land (which said tract was granted by Governor Tryon in a Patent given by him to myself, Fredrick Rhinelander and others, lying about six miles north of Onion river in Charlotte County, my part containing about 40,000 acres as will more fully appear by said Patent), I give the same with the profits due thereon to my five sons above named equally divided, as soon as my youngest, Samuel, attain the age of twenty-five years, which will be on ye first day of ye third month in the year 1805, except my will is that out of the profits on the said lands one eleventh part thereof be paid to my wife till the same is divided, and after the same is divided my

sons shall pay her severally yearly one eleventh of the rents and profits of their respective shares in case she remain my widow. I appoint my executors to be guardians to my children, and I authorize them to rent out the said six farms given to my daughters, and to make an equal division of the same so soon as my eldest daughter is eighteen; and likewise to rent out the said lands given to my sons as best for the interest of my children, and moreover to place out my sons to such trades or business at suitable age, among friends if it can be, as they think best, and I make my wife Mary, executrix, while my widow and no longer, and my esteemed friends, James Mott, William Rhineland and William Beekman, executors, and for their services I give them "five pounds per cent" on all monies coming into their hands over and above any debts.

Witnesses, Samuel Mabbett, Joseph Hanford, Isaac Burr, of North Hempstead, merchant. Proved, August 19, 1784.

Page 143.—Know all men by these Presents that I, JOAST SNEDEKER, of Oyster Bay, Queens County, Nassau Island, being this 11th day of April, 1784, very low in body and very weak, and my understanding sound and good, well knowing that in the course of nature in a short time I must yield unto death, am therefore willing to set my house in order before my final change. My debts to be paid out of my personal estate and the expenses in executing the contents of my will before any division be made in general. I leave to my loving wife Altie, my "Coubbard" and what is therein, a bedsted and all belonging thereto; Also all she brought in of her "setting out" in full satisfaction of her right of dower and not otherwise. It is my will that my children learn trades which they shall chuse or like best with consent of my executors. It is my will that my wife and children live here this next year if they chuse. It is my will further that my executors "should

do for the best as they should think best." I order my estate sold "a convenient time or year" after my decease, when my debts are paid if any money remain over, my son Garret to have £4 first and the rest to be equally divided between my three children, Garret, Abraham, and John. I make my wife, my brother-in-law, Jacob Van Wicklen, and my loving friend, Peeter Noorstrant, all of Oysterbay, executors.

Witnesses, David Laton, Bornt Snedeker, Anthony Van Noorstrant, yeoman. Proved, Queens County, August 16, 1784. Administration granted to Jacob Coles, of Oyster Bay, yeoman, a principal creditor of Joast Snedeker, deceased, the executors above having relinquished the executorship, New York, August 23, 1784.

Page 144.—In the name of God, Amen. The 13th of February, 1779. I, FRANCIS BEATY, of Rumbout precinct, Dutchess County, being weak of body, calling to mind my own mortality. I leave to my nephew, Francis Beaty, son of Samuel Beaty, of Gargwater, in the County of Terone in the Kingdom of Ireland, one half of my estate being in Bonds and Notes. To my nephew, Francis Brown, son of Edly Brown, of Gargwater, aforesaid, the other half. I make my friends, Benjamin Snider and John Halstead, both of Rumbout Precinct, executors.

Witnesses, John Donnelly, Solomon Sackrider, yeoman; Henry Baker. Proved, Dutchess County, April 27, 1784. Confirmed, New York, August 26, 1784.

