

remains a widow. If she marries, then I leave all to my wife and children, John, Samuel Smith, Peter, Gabriel, William, Hannah, and Mary, and such child as my wife may have. But to my son I leave £50 more than the rest, he being my eldest son. I make my wife and my friends, Thomas Pearsall, of New York, merchant, and Benjamin Helme, of New York, attorney at Law, executors.

Dated May 21, 1780. Witnesses, Timothy Brundige, William Hinman, John Vandergrift. Proved, before Samuel Morris, Esq., in Philadelphia, June 29, 1780.

In the name of God Amen. I, ABRAHAM RAPALYE, of Newtown in Queens County, on Nassau Island, cordwainer, being at this time in a weak and poor state of health. "All debts or dues that I owe in Law or Conscience, to be paid, and also my funeral charges." I leave to my son George, £10 for his Birthright. I leave to my grandson, John de Bevois, son of my daughter Mary, deceased, £350. All the rest of my estate, wherever it may lye, both real and personal, shall be sold by my executors, and the whole amount to be equally divided among my children, George, Amminitie, Daniel, Isaac, Altie, wife of Abraham Polhemus, Jr., and Jacob, share and share alike. If either die, then the share to go to the survivors. I make my sons, George, Daniel, Isaac, and Jacob, executors.

Dated December 31, 1776. Witnesses, Samuel Fish, Susanah Rapalye, Samuel Moore, 3d. (No Probate. Endorsed, "filed, July 8, 1780.")

"Sandy Hook, Brigantine *Admiral Rodney*, July 3, 1780. This is to certify that I, DANIEL MOORE, of New York, do make this my last will and testament. All debts (which doesn't in the whole amount to £70, currency) to be paid. All the rest I leave to my dearest cousin, Frances Barbarie, and my sister, Elizabeth

Moore." I make John Smith, Esq., and Thomas Lambert Moore, executors.

Witnesses, John Shannon, John Pyper, surgeon. Proved, July 31, 1780.

[NOTE.—Daniel Moore was the son of Col. John Moore, whose will is in Liber 17, page 44.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB WALTON, of New York, Esquire, being in an ill state of health. All debts to be paid. I give all my share in the Patent of Kayaderosus, in Albany County, which I purchased in company with Isaac Low and Anthony Van Dam, and also my gold watch and silver hilted sword, to my son, Henry Walton, as a bar to his Right of Primogeniture. I leave to my friend, Henry Van Schaack, £10, for the purpose of buying a mourning ring. All the rest of my estate I leave to my children, Henry, Ann, Ellen, and Elizabeth. Inasmuch as my children are very young, my executors are to put their shares at interest for their support. And I earnestly submit to my executors the superintendency of their morals and education, and that the latter may be suitable to their condition in life. My son Henry is to have my pistols and wearing apparell, and I leave to my daughters the jewels and wearing apparell of my deceased wife. I make my friend, Robert Watts, and my brother, Gerard Walton, and my brother-in-law, John H. Cruger, and Peter Van Schaack, executors, with power to sell.

Dated August 3, 1782. Witnesses, Theophilact Bache, Miles Sherbrook, J. B. Middleton. Proved before Cary Ludlow, October 1, 1782, upon the oath of "J. B. Middleton, aged about 19 years, apprentice to Samuel Bard, of New York, Physician."

[NOTE.—A deposition of Henry Walton, April 28, 1791, says that Jacob Walton resided at the house of Nicholas Cruger in Duke Street (now Stone St.), and he went to Flatbush and lived there about five weeks, and died there. The daughters, Ann and Elizabeth

Walton, were then in England. He was member of Provincial Assembly, and died August 9, 1782.—W. S. P.]

[The following is on a printed form.] In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN FURLONG, of New York, carpenter, of the *Defiance*, armed Brigg. He leaves to Mary Sealy, widow, all his estate, wages, and prize money, and makes her executor.

Dated September 15, 1781. Witnesses, William Barnard, John Likely. A Power of Attorney is annexed. Proved, February 10, 1783.

In the name of God, Amen. "Know all men, that I, JOHN SHAND, of New York, mariner, being in health, make this my will, and William Waddell and Petrus Bogart, of New York, to be executors and guardians of my children, hoping that those who have rendered me some singular services in my lifetime, will not refuse this after my death." My will is, that as soon as may conveniently be done everything belonging to me to be sold, except my household furniture, which is to remain for my wife. The whole, together with book debts, and bonds, and what cash is on hand, I do estimate at £2,500. The whole to be put out at interest on good security, for the support of my wife and children. When they are of age, it is to be divided between my wife and children. "If my wife marries, she is to have the household furniture and £200 and no more, that being as much as she can in Reason expect." I leave to Christian Lutttett (or Luttell?) £20 for his faithful service, and £10 to each of my executors, "to buy them a ring, which I hope they will be pleased to accept as a mark of my esteem."

Dated August 19, 1769. Witnesses, John Etherington, pilot, Christian Lavtitt. (*Wife and children not named.*) Proved, March 3, 1783. The executors resigned, and Letters of Administration granted to "widow, Mary Shand," March 17, 1783.

