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Page 127.—CORNELIA WALTON, of New York City, to my niece Cornelia, daughter of my brother, James Beekman, my gold watch and chain and one half of all my linen; to my niece Catharine, the daughter of my sister, Elizabeth Rutgers, now the wife of Stephen Van Cortlandt, the other half of my linen and £400; to my sisters, Catharine Beekman and Mary Beekman, all my wearing apparel, my two horses, my liquors and all my furniture; to my five nieces, daughters of my late brother, Gerard W. Beekman, Catharine, married to Isaac Cox, Johanna, Margaretta, Magdalen, and Elizabeth Beekman, to each of them, their heirs, £100; to my three nephews, sons of my said sister Elizabeth, by name Anthony, Jr., Robert, Jr., and Gerard Rutgers, to each of them, their heirs, £100; to my six nephews and four nieces, children of my brother James, by names William, Jr., Abraham K., James, Jr., Janett, Catharine, Mary, John, Cornelia, Gerard, and Samuel Beekman, to each of them, their heirs, £100; to Maria, eldest daughter of my cousin, Abraham Walton, £50 to her, her heirs; to Jane Brower, daughter of my cousin, Everardus Brower, £50; to John Asten, formerly of Phillipse Manor but now of this city, £100; to my mulatto wench, Amanda Ashton, widow of John Ashton, deceased, £60 to her, her heirs. All which

legacies I order my executors to pay as soon and in proportion as they shall be able to collect and receive my money for that purpose; and all the remainder of my estate, both real and personal, I give in the following manner: to my said five nieces, the daughters of my late brother, Gerard W. Beekman, by names Catharine, married to Isaac Cox, Johanna, Margaret, Magdalon, and Elizabeth Beekman, their heirs forever, one full equal one seventh part, to be equally divided among them share and share alike; to my sister, Catharine Beekman, her heirs forever, one full one seventh part thereof; to my sister, Mary Beekman, her heirs forever, one full and equal one seventh part thereof; to my brother, William Beekman, his heirs forever, one full and equal one seventh part; to my said sister Elizabeth married to Robert Rutgers, her heirs forever, one full and equal one seventh part thereof; to my brother, Abraham Beekman, his heirs forever, one full and equal one seventh part; and to my said brother, James Beekman, and his heirs forever, one full and equal one seventh part thereof. I authorize, sue for, and recover according to law all the annuities due to me since July 11, 1784, from the estate of my late husband, the Hon. William Walton, Esq., being as per his last will at the rate of £700 per annum, at eight shillings per milled dollar; Also to sue for all bonds and mortgages that were assigned to me by my nephew, William Walton, Esq., the surviving executor to the estate of my late husband, for payment of annuities due me and settled with my said nephew up to July 11, 1784; Also to recover, according to law, all bonds and mortgages due to me for money I put out on interest in New Jersey and in this city and with respect to lands or lots of ground I am now possessed of or may hereafter become a part; of my estate by virtue of any mortgages, I am now possessed of, I authorize my executors to sell for the most they can get, and such conveyance shall be good and effectual in law to the purchaser thereof to them, their heirs forever; my execu-

tors to sue and recover, according to law, all debts due me and the moneys arising therefrom and from the foregoing to be appropriated and disposed of as is already herein mentioned. I appoint my brothers, William Beekman, James Beekman, my nephew, William Beekman, son of my said brother, James, all this City, my executors.

Dated New York, March 13, 1786. Witnesses, Forman Cheesman, Abraham Brouwer, latter; Ebenezer Crosby, physician. Proved, June 12, 1786.

Page 130.—August 18, 1785. JEREMIAH CRANE, of Newark, County of Essex, New Jersey, to my daughter, Rebeckah Crane, the equal half part of all my estate, both real and personal; Also £100 of the other half the same to her, her heirs forever; to Elenor Crane and William Crane, the children of my wife, £5 to each; to Stephen Young, £50; to my niece, Martha Crane, widow, £50; to John Gifford, £10; to my nephew, Moses Nuel Combs, all the remainder of my estate, both real and personal, to him, his heirs forever. I appoint Ebenezer Woodhul, of Blooming Grove, in New York State, and Moses Nuel Combs, of Newark, N. J., to be my executors.

Dated August 18, 1785. Witnesses, Thomas Eagle, John Baldwin, Joshua Baldwin. Proved at Newark, N. J., September 14, 1785; confirmed at New York, June 13, 1786.

Page 132.—May 20, 1786. BENJAMIN FOWLER, SR., yeoman, of Yonkers, in Phillippesburgh, Westchester County, New York, to my wife Sarah, the one fourth part of all my movable estate; to my son Vincent, all my land, that lay on the South of the road, by my house to Henry Odell's; he (my son) paying £100 toward paying for same land; to my son Josiah, the other part of my land, that is all the land that lies on the north of the road that leads to Henry Odell's, he, the said Josiah, paying £200 to my other son, Benjamin; but in case my sons Josiah and Benjamin should

die, my son Vincent to have the whole of my farm; Vincent to pay £200 to the executors, by them to be equally divided with my movable estate; to my grandson, Benjamin Fowler, £5, to be paid out of my movable estate; my movable estate to be sold, the moneys so arising to be divided as follows: to my wife one fourth part, as above mentioned; to my daughter Hannah one fourth part, out of which one fourth to be given to her son Frederick; one fourth part to my daughter Ann, one third of which to be given to my son Frederick's daughter Jenny; the other fourth part to my son-in-law and daughter, Dennis and Isabelle Post. I make my son Vincent, son-in-law, Dennis Post, and Isaac Vermillyea, Sr., my executors.

Dated May 20, 1786. Witnesses, Jonathan Odell, Phillips Manor, yeoman; Jacob Odell, James D. Hannah, schoolmaster. Proved, June 6, 1786.

Page 134.—MICHAEL MATHEWS, of Cortlandt Manor, Westchester County, New York, to my son Samuel's (deceased) oldest son, Joshua, five shillings, and he is to have no more; to my wife Rebecca, five shillings; to my sons, Joseph, Stephen, Daniel, and my daughter Sarah, five shillings each, and the remainder of my estate to be divided among my wife and sons, Joseph, Stephen, Daniel; and my daughter Sarah to have one half as much as my wife and sons; to my daughter, Hannah Allen, five shillings; if any of my children die without issue, their legacies to be divided equally among the rest of my heirs except Joshua Mathews and Hannah Allen. I appoint my sons, Joseph, Stephen, John Studdel, and Obadiah Frost.

Dated November 24, 1784. Witnesses, Mordecai Frost, Derious Frost.

(Re-signed) Dated May 30, 1786. Witnesses, William Adee, Joel Frost, Micajah Wright, Cortlandt's Manor, yeoman. Proved, June 8, 1786.

Page 135.—March 4, 1786, JOHN ADEE, weaver, Harrison's Precinct, Westchester County, New York, to

my wife Sarah, a hunting saddle, which she now rides, and her wearing apparel, over and above her legacy hereinafter mentioned; all my movable estate, except two chests, which I give to my two sons (one to each of them), to be sold within six months after my decease; and the third part of my estate to be paid my wife Sarah at twelve months after my decease; the remaining two thirds to be put out at interest for the support of my sons, Daniel and John, until each of them shall arrive at the age of eight years, then one half of the said two thirds of my estate to be put at interest, and the principal and interest arising from the same to be paid to my son Daniel, when he shall arrive at the age of twenty-one years; the remaining part of my estate to be put at interest when my son John is eight years of age, and the principal and interest arising from the same to be paid to my son John when he arrives at legal age. If either of sons die under lawful age and without issue, his legacy to be paid to the survivor. If either of my sons should want reasonable support towards their maintenance and education after they are eight years of age, that my wife shall pay one equal half of the expense and other half to be taken out of the interest of his or their legacies that shall want it. If both my sons die under lawful age or without issue, that my wife, if she be my widow at the time of their death, shall have one half of their legacies. I appoint my brothers, William Adee and Daniel Adee, trustees of my children and executors.

Witnesses, Joseph Carpenter, Solomon Haviland, Harrison's Precinct, yeoman; Samuel Hitt. Proved, June 5, 1786.

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tors to sell my personal estate, not already disposed of, for the benefit of my two daughters, Mary and Hannah, to be equally divided between them; and in case either of my children shall die without issue, the share of such a one dying to be divided among the survivors. I appoint Thomas Udall, Stephen Abbet, and Eliphalet Oakley, my executors.

Witnesses, Silas Muncy, Huntington [redacted] man; Peter Haff, Samuel Muncy. Proved, June 1786.

Page 139.—MARY CURTICE, of Otter Kill, Ulster County, New York, to my two oldest sons, each ten shillings; and all the remainder of my goods and chattels to my two youngest sons, Jeremiah and Noah, to be divided as follows: two of my feather beds, with furniture; two chests, all my pewter, one large iron kettle, two guns and one sword; and each one to have his part when of age; and all the remainder of my goods and chattels of whatsoever to be sold at public auction, and the moneys arising therefrom to be put at interest, for the use of my said two youngest sons and divided equally, each to have his share when of age. In case either die before he arrives at legal age, his share to be given to the surviving younger son. I appoint Benjamin Booth, William Denn, both of Ulster County, executors.

Dated March 20, 1764. Witnesses, Phebe Booth, John Booth, yeoman; Elizabeth Hopper. Proved, April 5, 1786.

Page 140.—May 2, 1781, ROBERT BOYD, yeoman, Precinct of New Windsor, Ulster County, New York, to my wife Jennet, the use of my household and kitchen furniture of every kind during her widowhood, with the use of all my estate during the time aforesaid; and at her death, the part that remains shall be divided as follows: to my son Robert, five shillings; to my granddaughter, Jennet Harris, eldest daughter of my son-in-law, George Harris, £50; Also all my house-

hold and kitchen furniture after my death and death of my wife; all the rest of estate that remains after my decease and that of my wife to be divided among my grandchildren, as follows: John Boyd, Samuel Boyd, Jennet Boyd, Agnes and Robert Boyd, children of my son Robert, together with Elizabeth, Agnes, Jane, Elinor, and Susana, children of my son-in-law, George Harris; Mabel, Jennet, and David, children of my son-in-law, Robert Andrews; to be equally divided among them, and when they shall each arrive at legal age. In case my granddaughter, Jennet Harris, die before my wife, her legacy to be divided among the children of my sons-in-law, George Harris and Robert Andrews, or the survivor of them, share and share alike. I appoint William Scott (cooper), of New Windsor, and Thomas Moffat, Esq., of Orange County, executors.

Witnesses, John Herron, James Boyd, Hugh Turner, yeoman. Proved, April 18, 1786.

Page 142.—JACOBUS VAN ANTWERP, tailor, of City of New York, to my eldest son, Simon, £5, with which legacy I charge both my real and personal estate; to my daughter Mary, £30, to be paid within six months after my decease; all the remainder of my personal estate and the interest of my real estate to my wife Margaret, for her natural life, if she continues my widow; in case my personal estate and income of my real estate is not sufficient for the payment of my debts and legacies and the maintenance of my wife, I authorize my wife and executors to dispose of such part of my real estate as shall be sufficient for such purpose and to execute good and sufficient deeds to the purchasers of the same; at the death of my wife, if she dies my widow, I give all my real and personal estate whatsoever to my six children, Simon, John, James, Nicholas, Daniel, and Mary, and to their heirs, to be equally divided share and share alike; if any one of my children die before they arrive at lawful

age and without issue, the share to be equally divided among the surviving children. In case my wife marries, I give to her and her heirs forever my household furniture, except as been disposed of heretofore mentioned. Also, in case of remarriage of my wife, I give all my estate, both real and personal, to my wife and six children aforesaid, their heirs forever, to be equally divided between them, share and share alike. I appoint my wife Margaret, my sons, Simon and Nicholas, executors.

Dated March 11, 1785. Witnesses, Aust Housman, Coenrad W. Ham, John Brower, New York City, upholsterer. Proved, June 19, 1786.

Page 145.—February 19, 1772. WILLIAM HOOGLAND, farmer, of Rombouts Precinct, Dutchess County, New York, to my wife Altje, all my real and personal estate while she remains my widow, or so long as my wife, executors and children, shall judge it good and profitable, for my wife and the estate; if my executors and wife shall judge it best to dispose of my estate, then I authorize them to sell and convey and execute a lawful deed of sale for my estate, to make my estate into money for the good of my wife and children; all my real and personal estate to be sold, under the above conditions, except one bed and furniture belonging thereunto, one of my best horses, and a saddle; these articles I give to my wife; when my estate has been made into money and bonds, my executors shall divide my estate among my children as I shall hereafter mention; with the proviso that each of my children give to their mother good surety to pay without fail every year, while she remains my widow £3, ten shillings; if my widow marries and should become a widow the second time, and be in want, my will is that my children shall give their mother the above-mentioned sum, if wanted; to my son Dirck, £10 for his birthright with what he has had already, since he has been married, £60 for his outset, then after that the ninth part of all

my estate forever after it be sold, what it may amount to, to him and heirs forever; to my daughter Nellje, the ninth part of my estate forever after it is sold and made into money and bonds with the above-mentioned proviso; to my daughter Altje, the ninth part of my estate forever with the above-mentioned proviso to her mother; to my daughter Maria, £60 for her outset, before my division be made, also the ninth part of my estate forever after it is made into money and bonds, with above-mentioned proviso to her mother; to my daughter Dinah, the ninth part of my estate forever after it is made into money and bonds with the above-mentioned proviso to her mother; to my daughter Antje, £60 for her outset, before any division be made of my estate, also the ninth part after it is made into money and bonds with the above-mentioned proviso to her mother; to my son William, £60 for his outset before any division be made, also the one-ninth part of my estate after it is made into money and bonds with the above-mentioned proviso to his mother; to my son Abram, £60 for his outset, before any division be made, also one-ninth part of my estate after it is made into money and bonds with the above-mentioned proviso to his mother; to my daughter Susanna, £60 for her outset, before any division be made, also the one-ninth part of my estate after it is made into money and bonds with the above-mentioned proviso to her mother. I appoint Mathys Lyster, Jacobus Swartwout, and Stephan Derye, my executors.

Witnesses, Isaac Adriance, Jacob Griffen, of Dutchess County, farmers; Dirck Brinchoff, Jr. Proved, June 14, 1786.

Page 147.—JOHN MCKENNEY, tailor, of New York, to my eldest son, James, one shilling sterling, as his birthright; all the rest of my estate, real and personal, to my wife Elizabeth, for and during her natural life, to use the same, with discretion, for the maintenance of herself and well bringing up of all my children un-



til they shall attain their respective ages of twenty-one years; after the decease of my wife, the then remainder of my wife's real and personal estate shall be divided amongst all my children by my wife (except my said son James), and my grandson, John Ludowick McKenney, son of my eldest son James, in such share and proportions as my wife shall in her lifetime, by deed or will, appoint, share and share alike (except that £200 which my son James has already had of me shall be accounted as part of my grandson's share in proportion to what each of my children's share shall be). And in case any of my children shall die without issue (or my said grandson), that share shall be divided amongst the surviving children and heirs. I appoint my wife Elizabeth, executrix, and my son John, John King, tailor, of New York; Francis Panton, peruke maker, of New York, executors.

Dated October 5, 1776. Witnesses, Jonathan C. Knapp, James Deas, New York City, hair dresser; Charles Brown. Proved, May 2, 1777.

On June 3, 1786, Elizabeth Kinney having died, John Kinney, another of the executors, was appointed to administer on the estate. Recorded, June 22, 1786.

Page 150.—October 25, 1784. JACOB VISSCHER EGBERTS, Doctor of Physic, of Albany, New York, to my brother, Benjamin Egberts, £5; to my sister Ann, my negro wench, called Saer, also seven silver table spoons and my round tea table; to my brother, Anthony Egberts, all my depreciation, New York State certificates; to my brothers and sisters, namely, Benjamin, Ann, and Anthony Egberts, all my public moneys and lands due and becoming due; to my niece, Katy Ten Eyck, my looking glass; to my nephew, Egbert Ten Eyck, my watch and silver mug; to my nephew, Jacob Ten Eyck, pair of silver shoe buckles, one pair silver knee buckles, and stock buckle to be paid out of my real estate; to my four brothers and sisters, Benjamin, Ann, Anthony Egberts, and Mary Ten Eyck, their sev-

eral heirs, all my real and personal estate, my houses, lands and buildings descended unto me in right of my father and mother by virtue of their respective last wills; as also my bills, bonds, book debts, sum and sums of money, household goods, furniture and movables (except my clothing to be divided between Benjamin and Anthony Egberts; my linen to my sister, Ann Egberts) to them and heirs forever. I appoint my brothers, Benjamin and Anthony Egberts and Anthony Ten Eyck, executors.

Witnesses, Peter J. Van Valekinburgh, Walter Baurhite, Thomas Barhydt, of Rensselaerwyck, yeoman. Proved, May 5, 1786.

Page 152.—PHEBE TURNER, widow of the Borough of Westchester, New York, to my sister, Abigail Bugbee, all my wearing apparel, my bed, bedding and furniture thereunto belonging, my chest, looking glass, six plates of X, pewter, one pair andirons, and my Bible to her own use forever; to my brother, Thomas Vail, one feather bed, bedding, furniture belonging thereunto; Also one cupboard, one gun, and a warming-pan. All my linen to be equally divided between my sister Abigail and brother Thomas; to my cousin, John Vail, living in New Jersey, £40; to my brother Stephen, living in New Jersey, £50; to my nephew Daniel, son of my brother, John Vail, £5; to my niece, Phebe Vail, daughter of my brother, Thomas Vail, £5; also one table, one wheel, and one pie-pan; to Phebe Bugbee, daughter of Elijah Bugbee, £5, also one cupboard; to Daniel Pugsly, son of David Pugsly, £5; to the Society of the People, called Quakers, £10, to be paid to the clerk of the Meeting for the time being of the said Quakers in the Borough Town of Westchester, to the use of the said Meeting, to maintain good works. I order that my negroes shall have their liberty to choose their masters, and my executors do sell them to those whom they shall choose. All the remainder of my estate whatsoever, I give the same to my brother,

Thomas Vail, and my sister, Abigail Bugbee (wife of Elijah Bugbee), and to their several and respective heirs forever, share and share alike. I make my brother, Thomas Vail, and my brother-in-law, Elijah Bugbee, executors.

Dated July 20, 1770. Witnesses, Martha Forgison, Gabriel Forgison, John Bartow, Westchester County, gentleman. Proved, June 19, 1786.

Page 154.—May 7, 1776. JOHN BOWLES, of New York City, to my wife Catherine, all my household goods and furniture and all my personal estate whatsoever and wheresoever to my wife and my children, Catherine, John, William Banyar, and Ann, they and their heirs forever, all my messuages, lands, tenements, hereditaments, and real estate whatsoever, to be equally divided between them, share and share alike, and to have and to hold the same as tenants in common and not as joint tenants. It is my will and I hereby order that my executors shall and may make partition or division of all or any part of my said Messuages, lands, tenements, and real estate whatsoever which I hold as tenant in common in fee simple with any other person or persons whatsoever in such manner as they think fit or they may sell the above-mentioned parcels at either private or public sale, as shall be judged most convenient, to any person or persons whatsoever in fee simple. I authorize my executors to make, sign, seal, and deliver any deed or deeds of conveyance in the law as well for making valid such partition or division as for the selling and conveying of my said messuages, lands, tenements, and real estate; the moneys arising from this sale to be equally divided among my wife and children, Catherine, John, William Banyar, and Ann, share and share alike, which shall be put out at interest by my executors for their benefit until they shall attain the age of twenty-one years or be married, whichever may first happen; but in case any of my children should die without attaining the legal age, then

I will that part or share of the one so dying unto the survivor or survivors of them, their heirs, executors, administrators, respectively forever to be equally divided among them, share and share alike. I appoint my wife Catherine and Goldsbrow Banyar, of New York City, executors.

Witnesses, Peter Neefus, of Flatbush, Kings County, yeoman; Johannes Lott, Jr., Walter Thomas. Proved, June 24, 1786.

Page 157.—STEPHEN HUNT, Yeoman, of the Borough Town of Westchester, in Westchester County, New York, to my wife Rebecca, a sufficient maintenance out of my estate during her life; Also the use of one half of my present dwelling house; Also the use and service of my colored woman, Lill, and my riding chair and horse together with four milch cows, and order that my wife have a maintenance for said wench, horse, and cows out of my estate so long as they shall remain in her service; Also I give my wife all my household goods and furniture (except so much thereof as is hereafter bequeathed) to hold to her during her natural life; and after her decease I will my said negro woman, Lill, to my son Leak, and all the other movables given her during her life I do at her decease give to my daughter Christian, for her own use forever; to my son Arnold, my negro boy, Jack, and £200, which I order my son Leak to pay him; to my son Gilbert, £30; to my son Thomas, £30; to my son Peter, my negro boy, Jo; Also one feather bed, all my blacksmith's tools, and £30; to my daughter Mary, my negro girl, called Nan, one feather bed, bedding and furniture, one looking-glass, six good chairs, one oval table, and two cows; Also the free use of my house as a home and enjoy all the privileges she did during my lifetime; Also maintenance and support for said negro and cows so long as she remains unmarried; to my daughter Christian, my negro girl, Bett, one feather bed, and furniture, one looking-glass, six good chairs, one oval table, one large



cupboard, and two cows; Also the free use of my house as a home for her, together with all the privileges she did enjoy during my lifetime, with maintenance for said wench, Bett, and cows as long as she remains unmarried; to my son Stephen, my negro boy, Lew; Also my carpenters' and joiners' tools, my best gun, my desk, one feather bed, and two three-year-old heifers; to my two sons, Leak and Stephen, all my farming utensils, together with my still and all the works thereunto belonging, equally between them; to my son Leak and his heirs forever, the one half or equal moiety of all my lands and meadows in Westchester; to my son Stephen and his heirs forever, all the other half part or equal moiety of all my lands and meadows in Westchester; to be equally divided between them at such time and manner as they shall agree on. All the residue of my estate not above mentioned I give to my son Leake, and other that he pay all my debts together with the above-mentioned legacies. If my son Leak shall see cause to sell and dispose of his part of land and meadow hereby given, that my son Stephen shall have the refusal of the same at the sum of £500; if he will not purchase at that price, then my son Leak may dispose of the same otherwise. If my son Stephen see cause to sell his part of land and meadow hereby given, then my son Leak shall have the refusal of the same for £500; if he will not purchase for that price, then my son Stephen may dispose of the same otherwise. I appoint my wife Rebecca, executrix, and my sons, Leak and Stephen, executors.

Dated February 25, 1776. Witnesses, Stephanus Hunt, Aaron Hunt, of Westchester, yeoman; Josiah Hunt. Proved, June 26, 1786.

Page 159.—ALEXANDER McDOUGAL, late of New York City, now serving as a Major General in the United States Army, to my wife Hannah, all my household furniture and a negro wench, called Bett, and the child or children she may have at my decease; Also such

carriage and carriage horses I may have at my death; to my son, Ronald Stephen, all my arms, riding horses, books, wearing apparel and watch; Also the one thousand one hundred acres of land, voted to me by Congress for my services, as his birthright; to my daughter, Elizabeth Laurance, during her natural life, a negro man, called Coleraine, and all the issues and profits of a certain farm I now rent, late the property of Peter Corney. But in case of her death I give the said negro, Coleraine, to my son, Ronald Stephen. All the rest of the real estate that I now possess or may be possessed or entitled to at my death it is my will that it shall be sold by my executors, and turned into money at such time or times as they or he shall judge best for the advancement of my estate; and I empower them (my executors) to make out good and sufficient titles for the said real estate or any part or parcels thereof, which they may dispose of in virtue of the will; the moneys arising from such sale, together with what may be due me and what may be in my possession at my death, shall be divided into three equal parts, one of which I give to my son, Ronald Stephen, and his heirs; one other equal part to my daughter, Elizabeth Laurance, and her heirs; that the other third or equal part, to my wife Hannah, which the other devises shall be in lieu of her dower; but if she receive the half pay as my widow, conformable to a resolution of Congress of August 24, 1785, or for a longer period, she is not to receive the equal part of money last mentioned, principal or interest, it being my will that she will not receive both at the same time. But if it so happens that she shall not receive the half pay punctually, my executors are to give her immediate support and assistance from that third part of the money which shall arise from the estate, real and personal, and such sums as are advanced to her are to be repaid to my executors when she receives the half pay aforesaid; if my wife does not receive the aforesaid half pay, then she is to receive the third equal part of the money arising

ing from my real and personal estate aforesaid. If the United States decide to pay a sum in gross, as a compensation for the said half pay, this sum to be considered as part of my personal estate. If my wife receive the half pay, then her third part be put out at interest, and the principal of which I give to any posthumous child I may have by her; and as the said half pay will cease to her in seven years, or on her remarriage, it is my will that on either of those events which shall first happen she shall be entitled to and receive from my executors so much of the principal and interest of the equal third as will with the half pay she shall have received amount to one third of the money which shall arise from my real and personal estate. I release, acquit, and discharge Elizabeth Hamilton, daughter of my sister, May Stewart, of and from any charge against her for money advanced by me to her with which she stands debited on my accounts. And whereas my nephew, Lieutenant John McDougal, lately deceased, bequeathed all his estate to me for the purpose of dividing the same as I should think proper between his brother, Alexander McDougal, Jr., and his cousins, Ronald S. McDougal, Elizabeth Ann Laurance, Elizabeth Hamilton, and John McDougal Laurance, I will that one half of the money which shall arise from the said estate be divided into seven equal parts; two seventh parts to be given to Ronald S. McDougal; two seventh parts to Elizabeth Ann Laurance, and one seventh part to John McDougal Laurance; two seventh parts to Elizabeth Hamilton—this division to be made as soon as the money can be collected with advantage to the estate; John Laurance, Esq., to receive those parts given to his wife and son; Also that Alexander McDougal, Jr., have the one half of the money which shall arise from the said estate of his brother, Lieutenant John McDougal; but as the said Alexander McDougal is now absent, I will that the said half part be put into the Continental Loan Office in New York State for his benefit, to remain there for seven years after

the termination of the present War unless he arrives sooner, in which case my executors will deliver over to him the certificate, bonds, or other papers taken for the same, or dispose of them and pay him the money as they shall judge most advantageous of his interest. If the said Alexander McDougal, Jr., does not arrive at the end of the said seven years, or they receive intelligence of his death—in either of these events which shall first happen, I will his half part to be divided among the other legatees of his brother in the same proportion as is above mentioned. In case any dispute, doubt, or question shall be raised upon the true construction of this will, I appoint my executors to be the sole judges to settle such dispute and carry the same into effect. I appoint John Sloss Hobart, Egbert Benson, Thomas Tredwell, William Burnet, Abraham Brasher, John Broome, and John McKesson.

Dated Fishkill, New York, December 16, 1780. Witnesses, John Harrison, Jonathan H. Slegt, Cornelius Adriance.

Codicil.—Alexander McDougall makes this Codicil to my last will. I confirm and ratify the devise to my wife in my said will. I revoke the devise of one-third part of the moneys arising from the sale of my real estate, as well as what may be due to me mentioned and bequeathed to my son, Ronald Stephen, and his heirs; and I give it to my executors as shall take upon them the execution of my will, from time to time to advance or give to my son, Ronald Stephen, such sums as they may think him deserving of or to merit, but any such advance or gift shall be entirely at the discretion of my executors. In case any dispute shall arise between any of my devisees as to any part of my estate, real or personal, or as to the construction, true intent, and meaning of my said will or any part thereof, I authorize my executors solely to judge and agree and award on such dispute, and such judgment as aforesaid by said Executors shall be binding on all persons' interest without being subject to any further

examination, decision, whatsoever. I revoke the appointment of Abraham Brasher, John Broome, and William Burnet as executors in my will, and I appoint in their stead, Ebenezer Hazard, of New York City; Major Richard Platt, of said City, together with John Sloss Hobart, Egbert Benson, Thomas Tredwell, and John McKesson, Esq.

Dated May 12, 1786. Witnesses, William Barber, Constant Freeman, Jr., New York City, gentlemen; James Bostwick. Proved, June 27, 1786.

Page 164.—ISAAC TRACY, Precinct of Goshen, Orange County, New York, to my wife, my old mare, and young bauld-face mare, one cow, a feather bed and bedding; to my son Zauvan, five shillings and the half of the land I claim in the Susquehannah purchase in Westmoreland to him, his heirs forever; the other half of said lands to my nine daughters to be equally divided among them, to them, their heirs forever; to my daughters, Keturah, Thankfull, and Elizabeth, all my household furniture to be equally divided among them. I give to my five daughters, Mary, Ziporah, Bethsheba, Mehetable, and Lois, £10 each; to my five daughters, Zirviah, Keturah, Thankfull, and Elizabeth, £15; to my son Solomon, the house and lands on which I now live, with all the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging to him, his heirs forever, together with all my stock, tools, and tackling; likewise I give him half of a right in the Delaware Purchase that I claim, to him, his heirs forever, and he is to pay all my lawful debts and legacies and to receive all debts that is due the remaining quarter of a right of land that I claim to hold in the Delaware Purchase; to my nine daughters to be equally divided them, to them, their heirs forever. I appoint my wife, my son Solomon, to be executrix and executor.

Dated January 10, 1784. Witnesses, James Steward, Joseph Hallsted, Henry White. Proved, April 5, 1786.

Page 166.—ANDREW MILLOW, of Cortlandt Manor, Westchester County, New York, to my youngest son, Andrew, all my wearing apparel; to my wife Merecetplone, the whole in trust of all my whole estate, real and personal, to be equally divided between my wife and my son Conrad, that is the interest only, to be divided during the widowhood or life of my wife, and at the marriage or death of my wife, I order my executors to sell and dispose of all my estate, and out of the money arising, to pay my lawful debts, and what is left to be divided as follows: To my eldest son Peter, £5; to my son Conrad, £100; to my youngest son Andrew, £25. All the remainder of my estate, after the above-mentioned legacies be paid, to be divided as follows: Between my children and grandchildren; my sons, Conrad, John, Andrew, and grandson Andrew; my daughters, Hannah, Catrene, and Elizabeth Bartin—all the above named except Peter to share equally in the remainder of my estate; to my daughter, Mary Strang, and my granddaughter, Elisebeth Oysser, one equal half share of the remainder, share and share alike; that is, I mean for my daughter, Mary Strang, and my granddaughter, Elisebeth Oysser, each of them, to have out of the remainder but half as much as one of the above mentioned, divided equally between them. If either son, daughter, grandson, or granddaughter shall die without heir, their share or shares shall be divided equally in proportion to the above mentioned amongst them all excepting Peter; my blacksmith tools all belong to Roger Bartin. I appoint my wife Merecetplone, executrix, and my son Conrad and my son-in-law, Joseph Strang, executors.

Dated August 12, 1785. Witnesses, Samuel Field, Hazard Field, of Cortlandt Manor; Joseph Strang, Jr. Proved, June 29, 1786.

Page 168.—HENDRICK LEFORG, yeoman, of Westchester County, New York, to my daughter Ephey, £100, one little trunk, one bedstead, bed and furniture; to



my daughter Hester, £40, one chest, and one cow; to my daughter Anna, £10, and one cow; to my daughter Jenny, two cows. I appoint Adrian Leforg (my brother), executor.

Dated May 27, 1786. Witnesses, Elizabeth Leforg, Martin Leforg, and William Dunlap, of Phillips Manor, schoolmaster. Proved, July 1, 1786.

Page 169.—PETER COLON, chairmaker, of New York City, to my wife Mary, all my real and personal estate, to have and to hold for her natural life on condition to maintain and bring up my four children, and after her decease to be divided among my four children, namely, my two sons, Daniel and Abraham, and my two daughters, Elizabeth and Mary Magdalene, and their heirs or the survivors of their heirs, share and share alike. In case my wife should marry again without the consent of the Brethren's Congregation to which she belongs, that my effects shall be immediately divided among my said children; if my youngest child, Abraham, then should be still an infant, my executors to consider that he wants more than the rest for being brought up; to my wife, bedding and furniture, what my executors think proper; if my wife marries with the consent of the Brethren's Congregation, that matters to remain as mentioned above; always provided that the estate is secure for my children or the survivors of them. I appoint my brother, James Colon, of Staten Island; Captain J. Jacobsen, of Staten Island, executors.

Dated August 22, 1781. Witnesses, Jonas Colon, New York City, chairmaker; Philip Sykes, Abraham Willson. Proved, July 10, 1786.

Page 170.—JOHN ROGERS, Dutchess County, New York, to my son Richard, one yoke of oxen, one cow, and one mare, and the part of the improvement he now liveth on; Also one plow and tackling; to my son John, all my land lying in the nine pardners, which he now

liveth on, containing one hundred and ninety-two acres, more or less; Also one cow; the said John shall pay to his elder brother, Richard, £25, within twelve months after my decease, to be a legacy paid out of the said land; to my son Benjamin, the improvement which I now live upon, with all my household goods; to my daughter, Charity Hustis, £15; to my daughter, Esther Nelson, the improvement which she now lives on; to my daughter, Ann Warren, £15; and my wench to be sold at public sale, and this money to be equally divided among my three daughters; to my sons, Richard and Benjamin, all the grain that is in the house and barn, all my hogs, a young mare, a heifer and a calf, to be equally divided between them; to my son Richard, my wearing apparel and the grain that is on the ground. I appoint my son Benjamin, Caliph Nelson (Captain), executors.

Dated November 5, 1776. Witnesses, Gilbert Budd, of Dutchess County, farmer; Richard Hopper, Nathaniel Sarls. Proved, July 4, 1786.

Page 172.—March 15, 1783, JONATHAN THOMPSON, Brookhaven, Suffolk County, New York, to my wife Mary, two beds and bedsteads with suitable furniture for the same; Also a case of drawers, a silver tankard, and six silver spoons; the above-mentioned articles came to me from my wife's father; Also six chairs, one great chair, six plates, two platters, three basins, six knives and forks, two cows and calves; Also my black boy, named Andrew; to my son Samuel, to him and his heirs forever, my dwelling house and all my other buildings, and all my lands, meadows, and commonage rights that I have in the Township of Brookhaven; Also my negro man, named Sharpes, and all my farming tackling on the north side; Also one yoke of oxen, and one bed and bedstead with suitable furniture; my son Samuel to pay to my daughter, Mary Smith, £100; to my daughter, Hannah Strong, £100, to be paid by my son Samuel at my decease; to my son Isaac, to him,

his heirs forever, all my farm or neck of land and meadow at the south side of the island lying in the Township of Islip, commonly known by the name of Apple Tree Neck, together with all the buildings and improvements belonging to same; my son Isaac to pay to my daughter, Mary Smith, £150; Also a like sum of £150 to Hannah Strong; all my movable estate, except money, to be equally divided between my son Samuel and my two daughters, Mary Smith and Hannah Strong; all that money, bonds, or notes I shall leave at my decease, after paying all just debts and funeral charges, to be equally divided between my daughters, Mary Smith and Hannah Strong. I appoint my sons, Samuel and Isaac, executors.

Witnesses, Daniel Smith, Elijah Smith, Timothy Smith, of Brookhaven, yeoman. Proved, June 21, 1786.

Page 174.—October 2, 1782, BARENT JOHNSON, farmer, Wallabout, Township of Brooklyn, Kings County, New York, to my wife Anne, the dwelling house I now live in, my whole estate, real and personal, lying in and being in the Wallabout, Township of Brooklyn, to be her use and benefit, she supporting and giving education to my children during her natural life or remarriage; in case my wife remarries, I give her £400; the one half of this sum is a legacy given to her by her deceased father's last will and testament; Also one negro wench, named Nan, one silver teapot, six silver tablespoons, one set best china, one cupboard, one chest, one brown dining table, and six chairs to be in lieu of her dower; to my eldest son, Jeremiah, and his heirs, my silver tankard, fowling piece, one riding horse, saddle and bridle for his birthright; to my son John, one Dutch Bible, one riding horse, saddle and bridle; to my son, Jeromus, one English Bible, one riding horse, saddle and bridle; to my son Martin, one English Bible, one riding horse saddle, and bridle; to all my children, namely, Jeremiah, John, Jeromus, Martin, and Cathalina, and their heirs, £300, to be

paid to them and each of them when he arrives at legal age. Of my personal estate, I authorize my executors to sell all my real estate lying in the Township of Bushwick, Kings County, at public or private sale, six weeks after my decease; and the moneys so arising to be equally divided among all my children, Jeremiah, John, Jeromus, Martin, and Cathalina, and their heirs, as they shall arrive at legal age after the death or remarriage of my wife. I direct my executors to sell or convey all the remaining part of my estate, real and personal, lying in Wallabout, Township of Brooklyn, or elsewhere, at public or private sale, six weeks after the death of my wife or her remarriage, and the moneys so arising to be equally divided among my five children when they shall arrive at the legal age, share and share alike. If any of my children should die before they arrive at legal age, and without lawful issue, that share of the one dying shall be divided equally among the surviving children or their heirs, share and share alike; my executors to sell my negro man Jacob, in case he be disobedient to my wife. I appoint my brother Martin Johnson, my brother-in-law, Jeremiah Remsen, and Rem A. Remsen, Executors.