Page 146.—In the name of God, Amen. The 4th day of January, 1776. I, ADAM EKER, of the Mohawks District, Tryon County, yeoman. I order that my beloved wife Margret, during the time that she remains my widow shall remain in the same station and command in my family as in my lifetime till my youngest son is of full age, and then if my widow she is to be found and supplied with a comfortable house and room, firewood, a cow and £10 yearly salary, and, if

the estate can afford her, a waiting maid during her widowhood, which is to be merited by her prudent and virtuous conduct and behaviour. I give to my three children by my first marriage, viz.: to my eldest son, John, as a token of my first born, £5, then £200; to my second son, George, £200; to my oldest daughter, Mary Eker, £70 and the negro girl called Flora, two cows, a feather bed with curtains compleatly furnished, six plates and two pewter dishes, and a pale-pot; which said sums are to be raised from my Bonds, Bills, Notes and Book debts when they arrive at full age. I empower my executors to demand the key of my ready cash and immediately take the same into their care and put it to the best advantage. I leave my whole estate (except that already given) to my four sons, each an equal share, one fourth each to Adam, Henry, Peter and Abraham Eker. Nevertheless if my wife is or may be impregnated during my life and bring forth a son or daughter, if a son he shall have a full share with my last mentioned four sons; if a daughter, she is to receive £60 and a cow in equal proportion with my other three daughters, Margaret Eker, Catherine Eker and Marlis Eker; to each I give £60 and a cow, which sums are to be paid when my youngest son is of full age, at which time my estate, real and moveable, may be divided into so many equal shares as there may remain of my sons alive by my second marriage. I make John Eker, Nicholas Snell and Suprinis Tygart, all of Tryon County, yeomen, executors.

Witnesses, John McKenney, Elizabeth McKenney, John Phellep. Proved, Montgomery County, August 10, 1784. Confirmed, New York, August 26, 1784.

Page 148.—In the name of God, Amen. I, BARTHOLOMEW PICKERD, of Fort Plank, but late of Palatine District, Tryon County, New York, yeoman, being sick and weak. I leave to Maria Catharina Pickerd, wife of my nephew, Bartholomew Pickerd, during her widowhood and as long as she keeps the name of her hus-

band, and after that to her two sons, Conrad and Christian Pickerd, that one hundred acres of land on the north side of the Mohawks near the little Falls, with all the appurtenances thereto; and my moveable effects I give to my dearly beloved wife Philipbina. I appoint my trusty friend, Abraham Copeman, overseer of my last will.

Dated December 25, 1782. Witnesses, Abraham Copman, Henrich Eckler, both of Montgomery County, farmers, and Jacob House. Proved, Montgomery County, July 21, 1784. Confirmed, New York, August 26, 1784.

Page 149.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DANIEL WYCKS, of Charlotte Precinct, Dutchess County. I leave to my beloved wife, Rebecca Wicks, the two best beds and furniture thereto that I shall die possessed of; Also at the disposal of my moveable estate by my executors two of the best cows and ten good sheep. To my son Jacob, £60. To my son Joel, £80. To my daughter, Rebecca Wicks, £50 and the two next best beds. To my daughter Elesabeth, £50 and the two next best beds. To my daughter, Johannah Wicks, £50 and the two next best beds. My wife shall have the use of all my estate, real and personal, after my debts are paid, for her support and for bringing up and educating my two youngest children till the same be sold. I will that all my estate (except the said beds, etc.), be sold at the discretion of my executors, and one third of the money I give to my wife while my widow, but if she marry then £100 in lieu of her right of dower; Also to my eight children the said money, viz.: Jacob, Zopher, Silas, Rebecca, Joel, Elizabeth, David and Hannah Wicks, share and share alike, except my sons to have twice as much as my daughters exclusive of the money given them above which is to be taken out of the estate before divided. I appoint my wife Rebecca, my sons, Jacob and Silas Wicks, and Isaac Bloom, executors.

Dated July 15, 1784. Witnesses, Isaac Bloom, of Dutchess County, merchant; Samuel Smith, of Dutchess County, merchant; John Stilwill, farmer. Proved, Dutchess County, August 21, 1784, when it was stated that the testator, Daniel Wickes, was blind when making his will.

Page 152.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB GARDINIER, of the Kline Kill in the township of Kinderhook, Albany County, farmer. I leave to my two sons, Johannis (Jacobse) and Hendrick (Jacobse) Gardinier, all my real and personal estate in equal shares. I make my said two sons executors.