In the name of God, Amen. I, GARRET DORLAND, of Jamaica in Queens County, yeoman, being in perfect health. My body to be decently buried at discretion of my executors. After debts are paid, all the rest of my estate to be divided into four equal parts. I leave one part to my five grandchildren, being the children now living of my daughter Ariantie, deceased, late wife of Johanis Snedeker, viz.: John, Garret, Rem, Abraham, and Tunis. Their part is to include a certain bond for £65, due to me from said Johanis Snedeker. I leave one part to my daughter Annettie, wife of Rem Lupardus, of New Jersey. This is to include a bond of £100, due to me from her husband. I leave one part to my six grandchildren, the children of my daughter Sarah, deceased, late wife of Rem Lott, viz.: Annake, Abraham, Maria, Ariantie, Charity, and Rem, when of age. I leave one part to my grandson, Garret Dorland, son of my daughter Jannittie, deceased, late wife of John Dorland, Jr., deceased. And whereas my said grandson, Garret Dorland, as heir at law of his father, is entitled to half of all that messuage and farm and meadow, whereof my brother, John Dorland, lately died seized. If, when he comes of age, he shall not give to his brother John one half of his share of said messuage and farm and meadow, then I give to my grandson, John Dorland, one half of what I have given to my grandson Garret. I make my sons-in-law, Johanis Snedeker, Rem Lupardus, and my cousin, Gerrett Dorland, and my grandson, Abraham Lott, executors.

Dated June 30, 1773. Witnesses, Joanna Hinchman, William Thurston, Robert Hinchman. Proved, May 14, 1783.

In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL MORRELL, of Newark, in the Province of New Jersey. I direct all debts to be paid. I leave to my wife all my estate, real and personal, during her widowhood. She being obliged to bring up the children and pay the legacies.

I leave to my daughter Margaret, at her marriage, as an outset, £100, New York money. And I leave £100 to my son, Stephen Hadden, as soon as he comes of age. "But if my wife shall alter her condition by marriage, then all my estate is to be sold for the most it will fetch, and the widow to receive as the Law directs." All the rest is to be put at interest until my son, Stephen Haddon, is of age, for his maintenance, and then all my estate to my children, Margaret and Stephen. I make Mr. Stephen Dwight, and my brother, Jonathan Morrell, executors.

Dated June 28, 1772. Witnesses, Peter Brown, Nathaniel Richards, Martha Dwight. Proved, August 4, 1783, in New York, before C. Ludlow, Esq.

In the name of God, Amen. I, BOSEVILLE DAWSON, of New York, butcher, being weak and sick, May 21, 1766. All debts to be paid by my executors. I leave to my wife Phebe all my household goods, and my negro wench "Flora," and my negro boys, "Tom and Peter," also £150. I leave to my wife the use of all my real estate so long as she remains my widow, for her maintenance and the education of my children. After her death or marriage, I leave all my estate to my children, Mary and Rebecca, "and to such other children, which I shall by God's Grace get in the future by my said wife, Phebe." I make my brother, Richard Dawson, and my friends, Matthew Buys, of New York, blacksmith, and John Dykman, baker, executors.

Witnesses, Vincent Montanye, Isaac Wood, John Woods. Proved, May 18, 1784. (The executors resigned.)

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN WHITE, of Philadelphia, but now of New York, mariner. I leave to my wife Lucy, during her widowhood, the use of a lot in Second Street, Philadelphia, adjoining to the house of John Penn, with the buildings. Also £500.

If she marries, she is to have one third, and the use of the rest for bringing up my son, George White, and such other children as I may have. After her death, all to my son George. I make Jacob Wenev and Lawrence Napier, of Philadelphia, executors.

Dated February 3, 1781. Witnesses, William Shackler, Peter Vandenburg, Robert Chambers. Proved, July 21, 1784.

In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS GIBSON, of New York, shipwright, being of sound mind. All debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Hannah all my estate, and make her executor.

Dated April 16, 1784. Witnesses, William Gillis, John Wood. (No Probate.)

In the name of God, Amen. I, MARY BLANCK, of New York, widow, being in perfect health. All debts and funeral charges to be paid immediately. All the rest of my estate I leave to my daughter Mary, wife of Thomas Arden, but if she dies before me, then to her four daughters, Abijah, Elizabeth, Susanah, and Margaret. I make my daughter Mary, executor.

Dated March 29, 1780. Witnesses, Jasper Webbers, tailor, Thomas Arden, Gent., Catrin Cope. Proved, October 14, 1784, before Thomas Tredwell, Judge of Probate.

In the name of God, Amen. "I, ABRAHAM KESSHAW, of Lucuckheckout in Bushwick, in Kings County, farmer, being in good bodily health." My will is that my wife, Janaka Kesshaw, shall hold all my estate, real and personal, during her natural life, unless she marry, and in that case, my mind and will is, that she have delivered to her the several things which she brought on our marriage, viz: one bedstead, one cupboard, and one cow. After her death or marriage I leave to my son Jacob £2 for his birthright. I leave to my sons, Jacob and Marta, all that my house and land at Lucuckheckout, aforesaid, and all the rest



of my real and personal estate. And they are to pay to each of my daughters, Willempie, Arche, and Maria, £150 each when they are 21 years of age. "And if my wife shall remarry and come to any necessity for want of her after taken husband's supporting her in a decent manner, then my sons shall allow her out of my real estate a sufficiency for that purpose. I make my wife and Garrett Nostrand and Faulgert (Volkert) Rapalye, executors.

Dated October 11, 1764, in the 4th year of George III.

Witnesses, Abraham Kip, John Coghill Knapp, Elizabeth — (*illegible*). Proved, before Thomas Tredwell, Esq., September 5, 1785, on the oath of John Dutton Crimshier, Attorney at Law, as to the signature of John Coghill Knapp.

