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ABSTRACTS OF WILLS  
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LIBER 37 (*Continued*).

Page 185.—In the name of God, Amen. The 14th day of December, 1773. I, JOSEPH FOWLER, of the West Patent of North Castle, Westchester County, farmer, being weak in body. I leave to my loving wife Hannah, £50 and her choice of the rooms of my house with a privilege in my "seller" and milk house, one bed and its furniture and that her choice of all the beds, and the above, except the £50, she is not to hold any longer than she remains my widow. To my daughter, Anne Merett, £8. To my son, Joseph Fowler, £5. To my son, Ammon Fowler, £5. To my daughter, Susannah Hunt, five shillings. To my daughter, Charity Carpenter, five shillings. To my son Isaac, £5. To my daughter Jean, £50, five shillings paid at the time of her marriage. To my son Henry, £105. To my son James, £105. I appoint my three sons, Joseph, Stephen and Ammon Fowler, executors, whom I empower when my son James arrives at the age of twenty-three to sell all my estate, real and personal, and from the monies first to pay the above legacies, and the remainder to be divided among my sons and daughter as follows: first my two youngest sons, Henry and James's legacies to be paid from the sale of the land, and the rest from the sale of the moveable estate, and the remainder from the sale of the lands

to all my sons above named equally, and the remainder for the sale of the moveables to all my daughters above said.

Witnesses, Benjamin Smith, Thomas Wright, of North Castle, yeoman; Daniel Forman. Proved, Westchester County, September 3, 1784. Administration granted to Joseph and Ammon Fowler, September 13, 1784.

Page 187.—In the name of God Amen. The 23rd day of August, 1776. I, ARNOUT WEBBERS, of the out ward of the City of New York, farmer, being weak of body. All my debts and funeral expenses to be paid by my executor and he is to dispose of so much of my estate as will discharge the same. To my loving wife Sarah all the profits of my estate during her widowhood. To my oldest son Oliver  $\frac{1}{5}$  for his birth right. The rest of my estate to my seven children, to wit: Hilah, Sarah, Lette, Hannah, Oliver, Philip, John, and my granddaughter, Grace Stilwell, equally divided. If any of my children die under age without issue the share of such to the survivors. The share devised to my daughter Sarah shall remain in the hands of my executor for her use to support her with, and if any part thereof remain after her decease the same I give to her children, Abraham, John and Sarah. My estate to be finally divided within six months of the decease or intermarriage of my wife. I make my son Philip, executor.

Witnesses, Oliver Webbers, Oliver Webbes, G. Furman. Proved, New York, September 13, 1784, when Oliver Webbers, of New York City, mason swore that he saw Arnout Webbers sign the above will, and saw Oliver Webbers, one of the other witnesses sign, and that George Furman wrote the will and was present at the execution, but that he did not perfectly recollect seeing him subscribe the same as a witness. Administration granted to Philip Webbers the same day.

Page 189.—In the name of God, Amen. This 4th day of September, 1769. I, CALEB FOWLER, of the West Patent of North Castle, Westchester County, being weak in body. I leave to my loving wife Anne three of my milk cows, her choice of all the cows, and my "ball mair" and side saddle and "brydle," two of my best "fether beds well fixt with cloaths," ten sheep, and the small brass kittle, two puter plates, six plates, a case of "knives" and "ffaurks," and over and above what is above given to my wife I give her for five years, for her use and to bring up my children on, all my land on the west side of the road and on the east side from the land of Henry Fowlers southward to the road that goes to Caleb Hights, with my house, and after that I order all those lands to be sold, and the remainder of my land on the south side of the road to Caleb Hights to be sold; also my moveable estate, both chattels, utensils for farming, etc., except that given to my wife, and my "silver helt soard" and my cane which I give to my son William; also my farm where my son William now lives to be sold. Out of the monies arising from the sales my executors are to pay my daughter, Mary Sutton, £10, and £10 to my daughter, Hannah Fowler, and all the rest be equally divided among my children, that is to say, one tenth each to my sons, William, Jonathan, Caleb, Moses, Stephen, Gilbert, James and to my daughters Anne, Rebeckah, Elezebeth; and if any die before twenty-one without issue the share of such to be divided between the others. I appoint my two sons, William and Jonathan Fowler, and my friend, Benjamin Smith, of the above Patent, executors.

Witnesses, Benjamin Kipp, Samuel Haight, of Phillips Manor, Westchester County, yeoman; of the People called quakers, Henry Ludlow, Jr. Proved, Westchester County, September 8, 1784. Administration granted to Benjamin Smith, September 14, 1784.

Page 191.—In the name of God, Amen. This "Thirtieth" day of March, 1776. I, GILBERT BLOOMER, of Rye, Westchester County, yeoman, being weak in body. I make my loving wife Hannah sole executrix. I leave to the eldest son of my son Gilbert, deceased £3 at his arriving at twenty-one years of age, which shall exclude him from claiming as heir-at-law any part in my estate. All the residue of my estate, real and personal, both in houses, lands, mills, meadows and moveable estate, after my wife has paid my debts, I give to my wife, Hannah Bloomer, her heirs and assigns forever absolutely.

Witnesses, John Guion (of Rye, yeoman); Thomas Roberson, Gilbert Robinson. Proved, Westchester County, September 10, 1784. Administration granted to Hannah Bloomer, New York, September 14, 1784.

Page 192.—I, ABRAHAM CARPENTER, of North Castle, Westchester County, this 18th of the 2nd month, 1780, do make my last will. I give to my wife Lidia the best room in the house, one third of the use of my lands as long as she remains my widow, also the best bed, one horse and saddle, two cows, five sheep, and household goods so as to keep house, and I give to my two daughters each £60, Freelove and Elizabeth, when they come of age or marry. To my sons all the remainder of my estate, real and personal, equally divided, and the use of the "hole" to be applied to bring up the children till the youngest comes to be fourteen years of age, then the legacies of those under age to be put out to use for them till they are of age. I appoint David Marshel, Sr., Gilbert Carpenter and Lydia Carpenter, executors.

Witnesses, James Weeks, of North Castle, yeoman; David Marshall, Rebecah Marshall. Proved, Westchester County September 10, 1784.

Page 193.—The People of the State of New York to all to whom these Presents shall come greeting.

Whereas, Anthony A. Rutgers, late of Newark, New Jersey, formerly of the City of New York, deceased, did make his will bearing date the 5th of October, 1775, and appointed Gertruyda Rutgers, Nicholas Gouverneur, Leonard Lispenard, Isaac Ogden and Lewis Ogden, executors, and whereas on the 17th of April last at New York City the said will was proved and administration granted to Nicholas Gouverneur and Leonard Lispenard, two of the executors, and whereas Lewis Ogden, one other executor, has since signified that he is willing to be joined as executor, now know ye that the administration is hereby granted to the said Nicholas Gouverneur, Leonard Lispenard and Lewis Ogden, New York, August 12, 1784.

N. B. The will of Anthony A. Rutgers, above referred to is recorded in Book of Wills 1783 to 1784, page 388.

Page 194.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DERRICK AMBERMAN, of Jamaica, Queens County, yeoman, being in good health at present. I leave to my beloved son John £5, and my great Dutch Bible. To Margaret, my dearly beloved wife, the best bed and its furniture, all her wearing clothes, my cupboard and all the linnens that shall be therein and £30 a year during her widowhood or for life. The whole of my estate, real or personal, in Jamaica or elsewhere I empower my executors to make sale of and turn into money at the best advantage within a reasonable time after my decease, and the monies therefrom to be applied as follows: I give for the maintenance of my son Daniel £300, he to be maintained amongst my three children, and after his death what may be left thereof to be divided amongst my said children, namely, John, Derrick's heirs and Sarah. The rest of my estate I order to be divided into three parts, half one part to my son John, or if dead to his children, one part to the children of my son Derrick, deceased, one to my daughter Sarah, or if dead to her children, and one half part

to my son Cornelius if at that time he be within the Kings lines, if not to his children when at lawful age. I appoint my trusty and loving brother, Peter Amberman, of Kings County, my loving cousin, Peter Wickhoff, of Flat Lands, Kings County, and my friend and cousin, Peter Amberman, at Staten Island, executors, allowing them reasonable satisfaction for their trouble.

Dated March 19, 1781. Witnesses, Simon Lamberson, Nathaniel Box, of Jamaica, yeoman; Bernardus Lamberson. Proved, New York, April 12, 1784.

Page 196.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ANDREAS WIDDERWAX, Farmer in Tamhanick, Albany County, being weak in body. I leave to my first born, Bastian Widderwax, 8 shillings for his birth right. To my son Hannes, 231 $\frac{1}{2}$  acres of land, whereon he now lives in Tamhanick joining the farm on which I now live with this condition that he pays £80 for the remaining debt on the said land, he having a deed for the land from me already.

To Martin Widderwax the farm whereon I now dwell in Tamhanick, at the extent of a farm surveyed for Alexander Widderwax, containing 235 $\frac{1}{2}$  acres, also our new waggon, a plow, harrow, our "pleasure slay," and an "iron shot wood slay," of which land and farm he the said Martin is to have a sufficient deed, but he is to give me yearly as long as God shall spare my life for the maintenance of me and my beloved wife Anna twenty-four bushels of wheat, ten bushels of Indian corn, six bushels of rye, and to keep two cows for our use, and after my death he shall be obliged to give my wife half of the above-mentioned maintenance as long as she lives. To my wife Anna a certain bond given me by Carl Traber of £95 10 shillings lest in case she should not be in need of the money it shall be used for the payment of the debt on the land. To my son Alexander 200 acres on the river joining Van Antwerp's line and the lot of my son Martin; but then he is to move from the place he occupies now as it belongs

to Martin when he, Martin, wants the use thereof, and I order Alexander that he shall then quit said place without disturbance or any molestation, and he to pay £30 for the remaining debt yet on the land. Next I give to my son David 280 acres of land whereon he lives at present in Tamhanick joining Peter Dody's farm at Northeast, he to pay £120 for the debt on the land. To my son Peter 269 acres of land in Tamhanick joining the line of Michel Coock at the east, he to pay £110 for the debt which is on the land as yet. To my son Jacob 220 acres of land whereon he now lives and whereof he has a deed but he must pay £20 yet to settle the debt on the land, which lies in Tamhanick joining the farm of Carl Traver. To my two daughters, Barbara and Elisabeth, 104 acres in Tamhanick, joining the land of my son Hannes. To my daughter, Barbara Tingle, 20 acres in Tamhanick between the farms of my sons, Hannes and Peter, to her and her heirs but after their death to my son Hannes. I leave 800 acres in Tamhanick joining Ranslearswyke on Hoosick road where Nicholas Monra lives, which land shall be sold and the money be for the payment of the remaining debt on the whole Patent, and if it should not be enough then each of my sons herein mentioned shall pay an equal share till the whole is paid, but if there should be any over and above this it shall be equally divided between the children of my former wife, Barbara, "namently": Bastian, Henry, Andreas, Anna, Margreth, Anna Maria, Dorothea, Elisabeth and Catharina. I appoint my trusty friends, Henry Grauberger and George Wetzel, executors.

Dated January 18, 1780. Witnesses, Wendel Overacker, Hannes Kebler, farmer; John Clints, schoolmaster. Proved, May 10, 1784, Albany County, confirmed New York, September 16, 1784.

Page 199.—In the name of God, Amen. I, NATHAN HERRICK, of Southampton, Suffolk County, hattmaker. I leave to my son Nathaniel my now dwelling house,

barn and outhouses at second Neck, with all that tract of land on which the said buildings stand, and all my other lands and meadows in Southampton westward of the Cannoe place except what is hereunder given to my son Henry. To my son Henry my now dwelling house, barn and shop, with all that house lot on which they stand adjoining the town street with all my lands and meadows to the eastward of Cannoe place, also one fifty right of land in Paugonquoge, and one half fifty right in the lot No. 9 in the Cannoe place division in Quoge purchase, also one half fifty right in a small cedar swamp near red Creek, and a piece of meadow off of my lot of meadow lying against Quantuck Bay, beginning at the west end extending eastward. To my two daughters, namely, Eunice White and Mehetable Sayre, twenty shillings in cash each. To my daughter, Martha Woolly, forty shillings in cash, but if she shall survive the first day of January, 1778, then I give her the sum of £4. The remainder of my estate shall be divided between my two sons above named. I make my sons, Nathaniel and Henry Herrick, Executors, December 27, 1773.

Witnesses, Edward Howell, Paul Halsey, Jr., hatter and Stephen Rogers. Memorandum before signing that the lands, etc., given to my son Nathaniel are to him, his heirs and assigns forever. Proved, Suffolk County, July 8, 1784. Administration granted to Henry Herrick, New York, September 16, 1784.

Page 200.—In the name of God, Amen. The 29th day of November, 1776. I, ABRAHAM COOPER, late of Southampton, Long Island, now resident at Saybrook, Connecticut, yeoman, being very sick and weak in body. I leave to Hannah, my dearly beloved wife, £10 and all my plate. To my son John my house, and lot and all my lands within Southampton. To my son Abraham £600 and my silver hilted sword. To my son Gilbert £500. To my two daughters, Hannah and Mehetabell, £200 each. To my son Foster £400. The

residue of my estate to be divided as the law directs. I make my son, John Cooper, sole executor.

Witnesses, Temperance Foster, Ruth Foster, spinster, but "now Ruth Sayre" at the proof of will, and Obadiah Johnes. Proved, Suffolk County, August 21, 1784. Administration granted to John Cooper, New York, September 16, 1784.

Page 201.—In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS OAKES, of the City of New York, Gentleman, being in good health. I leave to my beloved wife Elshe, in case she survives me, a suit of mourning of the value of £15, my negro boy, named Ben, and the negro slave girl, named Bett, and all the household furniture which she brought me. Fifteen months after my decease I devise to my wife £100, over and above the £100 secured to her by contract before my marriage with her. To my eldest son Thomas, twenty shillings (in compliance with custom as my heir at law). To my son Garret my gun or musquet now in my house. Whereas I have heretofore advanced to my son Thomas £60 and to my daughter, Mary Brass, £60 for an outset, therefore I give to each of my other children, to wit: Garret, Elizabeth Oakes and Martha Oakes, the like sum of £60 each before any distribution of my whole estate. The residue of my estate to my five children above named equally divided. I empower my executors to sell my real estate as they think best at any time within fifteen months of my decease. I make my wife Elshe, my friends Andrew Gautier, of New York City, Esquire, and John McKesson of the said city, attorney at law, executors.

Dated New York City, December 20, 1771. Witnesses, Abram. H. Van Vleck, Peter H. Kip, Wm. Wentworth, John J. Meyers (the two last of New York City, "scriveners"). Proved, New York, February 3, 1784. Administration granted to Elshe Oakes and John McKayson, New York, September 20, 1784.

Page 203.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHANNA CLOWES, of Jamaica, Queens County, single woman, being very sick and weak in body. I leave to my brother-in-law, Joseph Sacket (if living) £70. To my sister, Mary Thane, £50 and half of my wearing apparel, the other half to my sister Alletta Willett. To my niece, Mary Thane, daughter of my sister Mary, my silver tea tongs. To Millicent Sackett, daughter of my nephew, Joseph Sackett, my half dozen silver tea spoons. As to the rest of my estate, real and personal, I dispose thereof in the following manner, to wit: two seventh thereof to my sister, Mary Thane, one seventh to my brother, Peter Clowes, one seventh to my nephew, John Clowes (son of my brother John), one seventh to my sister, Alletta Willett, one seventh to James, Peter and Millicent Sackett, children of my said nephew, Joseph Sackett, and to such other child or children which my said nephew now hath (who's names are unknown to me), the other seventh thereof to Peter, Nathaniel and Caleb Mills, children of my sister, Catharine Mills, deceased. Lastly I appoint my said brother, Peter Clowes, and my brother-in-law, Edward Willett, executors.

Dated August 2, 1780. Witnesses, William Bogle, Hope Mills, Mary Mills. Proved, New York, September 20, 1784, when Margaret Willett, of New York City, spinster, swore to the will.

Page 205.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL BELL, of the City of New York, blacksmith, the 4th of December, 1767. I leave to my eldest son Andrew, one shilling for his birthright. My will is that my beloved wife Jane shall have the full management of my whole estate, real and personal, while my widow. After her decease my estate to be equally divided among my children, namely: my sons Andrew, Robert and Samuel, my daughter Mary, wife of Robert Leonard, and Jane, and if any die before twenty-one, his or her share to be divided among my children living.

If my wife die before all my children be of age then his or their share shall be put at interest for the use of such till twenty-one. My executors shall take an inventory of my estate after my wife's decease and sell the same at Publick Vendue or otherwise for to give every child his equal share. I appoint my beloved wife Jane, my son Andrew and my son-in-law, Robert Leonard, executors.

Dated December 4, 1767. Witnesses, Jacobus Stoutenburgh, George Walgrove, of New York City, cooper; Samuel Johnson. Proved, New York, September 21, 1784. Administration granted to Mary Leonard and Jane Hilyard, both widows, of New York City, daughters, and two of the residuary legatees of Samuel Bell late of the same place, blacksmith, deceased, the executors, Jane Bell, Andrew Bell and Robert Leonard being deceased before the probate, New York, September 21, 1784.

Page 207.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ARENT MYER, of the out ward of the City of New York, farmer. I leave to my beloved wife Susannah for life all my estate, real and personal, and after her death one moiety or half part thereof to my granddaughter, Susannah Waldron, the child of my daughter Angeltie, who intermarried with Peter Waldron; the other half to my grandchildren, Arent Bushing and Susannah Bushing, the children of my daughter Margaret, who intermarried with Abraham Bushing. In case of the death of the said Susannah Waldron under age without issue, her share to my said grandchildren, Arent and Susannah Bushing, and in case of the death of Arent or Susannah Bushing under age, the share of such to the survivor, and in case of the death of both their shares to the said Susannah Waldron, it being my intention that the said grandchildren should enjoy such estates as their parents would have had had they been living at the time of the death of my said wife; and lest any controversies should arise concerning the

partition of my estate, my executors are required to divide the real estate by meets and bounds if they shall think it best for the amicable settlement of the said estate, but if they think it more suitable that it be turned into money then they are directed to sell the same. I appoint my wife Susannah, my sons-in-law, the said Peter Waldron and Abraham Bushing, executors.

Dated November 23, 1773. Witnesses, Eve Myer, Richard Morris, of New York City, Esquire, Lewis Morris 3d. Proved, New York, September 21, 1784. Administration granted to Susannah Myer the same date.

Page 209.—In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, three persons but one God. I, ABIJAH PERKINS, Surgeon, residing in the Precinct of New Marlborough, in perfect mind and memory, in the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time when I shall be called out of this troublesome and deceitful world. As for such worldly good as it has pleased my all gracious and provident God to intrust me with, I dispose of them in the following manner for His glory, viz.: to my loving wife Lucy, I leave one horse, one cow and half my household furniture (my books and medicines excepted). The remainder of my estate to be equally divided between my children, Hannah Perkins and George Whitefield Perkins, except as hereafter excepted, the use of my estate to remain in the sole hands of my wife till my son George arrive at the age of twenty-one if he lives so long, if not then till my said daughter is eighteen, and one third of my whole estate to remain to my wife during her life. Also in testimony of the truth of the sacred Scriptures and the Christian Religion, as also the love I bear to my dear brethren and sisters, I pray them to accept of a Bible "in 24," viz.: to John, Isaac and Seth Perkins, Lucy Elisabeth Sterlin, Margaret Belden, Sarah Marvin, Hannah and Lydia Perkins, one to each ear-

nestly desiring them carefully, godly and diligently to read the same. Also my will is that my children be carefully and most religiously educated both by example and precept, but before all that they be taught the knowledge of the only living and true God and our Lord Jesus Christ, that their tender years might much be spent in reading the holy Scriptures and Godly writers, especially I recommend holy Mr. Williston, Rutherford, Welch, and the pious and accurate Mr. Harvey, Dr. Dodridge, Mr. Baxter, Dr. Tillotson, among the moderns; as also the searching and true divines, Mr. Shepperd and Mr. Edwards, and the ancient fathers of the church such as, Austin, Chrysostem, Augustin; Also Calvin, Luther, Melancthon, the three last being the Apostles of the Reformation; and if my daughter should be more backward or not capable pronouncing articulate sounds that no pains or cost be spared to teach her at least the meaning and excellency of God's word, and all learning necessary for instructing her mind in the way to salvation through Jesus Christ, so far as her ability will admit; Also that my son George be carefully "educated" and graduated through some Protestant Collegiate School, and if God please to touch his heart with his saving Grace my desire is that he should be a dispenser of the Gospel like unto that learned and indefatigable preacher, the Rev. Mr. George Whitefield, that faithful and painful servant of Jesus Christ, who now sleeps with his Lord. I give to my sister, Hannah Perkins, Mr. Erskine's Gospel sonnets now at my honored father's in Lynne, with all that belongs to me at my father's house. I ordain my wife Lucy, William Ely her brother, George Whitefield Perkins my son, Samuel Startin my sister Elizabeth's husband, executors, and my friends, Stephen Case and Lewis Dubois, overseers of this my will.

Dated August 20, 1776. Witnesses, Stephen Case, of New Marlborough, Captain; Luff Smith and Deborah Smith.

*Codicil.* If my wife Lucy should be pregnant at my decease and afterwards be delivered of a child or children, such shall come in for an equal share in my estate with my children mentioned above.

Witnesses to codicil. The same as to will. Proved, New York, September 21, 1784. Administration granted to William Ely and Lucy Cook, late Lucy Perkins, two of the executors, the same day.

Page 211.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN McQUEEN, of the City of New York, stay maker. I leave to my loving wife Mary and my son John, all my estate real and personal, equally divided, and if my son John should remain unmarried or without lawful issue, the share of the one who may first happen to die to the other surviving, and if both die then the estate remaining to my brother, Alexander McQueen's two daughters (not named), provided my son has left no widow or children. I make my son, John McQueen, executor.

Dated June 14, 1775. Witnesses, James Hounam, of Horse Neck, Conn., gentleman, John Chub and Joseph Hunter. Proved, New York, September 22, 1784. Administration granted to Mary McQueen, of the City of New York, widow of John McQueen, late of the same place, as John McQueen, the executor is absent beyond the seas, September 22, 1784.

Page 213.—In the name of God, Amen. The 17th day of February, 1777. I, THOMAS LANGDON, of Beekman's Precinct, Dutchess County, being sick and weak in body. I leave to my beloved wife Femitje, the choice of one horse or mare with a good side saddle and bridle, also one bedstead, feather bed, with curtains, sheets, pillows and all other appurtenances. To my eldest son, Thomas, £10, for his birthright. To my wife and to all my children which are now born, viz.: Thomas, Abraham, Eleoner, and to such as may be born after my decease, all my estate equally

divided, at such time as hereunder mentioned, my wife to remain on my farm whereon I now live during the time she remains my widow, and if at any time during her widowhood she thought she could not make out well enough to her mind to stay on my place, then all my estate as aforesaid to be divided. My will is that all my children have as good a learning as my estate possibly can afford, and that such of them as my executors think proper shall be put out to learn trades. I appoint my loving brother, Johannis Langdon, my brother-in-law, Rem Adriance, and my friend and neighbor, John Wilkeson, executors.

Witnesses, Isaac Adriance, Rem Adriance, Jr., Jacob Horton, of New York City, grocer. Proved, September 23, 1784. Administration granted to Rem Adriance, the same day.

Page 215.—I, JOHN STORM, of Phillipsburgh in the County of Westchester. I leave to my beloved wife Patience, £70, with the full rights and privileges of my farm, and all things belonging thereto, without the molestation of any person whatsoever till my eldest son comes to the age of sixteen years, and then to be possessed of the one quarter part of the above rights till my second son comes to the same age, then for them two to possess half the rights, and my wife the other half as long as she remains my widow, but if she marries she is to quit all rights with the above £70. To my eldest son, Jacob, my old homestead and £50. To my two younger sons, Thomas and Andrew, the remainder of my lease hold estate of personal goods and chattels. To my daughter Cate, £150, or her choice of a negro wench in lieu of £50; Also my "bilsted case of drawes" my large looking glass and two beds, paid her at the age of sixteen or sooner if she requires out of the portion of Thomas and Andrew, to be raised by my beloved wife whom I appoint executrix, and Abraham Storm and Thomas Vice, executors.

Dated February 27, 1773. Witnesses, Abraham Storm, Benjamin Ely. Proved, New York, September 9, 1784, when Thomas Storm of said City, Esquire, swore that he had often transacted business with Abraham Storm, one of the subscribing witnesses, and believed his signature correct. Administration granted to Thomas Bice and Patience Drake, two of the executors, September 24, 1784.

Page 216.—In the name of God, Amen. I, VINER LEAYCRAFT, late of the City of New York, but at present of Tappan in Orange County, marriner, being weak in body. I leave to my son William all my wearing apparel. To my wife Elizabeth, the use and income of all my estate while she remains my widow, and in case she remarries or dies I direct my executors to sell my estate and out of the monies arising I give to my grandson, Willet Leaycraft, £50; the rest to my children in manner following, that is to say to my son Christopher, £50, the remainder to my daughter Mary and my sons John, George and William equally divided, provided that if my son William marries Elizabeth Devoe, that he have no share in my estate, but that his part be divided between my daughter Mary and my sons, John and George. What I have given to my wife shall be in full bar of her dower. What my daughter Mary has had for her outset shall be deducted out of her share. I appoint my daughter Mary, and sons, George, John and William, executors.

Dated September 22, 1779. Witnesses, Garrat Paulding, Thomas Kelly, Thomas Goldstrap, of Haverstraw, Orange County, yeoman. Proved, New York, August 20, 1784. Administration granted to Mary Riker, William, John and George Leaycraft, executors, September 24, 1784.

Page 217.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MAGDALEN BEEKMAN, late of New York but now of the Township of Hanover, County of Morris, New Jersey, gentle-

woman. I leave all my real and personal estate to my two sisters, Cathrine Beekman and Mary Beekman, each one half. I make my said two sisters executrices.

Dated April 16, 1781. Witnesses, Cornelia Walton, John H. Kip and Abr<sup>m</sup> K. Beekman, both of New York City, merchants. Proved, New York, September 24, 1784, administration being granted the same day to Mary Beekman.

Page 219.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MATTHEW HOPPER, being weak in body. I leave to my daughter Letty, wife of John Antonides, half of my house and land in Flat Bush; the other half to my said son-in-law, John Antonides, provided he pay into the hands of my executors £500, or give his Bond with a Mortgage on the said house and land for £500, with interest for the same at six per cent computed from the time of my decease. To my daughter Mary £25 above the equal share of any personal estate hereafter to her devised; Also my house and lot (No. 6) in Fair street, New York City, as specified in a certain deed in my possession. To my two grandchildren, viz., Samuel and Matthew Carter, my house and lot in Dey street, lot No. 38, in the westward of New York City, bounded southerly in front by Dey street, westerly by lot No. 39, northerly in rear by lot No. 67, and easterly by lot No. 37. As to the residue of my personal estate, after my debts are paid, it is my will the whole be divided into three equal shares, one given to my daughter Mary, one to my daughter Letty, and the other to my said grandsons, Samuel and Matthew Carter. I appoint my good and worthy friends, Isaac Mead and Peter Hegeman of the City of New York, executors.

Dated August 2, 1784. Witnesses, Gabriel Ellison, of Flat Bush, schoolmaster; Henry Van Beuren.

Codicil (no date). In that I have ordered my personal estate divided among my children and grandchildren it is not to be understood that my household

furniture is included, this to be divided between my two said daughters.

Witnesses same as to will. Proved, New York, September 25, 1784, the same day administration granted to Mary Hopper, of Flatbush, spinster; John Antonides of the same place, shopkeeper, and Robert Carter, of New York City, cabinet maker; the first being a daughter and the two last sons-in-law of Matthew Hopper, late of Flatbush, yeoman, deceased, as the executors of the above will relinquished the executorship.

Page 221.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HENRY WHITE, of the Precinct of Goshen, Orange County, being weak in body. I leave to my brother, John White, half the farm I now live on, with half the land not yet deeded, when a deed shall be obtained. To my wife Sarah, the third of my personal estate after my debts and funeral expenses are paid and the use of the lands or money arising from the sale, for the bringing up of my children, as long as she remains my widow. To my five children all the rest of my estate equally, viz.: Hamilton, Samuel, Anna, Sarah and Susannah, or the survivors as they arrive at lawful age. I appoint my father, Ebenezer White, my loving wife Sarah and Capt. Abner Wells, executors.

Dated August 8, 1784. Witnesses, Jonathan Swezy, of Goshen, physician; Mary Marshall, Rhoda Cossman. Proved, Orange County, September 3, 1784. Confirmed, New York, September 28, 1784.

Page 222.—In the name of God, Amen. The 9th day of August, 1773. I, CORNELIUS VANDERHOOF, of the outward of the City of New York, farmer, being weak in body. My executors are empowered to sell my estate and the monies arising are to be put at interest for the use of the legatees hereafter named. I leave to my loving wife Elizabeth, all the profits of my estate during her widowhood in bar of her right of dower.

To my eight children, to wit: John, Abraham, Matthew, Leah, Cornelius, Henry, Catharine and Isaac all the remainder of my estate equally divided, except the sum of ten shillings which I do give to my eldest son, John, to be paid him before the division. If any die before twenty-one without lawful issue the share of such shall go to the survivors. I order that my estate be divided within six months of the death or marriage of my wife, and if any of my children then are in their nonage, the share of such to be put out at interest. All my children shall be maintained out of the mean profits of my estate during their minority or till they marry, but if the mean profits are insufficient my executors may take so much from the principal as will support them in a common ordinary way. I make Elizabeth, my wife, and my brother-in-law, Henry Brevoort, executors.

Witnesses, Henry Brevoort, John Brevoort, both of New York City, wheelrights; G. Furman. Proved, New York, September 28, 1784. The same day administration granted to Lewis Andrew Gautier, innholder, and Henry Brevoort, wheelright, both of the City of New York, executors of the will of Elizabeth Vanderhoof, the widow and surviving executrix of the will of Cornelius Vanderhoof, deceased. Whereas the said Elizabeth Vanderhoof deceased before the Probate of the said will.

Page 224.—In the name of God, Amen. I, GILBERT WILLIAMS, of the Borough and town of Westchester, Westchester County, yeoman. I leave to my dearly beloved wife Euphemia, my black mare, my riding chair, a chest of drawers, and all my table and other linen; Also the three cherry tree tables, the six red chairs, the large looking glass, the tongs, shovel and andirons, the brass kettle, tea kettle and the trammel, which were her property when I married her. I direct all my personal estate to be sold for the best price that can be gotten as soon after my death as may be, and

my real estate to be sold within three years of my decease. Of the monies so arising after my debts are paid, two thirds thereof to my son states Morris Williams and to such other child or children as I may hereafter have, divided between them as they come of age in such proportion, that each girl's (if any there be) share be a third less than a boy's, all boys to share equally. My executors to place at interest the money so given to my children, to be careful in collecting it yearly and thereout to maintain and educate them, and if they chuse to put them to trades, and if the interest be more than sufficient to add the overplus to the principal; my executors to place the remaining third of the money on landed security, to collect it annually and pay it to my wife till her death or marriage and no longer, after this the money I give to my son states Morris Williams and such child or children as I may hereafter have divided as I have herein before directed; if my son and such other children as I may have all die in the lifetime of my mother and wife then the interest of the said money I leave to them and the survivor of them for life, and after their deaths £200 of the said money to Isreal Hunt, the son of Elven Hunt, deceased, or if he be dead to his children if any then be alive; Also £50 thereof to Daniel Williams, son of my uncle, Daniel Williams, if alive and to his children if he shall leave any then alive; Also £100 of said money to Gilbert Vincent, son of Lewis Vincent, if alive and to his children if he leave any then alive; Also £50 thereof to John Williams, son of my said uncle Daniel, if alive and to his children if then alive; Also £50 thereof to Elizabeth Williams, daughter of my neighbor and cousin, John Williams; Also £50 thereof to Isreal Honeywell, Jr., and his executors; Also £25 thereof to John Oakley; Also £25 to Stephen Oakley; all the residue of the said money and of my estate I give, on the contingency aforesaid, in manner following, viz.: one sixth to William Honeywell, one sixth to Philip Honeywell, one sixth to Thadeus

Avery, one sixth to Alpheus Avery, one sixth to all such children of my uncle, John Vincent, deceased, as shall then be alive, and the remaining sixth to Vincent Fowler. I nominate Israel Honeywell, Jr., John Oakley and Lewis Vincent, executors.

Dated 1774 (month and day blank). Witnesses, Morgan Lewis, of New York City, attorney at law; William S. Smith, Alsop Hunt. Proved, New York, September 27, 1784. Administration granted to Isreal Honeywell, Jr., September 28, 1784.

Page 227.—In the name of God, Amen. I, AARON STEVENS, of Albany County. I leave to my son, Jonathan Stevens, £8, as heir at law. To my three sons, Jonathan, Thomas and Hendericus, all my fast estate equally divided. To my daughters, Margaret and Mary, each £15, to be paid by my sons six years after they attain to age. To my said three sons all my farming utensils equally divided; and my household stuff I give to my two daughters after my wife's decease or remarriage. To my son Jonathan, my small gun and to Thomas, my large gun; to Hendericus, my weaving loom and "takling." I appoint my trusty friends, William Stevens, Gerret Spitzer and my wife (not named), executors.

Dated October 28, 1783. Witnesses, William Stevens, of Schenectady, farmer; Gerret Spitzer, of Schenectady, weaver; Colin McLeland. Proved, Albany County, June 6, 1784.

Page 228.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ROBERT DUNKLEY, at present of the City of New York, in North America and formerly of the City of Dublin in his Majesty's Kingdom of Ireland, Hatter, being in perfect health. I desire to be decently but privately buried in the Parish Church where I shall die with as little expence as may be. I leave all my real and personal estate in North America and Ireland to my dear beloved wife Celia, and my dear beloved daughter,

my real estate to be sold within three years of my decease. Of the monies so arising after my debts are paid, two thirds thereof to my son states Morris Williams and to such other child or children as I may hereafter have, divided between them as they come of age in such proportion, that each girl's (if any there be) share be a third less than a boy's, all boys to share equally. My executors to place at interest the money so given to my children, to be careful in collecting it yearly and thereout to maintain and educate them, and if they chuse to put them to trades, and if the interest be more than sufficient to add the overplus to the principal, my executors to place the remaining third of the money on landed security, to collect it annually and pay it to my wife till her death or marriage and no longer, after this the money I give to my son states Morris Williams and such child or children as I may hereafter have divided as I have herein before directed; if my son and such other children as I may have all die in the lifetime of my mother and wife then the interest of the said money I leave to them and the survivor of them for life, and after their deaths £200 of the said money to Isreal Hunt, the son of Elven Hunt, deceased, or if he be dead to his children if any then be alive; Also £50 thereof to Daniel Williams, son of my uncle, Daniel Williams, if alive and to his children if he shall leave any then alive; Also £100 of said money to Gilbert Vincent, son of Lewis Vincent, if alive and to his children if he leave any then alive; Also £50 thereof to John Williams, son of my said uncle Daniel, if alive and to his children if then alive; Also £50 thereof to Elizabeth Williams, daughter of my neighbor and cousin, John Williams; Also £50 thereof to Isreal Honeywell, Jr., and his executors; Also £25 thereof to John Oakley; Also £25 to Stephen Oakley; all the residue of the said money and of my estate I give, on the contingency aforesaid, in manner following, viz.: one sixth to William Honeywell, one sixth to Philip Honeywell, one sixth to Thadeus

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Elizabeth Dunkley, otherwise Brooks, wife of Philip Brooks, of Norwich Connecticut, Bookbinder, immediately after my decease, one half to my wife during her life, and after her death the whole to my said daughter. Executors, my said wife and daughter.

Dated August 12, 1778. Witnesses, Charles White, Robert Johnston, of New York City, shopkeeper; Paul High. Proved, New York, September 30, 1784. Administration granted to Celia Dunkley and Elizabeth Jacobs, executrices, October 1, 1784.

Page 230.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MARY LAWRENCE, of Flushing, widow of Samuel Lawrence late of Flushing, being in good health, this 9th day of October, 1775. I leave to my son, Samuel Lawrence, the interest of £300 during his life for which £300 of my Bonds or cash shall be put out at interest. To my said son my "Cott beds" and the bedding belonging to them, £200 of the said £300 after the death of my son Samuel to my grandson, William Lawrence, son of Augustin Lawrence, but in case my said grandson die before my son Samuel, then the same to my son Augustin; the remaining £100 after the death of Samuel to be equally divided between all my children. To my son Augustin £100. To my granddaughters, Mary and Margaret, daughters of my son, Thomas Lawrence, each £50 to be put out at interest, and paid them with the interest when respectively of full age. To my daughter, Deborah Doughty, my large silver mug for life and then to my granddaughter, Margaret Lawrence. To my daughter, Mary Warters, my silver "soop spoon." To my granddaughter, Sarah James, my silver "Tea pott." To my granddaughter, Hannah James, my "silver mugg" and one silver "salt dish." To my granddaughter, Mary James, my small silver mug and one silver salt dish. To my great granddaughter, Mary Colden, my silver sugar dish. To my grandson, Samuel Willett, six silver table spoons. To my grandson, Augustine Willett, my

silver cream pot and pepper box. To my granddaughter, Mary Warters, half a dozen silver tea spoons and a silver tea tongs. To my son, Thomas Lawrence, my clock, and if he die before his wife Mary the clock to his wife. To my niece, Mary Hicks, my silver porringer, the remainder of my Bonds, cash, notes of hand, and money due me, with all the residue of my estate to be equally divided between my sons, Thomas and Augustin, and my daughters, Debora Doughty, Elizabeth Thorneton and Mary Warters. I desire that my son Samuel shall live with my daughter, Mary Warters. I desire that my negro wench Hannah choose her Master or have her freedom which she may like best. The above legacies to be given to the said legatees when they respectively arrive at age or marry. I make my sons, Thomas and Augustin Lawrence, and my son-in-law, Samuel Doughty, executors.

Witnesses, Joseph Willis, of Queens County, Cordwainer; Elizabeth Willis, John Field. Proved, Queens County, September 22, 1784. Administration granted to Thomas Lawrence, New York, October 2, 1784.

Page 232.—I, RICHARD SEAMAN, of Herricks, in the township of Hempstead, Queens County, Nassau Island, being this 4th day of the 11th month called November, 1781, infirm of body, am willing therefore to set my affairs in order not knowing how soon my final exit may come. I leave to my wife all my stock of creatures, farming utensils and household furniture. In order that my debts and funeral expenses be paid I order my executors to collect all moneys due me and with the same to pay my debts as far as it will go, and I empower them to sell such part of my farm as will pay my debt and fully discharge a legacy to my daughter Elisabeth. I leave to my said daughter £100. The remainder of my lands, buildings, etc., I will to my two sons, Richard and Benjamin, equally divided, to be possessed at such time as directed, one third to be possessed by Richard im-

mediately on my decease, and to the intent that my wife be supported and my son Benjamin well educated, schooled and brought up. I will to her (my wife) the profits of the other two thirds till Benjamin be twenty-one, when my executors shall make a division of my lands and buildings so that Richard and Benjamin have each one half, but I except out of my estate willed to my sons, for the use of my wife and my daughter Elizabeth, any one room in my house that they choose, with a sufficiency of fire wood for the support of one fire, and the keeping of one cow winter and summer, as long as either continue unmarried and no longer. If my wife marry before Benjamin be twenty-one all privileges willed to her cease. To my son Benjamin my Desk, if he die under age and without issue his legacies to go to Richard and Elizabeth in equal shares. I appoint my brother-in-law, John Searing, and my friend, Adam Mott, of Cow neck, both of Hempstead Township, executors.

Witnesses, Oliver Willis, Daniel Lake, tailor; Eleyabhe (Elizabeth) Shaw. Proved, Queens County, September 20, 1784.

Page 234.—Know all Men by these Presents that I, GEORGE SANDS, of Cow Neck, Queens County, being the 23rd day of September, 1776, something disordered in body but my mind and memory sound and quick for which I bless God, the giver of all good, do hereby make this present writing and no other to be my last will. I leave to George Guthrig Sands, son of my brother, Benjamin Sands, all my lands on Cow Neck or elsewhere. All my cattle, sheep, horses, hogs, farming utensils and household goods to be sold some convenient time after my decease and the money therefrom put out at interest and kept at interest with what other money I have upon Bond and note, and given to George Guthrig Sands when he is eighteen. I give my negro Michak his freedom forever. I appoint my loving brother, Benjamin Sands, and my kinsman,

Richard Sands, and my friend, Adam Mott, all of Cow Neck, executors.

Witnesses, Simon Sands, Anna Sands, Edwine Sands, yeoman. Proved, Queens County, September 22, 1784. Administration granted to Benjamin Sands, New York, October 5; 1784.

Page 235.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN MORIN SCOTT, of the City of New York, Esquire, being sick and weak, make this my last will which though I was unable to write I have dictated. I leave to my wife Helena the use of all my wrought plate while she remains my widow, and all the rest of the furniture to be at her absolute disposal. To my granddaughter, Elizabeth Litchfield, £1,500 charged as hereafter mentioned. To my son, Lewis Allaire Scott, all my lands in the outward of the city of New York, except a piece of land and a tenement and barn thereon containing about nine acres on the west side of the road leading from Greenwich to the great kill which I devise to my daughter, Mary McKnight, provided she gives up to my executors a certain lease which I some years ago gave her and her former husband for another lot during their lives, but in case this should not be done I leave all my lands in the outward to my said son. The residue of my estate, real and personal, as follows: To my wife Helena one third thereof, one third to my son, Lewis Allaire Scott, and the remaining third to my daughter, Mary McKnight, subjecting the same to the payment of my debts, and the said whole residue to the payment of £1,000 parcel of the said legacy to my said granddaughter in lieu of all claims against me from the lawful representatives of John Litchfield, the former husband of my said daughter, and the remaining £500 of the said legacy to my granddaughter I charge upon the said third of my estate devised to my daughter. I empower my executors to sell all my lands except in the outward of New York to pay my debts and the £1,000 to my said

granddaughter, but I caution them not to dispose of hastily any lands as the consideration money, considering the scarcity of cash cannot now be easily procured. I appoint as executors my dear wife Helena, my son, Lewis Allaire Scott, my daughter, Mary McKnight, and Richard Varick, Esquire.