Witnesses, Albertus Van De Water, Mary Murray, John Van der Voort, schoolmaster. Proved, July 6, 1786.

Page 177.—JAMES REID, ship carpenter, New York City, to my wife Clanchy, of said City, all my estate both real and personal, and make my wife, Clanchy Reid, executrix.

Dated March 17, 1758. Witnesses, Abraham Willett, William Penn, William Brown. Proved, July 28, 1786.

Page 178.—JOHN BARREA, baker, of New York City, whereas my late father, Francis Barrea, died intestate, his estate devolved to me as his son and heir-at-law; it is my will that my executors shall dispose of my house and lot of ground, situated in Nassau Street, in

his heirs forever, all my farm or neck of land and meadow at the south side of the island lying in the Township of Islip, commonly known by the name of Apple Tree Neck, together with all the buildings and improvements belonging to same; my son Isaac to pay to my daughter, Mary Smith, £150; Also a like sum of £150 to Hannah Strong; all my movable estate, except money, to be equally divided between my son Samuel and my two daughters, Mary Smith and Hannah Strong; all that money, bonds, or notes I shall leave at my decease, after paying all just debts and funeral charges, to be equally divided between my daughters, Mary Smith and Hannah Strong. I appoint my sons, Samuel and Isaac, executors.

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New York City (now occupied by Frederick Steymets), which belonged to my father at the time of his decease; Also my father's negro man slave, named Angoils. Out of moneys arising from such sale, I desire my executors to pay to Mr. John Montayne the principal sum and interest money for which the said dwelling house and lot is mortgaged; the residue of the said moneys and also £64 and interest thereof due on a certain bond given by Frederick Steymets to my late mother, Lettey Barrea, shall be divided into three equal parts; one-third part thereof I desire my executors to reserve as part and parcel of my estate; another third I give to Lettey Rigby and Sarah Rigby, daughters of my sister, Elizabeth Rigby, deceased, to be equally divided between them; and the remaining one-third part I give to my sister Ann, the wife of Frederick Steymets; all other moneys due after paying my just debts and funeral charges shall be paid to my wife Sarah, in order to enable her to convert my bake house into a dwelling house; and in case any money is left after altering the said bake house, such money and all other moneys I may have at the time of my decease shall remain with my wife, for which money she shall be accountable to my executors, whenever they think proper to call upon her for the same, to be applied by them to such uses for the support of my wife and child and children as shall appear to my executors to be most beneficial; to my wife Sarah, my clock, one silver milk pot, and all the household furniture she brought to me at the time I married her, to be disposed by her as she may think proper; Also to my wife (in lieu of her right of dower, and not otherwise) during the time she remains my widow, rents, income, interest, and profits of all residue remainder of all houses, lands, tenements, and real estate for the support of her and my daughter Effey, and such other child or children as I may have by my said wife; I desire that my bake house be sold by my executors, and my two negro men slaves, named Harry and Pompey, I leave to be dis-

posed of by my executors for the support of my wife and child or children; to my daughter Effey, my silver tankard, and one large dining table; in case my daughter Effey die without lawful issue, then I give the said silver tankard to Effey, the daughter of Luke Quick; Also to my daughter Effie, or other daughters which I may have, all the residue of my household furniture to be equally divided between them; all the remainder of my personal estate to my daughter Effey and such other children as I may hereafter have by my said wife, equally divided between them; after the death or marriage of wife I give to my daughter and such other children as I may hereafter have, and to their heirs forever, all the rest of my real and personal estate to be equally divided between them; in case my daughter Effey or any other child or children I may hereafter have should die under age and without lawful issue, I give the parts, shares, and proportions of my estate hereinbefore given to such children so dying unto the survivors of them, their heirs forever; in case my daughter Effey and such other children as I may hereafter have shall all die under age and without lawful issue, I authorize my executors to sell and dispose of all the rest of my estate, both real and personal; the moneys arising from such sale or sales and all such other moneys as then belong to my estate, to Letty Rigby and Sarah Rigby, and unto the children of my sister, Ann Steymets, and to them, their heirs forever, to be equally divided between them. I appoint Isaac Stoutenbergh, Esq., of New York City, and Mr. Garret Harsen, baker of said City, executors.

Dated December 27, 1785. Witnesses, William Brouwer, David Rudolph, Francis Child, New York City, gentleman. Proved, July 18, 1786.

Page 180.—PETER MIDDLETON, Physician, of New York City, direct my executors to call in all my outstanding open accounts and book debts and to sell all my household furniture and effects as soon after my

decease as possible, except such articles as are herein specified, my lawful debts and funeral charges and all legacies and donations to be taken from the moneys arising from above-mentioned sale: To my daughter, Susannah Margaret, my gold watch and seals, my three silver waiters, my pearl brooch, all my rings except two after mentioned, all my paintings, and my iron chest to preserve papers in; Also whatever books of History or entertainment my executors may think proper for her amusement or instruction that may be selected for her use from my collection and preserved for her as her own; to my pupil, John B. Middleton, all my wearing apparel, except my large cambelet cloak; Also all my arms, all my medicines, shop furniture, instruments, medical books, and manuscripts; Also to him and his heirs forever all my lands lying on the Unodilla branch of the Susquehannah River, in what is commonly called Colonel Craghan's Purchase, amounting to five thousand acres, more or less; Also one-fifth part of all my personal estate wheresoever and whatsoever, together with twenty-five Guineas to purchase him present necessities, to be laid out with the approbation of my executors; to my daughter-in-law, Ann Burges, £300, as a merited gratuity for her good behavior and kind attention to me and to my daughter Susannah; Also twenty-five Guineas for mourning; to Margaret Burges, now Mrs. Smythies, twenty-five guineas for mourning; to my sister-in-law, Mrs. Jane Harrison, my gold brooch, set with red and white stones; to the Hon. Andrew Elliot, Esq., my large cambelet cloak, and my scots pebble ring; to Goldsbrow Banyar, Esq., my red cornelian seal ring; to Robert Auchmuty, Esq., my gold mason's jewel and my apron; to my daughter, Susannah Margaret, all the residue of my real estate whatsoever and wheresoever, whether consisting of lands, lots, horses, or otherwise, to her or her heirs; Also all the remaining four fifths of my personal estate after all the donations and deductions above specified are settled. If the said John

B. Middleton should die before he attains the age of twenty-one years, or without lawful issue, or intestate, all in these cases above bequeathed to him shall revert to and become the property of my daughter or her heirs; if my daughter should die without heirs or intestate, all that hereby bequeathed to her shall become the property of John B. Middleton if then alive, or of his oldest male descendant of the name of Middleton, if any such there shall be, and on failure of both these I then direct the whole hereby bequeathed property to my daughter shall go to my nearest male heir bearing the name Middleton; should the said John B. Middleton, after succeeding to the shares of my daughter, die afterwards without heir or intestate, in that case I direct that all hereby bequeathed to him shall be given to my nearest male heir bearing the name of Middleton, together with all my said daughter's shares of my estate; to my daughter Susannah, my old wench, Haig; Also my negro lad, Fortune, upon this condition, that my daughter give over to John B. Middleton above mentioned all her right and title to the negro child, Jam, but should the said wench, Haig, or lad Fortune be inattentive to my daughter, or not promote her interest and happiness while she is under age and unmarried, or if they refuse to go with her where she wishes to go, then I order my executors to sell said wench, Haig, or lad Fortune to the highest bidder for my daughter's benefit. I give full power to my executors to sell, mortgage, or exchange, or dispose of all or any part of my real estate to any person or persons by good and sufficient deeds in law or other conveyance as shall seem right for the present or future benefit of my heirs and legatees above mentioned. I appoint The Hon. Andrew Elliot, Esq.; Robert Auchmuty, Esq., and Goldsbrow Banyar, Esq., executors.

Dated November 1, 1780. Witnesses, Lambert Moore, New York City; George Webster, John King, Jr.

*Codicil.* It is my desire (Peter Middleton) that my daughter, Susannah Margaret, shall remain under the



guidance and charge of Anne Burges until my executors think it necessary to remove her, and as, whereas, I have lately had two gold watches bequeathed to me, I leave the best one to my daughter, and necessary trinkets and seals; the other gold watch to Anne Burges, and notwithstanding I have bequeathed all my wearing apparel to John B. Middleton, it is my will that my daughter shall choose from my linens whatever may be immediately useful to her, and the residue given to my son, the said John B. Middleton; to William Smythies, ten guineas, and to his son Carlton, five guineas more; to Doctor J. Bard, my "stots Horn Swishing mill"; I desire a mourning ring to be given to Doctor Mallet; Also one to Doctor S. Bard and one to Doctor Michalis, and another to Doctor Bayley for their kind attention to me during my sickness; to Anthony Van Dam, Esq., my gold-headed cane; to William Seton, Esq., my grand master's mason's jewels, my small mason's apron, and my Highland Durk. I appoint Anthony Van Dam and William Seton, executors, in conjunction with the three gentlemen above named in my will, and giving them the same power as aforesaid mentioned; the names of the aforesaid executors being The Hon. Lieut. Gov. Andrew Elliot, Goldsbrow Banyar, and Robert Auchmuty, Esq.

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

Page 184.—HUGH DENNISTON, Innkeeper, of Albany, New York, order my executors within five years after my decease, shall bargain, sell, and alien in fee simple all my real estate whatsoever or each part or parts as he may think proper to dispose of for such price as he can obtain; I hereby give, grant, transfer to my executor full power and authority to grant alien, bargain, sell, and assure all my real estate to any person or persons and his and their heirs forever in fee simple by such lawful ways as my executor shall deem fit or

necessary; to each of my sons, John and Hugh, £50, when they shall arrive at twenty-one years of age; these two sums to be deducted from the first moneys that my executor shall receive of my estate (after the discharge of my debts and funeral expenses), and to place the same at loan or landed security at his discretion, and to appropriate the interest money arising thereof to the education of my said two sons respectively until they arrive at lawful age; my son Daniel having received the full proportion of my estate, I give all the residue of my personal estate, and the moneys which shall arise by the sale of my real estate, to my sons, James, Isaac, John, and Hugh, and my daughters, Isabella, wife of John Shaw; Margaret, Anne, and Lydia, their heirs, executors, forever equally to be divided, share and share alike. Whenever my executors shall receive any part of the moneys arising from sale of my real estate, that he shall pay unto said James, Isaac, and Isabella, their executors or heirs, each one equal eighth part thereof. I direct my executors to place at loan on landed security the shares bequeathed to my children, John, Hugh, Lydia, Margaret, and Anne, and to appropriate the interest money arising therefrom or so much thereof as may be necessary for the maintenance of my said children until they arrive at lawful age or marriage, whichever shall first happen. I direct my executors to pay her or them as shall arrive at lawful age, or marry, their proportion of the moneys arising from the sale of my real estate mentioned above; to my children, James, Isaac, John, Hugh, Isabella, Margaret, Anne, and Lydia, all the residues of my real estate, to them, their heirs, forever, share and share alike, and in case either of my children should die before the age of twenty-one years, unmarried and without lawful issue, then the share of the one so dying to be equally divided among the surviving children, share and share alike. I declare that my executors shall not be accountable for more of the said moneys or estate than he shall actually receive,

or for loss which shall happen of the money aforesaid, so as such loss happen without his willful default and neglect. I appoint John Taylor, of Albany, executor.

Dated November 19, 1785. Witnesses, Stephen Lush, Albany, N. Y., Attorney-at-Law; Herman Ten Broeck, Neal Shaw. Proved, July 15, 1786. John Taylor refusing to serve as executor, the court appointed James Denniston and John Shaw in his place, July 29, 1786.

Page 187.—ROBERT MURRAY, Merchant, of City of New York, to my son Lindley, my gold watch with its appurtenances to his own use forever; Also my house and lot of ground at No. 155 Queens Street, which I lately purchased of Benjamin Stout, to hold the said house and lot of ground with the hereditaments and appurtenances to him, his heirs forever; to my son John, all my real estate, lots of land, and water lots on the southerly side of Burnet's Key, including my wharfs, store houses, building and appurtenances, together with the privilege of any future grants which may be made by the corporation oppositè thereto in the East River, part of which estate I purchased (and afterwards improved) from Cornelius P. Low and George Marschalk, and part from the executors and devisees of John Groesbeck, deceased; Also to my son John, my house and lot of ground in Queens Street between Beekman and Burling slip, wherein I formerly resided and he now lives; Also the house and lot of ground directly back of the said house fronting Water Street; to hold the said wharfs, store houses, dwelling houses, lots of ground, water lots, and real estate with the hereditaments and appurtenances to him, his heirs forever, he paying £4,000 to the residue of my estate to be applied in manner hereafter mentioned; to my daughter Beulah, all that corner lot of ground on the northerly side of Burnet's Key and easterly side of Wall Street, together with the buildings and tenements thereon, being all my ground and tenements on the northerly side of Burnet's Key, and the which I pur-

chased of Cornelius P. Low aforesaid; Also all that lot of ground and buildings thereon situated at the corner of Broadway and Murray's Street near the Bridewell which I purchased of the corporation of New York, together with the appurtenances to her, her heirs forever; to my daughter Susannah, all that land and lots of ground upon Golden Hill which I purchased of Thomas and John Marston; Also the tenements and buildings thereon; Also my household estate in the Farm on Inclenbergh which I hold from the corporation of the City of New York, and all the rights and benefits which do now or may hereafter belong to the same to hold the aforesaid estates, to my said daughter Susannah, her heirs forever. To my executors, £1,500 in trust, to put out at interest, and the income thereof paid to my daughter Mary, for her maintenance during her natural life; but should she marry, and on her decease leave issue, the aforesaid sum together with the interest which may be received thereon, after my daughter's decease is to be paid to such issue whether one or more children, share and share alike, as they may respectively arrive at lawful age, and until that period they shall be entitled to the interest therefrom or so much of it as my executors may judge adequate to their maintenance and education; in case my daughter should die a widow and leave no issue, then I desire the above mentioned £1,500 revert back as part of my personal estate to be equally divided between my four children, Lindley, John, Beulah, and Susannah, share and share alike, but in case either of them should be deceased at that period, then their children shall be entitled thereto; but if they have left no children my surviving offspring are to share the same equally as before mentioned. It is my desire that the aforesaid sum of £1,500 remain in the hands of my son John during the term of five years (should he request it), for which he is to allow at the rate of seven per cent interest; my intention being to favor my said son, who may otherwise have a large sum to advance, and which



he may find it difficult to collect unless an adequate length of time is afforded him; to my daughter Mary, my silver teapot and silver sugar dish and tongs. It is my will that all rents arising out of the several estates above devised up to the quarter day after my decease be received by my executors and cast into the residue of my estate; to my son John, my family Bible; Also my buckles, buttons, and wearing apparel, for his own use; my executors as soon as possible after my decease take an inventory of all my plate and household furniture, valuing and assorting the same, in three equal portions, according to the best of their judgment; and as my daughter Susannah hath heretofore had a portion of furniture, I desire my daughter Beulah will draw for two shares of the above lots, and my daughter Susannah, one; to my nephew, Samuel Reed, now on Long Island, £200, to his own use forever; to my nephew, John Murray, son of my brother, John Murray, a gold watch of about twenty guineas, marked with the letters R. M. to J. M., as a testimony of his uncle's regard for him, and I desire my executors to furnish it accordingly; all my real estate bequeathed, as above, shall belong to the devisees free of all mortgages whatever; to Joseph Delaplaine, James Parsons, Ebenezer Haviland, Thomas Burling, Charles Brooks, Edmund Prior, and Lindley Murray, and the survivors, £200, to be by them put out at interest, and the yearly income forever applied for the benefit of Friends' School, lately set up in the City; the above-named Friends and survivors may in all matters respecting the said £200, and particularly in the assignment of the same, to other persons for the purposes aforesaid be subject to and governed by the direction of the preparative meeting of the people called Quakers, in New York City; to my executors, £200, to be retained by them until the Society of Friends shall conclude to build an additional room to the new Meeting in the City for the accommodation of a woman's preparative, monthly, quarterly, and yearly meetings, but

chiefly with a view to draw and establish the yearly meetings in the City; in that case I desire the aforesaid £200 to go towards promoting the work, provided the society should conclude thereon within the term of three years after my decease, which sum to be paid to a committee of Friends appointed to receive said money; to the Trustees of the Society for promoting the manumission of negro slaves, £200, to be put out at interest, and the yearly income applied for the purpose until a free school for the education of negro children should be instituted, in which case I desire the aforesaid interest be solely employed towards establishing such institution; all my just debts shall be paid out of my interest in the old firm of Robert and John Murray, and the present firm of Murray, Sanson & Co., should they receive money sufficient so that my proportion may be adequate thereto; but in case it should be otherwise at the time payment may be urged, then my son John will advance the deficiency out of the sum he is to pay into the residue of the estate; after my just debts are paid, I desire the £200 for the use of Friends' School be paid; next, the £200 for the benefit of Negroes; then £200 to my nephew, Samuel Reed, and the gold watch to my nephew, John Murray; then the £200 to the Friends in case they should conclude to build an additional room to the new Meeting House in this City, with the time limited after my decease, and lastly, £1,500, which my son John is to return in during the term of five years (if he desires it), the interest of which is to be paid my daughter Mary as heretofore directed; to my son Lindley, an ancient warming pan which has been in our families near two hundred years, I desire he will bequeath it to such of my descendants as he shall think proper; whatever sums I may stand indebted to my son Lindley, at the time of my decease, be carried to the credit of his account with Murray, Sanson & Co., and my estate debited for the same; all the remainder of my estate whatsoever and wheresoever, particularly all moneys

due to me from the Partnership of Robert and John Murray, and Murray, Sanson & Co., here and at London, and all my personal estate undisposed of I give to my children, Lindley, John, Beulah, and Susannah, to be equally divided between them, share and share alike, and to be paid to them as soon as conveniently may be after collecting and receiving the same; I authorize my executors to refer and submit to arbitration all disputes that may arise with any persons whatsoever relating to my mercantile affairs and connections, or in settling and adjusting my estate in such manner as they may think proper, and to compound and settle with any of my debtors or trading connections as they may think best for the benefit of my estate; to alter any of my book debts, bonds, and notes with or without security, as they may think best, and endeavor to secure the interest thereon when they can, or to alter the debts any other ways as they may see fit for the better security, and also to prosecute on any mortgages belonging to me to obtain the sole possession thereof, and afterwards to sell the same and give sufficient deeds therefor. I appoint my sons, Lindley and John, and my brother, John Murray, executors.

Date: May 23, 1786. Witnesses, John Parsons, Richard Hallett, New York City, gentlemen; Walter Bowne. Proved, July 31, 1786.

Page 191.—JOHN LIVINGSTON, of the City of New York, my just debts being paid, I give to my wife Catharine the income and rents of all my real estate, the use of all my household furniture, servants, plate, and all personal estate; Also interest of all moneys arising after my decease to have and to hold during the term of her natural life, for the better support and maintenance of she and my daughter Margaret, until her marriage or decease of my wife, whichever shall first happen; this being in lieu of all demands whatsoever which my wife or her executors can or may claim out of my estate. Should the income of my estate be

insufficient for the comfortable support of my wife and daughter, then I direct my wife to raise and keep as much from the principal of my personal and by sales of my real estate, shall by her and my other executors be deemed reasonable and just, in full confidence that no greater sum be retained by her than what may be necessary for her due and comfortable support and that of my daughter as long as she shall, as aforesaid, be entitled to it. After the death of my wife I bequeath my real and personal estate in manner and form as follows: One equal fourth part of the whole into four equal parts, to be divided to my son Philip J. Livingston, John Charlton, of New York City, practitioner in physics, and Samuel Bayard, late of the same city, but now residing at Norwalk, Connecticut, in fee (as joint tenants, and not as tenants in common) upon the special trust that they appropriate and pay the income and profits thereof to Frances, the wife of my said son Philip, during his life, and after his death as long as she shall remain his widow for her and their children's support; after the death of said Frances or her remarriage, then I further direct that they appropriate and pay each part or parts of the said one equal fourth of my estate as may be sufficient for the support and education of all the lawful children of my son Philip until they arrive at the age of twenty-one years; and that they pay to the children of my son Philip as they arrive at lawful age such sum as they deem proportionable part of the said one-fourth part; the portion of each of the said children who may die under age and without issue, in equal proportions among the survivors of them; in case they leave issue, the issue is to take everything which the parent would be entitled to. In case my son Philip and said John Charlton and Samuel Bayard, in the said trust, should think it necessary to dispose of any part of my estate which may be allotted to them upon a division, then I empower them to dispose of the same accordingly in fee, and to convert the profits arising from the sale to the best



advantage of the said Frances during her widowhood, and afterwards of the children of my son Philip. Whenever any one of the said trustees shall happen to die before the completion of this trust, the survivors to appoint another trustee so that the legal interest of the deceased may be vested in such new trustee upon the trusts aforesaid; one other equal fourth part of my whole real and personal estate (the whole into four equal parts to be divided), after the decease of my wife, unto the aforesaid John Charlton and David M. Clarkson and Brockholst Livingston, both of City of New York in Fee (as joint tenants and not as tenants in common) upon this special trust and confidence, that they sell the said fourth part of my estate and place the produce out at interest on good security; and that they pay first unto my son, John William, £500, and that they annually pay the interest and profits of the residue thereof unto my said son during the term of his natural life, and after his decease to his wife Ann during her widowhood for the support of she and her children, and from and after the decease or remarriage of said Ann, that they pay and appropriate such interest and profits for and towards the support and education of all the children of my son, John William, until they respectively arrive to the age of twenty-one years, and that they also pay after the decease of the said Ann to each of the said children, as they shall respectively come of age, such sum as they shall deem to be a just and proportionable share of the said fourth part in case of the death of any of the said children before the payment of their portion; leaving issue, their issue shall take it, but if without issue, then the same shall be equally divided among the survivors; the issue of any child shall only take what their parents would have been entitled to if living. I give one other equal fourth part of my real estate and personal (the whole to be divided as aforesaid, after the decease of my wife, to John Charlton and David M. Clarkson and the survivor of them in fee simple) in trust to pay unto

my daughter Margaret, £500, and as to the residue thereof in trust to and for the use of my daughter during her natural life, and on her decease to and for the use of child or children of my said daughter, to be equally divided among them, share and share alike, and in fee. My said trustees may sell any part of the same fourth part and place the money at interest for her benefit or of her children. I give the remaining equal fourth part of my said real and personal estate to be divided as aforesaid, after the decease of my wife, to John Charlton and David M. Clarkson, as joint tenants and not as trustees in common, in fee upon trust; first to pay and satisfy thereout £300, which I have taken up for the use of my daughter Catharine, and am bound to pay to said David M. Clarkson, and then to pay her the further sum of £200 to be at her own disposal, and as to the residue thereof to sell the same as soon as convenient, and place the produce thereof at interest upon good security, and pay the interest to and for the use of my said daughter for and during the term of her natural life, and upon her decease to divide the principal equally among all her children, share and share alike. If any of my children die without lawful issue, that in such case the share or proportion shall be equally divided among the survivors or go to the survivor of my children; but if my children shall leave issue, such issue shall have and take equally among them what their deceased parent would have been entitled to if living; whereas, I have paid and stand bound in sundry sums of money for my sons, Philip and John William, aforesaid respectively, and their executors or administrators do not before or within one year after the decease of my wife pay to my executors all such sums as shall have been paid by me for each of them respectively, and sufficient indemnity to save harmless my estate from all demands whatsoever to which it may be liable on their respective accounts, and then and in such case that the said respective two equal fourth parts of my estate as

Dated April 10, 1786. Witnesses, William Walton, Jr., William Lawrence, Edward Nicoll, Jr.; New York City, shopkeeper. Proved, August 3, 1786.

Page 196.—JONATHAN HAM  
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aforesaid given and devised, the one in trust for the wife and children of my said son Philip, and the other in trust for my said son John, his wife and children, shall be respectively charged with the sums due by said sons, Philip and John William, respectively, and I authorize my executors to sell so much of said respective fourth parts of my estate as may be necessary or sufficient for the satisfaction of all such respective debts. To prevent any dispute over my will which may arise, I direct after my debts are paid or a sufficient fund is assigned for the payment thereof, if no division shall have previously been made by consent, then my executors and the several trustees mentioned shall appoint three indifferent persons who shall upon oath make partition of my real estate into four parts or allotments, as nearly equal in value as may be; allotments being numbered, shall be balloted for by an indifferent person in behalf of all concerned in my estate in the presence of the persons making such partition and of my said executors and the said trustees or such of them as shall attend upon notice for that purpose, which division so made I do hereby declare shall be binding and conclusive to all parties interested in my said estate, and shall operate upon the decease of my said wife, to convey the respective shares of my estate according to the disposition which I have hereinbefore made of the same; but if any part of my real estate should after such division be sold for the support of my wife as is hereinbefore permitted, then the value of such part so sold is to be made up out of my estate so as to equalize the four several parts of it according to my true intent and meaning. I appoint my wife sole executrix until her death or renunciation, and after either of those contingencies I nominate John Charlton, David M. Clarkson, and Brockholst Livingston, executors.

Dated April 10, 1786. Witnesses, William Walton, Jr., William Lawrence, Edward Nicoll, Jr., New York City, shopkeeper. Proved, August 3, 1786.

Page 196.—JONATHAN HAMPTON, of Elizabeth Town, Essex County, Province of New Jersey, to my wife Ann Frances, one of my negro wenches, such as she shall choose; Also my riding chair, one horse such as she shall choose, one bed and bedstead, and all the furniture and bed clothes, one tea-table with all my china; to my two daughters, Mary and Lydia, each their side saddles; to each of my four daughters, Elizabeth, Mary, Lydia, and Hannah, £140, in order that they may be upon equality with my other two daughters, Susannah and Marian, to each of whom I have advanced and given on or about the like sum for an outset; to my grandson, Jonathan Hampton Lawrence, when he arrives at the age of twenty-one years, £30, but in case he die before reaching that age, then the said £30 be deemed as part of my residuary estate, and go to the several legatees in the same manner hereinafter disposed of—to each and every of my grandchildren, so soon as they shall respectively be able to read a Bible and common prayer book—my whole estate whatsoever and wheresoever be sold by my executors at public sale or otherwise; Also to grant, bargain, sell, and dispose of all my said real estate whatsoever and wheresoever either at public sale or otherwise, and to make, seal, and execute sufficient deeds in the law for the same to the purchasers thereof, and the money arising by the sale thereof to be disposed of in the manner and form as is hereinafter mentioned; my will is that until the house and plantation wherein I now live be sold, that my wife have the liberty to remain and live in the said house and take the profits of the said plantation to and for her own use until the house and plantation be sold as above directed. If my wife does not wish to keep the house and profits of said plantation, then I will the same to be sold and disposed of. I give to my wife for and during her natural life one-third part of the yearly interest, rent, and profits of my whole estate whatsoever, to be paid to her by my executors as soon as they



shall annually receive the same. What I have given to my wife, Ann Frances, as mentioned above, be in full satisfaction of her dower and claim of thirds, to all and any part of my estate; all the residue of my estate, that is the interest, rents, and profits of one-sixth part thereof, to my daughter, Susannah Jelf, for and during her marriage; in case she die I give her sixth part to her child or children she may have, and to their heirs forever, equally divided among them share and share alike as tenants in common; in case my daughter become a widow, I give to her the said one sixth of all my said estate, to hold to her, her heirs forever, to be disposed as she shall think fit. I give the other sixth part to my daughter, Marian Lawrence, for and during her marriage; in case she die, then I give her one-sixth part to any child or children as she shall have and their heirs forever, equally divided between them share and share alike as tenants in common; but in case my daughter, Marian Lawrence, become a widow, in that case I give her the one-sixth part to hold to her, her heirs forever, to be disposed of in such manner as she shall think fit; to my daughter Elizabeth, one-sixth part to her, her heirs forever; to my daughter Mary, one other sixth part of my estate to her, her heirs forever; to my daughter Lydia, one other sixth part to her, her heirs forever; to my daughter Hannah, the remaining sixth part of my estate to her, her heirs forever. I appoint my daughter Mary, my son-in-law, Joseph Jelf, and John Chetwood, executors.

Dated March 23, 1778. Witnesses, Matthias Williamson, Josiah Winant, William Jelf. Proved, at Burlington, N. J., October 21, 1778.

On August 7, 1786, at New York, Mary Hampton and Joseph Jelf having since died, the surviving executor, John Chetwood, refused to serve, and the widow, Ann Frances Hampton, also renounced her right of administration, the Court appointed Jonathan Hampton Lawrence to administer on the estate of Jonathan Hampton.

Page 199.—JOHN NAGEL, yeoman, of New York County, New York, to my brothers, Jacob and William Nagel, all my right, title, interest, and property of all my real estate, wheresoever it may be, to them, their heirs forever; to my sister, Rebecca Post, widow of Hendrick Post, deceased, a certain bond against the said Hendrick Post and Abraham Post, bearing date April 6, 1774, for the condition of payment of £40, together with all principal and interest to the same belonging; to my niece, Elizabeth Post, daughter of Hendrick Post, £40; to my two brothers, Jacob and William Nagel, all the rest of my estate, both real and personal, equally to be by them divided as they think proper. I appoint my brothers, Jacob and William Nagel, executors.

Dated January 6, 1786. Witnesses, Joseph Crook, William Dyckman, yeoman; John Cregier. Proved, August 8, 1786.

Page 201.—ANNE GIREAUD, widow of Andrew Gireaud, cordwainer, deceased, to my daughter, Mary Elizabeth Shaw, wife of John Shaw, curtains, pillows, and other things belonging to my bed, all linen, wearing apparel, one brass kettle, and my grandfather Gireaud's picture; all the remainder of my household furniture and personal estate to my children, Andrew, Catharine Ferris, Mary E. Shaw, and Ann Tomlinson, wife of John Tomlinson, tailor, of New York City, share and share alike. I authorize my executors to sell and dispose of all my real estate whatsoever, and the moneys arising from such sale to be disposed of in following manner: To my grandchildren, Peter, Mary and Frederick Gireaud, children of my son Peter, carpenter, the one full and equal sixth part thereof, divided among them share and share alike; one full and equal sixth part to my grandchildren, Mary and William Gireaud, children of my son Daniel, late of said City, share and share alike; the remaining four equal sixth parts to my children, Andrew Gireaud,



Catharine Ferris, Mary Elizabeth Shaw, and Ann Tomlinson, and their heirs, share and share alike. I appoint my children, Andrew Gireaud, Mary E. Shaw, executor and executrix.

Dated February 7, 1774. Witnesses, William Winterton, Adolph Waldron, Brooklyn, yeoman; John Le Roome. Proved, April 6, 1784.

On August 11, 1786, the executors having since died, the Court appointed Jacob Wood to administer on the estate of Ann Gireaud.

Page 203.—June 19, 1786. JACOB WILLIAMS, of South Hempstead, Queens County, New York, to my wife Deborah, all goods and furniture that she brought to me as her marriage portion and £200; Also the use and profits of all my lands, meadows, and improvements that I have in South and North Hempstead for her and her children's support and education until my sons, Thomas and Timothy, arrive at legal age; to my sons, Timothy and Thomas, all my houses, buildings, lands, and improvements that I have in Township of South and North Hempstead to be equally divided between them, to them, their heirs forever, on condition that if my wife has a son or sons, I devise that they share equally with my two sons above mentioned; to my daughter Mary, £500, to be paid to her, her heirs. If my wife have a daughter, such daughter or heirs shall receive £500; all my remaining personal estate to be equally divided among my children when they arrive at lawful age. My wife has received above-mentioned portions in lieu of dower. I appoint my brother-in-law, John Smith, and my two nephews, John Williams and Valentine Williams, all of North Hempstead, executors.

Witnesses, Stephen Hicks, Silas Hicks, yeoman; Thomas Cornell. Proved, August 11, 1786.

Page 206.—JOHN WETZELL, baker, City of New York, to my eldest son Peter, one guinea for his birth-

right; to my wife, Mary Christena, use of my whole estate, both real and personal, while she remains my widow; my sons, Peter, Mathew, and Michael, shall be maintained and educated out of said estate until they attain legal age or marry, my wife to be guardian during their non-age; in case of death or remarriage of my wife, I give the whole of my estate, real and personal, among my children, Anna, wife of Sebastian Bowman, Peter, Mathew, Michael, and their respective heirs share and share alike as tenants in common. If either of said children shall die without lawful issue, I give their portion to the survivors, share and share alike; if my wife dies during the non-age of either of my children, my executors to put out at interest the shares of said children at the said risk; if the interest is not sufficient for their support, the executors to make use of the principal. After the death of wife the executors to dispose of the house where I now live on Bayard Street at public or private sale, and the proceeds arising from such sale, together with the rest of my estate, to be applied as hereinbefore directed. I appoint my brother-in-law, Michael Hoffman, Sebastian Bowman, and Peter Wetzell, executors.

Dated January 24, 1767. Witnesses, Isaac Chardavoyne, James M. Cartney, Cary Ludlow, New York City, Attorney-at-Law. Proved, August 15, 1786.

Page 208.—May 19, 1786, SAMUEL SHERWOOD, of Manor of Phillipsburgh, Westchester County, New York, to my wife Elizabeth, one third of my estate forever; Also the use of my home while she remains my widow; upon her death or remarriage, the homestead to be divided between my children; the other two thirds of my estate to be divided between my children, Rachel and Sarah. If any die before coming of age, the survivor to enjoy the whole two thirds; to my brother, Job Sherwood, all my wearing apparel; Also anything that comes to me from my brother Isaac's estate. I

appoint Gershom Sherwood and Abraham Le Due, executors.

Witnesses, Peter Bartine, Eunice Bartine, Daniel Miller, Sing Sing, weaver. Proved, August 11, 1786.

Page 209.—May 29, 1786. JACOB WILLIS, of North Hempstead, Queens County, New York, to my wife Elizabeth, use of all my estate, real and personal, except legacies hereafter mentioned; to my daughter, Mary Akens, £40; to my daughter, Jane Vallentine, forty shillings, or a gold ring. If my wife marries, she is to have an equal half of the above estate, and at her decease be equally divided among my four daughters, Anne Hicks, Phebe Alley, Mary Akens, and Abigail Thomas, their heirs forever. I appoint my wife executrix, and my son-in-law, Phillip Vallentine, and my nephew, Richard Sprag, executors.

Witnesses, Richard Smith, Joseph Denton, James Cornell, farmer. Proved, August 16, 1786.

Page 210.—TOBIAS RYCKMAN, Albany, New York, to my daughter, Magethea Roseboom, the house and lot where I now live, together with the house and lot of ground to the northwestward of the said house; to my daughter, Lena Ten Eyck, the dwelling house and lot fronting the City Hall wherein James Cobham now lives, and the brewhouse and lot and all the utensils belonging to said house, the malt house and grounds and all things belonging to the same; Also my lot of ground in the third ward of Albany and buildings and tenements thereon erected; my daughter Magethea to live in the house with her sister Lena until two years after my death; then the malt house is to be removed and a line drawn from the easterly corner of my dwelling house back to extent of my ground, which is to serve as a division line between my two daughters and their heirs; all the remainder of my estate to be equally divided between them, their heirs; in case either die before a division is made, the share of the one so dying

to go to her issue, to be equally divided between them. I appoint my son-in-law, Barent H. Ten Eyck, and Magathea Roseboom, my daughter, executors.

Dated April 24, 1765. Witnesses, John Price, Esq., Martin Myndersen, blacksmith, both of Albany; P. Sylvester. Proved, March 22, 1786.

Page 212.—DANIEL HULL WICKHAM orders the farm at Warwitch, which I bought of Benedick; Also the place I bought of Henry Jackson in company with my brother Thomas, and the indigo, now in the hands of William Wickham, Esq.; my riding horse be sold; to my sister Abigail, £100; to my brother Parker, £50; to my sister Sarah, £25; to my sister Elizabeth, £25, to my sister Jerusha, £100; to my brother Thomas, my negro man, Cyrus, all my wearing apparel; Also my watch, gold buttons and brooch, and my silver knee and shoe buckles; to my executors, £50 each; the remainder of my estate to my two brothers, Thomas and John, and the heirs of my deceased brother, Joseph. I appoint my brother, John Wickham, Benjamin Pain, son of my sister Abigail, and John Sickles, executors.

Dated October 6, 1780. Witnesses, Samuel Denton, Goshen, hatter; Thomas Swafford, Thomas Wickham. Proved, at Orange County, New York, November 4, 1782.

*Codicil.* May 28, 1782, Goshen, New York. In addition to my will I give to John Wickham, son of my brother, Doctor Thomas Wickham, £300, to be expended in his education. Witnesses, Coe Gale, Benjamin Gale, Joseph Denton. Proved, at Orange County, New York, October 20, 1784. Confirmed at New York, August 22, 1786.

Page 214.—SILAS MOORE, Town of Southold, Suffolk County, New York, to my wife Patience, all my real estate while she remains my widow; Also my personal estate after the legacies hereinafter mentioned without term; to my son Benjamin, one half of all my

meadow, one-half right in the Manor, and £20 out of my personal estate; to my daughter, Rhoda Vail, £5. After marriage or decease of my wife, I give my son Zadock, Tusteen farm, commonly so called, to him and heirs forever; to my son Grover, my homestead and all privileges and appurtenances belonging thereto; Also the one half of my meadow to him, his heirs forever. I appoint my wife Patience, my brother, Simon Moore, executors.