[The seal attached to this will shows a very fine impression of a coat of arms. A shield, in base a lion rampant, in chief, three helmets, crest, a mailed arm and hand, holding a sheathed sword.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL GREEN, of Jamaica in Queens County, being well in health. May 2, 1766. I leave to my brother, John Green, £7. To my mother (*not named*) £40, during her life, and then to my youngest brother, Morris Green, and my youngest sister, Martha Green, "to be their own forever." I leave to my brothers, Richard and James Green, £8 each. To my brother Daniel £10. I leave to my sister Elizabeth £10, "if she ever has any children, and if not, she is to have the use of it, as long as she lives, and then to my sister, Mary Green." I leave to my sister, Mary Green, £47, and all the rest of my personal estate, and make her executor.

Witnesses, James Green, Richard Green.

December 14, 1785. Upon oath of Mary Green, the sister, who deposes. That at the time of making the will, the said Samuel Green was a single man and a bachelor, but since that time, he was married and had

children, four of whom were still living. The court decided that, so total alteration in the testator's circumstances implied revocation of said will, and it was adjudged that he died intestate.

On July 10, 1786, appeared before Thomas Tredwell, Judge of the Court of Probate, Caleb Sutton, of New York, being of the People called Quakers, who affirmed that he wrote the will from the direction of Thomas Griswold, and Mary, the wife of said Thomas Wright, who told him that they had talked to the testator before upon the subject. And that during the whole time, both of writing the said will, and of executing it, which was near two hours, the testator appeared to be of insane mind, and he heard him speak but little, but that all he heard him speak appeared to be totally irrational and flighty. And he was very ill and near his end, and he believed that he died the same day the will was wrote and executed.

It was adjudged that the will was null and void, through the insanity of the testator.

Affidavit of Elizabeth Wright. That after her father's death she conversed with Elizabeth Drake, one of the witnesses, as to how her father was previous to his death. And she said it was difficult telling, as he did not appear to be in his rational senses for some days before his death, July 8, 1786. (*See will of Thomas Wright on page 195.*)

Be it known unto all persons whom it may concern, that I, HANNAH WILLETTTS, of New York, being at present in a poor state of health. All debts to be paid. I leave to my niece, Hannah Underhill, daughter of Samuel and Anna Underhill, £200, and to my niece, Ann Underhill, daughter of Andrew and Deborah Underhill, £200, to be put at interest until they are of age. If either die, then to their next older sisters. I leave to my sister, Deborah Underhill, £50, as a gratuity for her partial care and attention to me in time

of sickness. All the rest of my estate, real and personal, and all my apparell, I leave to my sister Anna, wife of Samuel Underhill, and my sister Deborah, wife of Andrew Underhill. I make my brothers-in-law, Samuel Underhill, of New Rochelle, and Andrew Underhill, of New York, and my friend, Jacob Seaman, of New York, executors.

Dated this 22 day of Seventh month called July, 1786. Witnesses, Willett Seaman, Elizabeth Underhill, Catharine Seacord. (No Probate.)

In the name of God, Amen. I, ABRAHAM VAN GELDER, of Flatlands, in Kings County, yeoman, being sick. "Knowing that it becometh every man to set his worldly estate in such order, if possible, before he departeth this life that no strife or debate may arise about the same, after his decease." I leave to my brother Isaac £40. To my cousin, Evert Van Nostrand, £35. To my cousin, Jacobus Ketteltas, £30. To Johanna, the daughter of my brother, Evert Van Gelder, deceased, now wife of Thomas Collins, £1, for her birthright. All legacies to be paid in six months. I leave to my cousin (nephew), Hendrick Van Gelder, son of my brother Isaac, my houses, lands, barns, and all my real estate. If my negro slave, Rachel, shall not like or choose to live with my cousin Hendrick, she may seek another master, and be sold to him. I make my neighbors, John Lott and Michael Stryker, and Johannes Lott, Jr., executors.

Dated February 7, 1770. Witnesses Dirck Remsen, Hendrick Lott, Johannes Remsen. Proved April 24, 1787.

In the name of God, Amen. I, DAVID MILLER, of the Out Ward of New York, cooper, being well in body. My executors are to pay all debts. I leave to my wife, Margaret Miller, all my estate, real and personal, while she remains my widow, but if she marries, she is to have one third, and the remaining two thirds

to my nephew, David Miller, son of my brother, Joost Miller. My executors may sell the same, and put the money at interest for him, but he is not to receive any of the principal until he is of age. I make my wife, and my friends, John Post and William Dean, of New York, cooper, executors.

Dated July 9, 1787. Witnesses, William Hunter, David Smith, William Wentworth. (No Probate.)