Dated September 2, 1784. Witnesses, Robt Harpur, Esquire, Benja Kissam, Physician; Richard S. Kissam, Gentleman, all of New York City. Proved, New York, September 28, 1784.

Page 237.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HEZEKIAH HOWELL, of the Precinct of Cornwall, Orange County, Esquire, being in a comfortable state of health, do this 13th day of July, 1784, make my last will. I leave to my beloved wife Susanna one third of all my personal estate that remains after paying my debts and funeral charges at her free disposal, except my negro slaves, also one third of the profits of my real estate, and the service and labour of my male negro slave named James, and my female negro slave named Rhoda, with her choice of the use of half the dwelling house and other buildings on my farm situated in Blaggs Clove in the Precinct of Cornwall, whereon I now live, during the time she remains my widow. To my son, Hezekiah Howell, my said farm, whereon I now live, subject to the payment of the legacies I hereinafter order him to pay, subject also to the device in favor of my wife, also to him my negro James after the death or marriage of my wife. To my son Charles my house lot with the appurtenances thereto in the town of New Windsor, Ulster County, with my farm at Blooming Grove, also four cows, one "yoak" of oxen, one horse and all my farming utensils. To my daughter Phebe my negro slave named Sign. To my daughter Jane my negro slave named Bett. To my daughter Susannah my negro slave Rhoda subject to the above device to my wife. The rest of my personal estate to be divided between my four daughters, viz.:

Phebe, Jane, Susanna and Abigail. I order my son Hezekiah to pay my son Charles £50 within one year after my decease, and to pay each of my said daughters £10. I make my wife Susannah, and my son Hezekiah, executors.

Witnesses, Silvanus White, Francis Brewster, of Cornwall, yeoman, Anselm Helme. Proved, Orange County, September 30, 1784. Confirmed, New York, October 8, 1784.

Page 239.—In the name of God, Amen. I, PETER BOGARDUS, SR., of Fishkill landing, Rumbout District, Dutchess County, Cordwainer. I leave to my wife Elizabeth all my estate, real and personal, till my youngest child is twenty-one, immediately after that date to my wife one third of my real estate during her life, and after her death the same to Catharine Schoonhoven, daughter of my wife Elizabeth's first husband, and to my nine children, namely, Peter, Egbert, Shibolet, Cornelius, William, Hanna, Elizabeth, Mary and Debora, in ten equal parts, after my youngest child is twenty-one. The remaining two thirds of my estate to my said nine children equally when my youngest child comes of age. I have already given to my eldest son Peter the sloop Cornelia, also the house he lives in during my life, after my death my will is he shall deliver up the said house peaceably to my executors in good tenantable condition, free from all charges to my estate, also I give him £5. If any of my daughters, Hanna, Elizabeth, Mary and Debora, marry before my youngest child is twenty-one, such to be furnished immediately after marriage with an outset to the value of £30 in Spanish dollars at eight shillings per dollar, which shall be deducted from her share of my estate. I appoint my wife Elizabeth, my cousin, Francis Bogardus, of Wappings Creek, Rumbout Precinct, Dutchess Co., cordwainer, and Duncan Graham, of Poughkeepsie Precinct, Dutchess County, yeoman, executors.

Dated March 24, 1781. Witnesses, John Young, John Phillips, farmer; Daniel Van Voorhies. Proved, Dutchess County, August 23, 1784. Confirmed, New York, October 8, 1784.

Page 241.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM BREDT, of New York City, yeoman, being in perfect health. I leave to my beloved wife Anna my whole estate, real and personal, during her life, the same after her decease to be divided equally between my brothers, Johannes and Nicholas Bredt, and my sister Margaritta wife of John Romme. To my said brothers all my wearing apparel. I appoint my wife Anna and William Davis and John Anters, both of the Manor of Philipsburgh, Westchester County.

Dated November 3, 1764. Witnesses, Evert Pels, John Van Orden, of New York City, yeoman; Gerrard Smith. Proved, Westchester County, September 27, 1784. Administration granted to Stephen Williams, of North Castle, Westchester County, yeoman, the husband of a niece of Willem Bredt, late of the City of New York, yeoman, deceased, whereas William Davis the only surviving executor did by an Instrument bearing date the 29th of March last relinquish the executorship, New York, October 8, 1784.

Page 242.—In the name of God, Amen. I, BENJAMIN MOORE, of the City of New York, sailmaker, do on the 25th day of June, 1771, make this my last will and testament. I leave to my eldest son, Benjamin, £5. The remainder of my estate to my loving wife Cornelia and my children, Benjamin, John, James, Henry, Catherine, Elisabeth and Mary equally divided, and paid to my children as they severally arrive to the age of twenty-one, or on the day of their marriages. In case my wife die before she should marry again to any future husband, or any of my children depart this life unmarried and before twenty-one, the share of such to the survivors. Nevertheless my wife shall hold and

use my real estate and personal estate and receive the rents and profits toward the support of herself and such of my children as shall remain under twenty-one or unmarried, educating and bringing them up while she remains my widow but no longer. If my wife die or marry before my youngest child is twenty-one, I order my executors to rent out all my real estate, the rents with the income from my personal estate to go towards bringing up my children. If my personal estate fall short of paying my debts and the said legacy of £5 to my son Benjamin I empower my executors to sell such real estate as necessary for the same. I appoint my wife Cornelia, and my sons, Benjamin, John and James Moore, executors.

Witnesses, Abel Hardenbrook, Cornwell Sands, of Cornwall, Orange County, trader; Sarah Sands. Proved, New York, September 13, 1784. Administration granted to Henry Moore, of the City of New York, Physician, a son, and to William Smith of Fredericksburgh Precinct, Dutchess County, Esquire, a son-in-law of Benjamin Moore, late of the said city, sailmaker, deceased, whereas John Moore, the only surviving executor, is absent from this state, New York, October 8, 1784.

Page 245.—Be it remembered that on this 24th day of August, in the year 1782, I, RICHARD WILLIS, of Rumbouts Precinct, Dutchess County, being weak in body. I leave to my son James £100 in gold or silver or other money "acquivalent thereto." To my grandson, Charles Willis, the colt that now sucks a black "mair" of mine. To my grandson, Richard Willis, £10 in gold and silver. To my loving wife Elizibeth as long as she remains my "wido" all my lands and improvements in the township of New Rochel, Westchester County, also the remaining part of my personal estate, except my "fether" bed and "sufitiant" furniture for said bed, which I give to my granddaughter, Elizabeth Willis. I appoint my son, James Willis,

and my friend, Benjamin Smith the older, of North Castle, executors.

Witnesses, John Schut, James Schutt, Benjamin Smith, of North Castle, yeoman. Proved, Westchester County, September 20, 1784. Confirmed, New York, October 8, 1784.

Page 246.—In the name of God, Amen. I, LEWIS MERVEER, of Rye, Westchester County, being in low and weak estate as to bodily helth. I leave to Sarah, my dearly beloved wife, all the goods she brought me, with notes due for rent on her land in Connecticut, and one cow, ten bushels of corn and forty weight of "fethers," and I order for her to have three east rooms in my house with the kitchen, and the use of a garden, and I order my son Samuel to find keeping for one horse and two cows, and two hogs, and to find for her ten bushels of wheat and fifteen of corn per year, while she doth continue my widow, and the use of the wench, Gin; but if she doth leave the house and go else to live she to forfeit her last mentioned privileges. I leave to my "eldest son Joseph" £100 continental money which is now by me in full bar of his claim as heir-at-law. I think fit to order my "youngest son Joseph" to pay all my debts and funeral charges, and I give to my "youngest son Joseph" all my buildings and land in Rye, with my farming utensils and my moveable stock and "Hary my negro Boy." I order Samuel Jervis to sell my negro man called Moses which ran away to New York, and be paid for cost of a late "sickness," half of the remaining money to be paid to my "yongest son Samuel." To my eldest daughter, Elezabeth, wife of Samuel Jervis, my clock and one bed. To my youngest daughter, Susannah, my negro wench, when her mother discontinues to remain my widow or to live in my house in Rye, also one bed. All my remaining household goods to be equally divided between my four children, Joseph, Samuel, Elezbeth and Susannah; and my continental

money yet remaining by me to be divided between the children of my two daughters, Elezabeth and Susannah. I appoint Silas Bets, of Greenwich, and Samuel Brown, of Rye, my executors.

(Signed) LEWIS MARVIN.

Dated November 22, 1779. Witnesses, Thomas Lyon, of Rye, yeoman; Andrew Brown, Jonathan juion (Guion in proof). Proved, Westchester County, September 30, 1784. Administration granted to Samuel Brown, New York, October 8, 1784.

Page 248.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN HARRISON, of the City of New York, Mariner, being bound to sea and knowing the uncertainty of this life. I leave to my loving wife, Denise Mary Harrison, all my estate, real and personal, to be by her disposed of as she shall think convenient towards the bringing up and educating of my children. I appoint my wife, Denise Mary, sole executrix.

Dated October 31, 1765. Witnesses, Esther Rou (at Proof called "Esther Lecounte formerly Esther Rou," of New York City, spinster), Jn<sup>o</sup> Shand, Samuel Jones. Proved, New York, October 8, 1784. Administration granted to Samuel Loudon, of New York City, Printer, whereas Denise Mary Harrison, the executrix, did by an Instrument bearing date October 7th instant relinquish the executorship, New York, October 9, 1784.

Page 249.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL DUNSCOMB, of the City of New York, Cooper, being in health of body. I leave to my beloved daughter, Susannah Dunscomb, my negro woman slave, named Ginn, also one half of my estate, real and personal. To my daughters, Eleanor Miller, Susannah Dunscomb and Mary Armor, the other half of my estate equally divided. I ordain my daughter, Susannah Dunscomb, and my trusty friend, Samuel Spraggs, executors.

Dated New York City, August 6, 1779. Witnesses,

Walter Heye, John Clark, Thomas Wiley. Proved, New York, October 12, 1784, when Samuel Spraggs, of the said City, schoolmaster, swore that he did see Samuel Dunscomb sign the above will, and also saw John Clark, Thomas Wiley, and a third person, unknown to him, subscribe their names. The same day administration granted to Susannah Mackey and Samuel Spraggs, executors.

Page 250.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIZABETH DE LANCEY, formerly of Westchester County, but now of Flushing, Queen's County, on Nassau Island, widow of Peter De Lancey, late of Westchester, deceased, being weak in body. I desire all my debts and funeral expenses to be paid as soon as possible after my decease with what remains due to my three youngest children, Susan the wife of Major Thomas H. Barclay, Jane the wife of John Watts, Jr., Esq., and my son, Warren De Lancey, of their portion of my said late husband's estate, devised to them by his last will; for that purpose I order my executors to sell so much of my land in Westchester County or of lots in the City of New York as may be necessary, in case the whole of my real estate cannot be sold immediately after my decease as is directed hereafter. To my son Stephen the picture of my late father, Cadwallader Colden, Esquire, and to him and to each of my sons, John, James, Oliver and Warren, a silver pocket case of Instruments to be made in the neatest manner, value six guineas, with the following engraving on them: "When you receive this token the Parent who gives it will be no longer here on earth, let us live so as to hope to meet in heaven." I give to my daughter Ann my gold watch and my share of the three negro men, Jim, Sam and Yaff, and of the wench Phillis, in confidence that they will be treated with kindness, and that the aged ones in particular will receive every mark of her affection and care, each to have a new suit of clothes at my death. To my

daughter Alice, the wife of Ralph Izard, Esq<sup>r</sup>, my silver ink stand and the miniature picture of my daughter Ann. To my daughter, Susan Barclay, my locket with her sister Elizabeth's hair and the diamond ring sent me by Lady Warren. To my daughter, Jane Watts, the diamond ring given me by my daughter Izard, the apron worked by my daughter Elizabeth and my enamelled tooth pick case. To my grandson, Henry Izard, my moco sleeve buttons, and to my granddaughter, Elizabeth Ann Delancey, a new gold thimble. Whereas I have been at greater expense in bringing up my son John's daughter Elizabeth Ann, and Henry the son of my daughter Izard, than for any other of my grandchildren, in lieu thereof I give to each of my son Stephen's three children, Peter, Elizabeth and Cadwallader, £100, to my daughter Susan Barclay's three children, Elizabeth, Henry and Delancey, each £100, and to my daughter Jane Watts two children, Ann and John, each £150 to be paid to their respective parents for their use; but in case of the death of any of my said grandchildren before twenty-one years of age or marriage I leave their legacies to the surviving brother or sister of the one so dying which is already or may happen next to be born to my said three children, Stephen, Susan and Jane, and in failure of the birth of any other child such legacy to go to the surviving brothers or sisters here before mentioned of the one so dying equally divided among them. I will that my executors with all convenient speed do sell my real estate, consisting of lands in Westchester County, lots in New York City, and lands devised me by the will of my late father, with the buildings, etc., reserving to my daughter Ann the right of purchasing at the same price which was last paid for them (if she think proper) my half of the lands at Westchester called "Union Hill" in which she has an equal share with me; and the monies from the sales with what may be in my possession, the bonds given me by the will of my father, and all other bonds,

I bequeath to all my children, equally divided. To my daughters, Ann, Susan and Jane, the rest of my personal estate, including my plate, furniture, wearing apparel, horses, carriages, etc., equally divided. I appoint my brother, David Colden, of Flushing, executor and my daughter, Ann De Lancey, executrix.

Dated September 12, 1782. Witnesses, Caleb Valentine, Benjamin Buckbee, of Flushing, yeoman; John Buckbee. Proved, New York, October 12, 1784.

Page 253.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOBUS TER BOS, JR., of Rombouts precinct in "Duths" County, being "sick and wick." I give to my son William for his "birt writh" £5. After my debts are paid the remainder of my estate to be divided among my wife and children equally, that is to say my wife Sary, my son William and my sons Jeams and Elegas, and my "dathers" Susana, Chaharyna, Sayry and Eleysabet. I make my father, Jacobus Ter Bos, and my wife Sary, and Elyas De Bouys and Isaac Ter Bos, executors.

Dated this "twinty sevent day of Actober, 1774. Witnesses, Isaac Ter Bos, of Dutchess County, farmer"; Thomas Swiderd (Southard), and James Orsborn. Proved, Dutchess County, April 17, 1784. Confirmed, New York, October 13, 1784.

Page 254.—I, NATHAN PEARCE, JR., of Pawlings Precinct, Dutchess County, being weak and sick. I give to my beloved wife Elizebeth one third of my moveable estate. To my three sons all the rest of my estate, namely, Daniel, Robert, Gilbert and Charles, equally divided, they paying to my two daughters, Susannah and Hannah, each fifty pounds equivalent to silver dollars when they are eighteen, and if either die before, then her part shall go to the survivor. My sons to enjoy what I have given them when they come to the age of twenty-one, and if any die before, his part to go to his surviving brothers. My will is that my brother, William Pearce, be guardian to my children

till of age to choose for themselves, and to have them brought up to common learning. My will is that my wife live with and bring up my children if she remain my widow with the advice of my guardian, but if she shall marry again then to take what I have given her and quit the estate. I make my brother William, and my wife Elizebeth, executors.

Dated January 11, 1780. Witnesses, James Stark, yeoman; Sarah Pearce, Nathan Pearce. Proved, Dutchess County, June 1, 1784. Confirmed, New York, October 13, 1784.

Page 256.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MARY BLANCK, of the City of New York, widow, being in perfect health. I leave all the residue of my estate after the payment of my debts to my daughter, Mary Arden, wife of Thomas Arden; but if she die before me then to her four daughters, Abijah, Elizabeth, Susannah and Margaret, each one equal fourth. I appoint my said daughter, Mary Arden, sole executrix.

Dated March 29, 1780. Witnesses, Jesper Webbers, of New York City, tailor; Thomas Arden, of New York City, Gentleman; Catrin Cope. Proved, October 14, 1784.

Page 257.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CHARITY WHEELER, of the City of New York, widow, being weak in body. I leave to my niece, Catherine Van Voorhees, all that part of the estate of William Cooke (late sexton of Trinity Church), deceased, which by his last will he left me; also my negro wench named Bassy, and my silver tankard. My wearing apparel to my said niece, Catherine Van Voorhees, to my late husband's daughter, Elizabeth Swain, and his daughter, Abigail Kendal, equally divided between them. To the said Abigail Kendal my pint silver mug, and to my grandson, John Lefevere, my silver Pepper Box. After payment of my debts and funeral expenses all the rest of my estate I order to be sold and the monies to be divided between my said niece Catherine, the

said Elizabeth Swain, Abigail Kendal, John Lefevre and my grandson, Abraham Vandle, equally divided. I appoint Stephen Kippen and Benjamin James, of New York City, executors.

Dated January 21, 1777. Witnesses, Thos. D. St. Croix, Tho<sup>s</sup> Mills, John Jones. Proved, New York, September 27, 1784, when John Jones, shipchandler, and Charity Glentworth, widow (both of New York City), swore to the will. Administration granted to Daniel Van Voorhis, of the City of New York, silver-smith, and Catharine his wife, next of kin, and one of the residuary legatees of Charity Wheeler, deceased, whereas Benjamin James, the surviving executor is absent from this state, New York, October 16, 1784.

Page 259.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MARIA EGBERSE, of the City of Albany. I leave to my eldest son Benjamin £5 in right of Primogeniture. To my five children, Benjamin, Annatie, Maria, Antony and Jacob Visher Egberse, each an equal fifth of my house and lot in the City of New York in the north ward on the north side of Crown street, conveyed to me and my husband, Albert Egberse, by deeds dated September 10th and 11th, 1740. The residue of my estate to my said five children, and if any die before twenty-one without heirs the share of such to the survivors. I make Jacob Ja. Lansing, executor.

Dated February 15th, 1763. Witnesses, Hendr. Roseboom, merchant, of Albany; Jelles Clute, Ab<sup>m</sup> Yates, Jr., Gentleman, of Albany. Proved, Albany County, September 24, 1784. Administration granted to Anthony Egberts, of Schotech, Albany County, merchant, a son of Mary Egberts, deceased, whereas the executor, Jacob Ja Lansing, did relinquish the executorship by an Instrument dated September 24 last, New York, October 16, 1784.

Page 261.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN COCKLE, of Jamaica, Queens County, yeoman, being

far advanced in years. I give to Ruth, my dearly beloved wife, my dwelling house and lot of land in the Townspot of Jamaica where I now live for her life, the use of my furniture and the interest of £500. To my son, Thomas Cockle, born in Nottingham in old England, the sum of 5 shillings. To my daughter Elinor, wife of Robert Boyd, of New Windsor, Ulster County, a bond of £400 which I have against her husband. Whereas I have above given my wife the interest of £500 for life, I dispose of the same as follows after her death: £25 to John, Joseph, Susannah, Ruth and Elinor Cockle, children of my son, John Cockle, deceased, equally divided among them, the remainder thereof to my grandchildren, children of my daughter, Elinor Boyd, namely, Samuel, Ruth, John and Jennet, equally divided among them when they arrive at lawful age, unless my wife live till that time when the same shall be paid them within one year of her death; and if my wife die before they arrive at lawful age then my daughter Elinor shall have the interest of the money till they arrive at lawful age. And the £25 given to the children of my son John, shall be kept at interest till they arrive at lawful age. After the death of my wife I empower my executors to sell all my real and personal estate and the money therefrom I bequeath to Elinor Boyd. I make my wife Ruth and son-in-law, Robert Boyd, and Nicholas Smith, of Jamaica, executors.

Dated March 29, 1777. Witnesses, Benja<sup>n</sup> Smith, William Lewis, Robert Hinchman. Proved, May 26, 1784, Queens County. Confirmed, October 18, 1784, New York.

Page 262.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN THURMAN, of the City of New York, being sick and weak in body. I order my executors to sell all my estate; the monies arising with my personal estate to be divided into five equal shares, and I do give one fifth part thereof to my son, Ralph Thurman, one fifth

to my son, John Thurman, Jr., and as to two other equal fifth parts I order my executors to place the monies at interest on such securities as they think proper, but at the "risque" of my legatees and to give the interest one third for the use of each of my three grandchildren, Richardson Thurman, Nicholas Rosevelt and Elizabeth Rosevelt, till they respectively attain the age of twenty-one or marry (provided such marriage shall not happen before they are twenty-one unless with the approbation of my executors), and I give the said third of the said two fifths to my said grandchildren when they come of age or marry as aforesaid; and in case of the death of either of them under age the share of such to the survivors, but if both said Nicholas and Elizabeth die under age unmarried then half of their share to my said grandson, Richardson Thurman, and the other half to be divided between my children, Ralph and John Thurman, and Gertrude, wife of Daniel Dunscomb, and my said grandson Richardson, each one fourth thereof. Out of the remaining fifth part of my estate my executors shall pay to my daughter, Gertrude Dunscomb, the yearly interest for life, and after her death the same shall be divided between her children, but if she die without leaving children I give the said one fifth as follows: one fourth thereof to each of my sons, Ralph and John, and two fourths to be divided between my said three grandchildren, Richardson Thurman, Nicholas and Elizabeth Rosevelt. My son Ralph shall stand chargeable to my estate for the yearly rent of £25, for the houses and tenements now in his occupation in Crown street and one formerly occupied by him in little Queen street from the first of May, 1760, till my decease. My negro man Foe shall be the property of such of my children as he shall choose to live with, and he shall not be sold out of the family unless at his own request. I make my sons, Ralph and John, and grandson, Richardson Thurman, executors.

Dated January 4, 1775. Witnesses, Evert Bancker.

of New York City, Esquire; Joseph Cox, Ab<sup>m</sup> B. Bancker. Proved, Dutchess County, October 7, 1778. Confirmed, New York, October 18, 1784.

Page 265.—In the name of God, Amen. This 24th day of March, 1783. I, PETER PAIN, of Southampton, Suffolk County, yeoman, being weak in body. I leave my beloved wife Phebe, the use of my lands, meadows and buildings and moveables till my sons come of age, then the third part of said lands so long as she remains my widow; Also the best room in my house and £50. To my daughter Betsey, £30 when eighteen, to my daughter Elizabeth, a good milch cow when she receives her legacy. To my four sons, Daniel, Zaccheus, Rufus and Nichols all my lands and buildings, the lands to be divided according to quantity and quality, but he that has the buildings must pay each of the others one fourth of what they shall be prized at to help them towards procuring buildings for themselves. The land I bought of Walter Havens to be sold and the money used to pay my just debts. I likewise give my daughter Betsey a right in my house so long as unmarried. I make my wife Phebe, and my friend, Abraham Rose, executors. Witnesses, Jonathan Pain, Paul Pain and Sam. H. Rose. Proved, September 4, 1784, Suffolk County. Confirmed, New York, October 19, 1784.

Page 266.—In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS HEDGER, of Middletown, Monmouth County, East Jersey, this 30th day of June, 1770, being in health of body. I give to my son James the use of my salt meadow in Flushing, Long Island, during his life, and after his death it to be sold and the money divided between his children. To my son Stephen, one bed and bedding. The remainder of my household goods, furniture and "kitching ware" to my two daughters, Amey and Elizebeth Hedger, and one cow to each. To my son Stephen, one horse as he shall chuse. The

"rideing chare" in my possession belongs to my said two daughters. My estate, except the above, to be sold, and the money divided as follows. To my son Stephen, £300; to my daughter Deborah, £20; to my daughter, Mary Tallman, £20; to my daughter Anne, wife of Daniel Latham, £20; to my daughter Amey, £20; to my daughter Elizebeth, £20. If my estate amount to more than the above, each of my said daughters and my daughter Abigall, wife of Francis Field, shall receive £30, if any more monies remain then my son Stephen and my six said daughters shall divide the same equally. I appoint my son Stephen, my daughter, Amey Hedge, and John Stevenson, executors.

Witnesses, William Ker, of Middletown, laborer; James Walling, Catharine Garrison, Mary Garrison. Proved, New York, October 21, 1784.

Page 268.—In the name of God, Amen. This 16th day of December, 1782. I, PETER HOUSMAN, of Richmond County, New York, yeoman, being weak in body. I leave to my eldest son, John, the choice of my silver watches and the sum of £5 in lieu of his Birthright. To my son Benjamin, one silver watch; to my son Peter, my silver hilted sword; to my three sons, John, Benjamin and Peter, all my wearing apparel equally divided; to my daughter Martha, two gold rings and one pair silver buckels; to my daughter Johanah, one gold ring and one pair of silver buckles; to my two daughters, Martha and Johanah, all my wife's wearing apparel, equally divided; to my daughter Mary, one piece of "Pompidore Chince"; to Nancy Kruse, daughter of my last wife, one "cubbord" being in the widdow Stoughtenburoug's care. I order my executors to sell the remainder of my estate, real and personal. To my brothers and sisters, Aurt, John, Richard, Abraham, Margaret, Mary, Elisabeth, Cathrin, Jemima and Sarah, £22 a peace in lieu of what I give them of their father's estate, "as I fell heir to," to be

paid them one year after my decease. I reserve £50 for the purposes hereafter mentioned. I give to all my children here named, John, Benjamin, Peter, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Anthony, James, Mary, Martha and Johanah, all the rest of my estate, equally divided, excepting my daughter Mary, wife of John Tyson, I deduct out of her share the sum of £50 aforesaid in lieu of her outset. If any of my children die under age without issue, their shares to be divided among all my sons and daughters. Whereas I stand charged with the maintenanc of a child the daughter of Eloner Chlindinny, now the wife of Thomas Dickson, the before reserved sum of £50, on condition the said child or some person shall give to my executors sufficient discharge that she shall never claim any more of my executors, and if she shall fail on the performance of her part the £50 to be divided among my children. To my daughter, Mary Tyson, one side saddle now in her care. I appoint my brothers, Aurt and Richard Houseman and John Tyson, my son-in-law, my trustees, to be executors, and guardians of my children.

Witnesses, Games Cozine, James Bodine, Wilhelmas Cozine. Proved, Richmond County, October 18, 1784.

Page 271.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN HOLT, of the City of Williamsburgh, being in health of body. My soul I resign to God and my body I commend to the care of my friends to be decently committed to the dust, etc., as for my worldly goods I bequeath them as follows, my debts being first discharged with full interest on the sum due Mr. John Hanbury, of London, from the several times of his advancing money on my account beyond my effects in his hands paid him as if the same so due had been upon Bonds. Imprimis to my two nieces, Mary and Margaret Thomson, daughters of Mr. John Thomson, of Hanover County, merchant, £40 each. To Eliz<sup>a</sup>. the daughter of Hon. William Nelson, Esq., £75 in

token of the affection I have had for her from her infancy and of my gratitude for the favours conferred on me by her father. To my well-beloved wife Eliz<sup>a</sup>, all my lands, lots and houses in Hanover and New Kent Counties and in the City of Williamsburgh for life and then to my child if she should have one by me, if not I leave them as follows, viz.: to my brother, David Holt, all my lands, lots and houses in Hanover County on condition he pay my brother, Diddall Holt, £60. To my brother, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, all my houses, lots and leases in the City of Williamsburgh. To my sister, Mary Holt, my lands and houses in New Kent County. To my wife and my negroes, cattle, horses, furniture and one third of my books to be chosen by herself and £500. If my estate should amount to more I dispose of it as follows, viz.: £50 to my nurse, Alice Watkins, of Hanover County, and in case of her decease to Mary Watkins, her daughter, to whom also I leave £10. To my brother, David Holt, £10. To my brother, W<sup>m</sup> Holt and my brother-in-law, W<sup>m</sup> Hunter, each one third of my books and £10. To my friends, Thomas Williamson, Samuel Price, James Murray and Robert Nicholas each one guinea. To my brothers-in-law, Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr. Davies of Hanover and Mr. Benj<sup>a</sup> Smith of Essex, each two guineas. To my much esteemed friends, Mr. Benjamin Waller and Mr. Joseph Davenport, to the first, two guineas, to the other, five. The rest of the money I dispose of as follows: one fifth to my mother, Margaret Holt, one fifth to my sister-in-law, Rosanna Hunter, and the remaining three fifths equally divided between my sister, Mary Holt, and my sister-in-law, Mary Hunter. I appoint Mr. Benjamin Waller, Joseph Davenport, Thomas Williamson Hunter and William Holt, executors.

Dated October 1, 1749. Witnesses, J. Davenport, N. Davenport, William Holt, Simkin Bryan. Proved, October 30, 1784, when Elizabeth Holt, widow, alone took oath. Administration granted to Elizabeth Holt, widow, and Eleazer Oswald, printer, both of the City

of New York, the former the relict, the latter a principal creditor of John Holt, late of the same place, printer, deceased. October 30, 1784.

Page 273.—In the name of God, Amen. The 16th day of November, 1778. I, OBEDIAH DAVIS, of Brook Haven, Suffolk County, "shumaker" being weak in body. I leave to my second son, Jonas Davis, my homestead, land and buildings and all my lands east of the farm that was Nathanael Long Catharn's, bounded east by John Smith's and Benjamin Hawkins lands; Also my land and meadows at a place called the West Meadows; Also two thirds of a long lot on the north side of the country road, the said two thirds being at the north end of the said lot, all the above gifts to my son Jonas, on condition he pay to my eldest son, John, £10 within twelve months of my decease. To my third son, Caleb Davis, a tract of land called the Hills, eastward of the south path and westward of the land that was Samuel Davis's, and half of an island of tatch bed lying in stonebrook harbor and my riding beast, saddle and bridel, one cow and calf, and all my shumaking tools, and one bed and bedstead, one pare of sheats, two blancits, a boulster and two pillers. To my wife Phebe such clothing as she has at my decease. To my daughter Ruth, two pounds; to my daughter Elisebeth, two pounds. I will that my son Jonas shall pay his mother-in-law, my wife, Phebe Davis, the interest of £50 yearly during the time she lives my widow on condition she shall first release to my son her right of dower or thurds in my estate. To my son Jonas, my moveable estate not above disposed of. I appoint my beloved son Jonas, sole executor.

Witnesses, Richard Robinson, Isaac Davis and George Hallock (both the last of Brookhaven). Proved, Suffolk County, October 7, 1784. Confirmed, New York, October 30, 1784.

Page 275.—In the name of God, Amen. The 2d of January, 1772. I, RICHARD MILLER, of Brookhaven,

Suffolk County, being well in body. I leave to my beloved daughter Anne, £20 and a "mullattow" slave named Bette. To my daughter, Sarah Woodhull, £20 and a mullattow slave named Margarate. To Temperance Miller, my well beloved wife, the interest of £200 so long as she remains my widow and no longer, and also the use of my lands, meadow and buildings in the township of Brookhaven with my households and cattle, sheep, horses and hogs, and farming utensils, and also my servants (except what I have given away) during her widowhood. To my son Richard, my lands and meadow and buildings in Brookhaven, servants, cattle, etc., give my wife after she dies or marries. To my daughters, Anne Miller and Sarah Woodhull, all the above given to Richard if he should not live to the age of thirty or leave an heir. To my sister, Hannah Wood, my right to a piece of land on the waden river that I purchased of Euriah Glover for life and after her death to her son, Richard Wood. I make my son, Richard and wife Temperance, executors.

Witnesses, Andrew Miller, Andrew Miller, Jr., Jeanna Miller. Proved, Suffolk County, October 7, 1784. Administration granted to Sarah Woodhull, of Brookhaven, widow, a daughter of Richard Miller, late of the same place, yeoman, deceased, the executors having previously died, New York, October 31, 1784.

Page 277.—In the name of God, Amen. I, LAMBERT WOODARD, Sen<sup>r</sup>, of New town in Queens County on Nassau Island, yeoman, being weak of body. I leave to my beloved wife, Johanna Woodard, the use of the rest of my estate (after debts are paid) as long as she remains my widow. To my son Nathaniel, my great chain for his birthright, to my daughter Mary, after the death of her mother, the best feather bed, bolster, two pillows, straw bed, bedsted and curtains, two pairs of sheats and pillow cases, two blankets, one blue and white and one "Birdeye" coverlid, a large black trunk

and small blue chest, warming pan, large dining table, a bilesteel candlestand, my black framed looking glass, half a dozen puter plates, bason and platter, my large Bible, iron pot and kittle, a frying pan, one tramel, one pair of tongs and shovel, the best cow, one pail and churn, knives, forks and spoons, half a dozen chairs, the best diaper and tow table cloths, two towels and one diaper napkin. To my son Philip, my best horse and saddle, one bedsted, straw and feather bed and bedding, one green rug, one pine chest, one case with bottles. The rest of my estate to be sold after the death or remarriage of my wife and the money divided among my children. I appoint my sons, Nathaniel Woodard, Lambert Woodard, Jr., and Philip Woodard, executors.

Dated December 18, 1772. Witnesses, Samuel Moore 3d, John Ketcham, of Queens County, carpenter; Robert Haight. Proved, Queens County, November 4, 1784.

Page 279.—I, STEPHEN BAILY, formerly of Southold, Suffolk County, Long Island. I will that my real estate be sold and my debts paid, and that the remainder go to my son Stephen. My personal estate to be equally divided among my daughters, Mehitabel, Lydia, Mary, Susannah, Abigail, Lucretia and Deborah, when they arrive at lawful age. My beloved wife Mehitabel shall keep in her own hands the portions of the said daughters for educating and bringing them up till of age. I appoint Capt. Barnabas Horton, of Southold, and my wife Mehitabel, executors.

Dated in Guilford, May 19, 1777. Witnesses, Samuel Brown, Benjamin Vail, nailmaker; Elisha Vail. Proved, Suffolk County, June 9, 1784. Confirmed, New York, November 10, 1784.

Page 280.—In the name of God, Amen. I, BARNIBAS WINES, of Southold, Suffolk County, being weak in body. I devise to my son, Barnabas Wines, seven

acres on the west side of my farm whereon I now live with the building thereon. To my son Thomas seven acres from my east bounds with the buildings thereon, also my fence on the east of the lane so far as the seven acres run, and my timber and timberland north of the Woolf pit so called, the rest of the timberland to my son Barnabas. If Barnabas should compell Thomas to any other division than here named then Thomas shall have an open way to the watering place. The rest of my lands to Barnabas and Thomas share and share alike. To my daughter, Anna Reeve, £100. I order Barnabas and Thomas to pay to Anna a further sum of £40, or if they refuse then my executors to dispose of as much of my land as shall make the sum of £40. The residue of my estate I give to my endeared wife Bethiah for life and after her death to my daughter Anna. I make my son-in-law, James Reeve, Esq<sup>r</sup>, and my two sons, Barnabas and Thomas, executors.

Dated July 12, 1782. Witnesses, P. Wickham, James Reeve, Jr., Jno. P. Wickham. Proved, Suffolk County, September 4, 1784. Administration granted to the executors, James Reeves, Barnabas Winds and Thomas Winds, New York, November 10, 1784.

Page 282.—In the name of God, Amen. This 14th day of January, 1775. I, ELIJAH BROWN, of the Town of Southold, Suffolk County, being weak in body. I leave to my son, Elijah Brown, my wearing apparrell. To my son Absolom ten shillings. To my daughters, Easther Fournier, Deborah Corwin, Mary Brown and Catharine Brown ten shillings each, and to my daughter, Abigail Brown, ten shillings and my Great Bible; all the above to be paid in one yeare after my decease. My debts and funeral charges to be paid out of my stock of cattle and outdoor moveables, and either my land at Mud Creek or my land which I bought of Selah Reeve to be sold to pay the same. I give to my wife Mary a good bed and one cow to dispose of as she

shall think fitting, also the use of my indoor household goods so long as she remains my widow, and no longer, and after her interest to be divided between all my children. My working tools and outdoor moveables after my debts are paid to my two sons, William and David. My land not disposed of, to my wife so long as my widow. My sons, William and David, to improve it for her on reasonable terms, and William to have the priviledge of living in one room where he now lives; after my wife's interest my lands to William and David. I appoint my sons, William and David, executors.

Witnesses, James Wills, Israel Youngs, Simon Corwin. Proved, Suffolk County, August 10, 1784. Administration granted to Mary Brown, of Southold, widow of Elijah Brown, yeoman, the executors being deceased before the Probate of the will, New York, November 10, 1784.

Page 283.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES BAIN, in the "Monor of Livingston" being weak in body. My burial to be decent without pomp or state. After my debts are paid I leave to my dearly beloved wife (not named) while she remains my widow all my estate, fast and moveables, but if she should alter her condition by marriage then the same to be divided among my children except £5 which I give to my eldest son (not named) for his birthright. To my son Casparus one sixth of my estate and £5 more, but if by Providence he should die without a lawful heir then his part to the rest of his brothers. To my sons, Hugh, Phillip, William, James and John one sixth each. I appoint John McNeil, Duncan McAurthur, Kathren Ban and my son Casparus, executors.

Dated November 24, 1783. Witnesses, Casparus Schult, farmer; Wellen Fritz, Alexander Manson. Proved, Washington County, October 12, 1784. Confirmed, New York, November 12, 1784.

Page 285.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN FRYER, of the City of Albany, late clearriner (mariner?) being at present weak in body. I leave to my grandson, Bastian Visscher, my silver watch. To my grandson, Samuel Willett, my silver hilted sword and my fowling piece. All the residue of my estate to my daughters, Sarah Willett, wife of Edward, and Lydia Visscher, wife of Matthew Visscher, Esqr. I appoint my said sons-in-law, Edward Willett and Matthew Visscher, and my friend, Robert Yates, Esqr, executors.

Dated November 11, 1783. Witnesses, Bastejan T. Vischer, Peter W. Hilton, John N. Visscher, both the last two of Albany, Gentlemen. Proved, Albany, November 6, 1784. Confirmed, New York, November 12, 1784.

Page 286.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HEZEKIAH GALE, of the Precinct of the Wallkill, Ulster Co., this 20th day of August, 1784. I give to my loving wife Martha, all my household furniture, together with the use of the best room in my dwelling house during her widowhood. All my debts to be paid out of my moveable estate and the remainder to be equally divided between my said wife and my son Samuel. Unto my daughter, Martha Lewes, 16 acres of land, bounded on two sides by Ichabod Leweses lands. Unto my three sons, Abel, Moses and Samuel, and to my daughter, Mary Gale, the remained of my homsted, farm and lands, equally divided. Unto my three daughters, Hannah Smith, Mary Gale and Martha Lewes, 300 acres of land now in dispute which I claim, equally divided. The remainder of the said disputed land to my three sons above named and I appoint them executors.

Witnesses, Jno. McCamly, Jesse Brockway, of Wallkill Precinct, and Jas. Crawford. Proved, November 12, 1784.

Page 288.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHANNIS SHURRIE, of Rombout Precinct, Dutchess County,

farmer, being weak in body do this 28th day of May, 1784, make this my last will. I leave to my daughter Elisabeth £25 or in case of her death to her children, which £25, with what she and her husband, Jeremiah Jones, has had already of me, is more than I have to give to any of the rest of my daughters. To Lawrence Haff, the husband of my daughter Catharine, £10 for every year he has lived with me beginning at the year 1770 when he first began as a reward for his labour and other services and £5 in lieu of blacksmith work. To my daughter, Catharine Haff, my cupboard. To the children of my daughter Sarah, deceased, wife of Peter Haff, £5 in lieu of blacksmith work done by me for the rest of my daughters' husbands. To said Lawrence Haff all my grain, as well the crop that may be growing as that gathered, all my meat which may be killed, whether salt or fresh, with my live hogs, twelve sheep of his own picking, his choice of three of my cows and a young creature, my best waggon and plow and plow tackling, also the use of my farm for two years after my decease as that event may happen with respect to the season of the year, that is if my decease happen before the first of December then the time of his possession to begin at the first day of the last May, but if after the first of December then to begin on the first day of May next, also I give him my negro man Mink for two years and the use of my blacksmith tools and hogsheads for two years. To my said daughter Catharine all my new linen whether it be wove or yarn, that is the yarn to get wove if it should not be wove at the time of my decease, also the wool of my sheep, with all my flax. All the rest of my estate I bequeath in manner following: to my daughters, Maria, wife of John Conkland, Anitie, wife of Laurence Conkland, Lydia, wife of James Hicks and Catharine, wife of Laurence Haff, each one sixth, and the remaining two sixths in manner following: one sixth to the children of my daughter Rachel, deceased, but to remain in the hands of James Hicks one of my ex-

ecutors paid them as soon as they are twenty-one or marry; the remaining one sixth to the children of my daughter Sarah, deceased, but to remain in the hands of Laurence Haff one other of my executors, paid them in the same manner. My will is that any of my daughters' husbands that stands indebted to me by bond, note or book debt, shall pay it to my executors or else such debt shall be discounted as part of their wife's portion. I make my sons-in-law, John Conkland, Laurence Conkland, James Hicks and Laurence Haff, executors.

Witnesses, Stephen Townsend, Thomas Rosekrans, yeoman; Walter Scott. Proved, Dutchess County, November 4, 1784. Confirmed, New York, November 16, 1784.

Page 290.—In the name of God, Amen. I, EZERIAH SMITH, of Amenia Presint in Dutchess County, being weak in body. I give to my dear and loving wife for term of life part of this house wherein I now dwell, namely, the northwest room and the entry and the chamber over the room, and the old "siller," also all my moveable indoors or owt, after her death the same to be divided between my daughter Anna and my daughter Sarah's children. To the heir of my son Ezeriah with what he has had a certain tract of land in Saulsbury as may be found by my deed to his heirs; if the heir be dead before it is of lawful age and has no heir then the land to be divided among my children. To my son David the tract of land he now lives on as may be found by my deed to him. To my son Elijah the home farm that I with him live on, except four acres I gave to the church for their use, to Elijah forever with this consideration that he keep two cows yearly for his mother, and delivers six bushels of wheat fit for the mill, and two bushels of Indian Corn, two bushels of Rye, and one hundred of Good Pork, ten pounds of hogs fat, also six sheep to keep yearly and provides fire wood and apples for her use, also pro-

vides for her in time of sickness as she shall need. My wearing apparel to be divided between my two sons. I constitute my son Elijah, executor.

Dated September 17, 1784. Witnesses, Stephen Johns, farmer; George Sornberger, Ichabod Paine. Proved, Dutchess County, November 11, 1784. Confirmed, New York, November 16, 1784.

Page 292.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN SMITH, of the Precinct of Cornwell, Orange County. To my daughter Kezia £20 and the moveables and household furniture that she shall own or are known to be called hers, and if there should yet remain more estate it shall be equally divided between my four daughters or their heirs and my son John—viz.: my daughters, Martha, Kezia, Sarah and the heirs of my daughter Ellethea, deceased. I appoint my son, Joseph Smith, sole executor.