Dated April 14, 1780. Witnesses, Daniel Osborn, Richard Hudson, carpenter; Nathan Goldsmith, tailor. Proved, August 12, 1786.

Page 216.—January 18, 1786. ISRAEL YOUNGS, Town of Southold, Suffolk County, New York, to my wife Jemima, while she is my widow, use and improvement of my whole estate, and she dispose of the same between my children as follows: Equal division between Israel, Thomas, and Jemima; if Joseph pay all that is due from him, he to share equally, but not otherwise. I appoint my wife Jemima, and my sons, Israel and Thomas Youngs, executors.

Witnesses, Timothy Corwin, yeoman; Phebe Reeve, spinstress; Mary Reeve. Proved, May 9, 1786.

Page 217.—JOSIAH GOODALE, yeoman, Town of Southampton, New York, to my wife Sarah, all she brought here; Also one third of lands and meadows in lieu of dower; to my son Josiah, five shillings; to son Joseph, the meadow I purchased of David Wells; Also that land I purchased in lot No. 7 where his house stands, to his heirs forever; to my daughter Diadama, five shillings; to my son John, all the rest of my estate, real and personal, to his heirs forever; my executors to sell all my movable estate and collect all debt, and prosecute my son Josiah or anybody else that have taken and disposed of my cattle and sheep. I appoint my brother, Joseph Goodale, James Fanning, executors.

Dated January 15, 1786. Witnesses, Isaac Penny,

Isaac Penny, Jr., Mary Benjamin, Southampton, spinstress. Proved, May 9, 1786.

Page 218.—JOSEPH WICKHAM, Southold, Suffolk County, New York, to my three sons, Benjamin, Joseph, and Daniel Hull, all my real estate of lands and meadow; to my wife Martha, all my personal estate, while she remains my widow; at her death the personal estate to be divided among my three sons and three daughters, the sons to receive double that given to my daughters. I appoint my wife and my son Benjamin, executors.

Dated October 10, 1779. Witnesses, William Darall, Jr., David Conkling, Jr., David Conkling, Southold, Physician. Proved, May 29, 1786.

Page 220.—EZEKIEL PETTY, of Southold, Suffolk County, New York, to my wife Elizabeth, the improvement of all the interest I own for two years, and then one half of it until the youngest boys come of age; to my son Jeremiah, my home place on both sides of the road and two lots of meadow at the broad meadow, and twenty-eight acres of land westward that was formerly Daniel Downs's land, upon his paying £20 to his mother; to my two other sons, Beriah and Elisha, all the rest of my land lying at the Virgin's Pond formerly belonging to David Parshel; the other piece lying at Deep Creek Neck, one third of the Neck to be equally divided between them when they come of age; to my wife, all my movable estate, and would have her make her daughter Mary equal to her daughter Hannah. I appoint my son Jeremiah and his mother Elizabeth, executors.

Dated May 1, 1786. Witnesses, Matthew Beale, Rufus Youngs, carpenter; Daniel Terry, Jr., yeoman. Proved, May 9, 1786.

Page 221.—MARGRETA QUACKENBOSS, widow of John Quackenboss, late of New York City, to my children, Walter, Nicholas, Peter, John, Cornelia (wife of John



P. Quackenboss), and to their respective heirs, my three lots of land known by the numbers two, eight, and nine, lying on the east side of the Hudson River in County of Albany, New York, at a place called White Creek, with the appurtenances, so as the same are conveyed to me by my children by deed bearing date, May 8, 1775; to have and to hold said lots as tenants in common, upon condition, to such of my children who have since the death of my husband received from me any part of his personal estate, that they make to my other children an equivalent allowance; to Margaret, a daughter of my son Walter, two of my gowns; Also two petticoats, two aprons, caps, stockings; to my daughter Cornelia, the remainder of all my wearing apparel, both linen and woolen, and all my jewels. I appoint my sons, Nicholas and John, executors.

Dated February 28, 1784. Witnesses, Henry J. Bogart, Albany; Matthew Trotter, Robert Yates. Proved July 6, 1786.

Page 223.—J. JOHN BROWNSON, in Dutchess County, New York, to my son Amos, all the land I now own lying in Jereco, in Waterbury; to my grandson, Brownson Foot, if he resigns from the Army, all that lot of land lying in Sharon, Connecticut, that I now own; to my daughters, Rody Graves, Hannah Foot, Mary Foot, and Coay Barkar, all my remaining lands, tenements; Also all my goods and chattels, bonds, notes, and all obligations and moneys to be equally divided among my said daughters. I make Aaron Foot my sole executor.

Dated March 3, 1778. Witnesses, Jonathan Shepherd, farmer; Bezaleel Rudd. Proved, August 25, 1786.

Page 224.—JAMES ALWORTH, of Amenia, Dutchess County, New York, to my wife Mary, one-third part of my estate; to my two sons, William and Thomas, two hundred Acres of land, across the west end of my farm,

in the great Nine Partners lot, Number thirty-six inclusive of the loss of the disputed land to be equally divided between them for quantity and quality; to my daughter, Sarah Cole, wife of Barnabas Cole, £50, to be levied out of estate, to be paid as follows: £4 to be paid within one year after my decease, and then £4 annually until the whole is paid; to my daughter, Rebecca Stephens, wife of Matthew Stephens, £50, to be paid in the same manner as above-mentioned legacy; to my daughter Martha, £50, in the same manner as above mentioned; Also £10 more in household furniture, within one year after my decease; to the children of my daughter Mary, wife of Seth Case, to them, their heirs forever, when they shall arrive at lawful age, all that land in the Town of New Marlborough in County of Berkshire, Massachusetts bay, which I bought of Samuel Rawson, October 23, 1783; to the children of my daughter, Alice Conner, deceased, namely, William, James, Mary, Joseph, and Alice Conner, £4 each, to be levied out of my estate when they come to lawful age; to my son James, all my remaining real and personal estate after the above legacies have been paid by him as they become due; Also the third part of my estate which I gave to my wife, at her decease her third part to fall to my son James, to him, his heirs forever. I make my son James, sole executor.

Dated May 12, 1785. Witnesses, Silas Roe, farmer; Obed Harvey, Jr., Barnabas Payen. Proved, August 23, 1786.

Page 226.—May 6, 1776. SAMUEL COE, Yeoman, Newtown, of Queens County, New York, wills his just debts and funeral charges to be paid from moneys received by public or private sale of lot and orchard bounded southwardly by a road that leads to the Presbyterian Parsonage, westerly by the main road that leads from Newtown to Jamaica, northerly by my brother, Benjamin Coe's, land, easterly by a brook which divided my other land from this lot; in case this

is not sufficient, my executors also are to sell part of my salt meadow; to my wife Mary, the use of all the rest of my estate, in order to bring up my children, for their use until my youngest son Samuel arrives at lawful age; if my wife marries before my son arrives at lawful age, I order she quit all claim to my estate, both real and personal; each of my sons are to be taught a mechanical trade; to my wife, £100, if she lives until my son Samuel arrives at lawful age, then to be hers forever. If she die before the above-mentioned time, the £100 to be equally divided among sons, William, Jesse, and Samuel; all the remaining part of my estate to my three sons. I appoint my wife, Mary Coe, Robert Furman, Benjamin Coe, Sr., and Hezekiah Field, executors.

Witnesses, Garret Ramson, yeoman; Benjamin North, Samuel Waldron, Esq. Proved, August 28, 1786.

Page 228.—ASA ALLEN, of Charlotte Precinct, in Dutchess County, New York, to my wife, for term of life, the use of third part of the farm on which I now dwell and third part of the house I now live in and all the household goods forever, requiring to allow those of our children which are yet unmarried to live there as long as they remain single; to my son Ezra, all that farm on which he now liveth, and all the appurtenances thereof; to my son Abraham, twenty shillings; to my son James, £50; one half to be paid at twenty years of age, the other half a year after; to my daughters, Rhoda and Anna, £10 each, to be paid to them as they come of age; to my son Asa, all the farm of land on which I now dwell, and house and barn and all movables (except the use of the one of it given my wife during her lifetime, as above mentioned); I require of my son Asa the payment of all my debts and legacies above mentioned. I appoint my wife Anna and my son, executors.

Dated March 12, 1776. Witnesses, Elijah Tenny,

Jonah Tallmadge, farmer; Enos Tallmadge. Proved, August 30, 1786.

Page 230.—PETER PEYPHER, of the District of German Flatts, in the County of Montgomery, New York, to my present wife, Gertrude, one cow, three hogs, all her woolen yarn wool, flax, linen, and spinning utensils, with the bedding, iron-ware, and clothing; Also a chest with a couple of sheep, all the pewter, to be had out of my effects after my debts have been paid; to my son Peter by my last wife, one hundred acres of land on which my son-in-law, Peter Orndorph, now lives; in case my son Peter dies before reaching lawful age, I give it to my wife, to her and her heirs forever; to my son Andrew, twelve shillings; to the heirs of my son Jacob, twelve shillings; to my wife Gertrude and my daughters, Cathrine, Dorothy, and Margret, all my movables not before mentioned, together with all cash and book debts, bonds, notes, etc., which are due me after my debts are paid; the debt due to Ellis Henry, husband of my daughter Eliza, is to pay as share by deed of gift given to Eliza and her husband the lot of one hundred acres of land which I have mortgaged to Ellis; Also to my three daughters, one hundred acres of land lying in the new patent, which is called number forty-two, which may fully appear in the deed in my chest; to my daughter Elizabeth, ten shillings in full for her, more than treble part of my estate already received, after four years expires, for which I gave liberty to Peter Orndorph to improve the said land already granted to my son Peter; my wife and son Peter to reside on said farm until the latter is of age; if the premises made to me by my son-in-law, Hendrick Staring, who has given security to keep and maintain my wife for four years after my death, and Peter, my son, until he reach the age of twenty-one, are not agreeable to my wife, I order my executors to give my son into the protection of my wife, and recover from said Henry Staring the maintenance due to my son until

he becomes of age; to my brother Jacob, liberty to reap, mow, and thresh the wheat which was sown on the land before I gave my son-in-law the deed thereof; to give my wife the one equal half of the wheat, in order that she secure such things as are necessary for she and my son Peter. I appoint Lodowick Campbell and Hanjost Shoemaker, executors.

Dated June 20, 1786. Witnesses, John Helmer, Thomas Cockel, farmer; Peter Marsh. Proved, August 12, 1786.

Page 232.—CHRISTIAN PHILLIP, of the East Camp, County of Albany, New York, to Catharina Dick, daughter of Dederick Dick, that part of my estate which by my father, Peter Phillip, deceased, is made and given by transport to me, during her life, to be a maintenance for her; Also the use of the dwelling house and barn; Also the use of fire and fence wood out of the land above mentioned; to Peter Phillip, of the East Camp, Albany, that part of my estate in the woods called the small lot, of ten acres, and his heirs, with the privilege to Catharina Dick to cut fire and fence wood during her life; after the decease of Catharina Dick (all the land given to her above mentioned) to the Reformed German Church here in East Camp, whereof I am a member, to have and to hold it forever; to Catharina Dick, all the horses, chattel, and sheep for her use and profit, and to discharge thereout my debts. Johannes Lem, bound to me by indenture, shall live his time in the indenture with the said Catharina Dick. I appoint Peter Phillip, Peter Sherp, and Philip Rakkefeller, executors.

Dated June 24, 1785. Witnesses, Gerhard Daniel Cock, minister; John Cook, Johann Barnhart. Proved, June 21, 1786.

Page 234.—ALEXANDER MEGRAW, of New York, after my debts are paid to my daughter Margret, all my estate, real and personal, to her, her heirs forever. I appoint my daughter executor.

Dated May 8, 1780. Witnesses, Samuel Bowne, Richard Wenman, upholsterer; Thomas Wenman. Proved, September 8, 1786.

Page 235.—ROBERT SINCLAIR, merchant, of City of New York, to my wife Jannett, to her, her heirs forever, all my estate, real and personal, belonging to me in Great Britain, America, or elsewhere. I appoint William Malcom, merchant, of City of New York, and John W. Smith, Esq., of the same City, my wife Jannett, executors.

Dated August 30, 1774. Witnesses, Elizabeth Hazard, Elizabeth Hunt, Bernard Jackson. Proved September 9, 1786, when Elizabeth West, wife of Joseph West, of New York City, carpenter formerly Elizabeth Hazard, testified to the handwriting of Robert Sinclair. On the same day William Malcom and Jannett Sinclair, now Jannett Monterief, the surviving executors, refused to serve; the Court appointed William Wilson, of Alexandria, Va., merchant, Attorney of James Wilson and James Wilson, Jr., principal creditors of Robert Sinclair, to administer on the estate.

Page 236.—Adam Bolderridge, of the Town of New Utrecht, Kings County, New York, to Sarah Coleman, Jamima Seala, and Elizabeth, formerly the wife of Daniel Cameron, all of them daughters to Abraham Collins, deceased, of Blooming Grove in the province of New York, all my estate, both real and personal, wherever it may be, to be equally divided among them, share and share alike, to them, their heirs forever, after paying the following legacies: To Jacob Gale, £100; to Benjamin Whitehead, of Jamaica, on Long Island, £50; if the above-named persons nor either of their heirs appear and make a lawful demand of the above-mentioned legacies seven years after my death, then the whole or part not demanded I give to the Church of New Utrecht, to put out at interest by the elders, and there kept perpetually. The annual inter-



est arising therefrom shall be appropriated to the relief of the poor of the Township of New Utrecht. I appoint Adrian Van Brunt, Peter Van Pelt, and John Emmonds, all of New Utrecht, my executors.

Dated October 1, 1777. Witnesses, Evert Suydam, Teunis Suydam, yeoman; John Dennis.

Page 238.—February 13, 1786. CORNELIUS VAN DE VENTER, of Staten Island, in Richmond County, New York, to the Rev. Mr. Gambold, £10, to be paid him six weeks after my decease; the lands and chattels that have been possessed by me and my brother Abraham, deceased, which was intended to have been divided between us, but as there has been no division made I give to my two sisters, Catharine and Ann, now Ann Jacobson, my one-half part of all the said lands and improvements on the same, with my one half of all the live stock, negroes, farming and fishing utensils, and my one half of all such furniture as has been held and used in common between me and my late brother, with all my wearing apparel and private effects for them and their heirs, the other one half, belonging to my late brother, shall be and belong to my said brother's daughter Elizabeth or her heirs (excepting her mother's dowery right), excepting all such privileges as have been reserved by my sisters above named, such as the vault on the land, is always to be reserved for the heirs and offspring of Van de Venter's family to bury in, with a free passage to and from the same, and the liberty of the Beach reserved for the use of fishing. I appoint Lewis Ryerson, Israel Begall, executors.

Witnesses, Richard Conner, Esq., John Herrell, Jona Jacobson, gentleman. Proved, September 2, 1786.

Page 240.—ISAAC CUBBERLEY, of the County of Richmond, New York, to my wife Anne, £300, of which £200 is to be paid her by my son James, the other £100 by my executors; Also my riding chair, the choice

of one horse, one bed and furniture for one room, my negro wench, Zelfh, and my negro boy, Samuel; Also three cows, and that she live in my house during her widowhood with my son James; and my son James shall allow her a maintenance out of his own expense during her widowhood, which is to be in lieu of dower or power of thirds on my estate; to my son Joseph, £5, having advanced him his full proportion of my estate; to my son Thomas, his heirs, £400, also my negro girl, Sarah; to my daughter, Mary Taylor, her heirs, £300, also my negro girl, Betty, and all such furniture as I have heretofore bought for her which is known to be hers; to my son James, his heirs, the southerly part of my farm or plantation I now live on with all the buildings thereon; Also the one equal half part of my woodland in the Manor of Castleton; Also the half of the woodland in the south quarter, except ten acres thereof; my black colt; to my son Isaac, ten acres of woodland in the south quarter, beginning by the land of Abraham Egbert and running along his line to the land of Lawrence Crips as far as shall comprehend ten acres to the road; Also all my salt meadow, including a hummock of land lying at new creek, to him, his heirs forever; to my son Isaac, his heirs, £400, also my negro boy, Harry; to my son Stephen, his heirs, all that westerly part of my farm that I now live on, to begin at the corner of land now in the possession of Peter Cortelyou, being his northeast corner, and to run southerly along the road as far as shall take in three rows of apple trees of the young orchard, and then to run from the lane a direct course to the ditch near a hummock in the rear of said farm; Also the equal one half of my woodland in the south quarter, except the ten acres given to my son Isaac; to Stephen, his heirs, my negro boy, Peter; to my daughter Anne, her heirs, £300, £200 to be paid her by my son Stephen when she attains the age of eighteen years; Also my negro girl, Dina; Also one bed and furniture, equal to that given my daughter Mary; my

daughter Anne to live with my son James until she arrive to the age of eighteen years; if either of my sons or daughters die under age or without issue, then his or her share shall be equally divided among the survivors (except with my son Joseph), share and share alike; to my son James, my negro boy, Sam, after my wife's decease. I appoint my three sons, Isaac, Thomas, James, executors.

Dated January 24, 1786. Witnesses, Paul Micheau, Barzill<sup>a</sup> Grover, Nicholas Lozier, doctor. Proved, June 5, 1786.

Page 244.—WILLIAM BOYD, JR., mariner, of the City of New York, to my wife Peternella, to her, her heirs forever, the one equal half part of my estate, real and personal; to my son William, his heirs forever, the other full half of my estate, real and personal. If my executors think best to sell my estate, then one-half of the moneys arising from such to be given to my wife and the other half to be put out at interest for the benefit of my son until he attain the age of twenty-one years, when it shall be paid to him; if my son die before arriving at lawful age and without lawful issue, then all my estate whatsoever I will to my wife. I appoint my wife Peternella and my brother-in-law, Victor Beckers, Jr., feltmaker, of New York City, executors.

Dated December 6, 1743. Witnesses, Elizabeth Keirsted, Frances Sylvester, Lane Green. Proved, September 30, 1786, when Ann Brevoort, of New York City, widow, a daughter of Francis Sylvester, one of the witnesses, testified to the handwriting of the said Sylvester. On the same day Eve Bunce, the wife of Lemuel Bunce, of New York City, ship joiner, daughter and sole heir of Peternella, formerly the widow of William Boyd, was appointed to administer on the estate.

Page 246.—Whereas, AARON BUSSING, formerly of New Harlem in the Outward of the City of New York, in his will dated May 1, 1782, appointed John Sickels,

Sr., Adolph Myers, and John Myers, his executors, and whereas, the Court on May 27, 1784, granted administration of the estate unto John Sickels, one of the executors. He having since died, the Court appointed Adolph Myers, another of the executors, September 15, 1786, to administer the estate of Aaron Bussing.

Page 247.—JOHN EARLL, of Smith's Cove, in the Precinct of Cornwel, Orange County, New York, to my wife, the income of the one third of my whole estate while she remains my widow; to my daughter Elizabeth, her heirs forever, one hundred acres of land, of a tract of one hundred and fifty acres which I purchased of her husband, James Lewis; to my son John, twenty shillings; to my son Samuel, his heirs forever, fifty acres of land, to run out on the southwest corner of my farm, including the tract I purchased of Isaac Cronkrite, reserving the main stream of water with as much land adjoining as shall be useful for the use of the Grist Mill; to my son Richard, his heirs forever, <sup>ten</sup>ty acres of land, to be laid out on the west end of a tract, above described, I purchased of James Lewis; to my son Benjamin, his heirs forever, two hundred acres of land to include the tract he now lives on, bounded on the west by land of John Rumsey, to the northward on land lately granted to my son Richard, and above bequeathed to my daughter Elizabeth and to my said son Richard, easterly on land of William Thorn, to extend so far southward as will contain the two hundred acres within a line to run parallel to southernmost line of tract above bequeathed to said James Lewis and Richard Earll; also to my son Peter, his heirs forever, ninety acres of land to adjoin southwestward on the land given to my son Samuel, and westward to the land of John Rumsey, and to the northward on the land given to my son Benjamin, and to extend so far eastward as shall make up the said ninety acres; to my son Ezra, his heirs forever, all my lands and tenements lying southwesterly from a line



extending from a stake and heap of stones standing by the main creek near the middle of a piece of land I bargained for of Arthur Youmans, westerly to the public highway near the easterly side of heap of stones, and on the southeasterly side of the road, together with the remainder of my land not above bequeathed on the westerly side of the public highway and on the south of the tract adjoining, belonging to William Thorn, called his reed lot; to my son Jonathan, all my remaining lands to the northeast of the land bequeathed to my son Ezra on both sides of the road, to him, his heirs forever; my son Ezra should, one year after my death, pay to my two grandchildren, Joseph and Mary Holloway, £20 each, each equal to wheat at six shillings per bushel; Also to pay William Thorn the contents of his bond, which I gave him for the half of the grist mill; Also to pay my just debts out of my movable estate, the remainder to be divided equally among my children. I appoint Jesse Woodhull, Esq., Benjamin, Peter, and Ezra, my three sons, executors.

Dated May 25, 1781. Witnesses, John Weygant, John White, farmer; William Thorn. Proved, August 31, 1786.

Page 249.—July 18, 1785. SILAS WORSHBURN, of North Castel, Westchester County, New York, my executors shall sell so much land of the south end of my farm as shall pay my debts; to my wife Mary, one feather bed and bedding, one silver cup, six silver tea spoons, one side saddle, gray mare; Also the use of my farm, together with the household goods, stock, and farming utensils; to bring up my children until the youngest is fourteen years of age; to my son Bethell, £10 out of my estate before division; to my daughter Deborah, one bed and bedding; then all my estate to be sold (except above legacies) by my executors, and the moneys arising from such sale divided as follows: One-third part to my wife Mary; the other two thirds to be equally divided among my children, Bethnel,

Caleb, Phebe, Phebeth, Silas, Derias, Mary, Hannah, Robert, Frelove, Deborah, and Jacob. I appoint my wife and son Bethnel, executors.

Witnesses, Joseph Worshburn, John Green, Jacob Carpenter, yeoman. Proved, September 6, 1786.

Page 251.—KILLIAN MULLER, of Claverack, in the County of Albany, New York, to my son John, a negro wench named Dian, but if he die, I give the said wench to my sons, Joakim and Cornelius, and my daughter Hellitie, wife of Stephen Hogeboom; Also to my said daughter, £100; Also three negro wenches, named Beth, Susan, and Margret; to my son Cornelius, a negro wench, Nan, with her two children, Cushe and Mary, and also a negro boy, Jack, during his life if they live so long without any power of selling or otherwise divesting himself of said negroes or of their offspring; at the death of my son Cornelius, my son Joakim and daughter Hellitie are to have the negroes; to my granddaughter, Jenny Hogeboom, a negro wench named Flora and a clothes cupboard; to my granddaughter, Mary Hogeboom, a negro wench named Susan, daughter of a negro wench, Nan; to my son Joakim, bed and furnishings of the southermost room; to Cornelius, the bed and bedding where he now sleeps; to my sons and daughter, all the residue of my household furniture, share and share alike; to Cornelius and Joakim, two milk cows each, and the residue of my horned cattle to my said two sons and daughter, share and share alike. My said son John gave me a note, May 10, 1771, for £50, payable three years after date with interest at five per cent per annum; the payment of this debt with interest be discharged; to my son-in-law, Stephen Hogeboom his heirs forever, a piece of ground bounded as follows: Beginning at the corner of my farm opposite the old church, thence about fifty yards along the road that leads by my house and by Cornelius Muller's to a wild cherry tree; from thence back fifty yards, passing by an apple tree to a point

about eleven yards from the road that leads to Albany, thence to the same road to the place of beginning; to my son Joakim, a negro wench named Leah; wherever I have given my son Cornelius, he to take only the use and profits thereof during his life without any power of selling or disposing of the same; if he die without lawful issue, his portion to be equally divided between my son and daughter; to my son Joakim, all the residue of my personal estate; Also the remainder of my real estate (except the piece given to my son-in-law, Stephen Hogeboom), to him, his heirs forever, subject to maintenance of my son Cornelius during his life in a comfortable manner, together with his servants in the same manner. I appoint Jacobus Hogeboom, son of Johannis Hogeboom, and Hendrick Muller as guardians to my son Cornelius, to see he is decently clothed and maintained. I appoint my son Joakim and my son-in-law, Stephen Hogeboom, executors.

Dated May 27, 1782. Witnesses, John Bay, Counsellor-at-Law; David Culley, Thomas Williams, Jr. Proved, September 15, 1786.

Page 254.—March 19, 1784. JOHANNIS HOGEBOOM, yeoman, of Claverack, in County of Albany, New York, I will that a certain piece of land lying in and being opposite and to the westward of David Brower's house, at the foot of the hill known as Kaale Bergh, to be sold by my executors; the money so arising to be used to pay my debts and funeral charges; to my eldest son, Johannis, forty shillings as his birthright, to be paid to him or his heirs by my son James or his heirs; Also the farm on which he now lives, beginning on north side of road near the place known as the stone house, which road leads to Great Barrington; thence northerly over the top of the hill to the division fence of the widow, Alida Sharp, on the east side of the creek as far as the grant has bounded the same, to him, his heirs forever (except a lot of ground on the east side of creek, which is reserved for the use of the Church

near it), also excepting a certain spring of water with a half acre around on the north side of the road for my son Bartholomew, to him, his heirs forever; to my son Lawrence, his heirs, all my claims to that farm at Squampoamik wherein he liveth; Also meadows to south and west of his dwelling; Also all land and meadows to the north of his dwelling along the road to the division fence between him and my son Cornelius (except a piece of meadow now owned by Cornelius); Also all land and meadows adjoining excepted piece, all lands to the west thereof, and so on westerly to lands of Jacob Gawl, to him, his heirs forever; to my son Cornelius, all that farm of ground which is to the north of and between the right of my son Lawrence, and the widow, Alida Sharp's, possessions, and to north of Jacob Gawl's fence, to him, his heirs forever; all that part of hill not already given to Johannis to my sons, Lawrence and Cornelius, to them, their heirs forever; to my son Bartholomew all that piece of ground on a hill known as Squampoamik Hill, now in his possession; also that spring of water with the half acre around excepted out of my Johannis's legacy to him, his heirs forever; to my son Abraham the piece of land on which he now lives, to him, his heirs forever; to my son James, all that farm wherein I and my son James now live in Claverack, together with all the buildings except that parcel of ground on Kaale Berg which I before excepted to pay my debts; Also excepting one half of my present house, garden and orchard, which I give for the use of my widow Albertge during her natural life; after her death to belong to estate of my son James, to him, his heirs forever; to my daughter Janitge, £70, to her heirs; to the children of my daughter Sarah, deceased, Feitge, John, and Sarah Muller £70 and their heirs, to my daughter Albertge, £70, and her heirs; all the above sums of money to be paid jointly by my sons, Johannis, Lawrence, Cornelius, and James; all my sons to pay rent to my widow for her natural life; all residue of my personal estate,

except my wearing apparel, to be divided among my sons, to my daughters, and children of my deceased daughter Sarah, to be divided share and share alike. I appoint my sons, Lawrence, Abraham, and Bartholomew, executors.

Witnesses, George Weissmer, yeoman; Caty Weissmer, Peter Weissmer. Proved, September 11, 1786.

Page 258.—December 1, 1782. WILLIAM MOTT, of Great Neck, Township of Hempstead, Queens County, New York, to my six sons, William, Samuel, John, Richard, Joseph, and Benjamin, to their heirs forever, all the farm buildings, etc., and all my rights to land in the Township of Hempstead and elsewhere in equal shares; Also my movable share to be divided among them, on condition that they pay in money to my son Henry; my daughter, Elisebeth Underhill, wife of David Underhill, and my daughter Hannah, an equal proportionable part of my estate, real and personal, as much as to make them equal to my aforesaid six sons; if any of my children die, leaving no issue, his or her portion to be equally divided among the survivors; my daughter to live on my farm with privileges while she remains single. I appoint my son-in-law, David Underhill, and my sons, William, Samuel, John, and Henry, executors.

Witnesses, John Morrell, John Mitchell, Jr., John Morrell, Jr., yeomen. Proved, September 13, 1786.

Page 260.—GARRET MILLER, of Smith's Clove, Precinct of Cornwall, Orange County, New York, to my eldest son, JOSHUA, a piece of land on which he now lives, containing ten acres, to hold the same until my youngest child shall attain the age of twenty-one, when the said land and all the residue, both real and personal, be equally divided among my children, Joshua, Mary, Elizabeth, Garrit, Nathan, Sarah, Samuel, Anne Hampton, and Jeremiah, and survivors of them, share and share alike; if my wife shall marry before my

youngest child arrives at lawful age, to my wife, three milk cows, one mare, saddle and bridle, one bed and bedding, and one spinning wheel in lieu of any claim she may have on my estate; my children to be maintained and my wife to have an equal share of the profits of my estate until my youngest child arrives at lawful age; Also my wife receive an equal share of my personal estate, provided she remain my widow. I appoint my wife, Nathaniel Seely, executors.

Dated October 5, 1777. Witnesses, John Fell, Benjamin Goldsmith, Abraham Skinner. Proved, at Petersfield, Bergen County, N. J., June 13, 1778. On September 25, 1786, at New York, administration was granted unto Patience Fowler, formerly Patience Miller, and Nathaniel Seely, the executors.

Page 262.—April 29, 1784. JOHN ELSWORTH, shipwright, of City of New York, to my wife Hester, the use of all my real and personal estate during the term of her natural life. I give her power to sell any of my negro slaves, the interest of the money arising from sale to my wife; after the death of my wife all my estate, both real and personal, to be sold by my executors, the money arising from such sale to be divided as follows: To my son William, £20; to my daughters, Sarah Slingerlandt and Susanna Cowenhoven, each £42. All the residue of my estate to be divided as follows: To my son William, his heirs forever, one full and equal sixth part; one other full and equal sixth part to be put out at interest, the interest arising from said part to my son John during his life; at his death to his children; if he die without issue, the same to be divided among his surviving brothers and sisters; one other equal sixth part to my daughter, Hester Chardevine, her heirs forever; one other sixth part to my daughter, Sarah Slingerlandt, her heirs forever; one other sixth part to my daughter, Susanna Cowenhoven, her heirs forever. The remaining sixth part shall be put out at interest by my executors, and the interest



thereof to my daughter, Joanna Candal, during the time she shall be the wife of William Candal; immediately upon the death of her husband she to receive the full sixth part. If my daughter die, the said sixth part to be divided among her children, share and share alike. I appoint my wife, my son William, and my sons-in-law, William Cowenhoven, and Isaac Chardevine, executors.

Dated April 29, 1784. Witnesses, Richard Leaycraft, tailor; Frederick Marchant, cordwainer; A. W. De Peyster. Proved, September 25, 1786.

Page 266.—JOHN JACOB DOELING, City of New York, to my eldest son, John, my gold ring, silver shoe and knee buckles; all the rest of my estate, both real and personal, the use unto my wife Mary during her natural life; upon her death the same to be divided among my children. If she marry, the above-mentioned estate shall be converted into money, and divided as follows: To my wife Mary the one-third part thereof; Also my gold watch and all the silver plate; the remaining two-third parts to my children, John, Ann, and Mary, and any other children that I may have and shall live to the age of twenty-one, share and share alike. I appoint Lawrence Kilbrun to be the guardian of the said children and their estate; my wife Mary and Lawrence Kilbrun, executors.

Dated February 14, 1771. Witnesses, Lod<sup>sk</sup> Bamber, John Brouwer, James Stewart. Proved, September 26, 1786.

Page 268.—February 21, 1778. WALTER FRANKLIN, Newtown, Long Island, New York, the titles to some lands belonging to me, my brother Samuel, and some others, shall at my decease, the right owners have quit claim, deeds, or shall be sold and the moneys divided in proportion to each party's right, first deducting all charges I may leave against the land for obtaining them; to my wife Mary, the lot of land I bought

from Anthony Shakerly; Also the house wherein Major Holland now lives, to her, her heirs forever; Also the use of my farm and houses at Newtown where I now reside, which I purchased from William Sackett, deceased; Also two small pieces of woodland and one of salt meadow; Also the use of my house, garden, stable in New York, where I reside when in Town, as long as she remains my widow; Also five thousand Spanish milled Dollars, one half to be paid her twelve months after my death, the other half in three years; Also the best carriage or chariot, and choice of two horses; Also one half my household goods, plate, furniture, with the use of the other half until my daughter Maria arrives at eighteen years of age. Also to my wife, three hundred Spanish dollars a year while she remains my widow; to my daughter Maria and her heirs forever, to be at her disposal after she is twenty-one years of age, the following: My houses and land which I bought of Christian Hartell, and now hired to Henry Franklin, all my lands in the provincial officer's patent, so called, above Albany; Also my farm and houses at Newtown, with two pieces of woodland and one piece of salt meadow (which she is to have upon the death or remarriage of my wife); Also the furniture and plate above mentioned. In case my daughter die before she becomes of age, I give half my furniture and plate to my daughter Sarah when she arrives at age of eighteen. If both die before they attain that age, the whole part to my wife; to my daughter Sarah, her heirs forever, to be at her disposal after she is twenty-one years of age, the following: My house in Chapel Street, which I bought from executors of Robert Nostrunt, with the houses I built on back end of same lot, joining on Ann Street, or Scotch so called; Also the lot of land joining on Queen and Rutgers streets nearly opposite to Jonathan Woods, with the two houses on Queen Street and the two on Rutgers, all which houses I built since I bought the lot from John Alsop; Also seven hundred and fifty Acres of land in the oblong, being the whole

of lot number seventy-two, and the north half of lot seventy, joining on south part of former lot, she to have all rents from the houses and lands from my decease; to each of my daughters, ten thousand Spanish milled dollars. If either of them die leaving issue, the share of the one so dying be given to her child or children equally; if one dies without issue, the real estate to revert to my general estate, the part in money to be given to the surviving sister. If both die, their share to revert to my general estate and residue legatees. I appoint my father-in-law, Daniel Bowne, and my two brothers, John and Samuel, guardians of my two daughters, each guardian to receive £100 from each daughter upon settlement of the estate. If there be any other children, I will to my executors in trust for such children the house and lot where I reside when in New York, and the mansion house next door that was Benson's; Also three houses on Queens on said lot of land which I bought from Robert Benson; Also £4,000 to them, their heirs forever, when they arrive at lawful age. If there is no child to inherit foregoing clause, I give my mansion house in New York, with gardens, etc., to my daughter Maria, she to have it when my wife dies or remarries; the mansion house adjoining mine, which was Benson's, and the three houses on Queen Street, to my daughter Sarah, she to have the income of them after she is fifteen years of age, under same conditions above mentioned; my wife and daughters to have first claim upon the estate; to my brother, John Franklin's, seven children, Sarah, Mary, Thomas, Elizabeth, Anthony, Rebecca, and Walter; to my brother Thomas's four children, Nancy, Benjamin, Walter, and Samuel; to my brother Samuel's three children, Sarah, Abraham, and John; to my sister, Sarah Corsa's, daughter, Mary Corsa; to my sister, Mary Wistar's, four children, Thomas, Catharine, Sarah, and Mary Wistar, to every one and each of them, £300, when they arrive at lawful age, and if any die, his share to revert back to my estate; to my

cousin, Sarah Embrie; to my cousin, Hannah Hauxhur £50 each; to my cousin, Mary Pearsall, daughter of Nathaniel Pearsall, deceased, £100; to my cousin, James Hauxhurst, who lives with me, £200 when he is twenty-one years of age; if he die, it to revert to my estate. As my brother James has no children, I give him £50; if he has children within twelve years of this date, then I give each £300 when they attain the age of twenty-one years; the residue of my estate as follows: One-eighth part to be put out at interest, the same to be paid my sister, Sarah Corsa, yearly as long as she lives; at her death, the interest and principal to her daughter Mary, to her, her heirs forever; if she die without issue, that share to go to my daughters or their heirs; one other eighth part, the use of to my sister, Mary Wistar, as long as she lives; at her decease, to her four children, share and share alike; to my wife, one-eighth part; to my daughters, each one-eighth part. If both die without issue, their shares of residue to my brother John's son Walter and my brother Thomas's son Walter, or their heirs, share and share alike; to my brothers, John, Thomas, and Samuel, each one-eighth part; to my wife, her heirs forever, the remaining part of lot number thirty-five in oblong, about three hundred and fifty Acres, with the houses thereon; to each of my executors who may act, £200, in lieu of all other commissions. I appoint my wife, my brothers, John, Thomas, and Samuel, executors.

Witnesses, Joseph Stringham, New York City, grocer; James Bennet, Ann Stringham. Proved, August 15, 1786.

Page 275.—JOHN WAUGH, Precinct of New Windsor, Ulster County, New York, to my four daughters, Mary, Sarah, Elizabeth, and Jane, all my real estate in equal parts, and their heirs forever, the same being one hundred acres which came to me from my mother and fourteen acres which I purchased of Elizabeth Stattard, of New York, lying in above precinct and County;



to my daughter Mary, bed and bedding, my silver locket, sleeve buttons, and my chest; to my daughter Sarah, the other bed and bedding; Also her mother's trunk, my silver shoe buckles; my farm to be rented, and tenant to take care of same, the interest to provide for the maintenance of my children; my personal estate to be sold, and money so arising to be placed at interest for my children; the whole estate to be sold when they become of age, and equally divided; to my brother Robert, one coat and two wigs. I appoint Robert Waugh, farmer, of Newburgh, Ulster County, and Thomas McDowel, farmer, of New Windsor, Ulster County, executors.