In the name of God, Amen. I, MARTHA MORTIER, widow of Abraham Mortier, late of New York, Esq., being sick and weak. All the just debts of my late husband are to be paid. I leave to my executors £4000 In Trust for the following uses. They are to invest the same on such security as they shall approve, and pay the interest to my granddaughter, Elizabeth Jephson, wife of William Jephson, for her support, and the education of her son, William Henry Jephson, until he is of age, or until, by the death of William Jephson, or other means, the marriage of my granddaughter and said William Jephson, shall be dissolved. Also in trust after the dissolution of said marriage, they shall pay her two thirds of the principal; and the use of the other one third to be for the said William Henry Jephson till he is of age, and then the principal to be paid to him, and if he dies, then to his mother. In case of her death before the marriage is dissolved, the executors are to apply the income to the benefit of said William Henry Jephson. If both die then to my daughter, Elizabeth Banyar and her daughter, Martha Banyar. I expressly desire that the said William Jephson shall have no benefit from my estate, and the receipts from his wife, my granddaughter, are to be sufficient for my executors. All the rest of my estate, except the donations I have already made and expressed in a memorandum made and signed by me, and which I confirm, I leave to my daughter, Elizabeth Banyar, and my granddaughter, Martha Banyar. I make my good friends, Gabriel

William Ludlow, John Thurman, Captain Anthony Rutgers, and Daniel McCormick, of New York, executors and Trustees, with power to sell. Also my house and farm in the Out Ward of New York, which I hold by lease from the Corporation of Trinity Church.

Dated September 30, 1786. Witnesses, John Kelly, Hugh McClellan, I. Van Benthuyssen. Proved, April 30, 1787, before Thomas Tredwell, Judge of Probate.

[NOTE.—Martha Mortier was the mother of Elizabeth Appy, wife of John Appy, whose will is in Vol. VI of this series, page 339. After the death of John Appy she married Goldsbrow Banyar in 1769. By this marriage Goldsbrow Banyar had two children, Goldsbrow, who married Maria, daughter of Peter Jay, and died without issue in 1826, and Martha, who married Jacob LeRoy. They had two children, Goldsbrow Banyar LeRoy and Harriet, wife of Campbell P. White. By Act of Legislature the name of the son was changed to Goldsbrow LeRoy Banyar. He died in 1866, leaving a large estate to his nephew, John Campbell White, who took the name of Goldsbrow Banyar. For the estate of Abraham Mortier, see his will in Vol. VIII of this series, page 284.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, MARIA BARCLAY, of New York, widow, being of sound mind. I leave to Eliza, the eldest daughter of my son Thomas, three lots of ground fronting to the Broadway, and adjoining the lot sold by me to John Harvey. It is my will that my executors divide all the rest of my estate, within one year after my decease, into four parts. And I leave one part to my son, Anthony Barclay. I leave one part in trust for my daughter Cornelia, wife of Stephen de Lancey, during his life, separate and apart from her said husband, and if she survives him, then in trust for her and her heirs and assigns. But if she dies before her said husband, then in trust for her children, and at her death to her children, in

fee. I leave one fourth in trust for my daughter Ann, wife of Beverley Robinson, Jr., during her life, separate and apart from her husband, and then to her children. I leave one fourth in trust for Susannah, wife of my son, Thomas Barclay, during her life and then to her children. If they desire it, my executors may sell and pay them the money. I leave all my personal estate to my daughters and my daughter-in-law. I appoint John Watts, Egbert Benson, and Samuel Bayard, Esq., executors.

Dated May 8, 1788. Witnesses Lawrence Kortright, H. G. Van Schaack, Richard Harrison.

(Signed)

MARY BARCLAY.

[NOTE.—Mary Barclay was daughter of Col. Anthony Rutgers. She married Rev. Henry Barclay, December 15, 1749. She died June 8, 1788. The lot of ground sold to John Harvey was bounded north by Anthony Street (now Worth Street) and west by Broadway. The other three lots were next south. They were a part of the Rutgers Farm.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM LE VEILLAND, of New York, merchant, and one of the parties constituting the late house of Goix and Le Veilland, and the present house of I. G. Delessert & Co. Being at present indisposed. All the parties of said house being dead or absent, to prevent great losses, I do this 11 day of August, 1789, make this will. All accounts are to be settled and paid. All the rest of my estate I leave to my mother (*not named*). I make Lewis Steinbach, at present in this city, but of Hamburg, merchant, and Louis H. Gurlain, of New York, merchant, executors.

Witnesses, Arent Brunaw, D. Malibran, John Willis. (No Probate.)

In the name of God, Amen. I, DOROTHEA DAMLAY, of New York, widow, being very sick. I leave to my well-beloved friend, Frederica Ackley, £10. I leave to



the use of the German Lutheran Churches in New York, £25. To my daughter, Margaret Dorothea, all my household goods and movables, and all my lands and tenements. I make my friends, Jacob Hauptman, and Leonard Fisher, executors.

Dated October 16, 1790. Witnesses, Martin Manold, John Kesser, Charles Meyer. (No Probate.)

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN VAN ALST, of New York, block maker, being in good health. All debts to be paid. I leave to my wife my house and furniture, so long as she remains my widow. I leave to my son John, all my tools and things belonging to my business as a block maker. After the death of my wife, I leave my house and lot and furniture to my children, John, George, and Jane, at present the wife of Garrett Cozine. I make my sons and Garrett Cozine, executors.

Dated February 3, 1792. Witnesses, Thomas Beekman, Andrew Stockholm, William — (*illegible*). (No Probate.)

To all Christian People to whom these may come. Be it known that I ABRAHAM FLORENTINE, with my wife Letitia, of the State of New York, being very sick and certain of the near approach of death. "I desire to dispose of what few things we still have, so that no dispute may arise betwixt our children." I leave to my son Thomas all my wearing apparell. To my daughter Annie all my household goods, and her mother's wearing apparell. As witness my hand this 28 of June 1792.

ABRAHAM FLORENTINE.

LETITIA FLORENTINE.

Witnesses, Daniel Coutant, William Plebus. (No Probate.)

