

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

may be necessary. It is my will that my beloved wife Catherina, and my sons, John and Martin, shall live on and improve the farm I now live on (lot no. nine above not to be considered as part) until my son Martin shall attain the age of twenty-one years, for their benefit and that of my daughter Dorothea during that time they to have the use of the house, barn and other buildings, farming utensils, waggon, sleighs, plows, harrows, and such horses, cows and cattle as not disposed of; as soon as my said son come of age, or if he die sooner, then my Executors to sell my farm, farming implements, etc., to any one or two of my sons, the eldest having preference for £1200, or if they shall not purchase then to sell at public vendue or otherwise, and to divide the proceeds among my wife and all my children equally. All my furniture, and my negro wench Jane, and her son Adam, to my wife and Dorothea, and if Dorothea die before of age or unmarried her part of the furniture to go to my other three daughters. Residuary estate to be sold three months after my son Martin come of age and the proceeds divided between my wife and all my children. My Executors are my sons, Andrew, John and Jacob.

(Signed) JACOB HERMANS.

Dated March 9, 1784. Witnesses, Martin Vosburgh, Johannes Klum, William Wheeler, of Dutchess County, Physician. Proved, Dutchess County, July 8, 1785. Confirmed, New York, September 26, 1785.

Page 169.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES HUEY, of the Precinct of Montgomery, Ulster County, being through the attendant mercy and goodness of God tho. weak in body yet of a sound and perfect understanding. I leave to my dear and loving wife, Mary Huey, £15 yearly, during her widowhood. I also give and bequeath fully and amply unto her all my household furniture, two cows and the gray mare, also the use of the north room of my house I dwell in so long as my widow, and if my wife is now with child

and should bring forth a living child I bequeath to said child and to my daughter, Mary Huey, the remainder of my estate I now live on. And as to my estate in Germantown it is to be disposed of in the same manner as the estate I live on, as also the piece of land on the road in said Germantown near Honsyerry Smith. My estate in New Windsor, said County, to be disposed as my foregoing estates, also my money in Continental Treasury or Treasury of this state, I will it be divided and disposed of in the same manner. Also a seat in the Paltz meeting house I will and order as before; and if any of my children before mentioned die before of full age then the "surviving liver" shall inherit the whole, and if neither live to enjoy it then I dispose of it as follows: I leave to my sister Ann's two youngest children, Leah and Rachel Dubois, the whole of my before mentioned estate forever and ever. I order my Executors to sell my stock and moveable effects, not already disposed of, to pay my debts, except two hogs and two sheep for my wife, and also my grain of all kinds, in barn and barriek, and field, and that coming to me at Germantown, and all my hay to be sold, except so much hay as will support the cattle I left my wife, and so much grain as will support her family for one year, namely, thirteen bushels of wheat, and so much corn and rye as my Executors think necessary. I make my trusty friend, Nicholas Hardenburgh, of Shawangunk Precinct, and Abraham Coldwell and William Cross, of Montgomery Precinct, my Executors and trustees for my wife and children.

Dated August 11, 1785. Witnesses, Henry Rump, yeoman; John Colter, and William Roos, laborer. Proved, Ulster County, August 27, 1785. Confirmed, New York, September 27, 1785.

Page 171.—In the name of God, Amen. August 22, 1785. I, WILLIAM BOERUM, of Brooklyn, Bolter; I leave to my beloved wife Anne one of my best beds

with the furniture thereof, one large cupboard, one horse and chair, a half dozen new silver table spoons, and tea spoons, the largest silver cream pot and smallest silver sugar pot, the best looking glass, and my negro wench named Phillis to be at her use and disposal. To my eldest son, John, my gold watch, eight silver table spoons, six silver tea spoons, silver tea tongs, and my negro boy named Joe. To my second son, Martin, my clock, eight silver table spoons, six silver tea spoons, and my negro boy named Ben. To my son Simon my silver tankard and my negro boy named Tone; Also £200 to be kept by my Executors and used towards educating him, which is to be in lieu of £200 left in my hands for Education by my Uncle, Simon Boerum, deceased. To my daughter Catharine my silver tea pot and smallest silver cream pot, the largest silver sugar cup, sugar pot and largest silver sugar tongs, and my negro girl named Mary. Remainder of estate after sold as directed hereinafter to my wife, my sons, John, Martin and Simon, and daughter Catharine equally except that the share of Simon shall be £100 less than the others, the part of my wife and John to be paid as soon as convenient, of Martin and Simon when of age, and of Catharine when of age or married, if any child die before of age without issue his or her share to be divided between my other children, the share of each before of age to be put at interest for their respective use. My Executors are ordered one year after my decease to sell all estate, real and personal, but if necessary sooner to sell part of my real estate to pay my debt they are to sell a lot in Brooklyn township which I lately bought of Comfort Sands, as also a lot of woodland near a place called Flatbush Hills, Kings County. I make as Executors my son John, my brother-in-law, Jacob Ryerson, of Brooklyn, and my friend, Hendrick Wyckoff, of New York City, Merchant.

Witnesses, John Middagh, Jacob Sharpe, of Brooklyn, Esquire, and Abraham Stoothoff. Proved, Kings

County, September 30, 1785. Confirmed, New York, October 7, 1785.

Page 173.—In the name of God, Amen. I, EDWARD SPRAGGE, of Hempstead, Queens County, being in an advanced age and infirm in body, not knowing how soon it may please the Almighty to remove me from this Transitory life, October first, 1780. I direct my Executors to sell all my estate, real and personal, and first to pay my debts and funeral expenses, then the legacies hereafter mentioned. I give to my Grandson, John Spragg, son of my Eldest son, Edward, deceased, 20 shillings. To my daughter Mary, wife of John Smith, £20, to my daughter Pheaby, widow of Daniel (Wale) Smith, £20, to my daughter Peggy, wife of Caleb Southard, £20, to Sylvanus and Elijah, the two youngest sons of my son Elijah, deceased, £20, that is £10 each. Of the rest of my estate one third to my son William, one third to my son Thomas, and one third to my said grandsons, Sylvanus and Elijah, if either of said grandsons die before receiving their legacy the part of each to go to his children, if any, otherwise to the survivor. I order my executors not to pay my son Thomas his legacy till he has paid off a bond that I am security for him to Valentine H. Peters, and also one to Stephen Lawrence. My will is that my real estate be not sold till after my wife's decease she (not named) to have entire use thereof for life. I appoint as Executors my loving friends and neighbors, Christian Snediker and Samuel Pettit, Jr.

Witnesses, Ustina Lawson, William Peters, Valentine Hulett Peters, of South Hempstead, Esquire. Proved, Queens County, September 26, 1785. Confirmed, New York, October 7, 1785.

Page 175.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM WINTERTON, of New York City, Mason. I leave all my estate to my dearly beloved wife Ann, unto the full end of her natural life provided she will not marry any

other husband, should she so do my estate to be sold and divided between my wife, my son William and my daughter Jane, wife of John Johnston, share and share alike. But if my wife shall not marry but shall die in her viduity then my estate to be divided between my said son and daughter, and if my said son or daughter die without issue before my wife then his or her share to go to the other survivor, and my will is the said John Johnston, husband of my daughter, shall not have any power whatsoever over any portion of my estate devised to her but that it shall descend to the children of the said Jane by the said John Johnston or by any other after taken husband, or as it may be disposed of by her will. Executrix, my wife Ann.

Dated July 23, 1780. Witnesses, Terence Kerin, Lewis Morgan, of Philadelphia, Physician, Joseph Cary. Proved, October 8, 1785.

Page 177.—Administration granted to Henry Waddell, of Monmouth County, New Jersey, Esquire, a son and one of the residuary Legatees of JOHN WADDELL, late of the City of New York, deceased. Whereas John Waddell made his will October 9, 1760, and appointed Anne Waddell, Peter Van Brugh Livingston and John Vanderspiegel, Executors, and soon after died; and Whereas the will was proved June 9, 1761 and administration granted to Anne Waddell; and Whereas she is since deceased, the estate not being fully administered, and the said John Vanderspiegel is also deceased, and the said Peter Van Brugh Livingston, the surviving Executor, on the same date as these Presents did relinquish his Executorship, administration is granted to the above October 11, 1785.

Page 178.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CORNELIUS TIEBOUT, of the Outward of the City of New York. Gentleman, being though at an advanced age in sound and disposing mind. I leave to my beloved wife, Mary Magdalene Tiebout, my whole estate except is herein

devised otherwise. I give my Lotts of land adjoining the land I sold John Read, and James Farquerson in Hardenbergh's Patent Ulster County, about 1200 acres to my wife, and to Cornelius Herttell, son of John Herttell, share and share alike. To my wife my Country Seat or Farm, called Roxborough, on the east side of the Bowry Lane in the outward of N. Y. City, for life; and in case my wife shall at any time have issue then I bequeath the said farm to my said wife and her heirs forever. In case my wife die without issue and in the lifetime of John Kortright, son of Lawrence Kortright, then I leave my said farm to John Kortright. I appoint my wife as Executrix.

Dated February 14, 1785. Witnesses, John Ousterman (of the outward N. Y. City, farmer), John Herttell (of New London, Conn., Merchant), John McKesson, of N. Y. City, Esquire. Proved, October 11, 1785.

Page 170.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN DEGREE, of the City of New York, altho in a comfortable state of health. My will is that all my estate, real and personal, in the State of New York or elsewhere if it can be come at by my Executor, be sold at Public Vendue within six months of my decease; the proceeds to be divided equally between my following children or their heirs, William, Susannah, wife of Samuel Page; Doshea, wife of Richard Edwards, and Sarah, wife of William Jacobs, except I give to John Degree (son of my son John, deceased) £20; if so be that each of my said children have £20 when the estate is divided, but if there be anything less than £20 left after my said children have each £20, then said John Degree is not to have the £20 let my estate be what it will. If the said John Degree be not of age when my estate is divided then the £20 be put at interest and given to him with the interest when of age; if he die before of age without issue then the money to be divided between my aforesaid children. Lastly,

whereas my sons, Thomas and Charles, have had as much as is their share of my estate they are to have no more. My sole Executor is my son-in-law, William Jacobs.

Dated January 20, 1783. Witnesses, Andrew Thompson (of N. Y. City, Mason), Peter Thompson, Valentine Arnold. Proved, October 14, 1785.

Page 181.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN HUNT, of New Rochelle, Westchester County, being infirm of body but of perfect sense. "As touching my worldly affairs I suppose my estate to be worth six hundred pounds, the use and benefit of all which I give to my beloved wife, Esther Hunt, while she remains my widow." To my son John, £300, to be paid him when twenty-one or at the discretion of my executors. To my two daughters, Francis and Ann, each £60 when sixteen years of age. To my wife's daughter, Esther, £40, to be paid in six months after my death. If after my debts are paid my estate should prove more or less than is supposed, then the above legacies to be raised or diminished in proportion thereunto, and the remainder of my estate I give to my wife forever, and each legacy to each Legatee or their heirs forever. If my son John die before twenty-one without heirs then his legacy to be divided between his sisters, Frances and Ann. My Executors are my wife and Charles Roe and Phillip Rylander, of New Rochelle, and Lawrence Hewlet, of Great Neck on Long Island.

Dated August 14, 1785. Witnesses, Abram Guion (of New Rochelle, Esquire), Josiah Le Conte, John Betts (of New Rochelle, sadler) and R. Williams. Proved, Westchester County, September 19, 1785. Confirmed, New York, October 19, 1785.

Page 183.—In the name of God, Amen. I, EDIE VAN EVERA, of the City of New York, Cartman, being weak in body do this 16th day of September, 1762, make my will. I leave to my son, Mindert Van Evera, ten shil-

lings as an acknowledgement of his being my eldest son to be deducted out of my estate after my debts are paid. The Rest of my estate to my loving wife for the support of herself and her children during her widowhood or till my youngest child comes to be of age, then my estate to be sold and the proceeds divided equally between my wife and children that remain alive. I appoint as Executors my brother, Myndert Van Evera, and brother-in-law, John Clarek.

(Signed) EDEI VAN EVERA, his mark.

Witnesses, John De Peyster, Jr. (of N. Y. City, Esquire), William Cobb, John Blagge. Proved, October 19, 1785.

Page 184.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES BROWN, of Southold, Suffolk County, being well. I leave to my beloved wife Dorothy, one third of my moveable estate after my debts are paid. To my daughters, Anna and Hannah, the remaining two thirds equally divided. To my grandson, David Terry, £0 when twenty-one, to be paid by my son, James Brown as hereafter directed. To my son James all my lands, meadows and buildings in Southold or elsewhere, he paying my said grandson, David Terry, £20 when of age. I appoint my wife Dorathy and son James, Executors.

Dated June 30, 1784. Witnesses, David Tuthill, John Youngs, Jr., Mary Youngs. Proved, Suffolk County, October 8, 1785. Confirmed, New York, October 22, 1785.

Page 186.—In the name of God, Amen. May 15, 1776. I, SAMUEL CORWIN, of Southold, Suffolk County, yeoman. I leave to my beloved wife (not named) all my household goods except one bed and bedding for my son Stephen, and after her decease, my said household goods to my two daughters, viz.: Phebe Tuthill and Mary Norton. To my eldest son, Samuel, my

dwelling house and three lots of land adjoining, about 70 acres more or less, except the priveledge of the back room in said house for my son Stephen for his use in person only, for the space of seven years. Likewise to Samuel, my barn and adjoining land bounded northerly upon the road from Sylvanus Davis Line, etc., etc., also one half of two lots of "Chrickthatch Meadow" lying down Little neck; Also two thirds of my Mill-creek meadow "to be divided quantity and quallity" between my sons, Samuel and Stephen. To my second son, Stephen, all my field lands and meadows on the road bounded Easterly by Thomas Hutchinson's land, Northerly by the road, Westerly by land of Samuel Corwin and Silvanus Davis, and Southerly by the Creek; Also one half of two lots of "Chrick thatch meadow" Little Neck. My husbandry Implements to my sons, Samuel and Stephen, also to each one horse and one yoke of oxen, and the remainder of my live stock after sufficient is sold to pay my debts. To my two sons, Nathaniel and James Corwin, the remainder of my Mill-Creek. I appoint my sons, Stephen and James, and son-in-law, John Tuthill, Jr., my Executors.

Witnesses Benjamin Davis, Daniel Terry (of South-old, weaver), Thomas Hutchinson. Proved, Suffolk County, July 16, 1785. Confirmed, New York, October 22, 1785.

Page 187.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM NEATE, of London, Merchant. I desire to be buried in the Parish Church of Chippenham, County Wilts. I order my Executors to put out at interest in Government Bonds or other good security £2000, and pay the interest thereof to my dear wife Christina for life over and above what my wife may be entitled to by virtue of a bond entered into by me previous to our marriage, and to my wife also £200 for her own use. To my daughter Christina, wife of Mr. Henry Chapman, all my real estate at Chippenham, and £7000 to be paid as soon as convenient after my decease, and

meanwhile £50 yearly, after my death. To my other three daughters, Mary, Jemima and Phillis Neate, £8000 apiece when respectively twenty-one years of age, and £100 apiece yearly till of age. If any of my said three daughters die under the age of twenty-one then her share and interest to be divided equally between the survivors of all my said four daughters. To my grandson, William Neate Chapman, £250, when twenty-one years of age, it meanwhile to be put out at interest which is to accumulate for his benefit and be paid with the principal. To my niece, Mary Evans, £10 yearly, from the time of my death for life for her support quarterly or otherwise, and her receipt only to be a good discharge of the same, my executors to place out a sufficient sum for securing this payment. To my brother-in-law, Mr. Henry Appleton, and Susannah, his wife, £50 apiece, and to John and Susannah Appleton, their children, twenty guineas apiece, and to my brother-in-law, Thomas Shirley, and Martha, his wife, 20 guineas each. To the church wardens of the Parish of Chippenham, £250 in trust, to be laid out in Government and the yearly dividends to be applied in purchasing good warm great coats to be distributed at the discretion of the Wardens yearly forever upon St. Thomas's Day, to so many poor broadcloth weavers of that Parish as such dividends will purchase, and the coats to have no mark or badge upon them, and to be given only to such persons as do not receive alms from the said Parish. To my Executors for their trouble, £50 apiece. To Mr. John Prothero as a reward, for his long and faithful service, £100, besides his legacy as an Executor. To my clerks, William Gale and Michael Touray, as reward for their faithful services, £50 each. To Mr. Samuel Stapleton, of Wandsworth, £10, all of which last mentioned legacies to be paid as soon as convenient. To my said daughter Mary, my large and best diamond ring, and my daughter Jemima my other diamond ring. All my household goods, furniture, plate, china, linen,

watches and jewels, and my horses and harness, etc., and my liquors in cash, to be sold, and all the residue of Moneys, effects, etc., not heretofore disposed of, I give to my four daughters. If by means of any losses or misfortunes my Estate shall not be sufficient to pay all the above legacies, then the deficiency to be deducted from the legacies so given to my four daughters and not from the other Legatees. I appoint as Executors my good friend, John Platt, the elder of Cornhill, London, Linen Draper; my brother-in-law, Henry Appleton; Sampson Wright, of Northumberland Street, in the strand, Esq.; my son-in-law, Henry Chapman, and John Prothero, and together with my wife, guardians of my younger children. And whereas it may be necessary that some person go to America to collect my debts and adjust my outstanding accounts and concerns there, and having proposed and intended to take said Henry Chapman and John Prothero, my old and faithful clerk, into partnership with me that they might succeed me in my business, therefore I will that they undertake the care and trouble of going to America with full powers.

Dated April 10, 1775. Witnesses, Jas. Hutchinson Leathers^s Hall L^o, Edward Middlecott Salthill, Francis Knight, Serv^t to Mr. Neate.

Codicil. Whereas I have by my will desired that Mr. Henry Chapman and John Prothero go to America to settle my affairs, but have not provided any recompence for their time, I do by this Codicil will that they be paid £300 yearly each for two years commencing from their departure from London and so in proportion for a longer time if necessary till their arrival in London; over and above their charges incurred in my affairs.

Dated April 10, 1775. Witnesses, Jas. Hutchins, Edw^d Middlecott, Francis Knight. Proved on May 4, 1775, at London, before Sir George Hay Knight, Keeper of the Prerogative Court, Canterbury, when the above William Neale is mentioned as "late of Par-

ish of St. Mary at Hill, London, Esquire, deceased." Administration on above estate granted at New York to Henry Chapman, one of the Executors, October 4, 1785.

Page 192.—In the name of God, Amen. I, REUBEN NELSON, of Charlotte Precinct in Dutchess County, yeoman. I leave to my eldest son, Francis Nelson, the choice of my horses, a new saddle and bridle and my wearing apparel for his birthright. To my beloved wife Elizabeth, my real estate, farm and lands I now possess while my widow and after she shall marry or die the same to my sons, Francis and Reuben R., equally divided. To my wife and my daughters, Zeba, wife of Smith Rowland; Susannah, of Henry Neely; Mary Nelson, Ann Nelson and Elizabeth Nelson, all my moveable and personal estate (except that given above) equally divided, except my said daughters, Zeba and Susannah, shall each have £15 less than my wife and daughters, Mary, Ann and Elizabeth. If any of my daughters at my decease are under age or unmarried then her share shall be sold and the money put out at interest till such daughter be of age or marry; and if any daughter die before of age unmarried, her share to be divided among my surviving daughters. My Executors are my wife and sons, Francis and Reuben R. Nelson.

Dated April 30, 1776. Witnesses, Peter De Witt, John Pawling (of Dutchess County, farmer), and Alhartus Sickner. Proved, Dutchess County, October 22, 1785. Confirmed, October 24, 1785.

Page 194.—In the name of God, Amen. Be it known unto all by these presents that this 25th day of May, 1765, I, the underwritten ROELOF KIP, of Rhinebeck Precinct, Dutchess County, yeoman, being advanced in years but yet retaining my perfect knowledge and senses. As for my temporal estate of "lands, buildings, Negroes, debts, horses, cattle, gold and silver

coined or not coined," etc. I order as follows, viz.: that all my debts be paid at the right time; that my dear and loving wife Sarah, so long as she remains my widow, remain in possession of my whole estate, real and personal. To my oldest son, Jacob, 20 shillings for his birthright and he shall have no further claim on that account. To my son, John Baptist, freely and absolutely, all my real estate whatsoever, and that he or his heirs pay to the remainder of my children £250, as follows: £125 one year after my or my wife's decease which last shall happen, and £125 two years after the same, which sums to be divided among my children and children's children as hereafter ordered. All my personal estate to my seven children, viz.: Jacob, John Baptist, Isaac, Ignas, Abraham, and my two deceased daughters, Grietje, late wife of Philip Van Ess, and Sarah, late wife of Baltus Van Cleek, equally divided; the seventh part thereof belonging to my daughter Grietje, deceased, to go to her son Gerrit, and her daughter Catatyntje; the seventh part belonging to my daughter Sarah, deceased, to go to her six children, viz.: Peter, Frans, Sarah, Chatarina, Grietje and Elizabeth. My Executors are my five sons, viz.: Jacob, John Baptist, Isaac, Ignas and Abram. Whatsoever children are indebted to me shall after my wife's decease be accounted as a share or part of their heirship of my personal estate.

Witnesses, Jan Pir, George Trimper, Christian Schultz (of Rhinebeck, schoolmaster). Proved, Dutchess County, March 9, 1785. Confirmed, New York, October 25, 1785.

Page 196.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MARY BURKE, of the City of New York, Spinster, being in good health. I leave all my estate, real and personal, whatsoever none in the world excepted to my sister, Susannah Marshall, her heirs and assigns forever. I appoint my said sister Executrix.

Dated May 10, 1781. Witnesses, James Barclay (of

N. Y. City, Merchant), Philip A. Schuyler, Benjamin Birkett. Proved, October 27, 1785.

Page 198.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ANNE BURKE, of the City of New York, Spinster, in good health. I leave to my sister, Mary Burke, my right and title to the Corner house and lot purchased by my son, Mr. Derrick Agbers, and further I devise all my estate, real and personal, none in the world excepted, to my two sisters, Mary Burke and Susannah Marshall, equally divided. My executors are my two said sisters.

Dated April 21, 1781. Witnesses, Philip A. Schuyler, James Barclay, Thomas Duncan. Proved, October 27, 1785.

Page 199.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSEPH SMITH, of Smithtown, Suffolk County, June 5, 1783. I will that all my just debts be paid by my "tow" sons, Joseph Smith and William Smith, out of my real estate which I give to them and by no means out of my moveable estate which I give to my "fore dafters." To my son Elefilet the land eastward of his house and on which the house stands containing twenty acres within the fence, with the priveledge of coming to the meadow for water and salt for his "creturs," also ten acres in the fifty acre lot timber land where most convenient. To my two sons, Joseph and William, all my land and meadows in Smithtown and Stonebroock Harbor, with buildings and improvements exclusive of the two lots before given to my son Elefilet, also one yoke of oxen, and a pair of three year old steers, and all my farming "youtanchals," they giving to my wife Sarah "a desant and comfortabell maintenance" so long as she remains my widow; also I order them to pay to Selah Smith £50, to Daniel Smith £50, to Samuel Smith, £50, my three sons to be paid in five years after my decease, if they conveniently can, the whole of my legacies and debts to be paid equally by them.

I give to my four daughters, Cathrine Smith, Ruthamah Smith, Sarah Smith and Mary Smith, all my moveable estate except that given above, equally divided between them, excepting also the dung in the yard, grain on the ground, in the house or barn at my decease which are for Joseph and William Smith. My Executors are my sons, Joseph and William, and Epenetus Smith my nephew, with power to sell so much of my land given to Joseph and William Smith as they shall think necessary for my debts and legacies if they refuse to pay them as above directed.

Witnesses, Micah Smith, of Smithtown, yeoman; Jacob Hawkins and Epenetus Smith, of Smithtown, yeoman. Proved, Suffolk County, September 26, 1785. Confirmed, New York, October 28, 1785.

Page 201.—In the name of God, Amen. The 10th of September, 1779. I, HAZEKIAH SMITH, of Huntington, Suffolk County, Nassau Island, Blacksmith. I leave to Hannah, my beloved wife, all the house furniture and one cow to her own disposal. To my son Hazakiah, Junr, the "deephole field" be it more or less lying upon the south side of the road that runs from Thomas Seidmore's to Thomas Taylor's and one quarter of the meadow. To my son Jacob my house and all my upland including that "deephole field" aforementioned, and half my meadow, also my horse and the use of the mare till she has a colt, and the hogs, and grain for the family's use, the rest of the stock he is to sell for debts, and what is over he is to give my daughters, the farming tackling I give him for his own. To my son Matthew the other quarter of the meadow and when he is twenty-one then my son Jacob to give him £20, and to give him a trade, and if Jacob refuse to pay the money my Executors are to sell as much land as the value of it. I make as Executors my trusty friend, Melancton Bryan, and my son, Jacob Smith.

Witnesses, Epenetus Wood, Jr. of Smithtown, weav-

er; Jonas Wood. Proved, August 16, 1785, Suffolk County. Confirmed, October 28, 1785, New York.

Page 202.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MEHETABLE SMITH, of Brookhaven, Suffolk County, sick in body. I leave to my well beloved brother, Jonah Tooker, the third part of £210 which is my lawful dower to my brother Jonah Tooker's daughter, Mehetable Tooker, my household goods and moveables that is in my possession except such a part of my "wareing cloaths" as may suit my well beloved sisters, Mary and Dinah Tooker, to ware. I appoint my brother, Jonah Tooker, and Benjamin Smith and Dinah Tooker, my Executors.

(Signed) MEHETABLE SMITH, "wido," her mark.

Dated January 6, 1785, in the ninth year of the Independence of the America. Witnesses, Isaac Hulse (of Brookhaven, yeoman); Israel Sexton. Proved, Suffolk County, September 24, 1785. Confirmed, New York, October 28, 1785.

Page 203.—In the name of God, Amen. I, EBENEZER JONES, of Pound Ridge, Westchester County, New York, this 8th day of August, 1785, make my last will. To my sons Ebenezer, Abraham, Silvenus, James and Lewis Jones all my lands and buildings in Pound Ridge equally divided. At the marriage or decease of my wife Sarah, the half of the house and land on the east side of the road which I deeded to her, is to be divided between my said sons. My personal estate to be sold to pay my debts. I do give to my loving wife the cow that she brought to me and to have an equal part of the yarn and cloth that hath been made since she came to me, with my three youngest sons and my daughter Deborah. Executors to pay to my daughter Rhuamy Dans daughter Rhuamy, £5; Also to my daughter, Levine Runnolds, £18; Also to my daughter Deborah £18 when eighteen or married. I make my sons, Ebenezer and Silvenus, Executors.

Witnesses, Thaddeous Semer, John Hait, William Fansher. Proved, October 14, 1785.

Page 205.—In the name of God, Amen. The 20th of June, 1783. I, JOHN KORTZ, of the German Camp, Albany County, being very sick and weak. It is my will that my wife Elizabeth shall stay in my dwelling house for life and shall be decently maintained out of my estate, that is to say in clothing, victuals and drink, "but in case she should prove childish enough to alter her condition and marry again she shall move out of my dwelling as quick as my Executors shall think proper." My oldest son, Christopher, shall have for his birthright £200. My sons, Christopher and John, shall have an equal share of all my real and personal estate, that is to say: lands, dwelling house, store house, barn, out houses, gardens, orchards, etc., in German Camp, Albany County, also my estate in the City of New York with the rents due thereon, and to hold said estates forever; also my negro men servants, named Jacobus, Peter and Jack, as also my black women servants, named Mary, Susan and Mary the younger, also my farming utensils, also my cattle, horses, sheep, also all my money. It is my will that my estate in New York be sold as quick as conveniently can be done in order that my two sons, Christopher and John, may be enabled to pay to each of my daughters, Margaret and Christina, £400 each or goods to the amount thereof, provided that they shall not be compelled to make immediate payment thereof but at leisure. My sons, Christopher and John, are to collect all debts due to me by bonds, notes or books. My daughter Christina shall have liberty to stay in my house while unmarried and that unmolested in consideration of her infirmities. As my affairs are at present in a declining state and as I consider it reasonable that each of my heirs above should partake of the decline in proportion, there must be a regular account kept from the date of this my last will and testament

that each bare a proportionate burthen. Also should any addition be made either by good management or otherwise, then a proportionable addition shall be made each of my heirs. The Execution of my will shall not commence until six weeks after my decease.

(Signed) JOHANNES KORTZ.

Witnesses, Pitter Blass, of German Camp, yeoman; Johannes Salbach, Johannes Salbach.

This is to certify that I, JOHN KORTZ, of the German Camp, Testator, do hereby constitute my sons, Christopher Kortz, Jun^r (no other named *) my Executors, and should one of my sons above mentioned fail by sickness or death I empower the remaining party to appoint some creditable person as an Executor to act with him.

Dated June 20, 1783. Witnesses, Johnes Salbach, Pitter Blass, Johannes Salbach. Proved, Albany County, June 7, 1785. Confirmed, New York, November 1, 1785.

Page 208.—In the name of God, Amen. I, GEORGE DEAN, of the City of New York. I leave to my wife Anne my whole estate, real and personal, all goods, chattels, moveable and immoveable for the sole use of her and my children (not named) by her the said Anne. I make John Portious, of New York City, my Executor.

Dated January 8, 1779. Witnesses, Alexander Ogsbury, of N. Y. City, shopkeeper; Wendel Boos. Proved, October 31, 1785. Administration of above estate granted to Stewart Dean, of the City of Albany, Mariner, a brother of George Dean, late of the City of New York, Mariner, deceased, the Executor, John Portious, being absent from this state, October 31, 1785.

Page 209.—In the name of God, Amen. I, RICHARD SHARPE, of the City of New York, Merchant, in good

*The administration shows that the other Executor was John Kortz, Jun^r.

health. I leave my whole estate to my dearly beloved wife Anne her heirs and assigns forever. I appoint my said wife Anne Executrix.

Dated July 22, 1778. Witnesses, Charles Nicoll, Benjⁿ Kissam, Thomas Marston, merchant, of N. Y. City. Proved, New York, October 31, 1785.

Page 211.—In the name of God, Amen. The 17th of September, 1783. I, WILLIAM RHINELANDER, of New York City, being weak in body. All my debts and funeral charges to be paid and for this my outstanding debts to be collected and if necessary as many of my shop goods sold as may be necessary. I leave to my wife Esther my wearing apparel, plate, and household and kitchen furniture, also the rent, use or income of my house from the time of my death till my daughter, Mary Magdalen Rhineland, shall arrive at the age of eighteen, but if my said daughter should die sooner then my wife to have the use of the above for life; My wife to retain in her hands as long as my widow and no longer the residue (after my debts are paid) of my shop goods and moveable estate, an inventory of the same first being taken, but if she marry again she to deliver into the hands of my Executors said shop goods, etc., and I order my Executors to sell them and the money therefrom, with such other moneys as may be in her hand belonging to my estate, to be put out on interest in as secure hands as they can, and the interest to be paid to my wife yearly till my daughter, Mary Magden, is eighteen, but if said daughter die sooner, then the interest to be paid to my wife yearly so long as she lives. I leave to my daughter, Mary Magden, all my estate (except such part hereinbefore willed to my wife) to be paid to her when eighteen, for her heirs and assigns forever; if she die before eighteen leaving lawful issue, then said estate to go to her child or children; but if she die before eighteen not leaving issue, then if at the death of my wife she my said wife do actually leave behind her

alive any lawful child or children by any other husband or husbands, then I give the whole of my estate to said child or children; but if my wife die not leaving issue then I give all my estate to my two brothers, Jacob and Philip Rhineland or the survivor of them. I will that my Executors keep account of the time they spend on the settlement of my estate and retain in their hands a reasonable compensation for the same. I appoint as Executors my wife Esther, my brothers, Jacob and Philip Rhineland, and my brother-in-law, Frederick Davoue, Jun^r.

Witnesses, Daniel Bowne, Stephen Sands (of N. Y. City, Watchmaker), Henry Mitchell. Proved, January 26, 1785. Confirmed, November 2, 1785.

Page 213.—In the name of God, Amen. I, RICHARD LOWDEN, of New York City, Tailor, weak in body. I leave to my daughter-in-law, Ann Row, £10, to be paid as soon as convenient or as soon as my son Richard is twenty-one. To my beloved son Richard, all my real and personal estate now in my possession or that may hereafter become due to me or my heirs by will, deed, bond or any other conveyance reserving the £10 above mentioned. If Richard die before twenty-one leaving no issue my estate to go to my brothers and sisters that are now living in Scotland, them or their heirs that may be living at the time of my decease or at the time my son is twenty-one. I make my trusty and loving friends, John Hendrickson, and his son Isaac now living at Foster Meadows, Queens County, my Executors. In case my decease should happen before my son Richard is twenty-one he not being bound to trade, my desire is he shall be bound to what trade he thinks most suitable.

Dated December 28, 1783. Witnesses, George Barwick (of N. Y. City, Tallow Chandler), Patrick Wood, Thomas Duncan. Proved, November 5, 1785.

Page 215.—Know all men by these Presents that I, THOMAS FOULGER, of Currysbrook or last in the district

of Schenectady, Albany County. I give my soul to God the giver, my body to the grave to be interred in a decent manner by my wife in the English Church yard in Schenectady. To my only daughter, Reb^h Fuller, wife of William Fuller, now of Albany, all my wife's wearing apparel. To my son Benjamin my watch; To my two sons, Thomas and Benjamin Foulger, my household furniture of every kind, my wearing apparel, farming utensils equally divided. To my three children (Reb^h Fuller, Thomas and Benjamin Foulger) the remainder of my estate. My Executor is Charles Martin, Merchant, in Schenectady.

Dated March 16, 1784. Witnesses, Thos. Thornton (of Schenectady, yeoman), James Wasson, John Wasson. Proved, Albany County, October 10, 1785. Administration granted to Benjamin Foulger, of Schenectady, Albany County, Carpenter, son of the above Thomas Foulger, deceased; Charles Martin having relinquished the Executorship, New York, November 9, 1785.

Page 217.—In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS LITTLE, of Corries Borough, Albany County, New York, yeoman, being well. I leave to John Wason and my daughter Dorothey, all my estate during their life, they to pay my legacies hereinafter bequeathed out of my personal estate, or if not sufficient, then out of my real estate. My real estate after the decease of the above I leave to Thomas Wason, son of John Wason, and my daughter Dorothy, his heirs and assigns forever. If my grandson, Thomas Wason Jun^r should die without heirs, then my estate after the death of the above I give to all the children of John Wason which he has got or shall get by my daughter Dorothy, equally divided. To my loving wife Jane, the third part of my real estate, and one room in my house for life provided she gives or grants unto my use the sum of £100. To my daughter Jane, wife of John Glefford, £10. To my daughter Unice, wife of Duncan Quinten,

£20. To the four youngest children of William Thornton, to wit: Thomas John, Mary and Samuel, £5. To my grandson, Thos^r Little, son of my son William, £20. To Sarah, daughter of my son, William Little, £10. To my sons, Thomas Little and James Little, £5 each. To my daughter Elizabeth, wife of James More, thirty shillings. The above legacies to be paid two years after my decease. My Executors are Daniel Campbell and Mr. Reynier Mynderse.

Dated March 19, 1771. Witnesses, Caleb Beck, Benjⁿ Young, Seth Young (of Schenectady).

Codicil. I, Thomas Little, of Corry's brook, do by these presents ratify my last will, dated March 19, 1771, and give to my grandson, John Little, of Corry's brook, one pound.

Dated April 10, 1772. Witnesses, Will^m Johnston, William Butler, Thomas Thornton.

Codicil. Dated April 13, 1772. The legacies left to be paid are to be reduced in proportion to the decrease of my estate since making my will. Witnesses to second Codicil, John Duncan (of Schenectady, Esquire), Will^m Johnston, Thomas Wasson. Proved, Albany County, June 13, 1785. First Codicil proved July 2, 1785. Second Codicil proved September 1, 1785. Administration granted to John Duncan, of Schenectady, Albany County, Gentleman, a creditor of Thomas Little, late of Corries Borough, yeoman, deceased, as the Executors mentioned in above will refused to serve, New York, November 9, 1785.

Page 220.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN WARNER, of Kings District, Albany County, weak in body, on this 20th day of April, 1784. I leave to my dear wife Abigail, one third of my estate, real and personal, after my debts are paid to use so long as she remains my widow, and I wish that she receive (as her own) the full value of the household furniture and other personal estate she brought with her when I married her, and I give to my daughter Cloe and my son

John all my real and personal estate equally divided, except what is above written, if either decease before of lawful age then the whole to go to the other, but if both die before of lawful age, the whole to be equally divided "between my natural brothers and sisters." My executors are my brothers Jonathan Warner and Elijah Bostwick.

Dated April 20, 1784. Witnesses, Rev^d John Camp, Asa Douglas, Daniel Warner. Proved, Albany County, July 6, 1784. Confirmed, New York, November 9, 1785.

Page 222.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ANNE HENDRICKSON, of the Township of South Hempstead, Queens County, weak in body. I leave all my wearing apparel to my two daughters, Elizabeth Hendrickson and Phebe Hendrickson. The rest of my estate I order to be sold and after my debts and funeral expenses are paid I give all to my three children: Elizabeth, Phebe and Smith Hendrickson, equally, to be paid them when they come of lawful age, the girls eighteen and son twenty-one, or at marriage day, and if either die before of age then the survivors to have it. I make my good friends, John Hendrickson, my father and Richard Valentine, Esq., of North Hempstead and Benjamin Everitt, Esq., of South Hempstead, my executors.

Dated October 7, 1785. Witnesses, Susanna Welch (spinster), Abigail Bunce (spinster) and Lewis Davenport (Cooper), all of South Hempstead. Proved, Queens County, November 8, 1785. Confirmed, New York, November 10, 1785.