Dated September 26, 1772. Witnesses, Samuel H. Gardinier, farmer; Elisabeth Cantine, Peter Cantine, Jr. Proved, Albany County, August 6, 1784. Confirmed, New York, August 28, 1784.

Page 153.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ADAM DITY, of the Beverdan, in the Manor of Rensselaerwick, Albany County, husbandman, do this 26th day of September, 1775, make my last will. I leave to my beloved wife Gerturuy, one third of my whole estate (the £30 in money brought in by my said wife therein included). To my brothers, Johannis and William Dity, and Elisabeth, wife of Juri Sible, each one fourth of the remainder of my estate. To "Adam Dity, Jr., and to his son Adam, Gertury, Sybel and Anna Eker," the remaining fourth part, to each one sixteenth of my whole estate after my wife's one third is deducted. I appoint my said brother William and John R. Bleecker, executors.

Witnesses, Nalley Schuyler, Jn^o R. Bleecker, Barent Bleecker. Proved, Albany County, October 2, 1780. Confirmed, New York, August 27, 1784.

Page 154.—In the name of God, Amen. This 5th day of October, 1775. I, THOMAS CARPENTER, of Harrison's Precinct, Westchester County, being infirm in body. I leave to my beloved wife Martha, one third

of my lands and the best room in my house during her life, to be enjoyed without controll. To my son Joseph, two thirds of my team and farming utensils, and two thirds of all my crops, gathered or growing, with half of my stock, and the whole of my money, and likewise my Bonds, Bills and Book accounts, my wearing apparel, my gun and shop tools; and I order that he pay my debts. To my daughter Phebe, wife of John Haviland, one eighth of my stock (the team excepted) with one fourth of my household furniture. To my daughter, Sarah Vail, wife of Thomas Vail, Jr., the same as her sister. As my land lies undisposed of, saving my wife's dowry, I now order that there be "Prisers," mutually chosen by my son and two daughters, and that the Prisers prise my lands and sedges; I divide the same into seven equal parts, and if my son Joseph choose to pay to my daughters for their parts at the "prisal," two thirds in money within one year after my death and one third within one year after my wife's death, then I bequeath the whole to him; but if he refuseth to pay my daughters for their parts, as after expressed, in form as above expressed, then I bequeath to my son five seventh of the lands. [Some lines blank and illegible follow.] To my daughter, Sarah Vail, one seventh of my said lands and sedges. It is my will and meaning that the whole stock on my farm be equally divided, one half for my son, and the other for my wife and daughters. If my wife marry, she shall quit her thirds in my farm and receive in lieu £10 a year during her life to be paid by my son and daughter in proportion as I give my lands to them. I appoint my son, Joseph Carpenter, executor.

Witnesses, Thomas Haviland, Isaac Carpenter, William Miller, of Harrison's Purchase, Esquire. Proved, Westchester County, August 24, 1784.

Page 156.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MAAS VAN BEUREN, of the east district of the Manor of Rensselaerwyke, Albany County, Gentleman, being weak in

body. I leave to my true and loving wife Cattaline, so long as my widow all my estate, she making no waste or running it in debt, and after that period I bequeath to my son Johanis, my two negros, Sam and Jack, and my silver cup. I devise to my daughter Itie, one third of the remainder of my estate, to my daughter Catherine, one third, and to my daughter Aarijaentie, one third. I give my wife Catalina in case she should come to marry, one bedstead, bed and appurtenances complete, and all her cloathing. I appoint my loving friend, Jocham Staats, of Albany, and my son, Johanis, executors.

Dated October 2, 1783. Witnesses, David McCarty, John H. Beeckman, William Harrison (the two last farmers).

Codicil. I, Maas Van Buren, this 4th day of October, 1783, do make this codicil. I leave to my son Johanis, my three bedsteads, beds, etc., three large tables, three looking glasses, chairs, "handjrons," and all my household furniture, and my own wearing apparel, it being part of the personal estate bequeathed to my daughter.