Dated July 2, 1786. Witnesses, Andrew A. M. Walker, yeoman; John Dealls, David Stout. Proved, September 12, 1786.

Page 277.—February 19, 1782. JOHANNES HARDENBERGH, of Rosendall, Hurly, Ulster County, New York, to my son Johannes, his heirs forever, certain tract, East of the Wallkill, bounded, beginning on the northerly side of the Swarte Kill, running east to the bounds of Kingston, along their line to the land of the heirs of Jacob Arston, which land was patented by Colonel Henry Beekman, by their line to a south line run by Charles Clinton's, along that south line and the land I sold to Jacobus Terpening to the place of beginning, which said land I purchased from children of Jacob Rusten, which was conveyed to them by Cornelius Newkerk; Also another tract in Ulster County, in a patent called Hardenbergh, bounded on the south side by a line running from Cartwright's to head of the Papakonck River, continuing same course to the Fishkill; then up the said river to the head thereof; from thence in a straight line to place of beginning, containing about seventy thousand acres, which said land I have as part owner with Robert Livingston and others; to Johannes and his heirs forever, one-seventh part of above tract, or so much as belongs to me, ex-

cepting twenty-five acres on the east side of Wallkill adjoining the land I sold Jacob Freer at a place called Kinder; the above-mentioned twenty-five acres to Jacob Freer, Jr., his heirs forever, for £75, to be paid my grandchild, Lewes Hardenbergh, to him, his heirs; if Jacob Freer, Jr., refuses to pay £75, the twenty-five acres go to Lewes Hardenbergh, his heirs forever; to son Jacob R. a tract lying on south side of Roundout Creek, including part of the Wallkill, beginning at a corner lot belonging to Jacob Rusten and leased to Simon Helm, to line of William Fisher; then northeasterly to the Wallkill, to bounds of New Palz, always keeping twenty-five links from said river; then along New Palz to the northwest corner thereof, thence west to the south bounds of Coxing, along bounds of Coxing to Roundout Kill, down said river to land I conveyed to my said son, then south to corner thereof, with a line to the southwest corner of a patent granted by Governor Dongan to Colonel Jacob Rutsen, along line of that patent to the land of Fisher to place of beginning, to him, his heirs forever; Also my lot of land in the Hardenbergh patent, number thirty-seven, containing about nineteen thousand acres, to him, his heirs forever; Also ten thousand acres, near Shohakena, lot number three, which joins the lot I sold to Charles Broadhead; this amount of land is to join with ten thousand acres of Charles Broadhead, to be sold by Charles De Witt, to discharge a bond given by me to David Provoost, according to agreement; Also the lot of land where William Smith formerly lived, about one hundred and fifty acres; also one hundred and fifty acres to east of the land I sold Jacob Terpening and Johannes Hardenbergh, Jr., to his choice, for which said three hundred acres and a negro girl named Isabel, for which my son Jacob R. shall pay to my grandchild, John G. Hardenbergh, £415; if my said son refuse to pay, I give said land to my grandchild, John G. Hardenbergh; to my grandchild, Johannes C., son of my son Charles, deceased, five thousand two hundred



acres, out of my lot called number nineteen, lying on Papakonek River, bounded on north line of lot number eight, belonging to Robert Livingston, to run north up the river for two hundred chains, so there will be five thousand two hundred acres, excepting so much belonging to any of the children of Abraham Hardenbergh; to my grandchild, Johannes Hardenbergh Meier, five thousand two hundred acres of remainder of the lot number nineteen, adjoining lot given Johannes C. Hardenbergh, to him, his heirs forever; to my daughter Rachel, wife of D<sup>o</sup> Meier, all the residue of lot number nineteen, which residue contains sixteen thousand acres, to her heirs forever, which is bounded southerly by the north bounds of lot of Johannes H. Meier, easterly by heirs of Lendert Liwes, westerly by west side of Papakonek River, northerly from north of said river to the head of Catherwright Kill; to my eleven grandchildren, as follows, of my daughter-in-law, Nensie Rierse, deceased, named John, Catie, Pallie, Ellenger, Rachel, Benjamin, Pagie Nensie, Thomas Harmanes, and Elisebeth, all my land in lot number three called Shohakena, containing about ninety-six thousand acres, whereof thirty-one thousand acres has been sold to Charles Broadhead, twelve hundred acres to John Busch, and ten thousand to Jacob R. Hardenberg, the residue to above-named grandchildren, their heirs forever; all remainder of my estate, real and personal, one-fifth part to my son Johannes and his heirs forever; one other fifth to my son Jacob R. and his heirs; one other fifth part to my daughter Rachel and her heirs forever; one-fifth part to my grandchild, Johannes C. Hardenbergh, to his heirs forever; one-fifth part to my grandchildren, the children of Nensie Rierse, to them, their heirs forever. I appoint my sons, Johannes and Jacob Rutsen Hardenbergh, executors.

Witnesses, Abraham Krom, cooper; Elisabeth Carr, Jacob Herrmans, Innholder. Proved, September 20, 1786.

Page 283.—November 10, 1785. TOBIAS WYNKOOP, of Blumountain, Ulster County, New York, to my wife Leah, one negro woman named Bett; Also one old negro man named Harry, who after my wife's death is to choose any one of my sons for his master; Also to my wife the use of one of my dwelling rooms, sufficient means for her maintenance during her natural life; to my son Hezekiah, my full part of grist mills and falls and lands now in his possession; to my two sons, Tobias and Petrus, and their heirs forever, all my buildings, together with the homestead thereunto belonging, my two sons to allow my wife the use of one of the rooms above said, and also maintenance for her; to my three sons, William, Tobias, and Petrus, the notes of loan upon the United States for three thousand nine hundred dollars, to be divided among them, share and share alike; all the rest of my personal estate to my sons, Tobias and Petrus; to my three sons, Hezekiah, Tobias, and Petrus, and their heirs forever, all the remainder of my real estate whatsoever; after my just debts are paid, my sons, Hezekiah, Tobias, and Petrus, should at their own discretion allow their brother William and their two sisters, Leah and Annatie, such legacies as to them shall appear right and reasonable. I appoint as trustees for my wife my sons, Hezekiah, Tobias, and Petrus, also executors.

Witnesses, William Davenport, Adam Baer, farmer; John York, Kingston, farmer. Proved, September 8, 1786.

Page 285.—JOSHUA DECKER, of the Precinct of Shawangunk, Ulster County, New York, to my son Tennis, one bay mare; my executors to sell all my real estate situated in Shawangunk precinct, also my personal estate, as to them shall appear most conducive of the interest of my wife Gertie and my children and my creditors; after my just debts and funeral charges are paid, the residue to be paid to my wife for the maintenance of herself and children. I ap-

point Severyn T. Bruyn, Johannes A. Hardenbergh, executors.

Dated June 1, 1785. Witnesses, Daniel Wackman, New Paltz, farmer; Anna Heaton, Cornelius Schoonmaker. Proved, September 15, 1786. On October 3, 1786, the executors having refused to serve, the Court appointed James J. Graham to administer the estate.

Page 287.—December 9, 1780. BENJAMIN MASTEN, weaver, of Kingston, Ulster County, New York, to my wife Marica, shall continue in full possession of my whole estate, real and personal, and have the income at her disposal during the time she remain my widow and no longer; to my son Johannis, twenty shillings for his birthright; to my sons, Benjamin and Cornelius, my dwelling house and other buildings with two acres of land along the road, share and share alike, to them, their heirs forever; to my daughter Margret, the free use of one of my dwelling rooms as long as she remain single; to my seven children, Johannis, Benjamin, Cornelius, Maria, the wife of Cornelius Tack, Jr., Catharina, wife of Jeremiah Dubois; Margret, and Elizabeth, wife of Cornelius Persen, the residue of my whole estate, real and personal, share and share alike, their heirs forever. I make my sons, Johannis, Benjamin, and Cornelius, executors.

Witnesses, Tobias Van Steenbergh, Jr., Abraham Elmendorph, Johannis Snyder, Esq. Proved, August 23, 1786.

Page 289.—JANE JOHNSON, widow, of City of New York, to my son Michael, my large Bible and Bishop Burket's New Testament; to my daughter, Susanna, wife of Joseph Cox, all my wearing apparel; all the remainder of my estate, real and personal, to my four children, Michael, John, William, and Susanna, share and share alike, to them, their heirs forever. I make my sons, Michael and William, executors.

Dated October 9, 1765. Witnesses, Samuel Jones,

Attorney-at-Law; John Harrison, Esther Rou. Proved, September 11, 1786. Esther, the wife of Peter De Cauty, of New York City, gentleman, formerly Esther R. identified her own "proper handwriting."

Page 290.—August 26, 1785. ISAAC BARNES, carpenter, Westchester County, New York, to my wife, all my real and personal estate while she remains my widow; and if my wife marries or die, I order my whole estate to be sold and to be equally divided among my ten children, James, John, Catharine, Brastead, Christina, Nancy, Phile, Isaac, Phebe, and Underhill; to my wife £200; to my son Brastead, all my ship-carpenters' tools; to my son Isaac, my chest of house-carpenters' tools if he should learn that trade; if not, they to be sold, and money to be equally divided among all my children; to my son Underhill, my silver watch. If any of my children die before they reach the lawful age, that share to be divided among the survivors. I appoint my sons, John and Brastead, and my daughter Catharine, guardians and executors.

Witnesses, Joseph Mullinex, Pelham Manor, yeoman; John Honaford, John Woolley, Jr. Proved, October 11, 1786.

Page 292.—April 10, 1783. HEZEKIAH SEAMAN, New Rochelle, Westchester County, New York, to my wife Mary, use of all my estate, real and personal, as long as she shall live; at her death, to my son Isaac, £5; to my son Thomas, £100; remainder of my estate to be equally divided between my three sons, Jacamiah, Absalom, and Thomas. I appoint my wife and my son Thomas, executors.

Witnesses, John Coutant, Paul Le Count, carpenter; Francis Le Count. Proved, October 2, 1786.

Page 294.—July 12, 1786. JONATHAN HEUSTIS, of Pawlings, Dutchess County, New York, to my wife Rachel, the profits of all my patent farm as long as she

remain my widow, and the crops now on the ground and the hogs to be equally divided between her and my son Jonathan; if she marries, I give her one bed and bedding, and a horse and saddle; Also use of one half my movable estate if she remains my widow. What is left of above half at her death and the remaining half to be equally divided among my six sons, Solomon, Jonathan, Moses, Jacob, Joseph, Isaac; to my daughters, Mary Butts, Rachel Frost, and Phebe Suttan, five shillings each. I appoint my sons, Jonathan and Moses, executors.

Witnesses, Brittan Tallman, farmer; Gilbert Browne, Alvin Browne. Proved, October 3, 1786.

Page 296.—ACHSAH CHAMIER, widow of Daniel Chamier, to my son, John Robert Holliday, and his heirs forever, all those lands lying in Baltimore County, called New Hibernia, and the resurvey thereon, called Jotham, devised to me by my husband Daniel; to my daughter, Prudence Gough, my gold watch chains and seals, four silver goblets, and £500; to my daughter, Elizabeth Onion, £1,000, part of which is to build and furnish a dwelling house; to my son, Charles Ridgeley Carnan, his heirs forever, the house and lot in Baltimore Town with all the buildings thereon, subject to the payment of £500 to my grandson, Daniel Chamier Holliday, when he arrives at lawful age; in case of his death, before he arrives at age and without issue, the said sum of £500 and interest yearly to be paid to John, son of my son, John R. Holliday, at his arrival at age; to my granddaughter, Sophia Gough, £500; to my granddaughter, Achsah Chamier Holliday, one diamond ring and £500 upon their arrival at legal age; to my granddaughters, Sarah Brook Holliday, Christiana Sim Holliday, Elianor Addison Holliday, £200 each; to my niece, Pleasance Coleman, £50; to Frances Asbury, £30; to William Gill, John Fanning, Michael Ellis, John Kennedy, and Nicholas Dorsey, £25 each; to my two daughters, Prudence Gough,

Elizabeth Onion, and my son, Charles Ridgely Carnan, the ninth part of the land and stock of the Northampton Company which I possess, to their heirs forever share and share alike. The balance of my husband's estate in Great Britain shall be divided as follows: Four fifth parts to be equally divided among Daniel Chamier, kinsman of my late husband; my sons, John R. Holliday and Charles R. Carnan, and my daughter, Prudence Gough, share and share alike; the remaining one fifth to my executors in trust, the interest to be paid my daughter Elizabeth, and principal, after her decease to her children if she leave any. If she die without issue, the principal to be divided among the daughters of my son, John R. Holliday, share and share alike. All the rest of my estate in America to my sons, John R. Holliday and Charles R. Carnan, their heirs forever; to my brother, Charles Ridgely, his heirs forever, a tract of land called Contentment, lying in Ann Arundle County, containing three hundred and fifty acres. I appoint my sons, John R. Holliday, Charles R. Carnan, and my son-in-law, Harry Dorsey Gough, executors.

Dated June 18, 1785. Witnesses, Susanna Goodwin, Rachel L. Parkin, Richard Ridgely.

*Codicil.* Baltimore County, June 18, 1785. I charge my personal estate, with the sum of £500 previously charged to the house and lot in Baltimore Town.

Dated June 18, 1785. Witnesses, Susanna Goodwin, Rachel L. Parkin, Richard Ridgely.

*Codicil.* It is my desire that neither my horses or carriage or household furniture at Perry Hall be appraised in my estate; the horses and carriages I give to my daughter Gough, to Francis Asbury, John Coleman, and John Kennedy, each a suit of mourning; to Pleasance Coleman, Hannah Few, Elizabeth Reffew, and Mary Reffew, each a suit of mourning.

Dated August 8, 1785. Witnesses, Rebecca Rogers, Mary Woodward. Proved, December 19, 1785. On October 12, 1786, the executors appointed in the will



being absent from the State, the Court at New York appointed Richard Dallou to administer the estate.

Page 301.—August 23, 1785. STEPHEN HALSEY, of Southampton, Suffolk County, New York, to my son Jonathan, my shop and loom and tackling and the one half of my land and meadows in what we commonly call Mr. Paine's Neck; Also all that piece of land joining to my home lot which my father bought of Theophilus Howell; Also a piece of woodland which I bought of James Haines, adjoined to Crooked Pond, to his heirs forever; to my son Caleb, one-third part of all my movable estate except the farming tackling, loom and tackling; Also all the lot of land joining John Gelston's home lot, commonly called Stephen's lot; Also the piece of woodland I bought of Silas Sandford, lying to the west of John Sandford's land, to his heirs forever; to my son Rogers, one equal third part of all my movables except the farming tackle, loom and tackling; Also the lot of land I bought of Nathaniel Jesop; Also the piece of woodland I bought of Daniel Moore, joining to Michael Cook's on west side of said lot, to him, his heirs forever; to my daughter, Hannah Sandford, twenty shillings; to my daughter Phebe, twenty shillings; to my daughter Mary, one-third part of all my movables except the farm tackling, the loom and tackling; if either of my sons die, his estate to be divided among surviving brothers; to my son Stephen, all the rest of my land and meadows and one equal half of my farming tools, to him, his heirs forever. I appoint my son Stephen and John Cook, executors.

Witnesses, Josiah Sandford yeoman; Moses Halsey, weaver; Lewis Sandford. Proved, October 21, 1786.

Page 303.—SAMUEL BAKER, yeoman, of Easthampton, Suffolk County, New York, to my wife, my house, barn, and lot in the hook, during her life; Also one-eighth part of a share of Montauk; Also one half of my plain clothes and all my personal estate to her, her

heirs forever, and one-third part of my real estate, and she pay all my debts and legacies; to my son Thomas, £5 in cash; to my daughter Joanne, £5; to my daughter A. y. £5; to my other two daughters, Sarah and Hannah, £40 each, to be paid by their mother out of my personal estate; to my son Nathaniel, his heirs forever, all my lands and buildings at Three-mile Harbor on both sides of the highway, enclosed and not enclosed; Also one eighth of a share of Montauk and two acres of commonage; to my son Lewis, his heirs forever, all my lands and meadows at Achabonack; Also one eighth of a share of Montauk and two acres of commonage. If either of these two sons die, his share to go to the surviving one or his issue if he have any; to my son Abraham, his heirs forever, all my lands and buildings not before disposed of or mentioned; my two youngest daughters, Sarah and Hannah, shall have a residence in either of my houses which they shall choose as long as they remain unmarried, and that Abraham and Nathaniel shall supply them with firewood and candles equally between them; to my son Lewis my woodland at Achabonack lying between Timothy Miller and the heirs of my brother David, deceased, he and his heirs forever. I appoint my wife and Nathaniel Doming, executors.

Dated February 25, 1786. Witnesses, William Talmage, blacksmith; Nathaniel Doming, Samuel Hutchinson, Physician. Proved, October 20, 1786.

Page 304.—July 3, 1778. MARTINUS SHOOK, of Livingston Manor, Albany County, New York, to my wife, Anna Elsie, all her apparel and linens to dispose of as she may think proper; she is to live with my son Johannis, who is to provide for her during her life; to my eldest son, Johannis, to his heirs forever, all the interest which may be due or become due on a certain note of hand he has given me for £40, in bar to any claim he may make to my estate, either real or personal, as heir-at-law; to my said son, one wagon, also

being absent from the State, the Court at New York appointed Richard Dallon to administer the estate.

Page 301.—August 23, 1785. STEPHEN HALSEY, of Southampton, Suffolk County, New York, to my son Jonathan, my shop and loom and tackling and the one half of my land and meadows in what we commonly call Mr. Paine's Neck; Also all that piece of land joining to my home lot which my father bought of Theophilus Howell; Also a piece of woodland which I bought of James Haines, adjoined to Crooked Pond, to his heirs forever; to my son Caleb, one-third part of all my movable estate except the farming tackling, loom and tackling; Also all the lot of land joining John Gelston's home lot, commonly called Stephen's lot; Also the piece of woodland I bought of Silas Sandford, lying to the west of John Sandford's land, to his heirs forever; to my son Rogers, one equal third part of all my movables except the farming tackle, loom and tackling; Also the lot of land I bought of Nathaniel Jesop; Also the piece of woodland I bought of Daniel Moore, joining to Michael Cook's on west side of said lot, to him, his heirs forever; to my daughter, Hannah Sandford, twenty shillings; to my daughter Phebe, twenty shillings; to my daughter Mary, one-third part of all my movables except the farm tackling, the loom and tackling; if either of my sons die, his estate to be divided among surviving brothers; to my son Stephen, all the rest of my land and meadows and one equal half of my farming tools, to him, his heirs forever. I appoint my son Stephen and John Cook, executor.

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one wood sleigh with all its tackling, and choice of three horses, my plough and harrow, and all accoutrements belonging thereunto; Also one equal fourth part of my estate, real or personal, and his heirs forever; to my daughter Geerteruy's children, at present the wife of Martee Miller, namely, William Johannis and Petrus Dennius, one other fourth part of my estate to be equally divided among them, share and share alike, to them, their heirs forever. In case any or either of the said children should die before such a dividend should be made, then such share or shares to be divided between my children, Johannis, Eva Geerteruy, wife of Peter Snyder, and William, share and share alike; to Eva Geerteruy, wife of Peter Snyder, to her heirs forever, one other fourth part of my estate, real or personal; to my son William, his heirs forever, my large gun or fusee and the other fourth part of my estate, real and personal; my son Johannis shall remain in possession of my homestead after my decease; all my estate to be divided six weeks after my decease. I appoint my sons, Johannis and William, also Direk Jansen, executors.

Witnesses, Christ an Valkenburgh, Henrick Polveur, farmer; Baltis Siemon. Proved, September 12, 1786. On October 28, 1786, the executors having refused to serve, the Court appointed John D. Robinson to administer the estate.

Page 307.—April 10, 1779. WILLIAM ROCKEFELLER, of the Eastcamp, in Albany County, New York, to my son William, my gun for his birthright; my executors to sell so much of my outside lands as shall be sufficient to pay all my debts, viz., Adams Kraven Butzers Wiess, the two wood lots each containing about ten acres; if that is not sufficient my executors to sell some more of my land which they think can best be spared; the remainder of my land and personal estate to my wife, till my son William comes to lawful age, if she remains my widow so long; to my son William, all my

real and personal estate, what is left at the time when he comes of age, provided I shall pay unto all my sons and daughters two thirds of my whole real and personal estate in equal proportion; my son William to pay my daughter Hannah her full share and proportion of all my real and personal estate; that is to say, of the two-third part thereof when she comes to be twenty-one years of age, that my son William shall pay to each of my sons and daughters hereinafter mentioned the two-third part of my real and personal estate, what shall be left thereof when he comes of lawful age (except Hannah's share to be paid as above mentioned), namely, to my son Jacob Harmen, John Gertgen, Lana, and also to the child which is likely to be born after the making hereof; my son William shall maintain my wife according to my estate after he is twenty-one years of age during her life or her widowhood; my son William to learn a trade until he is twenty-one years. I appoint William Diederick, of Ulster County; Diell Rockefeller and Philip Rockefeller, to be my executors.

Witnesses, Johannes Lasher, yeoman; Margaret Holzapple, Christian Rockefeller. Proved, October 13, 1786.

Page 309.—JOHN CRAWFORD, yeoman, Precinct of Pinack, Ulster County, New York, to my nephew, John Crawford, son of my brother, Samuel Crawford, all my estate, real and personal, and my effects and debts due to me by whomsoever or wheresoever, to him, his heirs forever. I reject and debar my brothers from and right of blood or relation or any other person claiming or to claim; my nephew to pay all my debts and funeral charges. I appoint John Barkley, Samuel Crawford, trustees and executors. John Barkley has the deed of my land.

Dated March 13, 1784. Witnesses, Henry Patmor, Jr., laborer; John Linderman, William Stewart. Proved, October 12, 1786. On October 28, 1786,



Samuel Crawford, the surviving executor, having refused to serve, the Court appointed John Crawford, yeoman, sole and residuary legatee, to administer the estate.

Page 311.—JOHN BARKLEY, yeoman, Precinct of Montgomery, Ulster County, New York, to my two sons, William and Nathan, my fast estate, to be equally divided between them; if they do not agree, they are to refer to my executors or two other men; to my daughter Jean, all my movable estate; my estate to be rented out for the bringing up of my sons, and the movables to be sold and the interest of that money for the bringing up of the girl. I appoint James McCardy and Samuel Barkly, executors.

Dated September 4, 1786. Witnesses, Samuel Crawford, yeoman; David Crawford, Joshua Crawford. Proved, October 12, 1786.

Page 313.—JAMES WINCHELL, of the Little Nine Partners, in Dutchess County, New York, to my wife Mary, £130, equal to silver at eight shillings and nine pence per ounce, to be paid to her out of my movable estate in any such articles as she shall choose, and to be her own forever; Also the use and improvement of one-third part of all my land; Also the use of one-third part of my buildings during the time she remains my widow; to my son James, £10; to my son Martinez, £10, to be paid out of my movable estate. After reduction has been made and payment of the above sums to my wife and two eldest sons as aforesaid, I give to my five sons, James, Martinez, Philo, Mills, John, and Aaron Ely, all the residue of my estate, real and personal, to be equally divided among them, share and share alike. If there be any of my movable estate left after my debts are paid and the payment of the above-mentioned legacies, the remainder is to be sold, and the moneys so arising to be put out at interest until my children arrive at lawful age to receive their proper

dividend of the same. I appoint my wife Mary and my brother, Nathaniel Winchell, executors.

Dated February 1, 1778. Witnesses, Simeon Lewis, farmer; Hopson Beebe, George Morehouse. Proved, February 21, 1786. On October 28, 1786, Nathaniel Winchell, the surviving executor, having refused to serve, the Court appointed James Winchell, yeoman, and Peter Bishop to administer the estate.

Page 315.—April 12, 1783. DAVID HOAG, of the Oblong, in Paulings Precinct, Dutchess County, New York, to my wife Keziah, in the room of her right of dower, the whole of my household goods, and the income of one half of my farm and east end of my dwelling house containing two rooms; Also the whole of my stock of cattle for her support during her life, and order my son Samuel, in consideration of the legacy hereafter given, to provide for wife's support, firewood to make fires, and to take all necessary care in sickness and health during his mother's life; to my son William, £10; to my son David, £10; to my daughters, Hannah, Keziah, £10 each; to my son Samuel, in consideration of his providing for his mother aforesaid and paying the above-mentioned sums to his brothers and sisters, the whole of my lands and the one equal half at my decease, and the remainder at his mother's decease, to him, his heirs forever; my son Samuel to pay within one year after my decease to each of his brothers and sisters, £10 each, as above mentioned; to my three sons, William, David, and Samuel, all of my stock of cattle, horses, and sheep, likewise my wearing apparel, to be equally divided among them; to each of my sons and daughters, a large Bible. If my wife does not direct the disposal of the household goods before her decease, I will it be equally divided between my two daughters, Hannah and Keziah. I appoint my sons, William and Samuel, executors.

Witnesses, Tristram Russell, John Hoag, 3d, farmer; Abel Hoag. Proved, March 8, 1786.

Page 318.—November 17, 1785. SAMUEL PETTIT, of South Hempstead, Queens County, New York, to my wife, all my household furniture; Also one horse and riding chair; Also two cows; Also my negro wench and my negro boy, Cuffe; Also my be s, to her own disposal; Also the use and privilege of my east front room and bedroom adjoining thereto of my dwelling house, as also the use of half the cellar, so long as she remain my widow, and no longer; to my son James, to his heirs forever, the one equal half of one certain lot of woodland lying undivided with Samuel Pettit, Jr., containing in the whole fifteen acres adjoining on the south of Anthony D. Mott's land; to my six sons, James, Peter, Elijah, Obadiah, Stephen, and Robert, all my patent rights in the undivided lands, beeches, and marshes lying in the Township of South Hempstead, equally to be divided amongst them, share and share alike, to them, their heirs forever; to my two sons, Peter and Elijah, all the remainder of my estate, real and personal, of what kind soever, to them, their heirs forever, share and share alike; my sons, Peter and Elijah, to pay to my five daughters, Jane, Anne, Elizabeth, Arabella, and Esther, to each of them or their heirs, £30, and to pay to my wife, one year after my decease, £9 per year so long as she remain my widow, with the privilege in the house above mentioned to my wife in lieu of her thirds or right of dower, and not otherwise; Also to allow my wife one year's provision after my decease for herself and wench and negro boy; my sons, Peter and Elijah, to pay all my just debts and funeral charges. If my two sons refuse or neglect to pay my debts and above legacies, then I order my executors to sell any part of my land that is convenient and sufficient to pay the above-mentioned sums of money and legacies, and to pay the same therewith. I appoint Joseph Hall and Joseph Dorlon-miller, executors.

Witnesses, Ruth Gritmon, Amos Pettit, Benjamin Pettit, yeomen. Proved, October 17, 1786.

Page 320.—VALENTINE H. PETERS, of Hempstead, in Queens County, New York, to my son James, a large silver tankard; to my daughter Mirriam, six silver tablespoons; to my daughter Anne, one silver teapot; to my son Harry, one silver bowl, also £100; to my daughter Jane, £450; Also my negro girl, Moggey, two beds and furniture, six silver table spoons, six silver spoons, one silver milk pot, one tea table, six of my best chairs, one large looking-glass, one pair large brass-top andirons, one book case, all my table linen, and six pairs of sheets with the beds; to my son William, £700, to be paid him when he arrives at twenty-one years of age; Also my sorrel horse, three cows, one wagon plow and harrow, one desk, the service or time of my Indian boy, Morris, all my wearing apparel, one-third part of all my grains, whether in my house, in sheaf, or growing on the ground; to my executors, £600 in trust, in confidence of their applying the same in the manner I have directed. I appoint my son Harry, and William Tredwell, guardians to my son William. I order my executors to sell all my estate, real and personal, that after the above legacies and debts are paid, and the above-mentioned £600 deducted, the residue of that money divided into twelve parts, three parts to my son James; to my son Harry, three parts; one part to my daughter Rebecca; to my daughter Sarah, one part; to my daughter Jane, one part; my negro woman slave, named Pegg, for faithful service, to have the liberty to live with such of my children as she thinks fit and proper, and when she gets past labor, my executors to give my negro woman a comfortable support, to be paid out of my residuary estate; to my son William, three parts of my residuary estate. I appoint my son Harry, and my two sons-in-law, William Tredwell and Jacob Smith, executors.

Dated November 29, 1783. Witnesses, Richard Rhoades, Benjamin Lawrence, innkeeper; S. Clowes. Proved, October 23, 1786.

Page 322.—JOHN HARDWICK, yeoman, of City of New York, to William Bull, son of Sarah Bull, and his heirs, that house and lot of ground being in little Queen Street in City of New York, which I leased of Thomas Ellison, together with the said lease and all my estate and term therein, upon this trust, that the said William Bull will faithfully pay yearly and every year to his mother, Sarah Bull, the rents and profits of the said house and lot of ground during her widowhood; in case the said Sarah Bull die, or marries, then the same be and remain the property of said William Bull during the remainder of said lease, together with the privileges thereof. I appoint William Bull, executor.

Dated May 19, 1786. Witnesses, Peter Shop, Cornelius Crygier, innkeeper; John T. Myer. Proved, November 1, 1786.

Page 323.—JOSINA GARDINIER, spinster, of the Kline Kill in Kinderhook, Albany County, New York, to my nephew, Dirck Gardinier, of Kinderhook, to him, his heirs forever, all my estate. I appoint Dirck Gardinier, sole executor.

Dated October 1, 1774. Witnesses, Samuel Gardinier, farmer; Arthur B. Nugent, John C. Holland. Proved, October 25, 1786.

Page 324.—LEVI BAILY, of Courtlandt Manor, Westchester County, to my son Levi, £5, as a bar against all lawful demands that shall be made by him or his heirs; to my son Gilbert, the one half of the farm on which I now live, to him, his heirs forever, which half is to be taken on the north half of said farm and in such manner that the division line for that purpose shall run east and west; the other one half and south part of the said farm to my son Thomas, to him, his heirs forever; if my son Thomas die before reaching lawful age, his one-half part to his heirs; if he leave no issue, to be equally divided among my sons, James, Devoe, and Gilbert, and to John Stedwell, to them, their heirs forever, as tenants in common, not as joint

tenants; to my son Devoe, his heirs forever, forty acres of the farm my son Devoe now lives on, beginning at the southwest corner, running from thence north, half the said farm, then east, so as to take in forty acres; the remainder of my said farm to my sons, James and Devoe, and John Stedwell, their heirs forever, as tenants in common; to my daughter Sarah, a negro wench named Sarah and her child, her heirs forever; Also £20 to be paid out of my personal estate in three months after my decease; to my daughter Leah, wife of Daniel Carpenter, £15 to be paid in the same manner; to my daughter Elisabeth, wife of Stephen Baker, £15 to be paid in same manner; Also a cow; the remainder of my personal estate to be equally divided among my sons, James and Devoe, and John Stedwell, their heirs forever. I appoint my son James, Hachaliah Brown, and John Stedwell, executors.

Dated September 23, 1783. Witnesses, Ephraim Beakear, yeoman; Jerusha Beakear, Patrick Lamb. Proved October 26, 1786.

Page 327.—JOHN VERMILYA, farmer, of Yonkers, Westchester County, New York, to my son Abraham, to his heirs forever, my dwelling house and homestead, lands and improvements which I bought of William Betts, containing about one hundred acres, on condition that he or his heirs do pay to my daughters, Antie, Marille, Sarah, and Rebecca, £35, to be divided among them, share and share alike, one year after my decease; to my two sons, Joshua and Frederick, the lands I bought of Roger Barton, containing about ninety-nine and one-half acres; Also the piece of land I bought of Samuel Betts, containing about forty-five acres; Also the piece of land I bought of Benjamin Betts, to them, their heirs forever, share and share alike, upon condition that my son, John Joshua, his heirs, pay to my said daughter £60, to be equally divided among them within one year after my decease; Also upon condition that my son Frederick, his heirs, do pay my



said daughter £60, to be equally divided among them one year after my decease; to my three sons, Abraham, Joshua, and Frederick, a piece of salt meadow which I bought of Nicholas Koertright, lying at the Harlem river, equally divided among them, their heirs forever; to my son Johannis, his heirs forever, all that land I bought of Anthony Basley, upon condition that he pay to my daughters £340, to be equally divided among them within one year after my death; to my two sons, Gerardus and David, to their heirs forever, all that piece of land I bought of Benjamin Betts, containing about two hundred and thirty-one acres, to be divided between them, share and share alike, to them, their heirs forever, upon condition that my son Gerardus and his heirs do pay to my daughters £140, equally to be divided among them within eighteen months after my decease; Also my son David do pay to my daughters £140, share and share alike, within eighteen months after my decease; to my wife Maritie, all my household goods and furniture; Also £70 to be paid out of my movable estate; Also the use of one room in my house which she shall choose; Also my garden, as long as she remains my widow; my sons, Abraham and Frederick, to provide the necessities while she remains my widow, what I have given my wife shall be in lieu of dower; to my grandson, John Kortright, £26, to be paid to him out of my movable estate; Also a certain debt which he owes me, which was due me from his father, John Kortright; to my daughters and my son Benjamin, all my stock, horses, hogs and sheep, and the rest of my personal estate, to be equally divided among them, share and share alike; my executors to take charge of Rebecca's share, to be put out at interest for the benefit of Rebecca and her children, and to be paid to her as executors see fit. I appoint my sons, Abraham and Frederick, and my wife Maritie, executors.

Dated June 11, 1776. Witnesses, William Betts, Peter Bussing, Jr., Peter Bussing, yeoman, son of

Peter. Proved, November 2, 1786. On November 2, 1786, the executors having since deceased, the Court appointed John Vermilya, of Yonkers, yeoman, a grandson of the late John Vermilya, to administer the estate.

Page 330.—GEORGE CLAUSE, of Crovin County, New York, to Seth Hardy, all my estate, both real and personal, to him, his heirs forever, in New York.

Dated November 4, 1786. Witnesses, William Goforth, Jr., gentleman; Isreal Morgan, shipwright; Johannis Schmitt, painter. Proved November 6, 1786, when William Goforth, Jr., testified he wrote the will of George Clause, and through inattention wrote Crovin County, New York, instead of North Carolina, and also misspelled the name Hardy for Harding. On the same day, the testator having neglected to appoint executors, the Court appointed Seth Harding, New York City, mariner, to administer the estate.

Page 332.—WILLIAM PALMER, yeoman, of Charlotte Precinct, Dutchess County, New York, to my wife Rachel, the one-third part of all my movable estate after my debts are paid; Also the best room in my house wherein I now dwell, as long as she remain my widow; Also the use and profit of three acres of land, including the orchard and land near the said house, the barn excepted; to my son William, £5; to my son Abraham, £60, which he has already had, also £10 more; to my son Reuben, all that land he now possesses, also £2; to my son Jacomiah, all that land which he lately sold, also £1; to my grandson, Jeremiah Palmer, son of my son Ezekiel, lot of land which I bought of Peter Palmer, that I have not already disposed of in the Great Nine Partners, and lies on the east end of lot number twenty-six, bounded southerly and westerly by the land of Joseph Barns, and northerly by the north line of lot number twenty-six, and easterly by the east line of said lot, to him, his heirs forever; to my two granddaughters, Sarah and Ruth,

daughters of my son Ezekial, £40, to be equally divided between them when they arrive at lawful age; if my grandson Jeremiah should die, the land shall be equally divided between my granddaughters, Sarah and Ruth, to them, their heirs forever; to my daughter-in-law, Sarah Husted, widow of my son Ezekial, the use and improvement of said land that I give to my grandson until he arrive at the age of eighteen years, she paying £10 to my daughter, Phebe Mead, one year after my decease; my son Thomas has received his full portion of land already; to my son Gilbert, sixty acres of land in lot number twenty-five, adjoining on the west by land of Timothy Denels; to my son Edward, one hundred acres of land, bounded on South by the highway and easterly by the land of my son Reuben, and westerly, part by Richard Hart's land and part by my son Gilbert's land, to extend northerly until it makes a quantity of one hundred acres, including the house and barn where I now dwell, he to pay to my daughter Mary £15 one year after my decease; to my daughter Esther, £5; to my daughter Anne, £15; to my daughters, Rachel, Esther, Phebe, Anne, and Mary, all the remaining part of my movable estate, to be equally divided between them; the remaining land to be sold by my executors, and the moneys so arising to be disposed of as follows: £20 to remain in hands of my son William for support of my wife, £5 to William before mentioned, £10 to Abraham, £2 to Reuben, £1 to my son Jacomiah, £15 to Anne, £5 to Esther and all remaining part to be divided equally among my five sons; to my grandson, James Palmer, son of my daughter Esther, all the remaining part of that lot of land lying in the mountains at the south end of the land which I gave to my son Jacomiah, to him, his heirs forever. I appoint my sons, William and Reuben, executors.