Page 223.—Know all men by these Presents that I, JOSEPH COLES, of Cedar Swamp in the township of Oyster Bay, Queens County, Nassau Island, Weaver; being this 22nd day of May, 1785, very weak in body, not knowing how soon the messenger of death may be sent to me, so I am willing to set my house in order. I leave to my son Benjamin Coles £5. To my beloved wife Abigail all my household furniture, my stock, and

farming utensils. All my money on hand and that is due me to be collected and put to use by my Executors who are to pay to my wife so much as she shall require for her support until my grandson, Coles Field, shall arrive at the age of twenty-one, then I leave to him all the money that remains provided he give sufficient security for so much as my wife need for her support if she be yet alive, as long as she doth live, and then to remain to him and his heirs forever; in case said Coles Field die before twenty-one without lawful issue, then the money that remains after the decease of my wife to go to my grandchildren, the children of my son, Benjamin Coles, equally divided among them. My Executors are my brother-in-law, William Cock, at Metenecok in township above said, and my friend and neighbor, Isaac Coles, of Cedar swamp.

Witnesses, Ananias Downing, William Hopkins, Jun^r (of Oyster Bay, yeoman), and John Downing (of Oyster Bay, yeoman).

Codicil. Having this 31st day of May, 1785, duly considered the above will, and have it in my mind to make some small alteration, as follows: Whereas I have a bond against my son-in-law, John Field, dated May 17, 1783, with the interest at five per cent, I order that the £400 with interest remain in the hand of said John Field as long as his wife, my daughter Charity doth live, and if he die before her to remain with her for life, and after her death to be paid as the above written will doth direct, therefore I empower my Executors to deliver up the said bond, and take the said John Field's bond for a true performance of this present instrument.

Witnesses to Codicil same as to the will. Proved, Queens County, November 7, 1785. Confirmed, New York, November 10, 1785.

Page 225.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HENDRICK TAREPENING, of Shawangunk Precinct, Ulster County, husbandman, being weak in body. I leave all my es-

tate to my beloved wife, Maria Tarepening, so long as my widow, to take to her own use and behoof the rents and profits therefrom immediately after my decease, without impeachment of waste upon this trust, and to the intent that she shall out of the profits therefrom maintain and bring up my children. After my wife's marriage or death I leave to my five sons: Levi, Morenis, Eleazer, Moses and David, and their heirs, each one fifth of all my real estate, to hold to them as tenant in common till my youngest son is of age, and if any die under age without issue such shares to be divided between the surviving sons equally. I give to my four daughters: Margaret, Jeseintie, Rachel and Elizabeth, £20 apiece to be paid by my sons after the youngest son is of age, and if any daughters die without issue such shares to be divided among the survivors. My will is that before my real estate be divided the sum of 20 shillings be paid to my son Levi, he being my oldest son living. Notwithstanding what I have heretofore willed to my wife I will that my real estate be divided among my sons after my youngest is twenty-one, provided if my widow be then living that they provide a comfortable maintenance for her. I make my wife Maria, son Levi, and beloved friends, Bowdewine Tarepening and Eliphaz Van Auke, my Executors.

Dated December 13, 1783. Witnesses, Bodewyn Terpenneng, William Ralyea (of New Marlborough, yeoman) and Jacob Concklin. Proved, Ulster County, October 18, 1785. Confirmed, New York, November 14, 1785.

Page 228.—In the name of God, Amen, and in the 17th day of August, 1767, I, ISRAEL ROGERS, Senr, of Ulster County, Province of New York and Precinct of the Walkill, yeoman, in perfect mind but weak in body. I leave to Sarah, my dear beloved wife, the proper use of my house, land and moveables as long as my widow. To my eldest son, Israel, ten shillings; to my daughter Elizabeth, ten shillings; to my daughter Mary, ten

shillings; to my son Daniel, after the decease of my wife, all that land with my house and buildings thereon lying in the Precinct of Walkill whereon I now live, during his life, and after his death to my grandson, Daniel Graham Rogers, his heirs and assigns forever, the land beginning at the east side of the Walkill bounded as follows: running easterly along the line of my son-in-law, William Wilkin, to the land of Charles Booth Senr, then northerly along the said Booths line to the land of James McBride, then northwest to the Walkill and up it to the place of beginning. To my daughter Rachel, 10 shillings; Also to my son James. I make my wife, son James, and son-in-law, William Wilkin, my Executors.

Witnesses, David Clarke, William Reynolds, Petr Berry. Proved, New York, November 15, 1785, when William Wilkin, Esq., of Walkill, swore that he witnessed the will.

Page 229.—In the name of God, Amen. I, EPHRAIM PAINE, of Amenia Precinct, Dutchess County. I leave to my dearly beloved and faithful wife Mary, two beds such as she shall choose, with all the appurtenances and furniture hereto including two pair of linen sheets and two pair of woolen sheets to each bed; Also one of my horses, and two of my cows, and ten of my sheep, and five of my swine, all such as she shall choose; Also my woman's saddle, one half of my other household furniture except beds; Also £200. To my beloved daughters, Elizabeth, Mary, Sarah, Chloe and Lucy Paine, each £50 respectively when eighteen. To my sons, Ephraim, Jr. and Abijah, all my farm in Amenia Precinct on which I now live, divided equally between them both to respect to quantity and quality as near as may be. To my above named five daughters that certain lot at a place called Whiteborough in Montgomery County, between the Cocquago branch of the Delaware and the Susquehannah Rivers, containing 982 acres, known as lot number three, equally

divided. To my two sons above named, 150 acres each out of lot No. six in said Whiteborough, and the remainder of lot No. six, except one fourth thereof which I have sold to Peter Garnsey, I give to my wife and my said five daughters; and if there should be any "surplussage" not disposed of in this will it is to be equally divided between my wife and my said sons and daughters. I appoint my beloved friend, Ezra Thompson and Peter Garnsey, Esq., and my wife Mary, my executors.

Dated August 3, 1785. Witnesses, Ephraim Paine, Sam^l Thompson, Rebekah King (widow) and Barnabas Paine. Proved, Dutchess County, October 27, 1785. Confirmed, New York, November 16, 1785.

Page 231.—I, ISAAC LEVY, of New York, do declare this to be my last will and testament. All my real estate of every kind and Denomination shall at my decease become the property of my son Asher and my daughter Esther, otherwise called Henrietta, as also my personal estate to both the same "both borne of Elizabeth Pue," equally divided between them at the times they respectively become of age, on conditions hereafter mentioned. In case of the death of either my said son or daughter before aged twenty-one, I give my estate to the survivor, if both die before of age then to my brother, Samson Levy, and my sister, Rachel Seixas, wife of Isaac Seixas, equally. My will is that neither my son nor daughter shall marry or enter into matrimonial contract before the age of twenty-one years, but if either so do he or she shall have no share in my estate, but the share of he or she that doth marry or enter into matrimonial contract shall be given to the other that doth not marry contrary to my will; and if both marry or enter into matrimonial contract before twenty-one then I give my whole estate to my brother, Samson Levy, and my sister, Rachel Seixas. My executors are my said brother, Samson Levy, his son Moses, and my son Asher.

Dated October 22, 1776. Witnesses, Walter Shee, Benja^a Condry, Edmund Nibell.

The Register for Probate of Wills, Philadelphia. Certified November 8, 1785, that the above will was a true copy from the original filed in the office at Philadelphia. Administration on the above granted to Joshua Isaacs, of the City of New York, a creditor of Isaac Levy, formerly of the same place but late of the City of Philadelphia, merchant, deceased, whereas the executors, Samson Levy, Moses Levy and Asher Levy are absent from this State, New York, November 16, 1785.

Page 233.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN FANSHER, of Poundridge, Westchester County, being in good health, this 1st day of February, 1779. I leave to my sons John, William, Nathaniel, David, Joseph, Daniel and Elijah, all my lands and buildings thereon, to each an equal share; Also my moveable estate except two cows and one heifer, equally divided. To my three daughters, viz.: Abigail, Unice and Marcy, two cows and one heifer equally divided among them, viz.: that is, to each of them an equal proportion; Also all my beds, bedsteads, and furniture belonging to said beds, equally divided, etc. To my said seven sons all my undivided lands in Poundridge. I make my sons John and William my Executors.

Witnesses, William Budd Lucas, Nathan Albeen, Elizabeth Green. Proved, Westchester County, November 12, 1785. Confirmed, New York, November 17, 1785.

Page 234.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CHRISTOPHER BROWN, of Upper Salem, Westchester County, being weak in body. My executors to sell as much land as needed to pay my debts. I leave to my beloved wife Lucy my moveable estate and the use and profits of what remains of my farm, after my debts are paid, for the cost and trouble of bringing up my children till my

oldest son, Isaac, arrives at lawful age, and then said Isaac to draw half the profits of the farm in partnership with his mother, both equally providing for the rest of my children until my youngest son Frederick arrives at age, provided his mother remains a widow, but if she marry before my son Isaac is of age, it shall be left to my executors to put the profits of the farm to the best use for my children. To my son Frederick, 75 acres of land on the west side of the road where my executors shall see fit after selling enough to pay my debts. To my son Isaac the remainder of the farm, provided he pays his sister Phebe £100 as soon as he is twenty-one, and pays my son Aaron £120 when he is of lawful age; my son Aaron to be brought up to some trade provided it be agreeable to himself, and provided my son Isaac provides a reasonable maintenance for his mother after the division of the farm if she remains a widow; it is my will that there be no division of the land till my youngest son is of age, and if any child die before of age without issue his or her share to be divided between the rest. I make my brother, Thomas Brown, and James Bailey, Executors, and my wife Lucy, Executrix.

Dated August 1, 1785. Witnesses, Oliver Bloodgood, Elijah Lee (of Cortlandts Manor, Esquire) and Samuel Roff. Proved, Westchester County, November 10, 1785. Confirmed, New York, November 17, 1785.

Page 236.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ARTHUR BEATTY, of Little Britain, Ulster County, Weaver. March 9, 1774. I order that all my stock of cattle (two cows excepted) shall be sold immediately after my decease to pay my debts and funeral expenses as far as it will go, the remaining debts and legacies to be paid by my four eldest sons, John, Archibald, Alexander and William Beatty, that is John, Alexander and William are each to pay their proportion of two thirds of said debts and legacies, and Archibald to pay one third. The legacies are: to Joseph Beatty, £16; Ar-

thur Beatty, £16; Mary Beatty, £12; Lilly Beatty, £12. Also to my beloved wife, Lilly Beatty, two milch cows and a horse to be kept by my son Archibald upon part of my farm. Likewise to my wife and my brother-in-law, Joseph McMichael a room in the house wherein I now live, while they live, my son Archibald to sufficiently to maintain and clothe my wife during her life. I give to my said three sons, John, Alexander and William one hundred acres of land equally divided, being part of my farm adjoining Thomas Neely, Junr. Also to my son Archibald fifty acres of my said farm with all the building whereon I now live; my farming implements to my said four oldest sons equally divided. I make my sons John, Archibald and Alexander Beatty and Samuel Gly, executors.

Witnesses, Patrick Barber (of Montgomery Precinct, Esquire) John Young, Charles Clinton. Proved, Ulster County, November 23, 1785.

Page 238.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN MCLEAN, farmer, of Montgomery Precinct, Ulster County, sick and weak in body. I leave to my beloved wife Margrett forever or to her assigns all my real estate, together with the house I now live in, barn and outhouses belonging to the same as they now are together with all my stock and moveables now in my possession only the following articles: To my son John one horse, known by the name Eagle, and a mare called the old Fox, my plow and its tackling; to my son Cornelius one young sorrel mare two years old with a bald face; my son Jonas to be put out to a trade and when of age I leave him £20 to be paid by my wife. Likewise to my daughters, Charity and Sarah, each £5, and my daughters Hannah Sutherland, Peggy Lewis, Catherine Moor and Mary Moor, each 40 shillings, paid at the discretion of my executor and executrix. I make my wife Executrix and James Barklay, Executor.

Dated March 24, 1785. Before signing the above I order the land that was left to my wife by her father

to be sold or as much as will pay my debts, by and with the consent of my wife Margrett. Witnesses, John Blake, George Smith, Christian Rockefeller (of Montgomery Precinct, Blacksmith). Proved, Ulster County, October 21, 1785. Confirmed, New York, November 26, 1785.

Page 239.—In the Name of God, Amen. I, CHRISTIAN BOLL MIER, of the City of New York, Barber, being sick and weak in body. After my debts are paid I leave to my loving brother John Godfreed, now of the City of London, in the Kingdom of England, baker, 50 guineas to be paid him soon after my decease. All the rest of my estate, real and personal, to my wife Dorothy so long as my widow, which bequest is in full bar of her right of dower power of thirds which she may or can in any wise claim. Immediately after the decease or remarriage of my wife all my estate to be divided equally amongst the children of my said wife, namely: Michael, Anne, Maria, Dorothy, Barbara and Margaret, as tenants in common and not as joint tenants. I make Christian Schultz and Michael Nestle, both of New York City, my executors, firmly relying upon them that they will take every method for the support of my widow.

Dated October 4, 1785. Witnesses, William Kirby, John F. Vacher (of N. Y. City, Physician) Jacob Resler (of N. Y. City, Tallow Chandler). Proved, November 26, 1785.

Page 241.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CATHARINA LYNSEN, of the City of New York, widow of Abraham Lynsen, of the said City, merchant, deceased, being weak in body. It is my will that I be buried in the family vault in the New Dutch Church yard, without pride or ostentation. I leave to my two grandchildren Catharine Sands and David Lynsen each £100. To my grandson, Abraham Rutgers Lynsen, son of my son Cornelius, deceased, £350, to be paid him at such

time as he shall be out of his apprenticeship or be twenty-one years old, to be advanced to him by my Executors from time to time as they think most for his benefit, and if he die sooner without lawful issue then the said sum shall sink into the bulk of my estate and be divided among my three daughters Elizabeth, Catharine and Hester. To my said grandson, Abraham Rutgers Lynsen, my silver watch, formerly the property of his father. To my three daughters, Elizabeth, Catharine and Hester, all the rest of my estate, equally divided, and nothing in this will shall be construed so as to prevent them from possessing their equal proportions of my estate as of their own private interest and estate, and the estate hereby devised to them shall not in any wise be subject to the payment of any of the debts of their respective husbands (not named) but shall be held by them in their own right. I make Isaac Roosevelt and Gabriel William Ludlow, of the City of New York, Merchants, Executors.

Dated November 2, 1785. Witnesses, Ab^m L. Smith, James S. Smith, James Bayne Clarke (of New Milford Conn., Gentleman). Proved, November 28, 1785.

Page 242.—I, OBIDIAH GRIFFIN, of the Nine Partners, Dutchess County, N. Y., being this 6th day of the 6th month, 1782, weak in body. I leave to my son, Edward Griffin, all my lands except thirty-five acres hereafter mentioned, to him and his heirs forever. To my well-beloved wife (not named) all the goods she brought me, and the side saddle I got for her to her own free disposal; Also, as long as she remains my widow, all the room in my house that I now possess, and my household goods and her choice of a horse and cow, and five good sheep, and one good hog, which I order my son Edward to fat well for her, and Edward to find her 100 weight of good "beaf," and privilege in my orchard, and two hogsheads of "sider," and firewood "cut drand," and Edward to make her fires, and

to find her a sufficiency of "bred corn," all the above I give to her yearly as long as my widow. Thirty-five acres of my land shall be sold soon after my decease off the west end of my farm, two lots, and running southward into the woods so far as to make 35 acres, and the money to be put at interest for the use of my wife at the discretion of my executors, and after her decease the money shall be divided, £5 I give "to the meeting" for the use of the poor, and £15 to Bartholomew my son, and £15 to my grandson, Obediah Hallock, and the rest to be equally divided between my three children, Mical, Bartholomew and Dorrity. At my decease my outdoor moveables shall be sold and my just debts paid and the rest divided between my said three children, and after my wife's decease till my household goods to be divided between my four children, Mical, Bartholomew, Dorrity and Edward. My two friends, Jonathan Holms and Nathaniel Brown, to be my Executors.

Witnesses, Jonathan Griffin, Samuel Doughty (farmer of Dutchess County), Ann Loockwood. Proved Dutchess County, November 21, 1785. Confirmed, New York, November 29, 1785.

Page 244.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL SMITH, of Charlotte Precinct, Dutchess County, yeoman, being in a weak state of health, and calling to mind that according to the course of Nature my dissolution draweth nigh. I leave to my son Daniel, £150; to my son Robert, £150; to my son George, £150; to my son Samuel, £80, to be left in the hands of my son Daniel to be dealt to Samuel at his discretion; to my daughter Cattrain, £10; all the remainder of my estate to my four sons, Daniel, Robert, George and Samuel Smith, their heirs and assigns forever. My sons Daniel and Robert, and my trusty friend, Samuel Mott, to be my Executors.

Dated June 17, 1785. Witnesses, James Valentine, William Gay (both of Dutchess County, farmers) and

John Laroy. Proved, Dutchess County, November 7, 1785. Confirmed, New York, November 29, 1785.

Page 246.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN CROOKE, of the City of New York, considering the uncertainty of this life. I leave to my loving sister Cornelia all my right and title in the house, lot of ground and garden thereunto adjoining, situate in Wall street, now in my possession. All the rest of my estate real and personal in my possession, reversion and remainder I give to my brother, Charles Crooke, and my said sister Cornelia equally divided. I make my said brother Charles and said sister Cornelia, Executors.

Dated May 24, 1770. Witnesses, John Smith, Thomas Barclay, Abraham Ferdon. Sworn to by Jarvis Roebuck, of New York City, Cork cutter; Cary Ludlow, of said City, Esquire, who swore to the signatures of above John Smith and Abraham Ferdon, and also James Barclay of said City, Merchant, who swore to the signature of above Thomas Barclay. Proved, October 26, 1785.

Page 247.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN CONSELYE, of Bushwick, Kings County, do make my last will as I lay very weak and in poor state of health. I first give to my Executors, Peter Conselye and William Conselye, both of said County, my real and personal estate to be sold to pay my creditors and the remainder to be divided amongst my children, two parts to my dear son John, and one part to my dear daughter Sary, I now on my last dying day do sign this my last will and testament this 12th of Sept^r, and in the ninth year of the Independency of estate of America in the year of Our Lord, 1785.

Witnesses, Andrew Van Horne, David Gibson (of Bushwick, Cordwainer) Sam^l Provoost. Proved, November 29, 1785.

Page 248.—In the name of God, Amen, the third day of June, 1767. I, JOHN KLAWE, of the Flats of

Loonenburgh, in the County of Albany, husbandman, being weak in body. All my debts to be paid and all due me received by my Executors. I leave to my beloved wife Mary during her life or so long as my widow, all my estate, real and personal, reposing great trust and confidence in my wife touching this my last will. To my eldest son, Jury, one mare colt, or 10 shillings. To my three daughters named Rachel, Cornelia and Leah, to wit, to each two cows and two sheep; Also one feather bed each, two blankets, two pairs of sheets, two pillows and pillow cases each, and one green rug to each; Also three iron pots to each, of three sizes, large, middling and small; Also two pewter dishes, half a dozen pewter plates and half a dozen chairs to each, to be given them at the time of their coming of age or on their marriage day, at the discretion of my wife or not till the death of my wife as she thinks proper. To each of said daughters £30, to be levied out of my estate after the decease of my wife and not before. To my son William £40, after the decease of my wife, also to my son Francis, also to my son John, these three sums of money as also those given to my above daughters to be paid by my son Casper. To my daughter Leah my black Stallion, to my granddaughter Elizabeth one cow and two sheep. To my four sons named, Casper, William, Francis and John, all my horses, mares and colts on the demise of my wife and not before. My negro Prince to my son Casper and his heirs forever. To my three sons, William, Francis and John, equally divided between them that tract of land now in the possession of my brother, Francis Klawe, in Clavarack, Albany County, with all the profits therefrom. The remainder of my personal estate left on the demise of my wife, such as household goods and cattle of all and every sort, to be equally divided between my four sons, Casper, William, Francis and John. To my son Casper all that farm or bowery whereon I now dwell on the flats in the County of Albany to him and his heirs forever, with the tools

of husbandry upon condition and in hopes he will be careful of his brothers and sisters doing the best he can for them till they arrive at the age of maturity to do for themselves. I make my wife Mary, Executrix, and my son Casper, Executor, and my trusty friends, William Hallenbeek and Captain Jacob Hallenbeek of the County of Albany, overseers of this my will and for their pains I hope they will meet with a reward from above.

With _____, Jury Van Loon (of Coxsackie, yeoman) Hans Koning, Casper Hallenbeek (of Coxsackie, yeoman). Proved, Albany County, January 22, 1785. Confirmed, New York, November 30, 1785.

Page 251.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CAMBRIDGE, late servant of John Wright, watchmaker, in Flushing, being of sound mind. I leave to my well-beloved daughter, Dinah, £25; to my son George, £25. To my friend Mink, now servant to Mr. John Murray, my best coat and £4. To my friend, Sarah Williams, £5. The moneys I have herein bequeathed to be paid into the hands of Stephen Rapalje, merchant, New York, twelve months after my decease, and kept by him till my children are at lawful age, he to have the interests due thereon for his trouble. The overplus of my estate, if any, to be divided between my two children, Dinah and George and if there is not sufficient for what is bequeathed, the loss to be equally deducted from the shares of said children. I make Silas Lawrence, of Flushing, my Executor.

Dated December 16, 1778. Witnesses, Barnardus Lagrange, Charles Lowe. Sworn to by Stephen Rapalje, of N. Y. City, Merchant. Proved, October 29, 1785. Administration granted December 1, 1785, to the above Stephen Rapalje, the Executor Silas Lawrence being thus deceased. The testator was called in the proof "Cambridge late of the City of New York aforesaid a free Negro."

(Signed)

CAMBRIDGE.

Page 252.—I, JOHN BURLING, of the City of New York, "being thro favor in health and of sound memory," do this 8th day of the 8th month, 1783, make my last will. I leave to my loving wife Ann for life my house in Queen street where I at present live and my household goods. To my son, John Burling, £7. To my sons Peter, William, James and Philip, and my daughter, Phebe Burling, all estate equally divided. I make my wife Ann, Executrix, and my sons Peter and William, Executors.

Witnesses, Andrew Underhill, Edward Lawrence (Gentleman), Effingham Embree (watchmaker). Proved, December 1, 1785.

Page 253.—In the name of God, Amen. The 29th day of July, 1785. I, SARAH FERRIS, daughter of Moses Fowler, deceased, of Eastchester in Westchester County, widow, being very sick. I leave to my son, George Ferris, now living at Nova Scotia, ten shillings, as a bar against him, his heirs, Ex^{rs}, Adm^{rs} or Assigns so that they shall be forever prohibited from any part of any of my estate, and the said sum of ten shillings I do give to him his heirs or assigns forever. To my well-beloved daughter, Elenor Davis, £20 out of my estate. To my daughter, Susanna Angevine, £10. To my grandson, James Haynes, the son of my daughter, Abigail Munday, £10 when twenty-one. I order my Executors some short time after my decease to sell all my real and personal estate as they shall think most advantageous, and after my debts are paid, the money I give equal alike, that is, to my sons Soloman, Richard, John and Stephen Ferris, share and share alike, when they come to twenty-one years or have lawful issue, and if any should die before twenty-one without issue then their shares to be divided between the surviving brothers, and the shares of those who shall be under age to be put at interest for their maintenance and schooling. I make my trusty friends, Samuel Tredwell of Eastchester, and Peter

Bonnet, of New Rochelle and John Barker * my Executors.

Witnesses; Mary Robertson, Daniel Bonnet (of New Rochelle, yeoman). Proved, Westchester County, November 23, 1785. Confirmed, New York, December 2, 1785.

Page 255.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HANNAH MUNNIL, of New Windsor, Ulster County, being weak and sickly, do this 1st day of September, 1785, make my last will. I leave to John Munnil one half of my farm in the Precinct of Walkill, Ulster County, on that side next the farm of said John Munnil for which he and his heirs are to pay yearly forever to the trustees of the "Prispeterin Meetin' house" at Nealy Town fifteen shillings, for the use of said church. To Rosanna Dinnastan the other half of my said farm, and her heirs are to pay yearly forever to the trustees of the said church fifteen shillings. To William Weare, Jun^r, son of Rachel Sparks, and his heirs, my house and lot of land in New Windsor, Ulster County, and if he die without lawful issue then to his brother, John Weare, for which the said Weare and his heirs to pay yearly forever to the trustees of the "Prispeterin Meetin' house" at Little Britten thirty shillings. To Mary McCoy the place where I now live during her life, with all the use and profits, and at her death to William Weare, Jun^r, son of Rachel Sparks, and if he die without issue then to his brother, John Weare. To "my Mary McCoy" one feather bed and bedding, "one bay hors fore years old," one black cow with white face. Further the rent of my farm at the Wallakill for "tue" years or the time I have rent it is to remain with my Executors who are to pay out of it to George Munnil twenty-two pounds, ten shillings, if he live till the said rent comes due, if he die before then to his daughter, Jane Hill. Further to Martha Pennear, my looking glass, one feather bed, and if she die then to

* Called James Barker in the proof.

her daughter Betsey. The rent of my house at New Windsor till William Weare, Jr, come of age shall be equally divided between William Weare and Martha Pinneare, William's part to be put at interest till he is of age and then paid to him, and Martha's part to be put at interest till the said William is of age, but if Martha should be a widow or in want of the said money, my Executors may pay it to her before, if she die, then to her children. Further my seat in the "Priapeteran Meating house" at New Windsor to be left to whosoever shall live in my said house, "tha" paying the "minnasters sallery," and if not paid by them then the trustees of the said house to rent it out for the ministers salary. Further the rest of my "persanable estate" to be sold, and the money left after paying my debts and legacies to be equally divided between Martha Pinneare, Hannah McCoy, Nansey Weare, Jennet Weare and Jane Hill. My friends John Robbison, Esq., George Harris and William Jackson, my Executors, with power to appoint if any of them die any other person Executor if they belong to the same church.

(Signed)

HANNAH MONNELL.

Witnesses, Benjamin Smith, Caterain Smith, Leonard D. Nicoll.

Codicil, October 1, 1785. I give to my sister, Mary McCoy, the place where I now live in New Windsor Precinct, Ulster County, containing ten acres; and also one half of my wearing apparel, and the other half to Martha Penneare. One half of the rest of my place in New Windsor to Mary McCoy and Martha Penneare, equally divided, till William Weare, Jr., come of age, and the other half to be laid out in repairing the said house; my desk to Mary McCoy for life and at her death to William Weare, Jr.; to my said sister Mary McCoy, one "bibal" one Psalm book and the Confession of faith; to William Weare, Jr., "Flavil's works."

(Signed)

HANNAH MUNNIL, her mark.

Witnesses to Codicil, Benjamin Smith, Caterine Smith, Leonard D. Nicoll. Proved, Ulster County, November 7, 1785. Confirmed, New York, December 3, 1785.

Page 258.—In the Name of God, Amen. I, JONATHAN YEOMANS, of the Precinct of Haverstraw, Orange County, Carpenter, being very sick. I leave to my well-beloved wife all my household goods and furniture, forever, all my estate in lands, goods, and chattels shall be at the command of my wife as long as my widow, and when she marry or depart this life then my estate to be equally divided among my children (not named) except two milch cows which I will she shall have with her if she marry. Notwithstanding the above my eldest son, Jonathan, shall have five pounds more than the rest for his birthright whom I also constitute my heir at law. I make my wife, my beloved brother-in-law, Jacobus Blauvelt, and my trusty friend, John Jersey, my Executors.

Dated December 13, 1773. Witnesses, James Waring, Elbert Onderdonck, James Anson. Proved, December 3, 1785.

Page 259.—I, WILLIAM BENNET, of the township of Oyster Bay, Queens County. My debts to be paid out of my moveable estate, if not sufficient then my Executors to sell such of my real estate as to discharge my debts and no more. If my moveable estate should be likely to overpay my debts my Executors to save the best of my household goods and let my family have the use of them till my youngest child be eighteen if she lives, if she die before, then till my son be twenty-one, if he die before then till my youngest daughter be eighteen then living. If after said sales there should be some "overplush" money after my debts are paid, then it to be put at interest for the benefit of my children. I order my Executors to sell my real estate when my youngest daughter is eighteen or when my youngest child is eighteen or twenty, as

life is uncertain, the proceeds to be divided as follows: To my beloved wife Elizabeth, one third of the money; to my son Henry, £50; the remainder equally divided between all my children, Elizabeth, Abigail, Phebe, Henry and Sarah, at the time my place is sold; also the household goods that my family have the use of to be divided between all my children living when my place is sold. I make my friend, James * Carpenter, Executor, and my neighbors, William Mudge, Isaac Coles and Jordan Coles, all of the township above mentioned, my Executors, they to be reasonably paid for their time and expence.

Dated 7th day of the 10th month, 1780. Witnesses, James Armstrong, Robert Russel, Jacob Coles (of Oyster Bay, yeoman). Proved, Queens County, December 9, 1785.

Page 261.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSEPH WRIGHT, of Flushing, Queens County, Nassau Island, yeoman, being far advanced in age, but in good health. I leave to my son Joseph (my eldest son), £20. All the residue of my estate, real and personal, to my son Samuel, except such articles as I herein give away, but it is on condition that he pay to my grandson, James Wright, son of my son Hallett, deceased, £80 as soon as my grandson is of lawful age; also that he pay my son Joseph the said £20 above given him within one year of my decease, also that he pay my grandson, John Day, £30 when of age or married; also that he pay my granddaughter, Hannah Day, £20 when of age or married; also that he pay my granddaughter, Ann Day, £20 when of age or married; also to my grandson, Joseph Wood, £20, and to my grandson, Samuel Wood, £5 within two years after my decease. I give to my granddaughter, Hannah Day, a feather bed, one silver tablespoon, one pewter platter, half a dozen pewter plates and four sitting chairs. To

* The proof of will states that the name "my loving brother James Bennet" was erased and that of James Carpenter here inserted.

my granddaughter, Ann Day, a feather bed, etc., same as to Hannah. To both the above my gold sleeve buttons and my "turtle shell snuff box set in silver, one to have the buttons and the other the snuff box, but Hannah to have her choice." I make my son, Samuel Wright, and my friends and neighbors, John Burling and John Roe, Executors.

Dated October 23, 1784. Witnesses, Gilbert Field (of Flushing, shoemaker), Daniel Tuthill, Fanny Wright (spinster). Proved, Queens County, December 6, 1785.

Page 263.—In the name of God, Amen. I, RACHEL HICKEY, late of the City of New York, but at present residing in Harington Township, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, considering the uncertainty of this mortal life. I give "all my goods, chattles, effects and otheres of whatsoever kind" to my five grandchildren, viz.: Hickey Bates, John Bates, Rachel Bates and James Gitfield, children of my daughter Rachel, at present the wife of Benjamin Gitfield, and Elizabeth, "a natural child of my daughter Elizabeth, the wife of Arthur Dinwiddie," equally divided; if any die without lawful issue before receiving the estate, his or her share to be divided among the survivors. If my daughter Elizabeth shall, before the division of my estate, have any more issue, then every child hereafter born shall share in my estate equally with my grandchildren hereinbefore named. I make my daughter Rachel, Executrix, my friend, John Riker, Executor.

Dated June 2, 1783. Witnesses, John De Lameeter, Abraham Delamater, John Haring (of New York City, Esquire). Proved, December 13, 1785.

Page 264.—In the name of God, Amen. I, RICHARD HOLSTEAD, of Goshen, Orange County, New York, being now in health of body. Concerning my worldly estate, I give and bequeath in the following manner, desiring every one concerned in the distribution there-

of will be contented and satisfied therewith. I give to my Executors so much of my moveable estate for them to dispose of for my debts and funeral charges. To my beloved wife Esther the remainder of my household furniture, excepting my large cupboard, and sufficient room in my dwelling house, and the benefit of half my homestead lot adjoining my said house; also one riding horse, two cows, six sheep; the above said benefit of my house and lot shall remain to her no longer than she shall remain my widow, and the furniture and creatures be hers forever. To my son Michael my whole farm that I now live on, lying on the west side of the "drowned land," and the Wallakill, within the Patent of Wawayandea, in the County aforesaid, which I lately purchased from Henry Davee, his deed will give the boundaries of said tract, which shall remain together with the "improvements and appurtenances thereunto," and my working horses, mares, and all other creatures, and farming utensils, to him, my said son Michael and his heirs forever. To my daughter, Sarah Seely, my above mentioned large cupboard, and half of my right to a certain tract of land which was set off, containing about 3,000 acres, for the benefit of those persons having town rights belonging to the township of Goshen, within the Patent of Wawayandea, which said half of my whole right shall remain to my said daughter and her daughters forever. To my grandson, Samuel Holstead, my other half of my whole right as above mentioned, for him and his heirs forever. To all my sons, Richard, Joseph, Isaiah, Benjamin and Michael Holstead the remainder of all my town right of lands in the Wawayandea Patent. To my son Benjamin the remainder of my southeast division lot of land in the town of Goshen, supposed to be about ten acres. To my sons Richard and Isaiah, each 5 shillings out of my moveable estate. I order my son Michael to provide sufficiently with all necessities and firewood for my wife Esther and for her creatures during her widowhood. I make my wife

and sons, Joseph and Michael, or the survivors of them, my executors.

Dated May 5, 1774. Note before signing the above, my will, is that my "Pue" in the "Presbeteran" meeting house in Goshen shall remain for the use of my family till they shall see cause to dispose of it. Witnesses, Henry David, Daniel Everett (of Goshen, Esquire), Susanna Huges. Proved, Orange County, December 1, 1785. Confirmed, New York, December 14, 1785.

Page 267.—In the name of God, Amen. I, NATHANIEL ROE, of the Precinct of Goshen, Orange County, New York, farmer, being in good health, do this 7th day of August, 1770, make this my last will. My debts to be paid out of my personal estate a short time after my decease. I leave to my son Jonas all the farm I now live on at Florida, in the Precinct of Goshen, containing 100 acres, also 200 acres on the long ridge in the said Precinct; and I order my son Jonas, his heirs or assigns, to pay to my daughter, Elizabeth Davis, £25 within six months after my wife's decease, and in like manner to pay to my daughter, Mary Dekey, £25; and to my daughter, Abigail Allison, £25; and to my daughter, Deborah Knap, £25; Also I order my said son Jonas, his heirs or assigns, shall well and sufficiently take care of and support my well-beloved wife Mary in all necessities during her life; the remainder of my personal estate to my four said daughters (above named) within six months after my decease. I make my two sons, to wit, Jonah and Nathaniel, Executors.

Witnesses, Michael Jackson (of Goshen, Esquire), John Thompson, Mary Jackson. Proved, Orange County, October 20, 1785. Confirmed, New York, December 14, 1785.

Page 268.—In the name of God, Amen. I, LAWRENCE VANDERHOF, of the City and County of New York Car, considering the uncertainty of this mortal life. My

debts to be discharged out of my personal estate. I leave to my son Larrence £5, to be paid out of my personal estate. To my said son Lawrence £10, to be paid out of my estate before any division be made. To my son John £10 paid before any division be made. All my real and personal estate in New York and elsewhere shall be equally divided among all my children, namely: Mary, wife of Stephen Allen; Caterin, wife of Thomas Outwater, deceased; Elizabeth, wife of John West; Lawrence, John, Jain Vanderhof, Angenitia Vanderhof and Sarah Vanderhof, "shair and shair alyck." It is my will that my dear and loving wife Angenietia shall remain in full possession of my real and personal estate for life or while my "wedue," and I give her full power, lawful "atoraty" to sell any of my estate as she shall "tink" fit for the maintenance of the family during her unmarried life. I make my wife Executrix and my trusty friends, Abraham P. Lott and Peter Cortenius, my Executors.

(Signed) LAWRENCE VANDERHOFF, his mark.

Dated September 6, 1775. Witnesses, Cornelius Vanderoef, John Vanderhoef, John Outwater (of Bergen County, N. J., yeoman). Proved, December 15, 1785. Administration granted to Angenitia Vanderhoff.

Page 270.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ABRAHAM TAPPEN, of the County of Richmond, New York, Shipwright. To my nephew, David Tappen, £5. Unto my dearly beloved wife Leah the use of all my estate while my widow. After her death or marriage all my estate to my daughter Mary, wife of Garret Ellis. Should she die without issue then my estate to the two daughters of my brother, Asher Tappen, namely, Elizabeth and Ellinor, equally divided. I appoint my wife Leah, Executrix and my son-in-law, Garret Ellis, Executor.

Dated February 24, 1783. Witnesses, Jacob Spragg, Mary Spragg and Isaac Doty. Proved, October 15, 1785.

Page 271.—In the Name of God, Amen. I, BARENT VISSCHER, of the City of Albany, Indian trader, being in health, considering the frailty of life, the certainty of death, and the uncertainty of the time. To my beloved wife Sarah the mean profits of all my estate, real and personal, for the support of her and my children (hereinafter named) and that so long as my widow is living this restriction that she is not to "Aliene waste nor imbezzle" anything thereof but only to have the mean profits or income thereof. And after her death or marriage I give to my beloved children, Anna Visscher and Sarah Visscher, and the child or children that my wife may hereafter bear unto me all my estate, real and personal, equally divided, as well the estate I may have at my decease, as the estate which I am to have by virtue of the will of my deceased father, all my estate in possession or reversion equally divided among my children by my said wife Sarah. Executors, my stepfather, Joh^s Roorback, my brother-in-law, Bastiaen H. Visscher.

Dated —teenth (gone) of April, 1769. Witnesses, Staats Van Santvoord (of Half Moon District, Blacksmith), Jan Dole, Anna Shuyle. Proved, November 22, 1785, Albany County. Administration granted New York, December 19, 1785 to Sarah Visscher, of Albany widow of Barent Visscher of the same place, Indian Trader, the Executors, Johannes Roorback and Bastiaen H. Visscher having relinquished the Executorship, November 22, 1785.