Witness, Eyche Van Buren, of East District of the Manor of Rensselaerwyck, David McCarty. Proved, Albany County, May 10, 1784. Confirmed, New York, August, 28, 1784.

Page 158.—I, ELIJAH TOMPKINS, the son of Thomas Tompkins, of Phillipsburgh, Wischester County. I leave to my beloved wife Susannah all my household goods and one of my best horses, and the side saddle, all to her own use forever. Also the use of my farm and buildings where I now live and the remaining moveables so long as she remains my widow. When she shall marry or die, then all my estate shall be sold (except three ewes and three lambs), and the money be put at interest for my children (*not named*) and be paid them as they come of age, as follows: to each of my sons twice as much as to my daughters, and the

above three ewes and three lambs I leave to my son Thomas when he comes of age. I appoint my beloved wife Susannah and my brother, Nathaniel Tompkins, executors.

Dated April 28, 1773. After the above executors were named, the testator, thinking it might be more safe to add another, appointed Noah Bishop. Witnesses, Thomas Tompkins, of Phillips Manor, yeoman; Susannah Tomkins, Benedict Carpenter. Proved, Westchester County, August 27, 1784.

Administration granted to Susannah Downing, late Susannah Tompkins, as executrix, New York, August 30, 1784.

Page 159.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MATTHEW BENDOR, of Acquacanok, Essex County, New Jersey, cooper, being sick of body. I leave to my good friend, James Boggs, a lot of ground in the Broadway, New York, adjoining John Lashers on one side and Daniel Evels lot on the other, twenty-one feet front, and forty feet front to rear, with my bed and bedding, wearing apparel and whatever else may be found to be mine. I make the said James Boggs, executor.

Dated July 7, 1779. Witnesses, Robert Neill, Gerrit Van Reipe, of Essex County, carpenter, Nicholas Roche. Proved, New York, August 31, 1784.

Page 161.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN VAN WAGENEN, of Staten Island, Richmond County, being in a reasonable state of health. I leave to my wife Mary all my real estate, houses and lands in Richmond County or elsewhere till my youngest son Jacob arrives at the age of twenty-one, on condition she remains my widow, also £300 paid at the same time, and my negro woman, Mary, and her daughter Mary; also the use of two rooms in my house, one with a fireplace, the other a bead room. I order my eldest son, John, to pay his mother, my said wife, yearly during her widowhood £10, and to find her sufficient fire wood at her door and pasture for two cows and forage for

them in winter, and all the furniture of every kind she brought me at the time or soon after our marriage. To my eldest son, John, my homestead whereon I now live on the south side of the road that leads from the Narrows to Amboy, also a piece of land that contains 32½ acres "contiguous thereto," with two lots and a half of salt meadow at the great Kills, the above on condition that he provides for his mother as directed. To my youngest son, Jacob, the lands and meadows which I bought of Gerardus Beekman on the north side of the road leading from the ferry, commonly called Simonsons, to Richmond town, the meadow lies at the great kills, eight acres; likewise £300 when of age, and a negro boy named Stephen. To my eldest daughter, Pegge, £350 when Jacob is of age, and a negro girl named Judith. To my second daughter, Anne, ye wife of Nicholas Journey, £250 and a negro girl named Phillis. To my youngest daughter, Mary, £300 and a negro girl named Susannah. The residue of my estate, if any there be, to be divided between my two sons and three daughters as aforesaid, share and share alike; and as there is two aged black ones, slaves, the man named Will, and Dinah ye woman, my executors to give them liberty to chuse their own masters. I appoint my wife Mary, my eldest son, John Van Wagenen, and my trusty friend, Jacob Freeland, executors.

Dated June 12, 1782. Witnesses, Harmanus Garretson, Henry Krouse, both of Richmond County, yeomen, Isaac Doty, House carpenter, of Queens County. My will is further that my son John to whom I have given the bulk of my estate in lands shall pay his said brother and three sisters £300 the first payment when my youngest son Jacob comes of age or at ye death of my wife Mary, which sum he shall pay in equal six payments, to each an equal share. And as I have a right by purchase in 500 acres of land in a Patent called "Brampt" which I purchased under the Province of New York, situate on ye "extier" part of Connecticut

I give said tract to my five said children. Proved, New York, August 24, 1784; also Richmond County, May 21, 1784.