Dated November 21, 1783. Witnesses, Henry Mandeville, Jacob White, Jeremiah Clark, of Cornwall, Esquire. Proved, New York, November 17, 1784.

Page 293.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SARAH TITTSORT, of Poghkeepsie Precinct, Dutchess County, widow, being sick and weak. I leave to my "Eldson" son Leonard 100 acres of land over and above the rest of my children for his Birth Right. To my granddaughter, Sarah Willson, daughter of Joseph Willson, and my daughter Elizabeth, my wearing apparel, bed, bedding and furniture of what kind soever it may be. To my five children, to wit: Leonard, Neiltie, Isaac, Thomas and Elizabeth, each one fifth of my real estate, and if any of my children die without lawful issue the share of such to go to the survivors. I appoint my son Leonard, and my good friends, Leonard Van Kleek and Leonard Lewis, executors.

Dated February 20, 1769. Witnesses, John Seabury, of Dutchess County, currier; Joseph Gale, Jr., Jacob Concklin. Proved, Dutchess County, November

4, 1784. Administration granted to Peter Van Den Bogert, of Livingston's Manor, Albany County, farmer, a son-in-law and principal creditor of Sarah Titsort late of Poughkeepsie, widow, deceased, Leonard Van Kleek (one of the executors) being deceased, Leonard Titsort (another) being absent from this state, and Leonard Lewis (the other) having relinquished the executorship by an instrument dated November 4 instant, New York, November 17, 1784.

Page 295.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ANN LEAKE, relict of Robert Leake, late of the City of New York, deceased, being mindful of mortality, make this my last will. I leave to my beloved mother my chased gold watch, my picture and a mourning ring; to my dear father my gold shoe buckles and a mourning ring; to Susanna Richards, widow, and her two daughters, Susanna and Hester, all my second best cloaths divided equally among them, and to each a mourning ring; and further to the said Susannah Richards ten guineas, and to her daughter Susanna thirty guineas; to Ann Riche, of Philadelphia, ten guineas and a mourning ring; to John Leake Norton my gold enameled watch; to Mr. Robert Ross a mourning ring as a mark of my regard and esteem. It is my will that my two wenches, Abigail and Deborah, be henceforth free they finding security to indemnify the parish, and to each mourning and two changes of my common cloaths complete from head to foot. I do direct, by virtue of the power given me by the last will of my said late husband, that all the messuages, lands and tenements within the City and County of New York, and in the Counties of Bergen and Essex in the late Province, now state of New Jersey, whereof the profits were devised unto me by the said will for the term of my widowhood, upon my decease shall revert to and rest in John G. Leake, son of my late husband. In consideration of his dutiful and affectionate care towards me for a series of years past, by force of the

power given me under the said will on record in the Prerogative office of the state of New York, all the rest of my estate, real and personal, I devise to the said John G. Leake, whom I appoint my executor.

Witnesses, Samuel Bard, of New York City, Physician; Rob<sup>t</sup> Carter, John Carrow. Proved, November 17, 1784.

Page 296.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MOSES MULLENEX, of the Boroughtown of Westchester, in the County of Westchester, yeoman, being infirm in body. I leave £5 to my son, Joseph Millenex, and in case of his death to his next heir as my heir-at-law I having already considered him. To my loving wife Hannah all that is left of what her father, Joseph Lawrence, and what her brother, Thomas Lawrence, gave her, the bed she brought, and the new bed that was bought the summer last past; also to her the thirds of the profits of all my real estate during her remaining my widow. £5 to my son, James Mullenex, and in case of his death to be equally divided between his lawful issue. Five shillings to my daughter, Mary Fowler, widow, she having had a sufficiency before. I give my dwelling house with the lands and meadows belonging to the homestead, and my land and meadows eastward and joining the land I lately conveyed to my son Joseph, being all my real estate on Frogs neck in the Boroughtown of Westchester to my son, Thomas Mullenex. Also to my said son Thomas my £50 right in the commonage or sheep pasture of the Boroughtown of Westchester and my two Jades and two cows, and farming utensils, and such of the cattle as are markt different from mine, and the feather bed which he now uses and the gun or fowling piece; my son Thomas to pay my debts and funeral charges, and the said legacies, all my moveable estate, except that above devised, to be divided between my four following daughters, viz., Elisabeth Pugsly, wife of John Pugsly, Anna, wife of Matthew Vail, Hannah, wife of

James Lewis and Phebe, wife of John Raynor. If my son Thomas shall decease before of age without lawful issue my executors are empowered to sell all bequeathed to him at public vendue, and the monies therefrom to be divided between my wife Hannah and my seven above children. In case any legatee be under age when they should receive their legacy the executors are to retain the legacy and pay it to each as they come to age. It is my meaning that the grain that is planted at my decease be not deemed as moveables, but shall be for the use of my wife and my son Thomas and for no other use. I make my trusty friends, Ebenezer H. viland and John Tennis, both of Westchester, the first shopkeeper, the latter yeoman, and my son Thomas when of age if lawful, to be executors.

Dated March 4, 1767. Witnesses, Miles Oakley, of Westchester, weaver; Augustine Drake, Thomas Allen. Proved, Westchester County, November 15, 1784. Administration granted to Thomas Mullinex an executor, New York, November 20, 1784.

Page 299.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CORNELIA KIP, of the City of New York, widow. I leave to my grandson, Abraham Kip, over and above what I shall herein after give him the sum of five shillings in full barr of any pretence he may make to my real estate as heir at law. To my three sons, Leonard, Isaac and Abraham Kip, each £100 before any division be made of my estate. The rest of my estate I devise unto my children and grandchildren in manner following, that is to say three fourth parts thereof to my said three sons, and the other fourth part to my grandchildren by name: Abraham, Cornelia, Johanna, Jacob and Elizabeth (being the children of my son, Jacob Kip, deceased). For convenience in dividing my estate I authorize my executors to sell the same, real and personal. The share given to my grandchildren shall be laid out by my executors as they judge most advantageous for

them during their minority. I appoint my three sons, Leonard, Isaac and Abraham Kip, executors.

Dated October 29, 1771. Witnesses, Isaac Chardavoyne, Jr., Abraham Chardavoyne, Elizabeth Lindsey. Proved, November 22, 1784. Administration granted to Isaac Kip and Abraham Kip the same date.

Page 300.—In the name of God, Amen. I, AHASUERUS TURK, of the City of New York, cordwainer, do on this 8th of November, 1769, make my last Will and Testament. I give to my well beloved son Cornelius that lott or parcel of ground in Montgomeries Ward of the City above mentioned it being a Tan Yard (now in his occupation) he being my eldest son and heir at law. To my beloved wife Hillegont all the rents and profits of the rest of my whole estate, real and personal, while my lawful widow. For the better support of my wife, if need should require for her maintenance (I allow her) to sell, with the consent of my other executors any part of my real or personal estate (except that given to Cornelius). To my daughter Sarah one feather bed with the furniture belonging to it. If my wife happen to die or remarry I devise all my estate to my children, namely: Cornelius, Jacobus, Johannes, Ahasuerus, Catharine, Sarah and Altie, equally shared, if any die without lawful issue his or her part to the survivor. Before any division be made I order that £27 be paid to each of my above children except my son Cornelius he having been paid the £27 already. I appoint my wife Hillegont, Peter Gerrebrants, and my son Ahasuerus, executors.

Witnesses, Roger Smyth, of Philadelphia, tailor; John Van Sice and Henry Peekwell. Proved, November 26, 1784. Administration granted to Ahasuerus Turk, an executor, the same day.

Page 302.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB HAGEDORN, of Rhinebeeck Precinct, being sick and weak in body. I leave to my beloved wife Maritie

£40; she shall have one room and good maintenance out of my estate during her widowhood. To my eldest son, Peter, £10 for his Birthright. To my sons Francis, Jacob and Jury, each an equal third of my lands and tenements with the appurtenances thereto belonging such as waggons, sleighs, ploughs, harrows, horses, cattle, sheep, hogs and farmers utensils. To my oldest son Peter a brown span of horses. To my son David £80. To my son Johannis £80. To my daughter Annatie £80. It is my will that my two youngest sons, David and Johannis, and my daughter Annatie shall have their maintenances out of my estate until they are of age and put on trade, and when of age my said sons must have each one horse, one cow, two sheep and £10, and my daughter Annatie two cows, two sheep and £10. My wife and two sons, David and Johannis, and my daughter Anatie shall divide my household stuff. I make my son Francis, Everardus Bogardus and Isaac Davis, executors.

Dated June 22, 1784.

Witnesses, Jan Wels, Jr., farmer; Pulif Ostrom, Isaac Van Fradenburgh. Proved, Dutchess County, October 5, 1784. Confirmed, New York, November 30, 1784.

Page 304.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHANN JACOB WERTH, Doctor at Schoharry, Albany County, being at present in perfect health, do this 6th day of July, 1779, make my last will. I bequeath to my eldest son, Henrich Werth, £18 in right of his Primogeniture to be paid in three days after this will is opened. To my dear and loving wife Maria Elisabeth for the time she "live unto my name" and remain my widow my whole estate, substance, lands, houses, barn and tenements, also my real or moveable effects and my yearly debt books, and everything belonging to me excepting only what I have given in this my will to any of my children. After the death of my wife Maria Elisabeth I devise the same to my son Johannes Werth. If

my wife has no mind to remain my widow, or live unto my name, my son Johannes shall pay to his mother, my wife, £25, and give her a bed, a spin wheel, with all her clothing, for her dower. In case my son Henrich will remain to live at my homestead and work at his "treat," he shall have liberty to cut his yearly "cole wood" at my land and I give him free "egress and regress" to the land for his life, if he will remain and live peaceable with his mother and brother, otherwise he may look for another place. To my son Johannes my apparel for him and his children. To my daughter Maria, wife of Joh<sup>s</sup> Snyder, £60. To my "newpew," Johan Jacob Werth, son of my son Johannes, my silver pocket watch and my great "Hollandsh" Gun by a condition that he may not sell or swap to another person but keep the same for him and his heirs forever. To my nephew, Johannes Werth, son of my son Johannes, my great seal or pitcher ring of gold, and my silver shoe and knee buckles, and my Pistole by a condition that he may not sell or swap it to another person. To my said nephew, Johann Jacob Werth, my great Bible. To my said nephew, Johannes Werth, my two preaching Books or "Postils." The rest of all my books may my both said newpews, Johan Jacob and Johannes, divide equally. If one or other of my son Johannes both sons shall learn any "threat" (trade) his tools and instruments shall be paid out of my estate and he shall have liberty to remain in my house freely, and he may cut his "needy fire wood" yearly from my land till he find a better place to live alone. To Maria Werth, daughter of my son Johannes, £10 paid her the second day after she is married. To the high Dutch Reformed Church £10 paid to the wardens immediately after my decease, and it is my will that the wardens please to lay out the money at interest yearly unto the poor, but the capital shall remain forever in the church. I appoint Johannes Rickert and Johannes Becker, executors.

Witnesses, George Hitts, farmer; Christoph Hitts,

George F. Reinhard, schoolmaster. Proved, Albany County, October 26, 1784. Confirmed, New York, December 3, 1784.

Page 306.—In the name of God, Amen. The 12th day of March, 1776. I, JOSEPH BURROUGHS, of Newtown, Queens County, weaver, being very sick and weak. To James Burroughs, my eldest brother, £40. All the rest of my estate I bequeath to my two brothers and two sisters, viz.: Thomas Burroughs, John Burroughs, Deborah Burroughs and Mary Burroughs. In case of loss of any part of the monies now due to me on bond or note I order that each of my said brothers and sisters share in the loss. I appoint my brother Thomas, Benjamin North and Abraham Ramson, executors.

Witnesses, Benjamin Coe, yeoman; Stephen Pettit, James Coe. Proved, Queens County, November 28, 1784. Administration granted to Thomas Burroughs and Abraham Ramson, December 4, 1784.

Page 308.—In the name of God, Amen. I, BENJAMIN VAIL, of the Precinct of Goshen, Orange County, being sick and weak, do this 13th day of July, 1782, make this my last will. I leave to my son, William Vail, £50 and two cows; and likewise my "close" to be divided betwixt William Vail, John Vail and Alsop Vail, son of my son Benjamin. To my daughter, Marcy Pain, £10 within two years after my decease. To my son Benjamin ten shillings. To my daughter, Lydia Vail, two feather beds, and bedsteads and cords and bedding thereto, and at her decease one of the beds and equal part of the bedding to go to Lydia Vail, daughter of my son John; also to my said daughter Lydia one side saddle, one looking glass with all the household furniture belonging thereto. To my daughter, Marcy Pain, one third of her mothers wearing apparel and the remainder to my daughter Lydia and at her decease the same to be equally divided betwixt my

son Benjamin Vail's two eldest daughters and my son John Vail's three eldest daughters; and at my daughter Lydia's decease the household furniture to be divided betwixt William Vail, Benjamin Vail, John Vail and Marcy Pain. Likewise to my daughter, Lydia Vail, £10 to be paid my son John if she should call for it. To my son John my farm or Plantation, dwelling house and barn for him to enter into the full possession thereof at my decease, the said farm being in the County of Orange and Precinct of Goshen. I order that John shall pay to my son William £50 in two years after my decease, and to my son Benjamin ten shillings and to my daughter, Marcy Pain, £10. Before signing it is my will that all the stock or said farm, farming utensils and all things belonging to me not mentioned, are to go to my son John.

Witnesses, William Wickham, of Goshen, yeoman; John Garey, William Jackson. Proved, Orange County, November 8, 1784. Confirmed, New York, December 6, 1784.

Page 309.—In the name of God, Amen. I, BENJAMIN COE, of New Town, Queens County, Nassau Island, yeoman, being weak in body this 23rd of February, 1777. I give my executors full power to sell such part of my lands as they may think proper, sufficient to pay all my just debts and the over plus of the money if any shall be given to my mother and sister Abigail during their lives; they also shall have the remainder of my estate, real and personal, during their lives, and at their decease I bequeath it as follows: To my late brother Samuel Coe's children, my sister Amelia Coe's children and my late sister Mary Leverich's children, an equal share of my whole estate. I empower my executors to sell, after my mother's and sister's decease, my whole estate. I appoint my mother, Phebe Coe, my Brother-in-law, John Coe and Benjamin Field Jr., executors.

Witnesses, James Harpur, John Hamilton and

Thomas Burroughs, yeoman. Proved, Queens County, November 28, 1784. Administration granted to Phebe Coe, December 6, 1784.

Page 311.—Be it remembered that on this 7th day of March, 1784, that I, ANDREW PURDY, of the west patent of North Castle, Westchester County, being weak in body do make my last will. I leave to my loving wife Margret the best feather bed I have, with all the rest of my household goods of every kind and that to be at her own disposal, and the syder casks and other wooden vessels to be reserved for the use of my wife and the rest of the family that lives with me as long as they want them. To my wife the use of the houses, barn, orchard and medows lying on the east side of the road where I now live, with what lies on the west of the road, exclusive of that land I bought of William Horton, so long as my widow; also the use of my farming utensils so long as my widow and after that to my brother, Nehemiah Purdy's grandson, Andrew Purdy, son of Jotham Purdy. Also to Andrew Purdy my carpenters tools. It is my will that my wife give out and divide my waring apparel among my relations as she shall think fit. The part of my farm I bought of William Horton I order to be sold and out of the moneys my funeral charges and debts to be paid, if not sufficient then the land on the west side of the road to be sold, but if there should be an overplus this to be divided between my wife and Margret Purdy, daughter of the above Jotham Purdy, two thirds to my wife and one third to Margret. To Andrew Purdy, son of the said Jotham, my lands, houses, etc., on the east side of the road where I now live with the lot on the west side and north of the road that leads to Ruben Wright's Mill, joining the land I bought of William Horton. I appoint my trusty friends, John Grifen, of the Mannor of Philipsbourg, and John Grifen, Jr., of North Castle, executors.

Witnesses, Benjamin Smith, of North Castle, yeo-

man; Felix Akrlé, Margreche Purdy. Proved, Westchester County, November 27, 1784. Confirmed, New York, December 9, 1784.

Page 313.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM SUTTON, of Mamaroneck, Westchester County, yeoman. I leave to my well beloved wife Tamar, my son John, daughter Elizabeth, sons Joseph, Robert and Gilbert, daughter Pheby, my son, William Ritchie, all my real estate in Mamaroneck, Scarsdale or elsewhere (except 716 acres on the west side of Hudson's River in the township of New Stratford purchased of Robert B. Livingston, Esqr) and all my personal estate, both of which equally divided among them. The said lands on the west side of Hudson's River to be divided between my five sons: John, Joseph, Robert, Gilbert and William Ritchie. My children to receive their dividends as they come of age, the profits to remain in the hands of my wife "as an adequate for the bringing up the children." I make my wife Tamar, my son John, my brother Robert and Joseph Bull, of New York, executors.

Dated December —, 1775. Witnesses, Nich<sup>s</sup> Belly, Thomas Roberson, of Mamaroneck, Major Scholefield. Proved, Westchester County, December 6, 1784.

Page 314.—I, THOMAS BRIGGS, of Dutchess County, being weak in body. I leave to my wife Elizabeth the two fether beds and furniture with all the other household goods that she brought me at our marriage free and clear forever, also one room in my now dwelling house which she shall chuse, one good cow, to be well kept with fire wood and all other necessities of life sufficient for her reputable maintenance in sickness and in health during her widowhood and no longer, and if she chuse not to accept of the aforesaid provisions but should remove from this place, then she shall have the goods she brought me and £100 to be paid at her removal. To my son Nathaniel £40. To

my daughter, Comfort Gay, one looking glass, one good feather bed and furniture one high case of draws which was her mothers, one round table and £10. To my son William ten shillings. To my son Thomas my homestead and my farm on the mountain and my farm on the oblong where my son now lives with all my live stock, and farming utensils free and clear. To my granddaughter, Amy Briggs, daughter of William Briggs, one high case of draws, one righting desk, and one good feather bed and its furniture. All my wearing apparel to my two sons, William and Thomas. My money, bonds and notes to my son, Thomas Briggs. The remainder of my estate to all my children equally divided. Lastly I appoint my trusty and well beloved son, Thomas Briggs, my executor.

Dated April 5, 1782. Witnesses, Henry Tibbits, yeoman; Charity Scanton, Jonathan Akin. Proved, Dutchess County, January 22, 1783. Confirmed, December 15, 1784, New York.

Page 316.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN MC-NACHTANE, marriner, of the Port of New York. I leave to my beloved wife Corenlia the whole of my estate, real and personal, and further my wife to be the executrix.

Dated November 27, 1784. Witnesses, Dirck Leferts, of New York City merchant; James J. Beekman, Sarah J. Beekman. Proved, New York December 18, 1784.

Page 317.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN SICKLES, of Harlem, farmer, being in good health. I give to my son, John Sickles, my best waggon for his birthright and in bar of any claim on my estate. To my daughter Mary the now wife of Samson Benson, of Harlem, farmer, £500. The rest of my estate to my dear and loving wife Margaret to use the rents and profits while my widow, and after her death or remarriage I devise the same as followeth: to my said daughter Mary £500 over and above the above men-

tioned £500, and exclusive of the sum of £140 she hath already had of me, also half of all my Negroes, Cattle, Horses, farming utensils and moveables, also that certain lot and a half of land in the Township of Harlem bounded east on John Bogarts land, west by Benjamin Benson's, south by part of Samson Benson's and north by the main road. All the rest of my real estate and the remaining part of my negroes, cattle, &c. to my son, John Sickles. I appoint my wife Margaret, my daughter Mary Benson, my son John Sickles and my brother Zachariah Sickles, of the City of New York, merchant, executors.

(Signed) JOHANNES ZICKELSE.

Dated February 12, 1771. Witnesses, John C. Knapp, Isaac Marschalk, George Waller. Proved, November 10, 1784, when Aurt Housman, of New York City, Gentleman, swore to the signatures of said John Coghill Knapp and Isaac Marschalk. Administration granted to Mary Benson, John Sickles and Zachariah Sickles, December 20, 1784.

Page 318.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MARY BROCHOLST, of the City of New York, widow, being weak of body. I leave to my friend, Mrs. Margaret Stuyvesandt, wife of Mr. Peter Stuyvesandt, of the City of New York, Gentleman, my furniture and wearing apparel as a mark of my esteem and for the kindness and attention she has shown to me during my illness. To Judith and Cornelia Stuyvesandt, children of the said Peter Stuyvesandt, each £10 for purchasing for each a piece of Plate in remembrance of me. All the rest of my estate, real and personal, to my beloved nephews, Samuel Ver Plank and Gulian Ver Plank, and my beloved nieces Ann, wife of Gabriel Ludlow, and Mary, wife of Charles McEvers, equally divided. I make my said nephews, Samuel and Gulian Ver Planck, executors.

Dated March 9, 1775. Witnesses, Mary Verplank, Susanah Preston and Petrus Stuyvesant, of New York

City, Esquire. Proved, New York, December 17, 1784. Administration granted to Gulian Verplank, December 20, 1784.

Page 320.—In the name of God, Amen. I, PETER VAN BENTHUYSEN, JR., of Rynebeck in Dutchess County, Gentleman, being in perfect health. I leave to my beloved brother, Bornt Van Benthuyesen's four children all my fast and moveable estate, namely, to Jacob, Mary, Bornt and Kethurah Van Benthuyesen, share and share alike. I make my cousin, Jacob Van Benthuyesen, sole executor.

(Signed) PIETR VAN BENTHUY.

Dated June 17, 1775. Witnesses, Patt Hogan, school-master; Johannes Luyck and Petrus Cool. Proved, Dutchess County, September 7, 1784. Administration granted to Robert Donnell, of Rhinebeck Precinct, Dutchess County, farmer, a principal creditor of Peter Van Benthuyesen, Jr., late of the same place, farmer, the executor, Jacob Van Benthuyesen, having deceased before the Probate of the will, New York, December 21, 1784.

Page 321.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB WESTFAEL, of the Precinct of Goshen, Orange County, yeoman. To my three beloved grandsons, viz.: Jacob Cole, Jacob Schoonhoven and Jacob Westfael, Jr., £4 apiece. To my three granddaughters, viz.: Margaret Cole, wife of Haremanus Van in Wegen, Maregreet Westfael, wife of Hezekiah Rosekrance and Margaret Kimber, daughter to George Kimber, £3 a piece. Also to my granddaughter, Maragreet Westfael, my son Cornelius Westfael's daughter, £3. Further to my six children and their heirs as follows, viz.: to the heirs of my son Cornelius, deceased, that is Diëvertje and Maregriët Westfael, a double portion, that is to each equal with my daughters; to the heirs of my daughters, Marija and Johanna, deceased, and to my daughters, Leonora, Elisabeth and Sarah, all the remainder of my estate after my debts and funeral charges are

paid. My grandson, Jacob Schoonhoven, shall have my estate that he now lives upon conveyed to him by the rest of my heirs on condition he pay £50 to be divided among all my heirs. The intent of the above is that the above mentioned six children or their heirs are to divide the estate share and share alike, except the heirs of my son Cornelius who are to have a double portion. It is my will that whereas Thomas Schoonhoven is indebted to me per Bond and Note that if my executors cannot recover the same such money shall be deducted from the portion of his children, that is the heirs of my daughter Marija. Which said legacies shall be paid within three months after my decease. I appoint my beloved grandsons, Josias Cole, of the Township of Wantage, Sussex County, East Jersey, and Jacob Cole, of the Precinct of Goshen, Orange County, New York, executors.

Dated April 8, 1775. Witnesses, Joseph Drake, Jacob Schoonhoven, of Goshen, farmer; Thomas Kyte. Proved, Orange County, December 13, 1784. Administration granted to Josias Cole, New York, December 21, 1784.

Page 323.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN ELLISON, being weak in body. I leave to Jane, daughter of Martha Dorland, for her maintenance the interest of £300 annually till she arrives at the age of twenty-one or till her wedding day, and then the sum of £400 for her use forever; but if she should not live to the age of twenty-one or to the day of marriage the £400 to my father, Richard Ellison. To my brother, Richard Ellison, £100. To my brother, Samuel Ellison, a certain mare at present pastured at William Smiths (commonly called Major Will). To my sister, Freelove Platt, £7 to buy her a set of curtains. The remainder of my estate to my father, Richard Ellison. I appoint my father, my brother Richard and my friend, Henry Titus, executors.

Dated October 22, 1784. Witnesses, John Lefferts,

of Brooklyn, Grocer; Thomas Havens, of Brooklyn, Carpenter; John Van Nostrand. Proved, New York, December 23, 1784.

Page 325.—In the name of God, Amen. This 24th day of March, 1775. I, JOHN SOULISS, of New Rochelle, in ye County of Westchester, yeoman. I leave to my well beloved wife, Mary Souliiss, all my estate, real and personal, for life, and after her decease I order my executors to sell that sixteen acres which I have in East Chester, that I purchased of Gilbert Ferris, Joshua Ferris and Jonathan Ferris. The equal half of all my creatures, of my negro, and my farmers utensils, cyder casks, plows, sleds, carts and which we have on the farm, I have no right to, one half of the same belongs to my son, Joshua Souliiss, I having received full satisfaction of him for the said half. The said sixteen acres and all my moveables, except what is hereafter excepted, and the half of the creatures, etc., I order to be sold after my wife's decease and the monies I leave in the following manner. To my son John £50. To my son Daniel £25. To my son Josh. I have given his full share in the farm he now lives on. To my daughter, Hester Souliiss, £60, with a bed and furniture compleat, her side saddle, and her Trunk, my English Bible, her looking glass, a pair of smoothing irons, a pair of thongs and shovel, thats in my room, a little wheel and my little red cupboard. To my daughters, Mary Devore and Jane Onoray, widow, and my daughter, Susannah Lecount, Lewis Dubois, and Peter Dubois, their mother's share between them; and my daughter, Hester Soulis, and my daughter, Magdalene Guion, the moneys ariseing from my said estate equally divided. I appoint my son, John Souliiss, and my cousin, Peter Bonnet, of New Rochel, executors.

(Signed) JOHN SOULICE.

Witnesses, Richard Willis, James Willis, of New Rochelle, yeoman. Proved, Westchester County, No-

vember 22, 1784. Administration granted to Peter Bonnet, New York, December 24, 1784.

Page 326.—In the name of God, Amen. The 7th day of December in the year of our Lord, 1776. I, JAMES MILLER, of North Castle, in Westchester, yeoman, being very sick and weak. To my beloved wife Mary one bed and furniture and the privilege of the west room in my house during her widowhood, also pasture for one cow and firewood. To my son Gilbert all my lands and £50 for keeping all my family together until my youngest son Robert comes of age, and if Robert die before of age, then he to have my lands till the next youngest come of age, and then I desire so much of my lands and moveables to be sold as to pay my debts and funeral charges, and the rest of my estate to be valued by indifferent persons or sold, and to be so divided that my sons to have a double share, or two pounds to my wife and daughters one, except my daughter, Esther Purdy, who has had her full portion. It is my will that my son Gilbert, and Anthony Miller and Nathaniel Purdy, be my executors.

Witnesses, David Davids, Peter Jennings, William Horton, of Cortlandts Manor, yeoman. Proved, Westchester County, October 18, 1784. Administration granted to Gilbert Miller, New York, December 24, 1784.

Page 328.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN HAWLEY, of Salam, Westchester County, being in good helth do this 31st day of December, in the year of our Lord, 1770, make this my last Will and Testament. I leave to my loving wife Abigail one third of my house and barn and one third of my lands and of my moveables after my "debts is paid" as long as she shall live. The rest of my estate to my children, viz.: John, Henry, Samuel and Abigail to be divided as follows: to John, being the oldest son, £10 more than the rest of my sons, and then for my sons to be

equal, and for my daughter Abigail to have one third as much as one of my sons, I mean that where one of my sons will have nine pounds my daughter shall have three; and my wife's thirds above mentioned to be equally divided with my sons as aforesaid, and my daughter to have one third as much as any son. If I shall have any more children by my wife, if sons, they to be equal with my other said sons, if girls, to be equal with my other said daughter. I constitute my wife sole executor.

(Signed) JOHN HAWLEY and also ABIGAIL HAWLEY.

Witnesses, Gershom Selleck, Nathan Olmsted Jr., Ezekiel Hawley, Jr. Proved, Westchester County, November 6, 1784. Administration granted to Abigail Hawley, New York, December 24, 1784.

Page 329.—I, ELIJAH GEDNEY, of the Mannour of Scarsdale, Westchester County, yeoman, do make this present writting to be my last will to dispose of my worldly estate which I hereby do in the following manner, viz.: I empower my executors to sell all my lands on the west side of the road that leads from the Whit Planes to New York, and out of the money arising to pay my debts, funeral charges and cost of proving this my last will. If there be any remainder I order it to be given to my wife towards bringing up my children. To my well-beloved wife, Sarah Gedney, the use of all my houses and barns, the remainder of my farm and all my moveables, till my son John comes of age, if she remains my widow so long, towards her support and bringing up my children and giving them necessary learning; after John comes of age if she is yet my widow I give her only the use of two small rooms in the northwest corner of my house, and firewood to burn, the two best beds, and one of my best horses and the side saddle, and my negro girl named Suckee so long as she is my widow; and if she marries then the horse and saddle, the negro girl and no more, except what shall fall to her in the division of the

money that the moveables hereafter mentioned are sold for. If my widow shall marry before my son John comes of age, or is yet my widow when he comes of age, in the first case I order all the moveables to be sold (except the horse saddle and negro girl), and in the second case all (except the two beds, horse, saddle and negro girl and what moveables are hereafter given to John), and the money arising from the sale to be divided between my widow, our three daughters (not named), and my son John, after this manner, viz.: my widdow and daughters all equal, and John half as much as any of them. Notwithstanding the above my negro girl named Hagar and as much of the stock as my widdow pleases shall be sold and the money put to interest or otherways as my widow pleases, toward the support of my widdow and children, with this proviso that Hagar shall have a reasonable time to choose her a master. I desire my executors to be careful of the woodland on my farm, that no waste be made before my son John comes of age. My farm on the east side of the above mentioned road where I now live and the buildings thereon, and my farming utensils to my son John, he allowing his mother the privileges above given her. I appoint my wife Sarah, my brother, Bartholomew Gedney, and my friend, Samuel Crawford, executors.

Dated March 13, 1773. Witnesses, Absalom Gedney, Joshua Barns, Benedict Carpenter, yeoman. Proved, Westchester County, April 27, 1773. Administration granted to Jonathan G. Tompkins, of Westchester County, Esquire, principal creditor of Elijah Gedney, late of Scarsdale. Whereas the last surviving executor hath died intestate, New York, December 25, 1784.

Page 331.—In the name of God, Amen. I, BENONI FLINT, of Sagg in the township of Southampton in the County of Suffolk, yeoman, being very sick and weak. After my just debts are satisfied I bequeath to my loving wife Azubah, the improvement of one third of all

my lands, the east room in my dwelling house, and one third part of my barn, as long as she remains my widow, likewise one bed and bedding and one cow. To my daughter, Hamutal Flint, £10. To my son Edward, my little lott at the Beach Close containing about four acres. To my son, John Maltby Flint, ten acres next the road ajoyning the above lott at the Beach Close, and half of my lott of woodland lying by the widow Gavotts, containing between 14 and 16 acres. To my sons, Richard and Collin Flint, my lott lying by Colonel Hedges, Abraham Howell and Capt. David Peirson, containing about 17 acres. To my son Benjamin, my swamp containing about eight acres. To my son William, my lands, buildings and whatever else I am possessed of at my death except that given above, and except my moveable estate which I order to be sold to pay my debts, and if anything remains it to be divided between all my sons, and if any die under age his part to be equally divided between the rest of my sons. My will is that my son, John Maltby Flint, have the west room of my dwelling house which I forgot to mention under his name. I appoint my trusty friend, Ebenezer White, Esq<sup>r</sup>, and my son, William Flint, executors.

Dated June 14, 1784. Witnesses, Stephen Peirson, Silas White, Joseph Gibbs. Proved, Suffolk County, December 7, 1784. Confirmed, December 30, 1784, New York.

Page 333.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIZABETH HUDSON, of Hog Neck in the township of Southampton, Suffolk County, widow, being in perfect health. I leave to my loving mother, Elizabeth Havens, widow, of Southampton, all my real and personal estate, with everything belonging to me at the time of my decease without exception. I appoint my loving mother sole executrix.

Dated October 28th, 1771. Witnesses, Mary Jennings, Rachel Moore, Joseph Gibbs, schoolmaster.

Proved, Suffolk County, December 4, 1784. Administration granted to David Corwithe, of Suffolk County, merchant, the executrix having deceased before the probate, New York, December 31, 1784.

Page 334.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIZABETH HAVENS, of Southampton, Suffolk County, Hog-neck, being weak in body. I leave to my grandson, Samuel Crook, after my debts are paid, £5 lawful money at eight shillings pr Dollar. The rest of my estate to be equally divided between all my grandchildren, namely: Samuel Crook, Walter Crook, Susana Crook, Abraham Crook and Benjamin Crook. I appoint my trusty friend, John Payne, Sr., executor.

Dated October 23, 1784. Witnesses, Hannah Havens, Polly Nicheson and John Joseph Fraizer Montgomery. Proved, Suffolk County, December 4, 1784. Administration granted to David Corwithe, of Suffolk County, merchant, the executor having relinquished the executorship by an Instrument dated December 4th instant, New York, December 31, 1784.

Page 336.—In the name of God, Amen. This 26th day of May, 1775. I JAMES WILTSE, of Beekman Precinct, Dutchess County, weaver, being sick and weak. I leave to my well-beloved wife Sarah, the "Rideing Chear" and "Chair Horse," and her bed and the furniture thereunto; Also £20 a year for life or "widdow-hud" to commence from the day of my decease, and £200 paid within one year after my decease; and as to wearing cloths, all my linen to my son-in-law, William McNeil, and the remainder to my wife to be disposed of at her pleasure, with the "cubbard and lennin therein." To my grandson, James Wiltse McNiel, £100, paid him when twenty-one. To my daughter, Elizabeth McNiel, all the remaining part of my estate. I appoint my son-in-law, William McNiel and John A. Brinckerhoff, executors.

Witnesses, Joseph Balching, farmer; William

Shearer, William Humfrey. Proved, Dutchess County, December 28, 1784. Administration granted to William McNiel, New York, January 1, 1785.

Page 337.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DANIEL WHITNEY, of Worrick in "Orring" County, New York, being in perfect health of body. I leave to Martha my dearly beloved wife, all my estate to use at her pleasure during the term she may remain my widow, and if she should marry again I do mean that after my debts are paid out of my moveable estate the remainder to be hers forever; Also I do mean that my lands shall be divided between my two sons Thomas and Aaron. Thomas shall have two acres of land and the house that I now live in adjoining to Aguston Rogerses land. (No mention of Aaron's share). My executors shall put my sons to a trade at a fit age. Thomas shall have a Blacksmith Trade, and Aaron a Tanner and currier and shoemakers. My sons shall provide for their mother a sufficient room to live in, that is comfortable and fit for her, and shall jointly provide for her twelve bushels of wheat and ten of corn yearly, and that they shall not sell any land without consent of the mother except they sell to one another; and that they shall give to each of their sisters one cow to be "prised att five pounds as in 1775"; and that my sons shall provide firewood for their mother and one cow. I make my wife Martha and her brother, Daniel Burt, sole executors.

Dated April 25, 1780. Witnesses, Daniel Burt, Jr., James Burt, of Goshen, yeoman. Proved, Orange County, December 23, 1784. Confirmed, New York, January 3, 1785.

Page 339.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ISACK LOTT, of Newtown in Queens County, Nassau Island, yeoman, at this present time in a poor state of health. I leave to my beloved wife Anche, the use of my whole estate, real and personal, during her life, except she

should remarry then she is to have £100, and my negro wench Deyane, and a bed and cubbard. After my wife's decease or remarriage I leave to my daughter Maria, wife of Johannes Cornel, all my estate, lands, meadows, buildings, and all my moveables excepting what is yett to be given to my grandson, Isack Cornel, she, Maria, paying to my granddaughter, Ann Rider, £400, and half my moveable estate above expressed to be given to Maria Cornel at the age of twenty-one years if my wife should die before that time, but if my wife be yet living then the said Ann Rider is not to receive her legacy before the death or remarrying of her said grandmother, Anche Lott. If Anne Rider depart this life before of age without lawful issue, her legacy to my daughter, Maria Cornel. To my grandson, Isack Cornel, my Negro Boy Jack. I appoint my son-in-law, Johanus Cornel, and my trusty friends, Nicolas Lafforts and Philip Edsall, my executors.

Dated February 6, 1771. Witnesses, Samuel Edsall, John Innes, Jr., Jacobus Colyer. Proved, Queens County, December 27, 1784. Administration granted to Philip Edsall, New York, January 4, 1785.

Page 340.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MARY KIP, of the City of New York, widow of Abraham Kip, late of New York City, cooper, deceased, and one of the daughters of Huybert Vandenbergh, late of the said city, cartman, deceased; being at present indisposed in body. I order that my personal estate shall be sold and converted into cash, and the money put out at interest by my executors as they think fit at the risque of my daughter Mary; Also that my real estate shall be hired out for such rents as can be got for the same, and the profits of all my estate or so much as is necessary shall be applied for the maintenance of my daughter, Mary Kip, for her life. After the decease of my said daughter Mary all the rest of my estate to my three other children, to wit: Sarah, wife

of Garret Harsen, Abraham Kip and Garret Kip. I appoint my son-in-law, Garret Harsen, of New York City, baker, and my son, Abraham Kip, of the said City, Painter, and my friend, Mr. Nathaniel McKinley, of the said City, executors.

Dated July 19, 1765. Witnesses, Peter Hyer, Gilbert Burger, John McKesson (of New York City, Esquire). Proved, January 5, 1785. Administration granted to Garret Harsin the same day.

Page 342.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HENRY FLACHT, of the City of New York, being in perfect health. I direct my executors to sell my real estate. I bequeath to my daughter Rachael, now at the City of Philadelphia, £10. To my very good friend, John Samler, of New York, a compleat suit of mourning, to wit: one black broadcloth coat, waistcoat and breeches, a mourning scarf for his hatt, two pair of black stockings and one pair of black mourning shoes and knee buckells. The remainder of my estate to be put at interest until my three children to wit, Catharine, Henry and John shall arrive at the age of twenty-one or marry, and then the whole to be divided between them when they severally attain that age. I appoint my loving friend, John Samlar, executor.

Dated October 27, 1783. Witnesses, Jn<sup>o</sup> Leake, John Woods, of New York City, Esquire. Proved, January 5, 1785.

Page 344.—In the name of God, Amen. I, GILBERT ASH, of the city of New York, cabinet maker. I desire that all my debts be paid by my executors as soon after my decease as they possibly can with any degree of convenience, and that all my real and personal estate, except such part as I hereby otherwise dispose of, shall be sold to the best advantage. After my debts and funeral charges are paid all the rest of my estate to my dearly beloved wife, Mary Ash, my children and grandchildren hereinafter named in the proportions mentioned, that is to my wife one seventh part of my

estate; Also two feather beds, bolsters and pillows, one bedstead, one set of curtains, and the bed cloaths belonging to the beds, which she is ordered to possess herself of immediately after my decease. To the children of my deceased daughter, Catherine Ash, otherwise Tomlinson, namely, Gabriel Legget, her son by her first husband, Gabriel Legget, deceased; James, Anne and Gilbert Tomlinson, her three children by her second husband, James Tomlinson, one other seventh divided between them and paid them upon their respective attaining to the age of twenty-one years or day of marriage. To my grandchild, Elizabeth Ash, daughter of my son Gilbert, deceased, one seventh, paid her when twenty-one or the day of her marriage. To the children of my daughter, Anne Ash, otherwise English, deceased, namely, Elizabeth, Catherine, Mary and Andrew English, one seventh, divided between them and paid upon their respective attaining to their full age of twenty-one or days of marriage. All the rest of my estate to my three surviving sons, Thomas, William and John, equally divided. The estate devised to my grandchildren shall be put at interest and the interest from their respective dividends paid them toward their support and education until they are twenty-one or marry as aforesaid. I appoint my wife Mary, my son Thomas, and William Erwin of New York City, shopkeeper, executors.

Dated February 10, 1783. Witnesses, Ter Kerin, Notary Public; William Norris and John Van Toren, both of New York City. Proved, January 8, 1785.

Page 346.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB REMSEN, at present of the City and State of New York, merchant, being sick and unwell in body. I leave to my eldest son, Rem Remson, ten shillings in lieu of all pretences of heirship. To my wife Catharina, all my estate, real and personal, during her life provided she remains my widow, hereby giving her full power to

take possession of my estate and to do with it as she shall think most proper for the use and maintenance of my children respectively within age; but if she remarry I direct that all estate, as well real as personal, be divided into four equal shares by my executors, and that my wife take unto herself one fourth part in full bar of dower, and that the remaining three fourths be divided among my nine children in manner following: First I order that my younger children be brought up out of my whole estate until they severally attain the age of twenty-one or marriage. When the youngest is twenty-one then my estate to be divided as follows, to wit: one ninth each to my children, to my son William, to my daughter Dorothy Remsen, to my son Jacob, to my daughter Mary Remsen, to my daughter Catharina Remsen, to my son John, to my son Daniel, to my daughter, Antie Remsen, and to my daughter, Sarah Remsen. In case my wife should prove pregnant at my decease such child or children as may be born after my decease shall have an equal part with the rest of my children and be educated in like manner. In case my wife should die before the youngest child shall attain the age of twenty-one then my executors shall take possession of all my estate and place it to the best advantage until the aforesaid division take place. I authorize them to advance from the monies to any of my children marrying or going into any business so large a sum as they in their discretion may judge expedient, provided it does not exceed the share of such child. I appoint my wife Catharina and my sons, William and Jacob, and my son-in-law, John Remsen, executors.

Dated April 8, 1784. Witnesses, Henry Remsen, Everardus Brouwer, Abraham Kip, of New York City, shopkeeper. Proved, August 12, 1784. Confirmed, New York, January 11, 1785.

Page 348.—In the name of God, Amen. The 15th day of November, 1784. I, JOSEPH TILLOT, of North Castle,

Westchester County, Gentleman, being very sick and weak in body. My will is that all my estate real and personal, be sold by my executors and the moneys therefrom to be equally divided between my four sons, that is: John, Josefus, Richard and Peter. My will is that my well-beloved friends, Jacob Carpenter and Israel Townsend, shall be my executors.