In the name of God, Amen. I, ABRAHAM P. LOTT, of New York, Esq., being at present of sound disposing mind. All debts and funeral charges to be paid

as soon as conveniently may be. All my estate, real and personal, to be sold by my executors as soon as convenient, and the money put at interest for the support of my son Philip and Mary, his wife, during their lives. If the income is not sufficient the principal may be used. The income is also for the support of the children of my daughter Phebe and her husband, Isaac Blauvelt, viz.: Abraham and Timothy. Provided the said Isaac Blauvelt shall reconvey to my executors a certain mortgage made by Abraham Lott to Abraham P. Lott, and by me assigned to said Isaac Blauvelt, so that it again becomes part of my estate. After the death of my son Philip and his wife, an inventory is to be made. And whereas my son-in-law, the Rev. Isaac Blauvelt, is in possession of a certain mortgage on lands in Coeyman's Patent, made by Abraham Lott and his wife Gertrude, to the said Abraham P. Lott, and by me assigned to said Isaac Blauvelt. If he reconveys the same to my executors, so that it becomes part of my estate; then the children of said Isaac and my late daughter Phebe, viz.: Abraham and Timothy, shall be entitled to an equal proportion of my estate, but otherwise excluded. I leave to my daughter-in-law, Mary, wife of my son Philip, all my plate and furniture now in the house occupied by them. Also a gold watch now in possession of the wife of Mr. Cornelius C. Roosevelt. My three negro men are to be made free. I make my grandson, Peter Lott, and my friend, Obadiah Bowne, executors.

Dated April 8, 1793. Witnesses, Frederick Weissenfels, Isaac Stymets, C. Wassenfels. (No Probate.)

[NOTE.—Coeyman's Patent is a tract 12 miles square, at the southeast corner of the Manor of Rensselaerwyck, on the west side of Hudson River. The town of New Baltimore is a part.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN ALNER, of New York, ship wright, being of perfect mind. I make my wife Charity, and my friend, John Beekman, mariner,

executors. I leave to my wife all my estate during her life, and after her decease my executor, John Beekman, is to sell as much real estate as will amount to £250, and put it at interest for the support of my daughter Elizabeth. All the rest I leave to my children, Elizabeth, Judah, Charity, Samuel, and Susannah. The part of my daughter Elizabeth is to be to her for life, and then to the rest.

Dated June 11, 1794. Witnesses, Sarah Wood, James Wood, John Wood. (Not proved.)

In the name of God, Amen. I, PETER HUGGEFORD, of New York, druggist, being in health. I leave to my brother, Joseph Huggefard, my estate, and make him executor.

March 11, 1795. Witnesses, John G. Bogart, Colin Bogart. (No Probate.)

In the name of God, Amen. I, HANNAH REEVE, "last wife of Barnabas Reeve, deceased." I leave to my only child, Hannah, the fourth of the estate of said Barnabas Reeve, in his life time willed to me. And as she is at present not capable of acting for herself, I appoint as her guardians my only sister, Nancy Smith and John Buchanan. If my child die, then all to my sister, Nancy Smith.

October 10, 1795. Witnesses, John Buchanan, Thomas Hutchinson, Robert Stanton.

[No residence mentioned. No Probate. The names of parties and witnesses indicate residence at Southold, Suffolk Co.]

[On printed form.] In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN HOLLAND, of New York, mariner. I leave all my estate to my wife Ann, and make her executor.

Dated December 2, 1795. Witnesses, Henry White, Thomas Fardon, Robert Boynton.

Power of attorney attached. (No Probate.)

In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL JOHNSON, of New York, silversmith, being sick. I leave to Fanny

Sprainger, wife of Peter Sprainger, £500. I leave to Mary Holloway £500, and I charge my estate with these sums. All the rest of my estate, real and personal, I leave to Captain Thomas Randall, and his heirs and assigns.

Dated February 1, 1796. Witnesses, Cary Dunn, George Lindsay, Isaac Van Cleeck. (No Probate.)

In the name of God, Amen. I, TEUNIS SOMARINDICK, of the Seventh Ward of New York, farmer, being weak and sick. All debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Cornelia, to be at her disposal, one horse cart, one horse, and two cows, as she shall choose, and all my hogs and fowls. And I leave to her during her natural life, the use of the whole house wherein we now live, with all the furniture, and barn and orchard, and four acres of land adjoining the house, with wood for fuel, and pasturage on any part of my farm, for a horse and two cows, with those of my son Richard. My will is that at the end of three months, my son Richard and my daughter Sarah shall pay to my widow £2, 10s. and they shall each of them pay to her the like sum at the end of every three months. I leave to my wife a negro man, and a negro woman. I leave to my daughter Sarah all that parcel of land sold to me by Jacobus Myer on July 28, 1761, containing 26 acres, 2 roods, 24 poles, as by deed. I leave to my son Richard all the rest of my lands, houses, and barns, and my salt meadow lying on the Jersey shore. My black woman, Jane, and her children are to be sold, but she shall have the privilege of choosing places for them. The rest of my cattle are to be sold, and the money to be divided among my sons and daughters. I make my son, Richard, and James Striker, executors.

Dated March 21, 1796. Witnesses, Samuel Stilwell, Edward Eckerson, Richard Webb. (No Probate.)