Page 163.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL BAYARD, of the City of New York, gentleman, being desirous to settle my worldly affairs whilst I have strength and capacity so to do. Whereas my son Peter hath behaved himself in a very undutiful and disorderly manner I do give and bequeath him the sum of five shillings in full discharge of all right or claim he may pretend to have to any of my estate. All the rest of my estate, real and personal, I devise to Samuel Breeze, of Monmouth, New Jersey, William Malcolm, of the City of New York, merchant, and Aaron Burr, of the said City, Esquire, my executors, in trust for the sole use of my beloved wife Catharine, during her life, and after the death of my said wife to the children of the said Samuel Breeze, and of the said William Malcolm by his present wife Sarah, which shall be living at the death of my wife if she survive me, or at my death if I survive her, that is, one moiety thereof to the children of Samuel Breeze, and the other to the children of William Malcolm; as for the moiety to the children of said Samuel Breeze, Samuel Bayard Breeze and Susan Bayard Breeze two of his children shall each have two shares thereof and the rest of the moiety be divided among the remaining children equally; as for the moiety to the children of the said William Malcolm by his wife Sarah, Samuel Bayard Malcolm and Catharine Bayard Malcolm, two of his children, shall have each two shares, and the rest thereof be equally divided among the remaining children by his said wife Sarah. I appoint my said trusty friends (as above) executors.

Dated May 24, 1784. Witnesses, John Johnston, Augustin James Fiederich Prevost, of New York City, gentleman; John Ryan. Proved, New York, August 20, 1784.

Page 165.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MICHAEL SHRUM, of the out ward of the City of New York, cartman. After my debts are paid I leave to Margaret, my well-beloved wife, all the rest of my estate, real and personal, during her life and after her decease to my son Jacob. I make my wife Margaret, executrix.

Dated October 17, 1772. Witnesses, James Webb, John Logan, G. Furman. Proved, New York, September 1, 1784, when the will was sworn to by John Alsop, of New York City, Esquire, and Barbary Myer, wife of James Myer, of the said City, cartman; and daughter of the testator. Administration granted to Barbary Myer, wife of James Myer, of New York City, cartman, and daughter of Michal Shrum, of the same place, cartman, as the executrix, Margaret Shrum, had died; New York, September 2, 1784.

Page 167.—In the name of God, Amen. I, PETRUS LEROY, of Poghkeepsie Precinct, Dutchess County, being weak in body do this 22d day of May, 1781, make my last will and testament. I leave to my loving wife Deborah, all my estate, real and personal, during her life. After her death I give to each of my four youngest children hereafter named an outset apiece, equal to that I gave Saletije, my eldest daughter. To my seven children, to wit: Francis, Simeon, Peter, Saletije, wife of Leonard Lewis; Maria, wife of Francois Van Debo-gart; Rachel, wife of Johannis Pels and Annatije all my estate, real and personal equally divided after the death of my wife. If any of my children die without lawful issue the share of such to go to the survivors, provided that if any in his or her lifetime have sold his or her shares such sales shall be good. Whereas two of my said sons, Francis and Peter, now are at New York and "probably having adhered to the king of Great Brittain and thereby become disabled from holding or possessing any estate in this county" in which case I order that my other five children shall have the joint use of their said shares till my said two

sons or their children shall be qualified to hold the estates, and if either die disqualified his share to go to his children not disabled from holding the same. I appoint my wife, and my brothers-in-law, Johannis Teupeuning and Peter Van Kleeck, executors.

Witnesses, William Low, Thomas Pinkney, Rich^d Snedeker, the two last of Dutchess County, gentlemen. Proved, August 25, 1784. Confirmed, New York, September 3, 1784.