Page 273.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOACHIM JANSEN, of Lonenburg, Albany County, being at present in "midling good bodily health." Whenever it shall please Almighty God to take me out of this transient world I will that my body be buried in a decent and Christian manner, and my debts paid by my three sons Johannis, Peter and Ruloff. I leave to my son Johannes one of my best horses in consideration of his being my first born son and to debar him from any

other claim in consequence of his birthright. To my son Coenraed the exact quarter share of the woodland purchased by me from Mess^{rs} Van Berghen and Salisbury as by the deeds for said land to him and his heirs forever. To each of my five daughters, viz.: Fytje, Mary, Geesje, Eytje and Lena, £30, to be paid them within two years after my decease by my three sons, Johannes, Peter and Ruloff. To my son Coenraed £30, to be paid him as above. In case my son Johannes die before his wife Mary she shall have her maintenance out of my estate she continuing to live with either of my other sons Peter or Rulof. To my daughter Eytje on her marriage day, a good outset, a good horse and cows and sheep, as my other daughters have had, and if she should not marry then to have her maintenance out of my estate she continuing to live with either of my sons, Johannes, Peter or Ruloff. To my daughter Eytje the Negro girl Kate. To my son Coenraed the Negro named Harr. To my daughter Lena the Negro girl Jane. All the rest of my real and personal estate to my three sons, Johannes, Peter and Ruloff. I make my two beloved sons, Johannes and Peter, my Executors.

Dated August 2, 1778. Witnesses, Henry Knoll (of District of Coxackie, Surgeon), John Burghedt, Rulif Ryan. Proved, Albany County, November 28, 1785. Confirmed, New York, December 24, 1785.

Page 275.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSHAWAY GREEN, of New Lebanon in Kings District in the County of Albany, being about sixty years of age. I leave to my son Daniel and his heirs ten shillings, and all my wearing apparel except shirts and stockings; to my son, Jones Green, all the farm known as the "Cabeneear farm" which I bought of Elijah Owen, with one half of my cart and one half of my "Croobar" grind stone, dog chain, etc. To my son Joshaway that known as the "huff farm" with the buildings and all the moveable estate I leave at my decease

except one old bed, "tew blancits," one coverlid, five sheep, one old side saddle. To my daughters, Mary Fox, Catharine Taber, Abigill Hochings, Elizabeth Sciner, Susanna Fox, one bed, etc., as above, equally divided to the above daughters. I "apint" my son-in-law, Josiah Skinner, sole Executor.

Dated May 5, 1783. Witnesses, Robert Havens (yeoman), Richard Thurber, John Bivins.

Codicil, May 5, 1783, ratifying the above but reserving to my beloved wife Alce, a good riding beast, one cow, and all other necessities for her support for life out of the estate bequeathed by me to Joshaway Green Jr. (Signed) JOSHUA GREEN.

Witnesses to Codicil, same as to will. Proved, Albany County, September 2, 1785. Confirmed, New York, December 24, 1785.

Page 277.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MERIAM SMITH, of North Hempstead, Queens County, being weak in body, having desire to settle my temporal affairs while I have reason so to do, do this 30th day of August, 1785, make my last will. I leave to my loving sister Hannah Smith, £100 in cash, my half or part of the riding chair, one feather bed and bedding thereunto belonging the second best. To my sister Phebe her daughters, namely, Hannah and Salley Barton, £40 each, to be put out at interest for the use of the said children till they come of age or marry. To my sister, Sarah Smith, £100 in cash, my best feather bed, etc., and all the residue of my estate to her and her heirs forever. My brother-in-law, John Barton, and Thomas Williams, Executors. Witnesses, Elizabeth Ludlam, Joseph Denton, James Cornwell (of North Hempstead, yeoman). Proved, Queens County, December 28, 1785.

Page 278.—In the name of God, Amen. I, RICHARD CHARLTON, Rector of St. Andrews, Richmond County. I give my soul to the Omnipotent God that gave it in

stedfast hope of pardon and forgiveness of my numerous sins thro' his mercy and the merits of Jesus Christ, my body to be interred with decency and frugality. I leave to the respective children of Thomas Bayeux of New York and Henry Bayeux of Poughkeepsie, £300; £100 of which I bequeath to Thomas Bayeux, son of Thomas Bayeux, of New York, who served his time to my son, John Charlton, the other £200 to be divided between the other children. The remainder of my personal estate I bequeath as follows: one third to my son, John Charlton; one third to my grandson, John Charlton Dongan when twenty-one, or if he dies sooner then half to my son John and half to the children of my daughter, Catherine Bayley, deceased, share and share alike; the remaining third to the children of my daughter, Catherine Bayley, share and share alike, in case they all die before eighteen or married the said third to be divided between my son John and my grandson, John Charlton Dongan, if he live to twenty-one, otherwise to my son the whole. I authorize my Executor to advance what sums out of the interest of said bequest as he shall deem to the advantage of the said children of my daughter. Notwithstanding the above bequests I leave to my granddaughter, Mary Bayley, my Negro girl Bett, and to her two sisters (not named) my Negro Boy, formerly named Brennu. To my grandson, John C. Dongan, my Negro man, Adam; in case the above Legatees do not arrive of age then the said Negroes shall become my son John's property, he directing the management and employment of said Negroes until the times above specified arrive. To my son John, my Negro boy, Titus, my Negro wench, Phebe, and Negro man, Carlos, but if said Carlos be disposed of before my decease I hereby give him his choice of my remaining servants. To my son John also my gold watch, stock button, and sleeve buttons, with my silver spurs. To Elizabeth Nicolls my Negro wench, Nan, and £30 to be paid twelve months after my decease upon this ex-

press Condition that she shall live with me till my decease, if not, the wench and £30 to be joined to the rest of my estate. is my positive will that no legacies be paid before my debts are paid. My son John my sole Executor.

Dated June 23, 1777. Witnesses, Thomas Frost (Doctor), Joseph Guyon (farmer), Isaac Doty. Proved, Richmond County, October 10, 1777. Confirmed, New York, October 30, 1777. Recorded, January 7, 1786.

Page 280.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DEBORAH SNETHEN, of Mosquito Cove in the Township of Oyster Bay, Queens County, Nassau Island, being this twentieth day of January, 1785, weake in bodey. My Executors to sell the "whole of the fast estate that I died seised of" and the money therefrom to be divided in manner following: To my grandson, John Nair, £10, the remainder to be equally divided between my four grandsons, Nicholas, John, Carlton and Gregory Snethen. My moveable estate to be divided in manner following: to my son, Barak Snethen, one horse; to my grandson, John Nairn, one heffer; to my grandson, John Snethen, one cow; to my grandson Charlton, one Cow; all my farming utensils to my grandson, Nicholas Snethen, such as, waggon, plow, harrow, hose, axes, etc. To my granddaughter, Deborah Snethen, all my household goods, that is, four beds and bedding, curtains, one cupboard, one desk, three tables, one dozen chairs, my brass, iron and pewter, etc., and my "weairing apperril." I make my beloved son Barak Snethen and my nephew Willet Weeks my Executors.

Witnesses, Mordecai Beedel (of Oyster Bay, Carpenter), Jacob Carpenter, Tillot Colwell (of Oyster Bay, Carpenter). Proved, Queens County, January 5, 1786.

Page 282.—In the Name of God, I, JONATHAN LEWIS, of Staten Island, Richmond County, being sick

and weak. I will that my Executors shall dispose of all my goods, chattels, lands, mills, and tenements as they in their discretion think fit within two years after my decease except such articles as shall hereinafter be bequeathed, and I give them full power to sell all my lands, mills, and tenements within the County of Richmond to any persons and their heirs forever by all such lawful ways as to my Executors or their Council learned in the law shall seem fit. To my dearly beloved wife Mary, my best horse and riding chair, two of my best cows of her own choosing, with sufficient of my household furniture to furnish her room together with the sum of £100 to be first taken out of my estate, and that in lieu of her dowry or power of thirds upon my estate. Also she to have the use of my negro wench and the yearly interest of £50 for life or while my widow. I will that my Executors use £10 for the further education of my son Joseph. After my debts, funeral charges and the above legacies are paid, the remainder of my estate shall be divided among my children in manner following: To my son Jonathan, one eighth of my estate, to my son David one eighth, to my son James one eighth, to my son Israel one eighth, to my son Joseph one eighth, to my daughter, Sarah Degroot, one sixteenth part; to my daughter, Catharine Hutchinson, one sixteenth; to my daughter, Mary Lewis, one sixteenth; to my daughter, Frances Lewis, one sixteenth; to my daughter, Elizabeth Lewis, one sixteenth; to my daughter, Phebe Lewis, one sixteenth; none of the said legacies to be paid to any of my children till they are twenty-one years old, but if my Executors have money on hand and shall think proper to make a dividend thereof amongst those of my children that are of the above mentioned age, those of them that are under that age shall have the interest of their dividend yearly for their support till they arrive of full age to receive such dividend or their full legacy. If any of my children die under age their part to be divided among my surviving children. I recom-

mend my Executors at the sale of my houses and lands to reserve such part as they think convenient for the reception and continuing of my family together during the life or widowhood of my beloved wife Mary, and after her decease or discontinuance of widowhood such house or land reserved shall be sold as also my Negro wench and the money divided as aforesaid. I appoint my wife Executrix, my trusty friend and brother-in-law, David Latourette, my sons Jonathan and [redacted], all of Staten Island, Executors.

Dated October 28, 1785. Witnesses, John Latourette, Abraham Vail (weaver) and Edward Hall (schoolmaster). Proved, Richmond County, January 5, 1786.

Page 285.—In the name of God, Amen. I, NATHANIEL MARSTON, of the City of New York, Merchant, being at present in health of body. I leave to "the Rector and Inhabitants of the City of New York in communion of the church of England as by law established the sum of £500 New York Money to be by them applied to and for the use of the Charity school under their care in the City of New York" and to be paid them six weeks after my death. To my daughter in law, Ann Van Horn, the wife of Augustus Van Horn, £100, for a suit of mourning. To Stephen Kibble and his heirs the house he now lives in and the lot on which it stands as far as to the well in the same lot, and the stable upon the lot adjoining the same house, standing on the front of a lot on the rear of which there is a Still House, to hold the same house and stable during my right in the same; Also to Stephen Kibble £100 to be paid him within six weeks after my death. To my daughter, Margaret Ogilvie, the house and ground where she now lives, and one half of the Coach house and stables lately built in Smith street for life, and upon her death the same to her son Nathaniel Phillipse and his heirs forever. But if said Nathaniel Phillipse die in the lifetime of his mother, without law

ful male issue; then after her death I give the same to his brother, Frederick Phillipse; if said Frederick die in the lifetime of his mother leaving no lawful male issue, I give the same, after her death, to his brother, Adolph Phillipse; if the said Adolph die in like manner I give the same to my son, John Marston. To my said daughter, Margaret Ogilvie, my negro girl named Nancy, being the daughter of my negro man, George, at Prospect farm. To my son, Thomas Marston, the house he now lives in and the house David Matthews now lives in, with the store houses and water lots thereunto belonging; Also my farm called the Prospect farm, with the still house and all the building thereon, and all the furniture and utensils belonging to the farm, still house and outhouses, and the Negroes living thereon, by name George and his wife Violet and her youngest child, and Negro man named York, and all the cattle and horses on the said farm, and the boat, sails and furniture belonging to her, except that part of the farm adjoining Jacob Le Roy, about eight acres, formerly belonging to Waldron of Horn's hook and bought of him by John Brown. Also to said Thomas the Coach, Coach house and stables and the lot they stand on in King street, adjoining the lot late of James Jarvis, deceased, and also my coach and chariot horses. To my grandson Nathaniel, son of my son Thomas, my negro boy named Prince, the son of my negro man George, at the Prospect farm. To my son John the dwelling house I now live in with the store house adjoining, and the land belonging to the same as now possessed by me, and the still house on the rear of the lot now possessed by Stephen Kibble; Also that part of the said Prospect farm above excepted, adjoining Jacob Le Roy; Also the remaining half of the land and Coach house and stables lately built thereon in Smiths street. To my grandson Nathaniel, son of my son John, my Negro boy named Bill. To my granddaughter, Frances Marston, one of the daughters of my son Nathaniel, deceased, the house and lot on Han-

over Square formerly occupied by Ann Grant and adjoining to a house of John Troup, deceased. To my granddaughter, Mary Marston, the other daughter of my son Nathaniel, the house and lot on Hanover Square now occupied by Sebring and adjoining the house given to her sister Frances, and if either die before marriage then the survivor to have both houses and lots. It is my will that my children divide what plate and furniture I have equally between them, and that my [redacted] is not already given away shall be at liberty to go to such of my children as they shall choose and shall not be valued but given to them clear of any charge. The rest of my estate, real and personal, I give to my children and grandchildren, Thomas Marston, John Marston, Margaret Ogilvie, Francis Marston, and Mary Marston, the said Thomas, John, Frances and Mary Marston to hold each one fifth part, their heirs and assigns forever, and the other fifth part to Margaret Ogilvie for life, and at her death to her said sons Adolph, Frederick and Nathaniel equally divided. But if the said residue of my estate should exceed £40,000 then all above that amount to go to my said sons Thomas and John, besides their equal share in the £40,000. My Executors to sell the residue of my real estate that a just division may be made, and to put at interest the share of my daughter, Margaret Ogilvie, and pay her the yearly interest for life, but at her death the same shall go to her three said sons, if any of them die before their mother his third part to go to my sons, Thomas and John. My said granddaughter's shares to be paid them at their Marriage days and not before, if one should die before marriage half her share to go to her surviving sister and the other half to my sons John and Thomas. I make my said sons, John and Thomas, Executors, and I recommend them to support my two sisters, Mary Marston and Ann Grant, for life, in a handsome manner.

Dated February 8, 1776. Witnesses, Jas. Jauncey

(of New York City, Gentleman), Evert Bancker, Zacharis Sickels.

Codicil, September 12, 1778. Whereas I have given to the Rector and Inhabitants of the City of New York for the charity school £500 to be paid within six weeks after my decease, now I order that the said sum be paid as soon as convenient after my decease out of monies due me upon bonds from Beverly Robinson, and from no other part of my estate. I give to my grandsons, Nathaniel, son of my son Thomas, and Nathaniel, son of my son John, £500 current money of the Island of Jamaica when they are twenty-one, out of monies due me on a bond or mortgage dated July 1, 1773, executed and given me by Nathaniel Grant, late of the Parish of Kingston, County of Surry, in the said Island of Jamaica, Esquire; if my said grandson Nathaniel, son of John, die under age the said £500 to my grandson Thomas, son of my son John, when twenty-one; and if my said grandson Thomas die under age to my grandson John, son of said John, when twenty-one; and if my grandson John dies under age then to be equally divided between all the other children of my said son John when respectively twenty-one years. I will that my said sons, Thomas and John, shall have the interest of their children's shares during their minority, and apply the same for their maintenance and education. I hereby ratify every article of my will not hereby altered.

Witnesses to codicil, Beverly Robinson, Robert R. Waddell, Samuel Jones. Proved, February 1, 1779. Administration granted to Thomas and John Marston by William Tryon, Captain General and Governor in chief of the Province of New York. Provided nevertheless that these Presents shall not be construed to the prejudice of a certain Instrument dated October 3, 1778, purporting to be a codicil of the above will, against the proving whereof a Caveat hath been interposed in the Prerogative office of the Province of New York, the merits of which Caveat remain as yet un-

heard "by reason that my duty as Major General in his Majesty's Army will not afford me leisure duly to hear and determine concerning the same"; And the granting of these presents shall at no time hereafter preclude me or my successors from hearing and deciding upon the said Caveat or proving the said Instrument if upon hearing the merits of the said caveat it shall appear that the said Instrument ought to be proved as a codicil of the last will of Nathaniel Marston, deceased.

Dated Fort George, New York City, February 10, 1779. Recorded, January 16, 1786.

(Signed)

W^m TRYON.

Page 292.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CORNELIUS DUSSOSWAY, of Staten Island, Richmond County, yeoman, being weak and sickly in body. I leave to my dear and loving wife Mary all the farm in the township of Woodbridge, New Jersey, about 900 acres, bounded southerly by the Highway, Westerly by land belonging to Michael Long, Richard Wright, Jun^r, and land formerly belonging to John Pierson, deceased, Northerly by land belonging to Moses Bloomfield, and Easterly by land formerly belonging to Nathaniel Fitz Randolph, Esq^r, deceased, to the only proper use of my said wife for life, and after her decease to be divided between my two sons, Cornelius and Israel, when they attain the age of twenty-one or marry; if both or either of my said sons at my wife's decease be minors then his part to be rented out for his benefit till he arrive at Manhood, if either die before he is twenty-one or married then his part to be equally divided between my surviving daughters. To my wife a Negro Man named Jack, a Negro woman named Ambo, my riding chair and her choice of one of my horses, for life, and at her decease to be divided among my sons and daughters then living by my said wife Mary. To my wife £200, to be paid within two years after my decease. To Israel Dussosway and Mark

Dussosway, the sons of my brother Mark Dussosway, deceased, 450 acres on the west end of Staten Island, part of the plantation on which I at present reside, beginning at a spring inclosed with a gum Barrell below the bank near the old Mansion house which shall be ceded to them or the survivor of them at my decease, and if both shall die before my decease the land to be divided between my surviving sons. To said Israel and Mark half of an Island of salt meadow called the Big Island, lying near Buckwheat Island in the sound that separates Staten Island from the Main Continent of New Jersey, the division line to begin at the river and to run toward the upland easterly, in case they should not live to inherit it the land to go to my sons Cornelius and Israel. To my sons, Cornelius and Israel, when twenty-one years of age, all the residue of my land, salt meadows, etc., in Richmond County, viz.: that plantation or farm on which I reside on the west side of said Island, nearly opposite the City of Perth Amboy, except that bequeathed already, then being after the said deductions about 600 acres, which with the houses, barns, mills, outhouses, etc., I bequeath to them and their heirs forever; Also that piece of salt meadow called the sunken Marsh nearly opposite to the place occupied by Abraham Woglom and contiguous to the Jersey shore, about 14 acres; Also two pieces of salt meadow at Freshkill, and another piece opposite Merrills Mills next the meadow of Abraham Prall; and one half of the Big Island, near Buckwheat Island, to be divided into two equal parts, if either die before possessing the above, the share of the defunct shall belong to the survivor. If both my sons die before twenty-one the lands they were to inherit to be equally divided between my daughters, Anna, Charity, Catharine, Mary, Violetta and Susannah or the survivors. To my son Cornelius my gold watch with the chain and trinkets thereto to be by him preserved in remembrance of the love and affection I bear unto him. To my son Israel, a pair of gold sleeve buttons, and a

silver tankard as a token of my regard towards him; the rest of my silver plate to be divided amongst my daughters Catharine, Mary, Violetta and Susannah, in such manner as my wife shall please. To my daughter Catharine a Negro wench, Phebe; to Mary a Negro wench, Dinah; to Violetta a Negro wench, Peg, and to Susannah a Negro wench, Jenny, when they shall attain the age of eighteen years; Also to my above said four daughters when eighteen £200 each. The remainder of my personal estate shall be equally divided between my sons, Cornelius and Israel, and my daughters, Anna, Charity, Catharine, Mary, Violetta and Susannah. My Executors to dispose of my stock and Negroes or such parts as they think advantageous and the monies to be divided among my sons and daughters, but my household furniture shall not be sold but divided among my wife and daughters Catharine, Mary, Violetta and Susannah equally. Whereas the Education of my children will be of great importance to them in life I order that those deficient in that respect shall at the time of my decease be educated from my estate. My wife shall be permitted to reside in the Mansion house for five years and my youngest daughters till they marry or are eighteen. I make my sons-in-law, Isaac Prall and Joseph Guyon, and my trusty friend, Abraham Bancker, Executors, and my wife Mary, Executrix.

(Signed)

CORNELIUS DISSOSWAY.

Dated October 13, 1785. Witness, Gilbert Jackson (Esquire), Samuel Skinner (yeoman), Caty F. Randolph. Proved, Richmond County, January 4, 1786.

Page 297.—In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS WHITE, of the City of New York, being weak in body. I give the use of my dwelling house with the whole furniture thereof to my beloved wife Ann during her widowhood. My Executors to place at interest £1000 for the purposes hereinafter mentioned, my wife to receive the interest thereof for life, and after her

Dussosway, the sons of my brother Mark Dussosway, deceased, 450 acres on the west end of Staten Island, part of the plantation on which I at present reside, beginning at a spring inclosed with a gum Barrell below the bank near the old Mansion house which shall be ceded to them or the survivor of them at my decease, and if both shall die before my decease the land to be divided between my surviving sons. To said Israel and Mark half of an Island of salt meadow called the Big Island, lying near Buckwheat Island in the sound that separates Staten Island from the Main Continent of New Jersey, the division line to begin at the river and to run toward the upland easterly, in case they should not live to inherit it the land to go to my sons Cornelius and Israel. To my sons, Cornelius and Israel, when twenty-one years of age, all the residue of my land, salt meadows, etc., in Richmond County, viz.: that plantation or farm on which I reside on the west side of said Island, nearly opposite the City of Perth Amboy, except that bequeathed already, then being after the said deductions about 600 acres, which with the houses, barns, mills, outhouses, etc., I bequeath to them and their heirs forever; Also that piece of salt meadow called the sunken Marsh nearly opposite to the place occupied by Abraham Woglom and contiguous to the Jersey shore, about 14 acres; Also two pieces of salt meadow at Freshkill, and another piece opposite Merrills Mills next the meadow of Abraham Prall; and one half of the Big Island, near Buckwheat Island, to be divided into two equal parts, if either die before possessing the above, the share of the defunct shall belong to the survivor. If both my sons die before twenty-one the lands they were to inherit to be equally divided between my daughters, Anna, Charity, Catharine, Mary, Violetta and Susannah or the survivors. To my son Cornelius my gold watch with the chain and trinkets thereto to be by him preserved in remembrance of the love and affection I bear unto him. To my son Israel, a pair of gold sleeve buttons, and a

silver tankard as a token of my regard towards him; the rest of my silver plate to be divided amongst my daughters Catharine, Mary, Violetta and Susannah, in such manner as my wife shall please. To my daughter Catharine a Negro wench, Phebe; to Mary a Negro wench, Dinah; to Violetta a Negro wench, Peg, and to Susannah a Negro wench, Jenny, when they shall attain the age of eighteen years; Also to my above said four daughters when eighteen £200 each. The remainder of my personal estate shall be equally divided between my sons, Cornelius and Israel, and my daughters, Anna, Charity, Catharine, Mary, Violetta and Susannah. My Executors to dispose of my stock and Negroes or such parts as they think advantageous and the monies to be divided among my sons and daughters, but my household furniture shall not be sold but divided among my wife and daughters Catharine, Mary, Violetta and Susannah equally. Whereas the Education of my children will be of great importance to them in life I order that those deficient in that respect shall at the time of my decease be educated from my estate. My wife shall be permitted to reside in the Mansion house for five years and my youngest daughters till they marry or are eighteen. I make my sons-in-law, Isaac Prall and Joseph Guyon, and my trusty friend, Abraham Bancker, Executors, and my wife Mary, Executrix.

(Signed) CORNELIUS DISSOSWAY.

Dated October 13, 1785. Witness, Gilbert Jackson (Esquire), Samuel Skinner (yeoman), Caty F. Randolph. Proved, Richmond County, January 4, 1786.

Page 297.—In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS WHITE, of the City of New York, being weak in body. I give the use of my dwelling house with the whole furniture thereof to my beloved wife Ann during her widowhood. My Executors to place at interest £1000 for the purposes hereinafter mentioned, my wife to receive the interest thereof for life, and after her

death the principal to such child or children of mine as she by her last will shall direct, and for no other purposes whatsoever. To my said wife Ann £200 annually, in quarterly payments so long as my widow in lieu of her right of dower which she must discharge my Executors from by a release explanatory of this my intention and her assent thereto on the first payment thereof; in case of her Intermarrying I give her £500 in consideration of which she is to relinquish half of the said annuity of £200. To my son, Thomas White, £500 and my dwelling house and lot of land and other buildings in Elizabeth Town, New Jersey, in which house Broughton Reynolds heretofore lived, forever in right of his Primogeniture. My children shall be clothed and educated out of the rest of the interest of my estate till they attain the age of twenty-one, or days of marriage, and are to live with their mother till such time arrive if it should be their respective choice, they paying her for such living a reasonable compensation, and such education shall be as good as can be procured in the opinion of my Executors in whose candor and integrity I repose the utmost confidence. It is my desire that my sons be brought up to some profession or business in the choice of which I would have their natural inclinations consulted, and if my youngest son be inclinable to a Military life I would have him indulged therein. The rest of my estate, real and personal, to my five children, Thomas, Matthew, Daniel, Charlotte and Amelia equally divided when twenty-one. In case of the death of any child under age and without intermarrying then the share of him, her or them to revert to the survivors. Nevertheless if either of my said daughters marry before twenty-one years of age with the approbation of my Executors then £1500 be paid to her, the same deducted out of her share of my estate if the same will admit thereof after the losses I have already sustained and my property may hereafter sustain by the Calamities of the present war. I make my wife Ann, my

son, Thomas White, and my friends Alexander Wallace, Robert Ross Waddell, John Thurman and John Kelley, all of New York City, Executors, authorizing them to dispose of any of my real estate (except the house I now live in which is not to be sold till the death or marriage of my wife) whenever they conceive it to be the advantage of my family; and I authorize them to settle by arbitration any disputes that may arise respecting my estate.

No date. Witnesses Honorable Hugh Wallace (Esquire), John Marston (Merchant), John Miller (Merchant), all of New York City. Proved, August 15, 1781, finish this. Recorded, January 20, 1786.

Page 300.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB DUYCKMAN, of the Outward of the City of New York. I leave to my son Jacob £400, which sum he now owes me by bond dated the 26th day of July, 1765, intending hereby that this bequest shall be a full release, and I give him this as a full bar against any claim as my eldest son, and I think it proper here to declare that this together with what I have already paid to and am bound for, for my said son I conceive to be his full share of my estate. All the rest of my personal estate to my dearly beloved wife Jannetie to her sole use forever. To my wife all my real estate for life she maintaining thereout John Kere, Abraham Kere and Elizabeth "Haskins" in the same manner that I have done. After the death of my wife all my real estate to my son, William Duyckman, his heirs and assigns forever, he paying therefor as here directed, £800, after the death of the said John Kere, Abraham Kere and Elizabeth "Hastings" (for whose support my real estate shall remain as security); out of this my debts shall be paid and of what remains of the said £800 I give one fourth part to my son William, and the remaining three fourths I direct my son William to pay in five years after the death of the longest liver of the said John Kere, Abraham Kere and Elizabeth Hastings, to

my three daughters, Charity, the wife of John Vermillier; Rebecca, the wife of Abraham Odle, and Margaret, the wife of Jonathan Odle, that is to say, one fifth of the said remaining three fourths of the said £800, after the payment of my debts, in one year after the death of the longest liver of the said John Kere (etc.), one other fifth thereof in two years after the same, one fifth in three years, one fifth in four years, and the remaining fifth in five years after the death of the said longest liver, which remaining three fourths of the said £800. I give to my said three daughters equally divided between them. And to prevent disputes among my children I here think proper to inform them that I am bound for my son Jacob in two bonds, and in case he should not pay them off in my lifetime, my will is they should be considered as my debts and paid out of the said £800, this clause shall be a complete discharge for my son Jacob for the monies due and to grow due on the said bonds. I make my friends, John Nagle and Jacob Nagle, Executors.

Dated August 10, 1767. Witnesses, Richard Morris, William Nagel (of New York, yeoman), Benjamin Corser, Jr. Proved, June 16, 1774. Administration granted December 23, 1785.

Page 303.—In the name of God, Amen. The 22nd day of January, 1782. I, PETER PRALL, of Staten Island, Richmond County, being sick and weak of body. For the payment of my debts my Executors are to sell the necessary part of my moveable estate, and with the same and with what monies I shall have, or be owing to me at my decease, to pay my said debts. My wife Abigail shall have the benefit and income of all my land during her life or widowhood for the maintenance of my children during their minority, but if she die or marry then my land to be sold and the proceeds to be divided amongst my three daughters, Mary, Elizabeth and Abigail, viz.: to Elizabeth £100 more than to her two sisters, to be paid them as they

shall severally arrive at the age of eighteen. My wife to have the furniture of her room for life, but if she marry then it to be sold and divided among my three daughters or the survivors of them. I make my wife and Isaac Prall, Executors.

Witnesses, John Totten, Joseph Totten (yeoman) Isaac Prall. Proved, Richmond County, January 4, 1786.

Page 305.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ANTHONY BIRD, of Staten Island, Richmond County, being weak in body. All my estate, real and personal, shall be disposed of by my Executors and the monies due and arising from such sale to be put out at interest for the benefit of my children, to wit: My son Anthony shall receive £20 when twenty-one years of age, and the remainder of my estate shall be equally divided amongst my children, that is to say, my son Anthony, one seventh part, my daughters Catherine, Elizabeth and Judiah, and my sons, Abraham, Joshua and Thomas, each one seventh respectively as they come of age. "My will is that my children be put out by my Executors till they shall respectively come of age and be maintained and educated out of such moneys as shall be the parts or share of each." If any of my children die before twenty-one without issue, the share of such to be divided among the survivors. I make Wilhalmus Vreeland and Thomas Seaman, my trusty and well-beloved friends, my Executors. No date.

Witnesses, Peter Amerman (Gent.), Joshua Mersereau, John Mersereau (Esq., Clerk of Richmond County). Proved, Richmond County, January 6, 1786. At the Proof it was sworn that Anthony Bird signed the above will on the 17th or 18th of May, 1785.

Page 307.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WALTER QUACKENBOS, of the City of New York, Baker, being weak in body though of sound and disposing mind. My body to be interred in a Christian like and decent

manner as my beloved wife shall think meet. I leave to my son, Garrit Quackenboss, £5, in consideration of his birthright and as a bar to his pretention of being my heir at law. To my wife Sophia the profits and use of all my estate, real and personal, either in possession or reversion at the time of my decease so long as she remains my widow, with full power to sell my personal estate if she judge it needful for the support of herself and my children; and if the income of my estate and the proceeds of the sale of my personal estate should prove insufficient my will is that then my wife together with my Executors shall have power to dispose of such part of my real estate as shall be sufficient for their support. If my wife shall come to remarry then she shall have besides her wearing apparel £20. After her remarriage or decease all the rest of my estate, real and personal, to my seven children, viz.: Sophia, Garrit, Margret, Cornelia, Marica, Ann and John, equally divided, except that my daughter Marica shall have £15 before any division is made. I make my wife, my daughter Sophia, my son Garrit and my daughter Margret, Executors, desiring that an Inventory of all my Estate be filed in the Surrogate's office within seven weeks after my decease.

Dated January 19, 1785. Witnesses, Joseph Latham, Philip Parisien (of New York, Goldsmith), Nicholas Quackenbush, Junr. Proved, January 17, 1786.

Page 309.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ABRAHAM DURYEA, of Rumbout Precinct, Dutchess County, being weak in body. I will that my beloved wife Antje shall have full power to direct the business which shall or may be required on my homestead farm whereon I now live and take the profits thereof, and the use of all my personal estate, goods and chattels on said farm during her widowhood. To my son Abraham, one gold watch and Negro boy named Rob, about four years of age; Also my farm now in his possession which shall be one half of all my lands in Rumbouts Precinct

aforesaid (except as hereinafter excepted). To my daughter, Antje Van Wyck, the wife of Cornelius Van Wyck, my clock; Also that farm now in my possession which shall contain one half of all my lands lying in Rumbouts (except as is hereinafter excepted). To my grandson, Stephen Duryea Van Wyck (son and heir of Cornelius Van Wyck), my lot of land lying in Rumbouts Precinct aforesaid (which is the lot hereinbefore excepted) bounded Northwardly by the road leading to Wapping Creek landing from Hopewell, Westerly by the land belonging to the heirs of Phillip Ver Planck, deceased, Southeasterly by the road leading from my dwelling house to William B. Algers, containing fourteen acres, with the store house and other improvements. All the rest of my personal estate to my said son Abraham, and my said daughter, Antje Van Wyck, divided between them, at the death of my wife or her remarriage. I make my wife Antje, my son Abraham, my son-in-law, Cornelius Van Wyck, and Peter I. Monfort, Executors.

Dated September 2, 1786. Witnesses, John Honson (of Dutchess County, Miller), Abraham Schenck, Henry Monfoert. Proved, Dutchess County, January 9, 1786. Confirmed New York, January 13, 1786.

Page 312.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MARY GODBY, relict of John Godby, late of the City of New York, at present of sound mind and in perfect health of body but seriously considering how many have been taken away suddenly by the hand of death without settling their temporal affairs, do make this my last will and testament. First I beseech the Almighty to forgive me my sins and to look down with an eye of compassion on me whenever he may be pleased to call for me, and my body deposited wherever my Executor and Executrix may think proper. I leave to my nephew, Peter Van Ranst, whatever sums at the time of my death, may be due me from him. To my God son, Peter Van Ranst, Jr., £20. To Isaac Brinkerhoff, son

of my niece Rachel Brinkerhoff, one half of all the profits that shall be found to have been made from the time he entered into business with me as also the additional sum of £20. The rest of my estate, real and personal, to my beloved niece, Rachel Brinkerhoff. I make my said niece Rachel, Executrix, and her son, Isaac Brinkerhoff, Executor.

Dated May 3, 1782. Witness, Garret H. Van Wageningen (of New York, Ironmonger). Proved, January 19, 1786.

Page 313.—In the name of God, Amen. I, FREGIFT WELLS, of Southold, Suffolk County, well in body and of sound mind. I leave to my beloved wife Anna all my personal estate to use and improve as she shall see proper during her life, and whatever part shall not be disposed of by her to my daughter Anna, and my granddaughter Ketura, equally divided: To my son, Giles Wells, the house and land on which I now live, on the west side of the road extending southward to the partition fence, excepting the west room in my said house which I give to my daughter Anna while unmarried. Also to my son Giles half of my fresh meadow on the east side of the road, and all my land adjoining the meadow northward. Also a lot and a half on Hogneck, North Division, and half of all my Creek Thatch in South Harbour, and one right in the Common Creek Thatch. To my son Joshua the other half of my said meadow on the east side of the road, and all my land adjoining the said meadow southward and also the lands on the west side of the road southward of the aforesaid Partition fence and the land above devised to my son Giles, also four lots in South Harbour containing about forty acres, also four acres which I bought of Israel Case, also a right of land in the general field at Indian Neck and half of my Creek Thatch in South Harbour, and one right in the common Creek Thatch, and "half a right of land" in St. George's Manor. To my son, Jonathan Wells, the

house and lands in Hog Neck on which he now lives and which I bought of John Dickinson, also all my lands in the Middle division in the said neck, and one lot of land in the north division in the same, and three rights in the common creek thatch. All my just debts to be paid equally by my said sons, Giles, Joshua and Jonathan, and if any should neglect or refuse to pay his proportion then so much of my land given him in this will I order to be sold as will be sufficient to pay it.

Dated August 10, 1784. No Executors named. Witnesses, John Drake, Ebenezer Jennings (both weavers) and James Overton. Proved, Suffolk County, January 9, 1786. Administration granted, as no Executors were appointed, to Thomas, Joshua and Jonathan Wells, all of Southold, yeomen, sons of Fregift Wells, late of the same place, yeoman, New York, January 22, 1786.

Page 316.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DANIEL TUTHILL, of Southold, Suffolk County, yeoman, being weak in body. I leave to my son, James Tuthill, my lands, meadows and buildings, he paying to my son John £40, and to my son Daniel £20, within one year after my decease. I give to all my children, namely, John, Daniel, James, Mehetable Hempstead, Mary Pain and Lydia Tuthill, all my moveable estate after my debts and funeral expenses are paid equally between them. I appoint my son James and my nephew, Samuel Tuthill, Executors.

Dated November 25, 1783. Witnesses, Isaiah Tuthill (yeoman, of Southold), Isaiah Wells (yeoman, of Southold), Daniel Wells (Esquire, of Southold). Proved, Suffolk County, December 24, 1785. Confirmed, New York, January 21, 1786.

Page 318.—The nuncupative and last will and testament of Hannah Wells, widow of William Wells, of Southold, Suffolk County, late deceased, made at her

dwelling house on the 9th day of April, 1785, in her last sickness, and committed to writing within six days after her decease, in the presence of the subscribing witnesses who have hereunto set their names the 16th day of said month of April. I, HANNAH WELLS leave to Martha Wickham a note of hand I have against her and all the money thereon due. To Sarah Ely and Esther Wells five pounds each; £10 to each of the children of Benjamin Wade, deceased (not named). All my wearing apparel to my sister Elizabeth Cook, of Brandford, Connecticut, and my niece, Jehannah Fordom, of Southampton, equally divided. All the remainder of my estate to my brother, Thomas White, of New Work in the Jersies, my said sister of Brandford, and my said niece, Jehannah Fordham, equally divided. Benjamin Wells, of Southold, Executor.

Witnesses, Benjamin Wells, James Wells (both yeoman), and Mary Reeve. Proved, Suffolk County, May 9, 1785. On December 9, 1785, Sarah Ely, of Suffolk County, "spinstress" also swore to the above nuncupative will. Confirmed, New York, January 21, 1786.