Witnesses, William Wright, of Westchester County, Physician; Caleb Meritt, yeoman; Rachel Sands. Proved, Westchester County, December 13, 1784. Confirmed, New York, January 12, 1785.

Page 350.—I, JOHN MOUBRAY, of Islip, Suffolk County, New York. This 28th of October, 1779, being in a state of health of body and my memory quick and judgment good. I leave to my son, Anning Moubray, all my lands, meadows, houses and buildings; Also I order him to pay to my daughters £60, to be divided between them, namely, Anne, Charity and Lucretia Moubray. I appoint Nathaniel Whitman, of Huntington, my son, Anning Moubray and John Willets, both of Islip, executors.

Witnesses, Thomas Willits, Jedidiah Williamson, Henry Willets. Proved, Suffolk County, December 23, 1784. Confirmed, New York, January 13, 1785.

Page 351.—Administration granted to Anne Genter, of the City of New York, spinster, a daughter and one of the residuary legatees of John Genter, late of Westchester County, Gentleman, deceased. Whereas, JOHN GENTER did make his last will bearing date the 24th of November, 1768, and thereby appointed Humphrey Jones and James Van Vareck, executors, and soon after died, and whereas on the 6th day of July, 1772, at New York City, the said will was proved and administration granted to the said executors, and whereas they the said executors are since deceased, the estate not being fully administered, administration is hereby granted to the said Anne Genter, New York, January 13, 1785.

Page 352.—In the name of God, on ye 27 day of February, 1779. I, TRISTRUM DODGE, of ye township of Oyster Bay, Queens County, Island of Nassau. I leave to my loving wife, Sarah Dodge, the use and profits of my house and lands and all that is comprehended under real estate during her life. After her decease half of my lands, buildings, etc., to my son Daniel, and the other half to my son Stephen. My moveable estate to rest in the hands of my wife for her life, and after her decease to my daughter, Sarah Dodge, one feather bed and proper covering for the same; to my daughter, Freelove Parish, wife of Townsend Parish, half of the residue of my moveable estate, and the other half to my two daughters, Sarah Dodge and Anne Dodge, equally divided. I ordain my wife Sarah and my sons, Daniel and Stephen Dodge, executors.

(Signed)

TRISTRUM DODGE.

Witnesses, Thomas Smith, yeoman; Freelove Smith, Elizabeth Smith. Proved, Queens County, January 15, 1785. Confirmed, New York, January 20, 1785.

Page 353.—I, ANNEY MABEE, of Woolves Hallow, within the Township of Oyster Bay in Queens County, Nassau Island, widow of Henery Mabree, late of Oyster bay deceased. This 13th day of December, 1784, being in poor and weak state of helth, do make my last will. It is my will that my estate of all kinds be turned into cash as soon as my executors think proper and the money put at interest for my three sons, one third of the neet proceeds to my eldest son, Jacob, one third to my second son, Nicholas, and one third to my third son, Henery, share and share alike when they shall arrive to the age of twenty-one years old. If all my three sons should decease before twenty-one without leaving lawful issue then my estate to be divided between my Brothers and sister. I appoint my esteemed Unkel John Wartman, John Kishow, Jr., and Daniel Bogart, all of Oyster Bay, executors.

Witnesses, William Davis, Ram Hortenberge, John

Wright, Trader. Proved, January 18, 1785, Queens County.

Page 355.—In the name of God, men. I, BENJAMIN KIRK, of the Township of Oyster Bay, Queens County, Nassau Island, being weak in body. I leave to my beloved wife Amelia, all the goods she brought to me by our marriage or from her father, Daniel Coles, and my riding chair and chair horse, a folio Bible, three table spoons, of silver, and a corner chair, to her free disposal; Also I will that my executors set apart out of my estate £400, the interest for which I will to her yearly so long as she remains my widow. To my sister Elisabeth Wright and her three daughters, £100, equally divided between them. To my sister, Anne Seamons, the use of £100 kept at interest and paid her yearly for life and at her decease equally divided "amongst the children." To my nephews, Benjamin Wright and Benjamin Seamons, each £10; after my wife's death to my sister, Elisabeth Wright and her three daughters, £100 out of the money reserved for my wife; to my sister, Anne Seamons, £200 out of the said money; and after her death to her children. My negro boy Michael as soon as he shall attain the age of twenty-one shall be free and at his own disposal. To my sisters, Elisabeth Wright and Anne Seamons, each one silver table spoon. To my brother, John Kirk, all my lands and tenements with all improvements thereon, willing him, the said John Kirk faithfully to discharge and pay off the foregoing legacies; to him also all personal estate not herein before dispos'd of. Now, in case he should neglect to pay the above said legacies I order my brother-in-law, Jacob Seaman, to sell so much of my real estate as shall pay all legacies or provisions heretofore expressed or to be performed. I appoint my brother, John Kirk, and my brother-in-law, Jacob Seamons, executors.

Dated December 13, 1778. Witnesses, James Townsend, George Bennet, Charity Beedell. Proved, Queens

County, January 13, 1785. Confirmed, New York, January 20, 1785.

Page 357.—Know all men by these Presents that I, MORRIS SIMERSON, near Westbury in the Township of Oyster bay, Queens County, Nassau Island, yeoman, being this 20th day of February, 1775, well in health of body and sound of mind. I order all my just debts to be paid unto all those persons I am indebted by my two sons, Charles and William, in consideration of what I shall herein give unto them. To my said two sons each a waggon and two horses apiece, and two cows each, and one plow and tackling for the same; Also to each one bed and bed close. To my grandchild, Charles Simerson, one bed and bed close. To my daughter, Leah Latton, £100 conditionally, that is, if she should have a child, or be a widow, then I give her the £100, but if not, she shall have but the interest yearly as long as she lives, my sons Charles and William to pay the same the first payment in the space of two years after my decease. To my daughter, Catharine Suydam, £100, paid half in two years after my decease and half in three years, by my said sons equally. To my son Abraham, the lands, houses and improvements that I bought of Joseph Balder. To my son Morris the timber that grows upon one acre of land that I have joining Josias Latting's land to be cut of in three years after my decease. To all my children, namely: John, Abraham, William, Morris and Charles Simerson, Leah Latten and Cathrine Suydam, equally divided, all the remainder of my moveable estate. To my two sons, William and Charles, my houses, buildings, lands, fences, fields, timber and improvements where I now live near Westbury, partly in the Township of Hempstead and partly in that of Oyster bay, equally divided between them; Also my land lying upon Hempstead plains, all which is conditionally given in case they each do pay their part of my debts and legacies, but if either refuse to pay I em-

power my son, John Simerson and my son-in-law, Minne Suydam, to sell so much of my lands, as above given to my said sons as will pay the same. I appoint my son John, my son William, my son-in-law, Minne Suydam, and my friend John Alburtine, of Cowneck, blacksmith, executors.

Witnesses, Josias Lattin, Isaac Latten, Samuel Willis. Proved, Queens County, January 14, 1785.

Page 359.—To all Christian People to whome these presents shall com or aney ways concern, Know Ye that I, EDWARD COLWELL, of the Town of Oyster bay in Queens County, Nassau Island yeoman, being this fifth day of September, 1784, very weak in body and in a poor state of health. I will unto my well-beloved wife Almy, two of my best beds and full furniture, one cow of her choice, two swine, and all the meats, flax and wool and as much of my house furneture of all kinds as will fully furnish a room for keeping house sutable to her circumstances. I order the remainder of my estate, lands and moveables sold, and from the proceeds my debts to be paid, and the overplus to my wife during her widowhood, the proceeds to be put at interest and this paid to my wife yearly; at the day of her death or marriage all the said remainder of my estate to be equally divided between my sons, one fourth each to my sons Edward, Isaac, Jacob and Samuel Colwell. I appoint my friend and kinsman, John Wright, of Norwich, and my kinsman, Daniel Yongs, Jr., of the Cove, both of the Township of Oyster bay, my executors.

Witnesses, Augustin McEvin, yeoman; Thomas Colwell, Samuel Willis. Proved, January 14, 1785, Queens County.

Page 361.—Whereas I, RICHARD TITUS, of Hempstead, Queens County, being weak in body. I leave to my son Peter, all my real and personal estate. My will is that Peter shall pay to my son Charles £450 within one year after my decease, and to my gran-

son, Richard Townsend, £50 within one year after my decease. My wife Mary shall have one roome and bedroom and all my indoores moveables as long as she remains my widdow. My son Peter shall pay her £20 a year as long as she lives instead of her dowry. I ordain my two sons, Charles and Peter Titus, and my granson, Richard Townsend, executors.

Dated October 25, 1784. Witnesses, James Poole, yeoman; Dorithy V. D. Water, Ruth Hewlet. Proved, Queens County, January 18, 1785.

Page 362.—These Presents witnesseth that I, ADRIAN SCHENCK, of the township of Oyster Bay in Queens County, being this 8th day of May, 1777, very sick and weak, do make my last will. I leave to my beloved wife, Nelley Schenck, for the use of herself and her family all my provision stores which I have both for food and raiment, and also as her absolute property all the remainder of my household goods. I order my lands, stocks, and herds, and all goods and chattels without doors to be sold by my executors, and the money arising to be equally divided between my wife and my daughters, Anna and Nelley Schenck, but my just debts to be first paid. Each child's part to be put to interest for the support and education of the said children, and if either die before marriage or before eighteen years of age the survivor shall have the legacy. My wife shall be guardian of my children during her widowhood, but if she marry again my executors shall be their guardians after that time, and my meaning is that the legacies to my wife shall be in lieu of her right of dower and not otherwise. I appoint my uncle, Nicholas Schenck, my brother, Stephen Schenck, and my brother-in-law, John Bennett, executors.

Witnesses, William Seaman, Philip Ellis, of Queens County, taylor; Nicholas Schenck. Proved, Queens County, January 14, 1785. Administration granted to John Bennett, New York, January 21, 1785.

Page 364.—Dated this fourth day of August, Anno Domini, 1778. Know all men by these presents that I, JOSEPH COOPER, senic of Cove-neck in the Township of Oyster bay, Queens County, Nassau Island, yeoman, being far advanced in age and but weak of body, but my understanding sound and my memory as good as usual for a man of my age, well knowing that I and all men must yeald unto death whensoever it may please

Lord to send his messenger of death to my habitation, therefore I am willing to settle my outward affairs before my final change. I empower my executors, or either of them if the other should refuse to qualify, to sell my houses, buildings, lands and meadows, and collect the money arising from the sale of my lands or partly from the sale of my personal estate as shall be judged best, as soon as they can and therewith to pay my debts and funeral charges; and the remainder I give to my granddaughter, Sarah Wright, daughter of Thomas Wright, Doctor, if she lives to receive the money, but if she dyes before she receives the said money, then I bequeath it to my kinsman, Joseph Cooper, Daniel Latham and Joseph Latham, equally divided. I point Justice Samuel Townsend, of Oyster bay, John Wright, of Cedar Swamp, and Daniel Youngs, Captain, executors.

Witnesses, Amaziah Wheeler, yeoman; Ethelinda Underhill, Deborah "Am" Wheeler, Samuel Willis. Proved, Queens County, January 14, 1785. Administration granted to Samuel Townsend, John Wright and Daniel Youngs, New York, January 21, 1785.

Page 365.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSHUA MERSEREAU, of Richmond County, yeoman, being in good health. My will is that my funeral be conducted with a frugal Decorum and in a Christian like manner. I leave to my beloved wife Esther, my negro girl Teaner, also one cow, one bed and furniture for the same, decent furniture for one room with the privilege of chusing one room belonging to the house I own with

the use of the cellar, wintering and summering for one cow, firewood at the door for one fire; Also £7 per year, which sum I direct my sons, John and David, to pay equally between them, provided she relinquishes her right of Dower, the above privileges to be good provided all relinquishment of Dower is made; and as long as she remains in a state of widowhood. To my daughter Abigail, £50. To my son David, my negro boy Sam, also one of my best horses, saddle and bridle. To my son John, my negro woman named Bet. To my granddaughter, Mary Winant, £25. To my grandson, Peter La Tourette, £25, with my negro boy Jack, should my grandson die without issue the said negro boy to my son John. All the rest of my estate, real and personal, to my two sons, John and David. My desire is that my estate be divided as soon as convenient to my executors. I appoint John Mersereau and David Mersereau, my two sons, executors.

Dated September 13, 1784. Witnesses, John Simonson, shoemaker; Anthony Stoutenborough. Proved, Richmond County, January 5, 1785. Confirmed, New York, January 21, 1785.

Page 367.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM COOK, of the City of New York, being weak in body. I leave to my beloved wife Effie, my household furniture and personal estate. To my daughters-in-law, Catharin Handlin and Mary Jones, each £10 to buy them a suit of mourning. All my real estate to my wife; to my daughter, Charity Wheler, and my granddaughter, Catharin Van Voorhies, wife of Daniel Van Voorhies, equally divided. Notwithstanding 'tis my will that my wife occupy the dwelling house we now live in Rent free, except they shall agree to sell the same in order to make a division. I appoint my cousin, Thomas Whaley, and my wife and daughter, Charity Wheler, executors.

Dated April 24, 1776. Witnesses, Smith Ramadge, John Simmon, of New York City, tavern keeper; Jos.

Hildreath. Proved, January 22, 1785. Administration granted to Effie Cook the same day.

Page 368.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM TOWNSEND, of the Township of Oyster Bay, Queens County, Nassau Island, being this 11th day of October, 1773, sick and weak in body. I leave to my daughter, Roseannah Cock, £100, to be paid the first of May after my decease, the remaining part of my moveable estate, to my beloved wife, Elizabeth Townsend, and my son James, equally between them; if my wife shall refuse to "except" of the above legacy given to her in right of Dower then I give the legacy to my son James. I give to my Wife the use of my east room where I now live and two bed rooms, a priviledge in the kitchen and seller, and the use of one third of my lands, she making no waste by unreasonable use thereof, by cutting or destroying timber, or excessive tilling, as long as she shall remain my widow and no longer. To my son James, all my lands and meadows which I have or of right ought to have, reserving the above priviledge to my wife, and upon the further consideration that James pay to my daughter Roseannah £20 at four equal yearly payments the first paid from the first of May after my decease; now if he refuse to pay this then I order my cousin, John Cock, one of my executors, to sell so much of my land as shall pay it. I appoint my son, James Townsend, my cousin, John Cock, and my son-in-law, Daniel Cock, executors.

Witnesses, John Jackson, yeoman; Robert Thorney Craft, Jacob Coles, yeoman. Proved, Queens County, January 13, 1785. Administration granted to the three executors, New York, January 22, 1785.

Page 369.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN BERRIEN, of the City of New York, Merchant, being of sound mind but in a low and declining state of health and sensible of the certainty of death. I devise to my dear and only child, Rachel Berrien, my right to a certain tract of land on south bay, Lake

Champlain, at present undevide. Also to her my books of history, Philosophy, poetry and amusement, all the remaining books of my small library to my beloved wife, Sarah Berrien, for her own use. To my said wife and daughter my household and kitchen furniture divided at such time and in such manner as they shall agree on. To my Brother, Cornelius Berrien, all my woolen wearing apparel and to my wife my other cloathing except my shoes, boots, and hats which with my sword, saddle, Bridle and spurs I give to my worthy friend and Brother-in-law, Mr. John Fish. To my sister, Mrs. Jane Nicoll, £10 and I order my executors to pay it as soon as convenient. To each of my executors a mourning ring of the value of one guinea and I request them to accept the same as a testimony of my sincere friendship. I authorize them to dispose of the remainder of my real and personal estate and the monies arising therefrom I do dispose of as follows, viz.: to my daughter, Rachel Berrien, the half of it, paid at such time as my executors find convenient and judge proper, they paying her the annual income from the time of my decease. The remaining half to be put at interest and the income I give to my wife for her life, and if insufficient for her support in the opinion of my executors they are to use as much of the principal as they think necessary, and after her death the principal to my daughter Rachel if then living and if deceased to such issue as she may leave, and if no such issue should be left I give the same with all other moneys that may remain in equal parts to my sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Betts, and my two nephews, John Berrien, son of Cornelius Berrien, and John Fish, son of Nath n Fish. I appoint Messrs Leake Hunt and John De Lameter, of this City, merchants, and Cornelius Bogert, of the same place, Esquire, attorney at law, executors.

Dated August 30, 1784. Witnesses, Thos. Tucker, Andrew Van Tuyl, George Fisher, the two last of New York City, merchants. Proved, January 27, 1785.

Page 371.—In the name of God, Amen. The 21st day of January, 1780. I, SUSANAH CONTINE, of New Rochel, Westchester County, being sick and weak in body. All my estate, real and personal, with my goods and wearing apparel be equally divided in ten parts, one part each to Elizebet Carr, Benjamin Quereau, Frances Joens, Jain Mowatt, Isaac Quereau, Elizebet Anderson, Jane Garason, Frances Noris, Nicolus Cortrit, and the other tenth part to the two sons of Elias Carow, deceased, Joshua and Elias Carrow. I make my beloved niece, Frances Jones, and Elizebet Carr, of the City of New York, my executors.

Witnesses, John Bonnet, Catharine Seacord, Daniel Bonnet, of New Rochelle, yeoman. Proved, Westchester County, January 8, 1785.

Page 373.—The People of the state of New York to all to whom these presents shall come or may concern send greeting. Whereas, ANDREW BARCLAY, late of the City of New York, merchant, deceased, did make his last will and testament bearing date the 12th of August, 1773, and thereby appointed Helena Barclay, Jacobus Roosevelt, Henry Barclay, Jacobus Roosevelt, Jr., Theophilaet Barclay, Thomas Barclay, James Barclay and Andrew Barclay, executors, and whereas on the 25th of May, 1776, the said will was proved, and on the 28th of the same month administration was granted to Andrew D. Barclay, one of the executors, and whereas the said Andrew D. Barclay has since died, administration is granted to James Barclay, one other of the executors, New York, the 31st day of January, 1785.

Page 373.—In the name of God, Amen. I, EDWARD FLEMING, of the City of New York, Esquire, being in perfect health. I desire to be privately buried without ostentation or parade. I devise all my real and personal estate in manner following, that is, one half to my dearly beloved wife, Swaantie Fleming, during her life and no longer, and the other half to my son, Pierre

Edward Fleming, but in case any other child should hereafter be born to me by my said wife, such child shall enjoy an equal portion of my estate with my wife and son. My wife shall receive the income of my whole estate during her widowhood and no longer out of which she is to maintain and educate my said child or children till they attain the age of twenty-one. For the better education of my children I give the tuition and custody of them to my wife, but if she die or marry during the non-age of my children the same shall devolve on my executors who are then to receive the income of my children and apply it as directed. After the decease of my wife her half of my estate to go to my son or children. In case of the death of my child or children under age without issue, their shares to my wife during her life and after her decease the whole of my estate to my mother-in-law, Mrs. Cornelia De Peyster, for life, and after her decease to the children of my brother-in-law, Pierre G. De Peyster, now born or hereafter to be born of his present wife. I appoint my dear and beloved wife during her widowhood, my honored and esteemed Mother-in-law, Mrs. Cornelia De Peyster, and my respected sister-in-law, Mrs. Cornelia Du Bois, and my esteemed and respected brother-in-law, Pierre G. De Peyster, executors.

Dated May 2, 1775. Witnesses, Hend<sup>k</sup> Oudenaarde, Henry Wilmot, Anthony L. Bleecker, of New York City, merchant. Proved, January 31, 1785. Administration granted to Swaantie Fleming, February 31, 1785.

Page 375.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ARRY BICE, of Charlotte Precinct, Dutchess County. I leave to my eldest son, Henry Bice, the sum of five shillings. I will to all my children equally divided, all the rest of my estate, that is Henry, John and Arry Bice, my three respected sons, and John Pitcher my wife's son, and for his faithful services to me for many years past I do make him, the said John Pitcher, equal heir

with all the rest of my children, sons and daughters, viz.: Charity, wife of Cornelius Ousterhout, Catharine wife of Benj<sup>n</sup> North, and my deceased daughter Magdalene which was the wife of Frederick Hauver and her five children to share their mothers portion, and Elisabeth, wife of Albert Ostronder, and Margaret, wife of Peter Simson, and Cornelean Bice, my six respected daughters. I make John Pitcher, Peter Simson and Arry Bice my executors, and I authorize them in six weeks after my decease to sell all my estate and to put the money at interest to safe men or good security during the life or widowhood of my wife, and I will to her the yearly interest of the whole of my estate as long as she lives or remains my widow, and after her decease or contract of matrimony, the same to my children as aforesaid.

Dated June 21, 1783. Witnesses, W<sup>m</sup> Stewart, Benj. Thorn, Benj. Westfall, Jr., farmer. Proved, Dutchess County, January 18, 1785.

Page 377.—In the name of God, Amen. The 23rd day of December, 1784. I, SAMUEL HAIGHT, of Rye, Westchester County, farmer, being very sick and weak. I bequeath to Hannah my wife the third of my estate, real and personal, during her life. To Thomas Haight, son of David Haight, Senior, twenty acres of land beginning at the quick trees in the corner of the garden fence. To my nephew, John Haight, son of David Haight, senior, the remainder of my lands and tenements, he discharging my debts and funeral charges. My negro man Jack shall have liberty to choose whether he shall live with John Haight, Thomas or Daniel Haight, my negro wench Jane, Jacob and Cuff to be sold. I recommend to John and Thomas Haight whom I appoint my executors to be "friendly" to Hannah my wife, they to assist each other confirming this will and no other to be my last will and testament.

Witnesses, William Woodward, W<sup>m</sup> Dunlap, of

White Plains, schoolmaster; Amelia Woodward. Proved, Westchester County, January 22, 1785. Confirmed, New York, February 1, 1785.

Page 378.—In the name of God, Amen. This 23rd day of December, 1771. I, JOHANIS VAN TESSEL, of the Manor of Phillipsburgh, Westchester, yeoman, being in perfect health. I leave to my "will beloved" wife Trintie my black horse and chaer, and all my household within the house while she is my widow, and after her decease, the same to be divided amongst my four children, and one share to be divided between one of my granchildren, Cattrina Van Tessel, daughter of my son John, and one grandchild of my daughter, Anne Van Wormer, named Trinye Van Wormer, and Anne Van Wormer my daughter. All my moveable estate shall be divided in five parts, except the household goods for the use of my wife, Trincak Van Tessel, while my widow and then to be divided in the same manner. One fifth to my son Jacob, one to my dafter Anna, the widow of John Van Wormer, one fifth to my daughter Rachel, wife of John Van Tessel, one to my daughter Cattrinna, wife of Abraham Ecker, son of Abr<sup>m</sup>, and the other fifth to my daughter Anna and my two granchildren, Trinye Van Wormer and Cattrinna Van Tessel, daughter of my son John. Upon further consideration as there is a real estate "depending by me" a share of a tract of land at Long Island called Crop madow, in case there is after my decease any part recovered of said land I give to my eldest son's daughter Aly five shillings, said land if recovered I give to my two sons, Jacob and Peter, one half, and the other half to be equally divided amongst my three said daughters and my two granchildren, Ally and Cattrina Van Tessel, children of my son John, they to draw as much as any of the "Garrels," Anna, Cattrinna and Richal. I make my sons, Peter and Jacob, executors.

Witnesses, Cornelis Van Tessel, Jacobus Devoe,

William Davids, of Phillipse Manor, yeoman. Proved, Westchester County, January 13, 1785. Administration granted to Jacob Van Tessel, New York, February 1, 1785.

Page 380.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SYNTICHE BIDDER, of the City of New York, widow, being at present in good health. I direct that my executors have the management of my funeral and pay my debts. I devise to my two daughters, Hannah Collister and Dorothy Lewis, of New York City, widows, all my estate, real and personal, and I make them my executrices.

Dated July 26, 1773. Witnesses, John D. Crimsheir, Geo. Bond, of New York City, attorney at law; James Douglass. Proved, New York, February 7, 1785. Administration granted to Hannah Collister and Dorothy Lewis, February 7, 1785.

Page 381.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM TALM N, of the City of New York, Physician, being weak in body, do this 7th day of December, 1784, make my last will and testament. I leave to each of my unmarried daughters, to wit: Catharine, Mary and Jen-net the sum of £200 to be paid to them immediately after the remarriage or death of my wife in order to put them on a footing with my two married daughters, to wit, Ann and Elizabeth, to each of whom I have already advanced that sum. The remainder of my estate to my five children, to wit: "Ann, the wife of Samuel Brown John, Elizabeth, the wife of Christopher Hatch and the above named Catharine Mary and Jen-net" equally divided, subject, however, to the bequest that follows, that is, I give to my beloved wife Ann and my said daughters Catharine Mary and Jen-net, the use of all my estate during the widowhood of my wife for their support. I appoint my wife Ann, and my good friend, John Francklin, of New York City, merchant, executors.

Witnesses, John Lawrence, Will<sup>m</sup> Newton, both of

New York City, merchants; A. W. D. Peyster. Proved, February 8, 1785.

Page 383.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM FAULKENDER, of the precinct of Walkill, Ulster County, being weak in body do this 11th day of September, 1783. I bequeath to my loving wife Mary the use of the two back rooms in my house I now live in, with a bed and furniture and also her maintenance, with the use of a horse and saddle during her life. To my son James the farm he now lives on providing he pay all such debts as arise from said place and providing he shall convey to his youngest son when he shall arrive at the age of twenty-one that part of said farm formerly occupied by my son Joseph while alive, and provided further that he give the profits arising from the last mentioned farm to such of my children as may then be possessed of the place or farm I now live upon during six years after my decease and no longer. To my son William, Jr., the farm adjoining the Walkill which I now live upon; also one fifty acre lot on the long kill and 200 acres of my undivided part of that lott of 1000 acres in the Pine Swamp; also to him all my personal estate provided he pay such debts as may arise from the said lands. To my son Samuel the farm he now lives on with one fifty acre lott on the long hill and 200 acres of my undivided part of the 1000 acre lot.

Witnesses, James Caldwell, John Dill, Ebenezer Clark, of the Walkill, farmer. Proved, Ulster County, December 23, 1784. Administration granted to William Faulkender, of Walkill Precinct, in the County of Ulster, yeoman, a son of William Faulkender, of the same place, yeoman, deceased, whereas the said William Faulkender neglected to appoint executors, New York, February 9, 1785.

Page 384.—In the name of God, Amen. I, NOAH SMITH, of Jamaica in Queens County, wheelwright, being sick and weak in body. My executors shall sell

so great a part of my real and personal estate as they shall find necessary for paying my debts and funeral charges. The rest of my estate I bequeath to Mary my dearly beloved wife for her to enjoy the income thereof so long as she shall remain my widow and no longer. To Joseph Skidmore, Nicholas Smith and Daniel Bayles, the present Elders and Deacons of the Presbyterian Church in Jamaica in Queens County a sum of £10 to be paid them within one year after my decease and to be by them and their successors put out to interest for the use of the said Church. After the death or marriage of my wife I will that my whole estate be sold and the money disposed of as follows, to wit: To my son Othniel £20, to my son Nehemiah £20, to my daughter Mary £20, to my daughter Phebe £20, to my daughter Theodosia £20, to my daughter Tabitha £20, to my grandchildren, children of my daughter Eunice, late the wife of Benjamin Everit, £5. The remainder of my estate shall be divided into ten parts, one tenth each to my children Othniel, Nehemiah, Prissilla, wife of Nehemiah Carpenter, Mary, Phebe, Theodosia and Tabitha Smith, and one tenth to my grandchildren, children of my son, Nicholas Smith, deceased, namely, Patience, Prissilla, Elizabeth, Benjamin, Noah, Mary and Phebe, equally divided amongst them, and one tenth to the children of my son, Noah Smith, deceased, namely, Jeffery, Phebe and George, equally divided, and the remaining tenth to the children of my daughter Unice, deceased, namely, Unice and Mary. I will that my son Nehemiah shall be put out to learn a trade as soon as a proper place can be got for him. I appoint Mary, my wife, my brother-in-law, William Ludlum, and my son Othniel, executors.

Dated August 3, 1777. Witnesses, William Lewis, of Jamaica, carpenter; Nathaniel Mills, Abraham Colyer. Proved, Queens County, January 31, 1785. Administration granted to Mary Smith and Othniel Smith, February 10, 1785.

Page 386.—In the name of God, Amēn. I, ANTHONY HOFFMAN, of Kingston, Ulster County, Blacksmith, being in good health of body. I bequeath to my well beloved wife Catharina my negro wench named Hago, and the choice of one bedstead, bedding, covering, curtains and furniture thereto, for her use for life or as long as she remains my widow, also £20 yearly for life or as long as my widow paid her by my two sons, Nicholas and Abraham. To my son Nicholas all my lands in Dutchess County with the buildings, houses, barns, barricks, orchards and gardens, he to pay to my wife yearly £10, and he to pay to my executors £600 after the death of my wife. To my son Abraham all my lands in the town of Kingston, Ulster County, with the buildings, etc., he to pay yearly to my wife £10. He shall also pay to my executors £500 after the decease of my wife. To my son Nicholas my two negro slaves named James and Ceasar. To Abraham my negro slave named Prince, and all my blacksmith's tools. To my son Anthony my negro boy named Jo and £100 to be paid him by my executors after the decease of my wife out of the money paid by Nicholas and Abraham. To my daughter Catharina my negro girl named Mary (being the daughter of my wench Hago) also my household furniture. To my daughters, Saretie, Jannetie, Marritie and Catharina, £200 after the decease of my wife paid by my executors. To my granddaughter Saretie, daughter of my daughter Annatie, £200 paid her after the decease of my wife when she comes to the age of twenty-one years, and if she die before twenty-one the same to all my above named children equally divided. The residue of my estate to my above named children and my said grandchild Saretie equally. I appoint my son Anthony and my two sons-in-law, John Addison and Hans Kierstede, executors.

(Signed) ANTHONIE HOFMAN.

Dated February 6, 1784. Witnesses, Cornelius El-mendorph, Jr., of Kingston, yeoman; James Roe, of

Kingston, yeoman; Joseph Gasherie. Proved, Ulster County, January 13, 1785. Confirmed, New York, February 10, 1785.

Page 389.—In the name of God, Amen. This Eighteenth day of September, 1784. I, WRIGHT CARPINTER, of the Precinct of the Wallkill, in Ulster County, Blacksmith, being in a low state of health. I bequeath to my beloved wife Mercy £15 paid her in twelve months after my decease, as also my bed, bedstead and all the furniture thereto, being the bed that we now lye on, also one small chest of drawers standing in the room we now sleep in, also one good cow and six good sheep, all to her and her heirs forever. To my daughter Mary a feather bed, one chest of drawers, one milch cow, six sheep and £10. To my daughter, Elizabeth White, two good sheep. To my son, Wright Carpinter, £10 when he arrives to be of full age, also my wearing apparel. To my daughter, Rebeca Carpinter, £20, one cow and six sheep, the money to be paid when she arrives to the age of eighteen years. I order that the family I may leave at my decease shall have a sufficient support in provision allowed to them for twelve months after my decease. The remainder of my estate to be sold, and the whole of my real estate, and the money after my debts are paid to be divided between my three daughters, Mary, Elizabeth and Rebecca equally, and if any die and leave no heir, her share to her surviving sisters. I make my loving friend, Doct. Jonathan Swezey, and my son-in-law, James White, executors.

Witnesses, John McCamly, of the Precinct of Wallkill, cordwainer; Nicholas Carpenter, of the Precinct of Wallkill, Blacksmith; Elizabeth Smith. Proved, Ulster County, January 1, 1785. Confirmed, New York, February 10, 1785.

Page 390.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CORNELIUS DE LAMETTER, of Kingston, Ulster County, Esq. It is

my express order that my two sons, Abraham and Benjamin, shall each pay one half of my debts and funeral charges in consideration of what I devise them. To my daughter Selitje, wife of Matheus Van Keuren, £100 to be paid to her by my said two sons, also to her my large cubberd with all the Boles standing thereon, also my large looking glass and copper smodring pan. Whereas, Ephrim Dubois, husband to my other daughter (Anna Catrina) is indebted to me by several Bonds upwards of one hundred pounds it is my will that £100 shall be recovered and esteemed as the portion my said daughter shall have as an equivalent with her sister Selitje. Whereas I have conveyed to my son Cornelius the land and stream on the south side of Rondoubt creek I do judge that to be the portion which he ought to have. To my son Abraham my dwelling house wherein I now live, my barn, bark gristmill, mildams, stream of water called "twelve kill" and the land on both sides of said kill to the land of Johannis Dubois, all to my son Abraham except reserving out of the same for my son Benjamin a small parcel of ground adjoining the land of Johannis Dubois. To my son Benjamin my lower gristmill and the house wherein my son Abraham now lives with the land on both sides of "twelves kill," etc., and a small parcel of land adjoining Rondoupt Creek about nine acres, also another small peice up the said Creek about six acres. And for the rest of my estate I bequeath it to my two sons, Abraham and Benjamin, equally, whom I appoint my executors.

Dated November 28, 1760. Witnesses, Wilhelmus Hooghtyling, Rebeckah DuBois wife of Jan Dubois, of Kingston; Jan Eltinge. Proved, Ulster County, January 17, 1785. The administration is not given.

Page 392.—In the name of God, Amen. December ye 17th, 1784. I, AMOS SMITH, of Huntington, being weak of body. All my lands at the plain fields and

my meadows at South shall be sold and such moveable estate as my executors shall think proper. My loving wife Mary to have the use of the rest of my lands and buildings and the moveables not sold until my son comes of age, to bring up my children. After my debts are paid the remainder of the money to be let and the use thereof go to my wife towards supporting the family, till my son comes of age, then to be equally divided between my three daughters, Ruth, Elizabeth and Mary Smith, and if either die before of age the part of such to the surviving sisters. To my son Amos the remainder of my lands when he comes of lawful age, and one bed, he paying £10 apeece to each of my three daughters. After my son comes of age the remainder of my moveables to be divided betwixt my wife and daughters, my wife to have one third and two thirds to my three daughters. It is my will that my executors bind my son out to learn a trade when they think proper. I appoint my brother, Silas Smith, Cornelius Hartt and Jonah Wood, executors.

(Signed) AMOS SMITH and MARH SMITH.

Witnesses, Alexander Lewis, Blacksmith, Glorinaer Lewis, spinster, Melancton Bryan Wood. Proved, Suffolk County, January 24, 1785. Confirmed, New York, February 10, 1785.

Page 394.—In the name of God, Amen. This first day of May, 1776. I, THOMAS THORN, SR., of the Manor of Courtlandt, Westchester County, yeoman, being in a weak state of health. I order my executors to sell my whole farm that my son Stephenson now lives on in North Castle, Westchester County, and the money arising to be valued as part of my moveable estate. To my loving wife Elezibeth, the third of all my personal estate after my debts are paid, I give to her the interest of the monies that I hereafter give to my son Sherwood, as long as she remains my widow and no longer. My six sons, Stephenson, Elathan, Thomas, James, Isaac and John Thorne, shall pay

yearly £10 every one to my wife while my widow. To my son, Sherwood Thorn, £200 at his marriage day or when he shall arrive to the age of twenty-one. To my daughter, Hannah Pine, £2. To my daughters, Sarah and Anne Thorn, £100 at their marriage day or when they arrive to the age of eighteen equally divided. To my son Isaac, £100 when twenty-one. To my son John, £110 at marriage day or when twenty-one. To my son Samuel Thorn's four daughters, Sarah, Phebe, Abbigel and Elezibeth Thorn, £40 equally divided, at their marriage days or when eighteen. The remainder of my estate to my seven sons, that is: Stephenson, Elathan, Thomas, James, Isaac, John and Sherwood Thorn. I make my sons Elathan and Thomas, executors.

Witnesses, Joseph Cornwell, of North Castle, yeoman, of the people called Quakers; Josiah Quinby, Sollomon Blindbury. Proved, Westchester County, February 4, 1785. Administration granted to Thomas Thorn, an executor, New York, February 12, 1785.

Page 396.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOBUS TELLER, of the Town of Schenectady and the County of Albany, being in perfect health, July 4, 1783. I devise to my dearly beloved wife Maria, my real and personal estate during the time she remains my widow and no longer, she to make no destruction or waste thereupon but to live out of the income; Also to her all the household furniture which her father has given her. Immediately after the death or remarriage of my wife all my estate to my son William. If William dies before he comes of age and has no lawful issue then my household furniture and one third of my estate to my wife and one third thereof to my brother, Gerrit T. Teller, and the other third to the children which my brother William now has or may have divided between them. If my wife finds the income insufficient to support her and family she may sell part

of my real or personal estate. I appoint my wife Maria, my brother, Gerrit T. Teller, and my brother-in-law, Robert Yates, executors.

Witnesses, Cornelius A. Van Slyck, merchant; Dirk Van Ingen and Jacobus Van Ingen, Gentleman. Proved, Albany County, January 6, 1785. Confirmed, New York, February 12, 1785.

Page 398.—The People of the State of New York to Aaron Huyck, of Kinderhook District in the County of Albany, yeoman, a nephew of Andries B. Huyck, late of the same place, yeoman; deceased, send Greeting. Whereas the said ANDRIES B. HUYCK did make his last will bearing date the sixth of February, 1770, and appointed Dirck Huyck, Peter B. Vosburgh and Elezebeth Huyck, executors, and soon after died, and whereas on the 23rd day of April following, at Albany County, the will was proved and administration granted to the said Peter B. Vosburgh and Elizabeth Huyck, and whereas the executors are since deceased, administration is granted to the above Aaron Huyck, New York, February 14, 1785.

Page 398.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ANNATJE MARSELIS, widow and relict of Johannis Marselis, late of the City of Albany, deceased. I devise to my children, Guysbert Marselis, Eva the wife of Johannis M. Roseboom, Barbara, wife of Hendrick I. Bogert, Maria, wife of Henry Lansingh and Hendrick Marselis, all my estate and claim in all that tract of land commonly called Kaneejaderosseres in the County of Albany, formerly granted to Nanning Harmense, Johannis Beeckman and others by patent dated November 2, 1708. I make my sons, Guysbert and Hendrick Marselis, and my daughters, Eva, Barbara and Maria, executors.

Dated August 9, 1769. Witnesses, Jacobus Vinhagen and Abraham Vinhagen, farmers; Ab<sup>m</sup> Yates, Jr. Proved, Albany County, January 26, 1785. Ad-

ministration granted to Henry Marselis, New York, February 14, 1785.

Page 400.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN SMITH, of the Borough of Westchester and County of Westchester, being weak in body. I empower my executors to sell all or such part of my estate which is real as they think proper. I devise to my dearly beloved wife, Margaret Smith, so long as she shall continue my widow all the residue of my estate for the special trusts hereinafter mentioned which are that my wife shall maintain and educate the children I shall have by her in such decent manner, out of the income of my estate, as she shall think proper without any control whatever. I authorize her to dispose of my remaining estate among my children in such shares by her last will or by writing under her hand as she shall think just, always providing she has remained my widow. If she marry I revoke the bequests before given, and on the day of such marriage my estate shall devolve to my executors, and I empower them to sell all my estate, real and personal, and the moneys arising to be equally divided between my said wife Margaret and my surviving children by her recommending the care and guardianship of my children to her until they marry or come of age. Whereas I have formerly given to my daughter Mary, the wife of Richard Bancker, the sum of £350, and not being able to judge how my estate will turn out to my other children who have had nothing, but being willing to do equal justice to them all, my will is that after my children have £350 allotted them, if there is any remaining, she, Mary, shall be accounted the same as any of the others. I appoint my wife Margaret sole executrix during her widowhood, but if she marry then her executorship shall immediately cease and I then appoint my loving sons, William S. Smith, John Smith and Justus B. Smith, executors.

Dated November 21, 1784. Witnesses, Daniel Me-

Cormick, of New York City, Robt Cocks, Joseph Pitcairn. Proved, February 14, 1785.

Page 402.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ISAAC WELLS, of Southold in the County of Suffolk, yeoman, being weak in body. I give to my son, Isaac Wells, all my lands, meadows and buildings he paying to my three daughters, after named, £50 apiece, when they come to the age of eighteen years or their marriage day. To my three daughters, Jemima, Mehitable and Hannah Wells, all my personal estate, but if my son Isaac neglect or refuse to pay my daughters the above sum of £50 each, then my executors shall sell so much of my land and meadow adjoining the highway as will pay the said sum. My wife Jemima shall have the use of my lands, meadows, buildings and household furniture till Isaac is twenty-one, provided she remains my widow, and if she marry she shall have no more than the law gives her. I leave it to my executors to sell so much of my stock and outdoor moveables as will pay my debts. I appoint my brother, Jeremiah Wells, and my wife Jemima, executors.

Dated September 7, 1784. Witnesses, Micah Wells, Zaccheus Wells, William Horton. Proved, Suffolk County, November 1, 1784. Confirmed, New York, February 17, 1785.

Page 403.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN VAN ALLEN, of Claverack landing, Albany County. I bequeath to my eldest son, Adam, £10, in full bar of his birthright. To my said son Adam and to my daughters, Elbertie and Trintye, £40 each (they being otherwise provided for by what came to them from their mother), to be paid them within the space of six Calendar months after the decease or marrying again of Catherine my wife. To my wife Catharine the whole of my real and personal estate leaving it to her to provide for my two children by her, and I do constitute her sole executrix.

Dated November 25, 1782. Witnesses, Jacob Van Hoesen, of Claverack, yeoman; Justis H. V. Hoesen, of Claverack, merchant; James Barker, of Coxhacky, Esquire. Proved, Albany County, December 21, 1784. Confirmed, New York, Feb. 17, 1784.

Page 484.—The People of the State of New York to all to whom these presents shall come or may concern send Greeting. Whereas LODOWICK BAMPER, late of Brooklyn, Kings County, Gentleman, deceased, did make his will bearing date the third of June, 1783, and thereby appointed Jacob Sharpe, William Maxwell, Charles Doughty and John Anderson, executors, and soon after died, and whereas on the 24th of March last at the City of New York, the said will was proved, and on the 31st of the same month administration was granted to the said Jacob Sharpe and Charles Doughty, and whereas the said John Anderson hath signified that he is willing to be joined in the said administration, administration is now granted to Jacob Sharpe, Charles Doughty and John Anderson, New York, February 21, 1785.