In the name of God, Amen. I, RACHEL HUNTER, of New York, widow, being sick and weak. I direct all



girl. I leave to my grandson, John Hastier, Jr., now living in the Island of Curracoa, in the West Indies, all my wearing apparell. I leave to my two daughters, Margaret and Catharine, a negro wench. If both my daughters should marry then the wench is to be sold, and the money paid to them. All the plate in my shop, and all tools and implements of my trade or calling of goldsmith, are to be sold, and the money paid to my four children, Margaret, Catharine, Mary Bassett, and Elizabeth Luce, and to my grandson, John Hastier Jr. All household goods to my daughters, Margaret and Catharine. All my family plate to my four daughters. I leave the house I now live in to my daughters, Margaret and Catharine, until they are married, and then to be sold, and the money paid to my daughters and my grandson. I make my four daughters, executors.

Witnesses, Cornelius Clopper, Rudolphus Van Dyck, Peter Greatneau. (No Probate.)

Written in the Dutch language.

In the name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, Amen. In the year 1696, the second day of May, in Midwout on the Island of Nassau. I, JAN REMSEN, being sick in body, but in possession of my memory and understanding, and considering the briefness of human life, and willing to dispose of my temporal goods which God has given me. It is my will and desire that after my decease, my present wife, Martha Janse, shall have full power to use all my estate, wherever the same shall be, and in whatever condition the same shall be, both real and movable. Except that my eldest son, Jan Remsen, Jr., shall have my smith tools, consisting of my bellows (*blaasbalch*), and my anvil (*aanbeelt*) and two screws (*schroeven*), and all other tools when of age. If my wife shall remarry, she shall deliver to my executors, a perfect inventory of the estate, except the bed and its belongings, and her wearing apparel, and she shall have one half of the

same. I leave all the rest of my estate to my children, viz.: Sophia, Jan, Rem, Jannittie, Martha, and Cornelis, equally, when of age or married. It is my will that my brothers, Joris and Rem, shall be caretakers and-guardians of the children, and to have full power to manage their estate.

Witnesses, Denys Hegeman, Jacob Hendrickse, Johanis van Ekelen. Proved, January 28, 1711, before Governor Robert Hunter.

Written in the Dutch language.

In the name of Our Lord, Amen, Anno 1699, the 29 day of November. Be it known to every body, especially to whom it may concern, that I, TOBIAS TEN EYCK, considering the frailty of human Life, the certainty of Death, and the uncertain hour of the same. The more so because God Almighty has visited me with a severe wound in my leg. I expressly desire that my two children by a former marriage, Maria and Hendrica, shall have an equal share of my estate with my other children, so that there shall be no exception, but equally with the other children. Excepting that my eldest son, Conraet Ten Eyck, shall receive before any division the best horse that I have. I appoint my wife, Elizabeth Hegeman, mistress and guardian of all my estate, to dispose of as she deems proper, but not to sell the real estate, but from the profits bring up the children till of age, and give them an honorable outfit. If my wife shall happen to marry, an inventory shall be made, and the children shall have one half.

Made at his house, In presence of Daniel Remsen, Johannes Schenck, Joseph Hegeman. Proved before Governor Richard Bellamont December 20, 1700. Translated into English by Abraham Gouverneur, January 5, 1708.

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debts to be paid, and I leave all my estate to my loving granddaughter, Elizabeth Hunter. I make Rebecca Cowley, widow, executor, who may sell my estate for the education and support of my granddaughter.

Dated April 8, 1796. Witnesses, Eliphalet Little, Edmund Lamb, Eliakim Ford. (No Probate.)

In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIAS STILWELL, of New York, cooper, being sick and weak. December 14, 1796. All debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Elizabeth all my estate during her widowhood, or till my children are of age. If she marries, my executors are to sell all, and the money to be paid to my wife and to my children, Elias and Anna. I make my friends, Burger Vandewater and Philip Ebert, and my wife, executors.

Witnesses, Thomas Hazzard, Gilbert Van Stater. (No Probate.)

In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM HARRISON, of sound mind and in good health. I leave to Anne Stilwell £100. To my kinsman, Richard Asbridge, £100, to be paid to him in installments, at the discretion of my friend, Robert Fox. All the rest of my estate I leave to my friend, Robert Fox, for his own use and benefit. I make Jacob Mott and Mrs. Elizabeth Stilwell, executors.

Dated May 7, 1797. Witnesses, John Ferrers, Daniel D. Reynolds.

*Codicil.* September 13, 1798. Revokes the legacy left to Anne Stilwell, and leaves it to his kinsman, Richard Asbridge. (No residence mentioned. No Probate.)

[On printed form.] In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS THORNE, of New York, Boat builder. I leave to my brother, Isaac Thorne, of New York, boat builder, all my estate, and make him executor.

November 3, 1798. Witnesses, Francis Synet, Jeremiah Duseal, Elisha McKinney. (No Probate.)

Know all men by these Presents, that I, MARY WRIGHT, of New York, do give and bequeath all my goods and chattels to Sarah Hardenbrook, the daughter of Peter Hardenbrook. To the care of said Peter Hardenbrook, to be delivered to Sarah Hardenbrook, at the age of 18, or sooner if he thinks she is able to take care of them, Which I do freely give in my proper senses, and the articles are herein mentioned, viz.: Two beds, 2 straw beds, 2 bolsters, 6 sheets, 6 blankets, 2 coverlids, 3 dozen pictures, 2 looking glasses, 8 chairs, 2 pair of hand irons, 1 chest, 2 trunks, 3 tables, 2 candle sticks, 1 petticoat, 7 yards of double satin, at Fanny Oakeys, six dollars to be paid on it. One Large Bible, at Hannah Baldwins, with my name on the book, and all the kitchen furniture. "For which I do sine my hand in perfit senses," this 14 day of October, in the year 1798.