Dated December 15, 1770. Witnesses, David Husted, Jr., Amos Tubbs, Samuel Palmer, Jr., farmer.

*Codicil.* I will that all my movables and all bonds

and notes arising from my said movables shall be equally divided between my daughters.

Dated December 8, 1775. Witnesses, Solomon Haight, Silas Deuel, Jr. Proved, October 29, 1786.

Page 336.—October 20, 1783. ELISHA DU BOIS, farmer, of Rumbout Precinct, Dutchess County, New York, to my wife Sarah, £160; Also the £70 now in the bank at Albany, which is her property from the estate of her first husband, which was put in the bank with a sum of mine, the obligation being given in my name; to my grandson, Elisha Du Bois, son of my late son John, the house and farm I now live on, with all the outhouses and barn thereon erected; Also my negro man named King, he paying out of the same £100 to the children of my daughter Sarah, now the wife of Duncan Graham; Also £100 to the children of my daughter Barbera, now the wife of Adrian Couenhoven; to my daughter Barbera, my negro girl named Pegg; all my just debts and funeral charges be paid out of my personal estate before any division shall be made; all my household furniture, all my horses, cows, sheep, oxen, hogs, plows, harrows, all my farming utensils, together with the farm and buildings thereon directed, shall be sold by my executors at public auction; I mean the house and farm whereon Duncan Graham now lives in Poughkeepsie Precinct, Dutchess County, New York, and the money arising therefrom to go to the children of my daughter Sarah, wife of Duncan Graham, and the children of my daughter Barbera, now the wife of Adrian Couenhoven, or as many of them as shall then be alive, to be divided among them, share and share alike. If my grandson, Elisha Du Bois, should die without issue, then the farm and negro to be sold at public auction, the money so arising to go to the children of my two daughters, to be divided among them, share and share alike. I appoint Matthew Van Bentschouten, Obediah W. Cooper, and Adrian Couenhoven, executors.

Witnesses, Isaac Van Hook, John Hank, William Cooper, farmer. Proved, October 16, 1786. On November 6, 1786, the executors having refused to serve, the Court appointed Adrian Conenhoven, of Rumbout Precinct, and Duncan Graham, of Poughkeepsie, sons-in-law of Elesa Dubois, to administer the estate.

Page 339.—CORNELIUS COLE, yeoman, of Hurley, Ulster County, New York, to my wife Maria, the full use and possession of my whole real and personal estate (except such part as is hereinafter given to my son Cornelius), so long as she remain my widow, and no longer; to my son Cornelius, the choice of two horses, a new iron-bound wagon, which shall be bought immediately after my decease, paid by my executors out of my estate; Also all the land lying over the Dove Kill, to him, his heirs forever, in fee simple; this land he be immediately possessed of after my decease, it being that land excepted above for his use; to my daughter Catherina, her heirs forever (after death or remarriage of my wife), all the land and appurtenances thereunto which I purchased of Cornelius Nukerek, Jr., in Hurley, and which was conveyed to me by a certain indenture by Cornelius Nukerek, Jr., and Nettje, his wife, dated October 27, 1772, to her, her heirs forever, in fee simple; and whereas the division fence between the land which I purchased of Cornelius Nukerek, Jr. (which I have now devised to my daughter), and my land which I then possessed did formerly run through the water in the middle of the Dove Kill, which was found inconvenient, which lies near the land of Benjamin Krom, I will that the division between the land of my son and daughter be and remain forever where the fence now stands, near a pear tree, it being also a corner of that land which formerly belonged to Jannetje Nukerek, deceased, and is to extend from the pear tree aforesaid along the bank of the Dove Kill, as the same now stands, to the bounds of Benjamin Krom, reserving the privilege for my daugh-

ter, her heirs forever, of a watering place in any part she thinks proper of half a chain wide, the small strip of land which lies below the bank to remain for the use of my son Cornelius, his heirs forever; Also to my daughter (after my wife's death or remarriage), the house and all the land I purchased of Abraham Hermans in Hurley, as by a date thereof to me made bearing date June 3, 1768, to my daughter Catharina, her heirs forever, in fee simple; after the marriage or decease of my wife, to my son Cornelius, his heirs forever, all the residue of my lands, with all the buildings thereon, in fee simple; Also the liberty to make use of the road reserved for the use of the heirs and devisees of Jacob Du Bois, deceased; to my son and daughter, each an equal share to my right in the land called the patentees' woods; my privilege and right in the commons of Marbletown to my son Cornelius, his heirs forever; Also my negro boy, Tom; to my daughter, her heirs forever, my negro boy Dick; my negro man, Tom, his choice to live with either my son or daughter. After remarriage or death of my wife, all the remainder of my personal estate (not herein disposed of) to my son and daughter, to be equally divided, share and share alike. I appoint my wife Maria, my son Cornelius, my brother, Jacobus Cole; my brother-in-law, Johannis Schoonmaker, and Levi Pawling, executors.

Dated June 19, 1778. Witnesses, Jan Van Deusen, John J. Dubois, farmer; Ch. D. Witt. Proved, October 23, 1786.

Page 342.—September 8, 1786. JOHANNIS FORT, Precinct of Poughkeepsie, Dutchess County, New York, to my wife Rebekah, bedding and her wearing apparel; Also the improvement of the equal undivided half of the farm on which I now live; Also the like proportion of the profit of the grist mill, she paying one half of the necessary expense while she remains my widow; Also the use of the residue of my personal estate; it



her death or marriage, the same to be divided between my two sons, Abraham and John T., or their heirs; to my eldest son, Abraham, my large Dutch Bible for his birthright; Also one lot of land which I purchased of Marcus Van Bonsell; Also the lot which I purchased of Robert Roseboon and others; Also the lot I purchased of Johannis Lansing; Also the equal undivided half of a certain lot (which I purchased in company with William Jacokes, late of Poughkeepsie Precinct, deceased) of Oliver Delancee; Also my two black slaves, Foot and Sip, to him, his heirs forever; to my eldest daughter, Elizabeth, wife of James Bussing, £100, to be paid to her equally by my two sons, or heirs, one year after my decease; to my daughter Hannah, wife of Aaron Low, £100, to be paid two years after my decease equally by my two sons; to my daughter Deborah, wife of Casparus Westervelt, £100, to be paid three years after my decease equally by my two sons; to my daughter Franantije, wife of Andrew Low, £100, to be paid four years after my decease equally by my two sons; to my daughter Aleda, £100, to be paid five years after my decease by my two sons; to my son, John T., all the residue of my real estate; Also four horses, one yoke of oxen, three cows, bedding and furniture, to him, his heirs forever; Also my two black slaves, Teure and Frank. I appoint my son Abraham, Casparus Westervelt, Samuel Mathers, executors.

Witnesses, Benjamin Westervelt, farmer; Gilead Hunt, Jonathan Elderkin, farmer. Proved, October 16, 1786.

Page 345.—JOHANNA NIELSON, widow, New York City, to my daughter, Gertrude Abeel, all my wearing apparel, bed, bedding, and plate; to my son John, his heirs forever, £250; Also one equal half part of the residue of my estate, both real and personal; the remaining half part to be disposed as follows: One-fourth part to my daughter Gertrude, her heirs for-

ever; the three remaining fourth parts to be held in trust by my executor and the interest to be paid to my daughter during her life; at her death to be divided among her children, David, John, and Johanna Abeel. I appoint my son John and daughter, Gertrude Abeel, and Leonard Bleeker (husband of my granddaughter Johanna), executors.

Dated January 19, 1786. Witnesses, Gertrude Lott, John Cochran, John Voorhees, Jr., boatman, of New Brunswick, N. J. Proved, November 10, 1786.

Page 348.—EDWARD RIGGS, schoolmaster, City of New York, to my wife Lydia, my personal estate; all my real estate to be divided among my five children, Elenor, Edward, Thomas, Matthew, and Mary Ann, share and share alike, to them, their heirs forever. I appoint Thomas McClaughry, yeoman, of Cambridge District, Albany County, and my son Edward, executors.

Dated August 29, 1786. Witnesses, Cary Dunn, silversmith; John Thompson, merchant; Lewis Nichols, cabinetmaker; John McKesson. Proved, November 13, 1786.

Page 350.—CATHERINE PARLEAY, widow of Jacob Parleay, Richmond County, New York, to my daughter Martha, bedding and curtains; to my son Abraham, bed and bedding, also linen; all my wearing apparel to my daughter; to Catherine Marshall daughter of my brother, Abraham Marshall, £2; to Mary Parleay, daughter of Barnet Parleay, £2. All the remainder of my estate to be sold, and the moneys arising to be equally divided between my two children, excepting that Abraham shall receive £30 more than his sister Martha. I appoint Benjamin Larzelere and Barnet Parleay, executors.

Dated August 12, 1786. Witnesses, Jacob Merse-reau, Daniel Van Clefe, blacksmith; Abraham Slaght, yeoman. Proved, October 12, 1786.

Page 352.—Whereas, JAMES McEVERS, late of New York City, merchant, made a will dated August 12, 1768, and appointed Elizabeth McEvers, Charles Ward Apthorp, and Charles McEvers, his executors; and, whereas, the Court granted the administration unto Charles McEvers, one of the executors, the aforesaid Charles Ward Apthorp, another of the executors, being desirous of being joined in the administration, the Court granted the same on November 14, 1786.

Page 353.—September 14, 1786. JOSEPH OSBURN, Esq., of Cortlandt Manor, Westchester County, New York, to my wife Martha, one-third part of all my real and personal estate, together with the use of the whole until my youngest son arrives at the age of twenty-one years; to my son Samuel, the bald-faced mare; to my son David, the bay mare; to my son Ozias, a colt; to my son Ebenezer, a colt; to Joseph, a horse, to be valued at £15; all the remaining two thirds of my estate to be divided among my five sons and two daughters, Elizabeth and Hannah, share and share alike; if my eldest son, Samuel, inherits from his grandfather, Abraham Wright, he is not to receive his share of the above-mentioned division. I appoint my wife Martha, my sons, Samuel and David, executors.

Witnesses, Nathaniel Smith, John Finch, Samuel Jonah Curtis. Proved, November 7, 1786.

Page 354.—WILLIAM FIELD, Philippsburgh, Westchester County, New York, to my wife, a good maintenance out of my estate during her life; to my grandchildren, Rebecca, Martha, and Elisabeth Fowler, £50 each when they shall come of age; to my daughter Hannah, her heirs, all the land I possess in North Castle, of fifty-two acres; Also a piece of land in Philippsburgh, adjoining widow Miller's (widow of Elijah Miller), of fifty acres; the latter piece of land to be held by my son-in-law, Moses Fowler, during his life; to Moses Fowler, all the rest of my land lying in Philippsburgh, to him, his heirs forever. I appoint Moses Fowler, of

Phillipsburgh, and Caleb Haytt, of North Castle, executors.

Dated September 27, 1786. Witnesses, Joseph Prior, Robert Williams, of North Castle; Moses Fowler. Proved, October 31, 1786.

Page 356.—JACOB ELIAS, City of Hudson, to Thomas Whitlock, £50; to my wife Rachel, all my household goods and furniture; to my son Henry, two equal shares of all my estate; the remainder of my estate to be equally divided among my daughters, Abigail, Rachel, Elizabeth, and Mary, share and share alike; if a son be born to my wife, he to share with my son Henry; if a daughter, she to share with my other daughters. I appoint Peter Silvester, Esq., Caleb Lobdell, and Thomas Whitlock, executors.

Dated October 25, 1786. Witnesses, William Coventry, yeoman; Timothy Allen, William Martin. Proved, November 13, 1786.

Page 358.—CORNELIUS BRADFORD, keeper of the coffee house, City of New York, to my son, William C., twelve silver tablespoons and a silver pint mug; to my wife Catharine, the use of the remainder of my plate while she remains my widow; at her death or marriage, the residue of my plate to be divided among my children; to my son, William C., a bed and black walnut desk; to my son James, a bed; to my wife, one half the residue of my household effects, the balance to be equally divided among my children; to my daughter Tace, when she arrives at the age of twenty-one, my negro girl Mary; to my daughter Catharine, my negro girl Chriss; to my wife, while she is my widow, my negro man, Caesar Henry; my negroes, Dick and Sarah, to be disposed of to the best interest of my wife and children; to my sons, William C. and James, £25 each, to be raised out of my personal estate, the balance of my personal estate to be equally divided among my wife and children; to my wife, my house and lot on Little Queen's street during her widowhood; at her death or

marriage, the same shall be sold and equally divided among my children; my executors to sell my land in New York City, corner of Little Queen's and Smith street, and four lots of land, numbers 318, 319, 341, 342, which I purchased of the commissioners of forfeitures, and situated in the out ward of the City of New York, the money arising to be placed at interest for the maintenance of my wife and children. I appoint my wife Catharine, my sons, William C. and James, and William Denning, executors.

Dated November 6, 1786. Witnesses, Peter Mackie, merchant; Malcom McEuen, plumber; James McHughes. Proved, November 24, 1786.

Page 362.—SAMUEL CONKLING, to my wife Phebe, all my household furniture except my silver tankard; Also the one third of all my lands; to my daughter, Catherine Hawkings, my silver tankard; to my son Zephaniah, the one half of the remainder of my real estate and movables; to my son Joel, the other half of my real estate and movables, he to pay Zephaniah, £50. I appoint my two sons, Zephaniah and Joel, executors.

Dated May 2, 1777. Witnesses, Mary Hosmer, widow, New York City; Lydia Smith, Thomas Fanning. Proved, September 7, 1785.

Page 364.—MICHAEL VAN DER COOK, of Cook's Borough, in the District of Schaticoke, Albany County, New York, to my wife Sarah, £14 annually, from the rents paid by Elisha Arnold, Morris Menel, and Jacob Stover, all of Cook's borough; Also house room in the house where we now live and one milk cow; Also one bed and maintenance during her widowhood; to my eldest son, fifteen shillings as his birthright; the remainder of my estate, both real and personal, to be equally divided among my children and their heirs forever. I appoint my sons, Michael, Simon, and Hendrick, executors.

Dated October 11, 1786. Witnesses, Peter Van

Aulen, Elisha Arnold, Manuel Van Allen, yeoman. Proved, November 16, 1786.

Page 366.—SAMUEL EDSALL, of Goshen, Orange County, New York, my estate, both real and personal, to be sold at public sale, and after my debts are paid, the moneys to be divided among my wife Abigail, and sons, Jesse and Samuel, share and share alike. I appoint my sons, Richard and Jacobus Edsall, and my wife Abigail, executors.

Dated November 2, 1786. Witnesses, George Rankin, Julia Armstrong, Robert Armstrong, Esq. Proved, November 16, 1786.

Page 368.—THOMAS HARRIOT, mariner, formerly of New York City, but now of Jamaica, Queens County, to my nephew, Daniel Harriot, all my wearing apparel; to my sister, Elizabeth Place, wife of Stafford Place, ship carpenter, of Island of Bermuda, all the wearing apparel of my deceased wife; all the remainder of my estate to be sold by my executors, and a sufficient sum to be put aside for the education of my nephew, Daniel Harriot, during his minority. The remainder to be divided as follows: Two shares for my nephew Daniel, two shares to Thomas Harriot Place, son of my sister, Elizabeth Place, and one each to the other children of my sister Elizabeth as shall be living at my decease. I appoint Anthony Van Dam, merchant, of New York, and Cary Ludlow, Esq., executors.

Dated April 28, 1783. Witnesses, Henry Bauer, Richard Betts, Samuel Betts, of Jamaica, L. I. Proved, September 21, 1786.

Page 370.—August 8, 1785. CORNELIUS POLHEMAS, Sr., of Rumbout's Precinct, Dutchess County, New York, to my son Cornelius, all my real and personal estate except one cow, which is to be delivered to my grandson, Daniel McGuin. I appoint my son Cornelius and John Hughson, Sr., executors.

Dated August 8, 1785. Witnesses, James Phillips,



Walter Hughson, James Wells, schoolmaster. Proved, November 29, 1786.

Page 372.—ABNER NASH, of North Carolina, to Thomas Haslin and my daughter Margaret, his wife, seventeen negroes, and I confirm the £200 which I gave him; to my son Abner, thirteen negroes, and a sum of money not exceeding £1,000 to purchase a tract of land on Tar River; Also one half of the lands I hold on the western waters, which lay on west side of Appalachian Mountains; to my daughter Margaret, her heirs forever, the other half of said lands; if my son Abner should die before he arrives at the age of twenty-one, all I have given him to be divided—one third to his sister Margaret, one third to his sister Justina, and the other third to the children of my present wife; his plantation to be stocked, and I appoint the Hon. William Blount, Esq., his guardian until he arrives at lawful age; to my daughter Justina, six young negroes, and all the houses, lots of land I possess in the Town of Newburn; the new house opposite Oliver's tavern shall be furnished for her; to my wife, all my negroes which I obtained by marriage with her, and one third of my plantation stock and household furniture; the residue to the children of my present wife to be equally divided among them. I appoint Jacob Blount, Sr., Alfred Moore, Thomas Pearson, and William Blount, Esquires, executors.

Dated November 22, 1786. Witnesses, John Cochran, Charles McKnight, Willie Blount, of North Carolina, at present a student in the College of New York.

*Codicil.* The money arising from the sales of the Indigo in the hands of David and Matthew Duncan, and the hands of Gardner and Wilson, be paid into the hands of Mrs. John Ramsay, that my son be continued at school at this place and supported out of the said money. Mr. Ramsay to pay my Doctor's bill, Mrs. Sebring's account for board and lodging, and all my just debts. He to lay out such goods as he shall judge best

for the New Burn Market, and ship the same to Mr. Thomas Pearson, one of my executors.

Dated November 25, 1786. Witnesses, Elizabeth Sebring, Willie Blount. Proved, December 12, 1786.

Page 376.—JAMES COLVIN, mariner, of City of New York, to my wife Mary, the whole of my estate, real and personal. I appoint my wife executrix.

Dated August 16, 1776. Witnesses, John Anderson, James Smith, James Riker, Attorney-at-Law. Proved, December 16, 1786, when Mary Williams, late Mary Colvin, qualified as executrix.

Page 378.—CATHARINE REMSEN, Newtown, Queens County, New York, to Dorothy Riker, wife of John Riker, all my rights and interests in a house and water lot at Burling's slip which was willed me by my son Jeronimus, which will was never proved; Also my Dutch Bible, to her, her heirs forever; to Elizabeth Fish, daughter of my brother, John Fish, my cloak and petticoat, to her, her heirs forever; all the remainder of my wearing apparel I give to my niece, Mary Renne, to her, her heirs forever; all the remainder of my estate shall be divided as follows: One ninth to my nephew, Cornelius Berrian; one ninth to my niece, Ruth Hallett; one ninth to my nephew, John Berrian Riker; one ninth to my nephew Samuel Riker; one ninth to my niece, Ruth Lawrence; one ninth to my niece, Mary Renne; one ninth to my niece, Sarah Woods; one ninth equally divided between Nicholas and Sarah Fish, children of my nephew, Jonathan Fish; one ninth equally divided between Margaret Riker and Jane Riker, widow and daughter of my nephew, Abraham Riker, to each of them, their heirs forever; my silver to be sold to the best bidders among the legatees. I appoint my nephew, Samuel Riker, and Peter Rapalje, executors.

Dated September 7, 1785. Witnesses, John Culver, yeoman; Jacobus Debevoise, Jonathan Sackett. Proved, December 6, 1786.

Page 380.—ANN SHARPE, widow of Richard Sharpe, of New York City, to Richard, Ann, Thomas, Dorothy, Mary, and Sarah Sharpe, children of John Sharpe, brother of my deceased husband, each £500 sterling of Great Britain; to my niece, Helen Kissam, daughter of my deceased sister, Catherine Kissam, £1,000; to the trustees of the Episcopal Charity School of the City of New York, £50, for the use of the school; to Peter R., Benjamin, Richard, Adrian, Samuel, and Helena, children of my sister Catherine, deceased, respectively and to their heirs forever one full and equal undivided sixth part of all my real estate which I held in my own right during the life of my deceased husband. I empower my executors to sell all the residue of my real estate, and the moneys so arising from such sale, together with all my personal estate (after the payment of the above legacies), I give to the said six children of my sister, Catherine Kissam, to each an equal seventh part; the remaining equal seventh part to my sister, Helena Scot. I appoint my niece, Helena Kissam, Adrian Kissam, my nephew, Cornelius J. Bogert, Attorney-at-law; James Desbrosses, and Abraham Walton, executors.

Dated June 24, 1786. Witnesses, Joseph Hallett, merchant; Cornelius Bradford, Garret Abeel. Proved, December 18, 1786.

Page 383.—WILLIAM GILBERT, baker, of City of New York, to my son John, his heirs forever, the house and lot of ground now in his possession which I bought of John Dally, adjoining to the house and lot of ground of John Bogert, Esq., together with the water lot in rear of said house, which I purchased of the Mayor, Alderman, and Commonalty of the City of New York, my son John paying into my residuary estate £610 three months after my decease; to my son William, his heirs forever, the house and lot of ground wherein I now live which I bought of Ariantie Devoren, situated in Prince street in the City of New York, he paying

into my residuary estate £310 within three months after my decease; to my son Aaron, his heirs forever, the house and lot of ground which I bought of William Spoor, situated in Broadway in the City of New York, next to the house and lot of ground now in possession of John Bogert, and being now in possession of my said son Aaron, on condition that he pay into my residuary estate £210 within three months after my decease; to my daughter Margaret, wife of Thomas Fardon, the house and lot of ground wherein they now live, being in the west ward of the City of New York, to her, her heirs forever, on condition that she pay into my residuary estate £489, from the first day of May, to pay the annual rent of £8, to the time of my decease. I have already by settlement made provision for my daughter Catherine, wife of William Van Dursen, and for my daughter Elizabeth, the wife of Beekman Van Beuren. All the residue of my real and personal estate not herein disposed of, and including all sums paid by my children or their heirs, one full and equal fifth part to my son John, his heirs forever; one other full and equal fifth part to my son William, his heirs forever; one other full and equal fifth part to my son Aaron, his heirs forever; one other such full and equal fifth part to my daughter Margaret, her heirs forever; the remaining full and equal part among the four children of my daughter Mary, deceased, late wife of George Harsen, namely, Angletie, George, Aaron, and Garret, to them, their heirs forever. I appoint my three sons, John, William, and Aaron, executors.

Dated April 5, 1769. John King, mason; Abraham Brouwer, carpenter; Abraham Van Gelder. Proved, July 23, 1784.

Page 387.—DANIEL YOUNGS, SR., of Oyster Bay Township, in Queens County, New York, to my wife Hannah, £24 a year, the privilege of half my house where I now live, one cow, one hundred and fifty weight of pork and one hundred of beef yearly, and

the privilege of a horse and chair; Also the one equal half of all my household furniture, to her, her heirs forever; to my eldest son, Daniel, Jr., £300, to be paid him at the death of his uncle, Thomas Youngs; to my granddaughters, Elizabeth and Penelope Youngs, daughters of my son Samuel, the other equal half of my household goods equally between them; to my grandson, Richard Williams, £250, to be paid to him when he arrives at the age of twenty-one years; to my son Samuel, all the remainder of my real and personal estate, he paying all debts and legacies. I appoint my brother, Thomas Youngs, and my two sons, Daniel and Samuel, executors.

Dated November 7, 1784. Witnesses, Thomas Fleet, William McCoun, yeoman; Harmon Lefford. Proved, December 20, 1786.

Page 389.—STEPHEN HICKS, yeoman, of Flushing, in Queens County, New York, to my wife Charlotte, my gold watch; all the rest of my movable estate shall be sold by my executors at public sale, the moneys arising from this sale to be given as follows: To my wife, the equal one-half part, to her, her heirs forever; the other equal half part shall be put out at interest, the yearly interest whereof I give to my niece Mary, daughter of my brother, William Hicks, until she arrives at lawful age; the principal to be paid to my niece when she arrives at lawful age; if my niece dies before reaching lawful age, then I give the said principal to my brother, William Hicks, his heirs forever; in consideration what I have given to my wife Charlotte, to resign her right of dower unto my executors within six months after my decease of, in and to my real or personal estate; all my whole real estate, together with the dwelling house, barn, and other buildings thereon in the Townships of Flushing and Hempstead or elsewhere, to my said niece Mary, to her, her heirs forever; my negro man named George I give free—after my decease, and is to be maintained out of my estate so as not to be-

come a burden to the Township of Flushing. I appoint Stephen Van Wyke and my brother, William Hicks, yeoman, both of Flushing, executors.

Dated November 12, 1786. Witnesses, Philip Lawrence, North Hempstead, yeoman; Colin Smith, Frederick Jahn. Proved, December 18, 1786.

Page 392.—September 14, 1786. HENRY DEMLER, of Ulster County, New York, to David Brooks and Richard Platt, of New York, to them, their heirs forever, all my lands, tenements, hereditaments; Also all my goods, chattels; for them to sell the same, and after all my just debts and funeral charges are paid from the moneys so arising, the residue of my estate (if any there be) are discharged unto my mother Susannah, unto her sole use and disposal. I appoint the above mentioned, David Brooks, and Richard Platt, executors.

Witnesses, Adolph Degrove, Sr., Isaac Belknap, Sr., yeoman; John Du Bois, Sr. Proved, December 30, 1786.

Page 393.—April 29, 1784. JOHN WOOLEY, farmer, of Great Neck, New York, to my wife, the privilege of a large room and bedroom in my dwelling house and necessary furniture for the same, during her life, the use of one of my negro woman slaves, one horse, my riding chair, two beds and bedding, two milk cows, sufficient firewood to be supplied by my two sons, John and Samuel; Also £40 out of my personal and movable estate, which I order to be sold by my executors, to be paid her yearly during her natural life for her maintenance; to my two sons, John and Samuel, my ferry boat, crafts, and canoes, with the appurtenances, and my fishing seine, to be equally divided between them; Also a negro man slave and a horse, at their respective choice; Also my working oxen, with all my wagons, carts, plows, harrows, hoes, axes, spades and shovels, and all the green corn and grain that shall be standing



and growing on my late farm at my decease, with all grain in house, stack, or barrack, cider mill and press, to be equally divided between them, share and share alike; to my son John, £500 like money out of my personal and movable estate, all which (except what is herein otherwise disposed of) to be sold by my executors at public sale; to my son Samuel, £300; to my son Benjamin, £150; to my son Henry, £80; to my daughter, Elizabeth Van Nostrandt, £50; out of movable and personal estate when sold and disposed of, if there shall be sufficient for that purpose, and in case the same shall not be sufficient, then my said sons, Samuel, Benjamin, and Henry, and my daughter Elizabeth, to be abated in proportion to the respective sums so given them; if any of my children should die, the share of the one so dying to be divided among his heirs or survivors. Whereas, my sons, Joseph and Thomas, have heretofore received of me considerable part of the money belonging to the estate of my son William, deceased, to my son John, one bed and bedding, and I release to the heirs of Luke Van Nostrandt, late husband of my daughter Elizabeth, a bond for the principal sum of £160, the interest thereof to be canceled in case the same shall not be done in my lifetime; Also to my son John, three milk cows; my sons, Joseph and Thomas, are not interested by any devise to them herein, they having heretofore received an equivalent of my estate. I order the support of my wife may be the more equally borne amongst all my said sons than in the manner herein ordered, that instead of the yearly sum of £40 being paid during her life out of my personal estate, that my said six sons, John, Henry, Joseph, Benjamin, Samuel, and Thomas, do secure to my executors the said yearly sum of £40, to be equally paid amongst them, the residue of all my estate to be divided equally among my said six sons. I appoint my two sons, John and Samuel, and Daniel Kessam, executors.

Witnesses, Henry Stocker, Phillip Allen, Jr., yeo-

man; Isaac Burr, New York City, merchant. Proved, December 26, 1786.

Page 397.—NATHAN JAGGAR, of Southampton, Suffolk County, New York, to my children, Abigail Bishop, Nathan, Elias, Jeremiah Jaggar, and Charity Post, five shillings each; to my grandson, Jeremiah Jaggar, the third, all my lands and meadow; Also one quarter of fifth right, throughout the bounds of this town, by him and his heirs forever. I appoint my grandson, Jeremiah Jaggar, executor.

Dated September 27, 1782. Witnesses, Silas Hallsy, Jr., physician; Stephen Bishop, yeoman; Charity Bishop. Proved, October 5, 1786.

Page 398.—June 5, 1783. SAMUEL RANDAL, of Brookhaven, Suffolk County, New York, to my son Stephen, all my lands, meadows, buildings, and tenements; Also all my real estate, to him, his heirs forever; my cattle, sheep and hogs, together with my farming utensils of all kinds; to my daughter Ketury, two silver teaspoons; to my granddaughter, Hannah Sexton, two silver tablespoons and two silver teaspoons; all the rest of my household furniture to my daughters, Ketury and Phebe, to be equally divided between them; to my grandson, Jeffery Randal, my mare and colt, and all my wearing apparel, and after paying my debts and funeral charges, I give him all the remainder of my money, with all my credits and obligations for money whatsoever. I appoint my son Stepson, John Leek, executors.

Witnesses, David Davis, Isaac Robbins, John Leek. Proved, October 5, 1786.

Page 400.—CHRISTOPHER YOUNGS, yeoman, of Southold, Suffolk County, New York, to my daughter Joanna, to her heirs forever, all my personal or movable estate, stock, household goods, money, bonds, notes, with every kind of movable estate; my wife shall have the use of all or as much of the above-said movable

estate as she thinks necessary so long as she remains my widow; then after my wife's interest in the said goods, my will is that they should be delivered to my daughter, Joanna Wells, or her heirs, as above mentioned. I appoint my son, James Youngs, and my son-in-law, Daniel Wells, executors.

Dated November 23, 1774. Witnesses, Joseph Corwin, Eli Corwin, yeoman; Isaiah Wells, yeoman. Proved, October 4, 1786.

Page 402.—WINES OSBORN, of Southold, Suffolk County, New York. I order my executors to sell as much of my estate as they shall think best to pay my just debts and funeral charges; to my wife Helen, the use and improvement of all the remainder of my estate, both real and personal, as long as she remains my widow; after her decease or marriage, I give the said estate to my three daughters, Mehitable Horton, Helen and Elizabeth Osborn, to be equally divided between them, excepting that my daughter, Mehitable Horton's, share shall be less than either of my other daughters' share by £36, and excepting also that I give my son Wines so much of my said remaining estate as, when added to the value of the meadow given him after my decease by his grandfather, Daniel Osborn, deceased, shall be equal to the share of either of my younger daughters. I appoint my wife Helen and my brother Daniel, executors.

Dated March 9, 1786. Witnesses, Daniel Osborn, Attorney; Benjamin Payne, Hull Osborn, yeoman. Proved, November 6, 1786.

Page 404 —JOSEPH JAUNCEY, mariner, of New York City, to my wife Susannah, all my estate, real and personal. I appoint my wife sole executrix.

Dated July 15, 1768. Witnesses, Henry H. Kip, Inspector of Potash; Charles Nicoll, Jr., Sarah Nicoll. Proved, January 6, 1787, when Susannah Vardill, formerly Susannah Jauncey, qualified as executrix.

Page 405.—November 10, 1786. STEPHEN BURTIS, wheelwright, of Beekman's Precinct, Dutchess County, New York, to my wife Amy, one bed and bedding, one iron pot and kettle and copper tea kettle, together with all my wearing apparel; Also the use of all my lands, with all the privileges thereunto belonging, as long as she remains my widow or otherwise until my son Isaac shall arrive at lawful age, and all such movable effects my executors shall judge most expedient to be sold at public sale; if my widow remarries, besides the things already mentioned, she shall have the cupboard, six chairs, one chest, all the pewter dishes, and all her linen. I appoint my wife Amy and her brother, Robert Brush, and my cousin, David Burtis, executors.

Witnesses, John Burtis, Andrew Skidmore, farmer; Samuel Crandel. Proved, December 20, 1786.

Page 407.—October 2, 1786. MONMOUTH HART, of White Plains, Westchester County, New York, to my wife Rachel, her heirs forever, my negro woman, Silvia, one horse, two cows, two beds and furniture to them, her side saddle, and bridle and linen that is made use of in my family; to my son Abraham, his heirs forever, one mare and one cow; my executors to sell all the remainder of my movable estate remaining on the farm, the moneys so arising I give to my daughters, Hannah Purdy, Mary Ann Bishop, £20 each; to my daughter, Rachel Fowler, £60, for her use and benefit, and also pay and discharge for all my funeral charges and doctor's bill; all the money still remaining in the hands of my executors shall be equally divided between my wife and my son Robert; if my wife die or marry, the last-named legacy be returned to my estate, and equally divided among my sons, James, Robert, and Abraham; all the bonds, notes, and book debts due to me, to my wife and son Robert, and to their use; that is to the use of my son Robert forever his half, and the other half to the use of my wife while she remains my widow; after that period to be equally divided

among my sons, James, Robert, and Abraham; to my son James, his heirs forever, all the land I purchased of Joshua Carhartt, Isaac Meritt, and Samuel Purdy, as by the several deeds from them will appear; to my son Robert, his heirs forever, my dwelling house and all the lands lying on the east side of the road which I purchased of Robert Travis, as by his deed may appear, he at the same time allowing his mother the privilege of living in the common dwelling room, with the use of the northwest bedroom, as long as she remains my widow; Also pasture for her two cows and horse; to my son Abraham, his heirs forever, all the lands given me by my father, Monmouth Hart, lying on the south side of the road opposite my dwelling house; my son Abraham to allow my wife the privilege of ten loads of wood and four loads of hay yearly while she remains my widow. I owe sundry notes and bonds to different persons, and I order my sons, James and Abraham, discharge the same, James paying £200, and Abraham paying all the remainder of such debts being due unto Joseph Hart, Joshua Carhartt, Monmouth Purdy, and Ezekiel Bishop. My executors are to sell all my lands lying and being in Cortlandt Manor, purchased of Elisha Covert and Bartholomew Gedney (executors to the last will of John Gedney); the money arising from such sale, first I give to my grandchildren, the children of my son Jonathan, deceased, £310, to be equally divided among them; my executors to put the £310 out at interest, and interest so arising to be paid to my daughter-in-law, Elizabeth Bloomer, for her taking care and bringing up my said grandchildren; my executors to pay to each of my grandchildren as follows: To the sons, their proportion as they come to the age of twenty-one years, and the daughters as they arrive at the age of eighteen years of age in succession; if either of the children die before reaching lawful age, the share of the one so dying to be equally divided among the survivors. All the remainder of the money arising from the sale of lands

in Cortlandt Manor I give to my sons, James and Abraham, their heirs forever, James receiving one third and Abraham two thirds of that sum; my son James pay one third of all the expenses, and my son Abraham two thirds of the expenses of proving my will and the charges of the executors about settling my estate; the money in my hands be applied towards paying the present taxes. I release my son James from the £100 sum I loaned him; to my sons, James, Robert, and Abraham, their heirs forever, all my privileges in Rye Ferry granted to me by my father, Monmouth Hart, deceased. I appoint my wife and my sons, James, Robert, and Abraham, executors.

Witnesses, Abraham Hatfield, yeoman; Ebenezer Purdy, Isaac Sniffen. Proved, January 4, 1787.

Page 411.—July 24, 1775. SARAH HAIGHT, wife of Joseph Haight, of the Manor of Philipsburgh, Westchester County, New York, to my daughter, Mary Titus, £5; to my daughter, Hannah Rider, £20; to my daughter, Sarah Hallock, £20; to my daughter, Marcea Smith, £20; to my daughter, Deborah Adams, £20; to my daughter, Elisebeth Fowler, £20; my executors to pay to Elisebeth as she shall need it; all my wearing apparel to my four daughters, Hannah Rider, Marcea Smith, Deborah Adams, and Elisebeth Fowler; all the remainder of my estate to be divided equally among my three sons and grandson; to my son Elija, one equal fourth part; to my son John, one equal fourth part; to James, one equal fourth part; to my grandson, Elexander Youngs, one equal fourth part. I appoint my three sons, Elija Youngs, John Youngs, and James Youngs, executors.

Dated July 24, 1775. Witnesses, Benjamin Smith, Jonathan Baker, yeoman. Proved, January 6, 1787.

Page 413.—JOSEPH PIXLEY, of Claverack, to my wife Ann, a good and sufficient maintenance out of my estate while she remain my widow; if she marries, I give her



£30; to my daughter Lydia, £10, to be paid one year after my decease; to my daughter Mary, the same equivalent to what my daughter Lydia hath had except the last-mentioned £10; to my son Aaron, being my eldest son, £10 as his birthright; the remainder of my estate to be equally divided among my sons, Aaron, Squire, Elijah, Nathaniel, Jonah, William, and Ephraim Pixley, my sons to pay my lawful debts. I appoint Abraham Fonda, Esq., and William White, executors.

Dated March 8, 1760. Witnesses, Peter A. Fonda, Lawrence Fonda, Esq., John Smith. Proved, December 9, 1786.