Page 405.—In the name of God, Amen. The 19th day of April, 1782. I, DAVID WOORTMAN, of Bushwick, Kings County, Nassau Island, being sick and weak in body. I bequeath to my sister, Cathrena Conselyea, widow and relict of Baurnt Conselyea, all my household goods, and after my debts are paid the remaining part of my estate, real and personal, for her use as long as she remains a widow, and after her death or remarriage the remainder I order my executors to sell and the moneys arising I give to my brother, Direck Woortman's child Tunis, and to my sister Susannah Cansen's child David, and to two of my sister Annatie Bennet's children by name, Tunis and Direck, to be divided in the following manner: my brother Direck's son Tunis and sister Susannah Canun's son David, two shares each, and my sister Annatie Bennt's two sons,

Teunis and Direck, each one share, paid to each of the above as they arrive to the age of twenty-one years; if my sister Cathrena should be dead or married before such time then the money to be put out at use for the benefit of the said children till they are twenty-one, and if my said sister should remarry and get a child or children before my estate is divided I give to such an equal proportion with my sister Annatie Bennet's two children. I appoint my brother-in-law, William Bennet and my good friends, Joost Duryea, John Skillman, of Bushwick, and Abraham Schenck, of New Town, my executors.

Witnesses, William Conselye, of Kings County, yeoman; Burger Vandewater, of New York City, cordwainer; Charety Conselye. Proved, New York, February 26, 1785.

Page 407.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DANIEL DENTON, the son of Daniel Denton, deceased, of Goshen in Orange County, being now sick in body. Touching my worldly estate I devise it in the following manner desiring everyone concerned will be contented therewith. My debts and funeral charges to be fully paid as I direct hereafter. To my brother, Jonas Denton, my east division lot of land that I doe now live on excepting my griss mill and the water stream and the land left for the use of the mill and one acre more from the mill to the highway. To my brother, Thomas Denton, my above mentioned griss mill, stream, etc. I order that my brother Jonas shall let my sister, Sarah Denton, have my back bedroom that hath the fireplace so long as she shall remain a single woman, and that he shall pay her the full sum of £50 within one year after my decease for the consideration I have given to him. My brother Thomas for the consideration I have given to him shall pay to my nephew, John Denton, £30 when he shall arrive to age. To my nephew, Joseph Denton, my watch when he arrives to the age of Eighteen. My moveable estate my brother Jonas may

part with to pay my debts (except my wearing apparell which I give to my brothers, Samuel, Gilbert and James). I make my Brothers, Jonas and Thomas Denton, executors.

Dated September 5, 1762. Witnesses, Daniel Everett, William Drake, of Goshen, Carpenter; John Everett. Proved, Orange County, January 10, 1785. Administration granted to Jonas Denton, New York, March 1, 1785.

Page 409.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HENRY CARMER, of the City of New York, Joiner, being aged and infirm. I devise to my son, Nicholas Carmer, my water lot now unimproved and last granted to me by the corporation of this city, in the East Ward of this City. To my wife Elizabeth, £30 yearly during her life. All the rest of my estate, real or personal, I dispose of in the following manner, to wit: two equal undivided third parts thereof, to my son Nicholas, the other third part to the children of my daughter, Mary Williamson, viz.: Elizabeth, John and Henry, equally divided, and if any die during their minoritys the share of such to the survivors. I appoint my son Nicholas sole executor and I empower him to sell my estate and out of the net proceeds to retain the dividend of my said grandchildren during their minoritys or till they marry, and he to be guardian to them until the above Contingency.

Dated February 12, 1785. Witnesses, Robert Mercer, Robert Roberts, hatter; Matthew Cowper, merchant, all of New York City. Proved, March 1, 1785.

Page 410.—In the name of God, Amen. I, PETER PRAA PROVOOST, of Bushwick, Kings County, Nassau Island, Farmer, being well in body. I devise to my son, David Provoost, five shillings, he being my eldest son and heir at law. To my beloved wife Leah, £50, also all such goods and household furniture that belonged to her at the time of my intermarriage to be delivered her at some convenient time after my de-

cease. To my son David £100, paid one year after my decease, also my dwelling house and farm in Bushwick whereon I now dwell. On fourth part of the rest of my estate unto my grandchildren, Gittie and Elizabeth, daughters of my son, Burger Provoost, late of the City of New York, Blacksmith, deceased, paid them when they arrive to the age of twenty-one. To my daughter Mary . . . (text obliterated) . . . seph Rodman of New Rochel in Westchester, one fourth part, put at interest and paid her, my daughter Mary, during her life, and in case of her decease the same to her children that she has now or may hereafter have by the said Joseph Rodman (her present husband) equally divided, the said share to be kept at interest till her youngest child shall arrive at the age of twenty-one, and the interest to go towards their support and education. To my son Peter one fourth part of my estate, the remaining fourth part to my daughter Christiana, wife of Stephen Tippet, of the City of New York, Carpenter. I order my executors to sell my estate, real and personal (except the house and farm devised to my son David and the personal estate to my wife Leah) for the best prices, and the monies arising to be applied as above directed. I appoint my son, Peter Praa Provoost, and my son-in-law, Stephen Tippet, executors.

Dated July 15, 1776. Witnesses, Abraham Eavson, George Miller, William Wentworth, of New York City, scrivener. Proved, January 18, 1785. New York, March 1, 1785, appeared before the Judge of the Court of Probates, Jonathan Provoost, of New Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey, and being duly sworn declared that in the spring of the year 1783 he saw the preceding will of Peter Praa Provoost, deceased, in the hands of David Provoost, his eldest son, and that the Testator's name and seal were then gone they appearing to have been cut out. Administration granted to Peter Praa Provoost and Stephen Tippet, March 1, 1785.

Page 413.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN SUYDAM, of the township of Brookland, Kings County, being in perfect health, mind and memory, not knowing when it shall please the Lord to put an end to my existence here and that it behoofeth every man to settle his worldly estate in such a manner that no strife may arise after his decease. My body I desire may be decently buried in the Earth at some convenient place. The use and income of my whole estate, real and personal, I bequeath to my widow (not named) during the time of her widowhood. As to my deceased son Rike I have in his lifetime given him his full portion therefore I make nothing to his children now. At the decease of my widow I devise all my estate, real and personal, to my sons, Vernandt, Hendrick and Ryniar, and my daughter Maria, share and share alike. I appoint my widow, my sons, Vernandt, Hendrick and Rynear, executors.

Dated December 16, 1778. Witnesses, Simon Dur-  
yee, John Sebring (of New York City, Gentleman)  
Nicholas Couwenhoven. Proved, New York, March 3,  
1785. Administration granted to Vernandt, Hendrick  
and Rynear Suydam the same day.

Page 414.—In the name of God, Amen. The 1st day of February, 1785. I, JAMES LISK, of the County of Richmond, being at this time very sick and weak. I leave to my son Daniel, my Bay mare and the colt she is now with fold of and a new saddle to the value of three pounds ten shillings, and my wareing apearal and all my tools and line and tackling and £20 in cash. The remainder of my estate shall be sold and my debts and funeral charges paid after I am buried in a decent manner, and the remainder shall be equally divided between my loving wife (not named) and my four children, that is to say, my wife a share, and my son William a share "if he is justly discharged from the charge he is now confined for and returns," and my son Daniel a share, and my daughter Catharine a

share, and my daughter Elizabeth a share. I ordain my frind, Richard Conner and my son Daniel, ex-  
ecutors.

Witnesses, Nathaniel Britten, cooper; John Mar-  
tenno, Richard Conner, Jr. Proved, Richmond County,  
March 3, 1785.

Page 415.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JONATHAN OWEN, of Dutchess County, Phillips Precinct, being weak in body. I do bequeath to my loving wife, one third of my lands that is south of Thomas Bashford's farm so long as she remains my widow, and at the expiration of that time she to receive £100. My Eldest son, Jonathan, to have the farm of land that I purchased of Jeremiah Sherwood and Thomas Smith, he paying £120 with interest till paid and £25 per anum till paid. My son Levy to have the farm of land that Selonous Lockwood now lives on and for him to pay £50. My daughter Abby to receive £100 as the money becomes due from my son Jonathan. My daughter Mary to receive £100 when of age. My sons, Samuel, Israel, Benjamin and Soloman, to have all the rest of my estate when the youngest comes of age. I do apoint Jain my wife, and Jesse Owen, executors.

Dated January 12, 1785. Witnesses, Joseph Bard (Boud in proof), Susanah Mangle, Joseph Chase, of Dutchess County, farmer. Proved, Dutchess County, February 23, 1785. Confirmed, New York, March 8, 1785.

Page 416.—I, THOMAS PURDY, of the 6th Massachusetts Regt, do will over all my wagers and clothing that may be due me from the state or Congress to Eve Purdy, my wife, to take into her possession to dispose of to her profit. I, the said Thomas Purdy, being in my right mind the time that I gave this will to Eve Purdy, my wife. Given this 12 day of February, 1783.

Witnesses, Nathan Smith, Enoch Rose, Hanah

Eager, Jos. Crook (Lieut. in the late American Army).  
Proved, New York, March 8, 1785.

Page 417.—New York, February 25, 1785. Know all men by these Presents that on the 16th day of February, 1785, JOHN CHRISTIAN VAN PHUL, Baker, of the City of New York, then in a very low state of health but of perfectly sound mind did in the presence of us the subscribers make his last will verbally in the following manner. First he ordered that his body should be decently interred and the funeral charges paid. Secondly, that after his decease his servants should be free. Thirdly, that £10 be paid to the German Reformed church of this City. Fourthly, that the remainder of his estate should devolve upon his two brothers living in Pennsylvania equally. Lastly, that Mr. Christopher Fiegenheim and Mr. John Bogert be executors.

Witnesses, John Daniel Gros, Minister of the Gospel; John Sice, Baker; Christoph (Christian in proof) Fiegenheim, shop keeper, all of New York City. Proved, February 25, 1785, New York, when the witnesses declared on oath that they heard John Christian Von Phul on the 16th day of February instant, at his own house, and in his last illness of which he died, declare his last will agreeable to the preceding writing except what relates to the appointment of his executors, and the said John Daniel Gros and Christopher Fiegenheim, and also John Christian Puntzius, tailor, and John Bogert, merchant of the said City, appeared and declared that the same day they did hear John Christian Von Phul appoint the above said executors. Administration granted to William Von Phul, of the City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Distiller, a brother of John Christian Von Phul, late of the City of New York, Baker, deceased, the executors having by an Instrument bearing date February 15th last relinquished the executorship, New York, March 9, 1785.

Page 419.—In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS THOMAS MERITT, of North, being weak in body. I leave to my son Thomas the east half of my land at Newmalbury on ye west side of ye North River. To my son James ye other half. To my son Joseph my land at the Fish kills. I order my land at North Castle to be sold and untill it is sold for my son Anderson to have half of ye privilage and my son Jeremaah the other half, and when sold for my son Joseph to have £50 and Anderson £100 and Jeremiah £100, and the rest to be divided eaquily among my five sons. My household goods to be divided between my two daughters (not named). I constitute my three sons executors, their names iss as follows: Joseph, Anderson and Jeremiah Meritt.

Dated April 14, 1782. Witnesses, James Haight, of North Castle, yeoman; Joseph Totten, Henry Dickinson. Proved, Westchester County, March 2, 1785. Confirmed, New York, March 9, 1785.

Page 420.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSEPH DRAKE, of East Chester, being weak in body. I leave to my beloved wife Charity my house and land where I now live. To my youngest son Joseph, a certain tract of land known by the Curlands in East Chester and adjoining the Mill pond of Mr. John Bartow containing both fresh and salt. Lastly, after my debts and funeral expenses are paid I bequeath to my wife all my personal estate whom I appoint my executrix and Benjamin Drake my executor.

Dated January 17, 1785. Witnesses, John Beauyx, Wm Johnson, of Eastchester, Blacksmith; John G. Wright, of Eastchester, Physician.

*Codicil.* January 17, 1785. To my son Joseph my wearing apparel. The house and land I have given to my wife after her death shall be equally divided between my three youngest daughters, Charity, Abigail and Hester.

Witnesses to Codicil the same as to will. Proved

Westchester County, February 28, 1785. Confirmed, New York, March 10, 1785.

Page 422.—In the name of God, Amen. This fifth day of May, 1779. I, JESSE KIPP, of North Castle, Westchester County, being weak in body. I leave to my dearly beloved wife Anne one third of all my land and the best room in the house as long as she shall remain my widow, also one horse which she shall choose out of my horses, and a side saddle and bridle, and two beds and furniture, and the Cubbord and table and a looking glass, and all the iron ware belonging to the house, and one brass kittel, and all the chears, one littel wheal and one great wheal, and a cubord rack. What is left of my estate I order it kept for the suport of my children until my son, Benjamin Kipp, shall become of age. Also to Benjamin one horse valued at £15 and that when he shall come of age, and then the whole to be sold and that to be divided among my children, Benjamin, Gilbert, John, Phebe, Caleb, Meream and James Kipp, every boy to have double of each girl, and that to be paid as they come of age. I make my loving wife Anne, and William Kipp and Thomas Kipp, executors.

Witnesses, Oliver Secor of North Castle, yeoman; John Ireland, Daniel Outhouse. Proved, Westchester County, March 4, 1785. Administration granted to William Kipp March 10, 1785.

Page 423.—In the name of God, Amen. This 21st day of November, 1784. I, ANDRESON MERRITT, of North Castle, Westchester County, Gentleman, being very weak in body. I bequeath to Sarah, my dearly beloved wife, all my household goods; Also one cow to be kept for the use of my family as long as she remains my widow. My chatles and farming utentials to be sold at Public Vendue, and after my debts are paid the remainder of the proceeds to be applied to the support of my family. The remainder of my estate to

be collected as soon as possible and the money put at use and applied toward the maintenance of my family. When my oldest daughter arriveth at the age of eighteen then all my estate to be equally divided between my four children, that is, my daughter Prisilla and my daughter Easter, and my daughter Jein and my son Gilbert. My wife to have half of this farm I now live on till it be sold according to my father's will for the suport of my family. My beloved friends, Joseph Merritt, William Kipp and Gilbert Haviland, I make my executors.

(Signed) ANDERSON MERRITT.

Witnesses, Joatham Wright, Caleb Weeks, Caleb Carpenter, of North Castle, saddler. Proved, Westchester County, March 4, 1785.

Page 425.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ROBERT BRYSON, of the City of New York, Mariner. After my debts are paid I leave to my Brother, John Bryson, of the City of New York, Mariner, one third of my estate, and the interest arising from the other two thirds for the use of my mother, Elsey Broadford, during her life, and after her decease the said two thirds to be divided between my nephew, Robert Bryson, and my niece, Sophia Bryson, of the County of Down in the Kingdom of Ireland. I make Mr. Samuel Verplank, of the City of New York, Merchant, and Hugh Gaine, of the said City, Printer, executors.

Dated November 30, 1771. Witnesses, Dennis Carleton, John Schuyler, Jr., Robt Hyslop, of New York City, Merchant. Proved, New York, March 10, 1785. Administration granted to Hugh Gaine the same day.

Page 426.—In the name of God, Amen. I, TEUNIS VAN BUNSCHOTEN, of Rhynebeck Precinct, Dutchess County, yeoman, being at present weak in body. I leave to my eldest son, Soloman, my best gun or fowling piece in consideration of his Birthright. To my son Egenas, my weavers loom with all the utensils

thereunto. To my beloved wife Elsjé, all my real estate and the remainder of my personal estate during the time she remains my widow, also my negro wench named Jin and my negro boy named Ben. After my wife shall marry or die I give to my six sons, namely, Soloman, Egenas, Egbert, Harmanis, Jacobus and John, all my real estate in Dutchess County they or their heirs paying to my six daughters, namely, Catharine, wife of Christian Bergh, Jr.; Mary, wife of Stephanis Freligh; Neeltje, wife of Johannis P. Schryver; Elsjé, Elizabeth and Annatje, each £20. After my wife shall die or marry to my said sons all my horses, mares, and horse kind, cattle, and sheep, my farmer's utensils, tools and wearing apparel equally divided. If my three youngest daughters, Elsjé, Elizabeth and Annatje shall marry, such shall have a good cow and a reasonable outset as my three eldest have had to be paid out of my said six sons portions. After my wife's death or marriage to my said six daughters my household furniture share and share alike, and then also my negro wench Jin shall chuse with which of my children she shall live, and the one so chosen shall give her a reasonable maintenance for life, and my negro boy Ben I bequeath unto my six sons to dispose of him as they think proper. I appoint as executors my wife Elsjé and my sons, Soloman and Egenas, and I order that my children now under age be maintained and educated out of my estate at the discretion of my executors.

Dated July 7, 1776. Witnesses, Peter D'Witt, Johan Pitter Freligh, farmer; Zacharias Weydmann. Proved, Dutchess County, March 5, 1785. Administration granted to the three above executors, New York, March 11, 1785.

Page 427.—I, JEDIDIAH WING, of Beekman's Precinct, Dutchess County, being at this time in usual good bodily health. My will is that my debts and funeral charges be paid out of my moveable estate, and as to

the remainder of my estate I give to my respected and beloved wife Elizabeth, full use if any there be of my moneys goods, etc., during her widowhood, and further my wife immediately upon my decease may possess by herselfe, or any for by or under her, all my real estate, as well as my moveable estate aforesaid, in lieu of the thirds she might otherwise have. To my son, Elihu Wing, all my land in the seventh lott of "P. his upper pattent" during the term of the lease thereof. To my sons, Garshom and Elisha, the whole of my houses, lands and buildings on the oblong each one halfe part equal in Quantity and Quality. To my son Prime, £100, he to be bound to or at least learn some manual art or trade under the direction of one or both of my executors to whom I devise the care of him in his minority. To my daughters, Abigail and Mehetabel each £10 above what they have already had or at my decease may have had of my estate. To my daughters Deborah, Elizabeth and Dorcas, each £20 beside what they have had or may have. I order that the legacies to my son Prime and my five mentioned daughters be wholly paid by my two sons, Garshom and Elisha, in consideration of their having so large a legacy to them bequeathed. All my household furniture found remaining at the expiration of my wife's widowhood shall be divided between my last three mentioned and youngest daughters. The legacies in money shall by my sons, Garshom and Elisha, or their heirs be paid within five years at least after the death or marriage of my said wife. I make my wife Elizabeth and my son Elihu, executors.

Dated May 19, 1759. Witnesses, Philip Allen, of Dutchess County, farmer, and of the people called Quakers, Weston Allen, Elisha Allen. Proved, Dutchess County, March 8, 1785. Administration not mentioned.

Page 429.—I, JOHN LEER, of the Manor of Cortlandt, all my estate which I now possess I give unto

my wife Catharina during her life, and after her death to be divided between Harmanus Leer, Zachariah Bloom and my daughter Ursula Catharina Baisly, to wit, one half of my estate to my son Harmanus and the other half between my son-in-law, Zachariah Bloom, and my said daughter excepting the farm whereon I now live I give to my son, Harmanus Leer, with the consent of Pierre Van Cortlandt, Esq<sup>r</sup>, owner thereof, after the death of my wife. To my son John, £5 in cash being his part. I appoint my friends, Pierre Van Cortlandt, Esq., Philip Van Cortlandt, and my son Harmanus, executors.

Dated this 15th day of October, 1773. Witnesses, Hendrick Kear, Abraham Teller, of New York City, Physician, John Crown. Proved, New York, March 11, 1785. Administration granted to Philip Van Cortlandt, March 11, 1785.

Page 430.—The Last Will and Testament of Peter Palmer is as follows, viz.: I, PETER PALMER, of Charlotte Precinct in Dutchess County, being at this time sick and weak. I will that all my debts due unto me be collected and my moveable estate, except what is hereinafter excepted, be sold, and my debts paid, and if my moveable estate do not amount to so much as will pay my debts then so much of my farm whereon I now dwell to be sold as will pay them. I hereby except for the use of my wife and family three of my best cows and two of my best horses, one side saddle and bridle and twenty sheep; Also the remaining part of my farm shall be reserved for the bringing up of my children until my second son, John, arrive to the age of twenty-one. It is my will that my eldest son, Peter, if he remains unmarried, remain and work on said farm until ye lawful age of my son John, and have such a part above the rest as shall satisfy him for ye use of his doury hereinafter named, and at the expiration of said time all my farm, including that land eastward from this farm whereon I now dwell adjoin-

ing Crook's lott and my moveable estate be sold and the money therefrom disposed of as follows, viz.: To my daughter Lydia the side saddle and feather bed and all other goods she hath now in her possession; To my wife Sarah, £100 in lieu of her dowry; To my eldest son, Peter, £100, paid him at ye lawful age of my son John, also one horse to ye value of £16; To my second son, John, £100; To my third son, Aaron, £100; To my fourth and youngest son, Isreal, £100; the above to be paid to ye three said youngest sons, respectively as they arrive to lawful age. The remaining money to be equally divided between my daughters, Phebe, Sarah, Hannah, Anna and Mary, as they arrive to lawful age. After the moveables first mentioned to be sold are sold, if there be any remaining after paying my debts, my oldest daughters shall have a feather bed, and a cow each, namely, Phebe, Sarah and Hannah, when each are married. I appoint my well-esteemed friend, Samuel Butts, Solomon Haight and my wife, Sarah Palmer, all of Charlotte Precinct, my executors.

Dated this 14th day of the 4th month called April, 1774. Witnesses, David Cook, Samuel Cook, of Albany County, farmer, of the People called Quakers; Benjamin Cook, Elias Palmer. Proved, Dutchess County, March 7, 1785. Administration granted to Sarah Palmer, an executrix, New York, March 11, 1785.

Page 432.—In the name of God, Amen. This 19th day of March, 1783. I, JOHN GARNSEY, of Amenia Precinct in Dutchess County, being weak and low as to health. I bequeath to my beloved wife Anna, the whole of my household goods, utensials, bedding, etc., together with the whole contents of one Certain Note of hand, principal and interest, against my son Nathan, for the sum of £168, 0 4; Also the contents of four executors against Amos Morse, of Litchfield, for the sum of about £80. To my oldest son, John, ten

shillings, and to my son Peter, ten shillings, as also one note of twelve pounds against William Pugsly, and to my son Nathan, ten shillings, and to my son Noah, ten shillings, to my daughters, ten shillings each, viz.: to Anna, Dorcas and Eunice, and to Dorcas a note of hand that her husband, Job Thurston gave to Joel Thurston. To my son Daniel the contents of the notes following, to wit: against Bowers Slosson, Elijah Park, two against Thaddeus Gilbert, one against Amos Wilson, one against Daniel Garnsey, one against Samuel Canfield, one against Robert Wood and Zebulon Rudd, except paying out of them £14 to my daughter Eunice and £6 to my son John. I appoint my wife Anna, and my son Daniel, executors.

Witnesses, Roswell Hopkins, Grover Buel, of Dutchess County, farmer; John Garnsey (stated in the proof to be youngest son of the Testator). Proved, Dutchess County, March 10, 1785. Confirmed, New York, March 15, 1785.

Page 434.—In the name of God, Amen. I, AELTIE VAN WAGENEN, late of the City of New York, being weak in Body. I order that my debts be paid out of my real estate. That my executors do proceed in making a final settlement in that undivided and unsettled estate between me and my Aunt Mary Kip, respecting the houses and lots of ground on the north side of Crown street, opposite the new Dutch Church in the city aforesaid, and do sell the same as soon as obtained, and the moneys arising to be divided as follows, viz.: To my brother, Jacob Van Wagenen, one fifth part; to my brother, Huybert Van Wagenen, one fifth; to the children of my Brother-in-law, John W. Vredenburg, one fifth; to the children of my Brother, Gerrit Van Wagenen, deceased, one fifth; and to the children of my Brother, Henry Van Wagenen, Deceased, one fifth. I order that my executors do proceed to sell the said estate at such time as they in their discretion shall think proper. I appoint my brothers,

Jacob and Huybert Van Wagenen and my Brother-in-law, John W<sup>m</sup> Vredenburg, executors.

Dated January 13, 1777. Witnesses, W<sup>m</sup> Van Deurson, John Voorhees, Jr., Jane Voorheis. Proved at New Brunswick, March 14, 1785, when the two first named witnesses swore they had seen the Testator sign her name, and that Jane Voorhees "now dead" the other witness, when living was also present. Administration granted to the three above named executors, March 18, 1785, New York.

Page 435.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ANNE AVORY, late of the City of New York but now of the City of New Brunswick, New Jersey, widow, being in tolerable health. I bequeath to my sisters, Mary Brasier and Sarah Hay, all my wearing apparel, both linen and woolen. It is my will that the land belonging to me in the County of Albany, be sold as soon as convenient, and the proceeds with the rest of my personal estate be divided in five equal parts, one fifth to my brother, Francis Brasier, one fifth to my sister, Mary Brasier, one fifth to my sister, Sarah Hay, one fifth to my sister, Frances Lagrange, wife of Barnardus Lagrange, and the remaining fifth to my nephew, Meads Brasier (son of my brother George). I appoint my brother Francis Brasier and my brother-in-law, Barnardus Lagrange, executors.

Dated June 4, 1777. Witnesses, Abraham Beach, of New York City, Clerk; Nathl Munro, Jacob Weiser, Jr., of New York City, Cordwainer. Proved, March 16, 1785. Administration granted to Abraham Beach, of the City of New York, clerk, whereas Barnardus Lagrange, the surviving executor, is absent from the State, New York, March 16, 1785.

Page 437.—In the name of God, Amen. This 9th day of January, 1785. I, ANNA PURDY, of the Manor of Cortlands, Westchester County, being weak in Body. I bequeath to Elisabeth Covert, daughter of Jacob

Covert, one dark calicko gown, one Taffety cloak, one lawn handkerchief, one linnen apron, one Calimaneosciirt, one white peticoat, one shift, one pair of hoes. To Anna Covert, daughter of Jacob Covert, one gold Necklace, one light Chins gownd, one lawn handkerchief, one muzlin apron, one silk quilt, one white Peticoat, one shift, one pair of hoes. To Samuel Covert, son of Jacob, £2 towards his schooling and one pair of silver Buckles. The rest of my wearing apparel to be equealy divided amongst my "brethering," William, Samuel, and Henry Purdy. To my brother, Henry Purdy, one bed and beding, consisting of one blue and white coverlid, one other coverlid, and one pair of flannel sheats marked "A. P." one pair of piler cases. I order that the rest of my moveables be sold and the money arising and my father's estate be divided betwixt Elisabeth, Anna, and Samuel (the above mentioned children of Jacob Covert), and William Purdy, Samuel Purdy, and Henry Purdy, one quarter to be paid Elisabeth, Anna, and Samuel Covert when they come to age or their heirs, and the remainder equally divided between the others above said. I appoint my brother, Samuel Purdy, sole executor.

Witnesses, John Sands, Ruth Sands, Esther Purdy, of Rye, Westchester County, spinster. Proved, March 16, 1785.

Page 438.—In the name of God, Amen, the 21st day of July, 1776. I, ELIJAH MILLER, of North Castle, Westchester County, yeoman. It is my will that my dearly beloved wife Anne, Anthony Miller, and Nicholas Fisher, be my executors. My wife to have £200, as her third out of my estate after the whole is sold, except the best bed, which I give my wife. To my daughter Sarah, £80. The remainder of my estate to be divided between the rest of my children, viz.: John, James, Elijah, Martha, Abraham, and Zephorah, the boys to have a double portion.

Witnesses, James Miller, Samuel Brewer, Gilbert Miller, of North Castle, yeoman. Proved, Westchester County, March 14, 1785. Administration granted to Nicholas Fisher, New York, March 19, 1785.

Page 440.—On the 20th day of June, 1784. I, DANIEL BARKER, of Mamaroneck, Westchester County, being weak in Body. I do order that all my debts (except a Bond due in the Loan Office), with my funeral charges and the cost of selling my moveables, be paid. To my son Daniel my house and lands in Mamaroneck and New Rochel, he paying the above debt in the Loan Office of the County of Westchester for which my land in New Rochel is mortgaged, and paying to my granddaughter, Elisabeth Hustis, daughter of Joshua Hustis, deceased, £35 within one year of my decease. To her the said Elisabeth my bed, with the bed cloaths, curtains and furniture thereto. To my three daughters, Abigail, Sarah, and Mary, my moveable estate, except the bed and beding above, the same to be sold and the monies arising to be equally divided between them, namely, Abigail Hustis, widow of Joshua Hustis; Sarah Palmer, widow of Aaron Palmer, and Mary Horton, wife of Gilbert Horton. I appoint my son Daniel and my son-in-law, Gilbert Horton, and my friend, Reuben Bloomer, executors.

Witnesses, James Coles, Arnold Bloomer, of Mamaroneck, fuller; Gilbert Bloomer. Proved, Westchester County, March 10, 1785. Confirmed, New York, March 19, 1785.

Page 441.—I, HENRY VALENTINE, of the Township of Hempstead, Queens County, Nassau Island, being in perfect health of Body, mind and memory. I bequeath to Uriah Valentine, £20. To my daughter, Mary Smith, £10. To my son Willet, £30. To my son Obadiah, £10. To my daughter, Ann Cushew, £10. To my daughter, Sarah Valentine, £10. As for my beloved wife, Mary Valentine, I order that she

shall be maintained out of the estate in proportion and to give her at her death a decent burial. I order all my estate to be sold, both real and personal. I make John Williams and Richard Valentine, executors.

Dated June 16, 1783. Witnesses, Oliver Willis, of North Hempstead, Samuel Denton, John Marvir. Proved, Queens County, March 10, 1785. Confirmed, New York, March 19, 1785.

Page 442.—The People of the State of New York, to all to whom these presents shall come send Greeting. Whereas ANDREW DEVOE, late of New Rochelle, yeoman, deceased, did make his last will, bearing date the 14th of December, 1776, and appointed Frederick Devore, Jeremiah Schurman, and Peter Bennet, executors, and whereas on the 12th day of November, 1782, at the City of New York, the said will was proved, and administration granted to Frederick Devore, and whereas Peter Bennet, one other of the executors, hath signified that he is willing to be joined in the administration, Know ye that Administration is now granted to the said Peter Bennet. New York, March 19, 1785.

The will referred to is recorded in Liber D, page 125.

Page 443.—In the name of God, Amen. I, FRANS OTTO, of Schohary, Albany County, yeoman, being weak in Body, do, this the 30th day of August, 1775, make my last will. I leave to my eldest son, Gotlieb Otto, two horses, Saddle and Bridle, for his Birthright, wherewith he is to be satisfied and make no claim to any of my estate than what is bequeathed to him. To my two sons, Gotlieb and Frans, all my land in Schohary in a patent granted to Muyndert Schuyler and others, equally divided. To them also my estate, real and personal, equally divided. To my loving wife, Maria Elisabeth, the third of all my estate as long as she shall remain my widow. I appoint my two sons, Gotlieb and Frans, executors.

Witnesses, Gottlieb Bockle, of Schohary, farmer;

Andries Feinaur, of Schohary, farmer, and Johannes H. Lawyer. Proved, Albany County, February 26, 1785. Administration granted to Gotlieb and Frans Otto, March 22, 1785, New York.

Page 444.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HENDRICK HOUCK, of Schoharie, Albany County, yeoman, being weak in Body. I leave to my grandson, Hendrick Houck, the eldest son of Peter Houck, deceased, my lot of land in Knieskern town at Schoharie known by lot No. 7 with the homestead and buildings thereon, so much thereof as Peter Houck, deceased, possessed in his lifetime, with free ingress and egress into and out of the same, reserving out of the lot No. 7 the pasture lands between the plow land and the homestead and two acres at the lower Bend of Schoharie Creek, upon condition netherless that my two grandsons, Peter Houck and Jacob Houck, brothers of the said Hendrick, and my three granddaughters, Elizabeth, Catharine and Anna, sisters of the said Hendrick Houck, shall be maintained out of the said farm and dwell there till they attain the age of twenty-one or get married, and upon condition that my said grandson Hendrick shall pay to his said two brothers each £50, and to his said three sisters each £40, and also shall pay to my five daughters, Catharine Elizabeth, Maria Elizabeth, Maria Hester, Catharine and Margaret, and to my two granddaughters, one being the daughter of Hendrick Markle and the other of George Mann, £150 to be divided between them equally. I bequeath to my two grandsons, Jurie Houck and Hendrick Houck, children of Hendrick Houck, deceased, my farm at Knieskern Town aforesaid, being Lot No. 3 of lowland with the homestead and buildings, with that part of lot No. 7 which I have above excepted with free ingress and regress into and out of the same; Also my woodland in the said town both that laid out by Isaac Vrooman, Esq., and that I still hold in common; Also my share of the woodland I purchased from Volkert P. Douw,

Esq., in company with my son-in-law Harme Sidnigh; Also one equal undivided third of my right in a tract at or near Schoharie, granted by letters patent to Sir William Johnson and Johanes Lawyer and others, with all my personal estate to them my two grandsons last named upon the following conditions: that my said daughter-in-law Catharine, mother of the said Jurie and Hendrick, shall remain on the said farm and receive a sufficient maintenance during such time as she shall remain unmarried; further that my said two grandsons shall pay to my said five daughters and two granddaughters, £200; and on condition they shall pay to their sister Anna £100, as soon as they have actual possession of the farm. To my daughter Catharine Elizabeth, wife of Harme Sidnigh, of Schoharie, all my part of a lot of woodland, lot No. 3, near the farm of the said Harme Sidnigh, and which Jacob Mentis holds parts of, with 20 acres more lying directly back of the lot No. 3, to hold during her life and after her decease to all her children. To my said two grandsons, Peter and Jacob Houck, two equal undivided third parts of the said tract granted to Sir William Johnson, deceased, Johannis Lawyer and others. I bequeath the several sums of £150 and £200 to my said five daughters and two granddaughters each £50 thereof, paid them by my said three grandsons as before by me directed. To the said Peter and Jacob Houck each £50, and to my three granddaughters, Elizabeth, Catharine and Anna, each £40, paid them by their brother, Hendrick Houck, when he shall get the sole enjoyment of the farm devised unto him. To my said granddaughter Anna, £100 paid her by my said two grandsons, Jurie and Hendrick, when they get into possession of the farm to them devised. I appoint my son-in-law, Harme Sidnigh, and Rutger Bleecker, Esquire, of the City of Albany, executors.

Dated July 25, 1778. Witnesses, Jn<sup>o</sup> R. Bleecker, Abr<sup>m</sup> Verplanck, Barent Bleecker. Proved, Albany

County, November 18, 1782. Administration granted to the above executors, New York, March 23, 1785.

Page 447.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES LATOURRETTE, of Staten Island, Richmond County, being sick and weak in Body. I bequeath to my son James that land that his house and Buildings stand on and that belongs to me, lying between my rear fence along New Road and the fence of Dona Johnson; Also five acres of my woodland to begin at the said road at the northwest corner of David Latourette and to extend along his line so far as a straight line runs from thence to Joseph McDonald's land shall contain the said quantity of five acres, reserving the privilege of a road through the said five acres from my other land to said new road. To my said son James, £250. To my son David £350 and my Bay Roan horse Colt. To my daughter Phebe, wife of Anthony Stoutenburgh, £80 and my negro girl Jane, and two of my best cows. To my two sons, Jonathan and Henry, all my lands equally divided between them when my son Jonathan comes to the age of twenty-one, but if die under age and without issue then his part equally divided among my three sons above named. To my son Jonathan, my sorrel horse, saddle and bridle. When my real estate shall be divided my executors shall rent out for my son Henry, part or half thereof till he be twenty-one, and the monies arising from said rent to be applied for his support and education, and the surplus paid him when of age. The remaining part of my personal estate (if any there be) after paying my debts and funeral expenses shall be equally divided among my four sons, James, David, Jonathan and Henry. I appoint my sons, James, David and Jonathan, executors.

Dated January 27, 1785. Witnesses, Paul Micheau, David La Tourrette, house carpenter; James Lewis. Taylor. Proved, Richmond County, March 15, 1785. Confirmed, New York, March 23, 1785.

Page 449.—In the name of God, Amen. I, LETTICIA MILLER, relict of the late Abrah<sup>m</sup> Miller, of Westchester County, deceased, being very sick and weak. I leave to my beloved daughter, Jemimah Holmes, my Bible. To Ester Weeks, my granddaughter, £10. To Artamorous Weeks, my granddaughter, £10. To Charity Weeks, my granddaughter, a bed and furniture which is at the house of Thomas Haviland, Senior, and the remainder of a forty pound Bond. To my daughter, Tamar Haviland, £11. To Thomas Haviland, Jr., my grandson, £20. To Letticia Haviland, £11, and a bed, furniture and warming pan. To Benjamin Haviland, son of Solomon and Letticia Haviland, £20. I make Benjamin Haviland, Senior, sole executor.

Dated December 4, 1777. Witnesses, Roger Haviland, of the state of Connecticut and of the People called Quakers; Solomon Haviland. Proved, Westchester County, March 22, 1785. Administration granted to Benjamin Haviland, New York, March 24, 1785.

Page 450.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ABRAHAM A. VAN WYCK, of the City of New York, Merchant. I appoint all my debts and funeral expenses to be paid out of my personal estate by my executrix. I bequeath to my beloved mother, Mary Lott, all my estate, real and personal. I appoint her, the said Mary Lott, sole executrix.

Dated June 28, 1775. Witnesses, Lewis Morris, Jr., Nicholas Fish, of New York City, attorney at law; Andrew Stockholm. Proved, March 28, 1785. Administration granted to Mary Lott the same day.

Page 451.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL SCUDDER, of New Town, Queens County, Nassau Island, yeoman, being indisposed in Body. I bequeath to my dearly beloved wife Deborah ye use and income of ye one half of my Plantation during her widowhood, in lieu of her dower after her decease to my son,

Samuel Scudder, all ye plantation I now possess, he paying the following Legacys, that is to say: To his sister Sarah £100. To his sister Deborah £100. He shall also pay to my grandchildren, ye children of my daughter, Mary Renne, by name John, Deborah, Mary, Sarah and Elizabeth Renne, £20 apiece, that is £20 to John Renne in a year after my daughters, Sarah Scudder and Deborah Scudder, are paid, and so £20 to the rest of my said grandchildren as they are in course till they are all satisfied and paid. To my daughters, Sarah and Deborah Scudder (after my wife's decease) all my moveable estate, equally divided. Further I will that if my son Samuel shall sell ye plantation bequeathed to him that then he shall pay ye full legacys to his sisters at the time of the first payment, and to my grandchildren as they arrive to the age of twenty-one. I nominate my son Samuel, and my friends, Samuel Alburtus and Cornelius Berrien, Jr., executors.

Dated April 13, 1756. Witnesses, Thos. Betts, Jonathan Strickland, of Newtown, yeoman; Jemima Way. Proved, Queens County, March 8, 1785. Administration granted to Deborah Denman and Sarah Pettit, both of Newtown, spinsters, the former a daughter and the latter granddaughter, residuary Legatees of Samuel Scudder late of the same place, yeoman, deceased; the executors of the will being deceased before the Probate thereof, New York, March 28, 1785.

Page 453.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JANE JACKSON, of Jerusalem, in the Township of South Hempstead, Queens County, in the state of New York, being weak in body. I leave to my granddaughter Phebe my rideing chair and chair horse. All the remainder of my estate to my four grandchildren, Micah, Jenny, Almy and Phebe equally divided among them. "Phebe to have one half or their Representatives." I appoint my son, Richard Jackson, and my brother-in-law, Obadiah Jackson, executors.

Dated March 3, 1785. Witnesses, Daniel W. KISSAM, Jr., of South Hempstead, Physician; Caty JACKSON. Proved, Queens County, March 23, 1785. Confirmed, New York, March 30, 1785.

Page 454.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ABIGAIL CLARK, of Federeek's Burgh, Dutchess County, being weak in Body. I leave to my son, William Clark, all my "rail" estate consisting of about fifty acres of Land after my decease and he of age, also my mare and colt; and the rest of my estate being moveable with the use of the land till William is of age I give equally divided between my four daughters, Abigail, Mary, Elisabeth and Sarah Clark; thus I dispose of my estate after my debts and funeral charges is paid, and that it may be done according to my will I appoint my trusty friends, Elias Cornelius and Isaac Seacor, executors to see to and conduct according to this which I acknowledge to be my last will and Testament this 15th day of September, 1784.

Witnesses, Peter Beadean, Senior, farmer; Isaac BADEAN. Proved, Dutchess County, March 15, 1785. Confirmed, New York, April 2, 1785.

Page 455.—In the name of God, Amen. I, EBURN HAIGHT, of Bedford, in the County of Westchester, being weak in Body, do this 18th day of February, 1785, make my last will. I leave to my daughter, Abigail Haight, one bed and bedsted with a shift of bedding for the same, and my Cobard to be delivered to her in one month after my decease to her and her heirs forever, and for want of such heirs to be devided equally between my son, Eburn Haight, and my daughter, Sary Lownsbury. I empower my executors to sell all my lands and Tenements and household furniture and pay my debts with the moneys that shall arise from the above, then what shall remain I bequeath to my daughter, Abigail Haight. I order my executors to take the moneys for my daughter, Abigail Haight,

and deliver the same to her as they may find necessary for her use. I make my son Eburn, and William Craft, executors.

Witnesses, Charles Haight, Jacob Concklin, of Bedford, New Purchase, yeoman; George Jones. Proved, Westchester County, March 23, 1785. Confirmed, New York, April 4, 1785.

Page 457.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIZABETH CAMPBELL, of the City of New York, spinster, being but weak in Body although of sound mind. I desire my executors to pay off my funeral expenses and debts as soon as may be convenient after my Interment. I leave to Nelly Marschalk, daughter of Andrew Marschalk, of the City of New York, one pair of Ear Rings. To Nancy Kip, daughter of Leonard Kip, one Gold Ring. To Elizabeth Houseman, daughter of Aurt Houseman, of the same City, one silver snuff Box and my Dutch Psalm Book. The rest of my estate, real and personal, to be disposed of for the most money that can be gotten for the same, and this to be divided between Catalina Schuyler and Nancy Schuyler, daughters of my uncle, David Schuyler, share and share alike, and if either die without lawful issue before such division the survivor to have the whole. I appoint my loving friends, Francis Marschalk, Leonard Kip and Isaac Marschalk, all of New York City, my executors.

Dated September 1, 1774. Witnesses, Christopher Duyckinck, of New York City, sailmaker; Abraham Russell, Elizabeth Welch. Proved April 5, 1785.