MARY X WIGHT.  
her mark.

Witnesses, Peter Hardenbrook, John L. Budding, Nathan C. Nott. (No Probate.)

I, SARAH MOTT, widow of Samuel Mott, of New York, being sick and weak. I leave to my daughter, Sarah Mott, all my household goods, plate, kitchen furniture, and wearing apparell, when my executors see fit to place it in her hands. Also the interest on £500 until she marries, and then the principal to be paid to her and my three sons, William, Walter, and Samuel. I make my brothers, Henry Franklin and Matthew Franklin, executors. (Not dated.)

Witnesses, Phila Franklin, Sally Franklin. (No Probate.)

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN HASTIER, of New York, goldsmith, being in tolerable health. The care of my funeral I leave to the discretion of my executors. All debts to be paid. I leave to my daughter, Margaret Hastier, one silver tankard, and a mullatto

girl. I leave to my grandson, John Hastier, Jr., now living in the Island of Curracoa, in the West Indies, all my wearing apparell. I leave to my two daughters, Margaret and Catharine, a negro wench. If both my daughters should marry then the wench is to be sold, and the money paid to them. All the plate in my shop, and all tools and implements of my trade or calling of goldsmith, are to be sold, and the money paid to my four children, Margaret, Catharine, Mary Bassett, and Elizabeth Luce, and to my grandson, John Hastier, Jr. All household goods to my daughters, Margaret and Catharine. All my family plate to my four daughters. I leave the house I now live in to my daughters, Margaret and Catharine, until they are married, and then to be sold, and the money paid to my daughters and my grandson. I make my four daughters, executors.

Witnesses, Cornelius Clopper, Rudolphus Van Dyck, Peter Greatneau. (No Probate.)

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same. I leave all the rest of my estate to my children, viz.: Sophia, Jan, Rem, Jannittie, Martha, and Cornelis, equally, when of age or married. It is my will that my brothers, Joris and Rem, shall be caretakers and guardians of the children, and to have full power to manage their estate.

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Written in the Dutch language.

In the name of the Lord, Amen. I, JOHANNES TIEBOUT, being now sick in body, but of good understanding. I leave my body to the earth, with an honorable burial, as my executors shall approve. I leave to my wife Teuntie all my estate, real and personal, as long as she remains my widow, but in case God shall be pleased to let her marry again, she shall give one half to my next friends, my brothers and sisters, or their children. Except my clothing, which I give to my brother, Teunis Tiebout. I make my wife executor.

Dated April 20, 1727. Witnesses,

*Daniel Bonteau*  
*Paul Pelletreau*  
*Leonard Lewis*

Proved, September 18, 1728, before Isaac Bobin, Deputy Secretary.

The following is here given as a complete copy of a characteristic Dutch will antedating the English conquest. With a full translation:

In des Heeren Naem, Amen. Kennelick zy een yegeleicken die dit tegenwoordig Instrument sall sien ofte Hooren leesen Hoedat in den jaere nade geboorte Onses lieven Heeren en Sahligmaeckersz Jesu Christy 1662 op den negenden dagh der Maent *Octobris* des morgensz die Clock Negen Uehren Voor my Tielman Van Vleeq Nots publicq geadmitteert by de W. E. gr. A. Heer Dt. General en Heeren Raeden van Nieuw Nederlandt ter presentie vande nage beschreven getuygen in eigener persoon gecoomen en gecompareert is *Dirck Teunisz*, en deszen wettige huisvrouw *Aryaentje Waelensz* woonende in den durpe Bergen aende west zyde van de Noordt Revier my Notario

well becent door des Heeren genade Cloeck en gesondt van lichaem gaende en staende Hunne memorie en verstandt overall well machtig en volcoomentlick gebruyckende, als uiterl bleeck en men andersz niet conde bemercken .t Cennen gevende niet seeckerder t syn dan de doot en niet onseeckerder dan de ure van dien, willende daerom uyt deeser werelt niet schyden sonder al voorens van Haerer tydel goederen gedisponeert te hebben ten Eerste Commandeerende Haer onsterffel Ziele wanneer die uit Haer sterffel lichaam gescheyden sall sien in de grondelosse barmenhartighydt Godesz en Haer doode lichaem d'aerde en Christel begravinge. Coomende nu ter dispositie van Haer natelaten goederen verclaerden dat sie uit sonderlinghe liefde en affectie malcanderen in den Houwel staet bewesen en in dient Gott belieft noch t bewysen Hebben sie Testateuren gewilt en ordonneeren by desen indien Hy testateur voor sijn Huysvrouw *Aryaentje Walensz* quam te sterven dat alsdan deselve in den vollen boedel sall blijven sitten en die Usufructu of leeftoght van des Testateursz goederen, roerende en onroerende, actien of crediten, linnen, wollen. Cooper Tin en allerly Huiszgeraadt nevens die bestialen geen uitbesondert gell Hy Testateur metterdoodt sall coomen te ontruimen en naert laeten t gebruycken alsz usufructuary haer levent lang met macht om in eenige Cass van noodt oft armoede siende selfts een deell daerof t moogen verteeren, daertegenz wilde sie Testatrice dat Haer man naer Haer eerste affievigheyt sall behouden die Helfte van alle die goederen en die andere Helfte coome t succedeeren an Haer testatrices Kinderen so sie wettel geprocureert by Haer overleeden Mansz *Frans Pieterszen Sloosz* en *Cornelisz Janszen Slubber* by deweleke geen midelen en syn naergebleven noch naehr gelaeten, jedoch waer Haer Testateur en Testatrice begehrt dat onder de Kinderen elcqs Half en Half sall worden gedeelt naer Haer Testateuren afsterven, en tot erfgenaemen geinstituteert exembt den inbodell daerin die Testa-