Page 415.—ISAAC DAY, of New York City, to my wife Susannah, all my estate, real and personal, lands and tenements, goods and chattels, to sell, rent, dispose of as she should think fit during her widowhood; if my wife dies or marries, then what remains of my estate, I order my executors to sell, and the money so arising to be divided as follows: To my daughter Ann, wife of Pexcel Fowler, and her children, namely, Isaac Day Fowler, Ann Fowler, Pexcel Fowler, and John Fowler, each an equal part, to them, their heirs forever. I appoint my wife Susannah, John Day, son of John Day; William Day, son of Abraham Day, executors.

Dated January 24, 1777. Witnesses, John Fowler, Robert Finley, David Oakley, of Yonkers, Esq. Proved, January 13, 1787.

Page 417.—December 22, 1786. JACOBUS MILLER, of Montgomery Precinct, Ulster County, New York, to my sons, James and George, all that land and tenements wherein I now live for to divide equally, the line to run east and west; my son George to have the buildings on the said farm, all the said lands and tenements, stock and farm utensils; to my wife during her natural life, after her death to my son George, three good horses and one wagon and tackling, one sleigh, a

plow, a harrow, and all the tackling belonging to them; to my daughter Sarah, the youngest negro wench belonging to me; Also when she is married for to an outset as her sister has had; Also I give to my wife a young wench named Dine; after her death, the same to belong to my son George; all the rest of the goods and chattels belonging to me to be equally divided among my children, Susannah Watson, Jemima Miller, James, George and Sarah Miller.

Witnesses, James Fitzgerald, Johannes Felter, yeoman; Phillip Crist. Proved, January 3, 1787. On January 15, 1787, the testator having neglected to appoint executors, the Court appointed the widow Mary and sons, James and George Miller, to administer the estate.

Page 419.—ANN VAN HORNE, of City of New York, widow of David Van Horne, merchant, deceased, to my son David, according to the power given to me in my husband's will, the dwelling house and store adjoining, situated on the southwest side of Wall Street, with the ground unto them belonging; Also £25, and the like sum to each of my daughters, Ann, Susan, Catherine, Cornelia, and Elizabeth, to purchase a suit of mourning; all the residue of my estate, real and personal, to be divided among my five said daughters, share and share alike, as tenants in common. I appoint my son David and daughter Ann, and the survivor of them, executors.

Dated December 7, 1786. Witnesses, Benjamin Moore, Charles Startin, Garrit Keteltas, merchant. Proved, January 15, 1787.

Page 420.—December 3, 1786. DAVID CONKLING, of Huntington, Suffolk County, New York, my executors to sell all my lands, buildings, and movable estate except what is hereafter disposed of, and give good and sufficient titles for the same, as I myself could if living; to my wife Sibbel, all my household goods, one

cow, and £15 to her own disposal; to my son David, £10, to his heirs forever; to my two daughters, Almada and Phebe, £7 apiece, to them, their heirs forever; to my three sons, Daniels, Philetus, and Esra Conkling, £7 to them, their heirs forever; to my two daughters, Ruth and Keturah, £5 each, to them, their heirs forever; if either of my children should die under lawful age, or without lawful issue, then their part to be divided according to their several proportions; if my estate should fall short of making up the above-said legacies, then a deduction to be made according to their several proportion above said, and if otherwise, to be added. I appoint Timothy Conkling, Sr., and John Ketcham, executors.

Witnesses, Silas Carll, Daniel Wiggins, physician; Moses Wickes. Proved, January 1, 1787.

Page 422.—MARGARET GREEN, widow, of City of New York, to my daughter, Margaret Bell, all my personal estate whatsoever; I also give the care, tuition, and guardianship of my daughter, Margaret Bell, until she attain the age of twenty-one years, unto my friends, John Maloney, of New York City, victualler; George Glinthworth, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Doctor of physic, and ——— Levy, of the said City of Philadelphia, gentleman. I appoint John Maloney, George Glinthworth, Mr. Levy, executors.

Dated September 1, 1786. Witnesses, John Crosby, John Clayton, conveyancer. Proved, January 15, 1787.

Page 423.—JONATHAN THORN, Beekman's Precinct, Dutchess County, New York, to my son Gilbert, £5; to my son Samuel and my daughter Cornelia, £50 each; the remainder of my personal and real estate to be divided among my other children, James, Cornelius, Robert, and Catharine, when they arrive at the age of twenty-one years. I appoint my sons, Gilbert and Stephen, and John Cooke, executors.

Dated September 20, 1776. Witnesses, Robert Van

Rensselaer, Samuel Smith, merchant; Killian Van Rensselaer, Jr. Proved, May 20, 1784.

Page 425.—SAMUEL T. PELL, late of County of Westchester, New York, all my estate, both real and personal, to my mother, brothers, and sisters, share and share alike, the share of my mother to remain in the hands of the executors during her life; at her decease to be equally divided among my brothers and sisters, provided that out of the same, £50 shall be given to Charles ——— of my brother Philip; Also a riding horse and proper maintenance to my father. I appoint my father, my brothers, Philip and David, executors.

Dated March 14, 1781. Witnesses, Thomas Thomas, Samuel Drake, Nathan Rockwell, Esq. Proved, January 17, 1787.

Page 426.—BENJAMIN SEARS, of Southeast Precinct, Dutchess County, New York, to my wife Abigail, one-third part of all my household goods, debts, and movable effects; to my son Benjamin, £5; to my daughter Lydia, twenty shillings; to my daughter Abigail, twenty shillings; to my son Sunderlin, one ox; the balance of my stock, household goods, and movable effects to be equally divided among my sons, Benjamin, Stephen, and Seth and my daughter Mercy. I appoint my son Seth and my son-in-law, Shan Young, executors.

Dated March 25, 1781. Witnesses, James Sackett, Edmond Wright, farmer; Joseph Sackett. Proved, January 12, 1787.

Page 428.—ADAM LAWRENCE, Esq., high sheriff of Queens County, Long Island, New York, to my three daughters, Deborah Van Wyck, Sarah Hewlett, and Catharine Platt, £100 each; to my granddaughters, Elizabeth and Deborah Lawrence (daughters of my son, George Lawrence, deceased), £50 each; to my grandson, Philip Lawrence, son of my son George, £160, to be paid him by my eldest son, Dr. Daniel Lawrence, as soon as he shall be in possession of that part

of my real estate hereinafter devised to him; to my son Stephen, a negro boy named Aaron; all the rest of my personal estate equally to be divided between my sons, Stephen and Clark, share and share alike; to my son, Dr. Daniel Lawrence, their heirs forever, all that tract of land on the east side of the road leading from the great plains to Captain Samuel Cornell's, on which I now live, bounded on the north by the Adriances and of Mr. Charles Crommelin; Also a piece of woodland bounded on the south and west by the lands of John Hageman and Philip S. Platt, and on the east by the lands of Daniel Duryea and the estate of my son George, deceased, containing about twenty acres; to my son Clark, his heirs forever, a piece of land lying in front of the house of Albert and Jacob Adriance, containing about forty acres; Also the piece of woodland lying on the hills to the northwest of the Adriances' house, and bounded easterly and northerly by the lands of Obadiah Cornell, easterly by the lands of Thomas Foster and Thomas Mitchell, containing twenty-odd acres. I appoint my son-in-law, James Hewlett, and my sons, Stephen and Clarke, executors.

Dated March 6, 1768. Witnesses, Joseph Young, Gabriel G. Ludlow, Colonel in His Majesty's service; George D. Ludlow, Judge of the Supreme Court, Province of New York. Proved, July 19, 1780.

Page 431.—JOHN WILLETT, farmer, of Flushing, Long Island, New York, to my granddaughter, Sarah Morrell, the interest of £200 during her natural life; at her death, the principal to be divided among her children, share and share alike, all my lands, meadows, tenements, situated within two miles of my now dwelling, to be equally divided between my grandson, Lawrence Willett, and my great-grandson, John Willett, to them, their heirs forever. If either die before lawful age or legal issue, his share to revert to my estate; all the lands, meadows, and tenements situated beyond the two-mile limit to my house are to be sold by my

executors, and the moneys so arising to be estimated as part of my personal estate; to my grandson, Lawrence Willett, two horses, two milk cows, one wagon, and farming implements; to my great-grandson, John Willett, three milk cows or the value thereof when he arrives at lawful age; one third of the residue of my personal estate shall be placed at interest, and the interest arising shall be paid to my daughter Deborah during her natural life; at her death the principal to be equally divided between her two children, Lawrence Hewlett and Elizabeth Davenport, share and share alike; one other third part to be placed at interest, and the moneys so arising to be paid my daughter Helena for her natural life; at her death the principal to be divided among her children, James, Thomas, Willett, and Sarah Talman; the other third paid to be at interest, and the interest so arising to be paid my granddaughter, Elizabeth Willett Hallett, for her natural life; at her death the principal to be divided among her children; to my grandson, Lawrence Willett, all my wearing apparel. I appoint Leonard Lawrence, of Flushing; my grandsons, Lawrence Hewlett and James Hewlett, executors.

Dated December 7, 1785. Witnesses, John Waters, Isaac Brinkernoff, yeomen; Whitehead Field, Daniel Kissam. Proved, January 19, 1787.

Page 435.—MARY ANNA HENDRICKSON, widow of Johannes Hendrickson, South Hempstead, Queens County, to my sister, Martha Smith, my petticoat; to my brother, James Eldered, £3; all the remainder of my estate, both real and personal, to my son Henry, his heirs forever. I appoint my son Henry and my cousin, James Pettit, executors.

Dated August 20, 1786. Witnesses, Increase Pettit, yeoman; Israel Smith, John Pettit, yeoman. Proved, January 23, 1787.



of my real estate hereinafter devised to him; to my son Stephen, a negro boy named Aaron; all the rest of my personal estate equally to be divided between my sons, Stephen and Clark, share and share alike; to my son, Dr. Daniel Lawrence, their heirs forever, all that tract of land on the east side of the road leading from the great plains to Captain Samuel Cornell's, on which I now live, bounded on the north by the Adriances and of Mr. Charles Cronmelyn; Also a piece of woodland bounded on the south and west by the lands of John Hageman and Philip S. Platt, and on the east by the lands of Daniel Durvea and the estate of my son George, deceased, containing about twenty acres; to my son Clark, his heirs forever, a piece of land lying in front of the house of Albert and Jacob Adriance, containing about forty acres; Also the piece of woodland lying on the hills to the northwest of the Adriances' house, and bounded easterly and northerly by the lands of Obadiah Cornell, easterly by the lands of Thomas Foster and Thomas Mitchell, containing twenty-odd acres. I appoint my son-in-law, James Hewlett, and my sons, Stephen and Clarke, executors.

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Dated August 20, 1786. Witnesses, Inceas Pettit, yeoman; Israel Smith, John Pettit, yeoman. Proved, January 23, 1787.

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Page 1.—MARGARET DE PEYSTER, widow, of New York City, to my son James and Sarah, his wife, one equal half part of all my farm in Bergen County, now in possession of the widow of Johannes Car-mayhar, deceased; together with one half of my un-divided third part of other lands situated near the farm aforesaid, now in possession of persons hav-ing no title to the same and against whom I am in-formed a verdict and judgment have been obtained; the same to them, their children, forever; to my son Frederick the remaining one equal half part during his natural life; if he should marry, to devise the same to his wife (if he shall think proper) to hold the same during the time she shall remain his widow; if my son die leaving no lawful issue, or his wife die or remarry, I give the other one half equal part to my son James and his wife Sarah; also my lots on Broadway, bounded southwesterly by Cortlandt Street; also one equal undivided seventh part of the residue of my real estate not here devised; to them and the survivor of them in trust to and for the use of all the children of James already begotten and to be begotten within thirty years after my decease; at the death of my son James and his wife or the latter's remarriage, I give the lots of ground fronting Broad-way to Abraham De Peyster, the eldest son of my son James, if he shall be living; but if he die leaving no issue I devise the same to the surviving children of my son James to be equally divided among them as ten-ants in common; to my five children, Catharine, wife of John Livingston, Frederick, Margaret, wife of Will-iam Axtell, Mary, wife of John Charlton, and Eliza-beth, wife of Mathew Clarkson, to them, their heirs forever, five other equal undivided seventh parts of

the residue of my real estate, together with five equal undivided seventh parts of my personal estate; to my daughter, Eve De Peyster, the remaining one equal undivided seventh part of the residue of my real estate; also one equal seventh part of my personal estate, during her natural life; after her death, to her children; if Eve should die without lawful issue I give the same to each of my remaining six children, share and share alike; the remaining one equal seventh part of my personal estate to all the children of my son James, to be equally divided among them; to my daughter Eve, my negro wench, named Sarah, now in the possession of my son James; to Margaret De Peyster, daughter of my son James, my turtle shell tea box, also my negro girl, named Wyntje, also in possession of my son James; for the better and more speedy division of my estate, I authorize James De Peyster, Frederick De Peyster, John Livingston, Will-iam Axtell, Mathew Clarkson, John Charlton, and Eve De Peyster to nominate and appoint three disin-terested men to divide and lay out my farm in Bergen County into two parcels of equal value to cause my two sons, James and Frederick (in case they shall not agree) to cast lots for the choice of the same; also the said three persons to divide my pasture ground in New York City, near fresh water and at a place formerly called the Calc Hook, into seven equal parts, to give my son James the choice of one of them and my other six children to cast lots for their choice. I appoint my two sons, James and Frederick, and my son-in-law John Livingston, executors.

Dated December 22, 1769. Witnesses, James Van Cortlandt, Augustus Van Cortlandt, Esq., John Jay. Proved, March 27, 1770. On May 24, 1787, the execu-tors, Frederick De Peyster and John Livingston, hav-ing since died, and James De Peyster, the other execu-tor, having refused to serve, the Court appointed John Charlton, physician of New York, to administer the estate.

Page 9.—January 3, 1787. WILLIAM FARQUHAR, Physician of New York City, to my son James, Merchant, of above city, to him, his heirs forever, all my estate, both real and personal. I appoint my son James sole executor.

Witnesses, Hugh Gaine, bookseller; John Rice, Nicholas Romaine. Proved, June 11, 1787.

Page 10.—ABRAHAM BLAAU, Carpenter of New York City, to my sisters, Cornelia Cross, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Sarah Jarvis, of New York City, all my bonds, notes, interest, moneys, and book debts, to be equally divided between them (excepting such legacies, gifts, or bequests as may be contained in the last Will of my father, Uriah Blaau, deceased) toward me with the interest thereon, together with all the residue of my estate. I give to the children of my sister, Sarah Jarvis, to be equally divided amongst them; in case my sister, Cornelia Cross, should die before the receiving of such moneys as may be due to me then and in no other wise her proportion shall devolve to children of my sister, Sarah Jarvis, to be equally divided among them. I appoint Arthur Jarvis, executor.

Dated March 13, 1787. Witnesses, Charles Jarvis, merchant; Thomas Benedict. Proved, June 14, 1787.

Page 12.—PHEBE CORNELL, widow of Richard Cornell, late of Flushing, Queens County, New York, to my granddaughter, Mary Pell, £20 to be put out at interest for her use, and to be paid to her when she arrives at lawful age; to my daughter Anne my clock and easy chair; all the rest of my movable estate, except my cash, notes, and bonds, to my two daughters, Phebe Pearsall and Anne Cornell, to them, their heirs, share and share alike; to my son, Charles Cornell, his heirs, £200, to be paid out of my lands as soon as they can be sold after my decease; out of the above sum to be deducted whatever sum he may be indebted to

me; all the residue of my estate, both real and personal, to be divided as follows: one equal third part to my daughter, Phebe Pearsall, and her heirs; one equal third part to the three sons of my daughter, Anne Cornell, namely, Joseph, Thomas, and Samuel; their shares to be put out at interest for their use until the youngest arrives at lawful age, when they are each to receive their respective shares; to my granddaughter, Mary Pell, the remaining third part. I order my executors to put her share at interest or purchase some real estate for her use and benefit, whichever they may think best; with liberty to sell the same and invest as they think most for her interest; one half to be paid her when she arrives at lawful age or marries; the other half to be paid seven years afterwards; if my granddaughter die before lawful age and without legal issue, then I give one equal half of the above share to my daughter, Phebe Pearsall, her heirs, the other equal half to my three grandsons, Joseph, Thomas, and Samuel, subject to the same conditions above mentioned. I appoint my son-in-law, Thomas Pearsall, my son, Charles Cornell, and my daughter, Phebe Pearsall, executors.

Dated May 2, 1786. Robert Townsend, Henry Mitchell, Rudolphus Bogert, writing clerk. Proved, June 17, 1787.

Page 15.—DANIEL VAN VLECK, cordwainer, of New York City, to my wife Vrontje the estate in Ferry street, house No. 5, now in my possession, she shall have and enjoy the same as long as she remains my widow; if she marries again, then she shall have all her wearing apparel and half a dollar paid to her by my executors; Also my household furniture, beds, and bedding, and all utensils whatsoever. I order and empower my wife to sell, dispose of, the above-bequeathed estate, also all my other effects, provided she is still my widow, and that she consults my executors respecting the selling of the above-mentioned



estate and effects. I appoint my wife VROUTJE, Abraham Beninger, storekeeper, and Philip Sykes, cordwainer, both of New York City, executors.

Dated May 24, 1786. Witnesses, James Birkby, Leopold Beck, Peter Durand.

*Codicil.* I empower and authorize my wife VROUTJE to sell and dispose of the house and lot of ground, No 5, in Ferry street, in manner and form as directed in above will, and give a deed for the same to the purchaser thereof in fee simple; if my wife die and not sell my estate, I order and empower my said executors, Abraham Beninger, storekeeper, and Philip Sykes, cordwainer, to sell and dispose of my estate to the best advantage, and divide the moneys so arising from such sale in equal proportions amongst my legal representatives in manner and form as the law directs.

Dated September 11, 1786. Witnesses, James Birkby, Leopold Beck, Peter Durand. Proved, June 28, 1787.

Page 19.—ELIZABETH HERRING, of New York City, widow, to my six daughters, Margaret Roosevelt, Cornelia Jones, Elizabeth De Peyster, Ann Kip, Mary Haring, and Sarah Jones, to be equally divided amongst them, share and share alike, all my wearing apparel; all the remainder of my goods, chattels, to be sold, and the moneys arising from such sale, also all the money I die possessed of, and that what shall be owing to me at my death shall be put out at interest by my executors for and during the natural life of my son Peter; if my son Peter dies, the moneys so arising to go to my grandchildren, to Elbert Kip and Elizabeth Kip, children of my daughter, Ann Kip; Elizabeth and Elbert Roosevelt, children of my daughter, Margaret Roosevelt; Elbert and Elizabeth Haring, children of my daughter, Mary Haring; Nicholas and Elizabeth Jones, children of my daughter, Sarah Jones; and Elbert and Elizabeth Herring, children of my son Abraham, each one equal sixteenth part; to Elbert

Haring Jones, son of my daughter, Cornelia Jones, Elizabeth Schuyler De Peyster, daughter of my daughter, Elizabeth De Peyster, and Nicholas Herring, son of my son Nicholas, each one equal eighth part; if any or either of my above-named grandchildren shall die during the lifetime of my son Peter, then the respective parts of him so dying shall go to the respective representatives; if any of my grandchildren die under the age of twenty-one years, his share to go to his parents. I appoint my son Abraham, my son-in-law, Gardner Jones, and my grandson, Cornelius C. Roosevelt, executors.

Dated January 12, 1787. Witnesses, Alexander Masterton, Calvin Bateman, Peter Smith, writing clerk. Proved, June 30, 1787.

Page 22.—CORNELIUS SWARTWOUT, of New York City, Lieutenant of Artillery in the Continental Service, to my wife Catherine, the house in Chamber Street, likewise the house in Tems [Thames] street, and a bond of £60, all notes, deeds, and demands; to my nephew, Barriardus Swartwout, Jr., £5. I appoint my wife Catherine, executrix.

Dated June 14, 1776. Witnesses, William Pinkney, Anthony Welp, Luke Nostrandt. Proved, July 7, 1787.

Page 24.—THOMAS MCKIE, coachman, of New York City, to George Cleland, blacksmith, after my just debts and funeral charges are paid, all the residue of my estate, real and personal. I appoint said George Cleland, sole executor.

Dated May 22, 1787. Witnesses, John Johnston, Robert Johnston, gentleman; Henry Johnston. Proved, July 9, 1787.

Page 26.—WILLIAM SWANSEN, wheelwright, of New York City, to my daughter, Sarah Ball, the house and

lot of ground now in my occupation; Also the house built on the rear of the said lot, situated at the corner of George street and fronting William street containing in breadth on William street, twenty-eight feet, in the rear fifty feet, and in length ninety feet; Also the rear equal half part of the lot of ground adjoining the house and lot above mentioned; the whole of said lot, containing in breadth on William street twenty-two feet four inches, in the rear, twenty-three feet five inches, and in length ninety-three feet, to said Sarah Ball, her heirs forever; to my granddaughter, Hester Swansen, the front equal half part mentioned and adjoining the ground devised to my daughter Sarah; also the dwelling house thereon erected and built now in her possession to her, her heirs forever; to my grandson, William Swansen, to his heirs forever the house and lot of ground now in the occupation of one Flockart, situated at the corner of George street, and fronting William street, on the south side by a house formerly belonging to Ronall McDougall—all the rest of estate to be sold by my executors, and the moneys so arising from sale to be equally divided among my daughter Sarah and my grandchildren, Hester Swansen and William Swansen; if my grandchildren die before reaching lawful age and without lawful issue, his or her share to go to the survivors and my daughter Sarah. I appoint my daughter, Sarah Ball, Peter Hagerman, executors.

Dated October 30, 1783. Witnesses, Johannes Peters, Walter De Grauw, John Cozine, Esq. Proved, July 10, 1787, when administration was granted unto "Sarah Stakes the Executrix in the said will."

Page 29.—Whereas administration on the estate of Ezekiel Archer was granted unto Phileas Archer, the executrix, and Joshua Pell, one of the executors, named in his will, proved December 18, 1773, and whereas the said Joshua Pell having removed from the State and the said Phileas Archer has since died,

the Court appointed Martha Blair, daughter of Ezekiel Archer, deceased, to administer the estate, July 11, 1787.

[For Ezekiel Archer's will see Volume 7, page 155, "Abstracts of Wills."]

Page 34.—JOHN VAN CORTLANDT, of New York City, my dwelling house with all the plate and furniture shall remain therein for the use and benefit of my unmarried children, during the widowhood of my wife; I give all my plate and furniture to all my living children forever, to be equally divided share and share alike; to my sons, Stephen and John, one-third part of the proceeds of my sugar house, which they shall work and pay the remaining two thirds to my wife and children, or so much as they shall require for maintenance, and the overplus, if any there be, shall be put in the common stock of the sugar house, which stock and utensils I direct to be valued after my decease by two or three friends of the family; to my son Stephen, his heirs, forever, all my right and title to the Mills, Streams of Water, and Buildings at Second River, which my father devised unto my brother Stephen by his will; to my son John, all my undivided land in Cortlandt Manor, Westchester County, and in Dutchess County, all the remainder of my estate, both real and personal, to my wife, during her widowhood, my son John, my daughters Elizabeth, Gertrude, Joanna, and my grandchildren, John and Angelica, to their heirs forever. I appoint my daughter Elizabeth, guardian, for my daughter Joanna, and direct that Joanna shall have £50 yearly, until she arrives at eighteen years of age or marries; to my grandchildren, John Van Rensselaer and Angelica Van Rensselaer, children of my daughter Cathelina, to their heirs forever, all that one-sixth part of all my estate; if either die without leaving lawful issue, the share of the one so dying to go to the survivor; in case both die before lawful age and without lawful issue their

shares to be equally divided among my children, John, Elizabeth, Gertrude, and Joanna, to their heirs forever; to my executors, twenty-two lots of ground, situated in the out ward of New York City, at and about Bull's Head Tavern, with full power to sell the same, the moneys so arising to be put in the money stock of my sugar house. I nominate Richard Morris, Esq., my son-in-law, James Van Rensselaer, Esq., my sons, Stephen and John Van Cortlandt, and Nicholas Bayard, Esq., executors.

Dated June 2, 1786. Witnesses, J. H. Livingston, Doctor of Divinity; Thomas Lawrence, Gill V. Cortlandt. Proved, April 12, 1787.

Page 39.—CORNELIA BLAAU, of New York City, widow of Jeremiah Blaau, late of the said City, to my executors, all my real estate in New York City or elsewhere, upon trust that they sell the same within three months after my decease, and the moneys so arising after my debts and funeral charges are paid, to put £200 out at interest, upon sufficient landed security and to pay the interest so arising to my sister, Sarah Waldron, during her life; one equal third part of the residue to my son, Abraham, for his use and benefit, and his heirs share and share alike; one other equal third part to my daughter, Cornelia Alboy, wife of John Alboy, late of the said City, deceased, to her heirs share and share alike; the remaining third part to be put out at interest, upon sufficient landed security, the interest so arising to be paid to my daughter, Sarah Jarvis, wife of Arthur Jarvis, of New York City for her use and benefit during the joint lives of my daughter Sarah, and her husband; if the interest is not sufficient, then I order my executors to give part of the principal of the one-third part not exceeding in the whole £300, to be paid to my daughter, Sarah Jarvis; her receipt alone shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors; if my daughter, Sarah Jarvis, should die before the said one the third part is put

out at interest, then it is to be paid to her child or children which shall be living at the time of her decease, share and share alike; in default of such child or children, the same to be paid to my daughter, Cornelia Alboy, and my son, Abraham Blaau, for their use, share and share alike, to them, their heirs, as tenants in common; after the death of my sister, Sarah Waldron, two equal third parts of the above mentioned sum of £200 to my son, Abraham Blaau, and Cornelia Alboy, to them, their heirs, share and share alike as tenants in common; the remaining equal third part of the said £200 to my executors to put out at interest for my daughter, Sarah Jarvis, for her use during her life, to her, her heirs, share and share alike as tenants in common; all my household furniture and plate to my children, Abraham, Cornelia Alboy, and Sarah Jarvis, and my sister, Sarah Waldron, for their use and benefit; if either die before my decease, the share to be divided among the survivors, share and share alike; as my son, Waldron Blaau, has in his lifetime received more than his full share I cannot, in justice to my other children, give his children anything by my last will. I appoint His Excellency, George Clinton, Esq., Governor of New York State, and Nicholas Bogart, merchant, of New York City (son of Cornelius Bogart), executors.

Dated August, 24, 1786. Witnesses, Gerret Van Gelden, Robt. Troup, Esq., Theophilus De Bow. Proved, July 24, 1787. On July 28, 1787, the executors having refused to serve, the Court appointed Robert Richardson Cross and Arthur Jarvis, of New York, gentlemen, to administer the estate.

Page 45.—JAMES RAIN, formerly of North Britain, but now of New York City, to my wife, Ann Cammeron, all my estate, both real and personal, to her, her heirs forever. I appoint my wife, Ann Cammeron Rain, and James Nesmith, executors. Dated August 25, 1785. Witnesses, Edward Antill, James Berry,



William Crawford, house carpenter. Proved, August 10, 1787.

Page 47.—JOHN ABEEL, merchant, of New York City, to my father, David Abeel, all my estate, both real and personal, his heirs forever; in case he should die before me the entire estate to go to my mother, Mary Abeel; if my negro man Jack, and my negro woman Jane, decide to live with my brother-in-law, Philip Van Cortlandt, of Second River, New Jersey, my executors to sell my negro man and woman and four children to my brother-in-law for a sum not exceeding £300. I appoint my father David, and my brother Garret, executors.

Dated September 4, 1767. Witnesses, Hannah Stoutenburgh, gentlewoman, wife of Peter Stoutenburgh, Catharine Stoutenburgh, David Mathews. Proved, September 12, 1787.

Page 50.—WALDRON BLAAU, of New York City, to my son, Richard W. Blaau, all that lot of ground and dwelling house, opposite the Exchange in Broad Street, in New York City, now in possession of Jonathan Clarke, to him, his heirs forever; all the remainder of my estate, both real and personal, I give the rents, profits, use, income, and service thereof; to my wife Eleanor, during her widowhood; at her death, the said estate to be sold by executors and the money so arising to be divided equally amongst my children, share and share alike (except my son Uriah, who has had £100 from me); each of my other children to receive £100 before the division is made; if my wife should marry again, my estate to be sold and my wife to receive £1,000, and the remainder to be divided among my children in manner above mentioned who are to be maintained and provided for out of the income and profits until they arrive at the age of twenty-one years. I appoint my wife, executrix, and my son, Uriah Blaau, executors.

Dated June 23, 1783. Witnesses, Nat. Chandler

Francis Groome, gentleman; John C. Knapp. Proved, September 25, 1787.

Page 51.—HANNAH WILLETS, to my niece, Hannah Underhill, daughter of Samuel and Ann Underhill, £200; to my niece, Ann Underhill, daughter of Andrew and Deborah Underhill, £200; the said sums to be put at interest and the principle with the interest arising shall be paid to them when they marry, or at the age of twenty-one years; if either of them should die before reaching this her money to go to the next eldest sister of the above-mentioned Hannah, and also Ann Underhill; to my sister, Deborah Underhill, £50; to my sister, Ann Underhill, and Deborah, wives of Samuel and Andrew Underhill, all the remainder of my estate, real and personal, and my wearing apparel, beds, and furniture to them, their heirs forever, to be divided between them share and share alike. I appoint my brothers-in-law, Samuel Underhill of New Rochelle, and Andrew Underhill of New York, and Jacob Seaman of New York, executors.

Dated July 22, 1786. Witnesses, Willet Seaman, Elizabeth Underhill, Catharine Seacord. Proved, September 26, 1787.

Page 56.—ABIGAIL BOWNE, of New York City, to my sister, Phoebe Sacket, £50; to my daughter, Abigail Kenyon, and my son Matthew's wife, Elizabeth, and my sister, Phoebe Sacket, all my wearing apparel, to be equally divided among them; all the residue of my estate, real and personal, to my sons, James, Matthew, William, and Samuel, and my daughter, Abigail, share and share alike; my executors to sell the residue of my estate into money as it may be more conveniently divided. I appoint my sons, William and James, executors.

Dated September 19, 1785. Witnesses, Henry M. Dobbs, Benjamin Hicks, Jonathan Keese.

*Codicil.* Having considered the misfortunes and losses of my eldest son James, think it reasonable to

allow him £500 over and above what I have given him in my said last will; I desire the £500 to be paid to him out of the first moneys my executors may receive after my debts and funeral charges are paid and the legacy of £50 mentioned in my will.

Dated October 24, 1785. Witnesses, Robert Bowne, Phoebe Sackett, John Keese, Esq. Proved, September 25, 1787.

Page 59.—October 12, 1787. DANIEL FERGUSON, of New York (land and tide waiter), to my daughter, Elizabeth Kermit the one-third part of the house I now live in at No. 29 Duke Street, also the negro girl, called Phillis, the third part of my furniture, bed and beddings, and the third part of the notes (called bankers' notes) which are in my chest; to my stepdaughter, Ann Beattay, the negro girl, called Floria, which is now in her possession; to my stepdaughter, Margaret Strachan, a bed, a suit of curtains, a third part of the bedding there is in the house with a third of the furniture; to my stepson, William Strachan, the remaining two thirds of my dwelling (No. 29 Duke Street), my silver, the remainder of my notes, my chest and apparel, my books, the remaining negroes, and everything else not disposed of above. I appoint my stepson, William Strachan, sole executor.

Witnesses, John Lasher, officer of the customs; John Elliot, Aaron Stockholm, officer of the customs. Proved, October 18, 1787.

Page 62.—October 12, 1787. JOHN SIMPSON, shipwright of the City of New York, to my wife Elizabeth, Jacamiah Akerly, and John Titus, and to their heirs forever, all my lands, tenements and hereditaments; Also all my debts, credits, goods and chattels, whatsoever and wheresoever, whereof I have any power to dispose, upon this special trust, that they shall employ and dispose of the above-mentioned land, goods, credits, etc., for such purposes to such persons and in such

sort of manner and form as in and by this my last will is appointed and directed concerning the same. My just debts and funeral charges to be paid. My wife to be maintained and supported in a proper manner out of the residue of my estate during her natural life, provided she does not remarry; if she remarries, my executors are to pay to her the amount of one half of my estate at that time remaining, and the said one half part shall be in lieu of dower and right of thirds in and to my estate, and that the other half part of my estate be then paid to my sister, Jane Simpson, to her use and disposal; if my wife die and not remarries, my executors pay to my said sister the whole of my estate, then remaining to the only proper use of my sister, her heirs. I appoint my wife Elizabeth, Jacamiah Akerly, and John Titus, executors.

Witnesses, John Stocker, John Webb, John Midwinter. Proved, October 30, 1787.

Page 65.—WILLIAM DYCKMAN, Yeoman, of New York City, my farm to remain in the care of my wife, and senior children, during the lifetime of my mother, Jasi-  
dyckman, in order to comply with a bond I have given her—at her death all my estate, real and personal, be sold by my executors, to make and execute good and sufficient deeds for my lands to the purchasers thereof—the money arising from the same to be divided into eight equal parts: One part to my wife Maritie, for her sole and only proper use; one other eighth part to my son Jacobus; one other part to my daughter Maritie, wife of Jacob Vermilier; one other eighth part to my son Abraham; one other part to my son Michael; one other eighth part to my son William; one other part to my daughter Jemime; the remaining eighth part to my daughter Garretie. In case of the death of any of my children under age and without issue, the share of the one so dying to be equally divided among the survivors; if my wife is alive she to share in the division. I appoint my three sons,

Jacobus, Abraham and Michael, and my son-in-law, Jacob Vermilier, executors.

Dated May 12, 1776. Witnesses, Richard Morris, John Cregier, William Green.

*Codicil.* It is my desire that each share that shall or may arise, to each of my children, sons and daughters, let it be more or less, that they and each of them pay every year during my wife's natural life, unto my wife, at the rate of two per cent per annum. I appoint my son, William Dyckman, and my son-in-law, Edward Brown in addition to and with the above mentioned executors.

Dated March 30, 1787. Witnesses, Jacob Nagel, William Nagel, yeoman; John Cregier. Proved, November 5, 1787.

Page 70. — PETER LAUNE, confectioner, of New York City, to my two sons, Charles and Stephen Peter, all my real and personal estate, in the hands of my brother-in-law, Monsieur Louis Cavaillier at Yenouilliest, dans Les Serenne haut Languedec, Parvisse Valeranque in the Kingdom of France, or in possession of any other person in said kingdom, belonging to me, to be equally divided between them share and share alike; to them, their heirs forever; if either die before he reaches the age of twenty-one his share to go to the survivor; if both my sons should die before they attain lawful age, then I give the same to my wife Elizabeth; Also to my wife the residue of my real and personal estate, to her, her heirs forever. I appoint my wife Elizabeth, executrix.

Dated December 2, 1786. Witnesses, John Young, schoolmaster; Joseph Stevens, Thomas Slade. Proved, November 29, 1787.

Page 72. — CLANCHY REID, of New York City, widow of James Reid, ship carpenter, to Mary Reid, eldest sister of my husband, now living in Aberdeen in Scotland, my house I now live in, No. 16 Cherry Street;

Also all the cash belonging to me whether in bonds or specie; to my sister, Mary Nicklen, all my household furniture and my wearing apparel. I appoint John Anderson, shopkeeper, executor.

Dated August 7, 1786. Witnesses, Benjamin Graves, Ephraim Bostwick, house carpenter; Henry Armstrong. Proved, December 3, 1787.

Page 74. — ELIZABETH CAMPBELL, widow, of New York City, to my grandson, John Campbell Hinson, his heirs forever, my silver tankard; to my granddaughter, Elizabeth Hinson, her heirs forever, my mahogany desk; to my daughter Lydia, wife of Gilliam Cornell, her heirs forever, my largest looking glass, also my clothes and wearing apparel and my kitchen furniture (my silver plate only excepted), all the residue of my estate both real and personal, to be sold by my executors; to deliver good and sufficient deeds for my real estate to the purchaser thereof, the moneys arising from such sale to be divided as follows: One equal eighth part to my grandson, John Campbell Hinson, his heirs forever; one equal eighth part to my granddaughter, Elizabeth Hinson, her heirs forever; one equal fourth part to my daughter, Ann White, her heirs forever; one equal fourth part to my daughter, Elizabeth Brownjohn, to her heirs forever; the remaining fourth part to my daughter, Lydia Cornell, her heirs forever. I appoint my daughter, Ann White, my son-in-law, Gilliam Cornell, and Anthony Abramse, executors.

Dated March 16, 1787. Witnesses, Thomas Underhill, John Vernon, both silversmiths; Francis Child. Proved, December 17, 1787.

Page 77. — HANNAH PECK, of New York City, to Christian Griffith, Benjamin Griffith, and Robert Griffith, Jr., to be equally divided among them a certain lot and wharf lying near Peek Slip, to them, their heirs forever; to my sister, Jane Hamilton, a certain house and lot fronting Water street, during her natural life;



after her death, I give the same to Jane Rumsey and Angel Hamilton, to their heirs forever; to Samuel Farmer, during his natural life, the use of my house and garden, fronting Queen's street; after his death the same to my niece, Ann Jarvis, to her heirs forever; if she die without issue the same to Christian Marschalk, her heirs forever; and if she die without issue, the same to Hannah Farmer, her heirs forever; and if she die without issue I give the same to Elizabeth Farmer, her heirs forever. I authorize my executors to sell my house and lot on Pott Bake Hill, and the money to be equally divided between Ann Jarvis, Christian Marschalk, Hannah Farmer, and Elizabeth Farmer. I appoint Samuel Farmer, executor.