Page 458.—I, WILLIAM VAN WYCK, of ye City of New York, Distiller, being but weak in Body but of perfect understanding and memory blessed be ye Almighty for it. In order to pay my debts and funeral charges I give my executors full authority to sell all my estate except what I particularly give away. I give to my son William my silver tankard, to my daughter,

Mary Van Wyck, £130 and my silver spoons, a Bed and Bedding sufficient for a Bed and a Bedstead, a half duzen of my chairs and a looking glass. The remaining part of my estate to be put out at interest and the interest yearly to my dearly beloved wife, Martha Van Wyck, during her life, and after her decease to my grandsons, Walter Burling, son of Thomas Burling, William Van Wyck Field, son of William Field, and Charles Burling, son of Edward Burling, to each £40; ye remaining part to my six children: my daughters Deborah, wife of Edward Burling, Phebe, wife of Thomas Burling, Hannah, wife of William Field, Abigail, wife of Charles Arding, and my son, William Van Wyck, and my daughter, Mary Van Wyck, equally divided. If any unforeseen accident should happen that ye estate should come to less by being put out at interest my will is that my executors be no losers thereby. I appoint my sons-in-law, William Field, and Charles Arding, my executors.

Dated this 7th day of 6th month, 1773. Witnesses, James Bowne, Richard Penny, of New York City, Barber; Peter Field. Proved, New York, April 5, 1785.

Administration granted to Charles Arding the same day.

Page 459.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DAVID ROWE, Senior, of Flushing, Queens County, Nassau Island, yeoman, do this 31st day of March, 1784, make my last will. I bequeath to my wife Sarah all household goods and other things I have had with her since I was married to her, also £100 paid her by my executors, each his equal proportion within a year after my decease; also to her my Negroe girl Kate and one cow; all to her in lieu of her dower and at her own disposal. To my two sons, Joseph and David Rowe, that land with the Buildings thereunto belonging in the Township of Flushing, bounded Westerley by a Road, North-erly by my brother Ezekiel Rowe and William Griffin, Easterly by Joseph Wright, and Southerly by Thomas

Lowree and John Eagles. To my son Lawrence all the rest of my real estate in Flushing not otherwise disposed of, the dwelling house wherein I now live, Barn and all other outhouses, and the land adjoining; also a certain swamp and upland thereunto adjoining in Flushing bounded West by a Brook that runs to John Rowes, and North by a road that leads to the Bay side, Easterly by the land of Joseph Wood, and South-erly by John Thorn; also to said Lawrence a piece of salt meadow in Flushing bounded by Robert Lawrence, North, South and West and East by John Rowe; also another salt meadow in Flushing bounded east by John Rodman, North by Robert Lawrence, West by my brother, Ezekiel Rowe, and south by John Rowe. In consideration of what I have given to Lawrence he shall pay to his two brothers, Joseph and David, £800, £100 as part thereof yearly to each the first payment within one year after my decease, and so till the £800 be fully paid which will be in four years. I give all my claim to a tract in Gloster County, New Jersey, if recovered, to my sons, Joseph and David. I devise two lots of land in the Township of Flushing to my two youngest sons, Walter and Cadwalladar Rowe, bounded east by David Fowler, south by my brothers, Ezekiel and Oliver Rowe, west by the road, south by John Rowe and Cornwell, equally divided as soon as they arrive at lawful age or have lawful issue. All my moveable estate, not otherwise disposed of, my negroes included, shall be sold at Public Vendue as soon as conveniently may be, and the money therefrom disposed of as follows: £50 lodged into the hands of my son David for bringing up my youngest son, Cadwallader, the residue to my daughters, namely, Abigail Fowler, Susannah Rowe and Elizabeth Fowler, equally divided, but with this express condition that my daughter, Elizabeth Fowler, shall only be made equal with her sisters in case the value of what she has already received of me be counted as part of her portion, which said legacies shall be paid to Abigail and Elizabeth

within one year of my decease and to my youngest daughter, Susannah, as soon as she shall arrive at lawful age. I appoint my sons, Joseph, David and Lawrence, sole executors.

Witnesses, Robert Lawrence, of Flushing, yeoman; David Roe, Oliver Cornell, of Flushing, yeoman. Proved, Queens County, April 5th, 1785.

Page 461.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN TOTTEN, of the County of Richmond, being in a low state of health. I will to my son, Joseph Totten, all my Buildings with five acres adjoining taken in such form as he, Joseph, shall see fit. To my wife Anna £3 per annum as long as she shall remain my widow to be paid in manner hereafter mentioned. The residue of my estate to be sold and the money arising to be divided in six shares in manner following, that is my son Gilbert three shares, he paying to my wife three pounds per annum, to my son Thomas one share, to my son James half a share, to my daughter Mary half a share, and the other share equally divided between my grandson, John Totten, and my two granddaughters, Mary, daughter of Thomas Totten, and Mary Brown. I appoint my sons, Gilbert and Joseph, and my worthy friend, Gilbert Jackson, executors.

Dated March 7, 1785. Witnesses, Zebedee Totten, Jacob Rickhow, yeoman; Benjamin Drake. Proved, Richmond County, April 4, 1785. Confirmed, New York, April 9, 1785.

Page 463.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN CLASS, of the City of New York, Cabinet Maker, being in a weakly state as to Body. I bequeath to my eldest son, Will<sup>m</sup>, five shillings in full Barr of any claim as heir at law. To my loving wife, Magdalen Class, all my real and personal estate, and I appoint her my sole executrix.

Dated December 16, 1783. Witnesses, Moses Gomey Jr., of New York City, Merchant; Silas Totten, Thomas Bruen. Proved, New York, April 11, 1785.

Page 464.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN EMBREE, of West farms, the Borough and County of Westchester, yeoman, being weak in Body. I bequeath to my eldest son, Stephen Embree, £5 over and above his equal share in my estate. To my two daughters, Mary and Anna, £10 each. These legacies to be paid as soon as conveniently can after the sale of my estate. All the remainder of my estate to be sold and equally divided among my four sons, Stephen, Robert, Isaac and John Embree, and if any die without issue before the division his share to the survivors. I appoint my two sons, Stephen and Isaac Embree, and my friend, Levi Hunt, of West farms, executors.

Dated January 20, 1784. Witnesses, Eden Hunt, John Embree, of West Farms, Rob<sup>t</sup> Gilmor, of West Farms. Proved, Westchester County, April 11, 1785.

Page 465.—I, SAMUEL SNEDEN, of Eastchester, in ye County of Westchester, being well in health, I bequeath to my son Stephen three acres of woodland adjoining his land at ye lower end and ye land of Thomas Fowler and also a slip of ye fresh meadow at that corner next to his house as far as to a great Rock or to take in ye spring near by ye aforesaid Rock, and ye said land to be enjoyed by ye said Stephen Sneden, farmer, he having received the rest of his portion before. To my son Robert my dwelling house, orchard, Barn and ye first field to ye southward from ye orchard and barn with all ye fresh meadow except that small slipe by ye spring at ye Northwest corner, and also a piece of land to ye eastward of ye house to run across over to ye Road which leads from ye White Plains to Eastchester, and to comprehend four acres; also to Robert Sneden four acres of Woodland joining Stephen's piece at ye lower end. To my son John all ye rest of my land and one lot of salt meadow in ye Town meadows of Eastchester. My moveable estate to be equally divided between my three sons, John, Stephen and Robert, "except ye Plate she Brought"

and one table, one feather Bed, six leather Chears, one trunk, one Iron Pott, one stand, one trammel, one pair fire tongs and shovel, and one side saddle to her and her heirs forever (name not mentioned). I appoint my son, Robert Sneden, and Thomas Farrington, executors.

Dated May 28, 1778. Witnesses, Benj<sup>n</sup> Drake, Jonas Farrington, of Eastchester, yeoman; Stephen Levinas. Proved, Westchester County, April 11, 1785. Administration granted to Robert Sneden, New York, April 12, 1785.

Page 466.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HANNAH STONE, of New Town, Queens County, Nassau Island, widow, being in a weak and poor state of health, do this 7th day of November, 1776, make my last will and Testament. I bequeath to my brother, John Renne, and my daughter Mary the use of a "pairmain & spitsenbur trees" the garden and "back Leanters" and the fore part of the Cellar, as long as they shall live. To my daughter Mary as many articles of my household furniture as she shall see cause to take, also the money from the rent of the remaining part of my house, and land and as much of the principal which shall be sold for that purpose, if she shall anyways stand in need, at the discretion of Joseph Burroughs, and if it shall happen that more of my estate remains than what my daughter shall have as a reasonable and decent maintenance so long as she shall live, then what is remaining I give to the Presbyterian Society of New Town to be put at interest (if in money or rented if in house or land) by the Elders and the interest to be applied to the maintenance of a Minister. I appoint my trusty friends, John Moore, Jr., Joseph Burroughs and Abraham Rapelje, Jr., executors.

Witnesses, Thomas Morrel, Sarah Culver, Samuel Moore, of New Town. Proved, New York, March 29, 1785. Administration granted to Benjamin Coe, of New Town, Esquire, the executors having by several

Instruments in writing relinquished the executorship, New York, April 12, 1785.

Page 468.—In the name of God, Amen. I, BENJAMIN SMITH, of Jamaica, Queens County, New York, being weak in Body. I bequeath to Mary, my dearly beloved wife, the use of all my estate real and personal during the time she remains my widow for the support of herself and the support and education of my children; to her also my best Bed, my looking Glass, my Tea Board and Sugar Box. All the rest of my estate after the death or marriage of my wife to my son, Samuel Skidmore Smith, my son, Benjamin Smith and my daughter, Phebe Smith, equally divided among them; if any die before they arrive at full age or marry, the share of such to the child or children surviving. Whereas it may be necessary for the payment of my debts, or may be for the interest of my children that a part or all of my real estate be sold, I authorize my executors to sell the same if they in their discretion think Best, and if they sell, the monies arising shall be put at interest for the use of my wife while she remains my widow. I appoint Mary, my said wife, my friend, Hendrick Suydam and my Brother, Melancton Smith, executors.

Dated October 13, 1784. Witnesses, Stephen Herri-man, of Jamaica, Hatter; Timothy Denton, Sarah Smith. Proved, Queens County, March 18, 1785. Confirmed, New York, April 13, 1785.

Page 469.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MATTHIAS LAMBERSON, of Jamaica, Queens County, being very weak and sick in Body. I bequeath to my son Nicholas, £5. To my two sons, Nicholas and Cornelius, my lands in the Township of Jamaica or elsewhere equally divided; Also to them my moveable estate. I appoint my son, Nicholas Lamberson, and my friend and neighbour, Isaac Amberman, executors.

Dated October 17, 1776. Witnesses, Cornelius

Losee, John Losee, of Jamaica, yeoman; Nathaniel Box. Proved, Queens County, April 12, 1785. Administration granted to Isaac Amberman, New York, April 14, 1785.

Page 470.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DAVID MULFORD, of Rhinebeck Precinct, Dutchess County, yeoman. I leave to my eldest son, David Mulford, Jr., twenty shillings for his Birthright. To my beloved wife Phebe, my house on the west side of the Road, while remaining my widow; Also my two negro wenches, and three cows if required; Also the beds and household furniture, one horse, six sheep, and the improvement of one hundred acres of land on the south side of lot No. 7, so as to bring up my children to full age and then to have a comfortable support from my estate while she remains my widow. To my son Job, all my estate, real and personal, forever; Also the 100 acres of lot No. 7 on the south side of said lot except the articles mentioned, he to give to my children that are under his age £50 each, to them that are of age at my decease, and to them that are not, it is my will they be paid when they do come of age. Whereas there is a small interest coming to me from my brother, Lemuel Mulford, at his decease, that was so given by my father, I give that equally to be divided among my children. I appoint my beloved wife Phebe, and Job Mulford, my son, and my friend, Ananios Cooper, executors, and I order that my children now under age be maintained and educated out of my estate at the discretion of my executors.

Dated January 12, 1778. Witnesses, John Younglove, of Albany County, Esquire; John Brown. Proved, New York City, March 10, 1785. Dutchess County, Job Mulford, of Dutchess County, farmer, appeared and swore that he did see David Mulford sign the above will, as also the above said witnesses, and that he, the deponent, would well and truly administer the same, April 11, 1785. Adminis-

tration granted to Job Mulford, New York, April 18, 1785.

Page 472.—In the name of God, Amen, January 1, 1784. I, GABRAEL FORMAN, of New Town, on Long Island, from my weak and declining state of health calling to mind the mortality of my body, do make this my last will. My body to be buried at the discretion of my wife and surviving friends. I leave my dearly and well-beloved wife, Temperence Forman, in full possession of my estate, real and personal, during her widowhood, but in case of her remarriage all my estate to be exposed to public sale, and the moneys arising to be equally divided between my wife and my children, Joseph, Samuel and my daughter Sarah. "and the infant now in its mother's womb," my wife to be paid her proportion and the children's money to be put out at Interest for their support, their portions paid them on marriage or at the age of twenty-one. I appoint Mr. W<sup>m</sup> Howard, Mr. Joseph Gostline, and Mr. Joseph Woodward, executors.

Witnesses Benjamin Field, Jr., John Burroughs, John R. Roper, of New Town, Doctor. Proved, Queens County, April 7, 1785. Confirmed, New York, April 14, 1785.

Page 473.—In the name of God, Amen. I, GILBERT MERRITT, of Rye, Westchester County, yeoman, do this 2nd day of December, 1782, make this my last will. I bequeath to my loving wife Hannah, the use of my dwelling house, barn and eight acres of land near the same southeast of said dwelling, while she shall remain my widow; Also all my furniture except two beds. To my sons, Daniel and Gilbert, and their heirs forever, all the remaining part of my lands equally divided, as well as what acre I gave my wife above. "But my will is and shall firmly stand that if my said son Gilbert does marry a certain Mary Seaman with whom he cohabits, then and in such case he the said

Gilbert shall not inherit nor enjoy any part of my estate but the sum of twenty shillings." To my daughter, Sarah Carpenter, one bed with its furniture and one cow. To my loving sister, Rachel Miller, £10, on condition that my estate in dispute with James Lyon, of Byrum, by force of my wife's title may be justly gained in law by my heirs, otherwise she shall not be entitled. To my son Gilbert, one bed under the proviso above of not marrying the said Mary Seaman. I appoint my wife Hannah and my loving brother Robert, executors, who shall pay all my debts and inter my body decently as becoming a person of my Circumstances.

Witnesses, Amos Sniffen, of Rye, Carpenter; Gilbert Miller, George Harris. Proved, Westchester County, April 14, 1785. Confirmed, New York, April 19, 1785.

Page 475.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JEREMIAH DODGE, of Pauldings Precinct, Dutchess County, being weak in Body, do this 27th day of February, 1785, make this my last Will. I desire all my debts should be paid and then I bequeath to my oldest son, Stephen, ten shillings, and I desire that my sons, Daniel and Robert, collect all my debts and settle my other affairs; it is likewise my desire that Elizabeth have twenty shillings and the warming pan, and that after settling all my accounts that they, Daniel and Robert, divide equally what may remain between themselves and Lidia Rebekah Jonathan and David as they think most proper.

Witnesses, Caleb Lamb, Joseph Lamb and Elisha Champlin, "and this my will and Testament I desire by the mouth of the above mentioned witnesses should be allowed and in as full force as altho I had signed the same before I deceased." Proved, Dutchess County, March 31, 1785, when Joseph Lamb, of Dutchess County, farmer, appeared, and on the 4th day of April, 1785, likewise appeared Caleb Lamb and Elisha

Champlin, of Dutchess County, farmers, and swore that they were present with Jeremiah Dodge in his last sickness, that he did then and there make his last will by word of mouth, that it was written on the 2nd day of March, 1785, after the decease of the said Jeremiah Dodge. Administration granted to Daniel Dodge, New York City, April 18, 1785.

Page 476.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN BRINCKERHOFF, of Rumbout Precinct, Dutchess County, this 29th day of December, 1784, being in good health and perfect memory. I bequeath to my grandson, Adrian Brinckerhoff, £5, paid him within six months after the decease of my wife, Janetje Brinckerhoff, in full Bar of my claim as heir at Law. To my said grandson Adrian, that farm he now possesses in Rumbout Precinct, containing about 292 acres; Also 60 acres adjoining which I bought of Dr Theodorus Van Wyck; Also thirty acres of upland, meadow and swamp, twenty to be meadow and swamp, and ten, upland, to be taken off the east end of my farm whereon I now live, beginning with the meadow and swamp on the bank of the Fishkill on the line of Johannis Rosekrance's farm thence running down along the Fishkill till it meets Dr. Van Wycks swamp, thence westerly along his line so far as to make twenty acres square, etc. Also I give him 113 acres of woodland off the north end of a lot which my father-in-law, Johannis Van Voorhis, gave me in Middle Bush, and 25 acres in Middle Bush joining on Guysbert Schenck's land near his meadow which my father, Dirck Brinckerhoff, gave me. Also to him one half of a Mountain farm which I bought of Benjamin List; Also half of all my lands in the Township of Birlin. My said Grandson Adrian, shall possess the above during his life, and after his decease the same shall be possessed by his widow, to maintain, feed, cloath and educate all the children of my said grandson till they arrive at lawful age or marriage, and if his widow die or marry again, then

the same unto all the children of my said grandson share and share alike. I bequeath to my grandson, John Brinckerhoff Van Wyck, the farm I now live on (the 30 acres on the east side given to my grandson Adrian, and the 100 acres hereafter mentioned on the west side given to my grandson, Dirck Van Wyck, only excepted) together with my dwelling house, barn and outhouses; Also one half of a mountain farm which I bought of Benjamin List, to him and his heirs forever. Provided he shall pay to my grandchildren born of my daughter Altje, late wife of Dr Van Wyck, viz.: Elizabeth, Altje, Theodorus, Yanetje, William and Abraham, £50 each, twelve months after the decease of my wife Janetje, and if he neglects to pay this then so much land off my said farm to be sold as will pay the legacies. Also to my said grandson John, one half my right in Frankfort store house, lands and appurtenances there unto belonging. Also to him one quarter of my lands in the Township of Birlin. To my grandson, Dirck Van Wyck, 100 acres on the west side of the farm whereon I now live being in two pieces on the north and south sides of the Road leading down from Hopewell beginning with the south lot at the Blacksmiths shop, thence southerly along the road (leading from the new Bridge) to the Fishkill, thence up the Fishkill till it meets Dr Van Wyck's land, thence along said land to the road from Hopewell, thence westerly along the road to the place of beginning, containing about 50 acres; Also beginning with the north lot at the corner of Coll Dirck Brinckerhoff's orchard on the said road thence northerly along Brinckerhoff's line to Godfrey Hayne's land, thence easterly to Dr. Van Wycks land, thence southerly to the road, and westerly along the road to the place of beginning, about 50 acres. Also to him 163 acres in Middle Bush being in two pieces, one of 25 acres was given me by my father, Mr Dirck Brinckerhoff, the other of 137 acres was given me by my father-in-law, Mr. Johannis Van Voorhis, it being the farm that William Vantine at present

possesses; Also to him half my right in Frankfort store house; Also quarter of my lands in Birlin; the above land with the houses and outhouses to my said grandson, Dirck Van Wyck, forever, provided he lives to the age of twenty-one or marriage, and if not then the above to my grandchildren by my daughter Altje, deceased, viz.: Elizabeth, Altje, John, Brinckerhoff, Theodorus, Yanetje, William and Abraham, equally divided. My executors I direct immediately at my decease to sell my real estate in Philips Precinct, and a lot I bought of Thomas Woodward on the mountains in Rombout Precinct, and my share in the mines at Kent, Connecticut, and the moneys therefrom I dispose of as follows, one half to the children of my said grandson Adrian, put out at interest till each arrives at full age or marriage; the other half to my grandchildren, Elizabeth, Altje, Theodorus, Yanetje, William and Abraham. To my wife Janetje the sole management of my estate for life. At her decease my executors to sell the residue of my estate at Public Vendue, and the moneys arising I dispose of as follows: To the Elders of the Dutch Church at Fishkill Town, £100, the interest therefrom to be for the church and no part of the principal to be used. To my granddaughter Janetje, £50, when twenty-one years or at her marriage, and if she die before then to my grandchildren Elizabeth, Altje, Theodorus, William and Abraham. To the children, born or who may be born to my Grandson, Adrian Brinckerhoff, the remaining half (not already given) of my estate; and the remaining other half to my said grandchildren born of my daughter Altje, viz.: Elizabeth, Altje, John, Brinckerhoff, Theodorus, Yanetje, William, Dirck and Abraham. My son-in-law, Dr Theodorus Van Wyck, shall have the sole management of the estate given to my grandchildren born of my daughter Altje. I make my wife Janetje, my son-in-law, Dr Theodorus Van Wyck, and my good friends, Jacobus Swartwout and Jacob Griffin, Esquire, executors.

Witnesses Ab<sup>m</sup> Brickerhoff, Albert Adriance, Daniel Ledew, of Dutchess County, farmer. Proved, Dutchess County, March 31, 1785. Confirmed, New York, April 18, 1785.

Page 481.—To all Christian People to whom these presents shall come. Whereas I, SARAH BURLING, Jr, of Flushing, Queen's County, in order to settle my affairs respecting the disposal of my estate, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1785, do make this my last will and Testament. I bequeath to my Brother, Joseph Burling, £10. To my Brother, George Burling, £10. The remainder of my property to be equally divided amongst my three sisters, Hannah, Rebecca and Elizabeth Burling. I appoint Leonard Lawrence and Hannah Burling, executors.

Witnesses, Pepperrell Bloodgood, of Flushing, shop keeper; James Mackrell, Joseph Haviland. Proved, Queens County, April 16, 1785.

Page 482.—In the name of God, Amen. With humble Resignation to the dispensations of Providence I, JOHN BURT LYNG, of the City of New York, Gold and silversmith, do make this my last will. My executors shall from time to time pay to my beloved wife, Magdalen Lyng, the nett profits of my estate, real and personal, not otherwise disposed of, till the youngest of my children now living or hereafter born shall arrive to the age of twenty-one, to be for the maintenance and education of all my children till that period; but if my executors be of opinion that the profits be misapplied I give them a discretionary power to withhold the same or part thereof from my wife and to apply the same to the proper education and comfortable support of my children. To my wife Magdalen all my household and kitchen furniture and all my Plate (that in my shop and intended for sale excepted), also my executors shall suffer my wife to have the annual profits of the lot of land for which I have a lease from the Rector and Inhabitants of the City of New York in

communion of the Church of England, she regularly paying the ground rent for the same and keeping the buildings fences and improvements in good repair, the above in lien of her right of Dower. To my son Harman an "English Crown piece whereof I am at present possessed." As each of my children arrive at the age of twenty-one my executors shall pay them £50, he or she giving security to pay annually lawful interest for the same till my youngest child comes of age as aforesaid. To Catharine, daughter of Stephen Keble, of the City of New York, Distiller, £10. All the rest of my estate to my four children, Harman, Ann Jandine, Jandine and John Burt, and such others as I may have, equally divided when my youngest child comes of age. It is my will that my executors do not sell by way of Auction or Vendue my shop plate, shop goods or working tools till one year after my decease, it being my intention that during that time they be tried at private sale. I appoint my friends, James Lawrence, of the City of New York, Coach Maker, and Richard Harison, of the same City, Esqr, Attorney at Law, executors.

Dated March 31 1773. Witnesses, John Campbell, Thomas Campbell, James Wessells, of New York City, wig maker. Proved, New York, April 20, 1785.

*Codicil.* Whereas I, the within named JOHN BURT LYNG, have since making the within will purchased from James Lawrence and Ann, his wife, two lots in the outward of New York City being two of the lots conveyed by Nicholas Bayard and Catharine, his wife, to Philip Livingston, Isaac Roosevelt, Richard Sharpe, Theophylact Bache, Thomas Marston, Gabriel H. Ludlow and Levinus Clarkson, and distinguished in a map thereof by the number 449 and 1063, now therefore I declare that the said land be divided and disposed of in like manner as the residue of my estate in the within will.

Date of Codicil July 17, 1774.

Witnesses to Codicil, James Wessells, William Field,

Jr., Thomas Campbell. Administration granted to Richard Harison, April 20, 1785.

Page 484.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHANNES KOWENHOVER, of New Malborough Precinct, Ulster County, yeoman, being sick and weak. I bequeath all my estate, real and personal, either now in my possession or which I by Birthright, heirship or otherwise might obtain to my daughter Anna, wife of David Ostrander, and my said son-in-law, David Ostrander, and their heirs forever. I appoint my son-in-law, David Ostrander, and my good friends, Peter Ostrander and Christophel Ostrander, executors.

Dated December 11, 1772. Witnesses, Daniel Freer, Jr., Wilhelmus Ostrander, Jacob Concklin, of New Burgh, yeoman. Proved, New York, April 20, 1785. Administration granted to David Ostrander the same day.

Page 486.—In the name of God, Amen. The 22nd day of July, 1783. I, HARMANUS SPRINGTEEN, late Private in the second New York Regiment, now in Poughkeepsie Precinct, Dutchess County, being sick and weak in Body. I bequeath to my first son, Coenrad, all my wearing apparel and £15, as soon as my executrix can receive the wages due to me in said Regiment. To my daughter Mary, and to my other son John, £15 at the aforesaid time. To my said two sons, Coenrad and John, all my lands in this state or any other places, equally divided. To my loving wife Altje all the remainder of my estate in goods, chattels or money in lieu of her dower. I appoint my wife, Altje Springsteen, executrix.

Witnesses, Saml Dodge, Comfort Johnson, Richard Dodge, of New York City, Gentleman. Proved, New York, April 21, 1785.

Page 487.—In the name of God, Amen. I, GEORGE DUNCAN, of the City of New York, Merchant, enjoying

my usual health and understanding. I bequeath to my sister-in-law, Sarah Ludlow, the sum of £7 yearly during her life. To my son, Thomas Duncan, my Desk and "Berrse" with glass doors, my large silver punch bowl and Ladle and Clock, also fifty guineas which I will in consideration of his Birth Right. I order the rest of my estate, real and personal, to be sold and out of the proceeds I give to my son Thomas £1,200 to make him equal with my daughter, Sarah Wickham, to whom I have given the corner house and 110 foot of the lot of ground in Broadway towards her marriage portion which I have valued at £1 200. Whereas my said daughter is chargeable for sundry sums of money over and above the house and lot advanced for her marriage my will is that whatever sums she shall stand charged for in my books at my decease be paid in to my estate, and I give the same with the residue of my estate to my son Thomas and daughter, Sarah Wickham, equally divided. I make my son Thomas and daughter Sarah executors.

Dated July 4, 1768. Witnesses, George Ludlow, William W. Ludlow. Proved, New York, April 21, 1785. Administration granted to Thomas Duncan the same day.

Page 488.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSEPH CARPENTER, the "3th" of the Precinct of Goshen, Orange County, being very weak in Body, do this 8th day of June, 1775, make my last will. I bequeath to my well beloved wife, Ruth Carpenter, all my beds and bed furniture, and my household stuff, and one of my best cows, and sufficient bread, corn, and meat for the support of my wife and children for one year next after my decease. Also to my wife the full privilege of my houses and my farm whereon I now live till my son Daniel shall come to the age of twenty-one years, the better to enable her to bring up my children in ease she shall so long remain my widow, and when Daniel shall come to the age of twenty-one I devise to him

all my said farm, reserving to my wife during her widowhood the privilege of my houses and a sufficient support allowed her by my son Daniel after he shall enter into possession. The remainder of my personal estate (except my loom and tackling) to my two daughters, Hannah and Ruth, "and the child my wife is now big with if she should be safely delivered thereof whether son or daughter," and the same to be put at interest for them as soon as possible and equally divided betwixt them and paid them at the time of their full age. The loom and tackling I give to my wife. My personal estate (except that for my wife) to be sold at Publick Vendue as soon as convenient. I make Daniel Vail and John Smith, Cooper, both of Orange County, executors.

Witnesses, Michael Jackson, of Orange County, Esqr, William Oldfield, Hannah Smith. Proved, Orange County, July 11, 1775. Administration granted to Daniel Vail and John Smith, New York, April 25, 1785.

Page 490.—In the name of God, Amen. I, BENJAMIN LAZIER, of the City of New York, Carman, being sick and weak in Body, do this 31st day of July, 1772, make my last Will. My debts and funeral expenses to be paid out of my personal estate. I bequeath to my loving wife Dinah the use and interest of all the rest of my personal estate, and of my messuage or tenement and dwelling house and lot on Batteau street, in the City of New York, and of all other my real estate, during her life. To my daughter Trientje, now the wife of Jacobus Brown of the said City, Carpenter, £10 paid her as soon as convenient after the decease of my wife out of my real estate if the above residue of my personal estate be not sufficient. To my granddaughter, Dinah Brower, £5, paid her as above said. All the remainder of my estate remaining at the decease of my wife to my said daughter Trientje and my daughter Antia, wife of John Brower, of New York

City, Carpenter, equally divided between them. I appoint my wife Dinah and my two sons-in-law, Jacobus Brown and John Brower executors.

Witnesses, Cornelius Wyncoop, Charles Miller, John Clem. Proved, New York, March 24, 1785, when Jarvis Roebuck, of the said City, cork cutter swore to the signature of John Clem, one of the above witnesses. Also at New York, April 27, 1785, likewise appeared Jacob Wyncoop, of the City of Albany, skipper, a son of Cornelius Wyncoop, one of the above witnesses, and swore to his signature. Administration granted to Jacobus Brown and John Brower the same day.

Page 492.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN GINSALIS, being sick and weak in Body. I bequeath to my son John the farm I now live on to him and his heirs forever, in the meantime my son John allowing his Mother, my present wife, the privilege of the House I now live in during her life time and likewise two cows and four Ewes sheep and two hogs kept free yearly during her life time, she likewise having the privilege of a garden spot by the house. Also to my son John £20 in money, but at present he owes me £36 in gold or silver which he is to pay to Daniel Camble, Esqr, in Senectedy, against next October, likewise £265 he owes me for goods bought of me, £20 of which money I give him as above, the other £245 he is to pay to my other children. To John Mills, my daughter's son, £100 and my gun now at my son John's. To Imanuel Ginsalis, my son Joseph's son, £100. To Tiney Bulson two sheep. Now I have due to me in Bank in Albany £1,600, and another note, £84, at my house here. I have one cow, three yearlens, one steer, one hog and eight sheep. I bequeath £200 to my present wife of the above money to be used by her as she needs and at her pleasure. Now all the rest of my money and effects I leave equally divided between my son Peter and my daughter Hannah. I appoint my son Peter, and Cornelius Bulson, executors.

Dated April 10, 1780. Witnesses, Peter Blane, Tunes Wells, yeoman. Proved, Albany County, April 15, 1785. Confirmed, New York, April 28, 1785.

Page 493.—The following will was written in German. Translated an abstract is as follows: I, FRIEDERICH BASLER, leave my house and land to my wife Tabel. My Daughter Maria is to receive £10, daughters Eliesabeth and Margaretha a like amount. Anna, however, is to receive £20. My daughter Eliesabeth as well as my daughter Anna shall each receive a cow; the two year old ox of Anna's cow shall also go to Anna. The horses, cattle, wagon, plough, harrow, and in general everything belonging to the farm is to remain with it. From among the sheep Maria is to receive an old sheep and a lamb, and Eliesabeth is to receive likewise a sheep and a lamb, Anna is also to receive a sheep and a lamb. In regard to Johannes Lob, the land given him shall remain, viz.: from the head of the hayland to the large ruins, and from there to the boundary fence of the new hayland, so further till the end of my property. The friends invited to testify to this instrument have with their own hands subscribed to the same at Beaverdam, December 6, 1784. The legacies left to my Daughters shall not be paid out until two years after my demise.

(Signed) FRIEDERICH BASELER.

Witnesses, Christian Sand, Wilhelm Schneider, Christian Spitner. Probated, March 22, 1785, Albany. Administration granted to Anna Baslaer, of Schohar, Albany County, widow of Frederick Baseler, late of the same place, yeoman, deceased, New York, April 28, 1785.

END OF LIBER 37.

# LIBER 38.

Page 1.—In the name of God, Amen. I, FREDERICK STRAIGHT, of Rhynbeck, in Dutchess County, weak in body—on November 22, 1781. I leave to my wife Catharine all my real and personal estate for life or while a widow, after her death or marriage, the farm whereon I now dwell to son Frederick Straight; He also to have the negro man Harry "weaving loom," "pleasure slay" and land he now owns in Charlot Precinct. Son Frederick to pay legacies as follows: To oldest son (not named) of son George, deceased, 20 shillings as birthright, to all children (not named) of son George, deceased, £50 equally divided; to children of daughter, Maddalan Bander, deceased, £12 10 shillings; to children of daughter, Mary Eckert, deceased, £12 10 shillings; to daughters, Christen Ham and Margaret Ule, each £12, 10 shillings; to son Lodawick £5, his present wife during his life to live in the new upper room in my present house and be maintained by my estate; to son-in-law, Fredrick Ham and my daughter Cathrine that farm they now possess, for life and at their decease to their son, Counrodt Ham, he to pay his brother, Casper Ham, £100; to granddaughter, Maddleen Moore, large cupboard; to daughters, Margaret Ule and Christian Ham, and the children of daughters, Maddaleen Bander and Mary Eckert, both deceased all rest of personal effects. My old negro wench to have sufficient living out of my estate during her life.

Executors, son, Frederick Straight, and son-in-law, Counrodt Ham.

Witnesses, Peter Eckert, Abraham Fredenburgh, Hugh Willson. Proved, Dutchess County, April 26, 1785. Confirmed, New York, May 2, 1785.

Page 3.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HESTER VERVEYLIE, of Rumbout Precinct, Dutchess County,

widow, weak in body. I leave all my estate, that is, houses, lands, money, goods, and chattels to be equally divided between all my children, namely, Gideon, Moses, John, Daniel, Jerimiah, Elizabeth, Hannah. Whereas my husband died before his father and therefore my eldest son, Gideon, becomes heir to the farm whereon I now live, it is my will that unless said Gideon immediately on my decease divide with his brothers and sisters that farm "which he heired from his grandfather agreeable to his father's will," then I dispose of my estate as above mentioned to be equally divided between all my children except Gideon, he to have £5 for his birthright. Whereas Moses and John have already received £30 each by way of out set, and Elizabeth £65 in land and out set, so much to be deducted from their portions.

Executors, friends, Moses Degraff, Jacobus Degraff and Zephaniah Platt.

(Signed) HESTER VERVELEY.

Dated February 6, 1773. Witnesses, Matthias Cook, John Rugur, Zepha Platt. Confirmed, April 30, 1785.

Page 5.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HENRY LUDLOW, late of the City of New York but at present residing in the District of Claverack, Albany County. Executors to sell real and personal estate and dispose of the proceeds as follows: To son, William Henry Ludlow, recompense for maintaining myself and family while I and they have or may yet remain with him; Also one eighth of whole estate; one eighth part of estate to Henry Bayley Ludlow, Peter Robert Ludlow and Mary Corbett Ludlow, children of deceased son, John Corbett Ludlow, equally divided; one eighth to son, Gabriel Henry Ludlow; one eighth to son, Henry Ludlow; one eighth to son, Thomas Ludlow; one eighth to daughter Sarah, wife of Richard Morris (deducting seven eighth value of a negro wench named Sarah, already given her); one eighth to daughter, Martha Ludlow (deducting value of a negro

wench named Peg or Margaret, and her son Robin, already given her); and one eighth put at interest and given to grandson, Gabriel Gillan Shaw (only child of daughter Elizabeth, deceased) when of age.

Executors, sons, Gabriel Henry, William Henry and son-in-law, Richard Morris, Esq. and Charles Shaw.

Dated January 8, 1780. Witnesses, George Morrell, Jeremiah D. Lamater, W. V. Wemple. Proved, Albany County, January 19, 1784. Confirmed, New York, May 4, 1785.

Page 7.—In the name of God, Amen. 25th August, 1783. I, ADRIAN VOORHEES, of Flatbush, Kings County, yeoman, being at present very weak in body. I leave to my most beloved wife Adriantie the use of all estate for her support and maintenance of my children so long as she remains a widow. If she marries then £200, a bedstead with furniture, a dutch cupboard and two negro wenches named Sara and Sine; to son Lawrence all real estate in Flatbush or elsewhere upon Condition he pay to my daughter Femmetye and the children of my daughter Adriaentie, by name, Engelbart and Pheben Lott, £600, one half to Femmetye and half to the others when of age; also choice of three of my negro slaves before division is made, and all farm utensils, horses and horn cattle except 4 cows; Also bed with all its furniture; to Daughter Femmetye £200 when she marries and as much new furniture as I bought for my daughter Adriaentie; also two negro wenches, Mara and Rose, and 4 cows; to grandson, Engelbart Lott, a negro boy Jack; to granddaughter, Pheben Lott, a negro girl Bet. One third of the remainder of my personal estate to son Lawrence, one third to Femmetye, one third to children of Adriaentie.

Executors, wife Adriaentie, son Lawrence, son-in-law, Johannis E. Lott and friend, Hendrick Suydam.

Witnesses, V. Antonedes, And<sup>w</sup> Suydam, John Van

Der Veer. Proved, May 2, 1785, Kings County. Confirmed, May 6, 1785, New York.

Page 9.—In the name of God, Amen. The 17th of February, 1773. I, BARENT VAN DEVENTER, of Flatbush, Kings County, in good health. I leave to my wife Geertje for life all personal estate, use of house and land where I now live and one lot of meadow at Carnarcey between the meadows of William Axtell and Leffert Martenson and lot of woodland between Wilhelmus Stootholf and heirs of Stephen Williamse, deceased. After her death said land to go to four daughters, Femmetje, Seytje, Ida and Maria. To son Jacobus the farm he now lives on at Flatbush which I bought of the heirs of Ryck Suydam and Thomas Stillwill, also meadow in Flatlands and two lots of woodland, provided he pay for the same £400, £100 to each of my four daughters above named. To daughter Seytje instead of above bequests the yearly income or interest of her share and this share to be reduced to money so far as possible, and after her death to be equally divided among her children.

Executors, son Jacobus, son-in-law Cornelis Van Duyne.

(Signed) BARENT VAN DEWENTER.

Witnesses, William Axtell, Jacob Leffertse, Peter Antonides and P. V. Steenberg. Proved at Kings County, April 22, 1785.

Page 12.—In the name of God, Amen. I, URSULA ROOSS, of the City of New York, widow. I leave one fourth of my estate to my brother, Peter Brass; one fourth to my sister Geertie, wife of George Gordon; one fourth to children of my nephew, Capt. Henry Brass, deceased; one fourth to children now living of my brother, Adolph Brass, and to the child (not named) of his son Adolph, equally divided. To Mary, wife of Theophilus Elsworth, one fifth of all my wearing apparel.

Executors, Mary Farmer, of the City of New York, widow, and Rem Rapalve, of New York, boulder.

(Signed)

URSULA ROOS.

Dated March 30, 1785. Witnesses, Catharine Benson, R<sup>t</sup> Benson, Cath<sup>n</sup> Collins. Proved, March 3, 1785.

Executors refused to serve and Theophilus Elsworth appointed by the Court, May 9, 1785.

Page 13.—In the name of God, Amen. This 20th of January, 1774. I, JOHN BOCKHOUT, of the Manor of Philipsburgh, Westchester County, in perfect health. I leave to my well-beloved wife, Debura Bockhout, all she brought at marriage and also one horse, two cows and five sheep "during my widow" and the third part of "all my housse to be divided between my weddow and my grandson, John Jewel." To both the above "my fishing net to there one use and benifect of the famely." To wife £40, and my "negro winch Manna to whyt on her." And after her death or remarriage to go to one of my children "which she lieks beest." To grandson, John Jewel, two "horsses or mairs, feet to worck, and gears and plow, tackelen to work and one cow forever." Remainder of moveable estate to be divided into three parts, one third part to my children and grandchildren, viz: Matice Bockhout, Jacob Bockhout, Mary, wife of Jacob Van Wert; Anna, wife of Conrad Sedore; Elizabeth, wife of William Jewel; one and all my grandchildren (not named) to draw equal share of their father or mother. Remaining two thirds of estate to be again divided in three parts, one third to go to wife Deborah, and two thirds to be divided between children and grandchildren. To grandson, John Jewel, "my Improvements with the consent of Col. Fredrick now Lord of said Mannor," said John Jewel to give my widow a maintenance and after her death or marriage to give and divide £100 between my children and grandchildren.

Executors, sons, Matice and Jacob, friend, William Davids.

Witnesses, Edward Couenhoven, James Hamman, John Van Tessel. Proved, Westchester County, April 28, 1785. Confirmed, New York, May 14, 1785.

Page 16.—In the name of God, Amen. This 28th of April, 1784. I, NATHAN STURGES, of Dutchess County, being very sick. I leave to my wife Mary, the use of one third of estate while my widow. To son, Thadeus Sturges, farm and building where I now live and land in the "great swomp ginning David he Cock's land and Samuel Townsands." To daughters, Rhodaij and Sarg Sturges, the Bearsety farm, and £100 to be paid by son Thadeas two years after he comes of age. All of the above written in Fredricksburgh Precinct in the County of Dutchess.

Executors, wife Mary and Stephen Hurlbutt.

Witnesses, Humphrey Ogden, David Sturges, Humphrey Ogden, Jr. Proved, May 10, 1785, Dutchess County. Confirmed, May 16, 1785, New York.

Page 17.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ISAAC TAYLOR, of Beekmans Precinct, Dutchess County, Farmer, sick—"being Penitent and Sorry for my sins and offences against God and all Goodness," etc. I leave to wife Catharine, one third of estate. To son Thomas, that farm he now lives on. To three youngest children, Daniel, Peter, Rachel, "all born by wife aforesaid" the full sum of £10 each. To son William, one small sorrell mare; to son Richard, small brown horse. Remainder of estate, if any, to be divided between all my children.

Executors, Azariah Crandall and Jonathan Prosser.

Dated April 11, 1785. Witnesses, Benjamin Prosser, of Dutchess County, farmer; Azariah Crandall and Jonathan Prosser. Proved, April 28, 1785, Dutchess County. Confirmed, May 16, 1785, New York.