teur naer haer eerste afleifvigheydt sall blyven sitten assigneerende an die Kinderen voor erfdeel in plaetse van voldoeninghe van legitime porty yder Kindt ses guldensz in zewant Voortsz legateeren sie Testateuren aen Joest Goddersz Soen Jan Godderusz vooruit t genieten naert afsterven van den Testateur het vierde part van alle d naehr gelaeten goederen so die langst levende sall coemen naehrt laeten en voortsz tot bevestiginge van dit Haer testament Aenden Armen 50 gulden. Actum Bergen den 9 October 1662. In presentie vand Eersaeme Harmen Smeman en Laurensz Andrieszen alsz geloofwaerdighe getuygen Hyer toe voorsocht en gebeden die de Origin Minuet deses met My b—— nevensz de voornoemde Testateursz en My Notarie ondergeteekent.

Harmen Smeman  
Lourensz Andriesz.

ditist X merk van  
DIRCK TOENISS  
ARYAENTJE WALINGSZ.

Dese bouenstaende Copie Accordeert met Het principaell. Quod Attest

TILMAN VAN VLEECQ, *Nots publicq.*

*Translation of the Dutch will of Dirck Teunissen and wife, Aryaentje Waelensz.*

In the name of the Lord, Amen. Be it known to everybody who shall see or hear read this present instrument that in the year after the birth of our dear Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, 1662, on the ninth day of the month of October, at nine o'clock in the morning, before me, Tielman Van Vleeq, Notary Public admitted by the Very Honorable Right Worthy Lord Director General and Lords Councillors of New Netherland, in the presence of the after named witnesses, there came and appeared in their own person Dirck Teunisz and his lawful wife, Aryaentje Waelensz, living in the village of Bergen on the West side of the North River, well known to me the Notary, through

the grace of the Lord robust and healthy in body, going and standing, in the full possession and perfect enjoyment of their memory and understanding, as was outwardly apparent and fully evident to everybody. Who acknowledging that nothing is more certain than death, and nothing more uncertain than the hour of the same, therefore not desiring to depart from this world without having previously disposed of their temporal estate, first of all they commend their immortal soul, when the same shall have left their mortal body, to the boundless mercy of God, and their dead body to the earth through a Christian burial. Next arriving at the disposal of their estate to leave behind, declared that out of singular love and affection shown each other in the married state, and if it please God still to be shown, they Testators have willed and do order by these presents, if he Testator should die before his wife, Aryaentje Walensz, then the same shall remain in possession of the entire estate, and as usufructuary during her life enjoy the usufruct or proceeds of the Testator's estate, real and personal, bonds or credits, linnen, wool, copper, tin, and all kinds of Furniture, besides the cattle, none excepted, as he Testator at his death shall vacate and leave, with power, in case of need or poverty, even to be permitted to consume a portion of the same. On the other hand, she, Testatrix, desires, in case of her dying first, that her husband shall keep possession of one half the entire estate, and the other half shall succeed to her, Testatrix's, children lawfully begotten with her deceased husbands, Frans Pieterszen Sloosz and Cornelisz Janszen Slubber, by whom no property has been vacated or left. Notwithstanding this they, Testator and Testatrix, desire that after their, the Testators', death the children shall receive each one half, and they are named heirs, except of the part of the estate which shall remain to the Testator in case she should die first, assigning to the children as a legacy in place of the satisfaction of the lawful share,

to each child six \* guilders in sewant. Further, they, the Testators, leave to Jan Goddersz, son of Joost Goddersz, to be enjoyed in advance after the demise of the Testator, one quarter of the entire estate to be left by the survivor, and further, as a confirmation of this their testament, fifty guilders to the poor. Done at Bergen, October 9, 1662, in the presence of the worthy Harmen Smeman and Laurensz Andrieszen, invited and requested for the purpose as creditable witnesses, who have subscribed to the original minute of the present with my —, besides the aforesaid Testators and me, Notary.

Harmen Smeman  
Lourensz Andriesz.

this is X the mark of  
DIRCK TOENISS  
ARIAENTJE WALINGSZ.

This above Copy agrees with the original. To which testifies,

TILMAN VAN VLECQ, *Notary Public.*

\* This probably is a mistake and should be either sixty or six hundred guilders

### CORRECTION.

*The following is substituted for Note on page 91.*

Anthony Brockholst was appointed Commander-in-Chief, November 16, 1677, and January 13, 1681; under the last appointment he acted as Governor of the Province until 1683, when Governor Thomas Dongan arrived. Major Brockholst was the owner of a very large tract of land at Pompton, New Jersey, and lived there. When in New York, he had a house on the south side of Bridge Street, a little east of Broadway. He married Susannah Maria Schrick, May 2, 1681. Most of his children died in childhood. Henry, who was born December 28, 1684, married Maria Ver Planck. Judith married Dirck Van Veghten. Susannah married Philip French. Joana, born February 15, 1700, married Frederick Philipse.