Page 169.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HENRICH KNIESKERN, at Shoharry, Albany County, farmer; being at present weak in body, May 8, 1780. I leave to my eldest son, Peter Knieskern, £5. "I mean and understand good hard silver" for his birthright. To my loving wife Elizabeth, my moveable estate for her life, and she shall have "her supporting" yearly out of my estate in "Knieskernsdorph" by my both sons, John and Jacob, and "if she not care nor will live by my sons, John and Jacob," then shall they pay their mother yearly for life £12 good lawful hard or silver money of New York, each £6 for her supporting. To my eldest son, Peter, £48, which he is indebted to me for the payment at his land. To my son Henrich, £58, which he is indebted to me and I have paid for him, and he also received. To my both sons, John and Jacob, equally, my farm at Knieskerns Dorph, with the houses, barn and tenements, in the old and new Patent at Shoharry, Albany County, as I possess and occupy the same, on the following condition, if my son John shall get an heir of the male kind, or a son, "he my son John and Jacob" shall hold the said land for their heirs and assigns forever, but if he my son John die without issue of the male kind, my son Jacob shall have it only and alone for his heirs and assigns forever. To my son William one lot of land, called No. 360, in Duanesburgh, 119½ acres. To my son Martinus, one lot, called No. 379, in Duanesburgh, 92 acres. To my both sons, John and Jacob, together one lot

called No. 380, in Duanesburgh, 115½ acres. To my daughter Elizabeth, wife of Phillipp Kayser, £40, to be paid by my son John, three or four years after my decease out of his part of the land. To my daughter Catrina, "wyf" of Joost Bekker, £40, paid by my son Jacob, three or four years after my decease. To my both sons, John and Jacob, equally, my farming utensils and tools, as two waggons, two "sleeds," ploughs and harrows with the tackling and furniture thereof; Also axes, hoes and other implements of husbandry. To my son John, one iron pot which he has mended, as also another little pot which he has paid to have. To my two sons, John and Jacob, my writings, deeds, bonds, etc., or "any sort of writing." To my two daughters, Elizabeth and Catrina, equally, after the death of my wife, all my household stuff, as bed goods, pewter goods, iron pots, cooper goods and other goods. To John and Jacob, my loom and the articles that belong to "weaven" and to the loom. The remainder of my personal estate to be equally divided between my six sons and two daughters. I make my sons, John and Jacob Knieskern, and my son-in-law, Joost Bekker, executors.

Witnesses, Jost Kniskern, yeoman; Hannes (Johannes in proof) Merckel, George fr. (F. in proof) Reinhard, schoolmaster. Proved, Albany County, August 4, 1784. Confirmed, New York, September 4, 1784.

Page 171.—In the name of God, Amen. This 4th day of April 1784. I, NICHOLAUS MERCKEL, at Shoharry, Albany County, being weak in body. I leave to my godson, Nicholaus Merckel, son of my eldest brother, Johannes, £8, which shall be paid to him or to his father or mother, six weeks after my decease. To "my lovely Maria," daughter of my brother, Henry Merckel, £8, paid to her or to her father or mother six weeks after my decease. To my godson, Jacob Sittuich, son of my brother-in-law, William Sittuich, £8. To my godson, Nicholaus Richt Meyer, son of my

brother-in-law, Christian Richt Meyer, £8. To all my brothers and sisters and to "them two" children of my brother Peter named, Johannes and Henry Merckel, and Jacob Merckel; Barbel, wife of Christian Sands; Elizabeth, wife of Christian Richt Meyer; Lisaketh, wife of Willem Sittuich, and Jacob and Catharine Merckel, two children of my brother, Peter Merckel, all my reele and personal estate equally divided. I appoint Christian Richt Meyer and Willem Sittuich, my two brothers-in-law, executors.

Witnesses, Ludwig Bremer, yeoman; Lawrence Schoolcraft, George F. Reinhard, schoolmaster.

Codicil. I order that the two children of my brother, Peter Merckel, Jacob and Catharine, shall be reckoned in my will for one part, and shall have just one seventh part and no more of my personal estate, after they may have their years of majority.