Page 19.—Know all men by these presents that I, JACOBUS MONFORT near Cedar Swamp in township of Oyster Bay, in Queens County, yeoman, being far ad-

vanced in years and being willing to set my house in order before my final change. I leave to my daughter Magdelana, wife of Peter Monfort, of Fishkill, £50. To granddaughter Dorothy, wife of Andries Hegeman, £50. To grandson, Garret Monfort, £50. To daughter-in-law Catharine, wife of my son Jost Monfort, income of all the remainder of my estate, real and personal, so long as my son Jost lives "if he be now living." If he be a widow and remarry she forfeits estate which is to be divided between my grandchildren, viz.: Peter Monfort, Abraham Monfort, James Monfort, George Monfort, Elizabeth Monfort, Daniel Monfort and Dorothy Monfort. Notwithstanding what is above written if there be occasion property may be sold by executors and money paid to legatees as above.

Executors, friends, Daniel Duryee, Helmas Hoagland, Andries Hegeman and grandson, Garret Monfort.

Dated October 8, 1776. Witnesses, Nicholas Wright, Jacob Dillingham, Henry Prior, Samuel Willis. Proved Queens County, May 14, 1785. Confirmed, New York, May 17, 1785.

Page 21.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN SMITH, of Flushing, Queens County, yeoman, weak of body, on February 17, 1784. I leave to my son, John Hutchins Smith, all real estate in Flushing, Jamaica or elsewhere; Also moveable estate without doors not otherwise disposed of, books, a negro boy named Morris. To daughter, Margaret Beeks Smith, all moveable estate within doors (except provisions and eatables which shall remain for the use of my whole family), the use of the east room with a fireplace in my dwelling, keep of a cow and garden adjoining said room so long as she is unmarried; Also interest of £500 to be paid her when of age by my son, John Hutchens Smith, but if married the £500 to be invested in land where she shall choose and given to her forever. If above son or daughter die before they are

of lawful age or without heirs the other to inherit the whole estate, and if both die without heirs estate to go to my brother, Thomas Howel Smith, my sisters, Mellicent Mackerell and Hannah Fish, all of Flushing, equally divided.

Executors, son, John Hutchens Smith, trusty brothers-in-law, James Mackarell and Ambrose Fish, of Flushing.

Witnesses, Samuel Fish, John Marston, yeoman, of Flushing; Frederick Jahn, schoolmaster, of Flushing. Proved, Queens County, May 13, 1785. Confirmed, New York, May 18, 1785.

Page 24.—In the name of God, Amen. April 11th, 1785. I, MATTHEW DECKER, of the County of Richmond, having my usual senses and memory. I leave to my wife Elice, one third of my land and a cow for life; to oldest son Matthew, 40 shillings; to daughter Mary, £30, brass kittle, spinning wheel and one pair of smoothing Irons. Rest of estate equally divided between sons, Matthew and Barnet.

Executors, wife Elice, and Thomas Ridgway.

Witnesses, Chas. Decker, yeoman; Benjamin Price, Joseph Ridgway. Proved, May 6, 1785, Richmond County. Confirmed, May 17, 1785, New York.

Page 25.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM SCHRAM, of Louenburgh, Albany County, yeoman. I desire my wife Catharina to be maintained for life or till remarriage. Rest of property divided between nine children, viz.: Frederick, Peter, Clement, Veldte, Johannis, Jeremiah, Mariah, wife of William Halenbeek; Geertruy, wife of Jacob van Buskerk, Annaeje, wife of Mathys Bronk.

Executors, sons, Peter and Clement, and son-in-law, Mathys Bronk.

Dated October 23, 1784. Witnesses, Henry Knoll, Frederick Landman, farmer, and Catrina, his wife, of Coxsackie. Proved, January 8, 1785, Albany County. Confirmed, May 18, 1785, New York.

Page 27.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ABRAHAM PERSEN; SR., of the Great Imbough, Albany County, yeoman, June 29, 1781. I leave to my wife Catharine, the room I now live in for life and to be maintained by my son Henry, who is to give her a "genteel funeral." To eldest son, John, for primegeniture, £6, horse and cow in bar of any claim he may make to my estate. To son Jacobus, the house he now lives in and the sawmill, eight acres meadow land within "Love-ridges Fly" and two acres upland. To son Abraham, house he now lives in and land. To son Henry, room he now lives in, grist mill and land on Hudson River which bounds on the land of Sybrant Van Schaicks and Frederick Marten. Three sons, Jacobus, Abraham and Henry, to pay to four daughters, £300. Remainder of my real estate to sons, Jacobus, Abraham and Henry. Remainder of my personal estate to my seven children [John omitted] viz.: Jacobus, Abraham, Henry, Hannah, wife of Egbert Bogardus; Gethroy, wife of Evert De Witt; Deborah, wife of Lucass De Witt, and Jenny, wife of Wessell Ten Broecke.

Executors, sons, Jacobus, Abraham and Henry, and sons-in-law, Egbert Bogardus, Wessel Ten Broecke and Lucas De Witt.

Witnesses, James Tattersall, schoolmaster, of Albany County; John C. Persen, yeoman; Sybrant Van Schaick, Jr. Proved, February 3, 1785, Albany County. Confirmed, May 18, 1785, New York.

Page 31.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CATHARINE MARGARET COCK, of German Camp, Albany County, spinster, being sick. I leave to my friend, Wessel Ten Brook, of Livingston Manor, all estate except six silver teaspoons which I give to my niece, Nancy Ten Brook, when twenty-one or married.

Executor, Wessel Ten Brook.

(Signed)

CATHARINA COCK.

Dated June 17, 1784. Witnesses, Abraham Bogardus, yeoman, of German Camp; Mary Bogardus, John

Fletcher. Proved, February 4, 1785, Albany County. Confirmed, May 18, 1785, New York.

Page 32.—In the name of God, Amen. I, LEENDERT WITTBECK, of Hagketock, Albany County, yeoman, in indifferent health. I leave to my Eldest son, Johannes, my negro girl Diana for his birthright. To wife Catalyna all estate for life; at her death estate to be divided between my two sons, Johannes and Isaac.

Executors, wife and sons, Johannes and Isaac.

Dated October 11, 1769. Witnesses, Dirk Van Veghten, Nicolas Spoor, Henry Knoll, surgeon of Cox-sackie. Proved, Albany County, March 3, 1785. Confirmed, New York, May 19, 1785.

Page 33.—In the name of God, Amen, on August 3, 1773. I, GERRIT VAN DUYN, of New Utrecht, Kings County, farmer, weak in body. I leave to my wife Aeltie use and profits of all estate in New Utrecht or elsewhere while she remains my widow; except woodland in New Utrecht adjoining that of my son Cornelius which I bequeath to him. After decease or marriage of wife all estate except said woodland I bequeath to my son John on condition he pay to my other children money as hereinafter mentioned. To son Cornelius my Dutch Bible and £6 as his birthright, also £360 to be paid by son John, also half of my "untensiles of Husbandry" and Carpenters tools horses and wearing apparel, son John to have the other half. Son John to select my best horse besides his riding horse, also my "holsters and Pistels." To daughter Aeltie, wife of Anthony Holst, £270 paid by son John, and to daughter Mageltie, wife of William Bower, the same amount, and to both my household furniture, etc. Remainder of my personal estate to be divided between my four children.

Executors, friend Simon Boerum, sons-in-law, Anthony Holst and William Brower.

(Signed) GERRIT V. DUYN.

Witnesses, Wilhelmus Van Nuys, Peter Van Der Bilt, of New Utrecht, and John Cowenhoven, of New Utrecht. Proved, Kings County, October 16, 1784.

Page 36.—In the name of God, Amen. The 19th of May, 1769. I, CORNELIS ECKESEN, of the Precinct of Haverstraw, Orange County, as touching my worldly estate I "appoint my rale and sold executors, Petrus Blauvelt and Abraham Stevesen, for to devise and dispose of the same." To wife Lena all estate "of watt kine nature soever ett be for in fluring as long as shee shall continuye my widdow for her seport to live upon as shee shall tink fitt and after shee remerrige shee shall have an aqel share with my children." To son John £10. Rest of estate equally divided to all my children, viz.: John, Direkje, Cornelis and Jacob.

(Signed) CORNELIS ECKESEN.

Witnesses, Abram Kool, Johannis Hogenkamp, Johannes Isaac Blauvelt, yeoman, of Haverstraw. Proved, New York, May 19, 1785. Both executors died before the will was proved, and the court appointed as executrix the widow, Lena Eckerson, of Haverstraw, May 27, 1785.

Page 38.—In the name of God, Amen. I, TOBIAS TEN EYCK, of Schenectady, Albany County, Merchant, August 29, 1774. I leave to my oldest son, Myndert Schuyler Ten Eyck, ten shillings for his birthright. To my six sons, Myndert Schuyler, Henry, John Depeyster, Jacob, Tobias and Barent, all estate equally divided. To dear beloved wife Rachel all estate so long as my widow or till death.

Executors, wife and six sons.

(Signed) TOBYAS TEN EYCK.

Witnesses, Christopher Yates, Abraham Fonda, Esq., of Schenectady, and John Degraef. Proved, Albany County, April 16, 1785. Confirmed, New York, May 24, 1785, when administration granted to all the executors except Tobias and Barent Ten Eyck.

Page 39.—In the name of God, Amen. I, THEUNIS VAN VECHTEN, of Catskill, Albany County, yeoman, considering the uncertainty of Human life and the settlement of the estate "which the Bountiful Providence of God has grasiouly bestowed upon me." Debts to be paid from "my book of accounts," not from my Bank notes, Certificates of the loan officer, Bonds, bills and notes. To eldest son, Samuel, "my large Dutch Bible and the picture of my late Uncle, Samuel Van Vechten, in right of Primogeniture." To wife Judith the use but "not the disposing" of my large Cupboard or in Dutch called "Groote Case," furniture including the "Looking glass she had from her father," said effects after wife's death to go to my daughter Elizabeth, wife of Hezekiah Vanorden. To wife also a negro woman, and cattle, also the several lots of land in the Patent called "Femmen Hook Patent" bought by me from John Dies, Deceased; and after her death this to go to daughter Elizabeth. To son Samuel the farm whereon I now live in Catskill made unto me from my uncle, Samuel Van Vechten, deceased, also grist mill I erected on the same and the fall and stream I bought from Martin Garson Van Bergen, on condition said son pay £600 to my children, Jacob, Theunis, Abraham and Elizabeth. Also one third of the land to which I am entitled in the Patent of Catskill which was sold to Johannes Jansen by Dirck Wynkop, Jr., Johannes Sleght and John Dumond, Commissioners of land, appointed to divide the lands between the Van Bergens and Salisburys. To son Jacob the rest of above land in Patent of Catskill, also land in the "Hans Vossen Kill" and in the Patent of Lonenburgh sold to me by my brother, Dirck Van Veghten, and his son Hubartus, also tools for making waggons, and a horse. To sons, Jacob, Theunis and Abraham, my several lots of land on the Mohawk River, in the County of Tryon, heretofore granted to Isaac Vrooman, John Glen, Henry Glen and others and known as "Jersey field," also land in the Patent of "Stich-

kooke" sold to me by Casparus Bronck. To Jacob, Theunis and Elizabeth £40 each. Remainder of personal estate in money I bequeathe equally divided to sons, Jacob, Theunis, Abraham, and my wife, the latter share after her decease to go to daughter Elizabeth provided she have a child by then. Remainder of personal estate in property and "negro weamen slave" said five children. To wife, annuity of £50.

Executors, wife Judith, and sons Samuel, Jacob, Theunis and Abraham.

(Signed) THEUNIS VAN VECHTEN.

Dated August 7, 1782. Witnesses, Cornelius Dubois, Wilhelmus Dedrick, Henry Oothoudt, Esq., of Catskill. Proved, Albany County, April 20, 1785. Confirmed, New York, May 24, 1785.

Page 43.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MARY SANDS, of Oyster bay, Queens County, weak in body. I leave to my sister, Sarah Sands, £40, "calico gownd," "brass Candelstand," skirt and apron. To Sarah Sands, daughter Rebekah Sands, "stript calico gownd," "long camblet cloke," one lawn apron, two table cloths, X napkins, handkerchief, hat, callico bed quilt and flax wheel and one pewter dish. To Mary Sands, daughter of my brother, James Sands, £20 when 18 years old or on her wedding day, if she die before this money to be divided between her brothers and sisters. To Esther Seymour, daughter to my sister, Peggy Sands, £50, silk damask gown, "silk cloke," two table cloths, nine napkins, bed and bedstead, six pair of sheets, iron pot, one brass skinner and a pewter dish. To my sister, Peggy Sands, £50 and remainder of personal estate.

Executors, friends Pen Frost and Prior Townsend.

Dated April 12, 1785. Witnesses, John Probasco, Job Merit, Amey Bailey. Proved, Queens County, May 17, 1785. Confirmed, New York, May 26, 1785.

Page 45.—In the name of God, Amen. I, PETER SMITH, of Jamaica, Queens County, Cordwainer, being

sick. I leave to my wife Charity my best bed and such "household goods as shall be adjudged by two indifferent persons to be absolutely necessary for her to keep house with"; also the income of my estate which is to be sold and the money put at interest. After decease of wife said income to be divided between my 9 children: Mary, Elizabeth, Letitia, Peter, Francis, Charles, Sylvester, Richard and John, the sons having twice as much as the daughters. Two youngest sons, Richard and John, to be bound out to trades.

Executors, wife, and sons Peter and Francis.

Dated March 19, 1768. Witnesses, Benjamin Thurston, John Vanlien, yeoman, of Jamaica and Robert Hinchman. Proved, Queens County, May 17, 1785. Confirmed, New York, May 27, 1785.

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Executors, wife, brother, John Roome, brother-in-law, Henry Roome.

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Page 49.—Memorandum this first day of March, 1770. I, LAWRENCE KILBRUNN, of New York City, merchant, in good bodily health. Body to be buried "amongst the departed of my brethren denominated and known by the name of the Unitas Fratrum or United Brethren." To wife Judith all estate she to act as sole executrix.

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Page 50.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MARY JOHNSTON, at present of the City of New York and in good health. As a token of friendship I bequeath to my dear friend, Mrs. Judith Bruce, and to my executors each a mourning ring, value £3. To brothers, John and Stephen Johnston, and niece, Frances Throckmorton, daughter of my sister Barbarie, £30 each for a "suit of mourning." To sister, Catharine Skinner, £400. Remainder of estate to said sister and to my nephew, William Terrell, son of my sister, Ann Terrel, deceased.

Executors, Richard Kemble and Peter Kemble.

Dated May 29, 1784. Witnesses, Peter Mackie, of New York, merchant; Elizabeth Mackie, Pierre Van Cortlandt Jr. Proved, June 1, 1785.

Page 52.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JONATHAN SEARING, of Searing town, in the township of North Hempstead, Queens County. I leave to wife Mary, feather bed, £100 and maintenance out of my estate from my son Samuel. To granddaughter, Elizabeth Searing, my negro girl Rachel, and granddaughter, Anne Willson, a feather bed. To my daughter, Abigail Norstrand, £200. To son Samuel remainder of estate, he to maintain his mother, if he neglect this then other executor to sell land for this purpose.

Executors, son Samuel, and neighbor, Samuel Searing, Jr.

Dated January 28, 1785. Witnesses, James Searing, Gilbert Searing, yeoman; James Cornwell, yeoman, of North Hempstead. Proved, Queens County, May 28, 1785. Confirmed, New York, June 2, 1785.

sick. I leave to my wife Charity my best bed and such "household goods as shall be adjudged by two indifferent persons to be absolutely necessary for her to keep house with"; also the income of my estate which is to be sold and the money put at interest. After decease of wife said income to be divided between my 9 children: Mary, Elizabeth, Letitia, Peter, Francis, Charles, Sylvester, Richard and John, the sons having twice as much as the daughters. Two youngest sons, Richard and John, to be bound out to trades.

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Page 53.—In the name of God, Amen. May 20, 1775. I, ROELOF SCHENCK, of Hempstead, Queens County, being at this time advanced in years. To son Martin 5 shillings; to three sons John, Abraham and Peter, salt meadow at south side of Hempstead, and my right in the undivided meadow in Hempstead, divided between them. Farm I live on to be sold and proceeds divided into four parts, one to each daughter, Ida Adriance, Elizabeth Rappelye, Sarah Schenck, and the children of my deceased daughter Neeltie, viz.: John, Susannah, Roelof and Jannetie Debevois when of age. Land I bought from Richard Seaman to be sold and £350 be paid my son Peter, he and daughter Sarah to have "a setting out equal with the rest of my children married." My horses to be divided between sons (except Martin), household stuff between daughters, and rest of moveable estate between "my six" children, only Peter and Sarah to have enough for their equal "setting out." To Phebe Schenck, daughter of son Martin, £20.

Executors, sons John, Abraham and Peter. Witnesses, Daniel Brinkerhoff, Martin Schenck, Jr., Hendrick Brinkerhoff. Proved, May 18, 1785, Queens County. Confirmed, June 2, 1785, New York.

Page 55.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SARAH CEBRA, of Jamaica, Queens County, single woman, being sick. I leave to Sarah Cebra, daughter of my brother James, £20, also to Sarah Robinson, daughter of my sister, Mary Robinson, £20; to sister Catharine interest of £50 for life. To sisters, Ann and Catharine, and above nieces my wearing apparel. Remainder of personal estate to be divided equally between my brother William, sister Ann, nephew, James Cebra, nieces Mary, Margaret, Sarah and Elizabeth, daughters of my brother James, and Margaret, Mary, Ann, Sarah and Elizabeth Robinson, daughters of my sister Mary Robinson, but brother James and sister Mary to receive their children's share till death. All real

estate whatsoever to sister, Ann Cebra, who is appointed sole executr.

Dated September 10, 1781. Witnesses, Mary Ballard (widow at probate), Benj. Carpenter, Robt Hinchman. Proved, Queens County, May 27, 1785.

Page 56.—I, DUNCAN CAMPBLE, of Minefords Island, Westchester County, Manor of Pelham, "being well in health and perfectly in my sences." To wife Elloner all estate so long as my widow, at her death or remarriage estate to devolve to all my sons and daughters (not named).

Executors, wife, and my two sons, Walter and James.

Dated October 26, 1770. Witnesses, Stephen Levinus, Theodosius Bartow, merchant, of New Rochelle; Obediah Fowler. Proved, Westchester County, May 11, 1785. Confirmed, New York, June 7, 1785.

Page 57.—In the name of God, Amen. The 18th of September, 1777. I, RUBIN FOWLER, of Cortlands Manor, Westchester County, yeoman, being very sick. I leave to my wife Jane one thirteenth part of all estate, and the rest of all estate till my youngest child comes of age or she "remans my wedow." One thirteenth part of estate to children as follows: son Stephen less £20 he having part of his share already; son Jeremiah, son Ruben, son James, son John; daughters Abigile, Anne, Mary, Phebe, except £20 each already received; daughters Sarah, Jane and Dorety. If either son should die his share to be divided among the other boys; if either daughter her share among my other daughters.

Executors, wife, and son Ruben.

Witnesses, Jeremiah Drake, John Ferris and Leue Creesy Hughson. Proved, Westchester County, May 25, 1785. Confirmed, New York, June 7, 1785.

Page 59.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HENDBICK TIETER, of Rhinebeck, Dutchess County. I leave to my

wife Catharine use of estate during her widowhood subject to the following bequests: To daughter Catharine my negro girl named Sarah. Upon death or remarriage of wife executors to sell real estate and dispose of proceeds as follows: £200 to be "deemed as part of and subject to alike dispositions with my residuary estate"; £30 for son William "in consideration of his imbecillity"; remainder equally divided between sons Henry, William and Philip. Remainder of estate on death or remarriage of wife to be divided in 17 parts, one seventeenth part for son John, and two seventeenth parts each to other children, viz.: Zacharias, Abraham, Henry, William, Philip, Margaret, Elizabeth and Catharine. If I die possessed of considerable cash more than sufficient for the reasonable subsistence of my wife and such of my children as choose to remain with her the surplus to be divided at once among my children.

Executors, sons Zacharias, Abraham and Henry.

Dated September 18, 1778. Witnesses, Herman Hoffman, Philip Feller, Egbt Benson. Proved, Dutchess County, May 18, 1785. Confirmed, New York, June 10, 1785.

Page 61.—Know all men by these presents that I, FRANCIS KEEN, of Oyster Bay, Queens County, Taylor, July 3, 1770, pretty well in helth of body. I leave to my wife, Martha Keen, income of all houses, lands and meadows while my widow, also forever one bed and £50; if needful for better support of my wife and family my executors to allow her a further supply out of my money at interest. To two daughters, Mary and Martha, £150, and at death of mother my household stuff. To son Isaac, £100, half of all my houses and buildings, lands and personal estate not disposed of, and to my executors the remaining half for the following purpose: "first in case my son, Thomas Keen, should forsake leave of and refrain from his loose and evil practices so as to become and continue a sober and

frugal husband of his affairs and the business of this life and that my executors are fully satisfied of his reformation by a suteable time of probation then." Executors to yield him his share as above; but if son Thomas "continues in his present loose condition," then executors to give him such help from time to time as is needful, but property to go to son Isaac.

Executors, friends, Nathaniel Whitson, Richard Powell, Jr.

Witnesses, Fry Willis, Edmund Willis, Samuel Willis. Proved, Queens County, June 16, 1785.

*Codicil.* I, Francis Keen, of Bethpage, Oyster Bay, Queens County, on the 13th day of the second month, 1771 Publish this Codisil. To my two sons, Thomas Keen and Isaac Keen, my wearing apparel, desk and high chest, and whereas by my last will I bequeathed the half part of my estate to my executors except some legacies, I now bequeath the same to my son, Thomas Keen and heirs forever, provided nothing herein contained lessen my wife's portion.

Witnesses, Phebe Post, Thos. Pearsall, Jr., Richard Powell Jr. Proved, Queens County, June 16, 1785. Confirmed, New York, June 21, 1785.

Page 64.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL JONES, JR., of Goshen, Orange County, farmer, April 6, 1777. I leave to my wife Hannah £100 and household furniture. To my two sons, Andrew and Samuel, my farm or plantation whereon I now live in Goshen when Andrew comes of age, but their mother to possess the share of each till each comes of age, each to pay her £50 when of age, and each to pay his sister Mary when she comes of age, £100. To daughter, Mary Jones, £300 when 21 years old or at marriage. To Martha Vachte, one feather bed, pillows, sheets, blankets, etc., and two cows, on condition she continue in my family till 21 years of age or marriage, "behaving herself well." When my sons come into possession of farm my wife to have "the full privilege of the

best room in my dwelling house during her widowhood and to be comfortably supported by my said two sons with all the reasonable necessaries of life."

Executors, William Allison, Esq<sup>r</sup> and Capt. John Jackson, both of Goshen.

Witnesses, Michael Jackson, Michael Allison, James Sawyer. Proved, Orange County, July 5, 1784. Confirmed, New York, June 22, 1785.

Page 66.—In the name of God, Amen. January 30, 1764. I, HEZEKIAH LOWRAIN, of the township of Wantage, Province of New Jersey, yeoman, weak in body. I leave to my daughter, Sarah Lorain, £40, at age of 18, unless my wife marry before, then she to inherit at once; and if my wife have another child "according to the common time after my decease" then daughter Sarah to have but £25 and the other child also £25. All other estate to wife Eddeth, who is sole executrix.

(Signed) HEZEKIAH LOREEN.

Witnesses, Inman Walling, George Cimber; Jos. Barton. Proved, Orange County, May 17, 1785. Confirmed, New York, June 22, 1785.

Page 68.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ELLI FRITZ, of City of New York, Cartman, being in a weak state of health. I leave to my wife Margaret all estate for life, it then to be divided equally between my son Elias and daughters, Margaret and Catharine. To daughter Margaret, £20 before estate is divided.

Executors, wife Margaret, and friends, Andrew Merrell and John Shover.

Dated March 7, 1784. Witnesses, Jacob Grim, Cordwainer, of New York City; Richard Peacock, Peter Ogilvie. Proved, June 22, 1785.

Page 70.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ADOLPH PHILIPSE, of the City of New York, Gentleman, weak in body. To my honored Mother, interest of £1000. To Miss Mary Saunders, who now lives with my

Mother, £250. To Elizabeth, daughter of Jemima Ay-mar, formerly El-son, £500, to be invested and the interest paid for her "maintenance, education, and advancement," and the principal to be paid her when of age or at marriage. To my cousins, Miss Ann Grant and Miss Margaret Grant, £150 each. To my brother, Frederick Philipse, for life, all the rest of my estate, and at his decease to his daughter Mary.

Executors, my beloved mother, Margaret Ogilvie, of New York City, widow; and friends, Thomas Belden, of Norwalk, Conn., and Richard Harison, of New York City.

Dated June 2, 1785. Witnesses, Henry H. Kip, John H. Kip and Richard Bayley, of New York City, Physician. Proved, June 24, 1785.

Page 71.—I, BENJAMIN SPENCER, of Beekman Precinct, Dutchess County, yeoman, weak in body, 13th day of 3rd month, 1785. I leave to my wife £100 for life, after her decease to be divided between my children. Remainder of estate "which I judge to be three hundred pounds," to my four children, in the following manner: to sons Henry and Elnathan £87, 10 shillings each; to daughters Amey and Lydia £62, 10 shillings each. "Overpluss" of estate, if any, to four children.

Executrix, wife (named Mary Spencer in probate of the will).

Witnesses, Elnathan Sweet, Samuel Whipple, Joseph Lancaster, farmer. Proved, Dutchess County, June 25, 1785. Confirmed, New York, June 28, 1785.

Page 72.—These Presents witnesseth this first day of the third month in the year 1781, that I, ABIGAIL POWELL, of Oyster Bay, Queens County, do make this my last will. I leave to my son, Samuel Powell, £2. To son Joshua, bed, bolster and "pillers of tow-ticken." To daughter, Mary Cornalus, warming pan and "my biggest puter platter." Rest of estate divided between

my three daughters, Elizabeth Post, Ruth Mott, Mary Cornalus.

Executors, son in law, John Mott, and Henry Whitson, Jr.

Witnesses, John Powell, yeoman, of Oyster Bay; Elizabeth Powell, Ann Parish. Proved, Queens County, June 21, 1785. Confirmed, New York, June 29, 1785.

Page 73.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIAS CONKLING, of Easthampton, Suffolk County, weaver, in health of body. I leave to my wife (not named) all estate, house, barn, waining and farming utensils for life. To daughters Loes and Mary 5 shillings each. To daughter Amey all estate that my wife leaves at her decease.

Executors, wife and trusty friend, Ezekiel Mulford.

Dated May 29, 1780. Witnesses, John Stratton, Stephen Hedges, Jesse Dayton. Proved, Suffolk County, June 20, 1785. Confirmed, New York, July 1, 1785.

Page 75.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ANDREW BOWNE, of Middletown, Monmouth County, New Jersey, in perfect health. I leave to my Mother the "use of my land and moveable estate if she should want to use so much" . . . "as long as she shall remain my fathers widow and no longer." To John Crawford and William Crawford (both under age), sons of my sister, Catharine Crawford, my lands and rights of land on condition each pay to their sister, Ester Crawford (a minor) £250 one year after they are possessed of the same. My executors shall "Levy as much money out of my estate as shall purchase a "deesent" head stone for me with my age and the time of my decease cut on it." Personal estate left after my mother's use I bequeath to said John, William and Catharine Crawford.

Executors, William Crawford, Robert Hartshorn, Jarritt Wall, of Mount Pleasant, "all of Middletown."

Dated June 16 1775. Witnesses, W<sup>m</sup> Hendrickson, Safety Bowne, R. Ward Crawford. Proved, New York, July 4, 1785.

Page 76.—In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS CHEESMAN, late of the City of New York, shipwright, but at present residing in the City of Philadelphia, being advanced in years and subject to infirmities incident to old age. Executor to sell my house and lot in Queen street, Montgomery Ward, New York City, for most money that can be gotten, proceeds to be put out at interest on land security and this interest, with the rent from hiring out my house at the "ship yards in the outward of the said City of New York," shall be applied to the maintenance of my daughter Sarah, and of my sons, Thomas and Foreman, until the latter is twenty-one, excepting that Sarah shall have a convenient room in my house at the shipyards properly furnished with my furniture so long as unmarried. Residue of furniture my daughters may divide agreeable to their pleasure. Residue of money be put at interest for daughter Sarah and sons, Thomas and Foreman, till Foreman come of age, then he to enjoy interest of all estate till he is 24 years old, then he is to inherit my house at shipyards with conditions hereafter named, and all estate is to be valued and divided between my daughters, to wit: Ann, wife of James Brewster, Elizabeth, wife of John Arthur, Mary, wife of James Eyre, and Sarah, unmarried; if daughters share exceed the value of the house at shipyards then they to pay so much to son Foreman as to make his half of estate equal to theirs; if the house exceeds rest of estate in value, Foreman to pay a like amount to his sisters. Son Foreman to have the above house on condition that he support in a comfortable manner my son Thomas for life, and Thomas shall live in the family of Foreman unless my daughters determine he shall be in any other family; also on condition Foreman pay Sarah £25 yearly while unmarried. At di-

vision of estate one daughter shall not receive "one shilling more than the other."

Executors, son-in-law John Arthur, daughter Sarah Cheesman and son Foreman.

Dated November 9, 1782. Witnesses, Jeremiah Wool, White Matlack, John D. Crimsheir. Proved, July 1, 1785.

Page 79.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ICHABOD SAYRE, of town of Southampton, Suffolk County, Farmer, weak in body. I leave to my wife all moveable estate and improvements of my lands except the North-end lot to be sold to pay my debts. To my two sons, Ananias and Francis, all my lands and buildings divided between them, if either die before twenty-one years old then all to the other. To daughters, Eunice and Martha, £10 each. It is my will that my beloved wife should enjoy part of the house as long as she continue my widow.

Executors, Brothers Joshua and Stephen Sayre.

Dated August 12, 1783. Witnesses, Zopher Cooper, Daved Reeves, Henry White. Proved, Suffolk County, May 26, 1785. Confirmed, New York, July 4, 1785.

Page 80.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HENRY HALSEY, of Southampton, Suffolk County, sick and weak in body. I leave to my wife Elizabeth moveable estate and use of house and lands so long as my widow, at her death or remarriage real estate to go to my brother, Jesse Halsey. To my nephew, Fithin Halsey, "my ridgmental suit of cloaths and my sword." To niece, Charity Halsey, £4.

Executors, wife Elizabeth and brother Jesse.

(Signed) HENRY HALLSEY.

Dated February 19, 1776. Witnesses, Abraham Squier, Priscilla Stratton, James White. Proved, Suffolk County, June 9, 1785. Confirmed, New York, July 4, 1785.

Page 81.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ABRAHAM SQUIRE, of Southampton, Suffolk County, yeoman. I leave to my wife Phebe, household goods she brought with her when I married her, my negro boy, Cambridge, and one cow. To daughters Elizabeth £10, Hannah £35, Sarah Fince £40, and Lucinda £40. To son Abraham all estate not mentioned above.

Executor, Jonathan Rogers.

(Signed) ABRAHAM SQUIER.

Dated February 7, 1785. Witnesses, Phebe Gelston, Elizabeth Baker, John Gelsion. Proved, Suffolk County, May 30, 1785. Confirmed, New York, July 4, 1785.

Page 82.—Know all men by these Presents that I, JACOB WEEKES, of Oyster Bay, Queens County, yeoman, "being advanced in years and grown infirm of body, and not knowing how long I may continue in this Outward body and through divine favor I have my understanding sound, and my memory as well as usual considering my age," 17th day of 11th month, 1774. Executors to sell all real estate and pay debts therefrom. I leave to my wife Elizabeth all household goods and £20 a year from sale of estate, also use of house and land till sold. Rest of proceeds of estate I bequeath after my wife's decease as follows: To my grandson, Samuel Weeks, son of my son Job, deceased, £5. To my four granddaughters, daughters of my daughter Amey, deceased, viz.: Ann, Rhoda, Phebe and Amey Colwell, £3 each. To daughter, Keziah Colwell, £5, and to daughter, Phebe Titus, £15. To sons, Jacob and Jothann, £40 each, my son Levi having had the value of £40 in the rent of my house and land near Thomas Young's. Also to said three sons remainder of estate.

Executors, friends Samuel Townsend, Justice, John Parish and Austin Weekes, all of Oyster Bay.

(Signed) JACOB WEEKES.

Witnesses, John Willis, yeoman; Amaziah Wheeler, Tailor; Samuel Willis.

*Codicil.* June 4, 1779. Whereas I have given my son, Levi Weeks, in the use he has had of my land and house at the east end of my homestead, value £72, I will £72 to my sons Jacob and Jotham after my decease.

Witnesses to Codicil, John Wright, Jr., merchant; Jotham Weekes, Samuel Willis. Proved, Queens County, July 2, 1785. Confirmed, New York, July 2, 1785

The executors refused to serve and Jacob Weeks and Jotham Weeks were appointed in their places.

Page 84.—In the name of God, Amen. I, PETER VAN NAME, of Staten Island, Richmond County, being weak in body, April 8, 1780. I leave to my brother, John Wright, £100 in lieu of a Mortgage on my place, see deed given me by Garrit Elis for 4 acres May 15, 1779. To wife, Hannah Van Name, the whole of said place for life or while my widow, and after "if she marrye a discreat person that will improve the place and make no waste upon it, but that shall be left to the Judgment of my brother, John Wright." After death of wife said land, house and out houses to Thomas Van Name, son of John Wright, and after his decease to John Wright, Jr., son of said John Wright. Burial to be "desent and without pomp or state."

Executors, wife, and brother, John Wright.

(Signed) PETER VAN NAME.

Witnesses, William Hughs, Daniel Salt, Innholder. Proved, Richmond County, July 2, 1785. Confirmed, New York, July 7, 1785.

Page 86.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM BROWNEJOHN, of New York City, Physician, weak in body. First, "I humbly commend my soul on its departure from my body into the Charge of my most merciful Creator." I leave to my nephew, William

Brownejohn, second son of my brother Samuel, when of age 20 guineas, but if he die before of age said sum to my nephew Samuel, eldest son of my son Samuel. Whereas as my wife (not named) is already well provided for I give unto my beloved son, William Stiles Brownejohn, all rest of estate, but if he die before of age or married then £1000 to my brother Samuel, and rest of estate divided into six parts among the children of my deceased brother, Thomas Brownejohn (not named), my brother Samuel and my sisters, Elizabeth Barton, Mary Hurst, Catharine Templeton and Rachel Peice.

Executors, friend Gabriel W. Ludlow, of New York City, Merchant; Brother Samuel Brownejohn and William Morton, they also to be guardians of my son, and I "hereby earnestly request that they would attend to and be careful of his Education."

Dated August 8, 1784. Witnesses, John Ryason, of Brooklyn, yeoman; John Dobs, Evert Wessells. Proved, July 8, 1785.

Page 87.—In the name of God, Amen. April 20, 1785. I, PETER FLANDRAU, of New Rochelle, Westchester County, yeoman, being sick. I leave to my brother, Benjamin Flandrau, house and land on southeast side of the Country road, bounded on east by Nicolas Belly in a straight line to James Motts land "on the Hammocks so caled," and on south by Elias Flandrau's land. To brother, Elias Flandrau, all land I own on "the hammocks so caled" to above line between him and Benjamin Flandrau, also 10 acres north of land formerly belonging to my brother, John Flandrau, deceased, with privelege of a road near Belley's land to the Country road "he keeping a good swing gate at the County road." To Benjamin land I purchased of Anthony Lispenard bounded by Nicolas Beley and Capt. Brown, and Thomas Huntington and said John Flandrau and Anthony Lispenard, deceased. To my eldest brother, James Flandrau, house and land he

now lives on bounded by Joseph Drake and south by the Creek 3 acres for life and "his wife her lifetime," and after their death to their son, Peter Flandrau.

Executors, Brother Elias and Benjamin Flandrau, Jr.

Witnesses, Isaac Coutant, Elias Flandrau, Jr., Reuben Bloomer, of Mamaroneck.

[Additional item without date.] I order £500 of money in bonds put in care of my sister, Jane Flandrau, and divided among my brothers and their children as she shall think fit after her decease.

Proved, Westchester County, June 16, 1785. Confirmed, New York, July 13, 1785.

Page 89.—In the name of God, Amen. I, PAUL DORAN, of Elizabethtown, Essex County, New Jersey, weak and sick of body, October 19, 1776. I leave all my estate after debts are paid to Pierre DePeyster, Esquire, of Newark, Essex County, New Jersey.

Executor, Pierre De Peyster.

Witnesses, Peter V. B. Livingston Jr., Merchant, of New York; Josiah Banks, Daniel Ball. Proved, July 13, 1785. Administration granted July 14, 1785, to Cornelia De Peyster, of New York City, widow, Mother and Attorney of Pierre De Peyster, late of Essex County, New Jersey, Esq., but now in Great Britain, sole Executor and Legatee of Paul Doran, late a Private in the American Army, deceased.

Page 91.—In the name of God, Amen. January 17, 1776. I, JACOB VAN DERHOEVEN, of Brouck in, Kings County, yeoman, weak in body. I leave to my wife Catharina whole estate for life or while my widow, if she marry then £100, her wearing apparel, bed, etc., and my Cupboard wherewith she shall quit all further pretensions on my estate. To oldest daughter, Catharina, wife of Johannes Polhemus, £5. It is my will that my children which are unmarried have an "outset" as much as their other sisters had for outset at

marriage, before estate is divided. My children, Catharina, wife of Johannes Polhemus; Mary, Neeltje and Elizabeth, after death or remarriage of wife to have full power to divide my personal estate. Real estate to be sold to highest bidder among my children if they so agree and proceeds divided, if not, to be sold by executors.

Executors, wife Catharina, son-in-law, Johannes Polhemus and my cousin, Machiel Van Der Voort, and friend, Cornelius Van Duyn.

Witnesses, Juree Brower, Thomas Pearsall, Engelbart Lott. Proved, July 15, 1785.

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Page 94.—In the name of God, Amen. The 15th of May, 1785. I, JOHN STAATS, of Goannes in the township of Brooklyn, Kings County, N. Y., yeoman, at present not very well. I leave to my most loving friend, Johannis Ditmarx, of "flat Bush" the farm I now live on in Brooklyn and personal estate on condition he pay sums as hereafter ordered. To Mary Holland, £100. To Jacques Denice, £55, and that he live rent free in my house where he now lives for one of a three year lease he has rented it for.

Executors, said friend, Johannis Ditmarx and Johannis E. Lott.

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Witnesses, Dr. Samuel Nield, Samuel Powelle, Adol-

now lives on bounded by Joseph Drake and south by the Creek 3 acres for life and "his wife her lifetime," and after their death to their son, Peter Flandrau. Executors, Brother Elias and Benjamin Flandrau, Jr.

Witnesses, Isaac Contant, Elias Flandrau, Jr., Reuben Bloomer, of Mamaroneck.

[Additional item without date.] I order £500 of money in bonds put in care of my sister, Jane Flandrau, and divided among my brothers and their children as she shall think fit after her decease.

Proved, Westchester County, June 16, 1785. Confirmed, New York, July 13, 1785.

Page 89.—In the name of God, Amen. I, PAUL DORAN, of Elizabethtown, Essex County, New Jersey, weak and sick of body, October 19, 1776. I leave all my estate after debts are paid to Pierre DePeyster, Esquire, of Newark, Essex County, New Jersey.

Executor, Pierre De Peyster.

Witnesses, Peter V. B. Livingston Jr., Merchant, of New York; Josiah Banks, Daniel Ball. Proved, July 13, 1785. Administration granted July 14, 1785, to Cornelia De Peyster, of New York City, widow, Mother and Attorney of Pierre De Peyster, late of Essex County, New Jersey, Esq., but now in Great Britain, sole Executor and Legatee of Paul Doran, late a Private in the American Army, deceased.

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Witnesses, Dr. Samuel Nield, Samuel Powelle, Adol-

phus Brower, yeoman, of Brooklyn. Proved, Kings Co., July 9, 1785. Confirmed, New York, July 20, 1785.

Page 95.—The last will and Testament of ELIZABETH SMITH, of Weathersfield, Hartford County, widow of the Hon. William Smith, Esq., of N. Y. City, that is to say, so far as respects her estate in North America. My faithful Maria with £20 I bequeath to Elisha Williams, Esq., or any of the sons or daughters of the Rev. Doct<sup>r</sup> Solomon William, who may chuse to take her, she consenting not in the least doubting their tender care of her both in soul and body; I desire she be well clad in all my common winter apparel and one good linnen gown over and above. To Elisha Williams, Esq., my dear husband's picture, and largest glass put up in a case, my red easy chair, and six silver spoons, together with the box I gave him containing a large silver waiter for his oldest son, Samuel, and a small silver salver for his youngest son, Elisha, and other silver in said box for him and his wife Mehetabel, to be disposed of among their daughters. Also to his wife "my gro-grain and white damask gown," to his daughter Patty my small silver waiter tea pot. And whereas Elisha Williams is indebted pretty largely to me agreeable to his dear father's will I do hereby forgive him all on condition, as a last favor I shall ask, that should either of my Brothers in England or any of their children be by the awful providence of God driven hither by the troubles in old England, which I have had melancholy apprehensions may come upon that land, that he would accommodate them in his own house till they can provide for themselves. To Rev. Eliphalet Williams and wife Mary, eight black chairs, a large mahogany table and hair trunk containing my red and white flowered silk gown, watch and chain, long scarlet cloak and silver knives and forks for Solomon Williams, his son; rest of contents of trunk to be given to his daughters. To Ezekiel Williams, Esq., furniture in my room except my bureau, bookcase and folding table for Anne,

daughter of Eliphalet Williams, and except other articles for her sister Mary; Also my two silver candlesticks, diamond ring, and trunk containing a flowered satin gown for his wife Prudence, muff and sable tip-pet and other articles for his daughters (not named); Also said Ezekiel to send my dear father's picture to my brother, Mr. John Scott, merchant in Norwich when public affairs permit. My books to Elisha, Eliphalet and Ezekiel Williams and their families; Also those proper to the poor, but French books to those of their children who may first and best learn the language. To Mrs. Elizabeth Brownell, one calico gown. To the Rev. and dear Doc. Solomon Williams, £30, and to his son, Col. William Williams, Esq., £20, and his son, Dr. Thomas Williams, £20, and his daughters, Mrs. Mary Salter, £25, and Mrs. Christian Salter, £20. To Mrs. Eunice Stone, £20. To Yale College in Connecticut, £60. To Rev. John Marsh, £10; to Mrs. Lockwood, £10; to Mrs. Stoughton, £10; Rev. Joshua Belding, £5; Rev. Burrage Merriam, £5; Mr. John Newson, £10. To John Treat, £5, and his daughter, £10; to Mrs. Margaret Hancock, £10. Whereas I promised my late husband, William Smith, Esq., that if his children behaved well to me and him and I died before him I would give £200 to them, notwithstanding said promise by his death is no longer in force, I did ever design them that sum from the William Smiths estate, and bequeath it as follows: To the Hon. William Smith, Esq., Thomas Smith, Esq., John Smith, Esq., Joseph Smith, Mrs. Livingstone, widow, Mr. Torrence, Mrs. Margaret Smith, £10 each for rings; to Rev. Abraham Kettletas and wife, £30; to Mrs. Katherine Gordon, £20; Mrs. Hay, £20; Mr. Andrew Bostwick and wife, £30; Mrs. Mary, granddaughter to my husband and daughter of Mr. John Smith, Merchant, £30; the above to be paid by Mr. Vandervoort; Also £30 to said Vandervoort and £10 to Miss Elizabeth Ledyard, his wife's sister, and the remainder of my husband's estate I will that he pay to my executor. Whereas I have

1700 acres of land in the hands of Thomas Smith, Esq., I give 500 to Rev. Abraham Kettletas, 500 to Rev. Andrew Bostwick and 700 to son of the Rev. Bostwick, late Pastor of the church at New York. All my money to Elisha, Rev. Eliphalet and Ezekiel Williams, equally divided, unless otherwise disposed of. Legacies to the poor and Rev. John Brainard, Missionary to the Indians. Mourning rings for friends following: Col. Israel Williams, of Hatfield, Mrs. Ashley, of Deerfield, Mrs. Livingston, widow of Judge Livingston, Rev. Mr. Gordon, Mrs. Sarah Chester, wid. of Col. Chester, Mr. Eckley, Col. Wylls, of Hartford.