Page 320.—In the name of God, Amen. The 13th day of January, 1772. I, JOHN TERRY, of Southold, Suffolk County, Colony of New York, farmer. I leave to my son Joseph a lot of land containing five acres part of the farm where I now live, bounded northerly and easterly by my own land, southerly by the Highway and westerly by the land of Joseph Kingland; Also half an acre fronting the Highway upon the south side, bounded westerly by the land of Joseph Patty, southerly and easterly by my own land (be it observed the five acre lot must not come within three rods of the barn); Also four acres in the upper neck bounded by Thomas Vail on the west and Daniel Tuthill on the east, and the Highway on the south; Also two acres of meadow bounded on the east by Jeremiah Vail; Also a privilege on Long Beach; Also

one cow. To my son Jeremiah a lot of land in Easthamton, bounded easterly by the lane of Daniel Daton, and westerly by the land of Stephen Vail from the cleft as far as the cross fence only reserving a highway for my son John; Also my right of commons at Easthampton, with a privilege upon Long Beach, and one cow. To my son John all my land and meadow in Oyster pond except that bequeathed to Joseph and Jeremiah, with the buildings; Also a lot of woodland in Easthampton, bounded northerly by the land bequeathed to Jeremiah, easterly and southerly by the land of Daniel Daton and westerly by the land of Stephen Vail; and my son John should have a privilege of highway to his land; Also land in the upper neck about three acres, with all my right of Commons in Southold. If my son John dies without lawful issue the farm on which I now live shall be equally divided between my sons, Joseph and Jeremiah, the western part for Joseph and the Eastern for Jeremiah, with the house and barn. To each of my daughters £30 each with what they have had. My daughter Mehitable and my sister Sarah who are yet unmarried shall have a privilege in my house, so long as single. My sons Joseph and Jeremiah, Executors.

Witnesses, Joseph Lee, Asa King (of Southold, yeoman), Barnabas Tuthill (of Southold, yeoman). The "foleing" was written before signing that I give my son, Jeremiah Terry, a lot of land south of my wood lot at Easthampton and bounded by Daniel Daitonn, likewise if my son John die without lawful issue one lot in upper neck at North side to the above.

Witnesses, Lydia Tuthill, Joseph Lee, Asa King, Barnabas Tuthill. Proved, Suffolk County, December 2, 1785. Confirmed, New York, January 21, 1786.

Page 322.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SARAH MORRIS, of Morrisania. I leave to my son, Gouverneur Morris, £1500 as an equivalent of two lots of land in the City of New York conveyed to my daughters. To

my son Gouverneur and to my daughter, Euphemia Ogden, each £1000, and to my granddaughter, Catharine Ashfield, £900, these legacies being an equivalent for sums I have already advanced for my Eldest daughter, Isabella Wilkins, more than for my said son or either of my said daughters, "Sarah" or Euphemia, therefore it is my will that each of these legacies last mentioned shall bear an interest of six per cent per annum from the date of this my last will till paid. All my lands and tenements to be sold. The rest of my estate to be equally divided between my three children, Gouverneur, Isabella and Euphemia, and my granddaughter, Catharine Ashfield, one fourth to each. To my grandson, Lewis Ashfield, the monies due me by Vincent Pierce Ashfield, his father. To each of my granddaughters, Sarah and Joanna Wilkins, £100. As a token of affection I do give the following to wit: to my said son Gouverneur, one large damask table cloth and one dozen large damask napkins. To my daughter Isabella Wilkins, my chariot with the harness and my wedding ring. To my daughter Euphemia, my four wheeled chaise with the harness, and my gold watch. To my granddaughter, Catherine Ashfield, my rings and jewels of every kind, but if she should die under fifteen years then the same to my daughters, Isabella and Euphemia. In like manner to my niece, Mary Ashfield, a small dressing box which formerly belonged to her family. To my niece, Joanna Moore, the wife of Mr. Nathaniel Moore, my red damask gown and £100, which sum to her children if she die before me. To my granddaughter, Sarah Wilkins, my garnet colored damask gown. To Mrs. Mary Lawrence, the daughter of my late Husband, her own and her husband's pictures to be given to such of her children as she shall direct, and in default of such direction to her eldest son. All my wearing apparel, linen, and household furniture not hereinbefore disposed to my two daughters, Isabella and Euphemia, equally divided, each paying therefor

£75 to my granddaughter, Catherine Ashfield. To my said daughter Isabella, my negro girl Hannah, to my daughter Euphemia, my Negro Boy Andrew, and to my granddaughter, Catherine Ashfield, my Negro girl Nanny. I appoint my said son Gouverneur, and my sons-in-law, Isaac Wilkins and Samuel Ogden, Executors.

Dated June 9, 1783. Witnesses, Isaac Gouverneur (of New York City, Merchant), Lewis Morris, Nicholas Ogden.

Codicil. Upon reexamining the accounts of monies advanced to my children in my will mentioned I find £180 had been paid to Vincent Pierce Ashfield more than I had supposed; I therefore order that the £900 above mentioned to my granddaughter, Catherine Ashfield, be reduced to £720, and that £180 with six per cent interest from the 9th of June last be paid her out of the bonds and bills bequeathed to my grandson, Lewis Ashfield. Date of Codicil, November 24, 1783.

Witnesses to Codicil, Isaac Gouverneur, Mary Murray. Proved, January 26, 1786.

Page 325.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES SEE, of the Manor of Phillips Burgh, Westchester County, being in tolerable health of body. I will that Catherine See, my widow, shall have possession of my farm as long as she is my widow. I will that my son, James See and Isaac See, shall have the farm equally divided between them two, and shall both maintain my widow "as long as she remains so well if they dont the possession may be disposed of at the discretion of my Executors for her maintenance." James See and Isaac See shall pay to my son Powles £10 each. To Catherine, Hester, Ever and Hannah See all my household furniture equally divided.

Dated December 22, 1784. Witnesses, Isaac G. Graham (of Phillips Manor, Physician), Hendric Banker (of Phillips Manor, yeoman).

Executors added after signature, Catherine See, my

widow, James and Isaac See, my sons. Proved, Westchester County, January 19, 1786.

Page 327.—Administration granted on the estate of Whitehead Hicks, deceased, whose will was proved at Queens County, November 18 instant, to Charlotte Hicks and David Colden, Esquire. Executrix and Executor of said will, November 26, 1780.

Page 327.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WHITEHEAD HICKS, of Flushing, Queens County, Nassau Island, being in a poor state of health. I leave to my son John my farm whereon I now live at Bayside in Flushing, on these conditions that he pay to my son, Thomas Hicks, £500. To my three sons, John, Thomas and Elias Hicks, my land in Cumberland County or elsewhere the aforesaid farm excepted, equally divided. All my Plate, slaves, household furniture, stock, farming utensils and personal estate to my loving wife, Charlotte Hicks, my daughter, Margaret Hicks, and my aforesaid three sons, John, Thomas and Elias, equally divided. I appoint my wife, Henry BreVoort, Hon^{ble} William Esqr, Chief Justice of ye Province of New York, and David Colden, Esqr, of Flushing my Executors.

Dated October 1, 1780. Witnesses, Joseph Lawrence (yeoman), Thos. Willett, Scott Hicks (yeoman). Proved, Queens County, November 18, 1780.

Page 329.—I, CADWALLADER COLDEN, Esquire, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of New York, do make this my last will and testament. My just debts to be paid by my Executors. Whereas I have a right to the sixth part of the minerals and "oars" in a tract of 12000 acres on the Mohawks River which I formerly held in common with Lewis Morris, James Alexander and others, and likewise a right in the sixth part of the oars and minerals in several tracts on the west side of Catskill Mountains, which I held in common with Vincent Mathews and others, and have like-

wise reserved the minerals and oars in several tracts of land which I have sold, I give to my grandson, Richard Nicolls Colden, all my right in the said minerals. I give to my son David my Negro slaves, horses, oxen and stock of cattle of all sorts, together with all Carts and waggons and other implements of husbandry, and my household or table furniture including silver Plate, bed and bedding. "I give all my manuscript and printed books to my son David." Whereas my sons, Alexander and Cadwallader, owe me money on bonds my will is that these bonds be annulled provided no demands be made on my estate on any amount presumed to be due to them. After my debts and funeral expenses are paid all my personal estate in money, bonds, or notes not above bequeathed be divided equally, one fifth thereof to my son Cadwallader, one fifth to my son David, one fifth to my daughter Elizabeth De Lancey, one fifth to the children of my son Alexander, deceased, and the remaining fifth to the children of my daughter, Alice Willet, deceased. Wherea I have conveyed to my son Cadwallader, my lands at Coldinghem, and to my son David, my lands in the Township of Flushing I give all my remaining lands, one fifth each to my sons, Cadwallader and David, and one fifth to my daughter, Elizabeth De Lancey, and one fifth to the children of my son Alexander, and one fifth to the children of my daughter, Alice Willet, deceased. My Executors as soon as convenient shall divide my real estate into five shares in quantity and quality to the best of their judgement nearly equal, and having numbered the shares shall by lots drawn in the presence of two or more reputable persons assign the shares to themselves and the children of my son Alexander and of my daughter Alice which shall by lot fall to them, and my will is that the above shall each hold the shares assigned to them forever. And whereas it may be proper to make a more equal division of my estate I empower my Executors to sell all or part of my lands and distribute the proceeds to

the use for which the said lands are divided. The legacies to the children of my daughter Alice out of my personal estate to be paid them respectively at the age of twenty-one or at their marriage; the money meantime to be put at Interest for their use severally. If any of the said children die before they are twenty-one or marry then the share of such child shall pass to the survivors of them. Whereas I did convey 400 acres to my granddaughter, Alice Willet, by mistake, which from the motive I had in doing it ought to have been to my sister Anne my will is that 400 pounds be deducted from the share of said Alice and given to her sister Anne, unless she convey the 400 acres to her sister Anne. My will is that my body be interred in a private manner with as little expense as with common decency may be. I appoint my sons, Cadwallader and David, and my daughter, Elizabeth De Lancey, Executors.

Dated May 20, 1775. And before the sealing of my will and to prevent any misunderstanding I declare that the expense of supporting my family, including my son David, his wife and children, and of the improvement of the farm at Springhill has been paid during my life or shall be paid out of my estate, and no part thereof shall be chargeable to my son David.

Witnesses, Geo. Banyar, Thom^s Lawson, Robert Cornell. The above will was declared by the within-named Cadwallader Colden, Esq^r, for his last will and testament the 7th day of August, 1776, in the presence of us the subscribers, Robert Doughty (of Queens County, yeoman and quaker) Benjⁿ Underhill, Edmund Underhill. Proved, March 15, 1779. Administration granted to Cadwallader and David Colden, Fort George, New York, April 28, 1779. Recorded, January 29, 1786.

Page 332.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CORNELIUS KRUSEN, of the County of Richmond, yeoman, being at present in a poor state of health of body. I leave to

my son Henry £210, to be paid him immediately after my decease. To my grandchildren, the children of my said son Henry, my place or plantation in Mapletown at Raritan in the Province of New Jersey, whereon he now lives, divided equally between them, male and female alike, and if any of them die before twenty-one years of age their share to go to the survivors, but my son Henry to live on the said plantation for life. Also to said children of said Henry £400, to be raised out of the money due for the mills I sold at Rocky hill at Raritan, divided equally, and if any die before twenty-one their share to the survivors; But if my son Henry die before his wife Elizabeth, and she should claim or have a dower right in the mills which her said husband suffered the sheriff to sell then the dower shall be paid out of the said £400, and the residue to my grandchildren. I give to my son Abraham that lot of land on Staten Island whereon John Stilwell now lives, being part of the patent granted to John Vincent containing 26½ acres; Also all the residue of the money due or as shall become due from the sale of my mills at Rocky hill, after the said legacy of £400 is paid; Also to my son Abraham £200, raised out of my moveable estate. I give to my son Cornelius the remaining part of my real estate, land and salt meadow on Staten Island and elsewhere, that is the farm on which I now live, also the farm on which the said Cornelius now lives, and the woodland thereunto belonging; Also half of all the cattle and horses belonging to me and my son Cornelius being undivided. My executors are empowered to sell all my personal estate, the proceeds to pay my debts and funeral expenses; Also the £200 to my said son Abraham; Also £210 to my son Henry aforesaid, the remainder to be equally divided between my three sons, Henry, Abraham and Cornelius. I appoint my dearly beloved children, Abraham and Cornelius Krusen, and my trusty friend, Wilhelmus Vreeland, Executors.

Dated June 25, 1782. Witnesses, Admⁿ Bancker (Sir-

rogate of Richmond County), Abraham Rolph (yeoman), Abr^m Bancker (sheriff of Richmond County).

Codicil dated January 26, 1784. If my son Cornelius should happen to die before me then all the estate, real and personal, devised to him, shall be equally divided between my grandchildren John and Lana, the children of my said son Cornelius.

Witnesses to Codicil same as to will. Proved, Richmond County before Adrian Bancker, Surrogate, January 19, 1786.

Page 335.—In the name of God, Amen. I, AURT MASTEN, of Charlotte Precinct, Dutchess County, yeoman, in health and perfect memory, do this 29th day of August, 1783, make my last will. I give my wife twelve pounds per annum if she should require it for her maintenance, during her remaining my widow, to be raised out of my estate or more if necessity should call for it during her widdowship to me. And for the remainder of my estate, real and personal, I give to my son, Jacobus Masten, eight shillings to be raised out of my estate as his birthright "ver birtem et Literatim," also to him one or an eleventh part of my estate; to my son Samuel one or an eleventh part; Also to my sons Jeremiah, Abraham, Peter and John, the same proportion each to my daughters Maria, wife to Johannis Van Aken; Geertje Masten, Elizabeth, wife to Gideon Aken, also, and eleventh part to my granddaughters Mary, Marretje and Elizabeth (daughters of my son Dirck); Also the same to my daughter Anateje, wife to John Cammel. If any of the above sons or daughters should depart this life without an heir before a division is made then his, her, or their part is to be equally divided as beforesaid Consonant to justice and equity. I make my trusty friends, Dirck Van Vliet, Abraham Freligh and my son, Samuel Masten, my Executors, they empowered to sell my estate at their pleasure within two years after my decease, and after paying my funeral charges and

other lawful debts and retaining so much for the maintenance of my widow, or taking obligations from the said my sons and daughters for the maintenance of my widow, then to make a division of the remainder, reserving a cow which my daughter Geertje ought to have exclusive of her eleventh part.

(Signed) AART MASTEN.

Witnesses, Johannes Freligh, Moses Powell, Abraham Freligh (farmer). Proved, Dutchess County, October 11, 1785. Confirmed, New York, February 2, 1786.

Page 338.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CHRISTOPHER YATES, of the township of Schenectady, being weak in body. I will that my beloved wife Jannetie shall have the income and profits of all my estate while she remains my widow under the following restrictions, and that I may be better understood I do hereby declare that all my children, namely, Elizabeth, Eva, Magdaleen, Joseph, Hendricus, Andries, Anna, Jellis and John, the children I have reason to think my wife is pregnant of, shall be served out of my estate as nearly equal as Convenient to be maintained and educated, and at marriage to have an outset such as my Executors shall judge proper, and for the more effectual carrying this into execution I give them full power to sell part of my estate. I hereby appoint my beloved wife Janetie, my brother, Jellis Yates, my son, Jellis Fonda, my brother-in-law, Cornelius Van Dyck, Johannes Peck and Gerret Veder to be my Executors.

Dated August 23, 1785. Witnesses, Hunloke Woodruff (of Albany, Esquire), William Mead, Ab^m Yates, Jun^r. Proved, Albany County, November 14, 1785. Confirmed, New York, February 6, 1786.

Page 339.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ARENT N. V. PETTE, of the town of Schenectady, being weak in body, do this 13th day of June, 1785, make my last

will. I leave to my two sons, Nicolas and John, all my Blacksmiths tools. To my two daughters, Marya and Janetie, their mother's bed, bedstead, curtains and everything thereto belonging. To my four children all my estate, equally divided. I make Abraham Oothout and Mickel Tyms both of Schenectady, my Executors.

Witnesses, John Js. Wemple, Neicolaes Van Petten (of Schenectady, yeoman), Adem Ecker. Proved, Albany County, January 28, 1786.

Page 341.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES BUCHANAN, of the City of New York, Merchant. First I declare that the lot of ground at the corner of Water street and De Peyster street in New York City, lately purchased by me, the deeds and papers respecting which are made out in my name, only is the joint property of Charles Smith, my partner in trade, and myself, and it is my intention so soon as the papers can be drawn up to convey the said lot to Charles Smith for the use of the house of James Buchanan and Co. to whom the same doth to all intents and purposes belong. All demands against me shall be paid immediately after my decease. I leave to my brother, David Buchanan, of Montrose, in that part of Great Britain called Scotland, all the property, real and personal, of which I am possessed subject to the following legacies: To my nephew, James Buchanan, son of my said brother David, £500 when twenty-one years of age, to my nephew, John Buchanan, son of my said brother, £100 when twenty-one. To my mother, Elizabeth Buchanan, now living in Montrose, the yearly sum of £15 to be paid by my brother David, "this small bequest as a mark of my affection and gratitude to so good and kind a parent"; Also to my sister, Margaret Buchanan, £25 yearly to be paid her during her life whether she remain single or marry by my brother David, these two annuities to commence from the day of my decease. I make my partner in trade, Charles

Smith, my sole Executor "confiding and relying upon his proved integrity and honor," and granting him the power if he shall think proper to appoint any other person or persons to act with him as Executor.

Dated February 1, 1786. Witnesses, Carlile Pollock, Geo. Draper, Patrick O'Brien (of N. Y. City, Gentleman). Proved, February 9, 1786.

Page 342.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL HORNER, of the City of New York, Printer. After all my just debts are paid I give all my right and share of the Printing Materials of the office, possessed by William Morton and myself; Also the neat profits of one half the produce of the "New York Morning Post or Daily Advertiser" to Benjamin Horner and Pleasant Horner, my brother and sister. I make as Executor Daniel Carter, of the City of New York, Painter and Glazier.

Dated January 10, 1786. Witnesses, John Swaine (of N. Y. City, Printer), Frans Childs. Proved, February 11 1786.

Page 245.—In the name of God, Amen. I, GEORGE CODMUS, of Pamapog, Bergen County, New Jersey, yeoman, being at present in Good health. I give to my eldest son, George Codmus, all my farm consisting of about 340 acres now in the possession of my Tenant, Barent Waldron, situated at Tappan, formerly in Orange County, New York but now in the said County of Bergen in the eastern division of the Province of New Jersey, to hold the said farm to my son George, his heirs and assigns forever, subject to the payment of such legacies as hereinafter are charged thereon. I give to my son George my Negro man called Tom. To my sons, Dirk and Caspar Codmus, equally divided between them, all that my dwelling house, farm and lands and salt meadow at Pamapogh in the Precinct or Corporation of Bergen and at Bergen Point, and also my salt meadow in the said Eastern division of New Jersey on the west side of Newark

Bay with all my farming utensils belonging to the said farm to be taken possession of by my said two last mentioned sons when Caspar the youngest of them shall be twenty-one, subject to the payment of such legacies as are herein charged on their respective shares of my farm. To my son Dirck, my Negro Tite, and to my son Caspar my Negro girl Marjs. To my daughter Janneke, the wife of Jacob Vreelandt, £300, to be paid her by my son George within three years "next after a peace shall take place between Great Britain and America or the Present War between them shall be discontinued which shall first happen" the payment of which sum I expressly charge on my real estate devised to said George; Also to said Janneke my Negro girl Sarah, now in her possession. To my daughter Jannetje, the wife of Garret Vreelandt, £300, to be paid her by my said son Dirck within one year after he shall be twenty-one, which is charged on the real estate devised to said Dirck; Also to Jannetje my Negro wench Peg, now in her possession. To my daughter, Matje Codmus, £300, to be paid her by my son Caspar within one year after he shall be twenty-one, which is charged on the real estate devised to said Caspar; Also to Matje my Negro girl Susan. To my dearly beloved wife Janneke to her own use £100 out of my personal estate and two cows of her own choice, My Negro girl Phill, and all my household furniture she brought to me on her marriage. Also she (she so long remaining my widow) to have the use and profits of my said dwelling house, farm and meadows and farming utensils given to my sons Dirck and Caspar, and the use of two horses, until Caspar is twenty-one, for her own support and education of my said sons, Dirck and Caspar, and my daughter Matje until the said Caspar shall be twenty-one, and then if my wife shall at that time remain my widow, I give to her from that time £30 annually during her widowhood, £15 thereof to be paid by my son George, and £15 to be paid equally by Dirck and Caspar. To my daughter

Matje £50, out of the residue of my personal estate to be paid her within six months after her marriage, or when twenty-one years old. The rest of my estate to all my children equally divided. If any of my sons die under twenty-one years of age without lawful issue I give all the estate devised to such son or sons to my other surviving children equally divided. If Matje die under twenty-one unmarried I give her legacy to my other two daughters, and if either of them be then dead her share to go to her children. I make my wife Janneke, my son George, and my sons-in-law, Jacob Vreelandt and Garret Vreeland, Executors.

Dated June 27, 1779. Witnesses, Tobias Stoutenburgh (of New York City, Baker), Samuel Bard, Benjⁿ Kissam. Proved, April 10, 1781, New York. Recorded, February 14, 1786.

Page 348.—In the name of God, Amen. I, CAPT. JOHN CONCKLIN, of Poghkeepsie Precinct, in Dutchess County, being in good health but in an advanced age. I leave to my daughter Susanna £40, and to my two granddaughter Johanna and Mary daughters of my daughter Ann, deceased, £40, that is, to Johanna £25 and Mary £15. As I have paid for my son-in-law, Teunis Tappen, who is married to my daughter Hester, upwards of £100, therefore if he shall ever pay me or my Executors that money, then I will give to Hester £40. To my son Matthew my farming utensils, as waggon, sleighs, plows, etc. The above "bequests" not to be paid till after my estate be sold and the money received. All my wife's bedding and wearing apparel after her decease to my two daughters and two granddaughters each share alike, that is, my two granddaughters instead of their mother one share between them. To my son John my Dutch Bible for his birthright. My will is that my Executors sell all my real and personal estate, and the money after the above bequests be paid I give to my seven sons (to wit), John, Lawrence, David, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob

and Matthew, each share and share alike, upon this trust nevertheless that my sons do provide a competent and sufficient maintenance for my wife during her life, she to have her choice with whom or where to live, on their not complying herewith a sum from the sale of my estate shall be paid her, sufficient for a comfortable support for her for life, and after her death what shall be left to be divided equally among my seven sons. I make my sons John, Lawrence, David, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Matthew, Executors.

Dated August 5, 1785. Witnesses, Jacob Westervelt, John L. Concklin, Matthew L. Concklin (Farmer). Proved, Dutchess County, December 31, 1785. Confirmed, New York, February 14, 1786.

Page 351.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN RAINOR, of Hempsted, yeoman, being in perfect sense and understanding. I leave to my well-beloved wife Phebe one full half of my land and meadow during her widowhood, also two cows. To my two daughters, Sarah and Elizabeth, £80 each; Also one cow for each and every one of my children, namely, John, David, Whitehead, Sarah and Elizabeth. I will that all my corn on the ground and in store be for the use of the family. I also will and bequeath and positively order that my eldest son, John, shall have twenty shillings for his birthright; Also that when my youngest son, Whitehead Rayner, come to twenty one years of age then my land and meadow shall be equally divided between my three sons, John, David and Whitehead, and if any die before twenty one then between the survivors. As to my stock of cattle that has not been given, and horses, sheep and hogs and household goods I order that the whole be equally divided between my wife Phebe and my children. I make my wife, and John my son, and neighbor known by the name of "Long Benjamin Smith," Executors.

Dated January 30, 1786. Witnesses, R. Ellison Junr (of South Hempstead, schoolmaster), James Searing,

Robert Dingee (of South Hempstead, schoolmaster). Proved, Queens County, February 15, 1786.

Page 353.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN ALBURTUS of New Town, Queens County, Nassau, yeoman, being at this time low and weak of body. All such debts and duties as I owe in law or conscience to be lawfully paid, and my funeral charges out of my movable estate such as can best be spared and sold. I give to my two sons, Thomas and William Alburtus, the rest of my estate, real and personal, their heirs and assigns forever, after paying such legacies hereafter mentioned. To my four daughters £400, to remain to them and each of them forever, that is to say, £100 to Mary Springsteen, the wife of David, to be paid by my two sons one year after they have possession of my farm; £100 to Elizabeth Alburtus in one year following; £100 to Sarah Alburtus in one year following; and £100 to Nancy Alburtus in one year following, which will be five years after my sons have got in possession of my estate. If any of my daughters die in their nonage without lawful issue, then their share to be divided between the surviving sisters. My widow shall give my wearing apparel to whom she pleases. I order that my said two sons pay £120 to the Elders of the Presbyterian Church of Newtown, one year after that legacy to my daughter Nancy. If one of my sons die in his nonage without issue one half of his part shall go to the surviving brother and the other half to my surviving daughters, equally divided, and if my sons do not comply with the above orders, then my executors are to sell such part of my estate as most convenient, and the money to go for the said legacies. The profits from my estate till my youngest son comes of age I give to my widow for the bringing up of my children. I make my trusty friends, Capt. Samuel Moore, Anthony Betts, and Samuel Moore 3rd, Executors.

(Signed) JOHN ALBURTUS, his mark.

Dated October 4, 1780. Witnesses, William Leverich (of Newtown, yeoman), Sackett Leverich, Samuel Leverich. Proved, Queens County, October 9, 1784. Recorded, February 16, 1786.

Page 355.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIZABETH HAZARD, JUN^r, of Newtown, Queen's County, Nassau Island, in good health. All my debts and duties I owe in law and conscience to be paid, also my funeral expenses, and for this my Executors are to dispose of sufficient of my estate. I give to my beloved mother, Elizabeth Hazard, Sen^r, and my beloved sister, Pamela Hazard, all the rest of my estate equally to be and to remain to them. I make my loving Uncles, John Moore, Jun^r and Joseph Lawrence, Executors, and my mother, Elizabeth Hazard, Sen^r, Executrix.

Dated April 17, 1776. Witnesses, Sarah Culver (of Newtown, spinster), James Moore, Samuel Moore 3rd. Proved, February 9, 1786, Queens County.

Page 356.—In the name of God, Amen. The 19th day of July, 1784. I, ABRAHAM SLINGERLAND, of the County of Albany and Collony of Renselearwyck, yeoman, being sick and weak in body. I give to my son Tunis £10 after my wife's decease or marriage in right of Primogeniture. To my beloved wife Rebecca, all my real and personal estate for life or till remarriage. To my two beloved sons, Peter and Abraham, all that estate I have at Norman Kill where I now live "with utentiels thereunto belonging together with the saw mill and fulling mill and utentiels to them belonging," after my wife's death or remarriage. "Each of my two sons" after my wife's death or remarriage shall be paid £100, namely, my sons Albert and Stephen, and they shall be given common schooling out of my estate, and be put to a trade, and maintained till twenty-one. I order that my two daughters, namely, Catriena and Marytje, shall have at the day of their marriage an outset to the value of sixty pounds and if they or either of them remain unmar-

ried till my wife's decease then £60, but if Marytje happen not to marry she be maintained by the rest of my heirs out of my estate if she should be in want. To my beloved children, namely: Tunis, Peter, Albert, Abraham, Stephen, Catriena and Marytje, the rest of my estate after my wife's decease or remarriage, equally divided. To my said two daughters my household furniture and my wife's wearing apparel after her decease. I make my wife and my sons, Peter and Abraham, my Executors.

Witnesses, Christena Slingerland, Fester Slingerland, Jacob De Garmo (of Albany, Cordwainer). Proved, January 23, 1786, Albany. Confirmed, February 17, 1786.

Page 359.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIAS KIP, of New York City, Cooper, being sick. I give to my dear and loving wife and my son Abraham all my estate divided between them, but if my son should die before he arrive at the age of twenty-one years then the whole to my wife, her heirs and assigns forever. I make my wife Elizabeth, Benjamin Haight and Henry Dufouer my friends, Executors.

Dated December 31, 1785. Witnesses, Samuel Bradhurst, William Day (Grocer), Jacob Day (Cartman). Proved, February 22 1786.

Page 361.—In the name of God, Amen. The 20th day of January, 1786. I, WILLMAN HALLSEY, of Southampton, Suffolk County, being sick in body. I give to Ruth, my beloved wife, all the household goods and furniture she brought with her when we were married, and two cows, one horse, ten sheep, one axe, one hoe, one scythe, fork, rake and spade, my great Bible, and all my fire wood about my house and two hogs and improvement of one third of my lands, meadows and buildings and commonage that I did possessed. To my two daughters, viz.: Susannah and Jane, one feather bed and furniture each and £100, also a privilege to live in my house so long as single. My Executors shall

sell that piece of land I bought of my brother John at "Scuttle Hole" known by the name of the "Great Hollow Lot," containing $24\frac{1}{4}$ acres, and that piece of land I bought of William Ludlam adjoining the narrow mill pond. To my son Barzille Hallsey, my house, barn and home lot, the whole which I bought of Henry Ludlam and my meadow and half a fifty of commonage, one feather bed, and my orchard at Scuttle Hole containing about two acres and about four acres of "an amendment No^r 7" and a piece of land at the north end of the blank lot, about 7 acres, and a piece of land known by the name of Mitchels Lot containing $5\frac{1}{4}$ acres. To my two younger sons, Silvanus and Wilman, one feather bed and furniture between them both, and to Silvanus half of my Scuttle hole land, and my north side lot known by the name of "Sayrs lot" adjoining Moses Rose. And to my son William the north half of my Scuttle hole land except the two acres above mentioned; Also my north side lot known by the name of "Nell lot." I give a sufficiency of provisions whether in my house, barn or fields to the support of my family for one year, and will further that the surplus money from the sale of my estate as above said shall be divided between my wife and my two youngest sons. I make my wife and my brother, William Rogers, Executors. (Signed) WILMUN HALLSEY.

Witnesses, David Hallsey (yeoman), Moses Rose (yeoman), Joseph Goldsmith.

Codicil. Whereas one half of fifty of Commonage which I hold in Southampton was not disposed of in my above will I give the same to my two youngest sons, Silvanus and Willim Hallsey. Witnesses, James White, Moses Rose, Joseph Goldsmith. Proved, Suffolk County, February 4, 1786. Confirmed, New York, February 27, 1786.

Page 363.—In the name of God, Amen. The 1st day of September, 1785. I, SILAS HALLSEY, of Southampton, Suffolk County, farmer, being well in body and of

sound mind. I give to Susanah my beloved wife the use and improvement of half my real estate so long as my widow; Also my Negro girl Dinah, the best bed and furniture in the house, one good cow; and all my provisions in my house, barn or fields I give for the support of my family for one year; to my wife also £20. To my daughter, Susannah Howell, £20. To my daughter, Catharine Hallsey, £60 and one good bed and furniture. To my son, Silas Hallsey, Jun^r, all my lands, buildings and rights of Commonage in the Township of Southampton, and all my moveable estate not given away above. I appoint my wife and my son, Silas Hallsey, Jun., my Executors.

Witnesses, Hannah Goldsmith (spinster), Betsey Goldsmith (spinster), Joseph Goldsmith (Blacksmith). Proved, January 24, 1786, Suffolk County. Confirmed, February 27, 1786, New York.

Page 366.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JONAH SANDFORD, of Southampton, Suffolk County, yeoman, being weak in body. I give to my beloved wife Martha the use and improvement of my lands, buildings and all my real estate for twelve years from the date of this my last will, excepting the lands I order to be sold by my Executors. Also I give her two cows, ten bushells of wheat, ten of Indian Corn, two best feather beds and bedding answerable; Also the use of all the goods and furniture I have had with her till my daughter shall be eighteen. To my daughter Sarah the whole of the goods and furniture I have had by my wife (except the two beds, etc., above) when eighteen years of age; Also £30 in cash. To my son, James Montgomery, my now dwelling house and home lot with all the buildings thereon (my shop excepted) after the twelve years improvement by my wife as above said; Also my lot of woodland adjoining Matthew Halsey and Abraham Halsey containing about seven acres. To my son, John Monmouth, my lot of land lying eastward of my house containing about 22 acres, after the twelve years

improvement by my wife. The rest of my lands, meadows and commonages not otherwise ordered or given away, after my debts are paid, to my two sons equally divided. I will that eight acres of my woodland in my brickhill lot, the east side of the road, be sold and the money and the moveable estate not heretofore given away to be applied to the payment of my debts and legacies, the remainder, if any, I give one moiety to my daughter, the other to my two sons; Also my shop to be sold and the money applied to the same purpose. I make my wife Martha and my friend, Thomas Gelston, Executors.

Dated December 28, 1785. Witnesses, Proculah Cook, Betsy Whelden, Matthew Halsey. Proved, Suffolk County, January 28, 1786. Confirmed, New York, February 27, 1786.

Page 367.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN SANDFORD, of Southampton, yeoman, being weak in body. I give to my loving wife Esther the use and improvement of one third of my real estate which is in lieu of all dower or power of thirds. To my son, Josiah Sandford, my now dwelling house and home lot; Also my land adjoining a Pond called "Sagg Pond," which I bought of Nathaniel Jessup, as also the lane and land adjoining my said lot that I purchased of the Trustees of the Town of Southampton. To my son, Caleb Sandford, my house and lot of land adjoining the said Sagg Pond, that I bought of Daniel Schellenger, Junr. To my son, John Sandford, £10. To my son, Josiah Sandford, £100. To my son, Jesse Sandford, £100. To my son Hezekiah Sandford, £100. To my son, Caleb Sandford, £100. To my daughter, Keturah Jennings, £50. To my daughter, Mehitabel Topping, £50. To my daughter, Esther Sandford, my lot of land about 20 acres adjoining the land of Stephen Sandford on the South, and the Highway on the North, and also £100. To my three daughters, Rebecca, Jerusha and Elizabeth each £100. The remain-

der of my real and personal estate to my two sons, Josiah and Caleb, equally divided. I make my wife Esther, my son Josiah, and my brother, Thomas Sandford, Executors.

Dated November 24, 1785. Witnesses, Nathan Peirson, David Howell 3d (yeoman), Stephen Halsey 3d (yeoman). Proved, Suffolk County, November 29, 1785. Confirmed, New York, February 27, 1786.

Page 369.—In the name of God, Amen. The 17th of October, 1785. I, THOMAS BAXTER, of Southampton, Suffolk County, being weak in body. I give to my son Benjamin, six shillings. To my daughter, Zilpah Root, six shillings. To my daughter, Ruth Ladd, six shillings, and also a privilege in my house during her single life. To my two sons, Reuben and Thomas, all my lands and buildings that I die possessed of and "them two" viz.: Reuben Baxter and Thomas Baxter shall equally maintain their brother, Stephen Baxter, during his life; and if there remains any creatures in the place after my decease I give them to my son Thomas. I make my sons, Reuben and Thomas, Executors. I give to my grandson, Sam^l Gage, my old gun.

Witnesses, Reekah Baxter (Sister), Hannah Baxter, Joseph Goldsmith (Blacksmith). Proved, Suffolk County, January 24, 1786. Confirmed, New York, February 27, 1786.

Page 371.—In the name of God, Amen. I, ZEBADÉE OSBORN, of Easthampton, Suffolk County, yeoman, being under some bodily infirmity. I give to Marey (Marcy?) my beloved wife, the use and improvement of one third of my real estate as the law directs, one cow, three sheep, my bay mare, and all my provisions in the house, barn and growing upon the ground to the use of my family, and all my household goods during her life, and after her decease to my daughter, Abigail Norris, if she survives her mother, and if not they are left to my wife to dispose of as she sees fit. To my son Abraham, £65 in cash. To my son Elisha, all my real

estate he to pay the £65 to Abraham, or it to be raised out of my real estate. Also that bond that stands against me to Capt. David Peirson be made out and raised out of my real estate, and then the whole of my real and personal estate (except my wearing apparel) I give to said Elisha. Elisha to pay all my debts, and find my wife with eight bushels of wheat and seven of corn per year so long as my widow, and fifteen loads of wood annually. To my two sons, namely, Abraham and Elisha, my wearing apparel equally divided. I make as Executors my beloved brother, Elisha Osborn and my son Elisha.

Dated December 2, 1785. N. B.—My will is that the £65 before given (my son Abraham) be not paid him till he has fulfilled the bond given by me to Capt. David Peirson. Witnesses, Thomas Osborn (yeoman), Nathan Osborn (yeoman), John Stratton. Proved, Suffolk County, December 22, 1785. Confirmed, New York, February 27, 1786.

Page 373.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN MULFORD, of Easthampton, Suffolk County, yeoman, being sick and weak and full of bodily infirmities. I give to my well-beloved wife (not named) two milch cows, one year's provision for herself, all my household goods and furniture. To my only son Josiah and my grandson, John Mulford, eldest son of my deceased son John, all my lands and buildings equally divided, they to pay all my debts and funeral charges. To my daughter Jerusha, £25 in cash raised out of my personal estate, and I give the same (in personal estate) to and among the whole of my daughters equally divided, namely: Mary, Phebe, Jerusha, Esther, and my deceased daughter Hannah's children to represent their mother and share her part, the whole of them to share the same and no more than one of their Aunts in the division. I make Executors my two sons-in-law, John Dayton and Abraham Miller, and my son Josiah.

Dated August 23, 1783. Witnesses, Abraham Mul-

ford, Samuel Hutchinson, John Stratton. Proved, Suffolk County, January 26, 1786. Confirmed, New York, February 27, 1786.