Dated April 6, 1780. Witnesses, Elizabeth Leaming, Jeremiah Leaming, Thomas Ellison, merchant. Proved, December 28, 1787.

Page 79.—May 15, 1767. PETER BROWER, bricklayer, of New York City, to my son Jacob, six shillings; Also all my wearing apparel, all the residue of my estate, both real and personal, to my daughters Ann, now the wife of John Walker, mariner of New York, and my daughter Elizabeth, wife of Henry Ustick, shopkeeper, of New York, to be equally divided between them, their heirs forever; my son Jacob, to receive one equal third part of the rents and profits of my real estate during his natural life. I appoint my brother-in-law William Woynants, and my cousin, Everardus Brower, latter, executors.

Witnesses, Luke Jno. Kerstead, Charles Phillips, yeoman; Charles Morse. Proved, January 22, 1788. On February 12, 1788, William Woynants, having since died, and Everardus Brower, the other executor, having refused to serve, the Court appointed Peter Ustick, merchant of New York, to administer the estate.

Page 83.—March 18, 1776. BENJAMIN UNDERHILL, of New York City, to my wife Lettishe, all my house-

hold furniture, also the interest of £800 during her natural life or while she remains my widow; after her death or remarriage said sum to be divided between my children; if she marries she is to retain the furniture and my executors to pay her £300 in lieu of dower; to my son Townsend, all my right and interest in land, situated in the Township of Kingsbury, County of Charlotte, New York, to him, his heirs forever; if he die without lawful issue the said right to my daughter Elizabeth, should she die without issue, I give the said right to my cousin, Benjamin Dickinson, son of Townsend and Ann Dickinson; all the remainder of my estate, real and personal, to be equally divided between my daughter Elizabeth, and my son Townsend; if either should die the share of the one so dying to go to the survivor; if both should die and my wife still living, she to receive the £800 the interest of which she has been receiving, and the balance of my estate to be divided among my brothers and sisters—namely Isaac, Amos, David, Solomon, Edmund, and Ann Dickinson. I appoint my wife, my brothers, Isaac, Amos and David, and William Rhinelander, Jr., executors.

Witnesses, Jacob Seaman, White Matlack, merchants; Silvanus Dickinson.

*Codicil.* I increase the amount from £800 to £1,000 to my wife if my children die without lawful issue.

Dated December 2, 1776. Witnesses, John Lawrence, merchant; David Colden. Proved, February 15, 1788.

Page 86.—JOHN KING, bricklayer, New York City, to my wife Ann King, use and income of all my estate, both real and personal, during her natural life, to my son Daniel, £25; at the death of my wife my estate to be divided as follows: One equal third part to my son Daniel, his heirs forever; one other third to my daughter Rachel, late the wife of George Snowden, deceased; the remaining third to my daughter Jane,

wife of John Howland, to her, her heirs forever; if either of my children shall die the survivor will inherit the share of the one so dying. I appoint my wife Ann, Paul Perent, currier, of Westchester County, and George Snowden, merchant, New York City, executors.

Dated September 1, 1784. Witnesses, Jacob Jabeley, Nicholas Morris, tailor; Francis Child. Proved, February 22, 1788.

Page 89.—August 19, 1777. If I THOMAS GRENELL, die before I make a will that my wife Elizabeth, shall receive the sum of \$2,000, and that each of my children, Sarah and Ellen, should likewise have the sum of \$2,000. If either of my children should die before they are of age their bequest to be equally divided with the rest of my estate; the remainder of my estate to be equally divided among my wife, my two daughters, Sarah and Ellen, and my sons, John and Thomas Grenell, jr., the use of my household furniture to my wife. In case of death of any of my children the survivor shall inherit.

Proved, February 9, 1787. When Thomas Grenell of New York, clerk, testified that he wrote the above will according to his father's direction just before he was going to take the command of the Continental Frigates in Hudson River. On March 6, 1788, the testator having neglected to appoint executors, Elizabeth Grenell, widow, was appointed.

Page 91.—WILLIAM BRYANT, Doctor of Physic, of Trenton, New Jersey, to my wife Mary, the house in which I live with its appurtenances during her natural life; Also, £900 of a bond for £1,650 now owing to me from the Honorable John Cox, Esq., bearing an interest of six per cent which becomes payable October 28, 1785; Also all my negro slaves except my boy William and the girl Peggy, upon condition that they shall not be sold or sent to the West Indies contrary to their will together with all my household furniture and

plate, my horse chair and cattle; to my natural son, William Bryant, by Charity Murrow, £600, to be paid him when he arrives at the age of twenty-one years; he to be supported by the interest arising from above sum; he to be put to a trade, and when he has learned the same, £150 more to be paid him in setting up and carrying on the said trade; if my natural son should die, £50 of the above sum to be paid to his mother, Charity Murrow; the remainder divided between the surviving children of Samuel and Mary Duffield, of Philadelphia, and Benjamin and Elizabeth Woodruff, of Westfield, and Elisha and Catharine Boudinot, now of Hanover, and of William Pitt Smith, now of Albany, share and share alike; to my sister, Rebecca Deane, £150; I will £600 be put at interest for her use to be paid her during her natural life, and after her decease one half of the said principal sum shall be paid to her daughter, Mary Deane, and the other half to the child or children, equally to be divided, as the case may be, of the aforesaid Benjamin Woodruff and Elizabeth, his wife; to my nephew, Belcher P. Smith, my gold watch and cases, together with my Sulky; to my nephew, William Pitt Smith, £100; all my books to be equally divided between my two said nephews; to Mary Deane, daughter of my sister, Rebecca Deane, £50; to William B. Duffield, eldest son of Doctor Samuel Duffield, of Philadelphia, £50; at my wife's death the house and lot hereinbefore devised to her during her natural life shall be sold, and one half the net proceeds of the sale be equally divided between the surviving children of Samuel and Mary Duffield, and of Elisha and Catharine Boudinot; the other half to William Deane, second son of my sister, Rebecca Deane, on condition that he shall previously have served an apprenticeship to some trade of at least three years, and have exercised one other whole year as an apprentice; as a farther encouragement to his industry, I will that on his having wrought as above one other or a fifth year at his trade £100 more be paid to him at the expira-

tion thereof. I appoint my brother-in-law, William P. Smith, and my nephew, Belcher P. Smith, executors.

Dated October 28, 1785. Witnesses, John Dixon, merchant; William Plasket, John Singer. Proved, March 5, 1788. On March 12, 1788, Belcher P. Smith having since died and William P. Smith refused to serve as executor, the Court appointed William Pitt Smith, physician, of New York, to administer the estate.

Page 96.—March 3, 1788. MARIA FARMER, widow, of New York City, it is my desire to be buried in Trinity Church as near as possible to my late husband; Also my funeral conducted by a genuine Dutch Minister; Also by all the ministers of the Church of England; Also by the Reverend Doctor Rogers, and the assistant minister of his Church; Also by his Excellency the Minister of the United Netherlands; Also by the Governor of this State and the Mayor of this City; Also by Doctor Charlton, to all of whom I desire that scarfs and gloves may be given, as well as to my pall-bearers, and in order that the procession may be conducted exactly conformable to the old Dutch Custom, I desire that the advice of Jeronymus Van Alstine be taken; to my niece, Hester Gouverneur, daughter of my brother, Nicholas Gouverneur, deceased, the interest of £1,200 during her natural life; my executors to pay the above sum to David Provoost, who is to put the same at interest, the money so arising to be paid my said niece regularly, and after her decease the said David Provoost is to pay the £1,200 to Jasper Farmer, George Farmer, Anne Farmer, Peter Farmer, Sarah, Thomas, Elizabeth, Samuel, and Cornelia Farmer, children of my son Peter, divided equally among them, share and share alike. I direct that one half of whatever money I leave in the house be applied toward the £1,200 to David Provoost; to my niece, Hester Gouverneur, two gowns which belonged to my sister, the late Jacoba Gouverneur; to Peter Goelet, my pair silver

candlesticks; to Jacobus Lefferts, Esq., my ebony tea table; to Gerard Walton, my two eight square burned-china bowls; to Thomas Farmer, my silver salver; to Henry Remsen, my large gold medal with the Imperial Arms thereon; to my son, Peter Farmer, son of my deceased husband, my diamond mourning ring, which I had made in memory of his father, and £25 in cash to purchase mourning suits for himself and wife; to the wife of said Peter Farmer, my crystal ring with Mr. Farmer's hair in it; to Jasper Farmer, son of Peter, my silver tankard marked M. G.; to George Farmer, my silver stand and castors; to Anne Farmer, daughter of Peter, two of my gold stay buckles; to Sarah Farmer, two of my gold stay buckles; to Elizabeth Farmer, my silver milk pot shaped like a cow; to Samuel Farmer, my small silver tankard; to David Provoost, my silver tea kettle and stand; the rest of my plate (excepting my teapot and dish and large silver bowl), with the remains of my gold, to the five youngest children of Peter Farmer, namely, Peter, Thomas, Elizabeth, Samuel, and Cornelia; the above-mentioned teapot and dish and large silver bowl is to be sold with the residue of my estate; to my brother, Samuel Farmer, £50; to Eve Provoost, my gold spectacles; to the Rev. Samuel Provoost, my picture representing a Cook's Shop; all my best wearing apparel I give to Anne, Sally, Elizabeth, and Cornelia Farmer, daughters of Peter Farmer, to be equally divided among them; my negro woman named Nan and her sons, Rob and Prince, be entirely freed and discharged from slavery immediately after my decease; I give my lot No. 7, fronting Frankfort Street, New York City, with the dwelling house and buildings thereon, for the use of my negro woman during her natural life; the same to be sold after her death, and considered a part of the residue of my estate; to my negro woman, Nan, my daily wearing apparel, my scarlet cloak, my kitchen utensils, old bedding, one pewter basin, one pewter soup dish, two trunks, and three cords of wood, to be



delivered to her by my executors the first winter after my decease; the residue of my estate, real and personal, to be sold; one-half part of the proceeds of my real estate to Jasper Farmer, son of Jasper Farmer, deceased, and the other half part, together with all the proceeds of my personal estate, to Jasper, George, Anne, Peter, Sarah, Thomas, Elizabeth, Samuel, and Cornelia Farmer, children of Peter Farmer, to be equally divided among them as they shall respectively come of age, to them, their heirs forever; if either of the children should die before coming of age, and without lawful issue, the share of the one so dying to be equally divided among the survivors. I appoint Peter Goelet, Jacobus Lefferts, Esq., and Gerard Walton of New York City, and Thomas Farmer, of New Jersey, executors.

Witnesses, Peter P. Goelet, gentleman; James Seton, Lewis C. Hamersley, gentleman; Andrew Seton, Jr. Proved, March 18, 1788.

Page 103.—ABEL HARDENBROOK, tanner, of New York City, to my son John, five shillings as his birthright, and the remainder of my estate, both real and personal, shall be divided among my children, share and share alike, namely, John, William, Abel, Nelly, wife of Rem Rapelje, and Anne, wife of Andrew Marschalk, and the two children of my son Theophilus, deceased, Abel and Nicholas; if any of my children should die, his share to be divided among his heirs or survivors. I appoint my sons, John, William, and Abel Hardenbrook, executors.

Dated May 17, 1779. Witnesses, D. Mathews, William Laight, gentleman; Elna Hayt. Proved, March 26, 1788.

Page 105.—PETER VANDERVOORT, of New York City, my three sons to have a plain suit of brown made as mourning instead of black, with a black band around the arm; to my son, William Ledyard Vandervoort, his heirs, my large English Bible now in my custody, in

which is the genealogy of my family; if my son William die without heirs, then I will the said Bible to my next eldest son, to his heirs, to descend from heir to heir as long as said Bible shall endure; all my estate, real and personal, to be divided equally among my five children, namely, William Ledyard Vandervoort, Peter Ledyard Vandervoort, Nathaniel, Sarah, and Deborah Vandervoort, each one equal fifth part, to them, their heirs forever; if any of my children should die, his share to be divided among the survivors. As to my unnatural wife Sarah, I would not wish her to possess of my property one shilling more than the law will give her. I appoint Peter Vandervoort, Esq., Sheriff; Peter C. Vandervoort, Isaac Johnson, and William De Peyster, executors.

Dated November —, 1787. Witnesses, Garret Abeel, merchant; Ferdinand Little, George Lucam. Proved, March 26, 1788.

Page 109.—GIBBON BOURKE, merchant, in New York, I appoint William Backhouse, John Sullivan, and Charles Neilton, merchants, all of New York, my executors and trustees, they to convert all my property into cash, collect all my debts, and dispose of the same as follows: £50 towards building a vault in company with the aforesaid John Sullivan, and to be paid to the latter for that purpose; £60 loaned to the Church of St. Peter's, to Maria Sullivan, daughter of John Sullivan, provided she becomes a member of said church, but otherwise to John Sullivan; £100 for a legitimate child (by the name of Thomas Bourke), to be appropriated to his use as the executors shall think proper; one third of the reversion to my father and mother, or the longest liver of either of them, and the remaining two thirds of said reversion to my brothers, John and Michael Bourke, and my sister, Margaret Bourke, in equal portions. I appoint William Backhouse, John Sullivan, and Charles Neilton, executors.

Dated March 2, 1788. Witnesses, Thomas Turnbull,

Charles McCarty, Jonathan Sullivan. Proved, April 14, 1788.

Page 112.—BENJAMIN STOUT, grocer, of New York City, to my wife Phebe during her natural life, all my estate, real and personal; at her death, my estate to be sold by my executors, and to execute good and sufficient deeds in the law, to the purchasers thereof, their heirs forever. Out of the moneys arising therefrom, to my eldest son, Benjamin, £20 as his birthright; all the residue of my estate whatsoever to my three sons and three daughters, namely, Benjamin, John B., Jacob, Abigail Hyatt, wife of Caleb Hyatt; Sarah Carpenter, wife of John Carpenter, and Eleanah Gregg, wife of William Gregg, to their heirs forever, to be equally divided among them, share and share alike. I appoint my sons, Benjamin and John B. Stout, my son-in-law, John Carpenter, executors.

Dated November 10, 1783. Witnesses, Abraham Hegeman, James Bennett, John Woods, Attorney. Proved, May 7, 1788.

Page 115.—ANTHONY GRIFFITHS, of New York City, merchant, after my debts and funeral charges are paid, I order directly after my death that part of the residue of my said personal estate in which my brother, Joseph Griffiths, and myself were joint and equal partners and equally interested, and which consists in ship chandlery and other goods, wares, and merchandise, shall be appraised by such persons as shall be named by my executor, and my brother, Joseph Griffiths, shall have his election to purchase and take my proportion or share of said personal estate; in case my brother is unwilling to take the said personal estate, then I order that it be sold at public auction, the proceeds to be divided into three equal parts, one-third equal part to my brother, Joseph Griffiths; one other equal third part to be put out at interest for the maintenance and education of my nephew, Richard Wolfe,

son of my late sister, Elizabeth Wolfe, until he arrives at the age of twenty-one years, when he is to receive the full one-third part; if he should die before lawful age, and without lawful issue, his share to go to my brother, Joseph Griffiths, his heirs forever; the other one-third equal part to be put out at interest for the use of my sister, Cornelia De Diemar, wife of Baron De Diemar, during her natural life, and in case of her death, the share to go to my brother, Joseph Griffiths, to him, his heirs forever; any other personal property I may have to be divided into three equal parts among my brother, Joseph Griffiths; my nephew, Richard Wolfe, and my sister, Cornelia De Diemar, to be governed in the same manner as above mentioned. With respect to my share of the real estate given me by my late father, John Griffiths, I will that it be divided into three parts between my brother Joseph, my nephew, Richard Wolfe, and my sister, Cornelia De Diemar, under the same conditions as the division of the personal estate above mentioned. I appoint my brother, Joseph Griffiths, and Paschal N. Smith, executors.

Dated May 10, 1788. Witnesses, John Lamb, James M. Hughes, Attorney; John Lefferts, Charles Tillinghast. Proved, May 20, 1788.

Page 121.—CORNELIUS ROOME, cordwainer, of New York City, all my estate to be divided among my four children, share and share alike, each to receive one equal fourth part, namely, Mary, wife of James Gillen, laborer, of New York City, her heirs forever; my daughter Margaret, wife of William Burnham, laborer, of said City, to her heirs forever; my daughter Catharine, wife of John Brown, cordwainer, of Springfield, Essex County, New Jersey, her heirs forever; to my son, Luke Roome, of Pennsylvania, nailer, to him, his heirs forever. I appoint Mary Gillen, Margaret Burnham, Catharine Brown, and Luke Roome, executors.

Dated November 8, 1787. Witnesses, Caleb S. Riggs,

Student-at-Law; Henry Bicker, E. Dunscomb. Proved, June 6, 1788.

Page 124.—CHARLES WILLIAMS, of New York City, my executors to sell all my real estate; the money so arising from such sale, together with all my personal estate, be put at interest by my executors; the whole income thereof to my wife, Sarah Elizabeth, the same to be paid to her annually during her natural life. After the decease of my wife, all my estate be divided into eight equal parts, one eighth of which I direct my executors to be put at interest for the use of my son William, the same to be paid to him annually, and in case my son die before his wife, I will his wife be paid Ten guineas a year during her widowhood, one other eighth part to my daughter Elizabeth, one other eighth part to the children of my son Charles, one other eighth part to my daughter Ann, one other eighth part to my daughter Grace, one other eighth part to my daughter Sarah, but in case Sarah die without lawful issue, her part to be equally divided among my daughters, Elizabeth, Ann, and Grace; another eighth part to be put out at interest for my son David, the same to be paid him annually during his natural life; the other eighth part I order my executors to also keep at interest, and the income to be paid annually to my son Clinton during his natural life; if the children of my son Charles should die before they arrive at lawful age, or marry, the eighth part given to them shall be equally divided among all my children; if either of my children or the children of my son Charles should die before my wife, and leave lawful issue, that then such issue shall have as great a proportion of my estate as its deceased parent; the three eighths which I have ordered put to interest for my sons, William, David, and Clinton, I give after their respective deaths in the following manner: One fifth to the children of my son Charles or their lawful issue; the remaining four fifths to be equally divided between my said four daughters,

Elizabeth, Anni, Grace, and Sarah. I appoint my wife, Sarah Elizabeth Williams, Frederick Phillips, Esq., Gabriel H. Ludlow, and Abraham Walton, executors.

Dated May 31, 1773. Witnesses, Roger Morris, Esq., Luke Babcock, Mary Morris. Proved, July 6, 1773, when Gabriel H. Ludlow was appointed to administer the estate. On May 31, 1788, the said Ludlow having since died, the Court appointed Abraham Walton, another of the executors, to administer the estate of Charles Williams.

Page 131.—ROBERT MIDWINTER, shipwright, of New York City, to my son Isaac, £100; a suit of mourning and a ring to John Segar; the residue of my estate to be equally among my sons, Isaac, John, and Robert. I appoint John Segar, my son Isaac, and in case of his death my son John, executors.

Dated January 29, 1781. Witnesses, George Moss, Hannah Savage, James Savage, Mary Thompson. Proved, June 19, 1788, when Hannah Walker, late Hannah Savage, testified at the probate.

Page 134.—JOHN P. RUCKER, of New York City, after my debts and funeral charges are paid out of my estate, real and personal, I give all the residue to my wife Janet, her heirs forever. I appoint Janet Rucker, my wife; William Constable, and John Ramsay, of New York City, merchants, to be executors.

Dated May 29, 1788. Witnesses, Alex. Macomb, Isaac Wikoff, George Bronsdon. Proved, July 25, 1788.

Page 137.—May 26, 1784. PRENTICE BOWEN, of New York City, to my son Charles, all my real estate, together with all surplus moneys that are due me after paying my just debts and funeral charges; Also all my wearing apparel; Also all the articles of household furniture I was possessed of before my late marriage, and which now remains; as also all and everything of personal property I shall be possessed of in what nature and kind soever unto him forever. I appoint



William Tapp and William Cooley, both of New York City, executors.

Dated May 26, 1784. Witnesses, Samuel Fleming, Simeon Alex<sup>r</sup> Bayley, buckle cutter; David Pye. Proved, August 5, 1788.

Page 140.—MARGARET TEN EYCK, widow, Dutchess County, New York, to my daughter Susanah, my mahogany escritoire; to my daughters, Catharine, Elizabeth, and Susanah, all my wearing apparel to be equally divided among them; all the remainder of my estate to my son Samuel, the children of my daughter Joanna, my daughters, Catharine, Elizabeth, and Susan, each an equal fifth part, to them, their heirs forever. I appoint my son, John James Bleecker, Anthony Hoffman, executors.

Dated September 25, 1777. Witnesses, Martin Hoffman, Catharine Ten Eyck. Proved, August 26, 1788, when Catharine Attwood, late Catharine Ten Eyck, testified at the probate.

Page 143.—July 17, 1788. JOHN PIERCE, of New York, to my wife Ann, all my household furniture; to my son John, his heirs forever, all my lands lying in the State of Georgia, which my executors are to sell for my son's benefit if they think it advisable or necessary before my son comes of age; to my five sisters, Nancy, Susanna, Ruth, Sally and Polly Pierce, and my two brothers, Timothy and James, their heirs forever, all my lands lying in the town of Litchfield, Connecticut, together with the live stock and farming utensils, to be equally divided among them; to my four eldest sisters, two cases containing Bell's edition of the British Poets and all my books which are now in Litchfield, to remain the property of such of them as remain unmarried. The residue of my estate to be divided into three equal parts, to be divided as follows: To my wife Ann, the one-third part thereof; to my son John, the one-third part, and to my four eldest sisters, Nancy, Susanna, Ruth, and Sally, the other third part

thereof, to be equally divided among them. The income of the estate which I give to my son, I leave at the disposal of my wife as long as she remains my widow; in case of her remarriage, I leave it at the disposal of my executors. In case of my son's death before he comes of age, I divide his portion as follows: To my wife Ann, her heirs forever, the one-third part, and the remaining two-third parts I give to my five sisters and two brothers above mentioned, to be equally divided among them, their heirs forever, and to enable my executors to make this distribution, in case of my son's death it is understood that they are authorized to sell the lands in Georgia, and give good and sufficient deeds for the same. I appoint Doctor Samuel Bard and Jonathan Burrall, executors.

Witnesses, Susanna Bard, Jonathan Burrall, Peter Reizer. Proved, September 3, 1788.

Page 147.—LUKE VAN RANST, of New York City, to my daughter, Anna Maria Codwise, wife of George Codwise, of New York City, merchant, all my household goods, furniture, plate, china, books, pictures, and wearing apparel, woolen and linen, for her own use and benefit; my executors collect, receive, and get in all such debts which shall not then be well and sufficiently secured by bond, mortgage, and other securities to be paid to her yearly and every year by my executors during the term of her natural life; if my daughter, Anna Maria Codwise, should die before my grandson, David Codwise (who is the youngest child of my said daughter), shall have attained the age of twenty-one years; if the said George Codwise shall survive my said daughter, Anna Maria, his wife, that then and in such case my said son-in-law, George Codwise, shall for the better maintenance and education of his children retain the use and take the said full yearly interest or income of all my bonds, mortgages, and outstanding debts as aforesaid, my executors to pay the same to him yearly until my grandson, David Codwise,

shall have attained the age of twenty-one years; six months after the said David Codwise shall arrive at lawful age shall be equally divided amongst my grandsons, George, Christopher, Luke, James, and David Codwise, and my granddaughters, Elizabeth Starr (wife of Ezra Starr, of the state of Connecticut), Maria Codwise, and Cornelia Codwise (all of them children of the said George and Anna Maria Codwise), share and share alike; that is to say, one full equal eighth part to each of my grandchildren. If any of my grandchildren should die before lawful age and without lawful issue, the share or shares of the one so dying to be equally divided among the survivors. I direct that the division of my personal estate in manner aforesaid be made amongst my grandchildren and their heirs, share and share alike, on September 24, 1802. If my son, Gerard Van Ranst, who has been many years absent, and is generally supposed to be dead, should return to New York in person and not otherwise apply to my executors on or before the said date, September 24, 1802, in such case I give to my son, Gerard Van Ranst, one-half part of my said personal property; my executors to pay the said Gerard Van Ranst on his personal application. If my son does not apply to my executors before that date, he is to be considered as having died without lawful issue, and that the whole of my said personal estate or debts due and outstanding at the time of my decease be equally divided among my grandchildren hereinbefore mentioned, and their heirs; all the residue of my estate to my daughter, Anna Maria Codwise, her heirs forever. I appoint my daughter, Anna Maria, and my son-in-law, George Codwise, and grandson, George Codwise, Jr., executors.

Dated June 16, 1788. Witnesses, Eph<sup>m</sup> Brasher, Coroner; Edward Dunscomb, Attorney-at-Law; John Murray, Jr. Proved, September 6, 1788.

Page 155.—ANDREW THOMPSON, bricklayer, of New Hempstead, Orange County, New York, to my eldest

son, Andrew, £5, to be paid (at the time of his coming to age) by my executors; all the rest of my estate, both real and personal, to my wife Sarah, to her, her heirs forever. I appoint my wife Sarah, and Samuel Dodge, carpenter, of New York City, executors.

Dated October 31, 1765. Witnesses, Peter Thompson, bricklayer; Deborah Winter, John Anderson, auctioneer. Proved, September 11, 1788.

Page 158.—ELIZABETH RITCHIE, widow, of New York City, but now of Stamford, Fairfield County, Connecticut, Mr. Alexander Hunt to attend to my funeral arrangements; to Elizabeth Sutton, daughter of my brother, Robert Sutton, £25 with the interest thereon six months after my decease, both principal and interest to be paid to her when she shall arrive at the age of eighteen years; to Phebe, daughter of my deceased brother, William Sutton, £25, to be paid to her six months after my decease; to Gilbert Sutton, son of my deceased brother, William Sutton, £10 with the interest six months after my decease, to be paid him when he shall arrive at the age of twenty-one years; to William Sutton, son of my deceased brother, William, £10, which money is to be paid to William Fitch, of Stamford, six months after my decease, to be put out at interest for the said William Sutton, and to be paid to him when he arrives at lawful age; to Elizabeth Horton and Mary Horton, £10 each, to be paid to them in six months after my decease; Also, each of them, two large silver tablespoons and three silver teaspoons; Also to each of them one of my stone rings; to my two sisters, Mary Fairweather and Sarah Horton, and to my two nieces, Elizabeth and Mary Horton, all my clothing and my household furniture (except my silver plate), to be equally divided between them; the remainder of my estate to be sold and turned into money, and after the payment of my just debts and funeral expenses and the sums hereinbefore bequeathed, I direct that it be all laid out in the pur-

chase of lands at the discretion of my executors, and the said land so purchased to aforesaid Mary Fairweather and Sarah Horton in the following proportion: The said Mary Fairweather, one-third part thereof, and Sarah Horton, two thirds thereof, and after the death of the said Mary and Sarah, the said lands so purchased in fee to the surviving children of the said Sarah Horton, to be equally divided between them, their heirs forever. In case of the death of either the said Mary or Sarah, the children of the said Sarah shall at the time of such decease enter into possession of the lands; in the sale of my negro woman named Hannah, a preference shall be given to the person whom she shall choose to be sold to if such a one can be found to purchase her. I appoint Joseph Bendon, of New York City, and Alexander Hunt, of Rye, executors.

Dated September 4, 1788. Witnesses William Fitch, Elizabeth Fitch, James Davenport, gentleman. Proved, September 26, 1788.

Page 162.—MATTHEW WETZELL, of New York City, merchant, all my real and personal estate to be sold by my executors immediately after my decease; the proceeds arising from my personal property to be put out at interest, and the income arising from the same to be paid yearly to my mother, Christian Wetzell, during her natural life for her maintenance; and upon further trust, that they do pay the rents arising from my real property to my said mother during her life; after the death of my mother, the remainder of my estate whatsoever to be divided as follows: One equal half part to my brother Michael, to him, his heirs, and the other half part to such of my nieces, daughters of my sister, Anna Baerman, deceased, as shall be then alive, share and share alike, to be paid to them as they respectively arrive at the age of twenty-one years, or when they marry, whichever first shall happen; in the meantime the money to be placed at interest for their education.

I appoint Alexander Stewart and William Hill, of New York City, merchants; Jacob Morton, Esq., of New York, executors.

Dated April 7, 1788. Witnesses, Margaretta Morton, W. Verstile, John Dunkin. Proved, October 1, 1788.

Page 166.—ROBERT RAY, of Albany, New York, to my nephew, Cornelius Ray, and my niece, Cornelia Lansing, all my estate, both real and personal, to them, their heirs forever, as tenants in common. I appoint my nephew and niece, Cornelius Ray and Cornelia Lansing, executors.

Dated March 31, 1784. Witnesses, Jacob J. Pruyn, mariner; Parent G. Staats, Sanders Lansing. Proved, October 3, 1788.

Page 168.—August 30, 1786. ELIZABETH THOMPSON, of New York City, to John Boyd, of Elizabethtown, £200, to him or his heirs; to the corporation of the first Presbyterian Church in New York City, £400, for the purpose of erecting a school for the education of poor children of the Presbyterian denomination, by the advice and assistance of the minister or ministers of said church; to Catharine Leonard, £100; to Miss Makinleys, all my wearing apparel; to Mr. John Boyd, my bed and bedding, also my books; to Catharine Leonard, my desk, close stool, and stand; to Mrs. Rogers, the wife of the Rev<sup>d</sup> Doctor Rogers, my silver teapot and cream pot with six teaspoons and tea tongues. I appoint Mr. Daniel Macormick, of New York, merchant, my sole executor.

Witnesses, John Cochran, physician; James Black, and George Barwick. Proved, October 9, 1788.

Page 171.—ABRAHAM BYANCK, of New York City, to my wife Sarah, daughter of Amont Cannon, of the said City, and to every one of my children, all my lands, tenements, and hereditaments whatsoever, to hold the same, their heirs forever, share and share



alike, as tenants in common; all my goods, chattels, personal and testamentary estate, moneys, securities, after my debts and funeral charges are paid, to my wife and children, their heirs, as tenants in common. I appoint my wife, John Blagge, merchant, and William Alexander, both of New York City, executors.

Dated May 22, 1788. Witnesses, James Glean, John McQueen, Aaron Stockholm. Proved, October 1788.

Page 175.—GABRIEL H. LUDLOW, merchant, of New York, to my wife, Anne Ludlow, all my estate, both real and personal, to her use forever, and that she will dispose of the same to the best advantage for our children, whom I commit to her care and direction. I appoint my wife, Ann Ludlow, and my brother, William H. Ludlow, and my cousin, Daniel Ludlow, executors.

Dated April 27, 1788. Witnesses, Richard Morris, Martha Ludlow, W. Popham, Counsellor-at-Law. Proved, October 16, 1788.

Page 177.—PHEBE BARNES, widow, of New York City, my daughter Mary to have charge of my funeral arrangements; to my daughter Phebe, my gold watch and my large silver punch bowl; to my daughter Mary, all the ready cash; Also a bond of £600, and the moneys and interest due and to grow due thereon from the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of City of New York; Also another bond of £86 and interest due from Richard Woolsey and others; Also my wearing apparel; Also my large silver tankard and all my plate, including my tea-table plate; Also my beds, bedding and furniture, and my household and kitchen furniture; Also all my part and share which I held jointly or in common with my daughters or any of them of and in the land of Frog's Neck, which was purchased of James Baxter; to my daughter Elizabeth, her heirs forever, the ten acres of land at Frog's Neck which was bought of John Baxter, and also my house and lands in the town of Westchester; Also the small lot of salt meadow

which I bought of Nathaniel Underhill; to my daughter Philinda, my large Bible; all the residue of my estate, real and personal, to my daughter Mary, her heirs forever. I appoint my daughter, Mary Kerly, executrix, and John Stagg, mason, of New York City, executor. In case of the death of John Stagg, I appoint Abraham W. De Peyster, Attorney-at-Law, co-executor. Each of my daughters aforesaid shall have one of the four pieces of gold which I have had long ago in my possession, but that my daughter Elizabeth shall have the lightest among them.

Dated November 3, 1785. Witnesses, John Dalton, Samuel Akerly, Abraham B. De Peyster. Proved, November 3, 1788.

Page 181.—THOMAS WELSH, shopkeeper, of New York, to my son Thomas, Jr., £10 in full satisfaction of all claims upon my estate; if he die before my decease, the £10 be paid to my wife Mary; all the residue of my estate, both real and personal, to my wife, it being my intention to deprive my said son of any benefit, advantage, or profit of my estate in any way whatever other than the legacy of £10. I appoint my wife, executrix, and William Cornell and Jacob Abranise, merchants, of New York, executors. Dated November 13, 1786. Witnesses, Charles Richardson, Thomas Hicks, Student-at-Law; W. Cock. Proved, December 2, 1788.

Page 185.—EBENEZER CROSBY, physician, New York City, to my wife Catharine and to my two sons, John Player and William Bedlow, and to such other child and children as I shall hereafter have by my said wife, their heirs forever; all my estate, both real and personal, to be equally divided among them, share and share alike. If any of my children should die under age, and without lawful issue, the share of the one so dying to my wife and the surviving children, equally divided, share and share alike. In case all my children die under age and without issue, I divide as follows:

One equal tenth part thereof to my niece, Elizabeth Ann Crosby, to her heirs forever, and the remainder thereof to my wife, to her, her heirs forever; my estate not to be divided until my youngest child, William Bedlow, shall attain the age of twenty-one years; in the meantime my wife shall have and receive the use, rents, interests, and profits of all my estate, both real and personal, to be applied by her for the maintenance and education, support of my children; my executor to sell such land as they deem necessary, and to make partition and division of all or any undivided lands and real estate which I hold as a tenant in common or as a joint tenant with any other person or persons, and to make and execute good and sufficient deeds of partition in the law for the dividing the said lands in severalty among the proprietors thereof in such manner as to my executors as aforesaid shall seem proper. I appoint Henry Rutgers and my wife Catharine, executors.

Dated July 12, 1788. Witnesses, Abraham B. Depeyster, Henry Bancker, Stephen McCrea, physician. Proved, December 4, 1788.

Page 190.—WILLIAM CUNNINGHAM, surgeon of His Majesty's ship, the *Windsor*, to my wife Margaret, all my wages, sum and sums of money, lands, tenements, goods, chattels, and estate, whatsoever and wheresoever. I appoint my wife, Margaret Cunningham, executrix.

Dated January 30, 1756. Witnesses, Catharine Rhodes, Mary Hyne. Proved, February 17, 1789, when William Maxwell, a brother-in-law and George Turnbull, a nephew of the testator, testified to the handwriting of the deceased. Catharine Rhodes and Mary Hyne having both deceased. Administration was granted unto Margaret Cunningham, the executrix.

Page 192.—August 6, 1788. MARTHA EBBETTS, of New York City, to Harman Le Roy, £20; to Elizabeth,

the daughter of Anthony Hoffman, Esq., £10; to John Ebbetts, son of Daniel Ebbetts, Sr., £10; to John Ebbetts, son of Daniel Ebbetts, Jr., £10; Also to David Provoost, £40; to Mary De Reimer and Martha De Reimer, daughters of Peter De Reimer, my bed and curtains, to be divided between them as they shall agree; to Else De Reimer, my sister's daughter, all my wearing apparel; to Jane Ebbetts, widow of my brother Richard, £20; it is my desire that Peter De Reimer shall have the first offer in the sale of my lot in Leary Street at the price of £400, provided he is inclined to purchase the same; the residue of my estate, real and personal, I give to the following persons, being seven in number: to Daniel Ebbetts, Sr., and his three sisters, Anne, Eleanor, and Mary; Else De Reimer, wife of Peter De Reimer; Daniel Ebbetts, Jr., and his brother, John Ebbetts, to be equally divided between them share and share alike, each person to have one seventh part of the proceeds of the residue of my estate; my executors to put John Ebbetts' share out at interest upon good and sufficient securities; the annual product thereof to be paid to his mother, Margaret Ebbetts, during her natural life; after her decease the principal to be paid to Daniel Ebbetts, Jr., provided the said brother, John Ebbetts, should not in the meantime appear. I appoint Daniel Ebbetts, Sr., Daniel Ebbetts, Jr., Peter De Reimer, and Edward Nicholas, Jr., executors.

Witnesses, James Van Dyck, Isaac Van Dyck, Eleanor Van Dyke, David Provoost.

*Codicil.* To the corporation of Trinity Church, £10 toward rebuilding the old church in Broadway. Dated August 6, 1788. Witnesses, James Van Dyck, Isaac Van Dyck, Eleanor Van Dyck, David Provoost. Proved, February 5, 1789.