Executor, Ezekiel Williams, £25.

Dated June 12, 1776. Witnesses, C. W., P. B., I. N. (only initials given). Proved, Hartford, March 3, 1778. Confirmed, New York, July 23, 1785.

Page 99.—In the name of God, Amen. Sept. 25, 1764. I, JACOBUS DEPUY, of Rochester, Ulster County, N. Y., weak of body. First I revoke all former wills, and order my debts to be paid. I leave to my well-beloved wife Sara, so long as living and unmarried possession of all my estate inherited by me jointly with my brothers by the will of my father, Jacobus Depuy, deceased, dated July 2 1756. To my eldest son, Jacobus, my real estate on condition he pay £100 each to my other children, viz.: Simon, Moses, Jacob, and Sara; if Jacobus die before of age, real estate to go to Simon under same conditions. If my wife dies or remarries before Jacobus is of age then executors to maintain my children and cause them to be taught in the first principles of the Christian Religion. My personal estate to my five children, viz.: Jacobus, Simon, Moses, Jacob, Sara. To sons Jacobus and Moses each a seat in the "pue" in the Church at Rochester to them or their heirs forever; to Jacobus, seat in pue No. 16 and Moses, No. 10. Mentions land inherited from his father commonly called "Het Groot hano-poort."

Executors, wife Sara, brother, Cornelus Depuy, brother-in-law, Solomon Van Wagenen, and cousin, Jacob Hoornbeek.

Witnesses, Moses Miller, Jacobus Bos, Jr., Blacksmith; Annatye Van Wagenen (wife of John Depuy at proof of will). Proved, Ulster County, May 20, 1785. Confirmed, New York, July 26, 1785.

Page 102.—In the name of God; Amen. I, ROBERT EVERITT, of Precinct of New Marlborough, Ulster County, N. Y., farmer, seriously considering the uncertainty of human life in the best and more particularly of my own in my declining state of health. I leave to my wife Esther, for life or while my widow one good headstead, etc., two good cows and six sheep to be kept by my son Daniel for her use; Also flax ground which said son is to sow and dress for her not exceeding one bushell of seed to be sown yearly, full privilege of my house to live in with my son Daniel, six apple trees, and a decent maintenance out of my estate; Also my negro wench Bell. To my son John, £2, "if peradventure it should so happen that he live in this place again." To son Daniel the farm I live on, two yoke of good working oxen, one note of hand of £100 from Barnabas Mancy dated Dec. 17th, 1776, and one of £20 from William Brown dated the sixth of March, 1777," also my silver watch and my gun. To my daughters, Nancy, Francis, Patty, Esther and Jane, my moveable estate, equally divided "except as is hereafter excepted": To my daughter Sarah, £5; to my daughter Francis, £5, above that already given her "in consideration of her being an infirm and weakly woman"; to my daughter Jane, £50 and a cow, above her equal share of estate, in consideration of her having lived with and served me longer than any of my daughters. I order my son Daniel to teach my grandson, John Manna, the trade of shoemaking or weaving, and if he remain with him till of age £30, two suits of good clothes, and a horse.

Executors, wife, sons, John and Daniel, and son-in-law, Elezer Freer.

Dated Sept. 28, 1781. Witnesses, William Car, Jehiel Semour, Benjamin Ely. Proved, Ulster County, June 28, 1785. Confirmed, New York, July 26, 1785.

Page 104.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHANNES TRUMBOUR, of Ulster County, farmer, weak. Burial to be decent but without pomp at discretion of wife and executors, who I doubt not will manage it with all requisite prudence. To my first born son Nicolaus, for his birthright, £5. To my wife Christine, all my estate for life and while unmarried, if she die or remarry then real estate to such of my sons as my "wife shall think most fit, most prudent or convenient."

Executors, wife and sons, Nicolaus and Jacob.

Dated March 3, 1783. Witnesses, Stephanus Fiero, John Dods, Ludwigh Roessell, yeoman, of Saugerties. Proved, Ulster County, June 28, 1785. Confirmed, New York, July 26, 1785.

Page 105.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIJAH ROSAKRANS, of Rochester, Ulster County, N. Y., weak in body, December 3, 1783. I leave to my wife Hannah, as much of the bedding as she pleases and one chest. Remainder of my estate to my wife and my four children, Antje, Maria, Sarah and Peternella, if one or more die before of age her portion to go to the others, but if there should remain one only alive I give the whole to her.

Executors, wife, friend Derick Wesbroeck, Cornelius Hardenburgh and my brother, Zachariah Rosakrans.

Witnesses, John Depuy, Jr, Jacobus Devenport, Jr., John Evans. Proved, Ulster County, July 5, 1785. Confirmed, July 26, 1785, New York.

Page 107.—In the name of God, Amen. I, NEHEMIAH FOWLER, of Newburgh, Ulster County, N. Y., in

good health. February 12, 1785. I leave to my wife, Abigail Fowler, all debt due me, and all my estate except £5 which I give to "my beloved brothers Samuel sons Samuel."

Executors, wife, and friend, Nehemiah Smith.

Witnesses, Henry Terbush, Thurston Wood. Proved, Ulster County, May 6, 1785. Confirmed, New York, July 26, 1785.

Page 108.—In the name of God, Amen. I, BALTUS VAN KLEECK, of Flushing, Nassau Island, N. Y., yeoman, March 18, 1783. I leave to my well beloved wife Ann £50 for her immediate use, all my feather beds, "all my linnen which I have with me or in whose possession soever it may be," my silver spoons, silver sugar cup, silver tea tongs, all my china and glass, negro woman Nell, riding chair, swine and poultry, and all furniture except that given to son Baltus, 50 bushels of wheat, 100 bushels of shelled Indian Corn, and all provisions she judge sufficient for her family use for the first year, also £450 to be paid her when son Baltus comes of age unconditionally whether wife marries again or not. Also wife to have use of my house, barn and out houses, farm and salt meadow in Flushing, negro man Joe, my two best horses and six cows, till Baltus comes of age provided she support him till of age and give him as much schooling as she conveniently can, but if she remarry "then she my said wife shall quit." To son Baltus my silver tankard, best desk, plain framed looking glass, clock, second best andirons, gold stock buckle and sleeve buttons, silver watch, best gun, best bay horse, etc., all real estate in Flushing except wife shall have choice of best room "and have a priviledge in the kitchen and the use of the fire in the said kitchen, and have her choice of one part of the cellar," son Baltus to keep a "good chair horse" for my wife and "fire wood ready cut by the door." Executors to sell real estate in New York and elsewhere not disposed of above and

give proceeds as follows: To my grandson, James Van Kleeck, £20 and the "reversion" after debts are paid one fourth to son Baltus, one fourth to my daughter, Jacoba Carman, one fourth to my granddaughter, Elizabeth Wiltse's daughter, one fourth to my deceased son, Lawrence Van Kleeck's two youngest children, Sarah and Baltus. If son Baltus die under age and without children, his share of estate to be sold and divided, one fourth to my wife, one fourth to daughter, Jacoba Carman, one fourth to deceased son Lawrence's three children, viz.: James, Sarah and Baltus, one fourth to granddaughter Wiltse.

Executors, wife, friends John P. Van Kleeck, of Poughkipsey, Dutchess County, and John Allen, of Great Neck, Queens County, husband to Philip Pells daughter (not named).

Witnesses, Peter De Lancey, Martia Rodman, of Flushing, spinster; Frederic Jahn. Proved, Queens County, March 7, 1785. Confirmed, New York, July 27, 1785.

Page 111.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIZABETH STOLLARD, of City of New York, spinster, weak in body and contemplating the necessity of Death. I leave to my uncle Michael Lourier, of N. Y. City, Cooper, £50, but if I survive him said sum to be divided between his son Edward and daughter Mary. To my Aunt, Sarah Otis, widow of James Otis, who (if now alive) resides in the Colony of Connecticut, £100, two silver table spoons and my damask gown. To my Executor £50 to be for the use of my Aunt, Theodosia Gale, now living at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. To my kinsman, the Hon. John Tuder, Esq., £20 for a suit of mourning. To my Cousin Jane, daughter of Rev. Samuel Auchmuty, D.D., £10. To the wife of William Bull and her daughter-in-law, Lucy Bull, £10 between them on account of the tenderness and attention they have shown me during my residence with them. To my beloved Couzen, Mary Auchmuty, two

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Executor, Rev. Samuel Auchmuty, D.D., Rector of Trinity church.

Dated January 30, 1775. Witnesses, Catharine Heysham, William Corbey, Michel McAnd. Proved, July 29, 1785, when Lucy Bull, spinster swore she witnessed the signing of above will and relinquished her legacy therein. Administration granted the same day to Elisha Adams as the Executor had died.

Page 113.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ABRAHAM VER PLANCK, of the Colony of Renselaerwyck, mariner, being perfect in my memory and understanding. I leave to my wife Helena one fourth of a certain sloop which I hold in partnership with Gysbert Van Sante and William Groesbeck, and £65 to be paid me by Frans Stoop, and half of my shop goods, and such furniture as I got by my said wife; Also she shall have the income service and profits of my negro Jack during her widowhood, Also the use of my house in which I now dwell on the west of the highway from Albany to Water Vleet together with my daughter, Adriantie Ver Planck, and my cattle, waggon, sleighs, etc.; and if my wife shall not agree to live with my daughter then she shall have one of my upper rooms. All rest of estate to my daughter Adriantie, if she die under age without children her estate to go to my brother, William Ver Planck's children (not named).

Executors, wife Helena, brother William, friends, Peter Dox and Jellis Winne.

Dated March 8, 1784. Witnesses, John Van Sante, Jac Winney, Rutgart Bleecker, merchant, of Albany. Proved, Albany County, March 23, 1784. Confirmed, New York, August 2, 1785.

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Page 115.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL CHAPMAN, of Stephentown, Albany County, being very sick. I leave to Olive, my dearly and beloved wife, my farm which formerly belonged to Thomas Cone in East Haddam, the buildings, orchards, etc., and two cows that her father gave her, and the household furniture. To my brother Daniel one third of the farm I now live on. To my sister Mary one third of said farm, and the other third to my sisters and brothers, that is: my sisters, Susannah, Temperance and Chloe, and my brothers, Robert and Nance. My debts are to be paid out of the above mentioned estate given to my brothers and sisters, each paying in proportion, and my remaining moveable estate is to be divided equally amongst my brothers and sisters. My sole Executor is Jonathan Niles.

Dated June 28, 1785. Witnesses, Joel Curtis, Ichabod Cone, Cordwainer; Caleb Chapman, of Rensselaerwyck, Blacksmith. Proved, Albany County July 16, 1785. Confirmed, New York, August 2, 1785.

Page 117.—Administration granted on the estate of JACOB HENRY CHABANEL to Daniel Jacob Chabanel, of New York City, Merchant, son and attorney of Mary Ann Chabanel, of Amsterdam, within the Dominion of the states General of the United Netherlands, widow and Executrix of Jacob Henry Chabanel, late of same place, merchant, deceased. Whereas Jacob Henry Chabanel with his wife, Mary Ann, did make a joint will bearing date August 21, 1760, appointing the survivor of them Executor, and Jacob H. Chabanel soon died, and whereas said will has been proved at Amsterdam, and translated, and whereas the testator had property within this state and Mary Ann Chabanel, the Executrix, was absent beyond the seas, administration was granted to Egbert Benson, of Poughkeepsie, Dutchess County, Esq., attorney of said Executrix, and whereas she has since constituted Daniel Jacob Chabanel and Jacob Leroy her attorneys, and whereas said

estate is not yet administered, administration is hereby granted to the above New York, August 3, 1785.

Page 118.—Administration granted on the estate of GARBIT COSINE to Jacob Harsen in the outward of New York City, yeoman, and Catharine his wife, a daughter and residuary Legatee of Garrit Cosine, late of the said City, deceased. Whereas said Garrit Cosine made his will February 16, 1759, and appointed his wife Jane sole Executrix and soon after died, and whereas the will was proved at New York, October 22, 1773, and administration granted to said Jane, who has since died also, the estate not being settled, administration is hereby granted to the above. August 5, 1785.

Page 119.—In the name of God, Amen. I, FRANS KLAUF, of Kinderhook, Albany County, yeoman, indisposed in body. I leave to my wife Maritie all my estate during her life or widowhood; at the death or marriage of my wife, to my daughters Judith, wife of Johannes Legrange, and Rachel, wife of Casper M. Hallenbeck, my household furniture, and two cows. Rest of my estate to my son Jurjie Fr<sup>s</sup> Klauw.

Executors, son Jurjie, and Gerrit Van Hoesen.

Dated July 16, 1778. Witnesses, Peter Vosburgh, Joggum Jogg Van Valkenburgh, Peter Van Schaack. Proved, Albany County, June 7, 1785. Confirmed, New York, August 9, 1785.

Page 120.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ELSE BOOS, of N. Y. City, widow, weak. I leave to my daughter, Mary Thompson, "the Westernmost Department together with the kitchen, Lott and stable, thereunto belonging." To my daughter, Sarah Hardman, "the middle apartment adjoining my daughter Mary together with the lott and stable thereunto belonging." To my daughter Else, the wife of Barent Christopher, the easternmost apartment adjoining Sarah, Lott and stable. The families of each of my said daughters

shall have free access through the yard for water from the pump as also to their respective stables. Rest of estate between my daughters above, but £8 8s. to be deducted from Sarah's share and £40 from Else's.

Executors, friends, Peter Vanderhoof, of N. Y. City, Cartman, John Lowell, of N. Y., House Carpenter.

Dated July 20, 1785. Witnesses, Josiah Holmes, William Peneycad, ship wright; James Riker, Attorney at Law. Proved, August 11, 1785.

Page 122.—In the name of God, Amen. April 18, 1785. I, HENRY STOCKER, of Great Neck, township of North Hempstead, Queens County, N. Y., Farmer, sick. I leave to my grandson, Benjamin Wooley, my large silver bowl, my horse called Chance, my silver watch, silver headed sword, two guns. To my granddaughter, Jane Wooley, my silver tankard and all my silver table and tea spoons. To my daughter Mary, 5 shillings. To my son-in-law, Benjamin Wooley, one half my farm on great neck where I now live, the other half to my daughter Susannah, his wife; Also to him the rest of my estate he paying my debts. To my negro slave Jim, a small black horse.

Executors, Benjamin Wooley and Susannah his wife.

Witnesses, Abraham Schenck, John Mitchell, Jr., Daniel Kissam, Attorney. Proved, Queens County, August 9, 1785. Confirmed, New York, August 12, 1785.

Page 124.—In the name of God, Amen. I, GAMALIEL BADCOCK (no locality), weak in body. I leave, after my debts, Doctors bills and funeral charges be paid, all my estate to my surviving brothers and sisters (not named).

Executors, my friends, John Nicols and Moses Gale.

Dated August 8, 1785. Witnesses, Abel Gale, Mich<sup>l</sup> Connolly, Will<sup>m</sup> McClure of New York City, yeoman. Proved, New York, August 13, 1785.

Page 125.—To all Christian People to whome these Presents shall com or any ways concern Know ye that I, GARRET SNEADEKE of township of Oyster bay, Queens County, Nassau Island, N. Y., being this 11th of May, 1784, in a good State of helth my mind and understanding quick and good, desirous to sett my outward house in order before my final change, do therefor make my last will and testament. I leave to my wife, Caseltna Snedker, her choice of a bed and furniture, and I will my son Boarnt to support her in a good decent and Christian manner and to bury her in the same Christian manner for considerations I have already confirmed on him. To my son John, 5 shillings; Also to my sons Jacobus, Garret and Borant. To my daughter Elenor Snedker £40 and all furniture she claims "for the servises she hath don in my famely." After above "Leagueuseas" are paid all my estate, real and personal, to be sold. Mention of my sons John and Jacobus of "Hententon township of Bedding Provice New Jersey." Proceeds from sale of property to be divided, one sixth to my daughter Effellanis Keshow, wife of Jehomas Keshow, for life, then to their son John; one sixth to my son Abraham; one sixth to my grandsons, sons of Joost Snedker, deceased, when of age; one sixth to my son William, one sixth to my daughter Elliner Snedker; and one sixth to my grandchildren, heirs of my son Christian, when of age.

Executors, my grandson, John Keshow, and friend and neighbor, Jacob Van Wickley, Harmon Lefford, and John Wright, of Norwich, Merchant, all of the township of Oyster Bay.

Witnesses, Jacob Kashow, Samuel Mott, John Wortman. Proved, Queens County, August 12, 1785. Confirmed, New York, August 15, 1785.

Page 127.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ANN DAVIS, of Fishkill Landing, Rombout Precinct, Dutchess County, N. Y., widow. I leave to my daughters, Elizabeth and Ann, my wearing apparel. The rest of

my estate to be disposed of immediately on my decease and the money therefrom divided between my four children, John, Andreas, Elizabeth and Ann, but the oldest John to have £5 more than the rest.

Executors, Richard Snediker, of Poughkeepsie, Gentleman; Peter Bogardus, Jr., of Fishkill Landing, skipper, John McAbe, of Stony Kill, Rombout Precinct, yeoman.

Dated February 4, 1782. Witnesses, John Young, of N. Y. City, schoolmaster; Petrus Bogardus, Shibboleth Bogardus. Proved, New York, August 17, 1785.

Page 128.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MARY JAGGAR, widow, of the town of Southampton, County of Suffolk, N. Y., spinster. I leave to my daughter, Abigail Harris, my double calico gown, a blue quilt, two shifts, two checkered aprons and handkerchiefs, etc. To my son, Benjamin Cooper, my great Bible and Psalm book, one little table, and one shift for his wife. To my daughter, Mary Jaggar, my tea kettle, canister, mettle tea pot, pentar and earthenware utensils, and "all my intrest not otherwise disposed of in this my last will." To my son, Silas Cooper, my "book Stoddard," and to his wife one dark worsted gown. To my granddaughter Prudence Crittenden, the desk now in her possession. To my granddaughter, Clarissa Jaggar, my bed, etc., rug, English blanket.

Executrix, Mary Jaggar.

Dated August 20, 1783. Witnesses, Silas Hallsey, Jr., M.D., Hannah Hallsey, spinster. Proved, Suffolk County, July 25, 1785. Confirmed, New York, August 17, 1785.

Page 129.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSIAH DIBBLE, of North Castle, Westchester County, N. Y. I leave to my wife Esther my buildings, lands and orchards and all my estate not given to some other. To my nephew, George Dibble, of Stanford, Conn., £5.

Executors, my wife and John Mackay, of Stanwich.

(Signed) JOSIAH DIBBLE, his mark.

Dated December 29, 1783. Witnesses, John Loder, Joseph Wood, David Brown, of Bedford, weaver. Proved, Westchester County, August 8, 1785. Confirmed, New York, August 19, 1785.

Page 131.—Know all men that I, RICHARD WILLETTS, of Musquito Cove, Queens County, N. Y., make my will. I leave to my youngest daughter, Hannah, such articles of furniture as she shall fix on not-exceeding value of £100. My real and personal estate to be sold and proceeds divided after my debts are paid among my four children, Isaac, Anne Underhill, wife of Samuel, Deborah Underhill, wife of Andrew and Hannah Willetts, deducting £853 from the share of Isaac, £862 from the share of Anne, £1100 from the share of Deborah, these sums having been advanced to them, and the money so saved by the several reductions to be divided between my said four children.

Executors, friends, Thomas Pearsall, of Bethphage, James Parsons, of New York, and son-in-law, Andrew Underhill.

Dated December 31, 1782. Witnesses, Thomas Underhill (of N. Y. City, silversmith at proof), Henry Mitchell, John Murray, Jr. Proved, August 19, 1785.

Page 132.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN VEDDER, of Schenectady, Albany County, Gentleman. I leave to Andries Van Petten, Geertruy Robison, wife of John, Annatie Cuyler and Harmanis Cuyler, my house and land in Schenectady, bounded north by John Cuyler, on the East by a street leading from the Dutch Church to the market house, West by a lot late the property of John Cuyler, and North by another street; Also two morgen of land called the Weyland on the east of Schenectady, bounded on the north by the Mohawk river, east by Jacob Fonda, south by street and west by Cornelis Van Der Volgen; Also two morgens of land on the "Couland" or "Schonectady flats," bounded north by highway, east by Hendricus Folk

Veeder, south by Reyver Schermerhorn, west by Albert Vedder; Also my residuary estate. All my "Bouland" that now is under the plow on north of the road from Schenectady to Claas Veelen, adjoining my hay pasture to John Jac<sup>s</sup> Peck, Jacobus Harm<sup>s</sup> Peck and Harmanus H. Peck. To Margaritha Van Slyck, daughter of Harm<sup>s</sup> Van Slyck, deceased, my field bed and 3 silver spoons; Also £25, and to Ham. Peterse, £10; Annatie Meldrum, £10; Arientie, wife of Neclaus Van Petten, £10; Margaret, wife of James Shuter and Anthony Van Slyck, each £10; Harmanis Bradt, £10; Albert S. Vedder, £5.

Executors, Andries Van Petten, Albert S. Vedder.

Dated, October 6th, 1784. Witnesses, Francina Van Ingen, Betsy Van Ingen, Dirk Van Ingen, of Schenectady, Esq. Proved, Albany County, August 13, 1785. Confirmed, New York, August 24, 1785.

Page 134.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB HEILCOTT, of New Rochelle, Westchester County, N. Y. weak in body. I leave to my loving wife Mary the use of my estate for life "especially while she remains my widow," "if she ceases to be my widow through death or any manner of way or act then she is not to have use" of estate. In such cases I will "that she deliver every part of my estate found in her hands or conveyed by her into the hands of others for any fraudulent purpose unto my kinsman, Isaac Coutant, Jr., for him to manage" for my children till they come of age.

Executors, wife and Isaac Coutant, Jr.

(Signed) JACOB HILLCOTT.

Dated September 11, 1776. Witnesses, Isaac Coutant, yeoman; John Coutant, Josiah Coutant. Proved, Westchester County, August 16, 1785. Confirmed, New York, August 25, 1785.

Page 135.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MARGRET WILLIS, of New York City, spinster, weak in body. I

give to my youngest daughter, Jane Willis, £25; to my four daughters, Margret Dow, Phebe Willis, Nancy Willis, Jane Will<sup>s</sup> each an outset of furniture equal to the outset of my eldest daughter, Sarah Somerindyke, and whatever my daughter, Margaret Dow, hath received shall be charged to her as part of her outset. Rest of estate to be divided between my said five daughters.

Executors, my true and loving friends, Adrian Dow and George Peck.

Dated November 19, 1784. Witnesses, William Dow, Andrew Losye, Carpenter; John Reins, Constable. Proved, July 27, 1785, New York.

Page 137.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM LUDLOW, at present resident at Flatbush, Kings County, N. Y., Merchant, in my usual health. Whereas I have given to my children, Gabriel, Cary, George, William, James and Mary, each £1000, my will is that before any division of my estate my daughters, Frances Sarah, Sarah and Martha, each receive £1000. And "as the present Commotions in America" has disabled me to pay to my said daughters their usual allowance for "pin money" I further bequeath £650 to be divided between them. Executors to pay interest of £1000 to said three daughters during their respective natural lives or celibacy. Whole of my real estate to be sold. Whereas my son James is considerably indebted to my sons, George and William, for cash advanced and goods sold him at my request, I order that said debt be paid them out of said James share. All the rest of my estate to all my children, Gabriel, Cary, George, William, James, Frances Sarah, Sarah, Mary, wife of Thomas Ludlow, and Martha.

Executors, sons Gabriel, Cary and Thomas.

Dated April 19, 1783. Witnesses, Abr<sup>m</sup> Ogden, Nicholas Hoffman, merchant, Peter Ogden. Proved, July 19, 1785.

Page 139. In the name of God, Amen. I, ANN VAN DYCK, of N. Y. City, shopkeeper. January 27, 1773. I leave all my estate to my dear and loving nephew, Rudolphus Van Dyck, and nieces Cornelia Van Dyck, Lena Van Dyck, Mary Van Dyck, and Sarah Oudenarde, of the City, shopkeeper.

Executors, the five above legatees.

Witnesses, Thomas Hazard, Merchant, Nathaniel McKinly, Andrew Hamersley. Proved, May 25, 1785. Administration granted Sarah Oudenarde, August 29, 1785.

Page 140. In the name of God, Amen. I, RUDOLPHUS VAN DYCK, of N. Y. City, Merchant, in good health. June 17, 1778. I leave all my estate; one third to my sister, Cornelia Van Dyck; one third to my sister, Lena Van Dyck; one third to sister, Mary Van Dyck.

Executors, said sisters.

Witnesses, William Beckman, Esq., Timothy Cooper Ward, Abraham Beckman. Proved, May 26, 1785. Administration of above granted to Sarah Oudenarde, of New York City, widow, sister of Rudolphus Van Dyck, Merchant, deceased, as the executrices, Cornelia, Lena and Mary Van Dyck, died before the Probate of will, August 29, 1785.

Page 141. In the name of God, Amen. I, LENA VAN DYCK, now of township of Hanover, Morris County, New Jersey. I leave one half of my estate to my sister, Cornelia Van Dyck, and the other half to my sister, Mary Van Dyck.

Executrices, said two sisters.

Dated June 9, 1780. Witnesses, William Beckman, Al<sup>tho</sup> K. Beckman, Peter Oudenarde. Proved, May 26, 1785. Administration granted August 29, 1785, to Sarah Oudenarde, of N. Y. City, widow, sister of Lena Van Dyck, late of Morris County, N. J., but formerly

of New York, shopkeeper, deceased, as both executrices of above will, died before its probate.

Page 143. In the name of God, Amen. I, CORNELIA VAN DYCK, now of Hanover, Morris County, New Jersey, August 26, 1780. I leave all my estate to my sister, Mary Van Dyck, who is sole executrix.

Witnesses, William Beckman, John H. Kip and Abraham Beckman. Proved, May 26, 1785. Administration granted to Sarah Oudenarde, of New York City, widow, sister of Cornelia Van Dyck, August 26, 1785, as the executrix, Mary Van Dyck, died before the Probate of above will.

Page 144. In the name of God, Amen. I, MARY VAN DYCK, of the City of New York, Shopkeeper. I leave all my estate to my sister Sarah, widow of Hendrick Oudenarde, late of New York City, Merchant, she being sole Executrix.

Dated May 2, 1785. Witnesses, Cornelius Clopper, Merchant, of New York City; William Beckman, Jr., Abraham K. Beckman. Proved, May 26, 1785. Administration granted Sarah Oudenard August 29, 1785.

Page 145. In the name of God, Amen. I, RICHARD RODGERS, of the Island of St. Croix, but at present in the City of New York, in America; being very sick and weak, April 9, 1785. I give and bequeath unto the Danish Church in the Island of St. Croix "five pieces of eight," and to the English Church in said Island the like sum. Of the rest of my estate one third to my brother William, resident at Anguilla, one third to brother Manning, also at Anguilla, one third to sister, Elizabeth Gumbel.

Executors, said William, Manning and Elizabeth.

(Signed) RICH<sup>d</sup> RODGERS.

Witnesses, George Codwise, merchant, of N. Y. City; A. W. D. Peyster, Christopher Codwise.

Codicil. I bequeath to Rebecca Rodgers, daughter

of my uncle, John Rodgers, of the Island of St. Croix, £100.

Dated June 18, 1785. Witnesses to Codicil, John Augustus Graham, of N. Y. City, Physician; Christopher Codwise, A. W. D. Peyster. Proved, September 3, 1785.

Page 147.—In the name of God, Amen. I, LAWRENCE ROOME, of Richmond County, N. Y., being very sick and weak. My will is that all my estate be sold within six weeks of my decease. To Elizabeth Parker, wife of Dr. Benjamin Parker, £25. My servant Catherine to be maintained for life. My negro man Michael shall be free three months after my decease, provided he bring to my executors a sum sufficient in case of casualties or old age. Rest of estate to my daughter Ann, and my grandchildren, Lawrance, Cornelius and Mary Mercereau, equally divided, to be paid Ann at her return to this Island, and to grandchildren as each comes of age; but if Ann do not return before youngest grandchild is of age, or if she die a minor then estate to be divided between surviving grandchildren.

Executors, friends, Cornelius Corsen, Esq., Dr. Benjamin Parker and Aris Ryersz.

Dated August 23, 1785. Witnesses, Cornelius Van Boskerk, yeoman; Mary Parker and John Butler, Mason, of Richmond County. Proved, August 31, 1785, Richmond County. Confirmed, September 5, 1785, New York.

Page 148.—In the name of God, Amen. I, FREDERICK REEGER, of New York City, at present sick and weak. I leave all estate consisting of houses, Cattle, household furniture, Cloaths or bodily apparell, and money to my beloved wife, Margret Reeger, for her to enjoy without hindrance from her or my children as long as she shall live and after her death to be divided among my children, namely: Frederick, Adam, Leonard, Lodwick, Magdalene; but if my wife marry

again she to have "but an equal child's part" with my children.

Executors, wife, Michael Nestle, Senr, Jacob Resler.  
(Signed) FRIDERICH RÜGER.

Dated October 21, 1768. Witnesses, Paul Heck, Georg Simon Tampler, David Embury. Proved, September 9, 1785.

Witnesses above did not appear but instead John B. Desh, Timothy, and Deederich Heyer, Sugar Baker, both of N. Y. City.

Page 149.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN GREEN, of the Wallkill, Ulster County, N. Y., weak in body. Executors to sell land enough to pay debts; net of land, moveable estate (except farm utensils) I leave to my wife Patience for life, after her decease lands to be divided between my four sons, Israel, Ebenezer, John and Daniel. To son John all farming utensils. Moveable estate to be divided between daughters Patience and Elizabeth.

Executors, sons, Israel and John, and friend, Henry Wisner, Jr., Esq., Surrogate of Ulster County.

Dated December 1<sup>st</sup>, 1784. Witnesses, Timothy Smith, tailor; Samuel Wickham, yeoman; and Daniel Green, Carpenter. Proved, Ulster County, June 17, 1785. Confirmed, New York, September 10, 1785.

Page 151.—In the name of God, Amen. I, NATHANIEL TRAVERS, of Precinct of Pienpack, Ulster County, N. Y., sick. I recommend my soul to God in humble hopes of its future happiness and for such substance wherewith it has pleased God to bless me, I give my large Bible and my gun to my son Nathaniel, and my money I give to my beloved friend and housekeeper Elizabeth for the maintenance of my youngest children, ordering all that is fit to be bound out as soon as possible.

Executor, friend, Joseph Ketchum, of Wallkill.

Dated April 3, 1784. Witnesses, James Finch, Will-

iam Denn, yeoman. Proved, Ulster County, June 23, 1785. Confirmed, New York, September 10, 1785.

Page 152.—In the name of God, Amen. This 6th of July, 1785. I, JOSEPH KETCHAM, of Beekman's Precinct, Dutchess County, N. Y., yeoman, being sick. Debts to be paid from proceeds of my "out doores movable effects" and possessions of land. I leave to my son Joshua £20. To my sons, Samuel, Daniel, Micah, Abijah and Youngs Ketcham, 5 shillings each. To my daughters; Isabel, Ruth and Rebecca, 5 shillings each. To my daughters, Sarah and Abigail, my "in doores movable effects." To son Joseph my wearing apparel, all remainder of estate, and bills due me.

Executors, Jonathan Dennis, Esq., and Major William Clark, both of Beekman's Precinct.

Witnesses, Brittan Tallman, Farmer; Nathaniel Sole, Mary Sole. Proved, Dutchess County, September 6, 1785. Confirmed, New York, September 12, 1785.

Page 154.—In the name of God, Amen. I, NATHANIEL WRIGHT, of South Hempstead, Queens County, N. Y., sick. Executors to sell such real estate as necessary to pay debts, as shall seem of least damage to my estate. I leave to my wife Mary while my widow the income and use of my estate until my children arrive at age for maintaining my children, but if she marry then she is to quit my estate and have one third thereof. Remaining two thirds of estate to "my two sons now living (not named) when at lawful age"; if both die before of age then one half their share to my wife and one half to the children of my brother, David Wright.

Executors, my wife Mary, my brother-in-law, Walter Skidmore, and Joseph Skidmore.

Dated May 5, 1785. Witnesses, Nathaniel Box, of Jamaica, schoolmaster; John Nostrand, of Jamaica, George Doughty. Proved, Queens County, Septem-

ber 10, 1785. Confirmed, New York, September 12, 1785.

Page 156.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MOUWERIS LOTT, of New Lotts township of Flatbush, Kings County, N. Y., yeoman, weak. Estate to be sold and proceeds to go as follows: To my sister, Maria Lott, £1000. To Catrina, daughter of my late sister Catrina, the wife of Jacob Rapalje, deceased, £150. To my nephew, John Polhemus, son of my brother, Tunis Polhemus, deceased, £50. To my nephew, Peter Polhemus, son of my brother, Johannes Polhemus, £50. To my Executors £30 each if they well and faithfully execute the trust reposed in them. Residuary estate, one half to the children of my said late sister Catrina, and the children of Angemietje, deceased, late the wife of Martin Schenck of Cowneck, divided so that the children of said Catrina, viz., Peter, Jacob, Sarah and Catrina Rapalje, shall each have one fifth thereof, and the other fifth be divided between children of said Angemietje (not named) by their father when they come of age. Other half shall be held by Executors during life of my brother, Hendrick Lott, who shall pay him £20 yearly and at his death said portion to children of said Hendrick Lott then living. To my sister Maria my large Dutch Bible. If any legatee shall find fault about any Legacies given them such legatee shall be cut off from any share.

Executors, friend Nicholas Schenck, of Flatlands, and my two cousins, Johannis I. Lott and Hendrick Lott, both of New Lotts.

(Signed) MOUWERIS LOTT.

Dated October 11, 1784. Witnesses, John Van Der Veer, Esq., Hendrick Eldert, Isaac Eldert, yeoman, of New Lotts. Proved, Kings County, September 7, 1785. Confirmed, New York, September 14, 1785.

Page 158.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM COEVERT, being weak of body. I leave to my daughter,

Catharine Covenhoven, £40 with all her deceased mothers Clothes. All my estate to be sold six weeks after my death, and the money, except for £15 reserved for oldest son, Jeremias, as his birthright, to be divided between my two sons, Jeremias and Johannes, the formers share to be kept by my Executors and given him as necessity may require.

Executors, friend Jacobus De Bevoise, and son Johannes.

Dated December 13, 1782. Witnesses, Mich<sup>l</sup> Vandervoort, Harman Andresse, John Hutchins. Proved, Kings County, September 9, 1785. Confirmed, New York, September 14, 1785.

Page 159.—Administration granted to Thomas Bibby, of New York City, Captain, who intermarried with Margaret Johnson McEvers, granddaughter and residuary legatee of SIMON JOHNSON, late of the same place, Gentleman, deceased. Whereas Simon Johnson made his will August 14, 1770, and appointed Margaret Johnson, Robert G. Livingston, Gerrard Beekman, Senr, William Nielson and Charles McEvers Executors of said will and soon after died, and whereas said Margaret Johnson has since died, and Gerrard Beekman also died, and Robert Gilbert Livingston, William Nielson and Charles McEvers the surviving Executors relinquished the Executorship, said Thomas Bibby is hereby appointed to administer the estate, September 21, 1785. Said will is recorded in Vol. 28, page 312.

Page 160.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CORNELIS SMIT, being weak in body, May 22, 1785. I give to my son John 20 shillings for his birthright. To my sons Peter and Yacobus the land I live on. To my wife (not named) my bed and "all what she has braught in my hous when she first came to live with me" she to live with Peter and Yacobus and they must find her a good living or else £40 if she remains my widow, and

"she must have her close that belongs to her." To my daughters, Altye and Rateshel, my "neger Sam," he to be sold and the money divided, Rateshell to have £10 more than Altye of said money; Altye to have the land between Tuenes Ruyper and Are Blauvelt Forder. To Peter and Yacobus my moveable estate, but Yacobus to have his bed and two sheep before the estate is divided. They must pay £40 to my sisters, my daughters from Jacobus Demarest to come to said sons.

Executors, my son John, and Harmen Van Reype.

Witnesses, Harmen Van Reype, David Eckeson, Yacob Eckesin, both of Bergen County, New Jersey, yeomen. Proved, September 21, 1785.

Page 161.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CORNELIS JANSEN, of Rochester, Ulster County, N. Y., yeoman, being in good health, May 25, 1774. I leave to my son Mathewis my "fusee or gun Called Boomtjes hook as a legacy for his eldest birthright." I leave to my wife Cattriena possession of all my estate during her widowship with our children or such of them as chuse to continue with her assisting to clear the estate from debt. In case any of the children chuse not to continue with her, then such as do shall after the death of their mother render an account to my executors of the money they advanced for the debts on the estate and this shall be returned to them. If none of my children continue with their mother for the purpose above specified then my personal estate to be sold and the proceeds applied for the debts of the estate and the over plus if any used as will serve to the best advantage of my children, and in that case my real estate to be let during the life of my wife, she to have yearly £15 of the fund arising. After the death of my wife my whole estate, real and personal, shall be divided equally among my children named: Matthewis, Teunis, Cornelis, Benjamin and Aentje. If any die before of age without issue then my estate shall be divided among the others. My Executors are my wife and my

sons, Mathewis, Teunis, Cornelis and Benjamin, and my friend, Johannis Snyder.

Witnesses, Adam Swart, Wilhelms Swart, both of Kingston, Carpenters, and Petrus Swart. Proved, Ulster County, September 15, 1785. Confirmed, New York, September 22, 1785.

Page 163.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ALEXANDER TRIMBLE, of Montgomery, Ulster County, being weak in body but of sound judgment made to reflect upon my mortal state have thought proper to make my last will. I allow all money due me to be collected by my sons-in-law, viz.: Rev. Andrew King and Peter Hill, and my son, William Trimble, who are my Executors, they to sell my moveable estate and pay my debts and funeral expenses therefrom. I bequeath to my two youngest daughters, Elizabeth Trimble and Sarah Trimble, £80 each, and the rest of the money from said moveables to be divided between my undernamed children: John Trimble, George Trimble, Isabal Hill, Jane King, Elizabeth Trimble and Sarah Trimble. The land I now live on, 200 acres, with buildings and improvements (which is all my real estate) to my sons, William and Alexander Trimble, to be either divided or enjoyed in common, they first paying £200 for my above named children. Said William and Alexander Trimble also to pay out of said devised estate to my youngest son, Timothy, when of age, £100, and to keep, school and clothe him until of age. And the house and lot at Floraday which I purchased for my son William and is deeded to him, if he choose to let my son Alexander equally share it then William shall have an equal half of the farm I live on as already mentioned, but if he will not divide said lot then he shall pay the sum his deed shows he paid for it, this to pay a part of the £200 I have left my other children. If any of my children that are unmarried die leaving no issue their share to be divided among my surviving children.

Dated August 3, 1785. Witnesses, Patrick Barber, of Montgomery, Esq., James Caldwell. Proved, Ulster County, September 2, 1785. Confirmed, New York, September 26, 1785.

Page 165. In the name of God, Amen. The 9th of May, 1781. I, GARRET SCHOTLER, late of the City of New York, Painter, being very sick and weak in body. I leave to Prescilla, my dearly beloved wife, whom I make my Executrix, all my messuages and tenements, viz.: my two houses the ground of which I leased from the Protestant reformed Dutch Church, one being in the North Ward of New York City and leased to me for thirty years, and the other also so situated and leased to me for fifteen years, to be by her and her heirs possessed and enjoyed; also my goods and furniture, provided she pay my just debts.

Witnesses, Martin McDonnell, Jonathan Conrey, of N. Y. City, Cartman, and James Black. Proved, September 26, 1785.

Page 167.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB HEREMANSE, ofsted Hook, Dutchess County, weak in body. I leave to my eldest son, Andrew, 20 shillings, to my daughter Cornelia, the wife of David Van Ness, 10 shillings, to my son John £150, to my son Jacob £60, to my son Martin £150, and to said son Andrew further £60, all above sums to be paid by August 1, 1787. To my daughter Neeltie, the wife of Peter Cantine, £30, to my daughter Annatie, the wife of Isaac Stoutenburgh, Jr., £60, to be paid them respectively in three months after my decease; I also give to my daughter Dorothea £60, when of age or married. If any child die before receiving said sum, this to revert to my estate. That my Executors may pay the above legacies I empower them to sell my lot of woodland in the swamp, known by lot number nine, about 65 acres, given me by my father-in-law, John Vosburgh, or to dispose of such part of my horses, cattle, etc., as