Page 375.—In the name of God, I, ELIZABETH GOLDER, of South Hampsted, Queens County, being far advanced in years. I leave to my sister's son, James Flower, £11 and three silver tea spoons, one sheet and a pair of "Pillowbys." To my brother Michael's son £10, and likewise £4 to James Beedel; £3 to Daniel Vanostrand. To William Flower £30 and three silver teaspoons and one pair of silver tea tongs and one pair of silver shoe buckles and one chest. To my brother John, after my funeral charges are paid, the remainder of my estate, and half a dozen of the best of my sheets and half a dozen "billowbys" and my bed and bedding as long as he lives and after his "Dissease" to Elizabeth Right; Also to John one cupboard and a round table and all my pewter. To Elizabeth Right one black silk "rapper," and one black "Callimanco Petticoat," one white linen pittance and one Diaper table cloth, two sheets and two pairs of "billowbys," two shifts and three white aprons, and one gold ring she to have her choice of the rings. To Nancy Flower, two sheets, etc., etc. To Elizabeth Cornall one long blue cloak, one shift, one black "Calamanco quilt," one sheet, and a "streeked Callico rapper." To Bettsy Demott one "Chintzs rapper," one white apron, handkerchief and tea kettle. To Molly Demott one "misinot rapper," shift and homespun table cloth, and brown "callimanco quilt"; all my "every day wearing close" to be divided between Molly Demott and Bettsy Cornwall. I constitute for Executors John Flower and Benjamin Hicks.

Dated November 25, 1785. Witnesses, Luke Eldert (of South Hempstead, yeoman) Elnathan Eldert. Proved, Queens County, February 22, 1786.

Page 377.—In the name of Almighty God, Amen. I, DAVID FOWLER, of the Township of Flushing, Queens

County, yeoman, being at this time through the blessing of God in a sound and healthy state both of mind and body. I give to my well-beloved children, Oliver, Gilbert, Benjamin, William and Mary Fowler all my lands, etc., which I the said David am now or hereafter may be possessed of under this condition that in case any of them die, my male children before twenty-one years of age and my female child before sixteen then the right of such child or children shall go to the survivors. The rents and produce of my said real estate shall be for the use and maintenance of my dearly beloved wife Martha and my aforesaid children till the arrival of my youngest child Mary to the age of sixteen years, and if the profits of my real estate shall be more than sufficient for the comfortable support of my wife and children then the superplus so arising shall be put out at interest by my Executors at the sole risk of my wife and children, and my Executors to allow out of the said superplus to my wife and children so much as they shall think meet. Notwithstanding if my wife should remarry then the profits aforementioned and the superplus shall be for the sole use of my said children. My Executors to sell all my real estate (except as before excepted) upon the arrival of my youngest child to the age of sixteen and impartially divide the monies between my said children. I make my well-beloved friends, John Field and John Fowler, Executors.

Dated April 27, 1775. Witnesses, Jonathan Fowler, Ezekiel Roe, John Roe (of Flushing, farmer). Proved, Queens County, February 28, 1786. Administration granted to Martha Fowler, widow, Oliver and Benjamin Fowler, yeomen, all of Flushing, as John Field, the surviving Executor refused to serve, March 2, 1786, New York.

Page 379.—In the name of God, Amen. I, AURIES RAMSON, of Jamaica, yeoman. I leave to my dearly beloved wife the whole and sole use of all my estate, moveable or immoveable to be wholly and intirely at

her own use so long as my widow, and if she should marry again then she shall quit all my estate except one bed and furniture, which I give her and likewise £50 of good money paid by my Executors out of my estate after my said wife's marriage or decease. To my two sons, Rem and Auries Remson, all my lands whether woodlands, cleared land, or meadow, with the houses, barns, orchards, gardens, stables, and whatsoever thereon, and wheresoever it may be; Also my in town lands and Commonages, equally divided between them, their heirs or assigns forever; and if either son die without lawful issue then his share to go to the survivor; my said two sons to pay the following legacies out of my real estate. To my daughter Aulche, the now wife of Stoffil Stymess, the sum of £100 within one year after my wife's second marriage or decease. To my daughter Elisabeth, the now wife of Peter Noorstrout, £50 within two years after my wife's second marriage or decease. To my daughter Maria, the now wife of Samuel Simmons, £100 within three years after my wife's marriage or decease. To my daughter Aunte £100 she being now the wife of John Bennet, within four years after my wife's marriage or decease. To my granddaughter Milly, the daughter of Anthony Demott, £20 within five years after my wife's marriage or decease, if she die before that time the £20 to be divided between my daughters, Aulche, Elisabeth, Maria and Ontye. My Executors likewise to pay to the children of my son John, deceased, £100 equally divided. Also to my grandchildren, the children of John Snedeker, £50 equally divided between them. My indoor moveables to be divided amongst all my children then living equally reserving to my wife an equal part in case she should be married; my outdoor moveables to my two sons, Rem and Auries equally. I make my trusty and well-beloved sons, Rem and Auries, Executors.

(Signed)

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Dated August 14, 1778. Witnesses, Nathaniel Box

(of Jamaica, schoolmaster), Isaac Amberman, Jr., John Amberman. Proved, Queens County, February 27, 1786.

Page 382.—In the name of God, Amen. The 24th day of February, 1781. I, SAMUEL MUNCY, of Iselip, Suffolk County, Farmer, being weak in body. I give to my beloved son, Silas Muncy, all that tract of timber land on the west side of Saumpoems road and all that messuage upon East Neck (excepting nine acres of upland) and one lot of meadow in the east point of East Neck, and two of triangular form on the west side of the neck towards the Bay. To my beloved son, Isaac Muncy, my land in Iselip and that tract on the east side of Saumpoems road and the nine acres of upland on the west point of East Neck, with one lot of meadow on the east side of East Neck, eight rod wide, and one small lot of meadow joining the upland, and one large lot of meadow on the west side of East Neck nearly in the middle. To my beloved wife Jemimy £50, and the use of all my moveables, household furniture, stock of cattle, and to hold the third part of all my lands and part of the house, while my widow; and after her decease all the moveables to be equally divided among my daughters, Kesia, Phebe, Mary, Jemimy and Ruth Muncy. Nevertheless if my wife cannot have a comfortable living by the use of the moveables and a third part of all my lands, then she to have an additional maintenance out of the Principal of the moveables. To my beloved daughter, Jemimy Muncy, £40 and all the household furniture in her possession. I make Silas Muncy, Isaac Muncy and Jacob Willets, Executors.

Witnesses, Joseph Ketcham, Samuel Carman (of Huntington, yeoman), John Arnold. Proved, Suffolk County, February 8, 1786. Confirmed, New York, March 3, 1786.

Page 384.—Know all men by these Presents that I, ISRAEL HOWELL, of Islip, Suffolk County, being Pretty

far advanced in years and labouring under Indisposition of body. I leave to my son Lemuel and to my two daughters, Unice Howell and Ruth Thirby, ten shillings to be paid them by my two sons, Israel and Selah. To said Israel and Selah all my farm or Neck of land, meadow, woodland, swamp and Pine Plains, on which I now live in Islip, the east half of said farm to Israel, and the other half to Selah. My two sons, Israel and Selah, to whom I give all my real or fast estate shall pay my just debts and funeral charges and the duties given above, they also to pay the just expenses in executing my will; If they delay or refuse to pay the above then my Executors to sell so much of my land as necessary to pay the above. I bequeath to my wife Mary all my personal or moveable estate to be at her free disposal; Also the use of the best half of the house we live in for life with the improvement of one third of my farm or Neck as the law directs. I appoint Jacob Willets and Anning Moubray, both of Islip, Executors.

Dated September 15, 1784. Witnesses, Isaac Thompson (of Islip, Esquire), Zebulon Ketcham, John Ruland. Proved, February 8, 1786, Suffolk County. Confirmed, March 4, 1786, New York.

Page 386.—In the name of God, Amen. I, LYDIA THORNE, of the City of New York, shop keeper, I leave to my beloved mother, Jean Parsons, one "bead" (bed) and furniture and other necessaries sufycent to keep house with. To my beloved daughter, Elisabeth Thorne, all my plate and wearing apparel and the best bed and furniture in the house. All the remainder of my estate to be sold at "Publick sail," then my just debts to be paid. To my beloved Mother £100, which money and the above necessaries for her use for life, and at her decease if there be any "affects lef" (effects left) to return to my daughter Elisabeth. To Elisabeth all my estate, except the above to my Mother, to be paid her at her maredge or when eighteen as she

may think proper, and if she dieth before maredge or eighteen all my estate to be equally divided between my brother James Parsons, and my brother John Parson's daughter, Jean Parsons. I make my brother, James Parsons of the said city, shipwright, Executor, and my daughter, Elisabeth Thorne, Executrix, and I order my Executor to dispose of my estate within six months after my decease and after my debts be paid the money put at interest for bringing up the child.

Dated February 6, 1761. Witnesses, Thomas Thorne, John Thomson (of New York City, Merchant), John Duche. Proved, March 4, 1786. Administration granted to James Parsons the same date.

Page 388.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DAVID McFEE, of the City of New York, Gentleman. I leave unto my dear and best beloved wife all my tenements, goods and chattels belonging to me in the City of New York for life. I bequeath my estate in the County of Northumberland in the State of Pennsylvania to my daughter Susanna, and if she should die the same to my dr wife, that is to say, before my said daughter marries.

Dated February 3, 1786. Witnesses, David Carroll Franks (of New York City, Attorney at Law), Samuel Gale, Samuel Stilwill (of Albany, shipwright). Proved, March 6, 1786. No Executors were appointed and administration was granted to Jane McFee, of the City of New York, widow, and Relict of David McFee, March 6, 1786.

Page 390.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSEPH PURDY, of the White Plains, Westchester County, being weak of body this fifth day of November, 1785. I leave to my loving wife, Charity, three cows, her choice of my horses, ten sheep, four hogs, and all the household furniture she brought me after our marriage, and in lieu of the two beds she brought the liberty of taking two other beds she shall best like, and in case

any of the articles are not to be found they being worn out or lost she to take so much in value of my goods as will make good the deficiency, so that she have her full value of the good she brought me aforesaid. Also to my wife a sufficient stock of meat and bread corn for the support of my family one year from my decease, and £10 in cash, and the use of one plow, one harrow, two pair of geers with one sled, so that she shall be furnished with utensils to work on the land, with a two horse team, and the same to be used by her so long as she remains my widow. Also the choice of my Negro girls. To my son Eisenhartt a young sorrel horse usually called his. My Executors to sell the remainder of my moveable estate, and all my lands I purchased from Joseph Weeks and with the monies therefrom and of my debts due me. I will that they first pay my debts and funeral charges, then the above legacy of £10 to my wife; then of the remaining I give to my granddaughter, Charity Purdy (daughter of my son Joseph), £20; to my granddaughter, Mary Purdy (daughter of my daughter Charity), £20; to my grandson, Joseph Hart (son of my daughter Sarah), £30; and I order my Executors to put these legacies at Interest and the interest arising to be applied towards educating each of them, paying my granddaughters their Principal and interest, if any be left, as each shall be eighteen years old or at their marriage, and my grandson when he shall be twenty-one years old; and if any die such part to the survivors provided they die without heirs or not conveying the legacy. And the money yet remaining in my Executors hands I give to my sons Jonathan, Eisenhartt, Monmouth, Bartholomew, Henry and Micah, and to my daughters, Mary, Pemelia and Mariam, at the same time ordering that each of my sons take two pounds, and each of my daughters one pound, and so continue to divide till the whole shall be given out. To my wife Charity, the use of my dwelling house and lands there-to, with my house and lands I purchased of Jacob

Coon, and the lands purchased of Timothy Purdy, till my youngest son then living be twenty-one, provided she remain my widow till that time, and when said son is twenty-one I give to her use all my said house and forty acres, all the above in lieu of dowry and in consideration of her taking care of and bringing up my children till of an age capable of taking care of themselves. The remainder of my lands to be sold and the money I give to my sons and daughters (above mentioned) divided as above directed. After the death or marriage of my wife my said dwelling house, and the forty acres my wife shall have in her care, to be sold and the money to go to my children as above said divided in like manner. My Executors to put the monies coming to children under age to interest and to pay the interest to their mother provided she has the care of them, and to pay the legacy to my sons when twenty-one, and to my daughter Mariam when eighteen or at her marriage if before that time. I order that my daughters Mary, Pemelia and Mariam dwell in my house till sold provided they so choose and do not marry before. I ordain my loving wife and my daughter Mary, Executrices, and my sons, Jonathan and Eisenhartt, Executors.

Witnesses, Elijah Purdy (of White Plains, yeoman), Elisha Brewster, Isaac Sniffon. Proved, Westchester County, February 22, 1786.

Page 393.—In the name of God, Amen. I, HENDRICK BROWN, of Younkers, Westchester County, weak in body. I give to my wife Abegil one bedsted, bed and curtains and covering for the same. To my sons, Hendrick and Freadrick, my "salt meder" (salt meadow) each one half. My daughters has had twelve pounds each; the boys is to take each twelve pounds, and then the rest of my estate is to be sold and divided between "Abegil my wife and Merighta my daughter, and Elzabiath, and Hendrick my son and Freadrick my son each alike." I intrust Merighta's part to my Ex-

ecutors and order them to keep it and pay her the interest yearly, and if they see she want more she shall have it as they think best, and after her death they shall divide the whole among her children, if there is any left, each a part alike, but Thomas Marreal is not to have any profit of the same. I appoint Hendrick and Fredrick, my sons, and Anthony Archer, Executors.

Dated December 10, 1780. Witnesses, John Seyson, Abraham Devoe, Basil Archer (of Phillips Manor, farmer). Proved, March 8, 1786.

Page 395.—In the name of God, Amen. The 29th of November, 1785. I, WILLIAM ENDERS, of Schohary, Albany County, yeoman, "consederating the frailty of my body, the certainty of death and the uncertain time and minute thereof." I do give unto my eldest son, John Enders, £1 in right of Primogeniture. To my sons, John and Jacob, three lots of land lying across Foxes Creek "knowing" by the names of lotts number 113, 114 and 116, the main or old Foxes Creek is to be the division line between my said two sons, the southerly parts to my son John and the northerly to my son Jacob. The old Foxes Creek is to be the division line as aforesaid. My said son Jacob his heirs or assigns is to keep my beloved wife Elisa Margrate during her life with sufficient meat, drink, apparel, washing and lodgeing "as becommet a woman in her station"; but if he neglect maintaining my wife she shall hold the lands given to him for her maintainance during her life. To my son Peter two lots of land lying across Foxes Creek, known by the names of lots No. 108 and 109. To my sons, John, Peter and Jacob Enders, all the remainder of my land each an even share. My said three sons or their heirs shall pay the following sums of money in specie to wit: to my son William £40, ten years after my decease; to my daughter Maria £30, ten years after my decease; to my daughter Elisabeth £30; to my daughter Margrita £30; to my daughter

Christina £30; to my daughter Anna £30; all ten years after my decease; to my grandson, Adam Enders, son of my son William, £4, six years after my decease. My sons, John, Peter and Jacob shall pay all my just debts. To my son Peter one horse and one mare forever; to Jacob the same. To my sons, John, William, Peter and Jacob Enders all my horses not hereinbefore given away, all my farmers utensils and carpenters tools. The remainder of my personal estate whatsoever to my well-beloved wife, Elisa Margrate, her heirs and assigns forever. I make my sons, Jacobus Van Santi, Executors.

Witnesses, Peter Suyter, Jr, Pitte Man, Jr (both of Schohary District, Albany County, farmers), Peter Vroman. Proved, Albany February 16, 1786. Confirmed, New York, March 9, 1786.

Page 398.—In the name of God, Amen. I, PETER HILTON, of Saratogo, Albany County, being in perfect health of sound mind and memory (blessed be God), but knowing the certainty of death. I give to my oldest son Richard or such other as shall be my heir at law at the time of my decease one shilling to be thereby excluded from any other pretence to my estate than what is herein to him given. To my dear and loving wife my whole estate, real and personal, for the support of herself and family during her widowhood, but in case of her marrying I bequeath my estate to my children equally divided. I make Abraham Eight and Jacobus Van Santi, Executors.

Dated October 6, 1782. Witnesses, Peter W. Douw (of Albany, Esquire), Jacob Van Schaick, John Shepherd. Proved, Albany, February 23, 1786. Confirmed, New York, March 9, 1786.

Page 400.—In the name of God, Amen. I, MATTHEUS DECKER, of the Precinct of Shawangunk, in the County of Ulster, yeoman; being weak in body. I give to my loving wife Magdalena one fourth of all my estate, real

and personal, to have and to hold the same to her and her heirs forever. To my three children, namely, Johannis and Abraham and Maria Decker, the remaining three fourths of my estate, share and share alike. But if any of my children die before the age of twenty-one or marriage, then the share of any so dying shall go to the survivors. If all should die before twenty-one or marriage, then one fourth of their shares to my wife, one fourth to my sister-in-law, Catharine Bevier, and one fourth to Chatharine Smedes the daughter of Benjamin Smedes, Esqr, of Shawangunk, and one fourth to Jacob Hasbrouck Decker, son of my brother Johannis Decker. I commit the guardianship of all my children their estates and fortunes until they respectively attain the age of twenty-one, or day of marriage to my said dear wife. And I make my wife, my brother, Johannis Decker, Capt. Thomas Jansen, of Shawangunk and Mathevis Jansen, Executors.

Dated February 24, 1774. Witnesses, James Fulton Robert Hunter, Matthew Hunter, Junr (of Montgomery Precinct, yeoman). Proved, Ulster County, December 21, 1784. Administration granted to Magdalena Terwillegen, an Executrix, New York, March 9, 1785.

Page 402.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SYLVESTER SALISBURY, of Kingston, Ulster County, yeoman, do this 2nd day of April, 1785, make my last will. First my just debts shall in due season be paid and outstanding debts collected. My loving wife (not named) shall remain during the minority of my children in full possession of my estate, and enjoy the benefits arising therefrom provided she does bring up my children in a Christian like manner, and lets them learn to read, write and cypher as much as necessary for their worldly and spiritual happiness, according to her abilities and power she shall derive from the Emoluments of my estate, and if my wife should again marry then she shall have all her clothing, a bed with all its reason-

able appurtenances and a negro wench to attend her during her life, and £100 one year after her marriage, on condition she then gives over all her dowry or right to the remainder of my estate to the heirs hereafter named or if they are not of age to the Executors; but if at the time my wife come to lawful age my wife still remains my widow then my heirs shall provide her a decent maintenance, and also a good dwelling room, and a negro wench to attend her. My four children or the Executors for them shall divide equally my real and personal estate, that is to say, I give to my daughter Rachel one fourth, to my son Lawrence one fourth, to my son John one fourth, to my daughter Anna Marytje one fourth. If any of my children die without lawful heirs then his or her share shall devolve to the survivors. If my wife die or marry again before my children arrive at years of discretion then the Executors shall for every child under age put out at interest or rent out their full fourth part of my estate to the best advantage and when they reach maturity they shall be entitled to receive, after a sufficient warning given to the Executors, their shares. I make my wife, my brothers-in-law Philip Hoogteling and James Roe, and my cousins, Abraham Salisbury and Joseph Oosterhoudt, Executors. I give them power to sell any of my real estate when they shall think proper for paying my debts. Lastly it is my will that this my last will shall in every particular be complied with.

Witnesses, Jacob Borhas (Burhaus) (of Kingston, yeoman), Jacobus Hasbrouck, Jr., and John Eltinge (both of Kingston, merchants). Proved, Ulster County, January 18, 1786. Administration granted to Elsie Salisbury, Philip Hooghteling and James Roe, three of the Executors, New York, March 10, 1786.

Page 404.—In the name of God, Amen. I BENNOI LATTEMORE, of the Precinct of Newburgh, Ulster County, being weak in body, do this 22nd day of December, 1785, make my last will and testament in man-

ner following: I give to my beloved sons, Bennoni, William, Freeman and Job, £5 each. To my beloved daughters, Bridget, Mary and Hannah £4 each. To my well-beloved daughter Abigail's oldest child when it attains the lawful age of man or woman, it being a lawful heir of her body, £10. After my debts are paid the remainder of my estate, if any be left, to be divided in proportion as heretofore mentioned, and if it should be short and not be sufficient for the above legacies then each shall have in proportion as heretofore mentioned, and the legacies of such Legatees as are under age to be put out until they attain lawful age. I appoint my well-beloved friends, Wolvert Ecker, Esq. and Thurston Wood, Executors.

Witnesses, Henry Terboss (of Newburgh, yeoman), Thomas Jacokes, Thurston Wood, Wolvert Ecker. Proved, Ulster County, January 20, 1786. Confirmed, New York, March 10, 1786.

Page 406.—In the name of God, Amen. The 28th day of June, 1783. I, BENJAMIN DOUGHTY, of Flushing, Queens County, yeoman, at this time in bodily health and strength. I give to my well-beloved son, Charles Doughty, my lot of land called the West lot as the fence now stands and forty-six acres besides bounded as follows, south by the highway, east by Philip Platt, north partly by Samuel Doughty and partly by the West lot. To my well-beloved son Benjamin my messuage, dwelling house, and barn where he now lives with forty acres bounded west by John Wiggins, south partly by John Wiggins and partly by the highway, east by the highway and north partly by the lot called the "over way lot." To my well-beloved son William, the dwelling house I now live in, my barn and other buildings belonging to the same and forty acres joining my son Charles to the east and south bounded by the road and north by the woods. To my said three sons, Charles, Benjamin and William, all my meadow at Jamaica equally divided. To my well-beloved two

daughters, Philadelphia Townsend and Elizabeth Doughty, twenty-five acres bounded as follows: west beginning at the top of the hill partly by Elias Doughty and partly by the road, south by John Wiggins land; Also another piece of land in the hills containing five acres, it being the land that did belong to Nicholas Townsend, bounded north by Cornelius Monfore's land and west by the Highway. All the remainder of my lands to my said three sons, Charles, Benjamin and William, equally divided. To my daughter, Elizabeth Doughty, the whole privilege of my south room so long as unmarried for her to dwell in but not to rent out. To my daughters, Philadelphia and Elizabeth £25, to be first raised out of my personal estate, and to each of them the equal sixth part of the remainder of my personal estate. My said sons shall draw out of the remainder of my personal estate £350, for the use of my daughter Hannah Hill, and to be paid her "discretionly" as they think proper. To my said three sons the remainder of my personal estate. I order that my son Charles do pay his two sisters, Philadelphia Townsend and Elizabeth Doughty, £50 each for the consideration of the West lot. I make my sons, Charles, Benjamin and William Doughty, Executors.

Witnesses, James Everit, John Doughty and Robert Doughty (the two last of Flushing, yeomen). Proved, Queens County, March 8, 1786.

Page 409.—In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL VAN HORNE, of the City of New York, merchant, being at present in a poor state of health. I give the use, interest and rents of all my estate, real and personal, to Catherine Van Wyck, daughter of Simon Van Sise, late of ye City of New York, shipwright, and wife of one Cornelius Van Wyck, during her life for her own separate use without being accountable to any person provided she continues to live as she now does single and does not cohabit with the said Cornelius Van

Wyck, if he be living, nor remarry in case of his death; but if she cohabit with him or remarry then I give her £1000 for her own use and she shall have no further claim to my estate; and if Cornelius Van Wyck should return and Catherine refuse to cohabit with him then I give the use, interest, etc., of my estate to all my Executors except ye said Catherine so long as she shall remain single as aforesaid, and order them to pay ye same to her as it shall be received for her sole and separate use, and the same shall not be liable to the debts or control of her said husband; and she shall while single as aforesaid make use of so much of ye principal of my estate as she shall think proper without being accountable for the same provided there be enough left for the legacies to my three slaves. I manumit or make free my three negro slaves, Hester and her daughter also named Hester, and Chance, and security be given them, and to each £25 yearly during their lives. To Henry Myer, son of my friend, John R. Myer, £400 in three months after my death, if so much can be then spared by the said Catherine Van Wyck, otherwise to be paid him after the death or remarriage of ye said Catherine. To my nephew, Gerard Beekman, son of my late sister Ann, £1000, paid as the above legacy, and if there should not be enough to pay both each must abate in proportion. All the rest of my estate to Peter Winthrop, son of ye late Capⁿ Balz^r Winthrop, and his heirs forever. But if ye said residue amount to £4000 or upward then I give out of ye same to Henry, Mary, Ann and Margaret Vanderspiegel, children of my sister Margaret Vanderspiegel, deceased, or to such of them as living at the death or marriage of ye said Catherine Van Wyck, £300 each. And if Peter Winthrop die before ye devise to him takes effect then I give his part to my Executors to be sold and applied for ye use of ye Charity School in this City and such poor orphans and distressed widows as may need it. And Catherine Van Wyck while single as aforesaid shall have power to sell any part of my

real estate for her support in case of need. I make the said Catherine Van Wyck, said John R. Myer, said Gerard Beekman and ye said Peter Winthrop, Executors.

Dated October 16, 1771. Witnesses, Chris^r Bancker, Edward Goold (of New York City, Merchant), Tho. Budd. Proved, March 18, 1786. Administration granted to Gerard Beekman the same date.

Page 412.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DANIEL GAUTIER, of Flatt Lands, King's County, Merchant, being at present not very well. My debts and funeral charges to be paid out of my personal estate as far as it will go, and if there should not be sufficient to pay my debts I direct my Executors to sell such of my real estate as will be sufficient. I bequeath to my loving wife Ann, £80 per year in lieu of dower as long as my widow, together with all my furniture, linen, china, wearing apparel, horse and chair and cow, plate only excepted. To my son Andrew all the rest of my estate, real and personal, when he shall arrive at the age of twenty-one; if he die before all my estate (except the legacies afore mentioned and a house and lot in Princess street, New York City, being numbered 7) to my brother, Andrew Gautier, he paying on the death of my said son £500 unto my said wife in lieu of dower. If my son Andrew die before twenty-one I give to my wife that said house and lot in Princess street. I appoint my friends, Johannes E. Lott, Esq., of Flatbush, Kings County, and Adam Gilchrist, Jun^r, Merchant, of the City of New York, and my beloved wife, Ann Gautier, Executors and Guardians of my son Andrew.

Dated January 10, 1786. Witnesses, V. Antonedes (carpenter), Joseph Hegeman (weaver), Laurence Voorhees (yeoman). Proved, March 20, 1786.

Page 414.—In the name of God, Amen. I, RICHARD WARBURN, of North Castle, being in good health and sound in mind and memory, in the County of West-

chester, yeoman. I bequeath to my loving wife Amy, a bed and furniture, horse and saddle, a looking glass and household furniture sufficient to keep house, likewise the best room in my house to dwell in during her continuing my widow, with £100 in cash after the sale of the estate. To my son Joseph £150, to my son Daniel £150. To my son William all my Blacksmiths tools and a horse and saddle and £50. My son Daniel to have farming utensils equal to his eldest brother. To my son John £150, to my son Samuel £150, to my son Jese £150, to my son Richard £150. To my [daughter?] Philenah £27, already paid with £27 13S. to be paid. To my daughter Amy £80. If my estate should exceed or be less than the "quotos" aforesaid then such "overplus or negation" to be divided in proportion to the aforesaid bequests. I make my wife Amy Executrix and my sons Joseph and Daniel, Executors.

(Signed) RICHARD WARBURN.

Dated March 4, 1775. Witnesses, Stephen Sands, John Ireland, Samuel Moore (of Bedford, schoolmaster). Proved, Westchester County, March 10, 1786.

Page 415.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES McKENNY, soldier in the second New York Regiment, being very sick and weak. I give to Jacob McKenny (son of Charles McKenny, sergeant in the aforesaid Regiment) all my estate, real and personal. I appoint the said Charles McKenny, sole Executor.

Dated March 14, 1781. Witnesses, Jas^s Kip, Thomas Hicks, Rich^d Smith (of Westchester County, Tailor). Proved, Westchester County, March 20, 1786.

Page 417.—Administration granted to Ruth Carr, of the City of New York, widow, the relict of James Carr, late of the same place, Cartman, on the estate of the said James Carr. Whereas JAMES CARR made his will bearing date December 17, 1774 and appointed Charles Nicholl and Joseph Allicocke, Executors and soon after died, and whereas on the 12th of January follow-

ing at New York the will was proved and administration granted to the said Executors, and whereas the said Joseph Allicocke, the surviving Executor is absent from this state, administration is granted to the above. New York, March 14, 1786.

Page 418.—Administration granted to Deborah Denman and Sarah Pettit, both of Newtown, Queens County, spinsters, sister and legatees of Samuel Scudder, late of the same place, yeoman, on the estate of the said Samuel Scudder. Whereas SAMUEL SCUDDER made his will dated August 3, 1771, and appointed Richard Betts, Jun^r, and Nathaniel Woodard, Executors, and soon after died, and whereas on the 11th day of November following at Queens County the will was proved, and administration granted to the said Executors, and whereas the Executors of the will of the said Richard Betts Jun^r, the last surviving Executor of the said Samuel Scudder, did relinquish the Executorship of the said will, administration is granted to the above. New York, March 21, 1786.

Page 419.—In the name of God, Amen. I, EPHRAIM WATKINS, of the Precinct of the Walkill in the County of Ulster, New York, being weak of body. I give to my beloved wife, Phebe Watkins, my best feather bed and furniture belonging to it in my house, with one horse, saddle and bridle, one cow, with the third part of my fast estate with the benefit of the back room and furniture sufficient to keep house with so long as she shall remain my widow and no longer. To my son Able one half of the lands given me by my father's will together with my dwelling house and barn. To my son Ephraim the other half of my estate left me by my father's will, and if my son Abel should be called off by death, leaving no lawful issue then his part to be equally divided between my four sons, Ephraim, George, Joseph and Birdseye Watkins; and if my son Ephraim is called off by death then my son Able is to have the home lot, and

my other three sons, the meadow lot, now lying between Cap^t Sam^l Watkins and Jese Gale equally divided. I will my son Able pay to my three sons, George, Joseph and Birdseye, £50 each, and my son Ephraim likewise to pay to my said three youngest sons, George, Joseph and Birdseye, £50 each. My sons, Able and Ephraim, to bring up my three youngest sons till they arrive "at the years of fourteen," and give them good schooling and then they are to go to such trades as they shall choose, and in case of Ephraim's death they are to have no benefit of the meadow lot till twenty-one. To my daughter, Phebe Watkins, "one feather bed and beading" and £40 out of my moveable estate as soon as she is eighteen or marries. I empower my Executors to sell the remainder of my land, and the money from the sale of the Pine Swamp to go one half to the heirs of Hezekiah Watkins, deceased. To my daughter, Jean Fairchild, £5. To my son Able one mare with one feather bed and bedding, the farming utensils; the remainder of my moveable estate to be sold and the money equally divided among my sons. I appoint my brother, Samuel Watkins and my friend, Stephen Harlow, Executors.

Dated this 17th day of December, 1785. Signed, James Martin (schoolmaster), George Houston (yeoman), Samuel Pouley (Laborer). Proved, Ulster County, February 8, 1786. Confirmed, New York, March 23, 1786.

Page 421.—In the name of God, Amen. This 29th day of April, 1785. I, ARCHIBALD McCURDY, of the Walkill Precinct, Ulster County, being very weak of body. To my wife I leave Margret a comfortable support during her life to be secured to her both by real and personal estate fully and amply, to all intents and purposes, and ye sum of £20 to be paid her in ten years after my decease. To my son, Archibald McCurdy, the whole of my estate. To my son-in-law, W^m

Wilson, £10, to be paid by my son Archibald ten years after my decease. To my granddaughter, Margret Wilson, £10, and three cows, to be given her by my said son when she is eighteen or at her marriage. To my two grandchildren, Jane and Isabel Wilson, each £6 and two cows paid when ye arrive to ye age of eighteen or marriage, and if any of ye said children of ye said Wilson die before of age or married ye proportion left to such a one is to be equally divided amongst ye surviving sisters. Provided nevertheless that if my son Archibald die without lawful issue the whole of my estate that I may die possessed of clearly ye above legacies reduced shall be equally divided among ye surviving children of my daughter, Agness Wilson. I ordain my trusty friends, Capt. Sam^l Watkins and Samuel Crawford, and my son Archibald, Executors.

Witnesses, John McCamly (yeoman), Daniel Butterfield, David Crawford. Proved, Ulster County, March 17, 1786.

Page 423.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM PATTON, of the Precinct of New Windsor, Ulster County, being of a sound and disposing mind and memory judge it convenient at this time to make my last will and testament. I will that my wearing apparel, household furniture, and cows and horses be at the disposal of my well-beloved wife Margaret. To my said wife the interest of what money may be due me with the rents and profits of my farm for her support during her life. After her decease my farm shall be sold, £5 be paid to my son James, £40 to my granddaughter Margaret, the rest of the monies equally divided amongst my grandchildren (not named) (Margaret excepted), the shares of any of my grandchildren who may not then be come to lawful age I desire that my Executors shall put out at interest. I appoint Mr. James Kernaghan and Mr. Samuel Boyd Executors.

Dated March 21, 1785. Witnesses, George Huggan (schoolmaster), Miles Cavan (yeoman), John Morri-

son (yeoman). Proved, Ulster County, February 2, 1786. Confirmed, New York, March 23, 1786.

Page 424.—In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN PATTERSON, of Wallkill Precinct, Ulster County, yeoman, being weak of body but of sound judgment and memory. I give the whole of my moveable estate after my debts are paid to be equally divided between my true and loving wife and my daughter Mary. Also to my wife the use of my fast estate, during her widowhood, afterward to my daughter Mary, but in case my daughter die without issue before her mother then one half of my fast estate to my wife and the other to my brother James. I appoint William Faulkner and William Bull, Executors.

Dated August 3, 1785. Witnesses, Edward Campbell (shoemaker), Daniel G. Rogers (yeoman), William Wilkin, Jun^r (yeoman). Proved, Ulster County, December 29, 1785. Confirmed, New York, March 23, 1786.

Page 425.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DANIEL JAYNE, of Cornwall Precinct, Orange County, yeoman, being weak in body, do this 19th day of February, 1785, make my last will and testament. I give to my beloved wife Hannah two cows, one riding mare, eight sheep, one feather bed, all my wearing apparel, and all my household furniture, with all the meal and grain of every kind that I have in my house and barn at my decease; Also the use of one room in the house wherein I now live, and all my young cattle, with the privilege of having the said cows, etc., kept on the farm. To my daughter Sarah, the wife of John Carpenter, the farm whereon I now live (except £5 which I give to my granddaughter, Rachel Tucker, to be paid in three years after my decease, and my debts and funeral charges to be paid out of the farm). Also to my granddaughter, Hannah Tucker, five shillings, to be paid in one year after my decease out of the moveables not before mentioned. To my son-in-law, John Carpenter,

all my moveable estate not hereinbefore mentioned. I make my son-in-law, John Carpenter, and Capt. Ebenezer Woodhull, both of Cornwall Precinct, Executors.

Witnesses, Jonah Tooker, William Shepard, Nathan Cooley. Proved, Orange County, March 3, 1786.

Page 427.—Know all men by these Presents that I, RICHARD THORNE, of Cowneck, North Hempstead, Queens County, Nassau Island, being this 19th of July, 1785, something disordered in body, but my mind and memory sound, quick and good. My will is that my well-beloved wife shall have the profits of my estate, real and personal, as long as my widow, for the purpose of bringing up my children, unless my Executors shall think proper to sell my estate, when the monies shall be disposed of as follows: To my well-beloved wife one fifteenth of my estate in lieu of her right of dowry, and the remainder equally divided among my children (not named), and their shares put out to interest till they attain to full age, or paid to them as my Executors see cause, and if any die without issue then such part divided between the surviving children. I make my loving friends, James Sell, Thomas Thorne and John Peters, of North Hempstead, Queens County, my Executors.

Witnesses, Mary Thorn, David Brooks and James Cornwall (of North Hempstead, yeoman). Proved, Queens County, March 19, 1786.

Page 429.—In the name of God, Amen. I MARTE LOOP, of the Manor of Livingston, County of Albany, being weak in body. I give to my son Johannis my large high Dutch Bible as his birthright. To my wife all my effects, real and personal, while my widow, and after her death my son Johannis and two daughters, Maregreta and Mary, shall each have their marriage portion with their other sisters already married. Whenever they marry, and if either die before they marry their portion to be divided among the surviving broth-

ers and sisters. After the death of my wife Mary all the remaining effects to be equally divided among my children. I make my wife Executrix and Will^m Har-der, Jun^r, and Jurry J. Snyder, my sons-in-law, Executors.

Dated January 14, 1786. Witnesses, George Dippel (of Livingston Manor, yeoman), Conradt Myer, Jn^o W. Fonda. Proved, Albany County, February 14, 1786. Confirmed, New York, March 23, 1786.

Page 430.—In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM GALLT, late of "Chery Valy" yeoman, "being of grate age and infirm of body." I give to "my well-beloved naturall son William" whom I likewise make my sole Executor, "all my goods and chatels, bonds, nots, booke debts or shuretyes, monneys or other affects which I posess," also my lot of land in Chery Valy known by the name of number fifty-one, on which I did "yousally" dwell, with the orchards and gardens.

Dated March 4, 1779. Witnesses, William Harper, Esq^r, John Harper, Jun^r, Henry Bogart, Archibald Harper. Proved, Montgomery County, December 19, 1785. New York, March 28, 1786, administration granted to William Gallt, the Executor.

Page 434.—In the name of God, Amen. The 25th day of May, 1784. I, JOHN HARPER, of Harpersfield, Try n County, Gentleman, being weak in body. I give to my beloved wife Rebecca £50; Also two cows and four sheep, and all the household furniture she brought with her. To my daughter Abigail one lot of land in Harpersfield No. 3 containing 125 acres to be disposed of for her use. To John Teidle and his wife Eunice, daughter of my said daughter Abigail, one lot of land in Harpersfield containing 88 acres, No. 146. All the remainder of my lands, interest and estate to be equally divided between my sons William, John, Alexander and Joseph, and my daughters Mary, Margaret and Meriam. I make my son Alexander and my son-in-law, William McFarland, Executors. Witnesses, David

Earll, Elihu Curtis, Josiah Throop (of Johnstown, Montgomery County, Surveyor). Proved, December 19, 1785. Confirmed, New York, March 28, 1786.