Dated April 6, 1784. Witnesses to codicil, George F. Reinhard, Ludwig Bremer. Proved, Albany County, August 4, 1784. Confirmed, New York, September 4, 1784.

Page 173.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CORNELIUS THORP, of the City of New York, cartman. I leave to my grandson, Cornelius Thorp, son to my eldest son Richard, £50, as also to my other grandson, Cornelius Thorp, son to my younger son, John, £25, both six months after my decease. Out of my estate, real and personal, there shall be allowed a sufficient maintenance for my loving wife Prudence, during her life, fixed at the discretion of my executors. The rest of my estate to my three sons, to wit: Richard, Daniel and John Thorp, share and share alike without any advantage of survivorship. I make my said three sons executors.

Dated October 10, 1770. Witnesses, Ann Carpenter, Eliz. Depeyster, Gerard De Peyster, of New York City, merchant. Proved, New York, September 7, 1784, and administration granted to Daniel Thorp the same day.

Page 175.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ANN SMITH, of the City of New York, widow, being at present weak in body. My debts and funeral expenses to be paid for which I give my executors power to sell my household, kitchen or other furniture for the most money that can be gotten. I leave to my two sons, Thomas and Richard, my whole estate, real and personal. My executors to have the management of my estate which shall be rented, put out or increased in such manner as to them shall appear most for the advantage of my said two children till they are twenty-one. In case of the death of both my said sons before twenty-one, unmarried, then give half of my whole estate to the Managers, Governors or Directors of the Charity School in New York City, now under the tuition of Joseph Hildreth as Master; the rest of my estate in such case to the Trustees, Manager or Directors of the Independent Church in New York City, known by the name of Christ Church, lately withdrawn from the Church of England, and now under the pastoral care of the Reverend Barnard Page. I appoint Elias Desbrosses and Edward Laight, executors.

Dated July 24, 1772. Witnesses, James Stewart, George Bond, of New York City, attorney; James Douglass. Proved, New York, September 9, 1784, administration being granted to Edward Laight.

Page 177.—*Dutch will—Translated an abstract is as follows:* December 1, 1748, ALBERT KIERSTEDEN, of Marbletown, Ulster County, yeoman, sick. I leave to my daughter Cathrina, wife of Nathan Snedus, all my real estate, land, houses, orchards, etc., at Marbletown, where I now live as the same has been conveyed to me by Cornelius Eltinge, provided she or heirs pay to his daughter Blandina, wife of Wilhelmis Houghtaling, Jr., £300, in two months after the decease of myself and my wife Argaeentje, said Blandina shall receive for life or afterwards to her children a third part of land in Kingstown formerly belonging to Cornelius

Vernoy as the same has recently been transferred to me by the heirs of Lodevijk Hornbeek, and further to her, £370. Rest of estate equally to my two said daughters, executors and executor's wife Ayaentje, brother-in-law, Davidt De Lametter and Jan Eltinge or the survivor among them.

ALBERT KERSTEDEN.

Witnesses, Hendrik Krom, Cornelius Coles, Benjamin Krom. Proved, July 13, 1784.

Page 178.—In the name of God, Amen. The 23d of June, 1775. I, JOHANNIS FOLK, of Church land in Ulster County, yeoman, being weak in body. I leave to my eldest son, Wilhelmus, "as a token of my first born" and above the rest of my children, £3 in money; Also the farm where he now lives, that is the north end of said farm on Sauertys Creek. To my son, Johannis Folk, Jr., the south end of the farm on Saugerty's Creek where he now dwells. To my son Aaron, the farm where I now live on Beverkill with the house, out houses, barn, stables, orchard, wood and water; Also one cow, two sheep, two hogs, plow with "sheer and coulter," an iron "slag," an iron waggon; Also two fat hogs and a fat cow for winter provision, with all the crops, such as wheat, rye, corn, in the house, barn or barrack. Aaron is to keep Mary, my wife, in sufficient meat, drink and washing and lodging during her life. To my son Jacob, £100, which Aaron is to pay him out of the Beverkill farm; if Jacob marry he is to have it at his own disposal, but while he stays unmarried either of his three brothers whom he chuses to live with shall have the said £100 to be reserved for the said Jacob till he necessarily want it and not else. Also to Jacob, one cow, one sheep and one horse, his choice of all the horses, with my wearing apparel, £10 out of the "lose" estate, and a large chest. To Mary, my wife, one cow, two sheep, her bed and bedding, and the cupboard which stands at the feet of my bed; Also one pot, one trample, two dishes, two plates, a large