Page 433.—In the name of God, Amen. I, FREDRICK CONDERMAN, of Conajohary District, Tryon County, yeoman, in good health of body. I most humbly bequeath my soul to God my Maker beseeching his most gracious acceptance of it through the all sufficient merits of my most compassionate Redeemer, Jesus Christ, who I trust will not reject me a returning penitent sinner when I come to him for mercy. In this hope I render up my soul in comfort humbly beseeching the most blessed and glorious Trinity, one God most holy to prepare me for the time of my dissolution, and then to take me to himself into that peace and rest and incomparable felicity which he has prepared for all that love and fear his holy name, Amen, blessed be God. I leave to my son Johannes for his primogeniture £5, to be paid him out of my estate by my son Frederick. To my son Frederick all my lands, with all my horses, cows and other creatures, etc., charging him with the payment of my debts and maintaining of my dear wife during her widowhood and to bring up my other children, my sons at the years of capacity to be put to trades, each according to his choice, but if any of my children go to live with other persons during their minority he shall not be liable to maintain them. I appoint my well-beloved friends, Conrad M. Conterman and Nicholas J. Pickerd, Executors.

Dated July —, 1778. Witnesses, Marcus Conderman of Canejohary District, Montgomery County, Friedrich Wallratha, John Pickerd. Proved, Montgomery County, February 27, 1786. Administration granted to John F. Contryman, of Canijohary District, Montgomery County, yeoman, a son and Legatee of Fridrich Cunderman, late of the same place, yeoman, deceased, the Executors having renounced the Executorship, New York, March 28, 1786.

Page 435.—In the name of God, Amen. I, DAVID PHILIPS, of the City of New York, Gentleman. I leave to my loving wife Mary the use and income of all my estate, real and personal, for life. Immediately on the decease of my wife I give to my beloved daughter Elizabeth, the wife of Abraham W. Vanduersen, one silver tankard, one silver tea pot, one silver milk pot, one silver sugar dish, five silver table spoons and eight silver tea spoons. To my beloved daughter Ann, the wife of Arthur Langharne, £60. In case my negro man slave named Harry desires to have his freedom it is my will he shall be free after my wife's decease, but if he shall not so desire then I bequeath him to my said daughter Ann. The rest of my estate after my wife's death to my said daughters, Ann and Elizabeth, equally divided. I make my wife Mary, Executrix, and the said Arthur Langharne and Abraham W. Vanduersen, Executors.

Dated October 19, 1785. Witnesses, Alex^r Hosack (Merchant), Ebenezer Turell (Merchant), Francis Child. Proved, March 29, 1786.

Page 437.—The People of the State of New York, etc., and all to whom these Presents shall come know ye that at Bernards town, New Jersey, on the 17th of February, 1778, the last will of THEODORUS VAN WYCK, deceased, was proved as appeareth by certain Letters Testamentary under the Prerogative seal of the State of New Jersey, and administration of the same was granted to Abraham Van Wyck, one of the Executors. Whereas the said Abraham Van Wyck has since died, the estate not being fully administered, administration is granted to Helena Bogart one other of the Executors. New York, March 31, 1786.

LIBER 39.

Page 1.—August 4, 1784, GILBERT POTTER, of Huntington, Suffolk County, New York, gives to wife Elizabeth, £100, also one third part of my moveables, also the use of house and lot where I formerly dwelt joining the land of Joseph Sammis and land of Nathaniel Williams, deceased, in order that my daughters, Sarah Rogers and Mathew Potter, may with her live during her widowhood. To my son Nathaniel and his heirs, the house and lot where I now live; Also the land purchased of Gilbert Bryant, joining the same with the lot before the door where I now live; Also, the two pieces of woodland, one purchased of David Samm [Sammis] estate, the other of Nathaniel Williams, deceased, lying near the hollow ponds; Also the house and lot which I give my said wife and daughter the use of after my said wife decease or marriage. The above donations given to my son, Nathaniel Potter, in order that he pay my Executors £50, and also he pay my wife Elizabeth, £5 yearly as long as she remains my widow; Also give my wife, one cow and horse and to furnish them with hay and grass; Also all my rights in the different purchases which I own; Also to my son all my wearing apparel, one great bible and silver can. I give to my daughter, Sarah Rogers, and to her heirs, £100 with whatever she has already had; Also one third part of my moveables not otherways disposed of. To my daughter Mathew and to her heirs all the remainder of my moveable estate and money, together with such moneys as shall arise from lands hereafter to be sold. In case my daughter Mathew die under twenty-one years of age and without lawful issue, the above moneys and moveables are to be equally divided

among my surviving children or their heirs. I make Thomas Brush and William Haviland, executors, authorizing them to sell and dispose of all my lands at Cold Spring which I purchased of Josiah Rogers, deceased; and also to pay all my just debts and dispose of all the overplus as directed. The cow and horse ordered to be given by my son to my wife not to be sold but to furnish one cow and horse yearly, and every year with hay and grass. I also give freedom to my Negro fellow, in three months after my decease, for his valor. I do hereby revoke and declare null and void all other wills.

Dated August 4, 1784. Witnesses, Margaret Plumb, Ebenezer Betts, John Ketcham, of Huntington, yeoman. Proved, March 10, 1786.

Page 3.—NEHEMIAH BRUSH, SENIOR, of Huntington, Suffolk County, New York, September 2, 1783, give to son Samuel one equal third of all my meadow and upland lying at Great East Neck, Huntington, south. To my son Nehemiah, all my lands lying in the sixth tier of lots, with the rights in the eastern purchase, also one equal third of all my meadow and upland lying in Great East Neck near Huntington, South. To my son Elexander, all my homestead lands and buildings and rights lying and being near Bread and Cheese Hallow and all my land lying in Smittown near Fresh Pond, and also my son Elexander is to take care of his mother if she should outlive me; my wife should live with my son Elexander and that he should maintain her with her third that the law allows her. To my wife Batheba, one horse and chaise. To my granddaughter, Preciller Conklen, £6. To my daughters, Phebe, Rhoda and Batheba, all my movable estate to be equally divided between them. I make my son Nehemiah, and Epenetus Wood, jr., Executors.

Dated September 2, 1783. Witnesses, Epenetus Wood, jr., of Smittown, weaver; Samuel Wood, Mary Wood. Proved, March 7, 1786.

Page 4.—RECUMPENCE SHERREL, yeoman, of Easthampton, Suffolk County, New York. All my just debts and funeral charges be paid by my executors out of the legacies of my sons, Abraham and Stephen Sherrel. To my son Recumpence and my oldest daughter, Sarah Conkling, £5 each. To my son Abraham £220, also a sixteenth part of a whole share throughout the lands of Montauk; Also about 14 acres or the eastermost half of Neazer Close; Also about 20 acres of woodland lying easterly by a highway westerly by my son Recumpence, northerly by Thomas Baker, southerly by John Chatfield, esq. To my son Stephen, my dwelling house and barn and my home lot; Also fourteen acres of my Neazer on the west side by John Mulford, on the east side by the land I will give to my son Abraham. Also to my son Stephen, ten acres of land in the eastern plains bound by Ezekiel Mulford, east and west by the lands of Benjamin Leek and the heirs of Elias Conkling, deceased. Also a twelfth part of whole share throughout the lands of Montauk; Also all my meadow at Acabounack by Bishop's Hamock; Also fifteen acres of woodland bounded southerly by my son Recumpence, northerly by Nathan Dayton; Also eleven acres by Hands Creek Road adjoining to Samuel Parsons. Also to son Stephen, one ox and all my farming utensils. I give all the remainder of my Cash or notes or bonds not already disposed of together with all my household goods to my wife and my daughter, Puah, equally; Also to my wife, two cows and all my provisions in the house, barn, or on the ground to be disposed of by her and my three youngest children, and that my daughter Puah make the house I now live in, her home while she remains single. All the rest of my real and personal estate is to be equally divided between my two sons, Abraham and Stephen, and to their heirs. I appoint my sons, Abraham and Stephen, and Dr. Samuel Hutchinson, executors.

Dated February 4, 1786. Witnesses, Stephen Conk-

ling, yeoman; Joseph Osborn, yeoman; Samul Hutchinson. Proved, March 14, 1786.

Page 6.—JOHN HEDGES, yeoman, of Easthampton, Suffolk County, New York. To my daughter, Mary Isaacs, £5, to be paid by son Daniel. To my daughter, Ruth Howell, £5, to be paid by my son Daniel. To my son Daniel and his heirs all the rest residue and remainder of my estate, both real and personal, lands and tenements, goods and chattels, wheresoever situated; he paying all my just debts. I make my son Daniel, and Jeremiah Miller, executors.

Dated March 10, 1786. Witnesses, John Chatfield, Jeremiah Conkling, both of said county, yeoman, Stephen Hedges. Proved, March 14, 1786.

Page 7.—EDWARD COUVENHOVEN, merchant, of Philip's Manor, Westchester County, New York. All my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid by my executors. To my son William, 5 shillings in lieu of any claim whatsoever he may or can have on any parts of my estate, real or personal, except what I have given him; all the remainder of my estate, real and personal, I give to my wife Ann, during the time she shall remain my widow to support herself and my children while under the age of twenty-one years or until they shall be properly placed out in the world. If the income of said estate is not sufficient then I authorize my Executors to sell and dispose of such part of my real estate as in their discretion will be sufficient either at public or private sale. After the remarriage or death of my wife I authorize my said Executors or the survivor of them and administrators of such survivor at some convenient time not exceeding three years after the decease or remarriage of my wife, to sell and dispose of the remainder of my estate, both real and personal, at Public sale, and after all reasonable expense deducted, to divide the money arising from such sale unto and amongst my sons, William, Francis, Jacob, Edward

and Henry, and daughter Ann, share and share alike, and if any of them shall happen to die, his share shall be divided amongst the survivors and their heirs. I appoint my wife executrix, my son William, and Jacob Roome, Henry Roome, Executors.

Dated February 10, 1776. Witnesses, Charles Phillips, of said city, Cooper; William Warner, Jno. C. Knapp. Proved, March 17, 1786.

Page 9.—December 26, 1780. WILLIAM ROE, yeoman, of Flushing, Queens County, New York. All my just debts and funeral charges be well paid by my son John, one of my executors. To my wife Martha, my best bed and furniture, six of my best sitting chairs, six of my best puter plates, two of my best puter platters, my best iron pot, my best iron kettle, my best cow to be kept on my said farm, half dozen knives and forks, my looking glass, my riding chair and my black mare called the chair mare, to be kept on my said farm; all the above I give her to her own disposal in lieu of her dower or thirds of in and out of all and singular my houses, lands, tenements and real estate whatsoever and wheresoever; Also the interest of £200 to be paid to her half yearly, by my son John, one of my executors, from the day of my death and to be continued during her remaining my widow and no longer, and my wife shall have the best room in my house rent free and the use of my black girl named Hannah, during her remaining my widow and no longer; at her death or remarriage I give said negro girl Hannah, to my daughter Elisabeth; should she have a child or children in the time my wife should have her in possession, in that case I give and bequeath the said child or children to my daughter Elisabeth and her heirs forever. To my son Oliver, my lot of land lying by Joseph Wrights and also a piece of salt meadow adjoining Samuel Cornells and David Roes salt meadow to him and his heirs forever. To my daughter, Ann Cornell, my second best bed and furniture

which she now has the use of; Also the sum £25 to be paid her one year after my decease. To William, my son, £100 to be paid him one year after my decease. To my son Thomas £100, my son Thomas' legacy to draw interest from the day of my death until he shall arrive at age of twenty-one or marry. Also I give him my negro boy named Pompey. To my loving daughter Elisabeth £100, this legacy to draw interest from the day of my death till she arrive at the age of eighteen years or marry; Also my third best bed and furniture. To my daughter, Ann Cornell, my negro girl Violet and the heirs of her body forever. To my son John and his heirs forever all my real and personal estate which I have in Flushing, excepting what I have already given, upon condition that he shall pay all my just debts and funeral charges and also pay my daughter, Ann Cornell, one year after my death her legacy; Also pay my son William his legacy, and also my son Thomas his legacy with what interest may be due as he shall arrive at the age of twenty-one years or marry; Also pay my daughter Elisabeth her legacy with what interest may be due when she shall arrive to the age of eighteen years or marry. I desire that guardians appointed hereafter to be over my two sons, John and Thomas, to be put to good trades and let my house be a home for them when it seems to be convenient to them until they arrive at the age of twenty-one years; Also to keep and support my daughter Elisabeth with suitable food and raiment until she arrive at the age of eighteen years or marry; Also if my son John should die and leave no issue, then I give to my son Thomas, all my real and personal estate which I have given to my son John upon conditions of him performing my will as have ordered my son John to perform, or that part that may be unsettled, and if my son John should die and leave one or two children or more, my son Thomas is to pay to the child or children, £200, three months after the father's death, and also if my executor shall recover the one third part of three

hundred acres which I may have a right to in West Jersey, Gloster County, near Delaware River. If the value of this land amounts to four hundred pounds or under I give it to my two sons, Oliver and William and their heirs forever. If the valuation be more than £400, the overplus to be paid to my two sons, John and Thomas, equally divided between them and their heirs forever. My wife shall not take any person or persons into that part of the house that I allow her during her widowhood without the consent of my son John or son Thomas which ever may possess my farm; but she shall be supplied with fuel for her fire at all times during her widowhood at the expense of the occupier of my possessions. I appoint my sons, John and Thomas, Executors, but at present under age and if I should die before they or each of them be at age I appoint David Haviland and Caleb Haviland, executors or guardians over my two sons, John and Thomas, my sole executors, until one or both arrive at the age of twenty-one years.

Dated December 26, 1780. Witnesses, George Barwick, yeoman; Daniel Hitchcock, Abigail Haviland. Proved, November 5, 1782. The same day David Haviland qualified as executor. On April 11, 1786, John Roe was duly sworn as executor.

Page 12.—THOMAS VATAR, of New York City, mariner, after all just debts and funeral charges are paid, gives to his wife Agnes, one half of my estate, real and personal, as long as she remains my widow and unmarried; the other half to my son Thomas, jr., begotten by said wife Agnes, widow of Robert Theobalds, deceased, and to his heirs forever to be paid him after the death of my wife by my executors. In case my wife marry or die I will the whole estate to my son Thomas, jr., after reserving and giving the following legacy, that is, in case either a brother or sister should make a demand on my estate, I give them the one half of my estate after my wife's death or remarriage. To

my God daughters, Catharin Lawrence, daughter of Henry and Hester Lawrence, and Catharine Lynsen, daughter of Abraham and Catharine Lynsen, each the sum of £50, to be paid after my wife's death or remarriage. If my son die without lawful issue, it shall fall unto my wife. And in case of both wife and son's death without issue I give my whole estate to Jonathan Theobalds and his heirs first reserving out of my estate theacies above mentioned as also the one half given to my brother or sister if they should come and demand the same as before mentioned. I appoint Peter De Peyster and my brother-in-law, Abraham Lynsen, and my wife, executors.

Dated April 8, 1754. Witnesses, Stephen V. Cortlandt, W^m Poppelsdorff, William Poppelsdorff, Jr. Proved, April 11, 1786. The same day Mary W. Hughes, of the City of New York, late the widow of Stephen Van Cortlandt, testified she was well acquainted with the handwriting of the said Stephen Van Cortlandt and verily believed that he subscribed to the above will.

On April 12, 1786, Anna Beeton, of the City of New York, a daughter of Wilhelmus Poppelsdorff, testified that she was well acquainted with the handwriting of said Wilhelmus Poppelsdorff and believed that he subscribed to the above will.

Page 14.—MULFORD CONKLING, yeoman, of Easthampton, Suffolk County, New York. I give to my son David, my dwelling house and home, also my lot of land at N. W. Plain, lying between the land of Nathan Conkling and Daniel Osborn, about five acres; Also one piece of land adjoining Hands Creek Path, being between the land of Samuel Parson and Nathan Conkling, containing about thirty-three acres; Also the one half of my lot of woodland in Eelwise Brook Neck, being undivided with Nathan Conkling. Also the one half of my meadow at Accabownock, all which meadow lands and rights of land I give to my son David and

his heirs forever, but the improvement to his mother Puah until he arrive at the age of twenty-one years. I give to my wife Puah and my two daughters, Puah and Mary, all the moveable estate that I shall leave at my death, to be equally divided between them. To my son Mulford, all the rest of my land not before mentioned; and all my just debts and funeral charges paid out of the same. I appoint my wife, Puah Conkling, my brother, Nathan Conkling, jr., my friend, Jesse Dayton, Executors.

Dated January 23, 1781. Witnesses, Jonathan Tut-hill, Samuel Parsons, jr., yeomen; Benjamin Stratton. Proved, March 27, 1786.

Page 15.—JOHN SIDELL, tailor, after my just debts are paid I give to my wife Magdalen, all my movable estate, also the dwelling house in which I now live situated in Duke Street, New York City, during her widowhood, in case of marriage or her decease, the house is to be sold and the money arising from the sale to be equally divided among my children that may be living, and if but one, to his or her separate use. I make my son Augustus, executor, and my wife, executrix.

Dated November 8, 1781. Witnesses, Isaac Kip, William Ross, printer. Proved, April 15, 1786.

Page 17.—DANIEL MERSEREAU, yeoman, of Richmond County, New York, to my wife Cornelia, £100; Also one milch cow, a riding chair, best bedstead and furniture, dining table, tea table furnished, one looking glass, six chairs, one chest, one spinning wheel, one tea kettle, two iron pots, 1 pair andirons, one iron trammel and some dishes and plates which she may select. To my grandson, Aaron Mercereau, £60, to be put out at use within one year after my death, for his benefit, until he arrive at the age of twenty-one years; then to be paid with the interest; if he die before he is twenty-one years, the aforesaid monies shall be equally divided between such of my children as shall then be living and heirs of such as shall be deceased. To my

wife, my sons John, Daniel and Henry and daughter Catharine, £30 each; all to receive their shares within one year after my decease, excepting Henry, whose share is not to be paid him until he shall attain the age of twenty-one years; in order that he may be further benefited, his share of £30 shall be put out at use until he is twenty-one years of age, the above moneys to be an equivalent for the outset I gave my daughter Elizabeth at her marriage, and should either die before they shall be entitled to their respective share or shares and without lawful issue, the share or shares are to be equally divided between the survivors or their heirs. To my sons, John, Daniel and Henry all my wearing apparel, to be equally divided among them. To my daughter Catharine, one chest and a spinning wheel. All the remainder of my estate, both real and personal, in Richmond County and elsewhere, not before mentioned, shall within one year after my decease be disposed of at public sale and after my just debts shall be discharged and the above legacies deducted, the remaining moneys arising from sale to be equally divided between my wife and children, John, Daniel, Elizabeth, Catharine and Henry; each to receive his share one year after my decease excepting Henry whose share is to be put out for his benefit until he attain the age of twenty-one years; and should he or any of my heirs die before they shall be entitled to receive their share or shares, this share or shares to be equally divided among their heirs or to the survivors to be equally divided among them. My wife at her discretion shall be entitled to receive money from my executors to purchase necessary clothing for my son Henry, while he is a minor; this money to be deducted from the interest arising from the moneys put out at use for his benefit. I appoint my brother, John Mersereau, my son John, and Abraham Bancker.

Dated March 2, 1786. Witnesses, Cornelius Crusier, W. Helmus Vreland, yeomen; Adrian Bancker. Proved, April 7, 1786.

Page 19.—JOHN PATTERSON, of New York City, formerly a captain of the Pennsylvania Line; all my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid out of my personal estate; all the rest, real or personal, the rents, issues, proffits, advantages and emoluments of the same to my mother, Mary Leddle, of City of New York, widow, during her natural life, together with all interest money that now is or hereafter shall or may become due, during the term aforesaid, on three final settlement notes, two of which are for five hundred dollars each and one for four hundred and fifty-two dollars, and sixty-seven nintieths of a dollar which are now in possession, of my brother-in-law, Alexander Mercer, as a security for the payment of a certain bond given by me to him in 1784 for the sum of £205. Upon the death of my mother, all the real and personal estate I have willed her, shall go to the three children of Captain James Thomas, viz.: John Patterson Thomas, James Leddle Thomas and Mary Thomas, and to be equally divided between them share and share alike to hold the same to the said John Patterson Thomas, James Leddle Thomas and Mary Thomas and to their heirs, executors, administrators forever. As tenants in common and in case that either of children should die before the death of my mother, then the share or portion of the child or children so dying shall go to the survivor or survivors of them to be equally divided among them. In case my mother should die during the minority of the three children then the estate bequeathed to them to be applied and disposed of by my executors, to such purposes as may seem most conducive to the interest of said children during their minority. I appoint my mother, Mary Leddle, and Captain James Thomas and John Ramage, executors.

Dated March 8, 1786. Witnesses, Tobias Van Zandt, Thomas Van Zandt Roorbach. Proved, April 18, 1786.

Page 21.—April 13, 1776. ELISEBETH LAMON, of Ulster County, New York, to my son William £40, to

my son's daughters, my black velvet cloak; my grandson, John Waste, £34; to my daughter, Mertha Waste, all my furniture and clothes and cattle, to dispose of them to the best advantage for her son John.

Dated April 13, 1776, Samuel Miller and John Black, executors. Witnesses, Arthur Barbor, Samuel Miller and James Downes. Proved, April 11, 1786.

Page 22.—WILLIAM TANNER, SENIOR, farmer, of the Clove, Beekmans Precinct, Dutchess County, New York. To my son, William Tanner, jr., the one half of the farm that I now possess lying in the clove, if he pays one half of the debt that is due on the lease; to my son Reuben, the other half of the farm after paying all my just debts and legacies and dowries hereafter mentioned; Also all notes, bonds and all farmers' utensils belonging to the farm, after my decease; Also all horses, cows, sheep, hogs and all living things that is on the farm; to my son Samuel £50, in three years after my decease and all my wearing apparel; to my son James, the just sum of twenty shillings; to my grandson, David Tanner, £5, when he shall attain the age of twenty one years; to my five daughters, Hannah Thompson, Martha Thomas, Margaret Randel, Maribe Thompson and Rachel McIntosh, all my indoor utensils, to be equally divided among them. I appoint Jonathan Dennis, Esq., and Butain Talman, of Beekman Precinct, Dutchess County, executors.

Dated November 29, 1785. Witnesses, John Moores, Henrich Klein (or Hendrick Kline), Peter Cline, all of Dutchess County, farmers. Proved, April 11, 1786.

Page 25.—JACOBUS VAN ALLEN, yeoman, of Kinderhook, in the County of Albany, to my wife Leena, my whole estate during she being my widow, and to dispose of my personal estate, as she thinks proper for the benefit of my children; to my eldest son Laurens, my large Dutch Bible in right of his premogenitor or first born, and that he shall make no far-

ther pretence on my estate but to be satisfied with that share or portion as hereafter shall be made to him; to my three sons, namely, Laurens, Abraham, Johannis, all my real estate and their heirs to be divided into three parts, share and share alike, but Johannis must have the preference and choice of my houses which I now possess in Kinderhook at Groot-strick for him and his heirs forever; to my two daughters, Mary and Catharina, each an outset when they get married, to the value of £40, otherwise as my wife in her discretion shall think proper. After the death or marriage of my wife all my personal estate to my five children, namely, Laurens, Abraham, Johannis, Mary and Catharina, share and share alike. If one of my sons die without lawful issue, his part or share shall be divided among my surviving sons or heirs share and share alike. I make my wife, Leena Van Alen, executrix and my sons, Laurens, Abraham, executors.

Dated October 14, 1754. Witnesses, Anthony Quakenbous, Peter Vosburgh, both of Kinderhook; Arent Van Dyck.

Codicil. I, Jacobus Van Alen, November 28, 1755, make this my codicil to my last will. I give to my two daughters, namely, Maria, wife of Johannis Van Alen and Catharina, each the sum of £200 over and above the outset mentioned in my last will, to them and their heirs forever, and that six months after my wife's decease or marriage. This codicil be annexed to and made part of my last will.

Dated November 28, 1755. Witnesses, Anth. Quakenbous, Peter Vosburgh, Arent Van Dyck. Proved, January 4, 1757. The same day administration was granted unto Lena Van Alen, one of the executors.

On April 25, 1786, Lena Van Alen having since died and the goods and chattels of the said deceased, Jacobus Van Alen, not being fully administered, Laurens Van Alen one other of the executors was duly sworn to administer the same.

Page 28.—JAMES SOWLE, hatter, of Saratoga, Albany County, New York, after my just debts are paid out of my dues, I give to my wife Jemima, my best bed, bedstead and cord with a full set of furniture for Winter and Summer, together with what interest she has left at Nantucket, both real and personal, free and clear to her own disposal; Also the use and improvement of my homestead farm and patten farm, called the potter place for ten years, if she remain my widow, or so long as she remains my widow to enable her to bring up my children that is under age; Also the use of all my household goods until I shall otherwise order, my meaning is that if my wife should continue my widow after ten years, for her to have the choice of either room in my now dwelling house and the profits of thirty acres of the east end of my homestead farm so long as she remain my widow, and I desire her to accept the above gifts in lieu of her thirds or dower; to my son Jonathan, the two fifths of the one half of what estate I may have left to be delivered to him when he arrives at the age of twenty-one years; to my sons, James and Robert, the three fifths of the one half off my estate on every account in like manner as the above gift to Jonathan; to my daughters, Deborah, Lydia, Eunice and Hannah, each an equal quantity and quality of household goods as I have already given to their sister Levinas; Also each of them a cow, to be given them when they arrive at the age of eighteen, out of my household goods or other estate to be left to the discretion of my executor. To my five daughters, Levinah, Deborah, Lydia, Eunice and Hannah, the other half of my estate exclusive of all particular gifts to be equally divided among them and be delivered to all that has arrived at lawful age; when my son Jonathan arrives to lawful age and in like manner as it becomes clear of other gifts my intent and meaning is that my wife have the use of all my live stock for ten years if she continues my widow, to be left to the discretion of my executor, whether to

give them up to her as she may need or to demand them for division; Also my widow have all my provisions both harvested and growing, for the use of my family; to my three sons all my wearing apparel to be divided equally; to my two sons, Jonathan and James, my guns. I make my brother, Jonathan Sowle, guardian to all my children under age; Also sole executor, authorizing him to take a deed or deeds as the circumstances of my land may need; Also to sell, dispose, give deed for to settle my estate or for my children's benefit.

Dated March 24, 1785. Witnesses, Gideon Mead, Asa Brown, of Saratogo District, yeoman; Rebecca Leggett. Proved, April 10, 1786.

Page 30.—MARY GROESBECK, spinster, of the City of New York, to my sister, Susannah Groesbeck, otherwise Reilly, wife of Terence Reilly, merchant, of New York City, all my real and personal estate, after my just debts and funeral charges have been paid; Also what I am entitled unto by the last will of my late father, John Groesbeck, merchant, of New York City, deceased, or otherwise to have and to hold the same unto the said Susannah Reilly, her heirs, Executors, Administrators, forever. I make my brother-in-law, Terence Reilly, Executor, and my sister, Susannah Groesbeck Reilly, executrix.

Dated May 12, 1779. Witnesses, Terence Kerin, Not. Pub., Ninian Holmes, merchant; Peter Poillon. Proved, April 26, 1786.

Page 31.—NICHOLAS ANTHONY, New York City, to my eldest son, Theophilus, £850, which is to be paid out of or go in discharge of the bonds, accounts and other demands which I have against my son for money advanced to him heretofore; to my eldest daughter, Rebecca Hardenbrook, £700; £600 is to be paid out and go in discharge of a bond of £500 I have against her and £100 demand on account for cash advanced to her from time to time, the remaining £100 to be

paid her by my son Theophilus, one year after my decease, out and in discharge of £100 which my son owes me on bond over and above the said sum of £850; to my grandson, Nicholas Hardenbrook, son of Theophilus Hardenbrook, deceased, £600, £550 of which is to be paid out in discharge of a bond which I have against his father, Theophilus Hardenbrook, for money advanced to him, the remainder (£50) to be paid to my grandson, Nicholas Hardenbrook, by my son Nicholas, as soon as the said Nicholas Hardenbrook shall arrive at the lawful age, but if he die before he shall become of age, without lawful issue, in that case I give the said £600 to my other grandson, Nicholas Anthony, and in case he be then not living, to his legal representatives, in equal shares to my daughter, Mary Brevoort, £700, of which £630 is to be paid out of and in discharge of a bond of £600, and a note of hand of £30, which I have against her for money advanced to her; the remainder being £70, to be paid to her by my son Nicholas, three years after my decease; to my step-daughter, Hester Rose, widow, £50, to be paid to her by my son Nicholas, one year after my decease; All the residue to my son Nicholas and his heirs forever, excepting the legacies mentioned above, namely, £50 to my grandson, Nicholas Hardenbrook; Also the payment of the other two sums of £70 and £50 to be paid to my daughter, Mary Brevoort, and my stepdaughter, the widow Hester Rose, respectively. My children and grandchildren shall not be charged any interest on any of the notes, bonds which I have against them, and I hereby remit to them all interest accrued and become due on bonds, notes or accounts whatsoever. I appoint my son Nicholas, sole executor.

Dated September 24, 1784. Witnesses, Daniel Burger, Blockmaker; Jane Roome widow, both of said city; A. W. De Peyster. Proved, April 27, 1786.

Page 34.—JOSEPH ISRAEL LEVY, living in Calcutta, in the Kingdom of Bengal, to my daughter, Abigail Is-

rael Levy, £1000, to be left in the hands of Abraham Levy, merchant, London, to be applied to the best advantage, that is, the money to be put to land interest and that interest for the use of bringing her up until she is twenty-one years of age; in case of her death, the money to go to my mother, and I also give to my mother, Rosey Israel, living in Houndsditch, near Algate, London £500 more, and in case of my mother's and daughter's death, these moneys are to go to my brothers and sisters; Also £500 to the Jews College in Jerusalem, and unto the poor widows and poor motherless and fatherless children in London, £200; Also to the mother of my child, named Jabica, five hundred Rupees and two slave girls and the garden and the house, with everything belonging unto her to be paid to her by my executors, and the other amount of all sum or sums of money, lands, tenements, goods, chattels, and estate whatsoever, I give these to my brothers and sisters in London or elsewhere each to have equal share. I appoint Abraham Levy, merchant, in London, Charles Weston, Joseph Pallard and Robert Brown, executors.

Dated Calcutta January 2, 1772, and in the twelfth year of his reign Majesty King George the third. Witnesses, Anthony O'Brien, James Miller. Proved, April 27, 1786. The same day Moses Israel, gentleman, and on the 28th, Solomon Simson, merchant, both of said city, testified that they were well acquainted with the testators handwriting and believed he subscribed to the above will.

On April 28, 1786, the executors of the will were "absent beyond the seas" and Samuel Israel was appointed Administrator.

Page 37.—SILAS BELDING, of Charlotte Precinct, in Dutchess County, New York. To my wife Janetie, my house wherein I now live, with all my live stock of horses, cattle, sheep and swine, with my carriages, farming tools and utensils, during her natural life; all

which goods and chattels are then after my wife's decease to be given to my son Lowrans, who is to take care of his mother during her natural life; to my son Silas, land situated lying in Charlotte Precinct, at southeast corner of my lands, thence northward to the division line between me and Jacobus Vanduesen, to a division fence between the two meadows, thence westward, the fence now stands to the orchard, thence round said orchard northward, as the fence now stands to a bushy, white, oak, stump standing by the road, crossing the road westward through the orchard to a stone wall, thence south along wall till it comes to a fence running east and west, then westward as the said fence stands to Thomas Gages land, thence south on a line between me and said Gage to the division line between the Great Nine Pardenors and Beekmans Patent, then easterly along said line to the place of beginning, together with the buildings, orchards, and improvements thereon, excepting the Cider mill and press, the half of which shall be property of my son Lowrans; Also to my son Silas, all the tract of land situated in the precinct, county and state above said, beginning at a rock standing by a road near the school house, thence running northerly to a gulley or run of water that comes from Benjamin Burlingames, running and keeping on west side of said run till it comes within six rods of said Burlingames Bridge, then running north to Burlingames land, thence along line between me and said Burlingame until it comes to where a due south line will strike the Easterly Crook of a run of water running toward the road, from thence to the road to a walnut sapling standing by the road on the north side, thence along said road easterly to the place of beginning, with all the profits; Also all that tract of land situated in Amenia Precinct, the county and state aforesaid, beginning at a rock standing in the stone wall near the road, from thence easterly as the fence now stands, along said fence to a pair of bars (allowing my son Lawrens, a watering place to the water),

and from said bars running northerly, as that fence now stands to Harmanis Knickerbacker's land, thence easterly along line between me and said Knickerbacker till it comes to a heap of stones near a gate, thence to the river and along said river to his own land; Also my land I have on east side of river and running westerly on a line between me and Jacob Vanduesen to the road then along said road northerly to the first mentioned bounds, with the profits and improvements, to my son Lawrens, all that tract of land situated in Charlotte Precinct the county and state above said beginning on the division line between me and Jacob Vanduesen at the division fence between the two meadows, running westerly on the line mentioned for my son Silas' north bound line and running in every course as that line runs to Thomas Gage's land, thence northerly on a line between me and said Gage to where an east line will strike the brook whereon Christopher Dutcher's Mill now stands, six rods below said mill over said brook thence northerly along the East side of Dutchers Mill Dam to the road, thence Easterly along said road as the road runs to Jacob Vanduesen's land, thence south on the line between me and said Vanduesen to the first mentioned bounds, together with buildings, orchards and improvements thereon; Also that tract of land situated in precinct, county and state above said beginning at a rock near schoolhouse mentioned for my son Silas' southeast bound, thence running Easterly along the road as road runs to Jacob Vanduesen's land, then northerly and Easterly in company with said Van duesen to the road, thence northerly along said road to a rock mentioned for my son Silas' northeast corner in Amenia Precinct, thence along a fence easterly as the fence now stands to a pair of bars, thence northerly as the fence now stands to Harmanis Knickerbacker's land, thence west along a line between me and said Knickerbacker to the southwest corner of said Knickerbacker's land, thence north to Benjamin Burlingames' southeast corner, thence

westerly on a line between me and said Burlingame to my son Silas' northeast corner, thence southerly along Silas' east line to first mentioned bounds together with buildings and improvements thereon; Also that tract in Charlotte Precinct, the county and state above said beginning at a Walnut sapling near the road mentioned for my son Silas' southwest bound, thence northerly on west side of my son Silas to Benjamin Burlingame's land, thence on a line between me and said Burlingame to said Burlingames southwest corner, from thence southerly to a butnut tree standing on the north side of the road on the top of Plemoth Hill, from thence easterly along said road to the Walnut sapling or place of beginning with all the profits thereunto belonging; to my daughter Mary, all that tract of land lying in Charlotte Precinct, county and state above said, beginning at a chestnut tree mentioned for the southeast bounds of my son Lowrans, near the road on Plemoth Hill, thence to the southwest bound of Charles Wilbour's land, northerly from thence along the line between me and said Willbour, westerly to my northwest corner, thence along the line between me and Thomas Gage, southerly to the northwest corner of my son Lowrans, thence easterly to the brook, six rods below Christopher Dutches mill and crossing the said brook, thence northerly along the East side of said mill pond and brook to the road crossing the road, thence easterly along said road to the first mentioned bounds of beginning with all profits and buildings, to the heirs of my daughters, Abigail and Katrine, all that tract lying in the Township of New Caanan, Albany County, New York, together with all buildings, profits thereunto belonging; the heirs of my daughter Abigail to receive one half of the above said lands and improvements and the heirs of my daughter Katrine, the other half; to my daughters, Jane and Elizebeth, all that tract of land lying in the Township of Salisbury, County of Rutland, Vermont, on the banks of Otter Creek, to be equally divided be-

tween them with all improvements, profits, thereunto belonging to my wife Janetie, the use and benefit of my negro man and woman during her natural life and after her death, I give them to my son Lowrans, to my three daughters, Mary, Jane and Elizebeth, all and every article of my household goods and furniture, to be equally divided between them six weeks after my wife's decease, the same to remain to my wife's use and care during her natural life, what cash I have and is due me at my decease, after my just debts and funeral charges shall be paid I give to my two sons and three daughters, Silas, Lowrans, Mary, Jane and Elizebeth, to be equally divided between the five. I make my wife, Executrix, and my son Lowrans, and my son-in-law, Christopher Dutcher, Executors in trust. I also give all my wearing apparel to be equally divided between my two sons, Silas, Lowrans.

Dated February 20, 1786. Witnesses, Daniel Mason, Matthew Vanduesen, David Rose, all of Dutchess County, farmers. Proved, April 19, 1786.

Page 42.—MYNDERT VIELIE, farmer, of Beekmans Precinct, Dutchess County, New York. To my eldest son, Barent, £5 and my gun for his birthright; Also one equal undivided third part of all my real estate; to my son Peter, one equal undivided third part of all my real estate; to my son Baltus, one equal undivided part of all my real estate. I order that my three sons pay, within one year after my decease, £500, each to pay £166, thirteen shillings and four pence, as a legacy out of my real estate; £100 to each of my five daughters or their children, the parts to the children of my daughters, Johanna and Rebecca, to be disposed of as hereafter directed; the remainder of my personal estate to be divided into eight equal parts. To my sons, Barent, Peter, Baltus, one eighth part each; to my daughters, Helena, Neiltje, Jannetje, Rebecca, one eighth part each, the one eighth part of Rebecca's to remain in the hands of my Executors to be put on in-

terest for the use of and to be paid to the children of my daughter Rebecca in equal portions as they come of age or marry, the survivors to share equally the proportion of such as may die before they come of age or marry, the remaining one eighth part to be put to use by my executors for the children of my daughter Johanna, deceased, in equal proportions, to them, the proportion of such of them as are indebted to my sons, Executors, or either of them, the amount of debt to be retained by my executors toward the discharge of such debt in an average proportion of said debt to said legacy or part, the residue to be put on interest for the use of and be paid the said children of my daughter Johanna, in equal proportions as they come of age or marry; the survivors to share equal proportion of such as may die before they come of age or marry; if the majority of my children do not agree in the division of my personal estate then my executors to sell the same and make an equal dividend of the net proceeds in manner as is above directed after paying all my just debts, funeral discharges and legacy above mentioned. I give the share legacy of such child so dying, to be equally divided among the children of such of my child or children so dying as shall come of age or marry. I appoint my sons, Barent Vielie, Baltus Vielie and my son-in-law, Abraham A. Losee, executors.