armed chair and a small chair, and £10, with her spinning wheel; Also Rose the negro wench is to work for and wait on Mary my wife as long as she lives, and after her death my executors shall sell Rose and the money be equally divided between my four sons. To Leah, my youngest daughter, as her outsetting, one cow, one sheep, one bed, one pot, one trundle, two dishes, six plates, six spoons, two chairs and a frying pan and her spinning wheel; Also one fourth of the "lose" estate. To Raenah my daughter's children equally among them one fourth of the "lose" estate. To Mary, my daughter, her one fourth of the "lose" estate in the bond her husband owes me, dated January 5, 1765, Thomas Baxter. To Christy, my daughter, James Jones, his wife, one fourth of my "lose" estate. To Jonas Folk, Wilhelmus's son, one sheep. To Laurance Folk, one sheep. The charges of my funeral to be out of both "my lose and fast estate." I make Wilhelmus Folk, Johannis Folk and Aaron Folk, executors.

Witnesses, Jacob Maurer, Petrus Maurer, Lenerd Maurer, all of Saugerties, farmers. Proved, Ulster County, August 8, 1784. Administration granted to Wilhelmus and Aaron Folk, New York, September 10, 1784.

Page 180.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN GOULD, of the west quarter of Richmond County, being in a reasonable state of health. After my debts and funeral expenses are paid I leave to my son Peter, a young sorrel horse. All the rest of my estate to my dearly beloved wife Catherine, so long as she lives or remains my widow, on condition she makes no unnecessary waste thereof; when she dies or marries I give my estate to my three sons, namely, John, Peter and Abraham Gold, or the survivors, share and share alike. And whereas there appears by the will of Mr. Abraham Mance, deceased, my father-in-law, that a legacy is given to my wife, my will is for her to enjoy

it so long as she lives or is my widow, and at her death or marriage for it to descend to my three sons as above. I appoint my three sons, John, Peter and Abraham Gould, executors.

Dated March 10, 1783. Witnesses, Stephen Bedell, John Wood, John Bedell. Proved, New York, September 10, 1784.

Page 182.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ANTHONY YELVERTON, of the New Paltz Precinct, Ulster County, being weak of body, being mindful of my mortality and humbly, with hearty sorrow for my sins recommending my soul to the hands of Almighty God. I will that my beloved wife Abigail, shall have and enjoy my all estate, real and personal, during the time she remains my widow, and if she marry again then no more than what she may recover by right of dower. To my eldest son, Gale Yelverton, twenty shillings, over and above his share for his birthright, and he shall not have or claim any more of my estate than by this will is bequeathed unto him. In case my personal estate be insufficient to pay my debts and funeral expenses then my executors shall sell so much of my lands as will defray the same and the overplus to be for my children and grandchildren herein named. To my sons, Gale and Anthony Yelverton, Jr., to my daughters, Mary and Abigail, to my granddaughter Mary, daughter of my son, Andrew Yelverton, deceased, to my grandson, Anthony Ostrom, son of my daughter Elizabeth, and "to the heirs of the body of my daughter Hannah," all the residue of my estate, real or personal, which shall be left after my wife's marriage or death, shared amongst them alike; and in case my grandson, Anthony Ostrom, die before twenty-one without lawful heirs, his portion shall be equally divided among the other children of my said daughter Elizabeth, forever, with this restriction that whereas I stand bound jointly with my son, Andrew Yelverton, deceased, to the Commonalty of the Corporation of