Dated June 1, 1785. Witnesses, James Emott, Peter Tappen, Gilbert Livingston. Proved, April 9, 1786.

Page 44.—To Samuel Jones, of Oysterbay, in Queens County, Esquire, Attorney of John Gale and Anna his wife, and of Thomas Jones and Mary his wife, the said Anna and Mary being daughters and Legatees of David Jones, late of Fort Neck, in Queens County, deceased, and Samuel Clowes, of South Hempstead, in the said County, Esquire. Whereas the said DAVID JONES did make a will dated 26th day of July, 1768, and thereby appointed Thomas Jones, Richard Floyd and William Nicols, Jr., Executors, which was proved

on October 27, 1775, and whereas the said William Nicolls, Jr., is since deceased and the said Thomas Jones and Richard Floid, the other executors, stand attainted of High Treason against us and are by law forever banished from our state, administration on the estate of the said David Jones, deceased, is granted unto Samuel Jones and Samuel Clowes.

Dated April 28, 1786.

Page 45.—JENNEKE LYET, of Orange County, New York. To Helletye Debois, widow of Jonathan Debois, deceased, £50; to Sarah Leydecker, widow of Albert Leydecker, deceased, £50; to Elizebeth Hutton, wife of John Hutton, £50; to Sarah Blauvelth, wife of Richard Blauvelth, £50; to Marretye Sickles, wife of William Sickles, my silver teapot; to Sarah Leydecker, Marretye Leydecker, Elizabeth Hutton and Sarah Blauvelth, all my wearing apparel, my bed and bedding, my house furniture to be divided among them share and share alike; to William Van Dalsem and Henry Van Dalsem and their heirs forever, all that lot of ground lying on the south side of Courtlandt Street, New York City, bounding on the east by the lot of Peter Mesier, one hundred and twenty-eight feet on the south by the lot of the heirs of Jacobus Stoutenburgh, Deceased, and twenty-five feet on the West by the heirs of Gitty Van Dalsem, deceased, one hundred and twenty-eight feet, and on north on said street twenty-six feet. I make William Sickles, of Orange County and Henry Van Dalsem, of New York City, executors.

Dated July 10, 1785. Witnesses, M. Hogenkamp, John Hodson, weaver; Thunis Cuyper, yeoman, both of Orange Town. Proved, May 1, 1786.

Page 47.—GEORGE POLHEMUS, farmer, of Pond Patent, Precinct of Haverstraw, County of Orange New York. To my wife, maintenance out of my estate during her widowhood at the discretion of my ex-

ecutor, and to have no further power over my estate, and that she remain in the family; to my son Titus, one mahogany desk; to my eldest daughter, Matie, one of the best horses and one cow and one chest of drawers; to my three sons, Titus, Jacob and Daniel, all my estate, real and personal, that they pay my just debts and funeral charges and bring up all the small children and give them English education, that they bring up my youngest son, George, and put him out to learn a trade and at the age of twenty-one to give thirty acres of land, but if they give him a liberal education and learn him Divinity he is to have no right to the land; to pay my daughter Matie £80, four years after my death. I give to my daughter Jenny £80, to be paid four years after Matie; to my daughters, Elizabeth, Ann and Hannah, each the sum of £80, to be paid as they come of age, but in case any of daughters die under age, without issue, the legacy to be divided equally among my surviving daughters, and in like manner with my sons, Titus, Jacob and Daniel, that if either die without issue or under age their parts to be divided in like manner, that if my son George die without marriage issue, his part to be divided among the surviving brothers or their heirs, the legacy of thirty acres is to be taken from the farm now in my possession in case of the death of one of the other brothers as before mentioned, then George to come in equal for one third belonging to the deceased unless he have education as before mentioned, then to have no right to any part thereof. I appoint my eldest son, Titus, my son Jacob, and Johanes Remsan, Class R. Vⁿ Hooten, Executors.

Dated March 6, 1786. Witnesses, John Farrand, George Douglas, of Haverstraw, Schoolmaster; Yury Pery. Proved, May 4, 1786.

Page 49.—PETER ANDERSON, wheelwright, of New York City. To my son George, the sum of five shillings, to bar him of any claim to my estate, as heir at

law or otherwise, and in case my son George should die before he receives the sum or that a division of my estate is made, then I give the said sum of five shillings to his lawful heir for the same intent and reason; to my wife Cornelia, the whole and sole use, interest and profits of all my estate, real and personal, to be possessed by her or her heirs during the term of her natural life; my executors are to sell and dispose of all my estate, real and personal, one year after my wife's decease, that shall be left (after my wife's funeral charges are paid), and that by such ways and means as they (executors) shall judge to be most beneficial; the moneys arising from such sale to be divided into six parts or shares—one sixth part of the whole I give to my son George, one sixth part to my son Elias, one sixth part to my son Elbert, one sixth to my son Petrus, one sixth to my daughter, Cornelia Brower, and the remaining sixth part to Maria, the same to be paid them as soon as may be done after selling of my estate. If any of my children should die without lawful issue then his share shall be divided amongst the surviving children; if any of my children should die leaving lawful issue, his share shall be put out at interest for the child or children until he arrive at the lawful age. I appoint my sons, Elias, Elbert and Petrus, Executors.

Dated August —, 1774. Witnesses, John Montanye, carpenter; Joseph Montanye (brother to preceding witness), John Nathaniel Hutchins. In the probate Gerard Smith, Schoolmaster, testified to the signature of John Nathaniel Hutchins. Proved, May 3, 1786.

Page 52.—May 2, 1785. CALEB GREEN, of North Castel, Westchester County, New York. To my son Thomas, tract of land lying in North Castel, in Westchester County, beginning at a heap of stones lying at the southwest corner of Thiash Greens land running northerly and westerly, and then northerly as the land

of Iasiah Greens land until it meets with the land of Charles Hights, then with the land of Charles Hights, until it meets with the fence that divides the neck from the swamp, then southerly as the fence stands, until it meets with the cart road that gives unto the neck, thence easterly as the road runs until it comes to the bars that comes out of the long field, thence a straight line to a long stone lying in the fence just below the bridge, thence as the highway runs to the first mentioned bounds; Also a piece of land lying on the south side of the road beginning at the northeast corner where the shop used to stand, thence running southerly as the road runs until it meets with land of John Greens, until it meets with the fence that divides a small piece of meadow from the other field, thence as the fence stands to the highway, thence easterly as the highway runs to the first mentioned bounds, to him and his heirs forever; to my son Joseph, the tract lying in North Castel, county and state mentioned above, beginning at a certain long stone lying in the stone fence across the brook just below the bridge, thence running as the cart path goes to the bridge that goes to the neck, thence as the cart path goes across the swamp to the bars, thence southerly as the fence stands until it meets with the stone fence that runs east and west across the ridge, thence as the same fence runs west across the ridge until it meets with the fence that runs north and south, thence northerly as the fence now stands until it meets with the land of Iasiah Greens, thence easterly and northerly with the land of Isaiah Greens until it comes to the north point of the neck, then easterly until it meets with the land of Charles Hights, then southerly as the fence now stands unto the cart path that goes unto the neck, thence a straight line southerly to a certain watering place, from thence a due south line to the land of Walter Simmans lands, thence easterly to a certain walnut tree standing northwest of a piece of bogs, thence southerly to a row of stones that lies the

north side of the highway and so to the highway, thence easterly to the first mentioned bounds; Also another tract lying south side of the highway in the corner where the old house used to stand; all that meadow that is within the fence as it now stands to him and his heirs forever; to my son William, one tract of land lying in North Castel, County and State aforesaid, beginning on the north side of the highway that leads from my house to John Greens, then northerly to certain walnut tree standing northwest of a piece of bogs, thence westerly to the northeast corner of Walter Simmans land, then westerly until it meets with the south line that comes to the watering place, thence northerly along the said line until it comes to the east end of the stone fence that crosses the ridge, thence westerly by the said stone fence until it meets the fence that runs north and south, thence northerly by the said fence until it meets with the land of Isaiah Green, thence westerly to a maple tree standing on the west side of Shapaqua Brook, thence southerly partly as the brook runs to the northwest corner of John Carpenter's land, thence easterly along said John Carpenter's and Walter Simmans land, thence southerly by the said Walter Simmans until it comes to the highway, thence easterly by the highway until it comes to the land of John Green's, thence easterly by the land of John Greens and so by the highways to the first mentioned bounds to him and his heirs forever; to my son Henry, a tract of land lying in North Castel, County and State aforesaid, all that remains of that farm that I bought of Michael Lownsbury, except what I sold to John Green, to him and his heirs forever; my sons Thomas, Joseph and William and their heirs shall have free liberty to cart from the highways along the cart path to the bridge and unto their own lands at all times; to my sons Thomas, Joseph and William, a tract of land lying in North Castel, County and State aforesaid, bounded on the south by Isaiah Green, on the west by a Frances Wright, on the north and east by Charles

Haight, containing eleven acres more or less to them and their heirs forever; and my movable estate be sold at the discretion of my executors, and that the money arising therefrom be paid as follows: to my daughter Sarah £45, my grandson, Caleb Green (son of my son Caleb Green), £30. If the sale falls short to pay my debts and legacies, then my sons shall pay their equal part to my son Thomas, the use and benefit of my part of the saw mill so that he doth allow his brothers to saw their own logs. I appoint my sons, Thomas and William, executors.

Dated May 2, 1785. Witnesses, Robert Carpenter, Mary Palmer, Jacob Carpenter, yeoman. Proved, April 23, 1786.

Page 55.—JAMES DE BLEZ, of New Rochelle, Westchester County, New York, to Edward Neville, now living in Charles Town, formerly a merchant in Bristol, in England, £500 to him and his heirs forever; to John Neville, eldest brother of Edward Neville, merchant, now living in Charles Town, £300 to him and his heirs forever; to Edward Light, merchant, in New York, £500 to Mr. More, secretary of the society of the Episcopal Church, £400, to be put at interest for its support for poor widows and orphans belonging to said Episcopal Church; to Church Wardens or managers of the Township of New Rochelle £100, to build and erect a steeple and hang a bell in the Episcopal Church; to Abraham Guion, Esq., of New Rochelle, £50 and all my wearing apparel to him and his heirs forever; to Dinah Guion, sister to Abraham Guion, £50, my three silver table spoons and all my beds and bedding; to John Guion, son of Abraham Guion, Esq., £20; to Mary Guion, daughter of Abraham Guion, £10; to Frances Tatar, wife of Rev. John Tatar, £25; to Jane Bonine, widow of John Bonine, £25; to Peter Bonnet, of New Rochelle, £25; all the remainder of my estate to be equally divided between the legatees herein mentioned in proportion to the sums given them; all

sums to be paid eighteen months after my decease. I appoint Abraham Guion, of New Rochelle, William Light, merchant, of New York, Peter Bonnet, of New Rochelle, Executors.

Dated April 20, 1786. Witnesses, Elias Guion, Blacksmith, Esaic Guion, Samuel Ferris. Proved, May 2, 1786.

Page 57.—GABRIEL LEGETT, late of West Chester but now of the West Patent of North Castle, Westchester County, New York. To my two sons, Thomas and James, all my estate both real and personal, lying in Westchester County, New York, to them and their heirs forever, and that it be equally divided between them; if either of my two sons, Thomas or James, die before me or before said estate be equally divided in such case the heirs of deceased brother shall be entitled to one equal half part of the above given estate; to my daughter, Mary Archer, £100; if my daughter die before she receive the aforesaid £100, then the aforesaid £100 to be paid to her heirs; to my daughter, Martha-Ferguson, £30 with this proviso, that she shall survive her husband, Hezekiah Ferguson, otherwise not; to my daughter, Phebe Miers, £30 with the proviso, that she survive her husband, Isaac Miers, otherwise not; to my daughter Elizabeth £30, to be paid to her one year after my death; to my daughter Catharine £10; my sons, Thomas and James, to pay the legacies severally as I have given them. I appoint my sons Thomas and James and my son-in-law, James Archer, Executors.

Dated June 25, 1781. Witnesses, Maurice Smith, Abel Smith, Benjamin Smith. Proved, May 2, 1786.

Page 59.—JOSEPH DUNKLY, painter, of New York City. To my wife Ann, use, profit, possession of my whole estate, both real and personal, for her natural life for her maintenance and support and support and education of my two sons; to my son Joseph £3, as his

birthright and in bar as he may claim as my heir at law. All the remainder and reversion of my estate to my two sons, Joseph and Robert Pond Dunkly, and to their heirs, executors, equally to be divided between them share and share alike, to be received immediately after the decease of my wife. If either die before reaching the lawful age and without issue, then I give the part of the deceased son to his surviving brother or heirs; if both sons should die before legal age and without lawful issue, I give one full third part of my whole estate to my wife Ann and to her heirs forever; one other third part thereof in case of both of my sons under age and without lawful issue after decease of my wife, I give unto children and legal representatives of my sister, Elizabeth Woodward, now the wife of William Woodward, farmer, of Pennsylvania, equally divided between them, the remaining third part thereof, in case of death of my sons under age and without lawful issue, after decease of my wife Ann I give to Joseph Wood, Cordwainer, of Bucks County, Pennsylvania, brother of my wife, and to his heirs forever, and the better to enable my executrix, hereinafter named, to dispose of and manage my estate for the best advantage of my heirs I authorize and empower my executrix at any time when she shall see fit and best to sell and dispose all my real estate whatsoever, either at public or private sale as she shall think best, to any purchaser whomsoever at such price and on such terms as she shall think fit, and to give good and sufficient deed or deeds, release or releases, conveyance or conveyances, or such assurance in the law for the same to any purchaser thereof, his, her, their heirs forever in fee simple. The moneys arising from such sales be placed at interest on real or mortgage security, only for benefit of my devisees. I appoint my wife Ann, Executrix.

Dated New York, March 22, 1775. Witnesses, Edward Lowerree, Cooper; William Gervan, John McKesson. Proved, May 5, 1786.

Page 62.—February 21, 1786. DAVID MERSEREAU, of Staten Island, Richmond County, New York. To my wife Elizabeth, use or profits of my whole estate, real and personal, for bringing up and schooling my children for so long as she shall remain my widow; my executors to give to my wife immediately after her marriage the choice of two negro wenches, either old or young Sarah, with so much of my household furniture as she shall choose, and to pay her £100 out of my estate in lieu of dower; to my son David £200 when he shall arrive at the age of twenty-one years, with the silver bowl as specified in the will of my brother Paul, the other articles being stolen cannot be delivered; to my son Daniel £100, when he shall arrive at the age of twenty-one years given to him in like manner by my brother Paul; to my son Peter £100 out of my estate when he arrive at the age of twenty-one years; to my daughters, Elizabeth, Jude and Margaret, each to receive £50 in lieu of an outset when they shall arrive at the age of eighteen or marry; the remainder of my estate shall be equally divided among all my children, namely, Mary, Martha, Sarah, Nancy, David, Daniel, Peter, Elizabeth, Jude and Margaret; immediately after my daughter Margaret shall arrive at the age of eighteen years or marry which shall first happen; in case any of my sons, David Daniel or Peter, die under age and without issue that such share or shares given to them so dying shall be equally divided amongst the survivors or given to the survivor of my sons, and in case either of my daughters, Elizabeth, Jude or Margaret shall die before they arrive at age of eighteen or marry, without lawful issue, such share or shares of either of them so dying to be equally divided among the survivors or survivor of them above expressed; be it remembered that my daughter Mary has received £40, which is to be accounted by her out of such share as may become due to her out of my estate. I appoint Gozen Ryersse, Daniel Mersereau, Sr. and John Mersereau, executors.

Dated February 21, 1786. Witnesses, Cornelius Mersereau, David Edgar, John Van Pelt, all of Richmond County, ship carpenters. Proved, April 26, 1786.

Page 64.—ANN MARY SCHUYLER, widow of Dirck Schuyler, of City of New York. To Mary, daughter of Abraham Schuyler, deceased, of New Brunswick, New Jersey, the interest on £50 during her natural life, and at her death the said sum of £50 to be equally divided among the children that she may then have living, share and share alike; to William Bradford, Sr., of Philadelphia, £10; to Schuyler Bradford, £50; to Rachel Bradford, £50; to Elizabeth Ogden, widow of Jacob Ogden, deceased, £150; to Ann Mercier, £100; to Heleana Van Wyck, widow of Theodorious Van Wyck, £100; to Abraham Schuyler, son of Abraham Schuyler, of New Brunswick, £100; to Abraham Schuyler, son of Dirck Schuyler, of Albany, £150; to Dirck Schuyler, son of Jacobus Schuyler, of Albany, £150; to John Van Vorhies, son of John Van Vorhies, of New Brunswick, £50; to William Ogden, son of Jacob Ogden, deceased, £10; to William C. Bradford, son of Cornelius Bradford, £150; to Theodorious Van Wyck and Piere Van Cortlandt Van Wyck, sons of Abraham Van Wyck, deceased, each £25, to be paid to them when they shall arrive at the age of twenty-one years, and in case of the death of either of them before reaching legal age the sum of £25 given to them to be paid to the survivor, and in case they both die before the age of twenty-one the said sums given them to be paid to the children of Theodorious Van Wyck, share and share alike; to Mary Van Wyck, daughter of Theodorious Van Wyck, one equal half part of the money received for the sale of my two lots of land lying in the Bowery of the City of New York; my negro girl, Elizabeth Clerk, to be set free after she arrive at the age of twenty-one, and in case I die before she arrives at that age it is my will she live with Elizabeth Ogden until she arrive at twenty-one years she then to receive

£30; to Abraham Schuyler, son of Abraham Schuyler, of New Brunswick, my silver tankard and silver-hilted sword; to Elizabeth Ogden, all my household furniture and wearing apparel; to Harmon Ling, the young man that now lives with me, my smallest chocolate mill and one hundred of the chocolate pans. If after paying my debts and funeral charges my estate should not amount to the sum given or legacies, each one to be paid in proportion so given them—if a remainder, the same to be divided among my executors share and share alike. I appoint Cornelius Bradford, Peter Mackie, of New York City, executors.

Dated April 11, 1786. Witnesses, John King, Jr., Abraham Willson, Shopkeeper; Nathaniel Monroe, jr. Proved, May 6, 1786.

Page 67.—JEDIDIAH OSBORNE, of the Town of Easthampton, Suffolk County, New York. To my son Jacob, one half of my wind mill and one half of all my lands to him and his heirs forever, provided he shall have a male heir when he dies, but for want of such male issue to descend to my son John, his heirs forever except the third of said land and mill, the wife of my son Jacob may improve as long as she remain his widow; to my son Isaac the other half of my lands and buildings and other half of my mill and his male heir forever, but if he die without male issue then to descend to my son John, as aforesaid, except the third to remain to his wife as long as she remain his widow; and for the want of John, having male issue when he dies, to descend as the law directs, to my surviving children not before mentioned the sum of ten shillings each to be to them and their heirs forever, the remainder of my estate to be divided among all my children except my two horses to go with lands and buildings; my son Jacob shall improve all my lands after my decease, till my son Isaac return home and divide my said lands and if either of them die without male issue as above said the value of above lands to descend as

above said. I appoint my sons, Jacob and Isaac, executors.

Dated February 19, 1785. Witnesses, Sarah Osborne, Loraney Thompson, Elias Mathews. Proved, April 18, 1786.

Page 69.—JONAS SAMMIS, of Huntington, Suffolk County, New York. To my wife Rebecca £80, one cow, two cows, which she shall choose, two feather beds and furniture, six leather bottom chairs, one looking glass if she marries, she is to receive above in lieu of her dower; to my daughter Abigail £50; to my daughter Susanah £30; the above legacies to be put out at interest to such time as they shall arrive to the age of eighteen years, which shall first happen; to my two sons, Henry and Jonas, and to their heirs forever all my lands and buildings with a certain right of marsh on Cedar Island to be equally divided between them. I appoint Jesse Sammis, in the west neck, Timothy Conkling, jr., of Huntington, executors.

Dated April 13, 1786. Witnesses, William Sammis, Henry Sammis, John Ketcham, yeoman. Proved, April 25, 1786.

Page 70.—SETH PADDACK, of Fredericksburgh, Dutchess County, New York. To my wife Ruth, all and singular my household furniture, to be used and finally disposed of at her own discretion and also the free use of the easternmost room of the house in which I now live together with like use of the chamber over said room and the use of one half of milk room adjoining said room as long as she remain my widow; to my son Zachariah, the sum of five shillings to be paid him within three months after my decease; to my daughter Deliverence, five shillings as aforesaid; to my son Stephen, all the buildings I have on the farm on which I now live, with the exception of the privilege given my wife as aforesaid; to my son Seth, the equal third part of my lands; to my son Stephen, one other

equal third part; to my son Judah, the other equal third part of my lands, and all my personal estate (except household furniture) be equally divided amongst my three sons, Seth, Stephen and Judah, to each one an equal third part, and my sons Seth, Stephen and Judah to furnish my wife annually during the time she remain my widow, the following articles: one hundred weight of pork, thirty of beef, nine bushels of wheat, three bushels of indian corn, one bushel of rye; two pairs of shoes, six lbs. of sheeps wool, fifteen pounds of flax with suitable fire wood, at their equal expense for the use of my wife yearly, while she remain my widow; and my said three sons, provide yearly for the use of my wife, one good new, milch cow to be well pastured; Also £3 and a comfortable riding horse at such times as her circumstances may call therefore. I appoint Dr. Joseph Crane, sr., and my son Seth, executors.

Dated September 22, 1782. Witnesses, Thomas Baldwin, Jonathan Smith, Farmers; David Baldwin. Proved, May 2, 1786.

Page 72.—HANNAH NICOLL, widow of John Nicoll, Esq., deceased, of New Windsor, of the County, State of New York. To my son Abimael £500, one silver bowl, one feather bed and bedding and the family's coat of arms; to my daughter Frances £500, one gray horse, one silver tea-pot, six silver table spoons, one pair silver tea tongs, two beds and bedding with the bedsteads and curtains, two large dining tables, one tea table, six fiddle backed chairs, two strings and a locket of gold beads, one pair of gold sleeve buttons, two looking glasses, one case of mahogany drawers, all the table linen and sheets, except what furnishes the beds herein given, all my wearing apparel except one dark calico gown given to Sarah Case, one side saddle, six china plates, six china cups and saucers, three brass kettles, one copper kettle, one chest of black walnut drawers, one stand candlestick, six pewter dishes,

fifteen pewter plates, one pewter collander; to my son, John Dowden Nicoll, one silver pepper box, one silver salt cellar, one feather bed and bedding; to my son, Leonard William Nicoll, one pair silver shoe buckles, one pair gold sleeve buttons, six silver tea spoons, one feather bed and bedding; the remainder of all other notes, after paying for my son's Abimael education through college, to be equally divided among my four children, Abimael, Frances, John Dowden and Leonard William, share and share alike; if any of my said children die before they come of age their part to be equally divided among the survivors. I appoint Henry Wiener, jr., Esq., Jeremiah Clarke, Esq., and Leonard D. Nicoll, Executors.

Dated February 12, 1785. Witnesses, Abimael Youngs, yeoman; Mary Chandler, Sarah Case. Proved, June 13, 1785.

Page 74.—CORNELIUS VAN COTT, of Seaman's Neck, in Queens County, New York. To my wife Martha, all my estate as long as she shall live to lay out as much of the same as she may have occasion for during her life; to my sons James and Cornelius, all the estate which is left after the decease of my wife, on consideration that they shall pay, after death of my wife, to my daughter Martha, £100, to be paid equally between them; if my sons refuse to pay my daughter this stated sum, then my executors are to dispose of as much of my estate which I have heretofore given my sons, as will pay the abovesaid £100 to my daughter Martha. I appoint my two sons, James and Cornelius, and Eldred Van Wike, executors.

Dated June 1, 1785. Witnesses, Thomas Seaman, yeoman; Israel Seaman, Stephen Voris. Proved, May 8, 1786.

Page 76.—MATHEW HOWELL, in the Precinct of Goshen, County of Orange, New York. To my son Mathew £10, to be paid upon demand; to my son Theophilus, the small lot of meadow joining John Denton,

bounded on the West by the meadow of John Denton, on the East by the highway; Also a certain part of my large meadow in the drowned lands, said part to begin at the line of John Denton and to run fifteen rods into meadow and to hold said width of fifteen rods from the road to the edge of the bog meadow; Also two third parts of bog meadows; Also his one equal half of the Cedar swamp; to my son Philetus, the remaining part of said meadows, bogs, and cedar swamp; Also as much land on the east side of the road that leads from Goshen to William Allison's as in the whole contain one hundred acres; to my son Theophilus, the remainder of all my lands; to my four daughters, Mary, Margaret, Elizabeth and Jane, all my movable estate, goods and chattels to be equally divided among them; my son William to be brought up by Theophilus until fit for a trade, and then be put to such a trade as my executors think proper; my son Theophilus shall pay my son William £100 when he arrives at the age of twenty-one years; and to pay said money in such manner as each dollar shall be equal in value with eight shillings in silver; and my son Philetus shall pay William £50 like money aforesaid, when he shall become of age; to my daughter Mary, the saddle now making for my family; to my son Theophilus, the use of all my lands until Philetus arrives at twenty-one years. If my son Theophilus die without an heir, his part of lands should be equally divided between Philetus and William, and if my son Philetus die without an heir then his land shall be given to my son William; and provided my son William should get said land, then Theophilus shall not pay the above legacy of £100; if my son William die without an heir, his portion to be divided equally between his two brothers, Theophilus and Philetus; if either of my daughters die without an heir, the deceased portion to be divided equally among the surviving daughters. I appoint Isaac Ludlow and Coe Gale, my executors.

Dated May 1, 1779. Witnesses, Jonathan Smith,

Enos Smith, Blacksmith; Jonathan Conner. Proved, April 25, 1786.

The executors relinquished the Executorship and administration was granted to Theophilus Howell, May 13, 1786.

Page 78.—BENJAMIN GALE, of Goshen, in Orange County, New York. To my wife Eleanor, one equal half of all my household furniture, provisions of all kinds and mol and flax necessary for one year after my decease; Also necessary clothing; Also providing for the family for said term after my decease; Also the use of either of my negro girls, at her election to wait upon her during the time she remain my widow, the said wench to be disposed of as my other personal estate, when my widow marry or at her decease; Also to my wife a certain lot of land lying in the east division which I purchased of Francis Drake, now in the possession of John Garey, containing ten acres with the buildings thereon, to her and her heirs forever; Also the use and improvement of the one equal third part of the farm land, I now possess and dwell upon, together with the use of one equal third part of the house, buildings, orchard, garden during the time she shall remain my widow, which bequest is in lieu and satisfaction of her right of dower; to my mother, Hannah Gale, one equal half of stock of cattle, commonly called her own; to my nephew, Benjamin Gale, son of my brother, Coe Gale, £50, to be paid him three years after my decease, all the remainder of my personal estate to be sold at the discretion of my executors; Also a certain lot of land lying in the said east division which I purchased of Ephriam Dunning, containing six acres with the appurtenances thereunto belonging, and my grist mills and the lands adjoining which I purchased of David Smith, containing seven acres with the dam pond stream of water, and buildings, these shall be sold and the moneys so arising shall be put out on interest and such part thereof as shall be necessary

applied from time to time for the support, maintenance and education of my daughter Keziah, until she shall marry, then the whole, both principle and interest, to be paid to her as soon as it can be collected. If my daughter Keziah die unmarried, I give the moneys last above mentioned to my nephews, Benjamin Gale, son of my brother, Samuel Gale, John Gale, Moses Gale and Benjamin Gale, sons of my brother, Coe Gale, and my niece, Sarah Townsend, daughter of Roger Townsend, deceased; to be equally divided among them share and share alike; to my daughter Keziah, forever, providing she should die leaving issue, the farm of lands and tenements, whereon I now dwell, with the buildings containing one hundred and fifty acres, the house standing on the lot of ground I purchased of Richard Baylis, together with the lot now in the possession of my said brother, Coe Gale, and the small house and lot adjoining the lot last mentioned which I purchased of my brother, Dr. John Gale, now in the possession of the widow Barker and Amos Park, lying a few rods northerly of the meeting house, in said Goshen, both lots containing about four acres; Also my undivided lands in the Waaweeyander Patten; if my daughter should die leaving no issue, I give the same to my nephew, Benjamin Gale, son of my brother, Coe Gale, to him and his heirs forever; I will that my executors pay attention to the wood and timber growing on the farm where I now dwell, that if it should be rented to see that no green timber be cut for fuel nor any more than shall be necessary and sufficient to maintain and keep in repair the buildings and fences on said farm. I appoint my brothers, Dr. John Gale and Coe Gale and Anthony Carpenter, executors.

Dated February 28, 1782. Witnesses, Jared Eliot, William McMillian, Jane Barker, Reuben Hopkins, Attorney at Law. Proved, March 22, 1786.

Page 81.—JONATHAN GRIFFEN, of Scarsdale, Westchester County. To my nephew, Bartholomew Griffen,

son of my brother, Obadiah Griffen, and his heirs forever, my now dwelling house and all my lands in Scarsdale, or elsewhere, to hold as an estate of inheritance, in fee simple for which same gift and devise, I will and order my said nephew, Bartholomew Griffen, pay £1000, to be disposed of as follows: to Sarah Gue and John Gue, daughter and son of wife Sarah, £50, to be equally divided between them, share and share alike, the share of Sarah to be paid her at her marriage or twenty-one years whichever may first happen, and the share of the said John Gue, to be paid him when he shall arrive at the age of twenty-one years; in case of the death of either of them before the period for payment, then the share of the person so dying to be paid to the survivor; to the said Sarah Gue, the bed and bedstead I now sleep on, and bedding and curtains belonging thereunto; Also the smallest looking glass in my west room; my gold sleeve buttons and to her heirs forever; to Josheph Gue, one of the sons of my wife, £8, to be paid him the day my will is proved; to Jonathan Griffen Tompkins, forty shillings in cash, to be paid him on proof of my will, I having given him heretofore a proportionate part of my estate. I will my executors pay and lay out £100 towards building a Presbyterian Meeting House in White Plains, in case the same is built or begun to be built in six years after my decease; and that they also pay £15 towards erecting and making a fence around the burying ground in White Plains, to my brother, Samuel Griffen's eldest son, and in case of his death, to his legal representatives £5 in cash on proof of this my will; all the above legacies I will to be paid out of the £1000, together with all my just debts; to the Reverend Ichabod Lewis, formerly minister of the gospel, at White Plains, my suit of black clothes; to Jonathan Griffen Graham, my satin vest; to my brother, Gilbert Griffen and his heirs forever, all the remainder of my wearing apparel; to my negro woman Sibb, my wool combs; all the remainder of my movable estate (except my negroes, which

my executors are to sell to the best advantage), the moneys arising from this sale and all the remainder of the money of the said £1000. After paying my debts and above legacies and devises with my funeral charges, and proof of this my will, and taking therefrom £100 (which shall be directed how to be disposed of) to my brother Gilbert, to Jacob Riders, son of Jonathan's eldest son, to Stephen Tompkin's wife Susannah, to Margaret Purdy, wife of Nathan Purdy and her daughter, to William Hadden's wife, to Jane Cronk, to Susannah, daughter of the said Jane Cronk, to Sarah Sherwood's daughter Dorothy, who intermarried with a Vredonburgh, to Jonathan and Guesham, sons of my brother, Edward Griffen; to Michael, Solomon, Edward and Harris and Dorothy, the children of my brother, Obadiah Griffen; to his son's Jonathan's son Jonathan; to my brother, Joseph Griffen; to John and Gilbert, sons of my brother Gilbert; to John Avereys wife Sarah, daughter of my brother Joshua; to Jeremiah White, John White, and to William Hadden's eldest son respectively and to their heirs forever, equally to divide all the remainder of the said £1000, and all the remainder of my movable estate (except my negroes and the £100 aforesaid) share and share alike, except Jane Cronk, Susannah, her daughter and Sarah Sherwood's daughter, Dorothy, the first of whom I give only half as much as the other residuary legatees, and the other two I give only each the one fourth part as much as the said other legatees; my negroes, Joseph and Sibb, shall have their freedom after my death. I direct my executors after my death to put out by indenture and bind my negro boys, Abraham and Primus, to learn the trade of shoemaker for so long time as may be thought necessary for that purpose of acquiring said trade or art sufficiently after which time of learning said trade, I order that the negro boys, Abraham and Primus, have their freedom and be no longer retained as slaves; my negroes, Moses and Mary, have their freedom after

my death on condition that they each pay to my executors forty shillings, which sum my executors are to put to interest for their support at any time when thought necessary so to be applied which sum of forty shillings shall be paid yearly. I will that my negro woman's child and all her children, and all the children she or my negro woman Mary may hereafter have, be free and not retained as slaves, and my executors as soon as they think proper bind by indenture, my negro woman's child, called Isaac, to learn some trade at their discretion, I order my negroes, Abraham and Primus, pay yearly to my executors, forty shillings each, after they have learned their trade, this sum put out to interest and applied to the support of either of my negroes if the case shall so require; having reserved out of the £1000 and out of the produce of my movable estate, the sum of £100, for the purpose of supporting my negroes; thinking this sum not to be sufficient, I order my executors put to interest the sum of £150, for the purpose of supplying the necessary wants of my negroes from time to time at my executor's discretion, my faithful slave Harry be supported out of that same money, that none of my slaves be chargeable to the Parish; all the moneys left after the death of all my negroes, Harry, Joseph, Sibb, Mary Moses, Abraham, Primus and Isaac, of the £150 of the money raised by payment of my negroes aforesaid to my executors shall be considered as the remainder of my estate, and shall be divided in like manner and among the persons or their heirs, namely, my brother Gilbert, Jacob Riders' son Jonathan's eldest son, going through the whole. I appoint my nephew, Bartholomew Griffen, and John Barker, executors.

Dated December 10, 1784. Witnesses, Ferris Cornell, Samuel Fisher, yeoman; Isaac Sniffen. Proved, May 8, 1786.

Page 85.—THOMAS VAIL, of Harrisons, Westchester County, New York. To my wife Mary, the use and

benefit of all my real estate during her widowhood, provided she relinquishes her right of dower in farm of land I disposed of to Nathaniel Underhill in Westchester; Also one third part of my movable estate for her own use and benefit forever; Also the other two thirds of my movable estate during her widowhood; provided she pays the interest of the moneys due against said estate; to my two daughters, Abigail and Elizabeth, the two thirds of my movable estate which I have given to my wife during her widowhood; to be equally divided between them at their mother's marriage or decease for them and their heirs forever; if my wife die before me the one third part of my movable estate that I have already given to my wife to be equally divided between my two daughters, Hannah and Mary Pugsley, for them and their heirs forever; my executors to dispose of all my real estate, after a reasonable time after my death, if my wife is deceased first; if not, after her decease or marriage; my lawful debts to be paid out of the first payment; to my son William £100, which is to be paid him out of the first payment arising from the sale of my lands; to my daughter Abigail £50, to be paid out of the first said payment; if there be any money left of the first payment I give it to my two daughters, Hannah and Mary Pugsley, to be equally divided between them and their heirs forever; as well as my other two daughters, Abigail and Elizabeth, to their equal proportion, of the same payment for them and their heirs forever; to my son William £200, to be paid him out of the second payment arising from the above sale of my lands; to my son William and all my daughters, the remaining part of the moneys arising from the second payment, to be equally divided among them and their heirs forever. To my son Thomas £50, to be paid out of the third payment of my abovesaid lands; to my son John's children, William, Thomas and John £5 each, and if either son should die before he comes of lawful age or without lawful issue, his part shall be equally

divided between the survivors; to my son John's daughter Phebe £35, to be handed out for her relief as occasion may require by my son Thomas, if not occasioned to be given to her then to her two sisters hereafter mentioned. To my son John's other two daughters, Ann and Elisabeth, £10 each and their heirs forever; to my daughter Phebe's children, Abigail Quimby, William Quimby, Mary Quimby and Elisabeth Quimby, £50, to be equally divided among them for them and their heirs forever; if there be any moneys arising from the sale of my real estate above mentioned, which I order to be sold at three equal payments, which has not already been disposed of, I give to my son William and my daughters, Hannah, Mary, Abigail and Elisabeth, to be equally divided among them and their heirs forever. I order that one half of my daughter Hannah's legacy during her life be handed out to her for her relief by my son Thomas, at his discretion, and if there be any left at her decease, it is to go to her children to be equally divided between them; to my son Thomas all my wearing apparel, my former negro man, named Lewee, shall be properly supported by any one of my children which shall be his choice, all of my children shall bear his part of the expense or charge if he becomes chargable. I appoint John Griffen, my son Thomas, and Josiah Quimby, my executors.

Dated September 6, 1784. Witnesses, Mary Cornell, Frelove Ireland and John Cornell, yeoman. Proved, May 18, 1786.

Page 87.—JOHN HOUGHTAILING, Sr., farmer, of the little nine pastures in Dutchess County, New York. To my wife Yanakee, all the entire profits, rents and incomes, of the farm, whereon I now live; Also the harrow and plough, one span of horses, one good milch cow; Also £100 in money to my wife; after my wife's decease or marriage the whole of the granted premises as above stated shall be the benefit of my youngest son, Peter, and the privileges thereunto belonging for him

and his heirs forever; to my son John jr., acknowledging him to be my eldest son and heir-at-law, twenty shillings; my son John jr., shall have no part of my real estate, as I have given him one hundred acres of land, by deed, to my son Jacob, one hundred acres of land being that, that he is now in possession of, for him and his heirs forever; to my other three sons, Isaac, Abraham and Adam, all the remainder of my lands in Dutchess County and province aforesaid; all the remainder of my personal estate, goods and chattels be equally divided among all my children each to receive one eighth part, namely, John jr., Jacob, Isaac, Abraham, Adam, Peter, Yanakee, wife of Ruluff Shearer, and Rachel, wife of William Snider. I appoint my wife Yanakee, executrix, and my two sons, John jr. and Jacob, executors.

Dated June 27, 1775. Witnesses, David Bostwick, John Bortell, Hugh Orr, Blacksmith. Proved, May 20, 1786.

Page 89.—ABISHAI WILLBOUR, of Washington Precinct, in Dutchess County, New York. To my wife Ruth, a note I have against Jeremiah Dean of £10, and all my household goods; Also the use and profit of one third part of the farming utensils, and the use and profit of ten sheep; Also the use of one third part of my live stock, as long as she shall remain my widow, in lieu of dowry, excepting the remainder of my sheep and two cows; when she shall cease to be my widow, the farming utensils and live stock, the use of which is now given to her, be equally divided among all my children, namely, Owen, David, Jonathan, Daniel, Ruth, Sarah, Rachel and Mary, to my son Jonathan, my horse and new saddle; to my daughter Rachel, my brokel cow, one ewe and lamb; to my daughter Mary, one cow and one ewe and lamb; to my sons, David and Jonathan, all the remaining part of my live stock and movable estate, which I have not heretofore given away to be equally divided between them; Also all the

farm and appurtenances whereon I now dwell to be equally divided between them except the profits and privileges heretofore given to my wife, and that they pay my son Owen, each of them £15, and that they also pay my son Daniel £20 apiece when he shall arrive at the age of twenty-one years, and that they each pay also my daughters Ruth, Sarah, Rachel and Mary, £5 apiece. I appoint my sons, David and Jonathan, executors.

Dated April 6, 1786. Witnesses, Jabez Smith, John Blayney and Tripp Mosher, both farmers, of Dutchess County. Proved, May 19, 1786.

Page 91.—SAMUEL SMITH, of Washington Precinct, Dutchess County, New York. To my wife Hannah, my bed and bedding and furniture for same, my clock, writing desk, two cows, my riding chair, half dozen of my chairs for a room; to my sons, Israel and Waters, each £100, to be paid them when they arrive at the age of twenty-one years; the residue of my estate to be equally divided between my wife, my sons, Samuel Israel and Waters; and my daughters, Hannah, Elizabeth and Mary; my executors to make a dividend of the residue, as mentioned above; when they shall each arrive at the age of twenty-one years, the income of my estate may be paid to my wife for educating and bringing up my children until they arrive at legal age. I appoint my wife executrix and my son Samuel and my brother Israel, executors.

Dated April 15, 1786. Witnesses, James Jackson, William R. Southerland, Henry S. Platt, farmer. Proved, May 15, 1786.

Page 93.—ABRAM ST. JOHN, of Fredericksburgh, Dutchess County, New York. My estate shall be neither appraised nor distributed until seven years from above date, provided my wife Lucy shall remain my widow, until the abovesaid seven years be expired, and then if my mother, Experience St. John, shall

be living, my will is that there be still no distribution during her natural life, my executrix shall have full power to buy or sell both as well as personal estate and to use and dispose of my estate at her discretion, for the maintenance of my aged mother, Experience St. John, to make her as comfortable as possible, and for the bringing up of our children to good learning; after the time mentioned be expired so much of my estate as shall remain after the death of my mother or the bringing up of my children, shall be distributed as follows: to my wife Lucy, one third of my movable estate to her own disposal, and the use and improvement of one third of my real estate during her natural life and the remainder of my estate, one half to my five daughters, namely, Lucy, Sarah, Elizabeth, Eunice and Lydia; to be equally divided, except Lucy my first born, shall have a cow over and above the rest of my daughters; to my two sons, Abram and John Reed, the other half of the remainder of my estate to be equally divided. I appoint my wife Lucy, sole executrix.

Dated May 16, 1785. Witnesses, Nathaniel Hayes, Ephraim Jones, Stephen Northrup, carpenter. Proved, May 17, 1786.

Page 94.—JOHANNIS BRANDOW, yeoman, Cocksockie Direct, Albany County, New York. My funeral discharges and those of my wife's Janatie to be paid by my son William, and my just debts to be paid by my four children as follows: one fourth part and one half of another fourth part by my son, William, the balance by my three daughters, Elizabeth, Maria and Margaret; to my wife Janatie £5; Also one milch cow and two sheep as she shall choose, which my son William shall maintain and keep for her during her life and as often as any of them die, he to give another in its stead; Also the bed and bedding; her chair and choice of two others; her chest and all her wearing apparel; Also the use of my negro wench, called Sarah, and such of my household goods as she shall choose, for her

natural life; my son William shall provide for her and the negro wench; in case the negro woman Sarah has child or children, my wife may dispose of them as she shall see fit; my lot No. 2 of eight hundred and eighty-four acres, lying within the Patent of Catskill, County of Albany, in which lot is included the north part of a Lake called John Broneks Lake; I dispose of as follows: each of my three daughters, Elizabeth, Maria and Margaret, one third part of my share of the said Lake and a certain piece of land beginning where a small run of water empties itself into that Lake near the dwelling house of Samuel Allen and running from thence Easterly, southerly and southwesterly along said Lake to the south bound of said lot, and containing everywhere in breadth, one chain; after the several deceases of my daughters, to be distributed as mentioned hereafter: to my son William and his heirs, a certain piece of land being the most easterly part of said lot No. 2; beginning at the south bounds, where taking a direct course from there northerly it will strike the east side of the said piece of land of one chain in breadth in its southerly course in a parallel direction and running from thence in such direction as aforesaid to the said place where it will so strike the east side of the said piece of land; then along the east side of that piece of land until opposite to a large, plain rock at the foot of which the water is deep in the Lake, thence obliquely, till opposite the southeast corner of Barten Vlytie, at one chains distance therefrom to the Eastward; thence northerly at a chain's distance from that Vlytie, to the land of Jochem Jansen, deceased, then along those lands to the southeast corner of said lot No. 2, and then along the south bound of the same lot to the place of beginning; Also one full undivided fourth part; to each of my daughters, Elizabeth, Maria and Margaret, for their natural lives only one fourth part of a certain piece of land being the most westerly part of said lot No. 2, beginning at the southwest corner of that lot and running

from thence to the northwest corner thereof and then along the north bounds of said lot to the brink of the high hill; unless my daughter Margaret shall choose that this boundary shall be extended half way down the said high hill and either with the direct line along the brink of the said hill or at any place between the brink and the bottom of that hill as my daughter Margaret shall choose, and either with a direct or oblique as she may choose, only keeping between the top and bottom of the hill to the south bounds of the same lot and then along such bounds to the place of beginning; the remainder of said lot No. 2 to be divided into three equal parts—the most westerly third to go to my daughter Margaret, for her natural life, with liberty to remove stone for the benefit and improvement of the said third; to my daughter Maria, for her natural life, the one third part lying next to the eastward and including a piece of ground of a triangular form which is bounded on the North by the piece of land before mentioned, to contain in breadth one chain, on south by the south bounds of said lot, and on the other side by the most easterly part of this said lot given to my son William; to my daughter Elizabeth, the remaining third part lying next to the eastward of the last described third part, and the dividing line between my daughter Maria's third and that of my daughter Elizabeth shall be run from the Lake across the middle of a rock lying on the north side of the Lake to the old Catskill road; in such direction between north and west so as to include on the one hand within the third part of Elizabeth's a Vly, which lies near to where the line will probably run, and on the other, so as not to come within the distance of one chain from a large swamp lying to the westward of the house of Samuel Allen, it being my intention that that swamp shall fall within the third part of my daughter Maria and that no division line shall come within one chain of it; for the use of my four children, a road shall be laid as may be most convenient from the west end of said lot lying to

a place at the east end thereof where I have the right to roll downward to the land of Jochem Jansen; Also a sleigh road in winter time beginning at the house of Samuel Allen, and running easterly along the said Lake and over the same and lands adjacent, till it join the last preceding road. To my son William, one fourth part of all such lands, tenements lying in a place called Stick Oak, in County of Albany, which I purchased of Wassel Salisbury, and the remainder of the said lands and tenements to be equally divided among my daughters, Elizabeth, Maria and Margaret, during their natural lives as tenants in common, and after their respective deaths to be distributed as hereafter directed; to my son William, a certain lot of land lying within the patent of Loonenburgh, County of Albany, called Lot number sixty-eight, delineated in a map made of that patent by Charles Clinton, in 1750; Also a piece of land of sixteen acres, lying at the west end of the last mentioned lot and on which a dwelling house wherein John Corby now dwells, stands; Also a certain piece of land of forty acres being part and to be taken on the south side of a certain lot of land called lot No. three containing fifty-four acres lying within the same patent of Loonenburgh; Also a certain lot of land called lot number thirty-five of six and half acres situated within the said patent of Loonenburgh; Also a lot of land called lot number one (except three acres at the north end thereof and which has been released to William Groom) situated in the said patent of Loonenburgh; Also one fourth part of a certain lot of land, within the patent of Loonenburgh, called lot number three, containing six acres to hold same with their rights, privileges unto William and his heirs forever, with full and free liberty to and for my son and his heirs and their tenants, owners and occupiers of the said lot number sixty-eight, and the said piece of land containing sixteen acres contingent to the west end of lot number sixty-eight or either of them to pass at all time on foot or with horses, cattle, carriages and

sleighs to and from the same, along the whole of the south bounds of the lot number three, of six acres and then within direct course over lot number five of thirty acres to a stony ridge in that lot, thence round the north edge of that ridge, then with a direct course to the swing gate of that lot and then with the direct course across lot number thirty-five to the common road leading from Loonenburgh to Catskill, my son William and his heirs to keep a fence three rails in height on the south side of road hereby laid out from the west bounds on the said lot number five to the stony ridge only; Also all my right title and interest to the farm whereon I now live, with the woodland and marsh thereunto belonging, and which I hold by virtue of a lease from John A. Witbeck and Annake, his wife or one of them, and I will the six acres of land or thereabout which Albertus Van Loon is to convey to me shall be conveyed to my son William and his heirs; to my daughters, Maria and Margaret, four lots of land with the said patent Loonenburgh, the one called lot number forty-four of about eighteen acres, one called lot number twelve of six acres, another called number ten of fifteen acres, and the other lot thirty-one containing two acres and three rods; Also piece of land of fourteen acres, being part on the north side of a certain piece of land called lot number three of fifty-four acres; Also a piece of land of about twenty-five and one half acres which was a few days ago released to me by Johannis Conine; Also the five acres of woodland which Killian Van Rensselaer, deceased, sometime in the year 1774, covenanted with Johannis Conine to procure for him for a homestead in which covenant the name of said Johannis Conine was only made use of in trust for me, I having paid the purchase for said five acres to the said Killian Van Rensselaer; Also two full equal third parts in a certain lot of land called lot number thirty-nine of twenty-one and one half acres lying in said patent of Loonenburgh (together with the right of passing to and from at all times with

different conveyances to and from the common road the same way that Johannis Conine shall go from his dwelling house); Also two equal fourth parts, a certain lot of land called lot number three containing six acres before mentioned to hold the same during their natural life equally share and share alike as tenants, in common, and after their several deceases to be distributed as hereinafter mentioned; to my daughter Elizabeth, two equal lots of land within the said patent, the one called lot number five of thirty-five acres and other lot number thirty-three of seventeen acres and three rods together with free liberty to Elizabeth, and all future owners of said lot number five to pass and repass at all times on foot and with all manner of conveyances to and from that lot to lot number thirty-five, and then along the road herein before laid out over the same to and from the common road leading from Catskill to Loonenburgh; Also a certain piece of land for a homestead; being part of lot number thirty-nine containing twenty-one and one half acres therein before mentioned, and to be separated from the residue of the said lot by a line to be drawn in direct course from northwest corner of John Casperse Van Hoe's land adjoining to southeast corner of Johannis Conine's barn; in lieu of their two parts in this piece of land my said daughters, Maria and Margaret, shall have out of said lot thirty-three, given to my daughter Elizabeth, a piece of land to be taken on the west side of Johannis Conine's dwelling house two thirds as large as the said piece of land so given to the said Elizabeth for a homestead; Also one full undivided part of the residue of said lot number thirty-nine; Also one fourth part in the above mentioned lot number three containing six acres for her natural life and after her decease to go in such manner as hereafter mentioned; my four children shall have same rights in passing over lots number five and thirty-five as given to my son William; after the decease of my daughter Elizabeth, one half of all such real estate as

I have given her, shall go to her son John and his heirs forever and other half to be equally divided among her children and their respective heirs as tenants in common; after the death of my daughter Maria, one half of real estate, as I have given her, shall go to her son Arent or Aaron and his heirs forever, and the other half to her other children and their heirs forever; after the death of my daughter Margaret all such real estate as I have given her, shall go to her son Frederick and his heirs forever, the other half equally divided among her other children and their heirs forever, my daughter Elizabeth shall have the house and barn where she now lives until she or Johannis Conine, her husband, shall build them another; whereas Johannis Conine purchased of Killian Van Rensselaer, deceased, a parcel of land about twelve acres is entitled to a road to and from his said land to a spring of water in my land adjacent to his; Also a road from his said land to the said spring, and from spring to and through my lot of woodland called lot number forty-four, to the public road formerly called King's road; all the apple trees growing on lot number five shall be equally divided among my four children; to my son William, all sums of money, as are due to me, from John A. Wilbeck, of Catskill on bonds, notes, accounts or otherwise; as also a debt of £9, 10s due me from Nicholas Van Schaak, for a mare sold to him, and whatever Thomas Jenkins is to pay to me on account of wood sold to him; Also my iron toothed harrow and one of my wagons, one sleigh, one plough with plough irons as he shall choose; Also all my plough, wagon, and sleigh tackling, all my carpenter tools except a five-quarter augur and a square; all my shingles, wood now cut, and all other woods about my farm; all hay about the farm; all provisions; Also my cider mill press, scythes, chest, axes, pitchfork and fish nets and canoes; Also my negro man Peter, all moneys due me from banks of New York; Also my negro man Tom, negro child called Dian and wench Sarah, after death

of my wife, to my daughters to be equally divided among them, only my negro shall have his choice with which daughter he wishes to live; to Arent, the son of my son William, my negro boy called Prince, my blue coat and waistcoat and breeches; to John, the son of my son William, my black coat and waistcoat; to William, son of my son William, my surtout coat and red waistcoat and steel trap and the remainder of my goods not above mentioned, and those I have given to my wife for life only to be equally divided among my children share and share alike. I appoint my son William, my son-in-law, Johannis Conine and Wilhemus Brandow, executors.

Dated January 11, 1786. Witnesses, Samuel Van Vechten, Garrit Persen, yeomen; James Barker. Proved, April 26, 1786.

Page 102.—JOSIAH SMITH, of Moriches, County of Suffolk, New York. To my eldest son, Hugh, and his heirs forever, all my lands eastward of David Howel's farm and to extend eastward as far as Southampton line, and the half of one acre beyond that line, bought for the privileges of mining and to extend northward as far as a line called Halsey's line; Also my half of the Island lying at the bottom of the neck which belonged to Mathew Smith, deceased; Also my loted meadow on the beach eastward of Bayley's stage, with all the buildings thereon; Also my negro man, named Joe; Also my silver punch bowl, which did belong to my father, Nathaniel Smith; to my second son, Olliver, all the neck of land or farm I now live on, called Moriches Neck, and extending to the manor line; Also my island in the bay commonly called Reaves Island and my loted meadow on the beach westward of Bayley's stage, with all the tenements and appurtenances to the same, not given in above devise; to my sons, Hugh and Olliver, and their heirs forever, the land in any part of Suffolk County which I may own at my death to be equally divided between them; to my daughter, Jane

Fanning, one third part of all my money, bonds, notes and book debts; Also one fifth part of all my stock, as cattle, sheep, hogs and horses; and my negro girl, named Bett; Also my silver ponger, which has the first two letters of my name on it (J. S.); to my daughter, Hannah Pelletrau, the house, outhouses and all the land with the appurtenances, to her and her heirs forever, which I bought of David Howell in the Town of Southampton for £400, which is to be reckoned to my daughter Hannah, and come into the division as part of money, bonds, notes and book debts given to my three daughters; Also one third part of my money, bonds, notes and book debts; Also one fifth part of all my live stock; Also my negro girl named Hagar; to my daughter, Juliana Crummeline, one third part of all my money, bonds, notes and book debts; Also one fifth part of all my stock, also my negro girl, named Rose. I appoint my son Olliver, when he shall arrive at the age of twenty-one years, my son-in-law, Elias Pelletrau, William Floyd and William Phillips.

Dated January 17, 1786. Witnesses, Nathaniel Woodhull, William Smith and Caleb Smith, both yeomen, of the Manor of St. George. Proved, May 17, 1786.

Page 105.—ABIJAH LEE, of the Manor of Cortlandt, Westchester County, New York. To my wife Dorcas, my black mare, my best cow; to my daughter Hannah, one soldier's note of £92 or upwards after my just debts are paid; to my wife the one half of my real and personal estate in lieu of her dowry, the other half of my real and personal estate to my daughter Hannah, to be given her at the age of eighteen years; my wife to have the use of my estate while she remains my widow, for her support, and also for the support and education of my daughter Hannah. If my wife shall marry, then the one half of my real and personal estate should be kept for my daughter Hannah, and the use of it until she is eighteen years

of age, if my daughter should die under the age of eighteen, having no lawful issue, then I order my executors shall take and give to those of my brothers or sisters or their children at their discretion, those that appear to be in need the most. I order my real and personal estate be sold at the discretion of my executors, my wearing apparel not to be considered as a part of my real or personal estate. I appoint my wife, as Lee, and my brother, Elijah Lee, executors.

Dated April 28, 1786. Witnesses, Alvan Purdy, Enos Lee, of Cortlandts Manor, yeoman. Proved, May 22, 1786.

Page 106.—JACOB FROST, of Cortlandt Manor, in Westchester County, New York. To my wife Sarah, one third part of all my estate as long as she remains my widow; Also £10 which she is to have at her disposal; the remaining part of my estate to be divided; my son David is to have the one half—the other half to be equally divided between my three daughters, Anne, Elizabeth and Rachel, the above legacies not to be given until my children shall arrive at lawful age or marry; the third part of my estate which I have given to my wife to be divided as follows (after her decease or marriage): to my son Daniel, one half part, the other half to be equally divided among my three daughters, Anne, Elizabeth and Rachel. I appoint my wife Sarah, Eperam Beagle and Othania Sands.

Dated January 16, 1786. Witnesses, Obadiah Frost, James Wright, yeoman, and Rachel Wright. Proved, May 27, 1786.

Page 108.—WILLIAM ROBINSON, SR., of Bedford, Westchester County, New York. To my wife, one cow; to my oldest son, Joseph, £100, to be paid to him by my two youngest sons, William and Jabez; my lands to be equally divided between my two youngest sons, William and Jabez, to them and their heirs forever; my sons, William and Jabez, pay to their sisters

the following sums; to their sister Sary £10; to their sister Mary £10; to their sister Hannah £10; to their sister Zulphar £5; to their sister Philathata £20; to my son, William, all my movable estate that is left after my just debts have been paid; my sons, William and Jabez, to take care of their mother as long as she lives, if she remains a widow. I appoint my son William to be my sole executor.

Dated September 12, 1776. Witnesses, Jonathan Miller, jr., Jesse Miller, weaver; Samuel Wood. Proved, May 24, 1786.

Page 109.—We the underwritten being in presence of Mr. Byrnes, he declared the following: the cash now in his possession should be considered as the property of Jenny, the daughter of his late wife, and that it should be kept in trust for her by Mr. Burke and Mr. Farrell, then present, until she married or arrived at the age of twenty-one years; in the meantime the interest should be paid to Jenny, by the said Burke and Farrell—the clothes and furniture that did belong to her late mother should be given to said Jenny on her marriage or when she attained the age of twenty-one years; one third of the value of his property should be given to his wife, one third to said Jenny and remaining third to any child now conceived by his wife or in failure of any birth the said third to be equally divided between his wife and the said Jenny; his farms and houses in Nova Scotia to be divided equally between his two brothers. Mr. Byrnes desired that his wife should have all the property she possessed at her marriage exclusive of her share of the property belonging to him and above devised, John Wilkes, Dennis McReady, William Byron, Gibb Bourk, John Farrell.

Dated New York, May 14, 1786. Witnesses, John Wilkes, gentleman; Dennis McReady, Tobacconist; Gibbon Bourk, Grocer. Proved, June 2, 1786.

Administration on the estate of John Byrnes, of

New York, Innkeeper, was granted to Margaret Byrnes, his widow, on June 2 1786.

Page 111.—LAURENTZ DEAL, yeoman, of Rhinebeck Precinct, in Dutchess County, New York. To my three stepdaughters or their heirs the following: to Catharine, wife of Peter Freer; Eva, wife of Thomas Omprey, and Margaret, wife of Mathev Van Steenburgh, cows, two sheep, one feather bed, a straw bed, a bolster, two feather pillows, two pillow cases, one linen sheet on top of bedstead, one linen sheet on head of bedstead, the curtains of bedstead, five china tea cups and saucers, one pewter tea pot, four silver tea spoons, one tea kettle, two pair of spectacles, one earthen chamber pot, two glass bottles, one large pewter dish, one tin funnel, one tin pepper box, two old pewter plates, an old pewter basin, a small table, one woolen blanket, one homemade bedding, two old tin kettles, a pair of scissors, an old spade, one jug, frying pan, a large pail with iron hoops and handle, one pail with wooden hoops, two earthen pots, one gridiron, two andirons, one iron pot, one large chair, two other chairs, one cupboard, one wash tub, two old pewter spoons, three table forks, one old knife, one iron candlestick, one wooden mortar, one wooden butter bowl, two old flour casks, two old baskets, and one old wooden funnel, all which aforesaid creatures, household goods and chattels, shall be equally shared and divided among my said three stepdaughters, that is, each of them shall have one full third part thereof, it being the creatures and household goods that their deceased mother brought to me when I married her; to my son-in-law, Jacob Tremper, £10; to my grandson, Laurentz Tremper and his heirs, all that tenement farm and land whereon I now do live, with all the buildings thereon, he or his heirs pay yearly the rent for the same and performing, answerable to the lease for the same, to my grandchildren, Jury Tremper, Helmus Tremper,

Jacob Tremper, Manus Tremper and Mary Tremper, my negro, my horses, and other creatures, my wagon and sleds, plow and harrow, with the gears and all other things belonging thereunto, my axes, hoes, and all my iron tools, all the money due to me, per bonds, notes or otherways, all ready cash, all my clothes, linen and woolen, and the crop of all sorts of grain, growing on my land, and farm and all sorts of grain in the barn, barracks, or in the garret in my house at the time of my decease, in short, everything whatsoever belonging to me excepting that which I have given away herein before, and if one or more of my grandchildren should die before they are married or reached the age of twenty-one years, then that part or share of him, her or them so dying, shall be equally shared by the rest of my surviving grandchildren or their heirs, and I appoint my son-in-law, Jacob Tremper, my cousin, Carrol Deal and John Richert Shell, executors.

Dated June 21, 1783. Witnesses, Joseph Reichert, John Francis Ellistone, farmer; Christian Schultz. Proved, May 17, 1786.

Page 113.—SAMUEL NEELY, of the Oblong in Dutchess County, all my just debts be paid out of my personal estate as far as it will go, and then to sell the south part of the real estate, a sufficiency to pay all my debts; to my aged mother, Ginnet McMullen, sufficient maintenance out of my estate for her lifetime; to my son, Elexander Neely, £12, in specie, he being my first born son, I give for his birthright and then the estate to be computed; my sons, Elexander and John, to have a double portion of my estate when computed, and also my wearing apparel; to my daughter Anna, one cow, she being my eldest daughter; to my daughters, Anna, Ginnet, Mary and Rachel, half a son's portion, except dowry to Elexander and Anna, Also their mother's wearing apparel to be equally divided between them, and I order my executors to

see that my brother, William Neely, have a comfortable maintenance out of my estate agreeable to the articles made between Samuel Neely and Elexander McMullen, bearing date May 16, 1774, the said William Neely being dumb, and consequently, unable to provide for himself. I order that my children have a good education. I appoint John Buttolph, David Lawrence and Silas Roe, or the survivor or survivors of them, executors.

Dated May 17, 1786. Witnesses, Hezekiah Buttolph, farmer; Ebenezer Knap, Josiah Knap. Proved, May 31, 1786.

Page 115.—NICHOLAS DE LA VERGNE, of Charlotte Precinct, in Dutchess County, New York. To my wife Mary, all my real and personal estate during her natural life or as long as she remains my widow; to my sons, Giles, Joseph, Nicholas, James, Ebenezer and Walter and their heirs, after their mother's decease or marriage, all my real estate after my debts are paid; to be equally divided among them, and if any of my sons should die before their mother's decease or marriage then what I have bequeathed to him or them; then I give the same to his or their male heirs equally to be divided; that my sons pay to my daughters one year after their mother's decease or marriage as follow; my son Giles to pay to his sister Mary £20; my son Joseph to pay to his sister Sarah £20; my son Nicholas to pay to his sister Elisabeth £20; my son James to pay to his sister Hannah £20; my son Ebenezer to his sister Susana £20; my executors to sell my land at Oblong to pay my debts, and if not enough, to sell my personal estate. I make my wife sole executrix, and I make Richard Snediker, overseer, to see that my will is performed according to my intent and meaning.

Dated June 6, 1780. Witnesses, Silas Deuel, Aaron Haight, jr., farmer; Joseph Wooley. Proved, April 8, 1782.

Page 116.—MRS. PATIENCE WRIGHT, about to leave my native country and embark for England in ship *Mancy*, Capt. Dillon commander. To my daughter Elizabeth, all my movable estate; to take care of her brother Joseph, now at Philadelphia at school, to send him money if any can possible be spared, from keeping of herself and sister Phebe, at home in New York. I appoint Mr. Jeams Bowne, Mr. William Golforth, my landlord, and Mr. Linley Murrey to assist and to be always consulted, by my children on all affairs of importance and to receive their advice and obey them, in all their reasonable demands, they being men; my house and lot in Borduton, the we bought of John Im-lay, at the sale of Rees Roberds, as the sheriffs deed, Jonathan Holonsworth, &c.; to my daughter Sarah, as she was born after her father's death and not mentioned in his will; but said house was given to me for my legacy or dowery, my said daughter Sarah, now in the care of her Aunt Anderson; my daughter Elizabeth to send her sister Sarah all possible money and a part of all profit, arising from my wax works or journey to her sister and Aunt Anderson, and as soon as her Aunt Wells shall come to New York, give all honor to her Aunt and acknowledgement, as my sister Wells has been the means to promote my welfare and instruct me in waxwork, to enable me to maintain my family, and I order Betsey Wright, to keep a regular book of all profits that arises from my wax work and to pay a quarter part to her Aunt Wells, after the rent is paid; as I have the highest confidence in my sister Wells, order them to obey her and to write to my sister Harker, now at South Carolina, to come home immediately with Capt. Schomerhorn and to be either at my house at New York, or at my sister Wells in Philadelphia, and that my children be at all times faithful to their Aunt Wells. I appoint my daughter Elizabeth, sole executrix.

Dated February 1, 1772. Witnesses, Cook Mulligan, Hercules Mulligan, tailor. Proved, June 7, 1786.

Page 118.—CORNELIUS BARKELO, yeoman, of the County of Richmond, New York. To my wife Wintie, the bed with all the furniture hereunto belonging, one milk cow, the choice of my cattle, one horse, one third part of all my house furniture; to my eldest son, Abraham, my silver hilted sword; to my son John, my silver watch; to my son Nicholas, my gun; to my three sons before named, Abraham, John and Nicholas to and heirs forever, all my real estate of lands or meadows, to be equally divided among them, share and share alike; my aforesaid sons to pay unto my daughters, Catharine and Sarah, their heirs £50 to each of them when they become of age; my wife Wintie to hold and occupy all my real estate of lands and meadows for and during to the end and time until my youngest child shall become of age; then I give my wife Wintie £50, in lieu of her thirds or dower right, to be paid to her by my three sons, aforesaid out of my real estate. All the remaining part of my movable estate, as is not disposed of heretofore, shall be sold by my executors, in public sale, to highest bidder for cash, my just debts and funeral charges to be paid out of money arising from said sale; if any cash shall remain it shall be used in support of my family. If any of my sons die before they become of age and without issue, then such share shall be equally divided among the survivors of my sons and the heirs of such as are dead if any there be, and if any of my daughters shall die before they be of age and without heirs, her share to the surviving sister or her heirs. I appoint Nicholas Stillwell and my Uncle, Cornelius Corsen, my executors.

Dated April 29, 1783. Witnesses, Peter Houseman, Daniel Simonson and Daniel Salter, both farmers. Proved, June 9, 1783.

Page 120.—ANN MCCOLLISTER, widow, otherwise ANN POLLYN, of City of New York. To John Hatch, shoemaker, of said City, all my real and personal estate

Page 116.—MRS. PATIENCE WRIGHT, about to leave my native country and embark for England in ship *Mancy*, Capt. Dillon commander. To my daughter Elizabeth, all my movable estate; to take care of her brother Joseph, now at Philadelphia at school, to send him money if any can possible be spared, from keeping of herself and sister Phebe, at home in New York. I appoint Mr. Jeams Bowne, Mr. William Golforth, my landlord, and Mr. Linley Murrey to assist and to be always consulted, by my children on all affairs of importance and to receive their advice and obey them, in all their reasonable demands, they being men; my house and lot in Borduton, the we bought of John Im-lay, at the sale of Rees Roberds, as the sheriffs deed, Jonathan Holonsworth, &c.; to my daughter Sarah, as she was born after her father's death and not mentioned in his will; but said house was given to me for my legacy or dowery, my said daughter Sarah, now in the care of her Aunt Anderson; my daughter Elizabeth to send her sister Sarah all possible money and a part of all profit, arising from my wax works or journey to her sister and Aunt Anderson, and as soon as her Aunt Wells shall come to New York, give all honor to her Aunt and acknowledgement, as my sister Wells has been the means to promote my welfare and instruct me in waxwork, to enable me to maintain my family, and I order Betsey Wright, to keep a regular book of all profits that arises from my wax work and to pay a quarter part to her Aunt Wells, after the rent is paid; as I have the highest confidence in my sister Wells, order them to obey her and to write to my sister Harker, now at South Carolina, to come home immediately with Capt. Schomerhorn and to be either at my house at New York, or at my sister Wells in Philadelphia, and that my children be at all times faithful to their Aunt Wells. I appoint my daughter Elizabeth, sole executrix.

Dated February 1, 1772. Witnesses, Cook Mulligan, Hercules Mulligan, tailor. Proved, June 7, 1786.

Page 118.—CORNELIUS BARKELO, yeoman, of the County of Richmond, New York. To my wife Wintie, the bed with all the furniture thereunto belonging, one milk cow, the choice of my cattle, one horse, one third part of all my house furniture; to my eldest son, Abraham, my silver hilted sword; to my son John, my silver watch; to my son Nicholas, my gun; to my three sons before named, Abraham, John and Nicholas, to them and heirs forever, all my real estate of lands or meadows, to be equally divided among them, share and share alike; my aforesaid sons to pay unto my daughters, Catharine and Sarah, their heirs £50 to each of them when they become of age; my wife Wintie to hold and occupy all my real estate of lands and meadows for and during to the end and time until my youngest child shall become of age; then I give my wife Wintie £50, in lieu of her thirds or dower right, to be paid to her by my three sons, aforesaid out of my real estate. All the remaining part of my movable estate, as is not disposed of heretofore, shall be sold by my executors, in public sale, to highest bidder for cash, my just debts and funeral charges to be paid out of moneys so arising from said sale; if any cash shall remain it shall be used in support of my family. If any of my sons die before they become of age and without issue, then such share shall be equally divided among the survivors of my sons and the heirs of such as are dead if any there be, and if any of my daughters shall die before they be of age and without heirs, her share to the surviving sister or her heirs. I appoint Nicholas Stillwell and my Uncle, Cornelius Corsen, my executors.

Dated April 29, 1783. Witnesses, Peter Houseman, Daniel Simonson and Daniel Salter, both farmers. Proved, June 9, 1783.

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of and in the County of Princess Ann, in Virginia, known by a plantation of about two hundred and fifty acres adjoining the farm of James Moores, lying between Norfolk and Newtown, and adjoining Edward Hogart also adjoins the same farm which contains two hundred and fifty acres, being willed by my grandfather, John Chapman, to me during my lifetime, and from and after my death to any person or persons whom I may think fit which I devise as aforesaid; to the said John Hatch, the two negro wenches and the increase of them according to the will of my grandfather, which is specified and contained in all its particulars which is specified by the half of my real and personal estate, which I bequeath as aforesaid and I authorize and empower and by these presents do hereby authorize and empower the said John Hatch, my heir at law, and his heirs during his lifetime and from and after his death, to any person whom he may by will or otherwise, dispose of the same. I authorize the said John Hatch to sue for and recover the same from my guardian, James Leech, of Norfolk, who has the papers and writings belonging to me and concerning the said tenement and farm aforesaid. I revoke all other wills.

Dated June 3, 1786. Witnesses, David C. Franks, Attorney at Law; William Roberts, Shoemaker; Moses Pollock. Proved, June 9, 1786.

Page 121.—ISAAC BURTUS, of South Hempstead, in Queens County, New York. To my son Stephen, one bed, bolster and two pillows. I order my executors to sell and dispose of the rest of my estate, real and personal, and to give good and sufficient conveyances for the same, and after my debts and funeral charges are paid out of the money so arising from said sale. I give to my son Stephen £25; to my late son Benjamin's three children, £25; to be equally divided among them, share and share alike; but in case either my son's children should die before they shall receive the same, I

order the part or share of the deceased child shall be divided between the surviving children; then all the rest and remainder of my estate I order my executors to pay out as follows: the one equal fifth part thereof to my son Stephen, or to his lawful representatives; Also one other fifth part to my three children of my said son Benjamin, deceased; one fifth part thereof to my grand daughter, Nancy Burtus, daughter of my late son John; one other fifth part thereof to all the children of my late daughter Sarah, late wife of Jacob Vanostrand; to be equally divided between them, share and share alike; the other fifth part of the said remainder I give to my daughter Marsey and her lawful representatives, who is now the wife of Albert Hendrickson. I appoint my son Stephen and my son-in-law, Jacob Vanostrand, executors.

Dated March 25, 1786. Witnesses, John Lathan, Samuel Hicks, yeoman; Stephen Bates. Proved, June 3, 1786.

Page 123.—WILLIAM BROWER, farmer, of Rumbouts, in Dutchess County, New York. After my just debts and funeral charges are paid, I give all the remainder of my goods and chattels and personal estate to my wife Mattya, to her proper use as long as she remain my widow; if she should marry again she is to have her bed and bed furniture; to my son Jeremiah, ten shillings for his birthright; my real and personal estate on Long Island and Staten Island, to be sold and £50 apiece to be given my children, namely, Garret, William, Letty and Cornelius; in lieu of £50 given to my son Jeremiah some time ago; and the remaining part of said estate to be divided between my children, Jeremiah, Gerret, William, Letty and Cornelius, share and share alike, reserving to my wife her third of said estate as long as she remains my widow. I appoint my wife and my sons, Garret and William and Abraham Hogland, executors.

Dated September 4, 1782. Witnesses, Francis Bo-

gardus, John Ackerman, yeoman; James Wills. Proved, December 16, 1785.

Page 125.—JACOB STRAAT, yeoman, of Tappan, Orange County, New York. To my son Dirk, all my lands lying in Haverstraw Precinct, lying between the lands of Benjamin Osborn and Johannis Yorrey, in which he now lives to him, his heirs forever, and in default of such issue to descend to my right heirs forever; Also ten shillings for his birthright; he to pay to my daughter Sarah £13 six shillings and eight pence, which shall be paid in four equal payments, the first payment to be paid two years after my decease, the other three payments to be made yearly until the whole be paid; to my other two sons, Jacob and John, my place whereon I now dwell, to be divided equally between them share and share alike, the one not to sell without the full consent of the other, to them and their heirs forever; they paying to my daughter Sarah £13 six shillings and eight pence (each of them in manner to be performed by them as I have willed my son Dirk, which is above specified); to my daughter Sarah and to her lawful heirs £40, to be levied out of my estate in manner and form above mentioned; to my wife Sarah, her bed and all its furniture; Also one milk cow, immediately after my decease, and a competent living out of my estate during her widowhood, and to live with any of her children that she pleases; if my daughter Sarah should die without heirs, then her part shall descend to the survivors of my heirs share and share alike, that is, of the £40 above mentioned; if either of my sons, John or Jacob, should die without heirs, that then and in such case the survivor of them shall pay unto my son Dirk £20, and also to my daughter Sarah £20; to them their heirs which is in consideration of the surviving taking the deceased's part of my estate whereon I now dwell, my debts and funeral charges to be paid out of my personal estate and the remainder to be divided among

all my children share and share alike. I appoint my sons, Dirk, John and Jacob, executors.

Dated January 28, 1786. Witnesses, Myndert Hogenkamp, Jan Mynd. Hogenkamp, yeoman; Robert Pigot, of New York, schoolmaster. Proved, June 12, 1786.