Page 196.—JOHN VREDENBURGH, hairdresser, of New York City, my executors to sell, release, convey, and confirm in fee simple all or any of my lands, tenements,

and hereditaments, with the appurtenances whatsoever, unto any person or persons whomsoever; Also all my personal estate whatsoever except such part thereof as is contained in a schedule which I have signed and hereunto annexed, which I have given to Mary Vredenburg Brinckehoff, the grandchildren of my late wife by her former husband; either together or in parcels, for the highest price and most money the same will bring either at private or public sale; the moneys arising from such sale to be put out at interest, first deducting all my just debts and funeral expenses, and the charges of such sale or sales; to my mother, Hannah Vredenburg, the interest money that shall annually arise out of the said moneys as aforesaid, to be paid to her by my executors during her natural life; to my brother, Jacob Vredenburg, of Elizabethtown, New Jersey, hairdresser, one equal half part of the annual income aforesaid, for and during his natural life; after his decease to his lawful issue; the other half equal part at my mother's death, for the use and benefit of my sister, Mary De Groet, wife of Jacob De Groet, in such manner and sums as my executors see fit; at my sister's decease, the half part and interest to her children. I appoint my brother, Jacob Vredenburg, and John Wylley, tailor, of New York; Thomas Ogilvie, house carpenter, New York, executors.

Dated November 12, 1788. Witnesses, Victor Bicker, Nicholas Carmer, ironmonger; John J. Roosevelt. Proved, February 16, 1789.

Page 200.—BENJAMIN NICOLL, of New York City, to my son Edward, my library of books, my sword hanger, gun, and pistols; Also my watch; all the residue of my estate to my wife during the time she remains my widow, to enable her to bring up our children; each of my children to receive £500 as they respectively come of age. If my wife remarries, I give her all my household furniture except my plate and £500; the residue of my estate to my children. I appoint my wife dur-

ing her widowhood, Hon. John Chambers, Esq., William Nicoll, of Shelter Island; John Watts, and William Nicoll, Jr., executors.

Dated April 15, 1758. Witnesses, David Mathews, Cary Ludlow, Attorney-at-Law; D. Isaac Browne. Proved, August 12, 1760, when administration was granted unto Mary Magdalen Nicoll, one of the executors. On February 25, 1789, John Watts, the only surviving executor, having removed from the state, administration was granted unto Mathias Nicoll, merchant.

Page 206.—JACOBUS VAN ZANDT, merchant, of New York City, to my daughter Catharine, £300, to be paid to her the day of her marriage (if she marries with her mother's consent); Also one equal third part of all the residue of my estate after the death or remarriage of my wife; to my wife Ann, the remaining two-third part of my estate; to my sons, Viner and James, £20 each, to enable them to purchase a suit of mourning. I appoint my wife Ann, my sons, Viner and James; my daughter Catharine and Wynandt Van Zandt, Tobias Van Zandt, and Gerret Keteltas, executors.

Dated December 27, 1786. Witnesses, Joseph Hallett, Mary Murray, Brockholst Livingston, Counsellor-at-Law. Proved, March 20, 1789.

Page 210.—JOSEPH CLEMENT, of New York City, merchant, to my mother, Jane Clement, £50; to my sister, Mary Clement, £50, and all my deceased wife's wearing apparel; to my brother, Jarvis Clement, all my wearing apparel; to my two sons, Jonathan D. and Joseph Clement, all the residue of my personal estate; to my son, Jonathan D., one equal undivided half part of all my real estate; the remaining half part to my son Joseph; if both my sons die under the age of twenty-one years and without lawful issue, I give one equal half part to my sister, Mary Clement, and one-fourth part to my brother, Jarvis Clement, and the remaining fourth part to my sister, Jane Dickenson. I appoint



Edmund Prior, John Mitchell, and Cornelius J. Bogert, of New York City, and Thomas Clowes, of Queens County, executors.

Dated November 21, 1787. Witnesses, Isaac Cock, merchant; Jacob Mott, Samuel Brewster. Proved, April 9, 1789.

Page 212.—ANN VAN ZANDT, of Newark, Essex County, New Jersey, my just debts, also those of my late husband, to be paid out of my personal estate; all my real estate and residue of my personal estate to my executors during the lives of my sons, Viner and James, and after their decease the one-half equal part to the children of Viner, and the other half to the children of James; if either my sons die, his share to be divided among the issue of my daughter, Catharine Maxwell; if both sons die under age and without lawful issue, the estate to be divided as follows: One eighth to be divided amongst the issue of my brother-in-law, Wynandt Van Zandt; one eighth among the issue of Tobias Van Zandt; one eighth among the issue of my sister-in-law, Elizabeth Keteltas, the wife of Peter Keteltas; another to the issue of Anna Lawrence, wife of Augustine Lawrence; another eighth to the issue of my brother George; one eighth to the issue of my sister Elizabeth; one eighth to my sister Sarah, wife of Peter Pra Van Zandt, and the remaining one eighth to William Nicoll Keteltas, son of my nephew, Gerret Keteltas; to my sister, Mary Murray, an annuity of £25 per annu, to be paid to her during her widowhood; to my nephew, Gerret Keteltas, £400. I appoint my sons, Viner and James; my son-in-law, James Homer Maxwell; my brother-in-law, Wynandt Van Zandt; my nephews, Gerret Keteltas and William Lawrence, Wynandt Van Zandt, Jr., and William Nicoll Keteltas, executors.

Dated June 23, 1788. Witnesses, Israel Hedden, merchant; Jesse Baldwin, Caleb Sayrs. Proved, April 11, 1789.

Page 216.—JOHN LONG, of Pearl Street, City of New York, to my sister-in-law, Jane Burns, and my granddaughter, Elizabeth Steele, my dwelling house and lot of ground situated in Pearl Street aforesaid, with the outbuildings, to hold the same for three years from the first of May next; Also to the said Jane Burns and Elizabeth Steele, the use of all my household goods, Plate, linen and china for the like term of three years; to my daughter, Elizabeth Shaw, after the said expiration of three years, my dwelling house and lot, and all my household goods and furniture; to my grandsons, John Moncrieffe Steele and Robert Long Steele, one shilling each; the residue of my estate to my son-in-law, John Shaw; my daughter, Elizabeth Shaw; my sister-in-law, Jane Burns, and my grandson and granddaughters, Elizabeth Steele, Jane Shaw, Mary Shaw, Miller Shaw, Alice Shaw, and Sarah Shaw, to be equally divided among them. I appoint Jane Burns, Elizabeth Steele, Peter Stoutenbergh, and Josiah Sheepy, executors.

Dated January 14, 1789.

*Codicil.* I give to my son-in-law, John Shaw, over and above his proportion of my personal estate £436 fourteen shillings and eight pence, being the amount of certain continental money which I sent him in the year 1776, and for which he never accounted with me.

Dated January 14, 1789. William Brown, James Boyd, writing clerk; John Lawrence. Proved, April 15, 1789.

Page 220.—JACOB POZER, baker, of New York City, all my estate, both real and personal, to my wife Sarah, after my just debts and funeral charges are paid. I appoint my wife, Ezekiel Robins, of New York, latter, executors.

Dated February 12, 1789. Witnesses, Daniel Dunscomb, Timothy Russel, Michael Housworth. Proved, April 22, 1789.

Page 222.—September 20, 1780. WILLIAM PEARSS, of City of New York, to my wife Tietye, my house and lot, fronting north on Crown Street and west on Smith Street, on the east by a lot of the widow Kip, and south by a house and lot of Abraham Keteltas; if she remarries, the house and lot reverts to the estate, and my wife receives £120 in lieu of dower; to my Johannis Poel, all my wearing apparel; Also my watch, my seal ring, and my silver buckles; Also £100 as his birthright, on condition that when he comes to lawful age he shall sign of a certain will made by his sister Annatie unto his sister Tanneke if she requires the same; or else the same to be void, and instead thereof, to have £60; to my wife, my clock and silver teapot; Also bed, bedding, six pictures, with £150 in cash; my other house and ground at Burling Slip to be rented until my son comes of age; if he die, to his sister; the residue of my estate to be equally divided between the aforesaid son and daughter. I nominate Charles Phillips, Hubert Van Wagenen, and David Marsterton, all of New York City, executors.

Witnesses, John Alstyne, William Newton, Jr., Alexander Ogsbury, shopkeeper. Proved, May 2, 1789.

Page 226.—October 21, 1774. ABRAHAM MESIER, merchant, of New York City, to my son John five shillings as his birthright; to my wife Elizabeth, the use of my estate, both real and personal, as long as she remains my widow; in case of her death or remarriage, the estate to be sold, and to be divided among my sons, John, Abraham, Jacob, Peter Mesier, and my four daughters, Jane, Mary, Sarah, and Catharine Mesier; if any of my children should die before arriving at lawful age, the share of the one so dying to be equally divided among the survivors. I appoint my wife, my sons, John and Abraham Mesier; my brother, Peter Mesier, and Hugh Gaine, executors.

Witnesses, William J. Elsworth, Pewterer; Henry Van Wenkel, John Nathan Hutchins. Proved, May 18, 1789.

Page 230.—DINAH RAPALJE, widow, of New York City, the bond of £1,840, bearing date June 12, 1783, when due and with interest, from my son John I divide as follows: One-third part thereof to John Rapalje, Jr., son of my son John; one other third to my son-in-law, Gerardus Duyckinck, and the remaining third to Anne, Dinah, and Cornelia, daughters of my son, Gerret Rapalje, to be paid to them upon the death of their father; to my son Gerret, the southernmost half part of my lot at Brooklyn Ferry in Kings County, Brooklyn, for his natural life; at his death, to his three daughters above mentioned; the other half part of the lot to the said Gerardus Duyckinck; to my daughter Anne, the wife of Gerardus Duyckinck, one equal half part of all my wearing apparel, plate, and household furniture; the other half part to the daughters of my son Gerret; one equal half part of the residue of my estate to the said Gerardus Duyckinck, the other half part to the daughters of my son Gerret. I appoint Denyse Denyse, of New Utrecht, and Barnardus Ryder, of Gravesend, Kings County, executors.

Dated June 27, 1787. Witnesses, Samuel Jones, Thomas Storm, John Turner. Proved, June 1, 1789. When the executors refused to serve and the Court appointed Gerardus Duyckinck to administer the estate.

Page 235.—ELIZABETH LIVINGSTON, to the children of my brother, Robert James Livingston, £1,000; to my sister Margaret, my house and lot of ground in Smith Street, also £300; to my sister, Mary Moncrieffe, £500; to my niece, Janet Plenderleath, my house and lot of ground in Broadway; to my niece, Susanna Livingston, linen, two mourning rings, and a silver tankard with a Queen Anne's half crown on the lid; to my niece, Elizabeth Smith, my negro boy named Bob and one diamond ring; to my niece, Mary Smith, one pair gold sleeve buttons, one silver snuff box, and a pair of shoe buckles; to my niece, Mary Livingston, one pair of

Diamond earrings; to my nephew, William Smith Livingston, a gold stock buckle, with my father's picture in miniature; to the Rev. John Rodgers and the Rev. Joseph Treat, £100, for the benefit of the English Presbyterian Church of New York City; to my sister, Janet Smith, the residue of my estate, including my negro wench, Marr. I appoint my brother, William Smith, executor.

Dated August 11, 1778. Witnesses, Stephen Lush, William Willcocks, Counsellor-at-Law; Isaac Ball, Jr.

*Codicil.* My sister Mary being dead, the Presbyterian Ministers of New York being scattered, and special reasons inclining one to change my gift to my sister Margaret, I revoke the second, third, and seventh articles of my will, and now give to my sister Margaret £1,000, to be raised out of my estate; my wench Moll to acquire her freedom after my decease.

Dated August 16, 1780. Witnesses, James Moran, Elizabeth Moran, Susanna Jardine. Proved, January 28, 1789, when Susanna Jardine, now Susanna Baker, testified at the probate. On June 20, 1789, the Court appointed Daniel McCormick, of New York, merchant, to administer the estate, William Smith, the executor, having long since left the state.

Page 241.—May 19, 1789. JAMES JOHNSON, of County of Wilts in the kingdom of Great Britain, late of the Island of Jamaica and now of New York City, to John Murray, of New York, merchant, £100; to Henry Troup, of New York, clerk to the said John Murray, £100; to Thomas Delves, clerk in the bank, £100; to Catharine Delves, wife of Thomas Delves, £100; to Thomas Wignell, a comedian, £100; to John Hollingsworth, of London, Great Britain, miner, £50; to Rebecca Hollingsworth, sister of said John Hollingsworth, £50; to Edward Shard and Henry Shard, of Tisbury, near Hindon and Fonthill in the County of Wilts, my brothers, all the residue of my estate. I appoint John Murray, Edward Shard, and Walter

Adams, of Montego Bay, in the Island of Jamaica, merchant, executors.

Witnesses, Thomas White, Daniel Badcock, John Wilkes, Notary Public. Proved, July 11, 1789.

Page 244.—ANDREW MOODY, weigh master, of New York City, to my wife and my sons, William and Andrew, and my daughters, Isabella, Nancy, Margaret, Ellen, Mary, Catherine, and Jane all my estate, both real and personal, when my youngest child shall attain the age of twenty-one years. I appoint my wife executrix.

November 6, 1787. John Targe, tide waiter; John Banks, Henry Dufoner. Proved, August 12, 1789.

Page 247.—ABRAHAM EMMANS, of New York, to William Henderson, broker, of New York, £500, together with my negro boy named Cuff; to Sarah Vermilie, widow of Joshua Vermilie, £400, together with my negro boy named Peter; to Abigail, Elizabeth, Jane, and Philip children of Francis Green, deceased, each £100 as soon as they arrive at lawful age or marry; to Elizabeth Childs, wife of Nathaniel Childs, the rents, issues, and profits of my farm, containing two hundred and thirty-one acres, situated in Westchester County, during her natural life, and at her death, the same to Samuel Ver Plank Childs and Fanny Childs; the residue of my estate to Sarah Vermilie. I appoint William Henderson and Sarah Vermilie, executors.

Dated May 28, 1789. Witnesses, Peter Grant, James Weandell, George Bond, Attorney-at-Law. Proved, August 18, 1789.

Page 250.—ANN VAN HORN, New York City, widow of David Van Horne, merchant, to my son David, the house and ground and store house situated on the southwest side of Wall Street; to my son David, and to each of my daughters, Ann, Susan, Catharine, Cornelia, and Elizabeth, £25 each to purchase a suit of



mourning; all the residue of my estate to be equally divided among my said daughters. I appoint my son David and my daughter Ann, executors.

Dated December 7, 1786. Witnesses, Benjamin Moore, clerk; Charles Startin, G. Keteltas. Proved, August 25, 1789.

Page 254.—WALTER GIBBONS, livery stable keeper, of New York City, to Samuel Aldridge, my shoe buckles and silver watch, with all my wearing apparel; to Ann Aldridge, all my horses, chairs, sleighs, harness, furniture, and personal property.

Dated August 21, 1789. Witnesses, Michael Price, merchant; James Burras, Charles Cox. Proved, August 27, 1789.

Page 256.—ROBERT GILBERT LIVINGSTON, of New York, to my wife Catharine, all my household furniture, books, plate, horses, carriages, slaves, stock, and farming utensils of every kind; Also an annuity of £600 during her natural life in quarterly payments by Aaron Burr, of New York City; my executors to sell the following houses, farms, and lots so as to raise money to pay the above annuity, also my debts and funeral charges: The farm which I bought of Michael Hopkins, where Josiah Ingersoll lived; the two houses and lots in Brooklyn, Long Island, which I bought of Christopher Codwise; Also all my lands in Ulster County and three-and-a-half Townships in the tract known as Jessup's Purchase; Also my farm at little Hempstead; Also my house and lot in Queens Street, New York City, now in possession of Samuel Corp as my tenant, adjoining the lot I bought of John Van Zandt; Also the lot I bought of the heirs of Abraham Ketteltas, deceased; Also the house and lot in Water Street, No. 28, New York City, now in possession of George Pollock as my tenant; Also two lots I have in Nicholas Bayard's pasture in the out ward of this City; Also two farms on land in Schuyler's patent near

Cherry Valley, each containing five hundred acres; after the death of my wife, the principal sum, which shall be so vested for the payment of the annuity to her, to be divided as follows among my said children and the children of my daughter Helena, deceased: One-fifth part to each of my children, Robert Gilbert Livingston, Jr., Henry, Gilbert Livingston, and Catharine Reade, and the remaining to the above-mentioned grandchildren; to my eldest son, Robert, all my third part of a tract of land in Dutchess County, called Rhinebeck, lot numbers Three and Four; Also nine-and-a-half farms described in a deed of partition between Colonel Henry Beekman, Albert Pawling, and Catharine, his wife, and Gilbert Livingston, and Cornelia, his wife, dated at Kingston, August 29, 1737; Also three hundred and eighty acres which are to be conveyed to me by the award of Abraham Lott and Samuel Jones, dated December 30, 1769, which number of acres are to be taken out of lot No. 5, formerly belonging to John Rutzen; Also the one equal fifth part of all the residue of my real estate; to my son Henry, the other fifth part of the residue of my estate; another fifth part to my son Gilbert; one-fifth part to my daughter, Catharine Reade; the remaining fifth part to my brother-in-law, Peter Stuyvesant, and Aaron Burr, in trust for my children until they reach legal age or marry. If they die before reaching lawful age and without legal issue, the share or shares to revert to the estate. I appoint my three sons, Robert Gilbert, Jr., Henry and Gilbert Livingston, executors.

Dated August 20, 1789. Witnesses, Nicholas Romine, Samuel Hallett, yeomen; Peter Macgowan, writing clerk. Proved, September 4, 1789.

Page 271.—Translation from the French of the will of Jacques Malide, of Vitry, Diocese of Champagne, France, now living in New York, appoint Mr. Elie Joseph Chevalier (teacher of the French language) and Mr. Peter Bontreux, executors, to sell all merchandise

to the best advantage possible. If that cannot be done to a profit, at least at first cost as to the goods here, on account of Messrs. Malide, Villerson & Le Blond, of Paris, and those of Mr. Godfrey, all the charges that have accrued on these goods, which they must deduct from the amount of two pieces of cotton cloth sold to Mr. Case amounting to £354 18s. 9d.; the funds that arise must be put in the bank; all that shall be due after collecting, they must take bills of exchange from the Minister or the Consul, to make remittances to Messrs. Malide & V. B. at Paris immediately after my decease. They must inform the firm at Paris of the inventory; after all the debts in France are paid, as well as here, one half of the remaining sum to Mr. Bontreux, in order that he may return to France. If this is not sufficient, there shall be advanced to him 600 livres; Also all my wearing apparel; to Mr. Chevalier, half-dozen shirts and one dozen handkerchiefs. If goods arrive after my decease, they must be left at the French Consul's until word arrives from the firm in Paris, who will advise what they are to do; nothing shall be given to Bontreux. I appoint Elie Joseph Chevalier and Peter Bontreux, executors.

Dated June 13 1789. Witnesses, John Vaché, artificial florist; Peter François Piernes, ladies' hairdresser. Proved, September 30, 1789.

Page 274.—WILLIAM VAN DEURSEN, tallow candle, of New York City, to my son Peter, all my utensils and materials belonging to the soap and tallow-candle business; to my son Isaac, all my wearing apparel; to my daughter Lucretia, wife of Basil Frances, her picture; to my daughter Elizabeth, my four pictures of myself, my wife, my daughter Lucretia, and my son Abraham; to my daughters, Annaka, Sarah, and Elizabeth, all my household furniture, bedding, and linen. The residue of my estate to be sold, and the money arising divided into twelve parts; to my son Abraham, one equal twelfth; to my daughter Lucretia, wife of

Basil Frances, one equal twelfth part; if she should happen to die in the lifetime of her husband, then her share to be given to her two children, Benjamin Herring and Catherina Herring, equally; to my daughter Catherina, wife of William Gruesbeck, one equal twelfth part; to my son William, one equal twelfth part; to my son Peter, one equal twelfth part; to my son Isaac, one equal twelfth part; to my daughter Sarah, one equal twelfth part; to my daughter Elizabeth, one equal twelfth part; to my daughter Hester, wife of William Colbratt, one equal twelfth part, together with my silver tankard and chest of drawers; to the children of my daughter Mary, deceased, late wife of Direck Schuyler, one equal twelfth part; to my daughter Cornelia, one equal twelfth part; to my daughter Annaka, one equal twelfth part. I appoint my brother, Abraham Van Deursen; my sons, William, Peter, and Isaac, and my son-in-law, William Coibratt, executors.

Dated March 21, 1787. Witnesses, Thomas Ash, windsor chairmaker; James Craig, Richard Asbridge. Proved, September 10, 1789.

Page 282.—January 3, 1765. HAYMAN LEVY, merchant, of New York City, to my wife Sloe, the house where I now dwell, situated in Duke Street, together with the lot of ground leading back into Mill Street, whereon the same is erected, and all the store houses, out houses, during her natural life; in case of her remarriage or death ten years after my decease, I will it to my son, Solomon Hayman Levy, and my son-in-law, Isaac Moses, except the equal share which will devolve to my daughter Zipparah [Seixas]; to my wife, all my plate, jewels, household and kitchen furniture; to my daughter, Deborah Hayman Levy, £100; to the congregation of Sherrith Israel, £5, for the benefit of having an Escoba, as is usual; my two sons, Isaac H. Levy and Aaron H. Levy, shall have the management and carry on business with the said capital or

stock-in-trade under the firm of Isaac H. Levy and Company. I have advanced several sums of money to my son-in-law, Benjamin Seixas; these sums to be considered as a part of the residue of my personal estate. I appoint my wife, my sons, Isaac, Solomon, Aaron, and my son-in-law, Isaac Moses, executors. In the probate another daughter, Sarah Levy, is mentioned. This will was not signed, and was proved September 28, 1789, upon the testimony of Stephen Paterson, of New York City, scrivener, 34 years of age; Gershom Seixas, of New York City, upward of 40 years of age, minister of the Jewish Congregation in this city; Charles McKnight, of New York City, physician, 38 years of age.

Page 301.—ANN SULLIVAN, widow, of New York City, all my household furniture and apparel to my nephew, Thomas Adams, and my niece, Rebecah Mann, equally; the residue of my property to my nephew, George Adams, of the City of Cork, in Ireland, house carpenter. I appoint the Reverend Benjamin Moore, of New York, executor.

Dated May 20, 1789. Witnesses, Andrew Bowne, Jonathan Harned, tailor. Proved, October 19, 1789.

Page 304.—ABRAHAM BEEKMAN, New York City, to my brother, William Beekman, £10; to Abraham Van Gelder, £50; Also the privilege of living and a maintenance on the farm which I hold in common with my Brother; to my nephew, Abraham K. Beekman, second son of my brother James, one equal undivided half part of the farm on which I now reside, situated in the out ward of City of New York; Also the two westernmost water lots of the three belonging between me and my brother, situated in Montgomerie Ward of New York City, adjoining the lots of the late Alderman John Bogart and Benjamin Moore; Also all my right, title, and demand in the real estate situated at the ship yard in New York City which formerly belonged

to the estate of Abraham Van Horn, deceased, and now adjoining the ground of Stephen Crossfield; Also all my lots of ground in the out ward of New York which I purchased from Nicholas Bayard and Pierre Van Courtland, Esq.; Also twenty-three lots of land containing four thousand six hundred and ninety-seven acres in Beekman Township. Also to my nephew, Abraham K. my gold watch, buckle, gold ring, my negro slave named Hannah, all my horses, cattle, and farming utensils. I appoint my brothers, William and James Beekman, executors.

Dated August 2, 1788. Witnesses, John Hardenbrook, John Goodwin, Francis Child. Proved, October 28, 1789.

Page 309.—JACOB STYMETS, shopkeeper, to my wife Mary, all my estate, real and personal; at her death, to my four daughters; the eldest two, Rachel Arden and Amy Brown, being married and having received an outset, my other two daughters, Mary and Margaret Stymets, must receive as much as the above-mentioned daughters. I appoint my wife, and Frederick Stymets and Jacob Arden, my son-in-law, executors.

Dated April 8, 1789. Witnesses, Benjamin Romaine, schoolmaster; John Newcomb, Cornelius Vanaulen. Proved, November 5, 1789.

Page 313.—JOHN HEALY, of New York City, now destined for the Island of Jamaica in the West Indies, to my sister, Catherine Keeling, wife of Charles Keeling, two thirds of whatever real or personal estate I may possess; the other third to my sister, Mary Healy, of City of Cork, Ireland. I appoint my sister, Catherine Keeling, executrix.

Dated May 11, 1784. Witnesses, John McKenney, Benjamin Seaman, John Brien. Proved, December 3, 1789.

Page 316.—JOHN GRIFFITHS, merchant, of New York, to my son John, £5 as his birthright; to my wife Jane,



the use, rents, and profits of all that my dwelling house, lots of ground, and premises wherein I now live, and all my other estate. If my wife marries, my Executors are to sell my estate, and my wife is to receive one full third part of the proceeds during her natural life; the other two-third parts to be divided among my children without regard to age or sex. I appoint my wife Jane, executrix, and my sons, John and Anthony, executors.

Dated March 13, 1764. Witnesses, Thomas Vardill, Mark Vallintine, James Emott. Proved, November 6, 1789, when Thomas Randall, of New York City, Esq., and John Ten Eyck, of New York City, merchant, testified that the witnesses to the above will were dead, but believed their signatures to be their "proper hands writing." On November 9, 1789, the executors having since died, administration was granted unto Joseph Griffiths, New York City, merchant.

Page 321.—KITTY SINGER, to Susan Witter, bed, bedding and bedstead, my green silk gown, a small round and large table, all my chairs, and £20; to Kitty Weaver, my blue silk gown and petticoat; to Susan Stewart, all my silver and china. I appoint James A. Stewart, executor.

Dated November 4, 1789. Ann Hamilton, John Hamilton, Sarah Hamilton. Proved, November 18, 1789.

Page 323.—LEONARD SAUNDERS, weaver, of New York City, to my eldest daughter, Margaret Hairs, £10; to my wife Mary all the residue of my real and personal estate; after the death of my wife, my estate to be equally divided among my three daughters, Margaret Hairs, Elizabeth Richard, and Mary Garrick. I appoint my wife Mary, executrix, and John Wootye and my son-in-law, Thomas Garrick, executors.

Dated August 5, 1780. Witnesses, Richard Edwards, John Fowler, John Seger. Proved, December 29, 1789.

Page 326.—SAMUEL SCHUYLER, merchant, of New York, to my oldest son, Peter Clopper Schuyler, all my

wearing apparel (militia apparatus excepted) as heir-at-law; to my second son, Samuel, my namesake, all my militia apparatus; all the residue of my estate to be sold by my executor, and the moneys arising from such sale to be divided into eight equal parts; one full eighth equal part to my wife Elizabeth, in lieu of dower rights; the other seven-eighth equal parts to be equally divided among my seven children, namely, Elizabeth, Margaret, Peter, Anna, Catharine, Samuel, and Abraham; to my executors £15, as a mark of my esteem and a compensation for their trouble in transacting the business hereby committed to their care. I appoint my Uncle, Dirck Lefferts; my father-in-law, Peter Copper, and my wife Elizabeth, all of New York City, executors.

Dated January 26, 1789. Witnesses, William Allen, gunsmith; George Miller, shopkeeper; Henry Allen. Proved, January 11, 1790.

Page 330.—JOHN MCKENNEY, of City of New York, to my sister, Elizabeth Dunscomb, all my estate, both real and personal. My brother, Daniel Dunscomb, sole executor.

Dated December 23, 1789. Witnesses, Jacob Albright, Alexander Cook, Gideon Waterbury. Proved, January 13, 1790.

Page 332.—SARAH POEL, widow, of New York City, to my grandson, Johannis Poel Pearss, my silver tankard; to my granddaughter, Margaret De Riemer, my silver teapot; to my daughter Titie, wife of William Pearss, the one half of my real and personal estate; to my daughter Margret, wife of Nicholas De Riemer, the rents and profits of the one half of my real estate; after her husband's decease, the full one half of my real and personal estate. I appoint Charles Phillips and William Pearss, both of New York, executors. I appoint my wife, executrix.

Dated June 3, 1778. Witnesses, John Alstyne, Jero-

nemus Alstyne, Alexander Ogsbury. Proved, January 20, 1790.

Page 335.—JOHANNA DUYCKINCK, of New York, to my son Gerardus, one equal fourth part of all my estate, both real and personal; to my daughter, Mary Beekman, one other equal fourth part; to the children of my son John, deceased, one other equal fourth part; one other equal fourth part to Garrit Abeel in trust for the use of my daughter, Margaret Robinson, the profits arising from which to be annually paid to her by said Garrit Abeel; upon the death of Barnes Robinson, husband of Margaret, the full said fourth part to be paid to her. I appoint Gerrit Abeel, executor.

Dated March 30, 1774. Witnesses, Ann Hamersley, Margaret Robinson, Jr., James Linn.

*Codicil.* In consideration of affection which I bear towards the heirs of my daughter, Margaret Robinson, deceased, direct my executors to pay immediately after my death to the executors of Gerard William Beekman the amount of their account as executors aforesaid against my said daughter, such account being first satisfactorily established.

Dated October 3, 1789. Witnesses, William Beekman, Jr., Robert Rutgers, James Abeel. Proved, November 18, 1789.

Page 339.—HENRY RIKER, mariner, at present of New York City, after my just debts and funeral charges are paid, the residue of my estate, real and personal, to my two brothers, John Riker and James Riker. I appoint my two brothers, John and James Riker, executors.

Dated June 8, 1781. Witnesses, Samuel Maghee, Adrian Dow, George Shaw. Proved, February 15, 1790.

Page 342.—December 30, 1789. LEONARD LISPENARD, of New York City, to my son, Anthony Lispenard, all

my estate, real and personal. I appoint my son executor.

Witnesses, Egbert Benson, W. Popham, Henry Benson, gentleman. Proved, February 26, 1790.

Page 344.—December 15, 1789. JOHN FACH, Limeburner of New York City, to my wife Susannah, the one third of my fast estate during her widowhood, and the use of all my household furniture; to my children, George, Henry, Susannah, and John Fach, equal share of my movables except furniture, and to my daughter Catharine, £7; the remainder of my estate to be equally divided among my said children. I appoint my wife and John Pessinger, executors.

Witnesses, William Hopson, James McMaster, Gideon Carstang. Proved, February 16, 1790.

Page 346.—DAVID FICK, watchmaker, of New York, to my wife Margaret, all my estate, real and personal. I appoint my wife, executrix.

Dated March 27, 1788. Witnesses, Peter Hulick, William Goforth, Richard Penny, hair dresser. Proved, February 19, 1790.

Page 348.—DEIDERICK HEYER, sugar refiner, of New York City, to my wife Mette, use, income, interest, and profits of all my estate, both real and income interest; at my wife's decease, the above legacy to her two daughters, Ann, wife of John Kirk, and Margaret, wife of Nicholas Hane; if the said Ann and Margaret die without lawful issue, then I leave two equal third parts to my brother, John Heyer. I appoint my wife and my son-in-law, Nicholas Hane, executors.

Dated March 11, 1786. Witnesses, John Brunkhorst, Francis Child, scrivener; John Balthus Dash. Proved, March 23, 1790.

Page 353.—MOSES GOMEZ, merchant, of New York City, to my wife Esther, all my estate, both real and

personal, she reserving one half of all my rents and incomes for my son, Isaac Gomez, Jr.; if my wife remarries, then I give all my estate to my son when he arrives at lawful age, except my house in Water street, my plate, jewels, household furniture, horses and chaise with my stable, provided the man she marries gives to my said son able and sufficient security for double the value of all plate, jewels, etc., to be to him delivered after the decease of my wife; he paying to my said wife one-third part of all my rents during her lifetime; £5 to our synagogue in the City as a Legado to say Escava for me, according to our custom. I appoint my wife Esther, and my son Isaac, executors.

Dated August 22, 1786. Witnesses, Anthony Griffiths, Joseph Griffiths, Abraham Larzelere. Proved, April 7, 1790.

Page 356.—ANTHONY ACKLEY, cooper, of New York City, to my wife Hannah, my dwelling house and lot of ground which I now live in, fronting Crown Street, bounded one side by Green Street, and on the other by the house and ground of Johannis Quackenbos; Also my leased house and ground in the west ward of New York City, being part of the land commonly known by the name of the Church Farm, and is distinguished by lot No. 170, bounded in front by Barclay Street, westerly by lot No. 169, northerly by lot No. 159, and easterly by lot No. 171. After the death or remarriage of my wife, I give the said houses and lots of ground to my six children named: John, Anthony, Daniel, Elizabeth, Catherine, and Hannah, equally divided among them, except my daughter Elizabeth, who is to have £25 less, she having already received that sum, and my oldest son John, to have £5 more than any of the other children; to my son John, my longest gun; to my son Anthony, the shortest gun, with my sword and cartridge box; to my son Daniel, a third gun if there is one; if not, £3 to purchase one; all the remainder of my personal estate to my wife. I appoint my wife,

Benjamin Huggit, brother, and Stephen Terhane, painter, both of New York City, executors.

Dated April 22, 1775. Witnesses, David Brown, James Shaw, John Young, schoolmaster. Proved, August 3, 1783, when Hannah Ackley, the executrix, having refused to serve, and Stephen Terhane, since deceased, and Benjamin Hugget, the other executor, having gone beyond the seas, administration was granted unto Anthony Ackerly, of New York City.

Page 361.—MARTHA McMILLEN, widow of Anthony McMillen, of New York City, to my son Charles, five shillings as his birthright; to Mary Green, eldest daughter of my brother, the Reverend Charles Beatty, deceased, widow of the Reverend Enoch Green, all my wearing apparel, except what is hereafter bequeathed to Elizabeth Fithian, second daughter of my said brother, and wife of Joel Fithian, Esq., of New Jersey, together with my watch chain and trinkets; Also my small diamond earrings set in gold and my four gold rings; to Elizabeth Fithian, my gold necklace; Also my gowns, which were formerly her grandmother's; to Jonathan Cowdrey, Jr., house carpenter, of New York City, £10; the remainder of my estate, real and personal, to be sold by my executors, and equally divided among my nephews and nieces, Doctor John Beatty, of Princeton, New Jersey; Redding Beatty, Erkuries Beatty, George Beatty, William Beatty, Mary Green, and Elizabeth Fithian. I appoint Jonathan Cowdrey, Jr., and John Beatty, executors.

Dated March 29, 1790. Witnesses, John Crooke Ludlow, Attorney; William Heyer, Jr., Simon Simonson. Proved, May 14, 1790.

Page 364.—JAMES GRAY, of Denny, in the shire of Sterling, Scotland, but now residing in New York City, to William Gray, my natural and only son by Christianna Ferguson, now about three years of age, all my estate, both real and personal. I appoint John



Bennie and George Gosman, both of New York City, executors.

Dated May 4, 1790. Witnesses, Thomas Beveridge, John Scotland, Robert Gillespie, both of New York City. Proved, May 27, 1790.

Page 366.—JOHN DUMONT, of New York City, my funeral to be in such manner as my wife and my Uncle, John Ordhoudt, of New York, merchant, may think proper; my executors to sell my house and ground in Montgomery Ward, New York City; to my wife, all my household goods, Plate, and furniture; my said Uncle to have entire management of all debts and accounts wherein I am interested; the money arising from the sale of my house shall be vested in some of the British National Stocks or funds; the interest arising from the same to be applied for the maintenance and support of my son, John Ordhoudt Dumont, and my wife during her widowhood; after my wife's decease, and in case of my son's death without lawful issue, the said Stock to be given to John, the son of my said Uncle; to my Aunts, Elizabeth Ten Brock and Mary Van Harlingen, out of the interest money due upon bond from John Vandever and David Forman, £100 each; to my brother, Peter Dumont, £50; to my cousin, Henry Van Harlingen, Fifty guineas. I appoint my wife and Uncle, John Thurman, Peter Van Schaack, Robert Alexander, and George Pollock.

Dated, March 20, 1790. Witnesses, Jacobus Quick, Tunis Quick, Oliver L. Kerr. Proved, May 31, 1790.

Page 370.—JOHN ANDREW T. ZIMMERMAN, of New York, to my son, John Godfrid, £200; Also three table silver spoons, six teaspoons, sugar tongs, and two pair of silver buckles; to my daughter Margaret, £200, three silver table and six teaspoons, two plain gold rings; to my son John, a silver watch, a large pewter dish, a silver garnished pipe, and a crosscut saw; to my daughter, Anna Dorothy, the house where she now

lives; the residue of my estate, real and personal, be divided among my six children. I appoint Adam Kizer and Henry Brickman, executors.

Dated June 14, 1788. Witnesses, Peter Durand, George Frederick Myers, Joseph Shelburg. Proved, June 14, 1790.

Page 372.—JAMES KNOT, shopkeeper, of New York, to my wife Jane, my two tenements and ground situated in Queen Street, New York City, to my son John, the house wherein I now dwell, next to James Leonard's; Also one-half part of the aforesaid ground; after the death of my wife, the other tenement and ground to be sold, and divided into three equal parts; one-third part to my daughter Ann, wife of Ephraim Bronck; another third part to my daughter Mary, wife of William Jacobs; the remaining third part to my grandchildren, James, Elizabeth, and Jane Bennet; to my wife, all my plate and furniture. I appoint my wife and my son, John Knot, executors.

Dated December 9, 1789. Witnesses, George Walgrove, Jeremiah Oliver, Stephen Paterson. Proved, June 22, 1790.

Page 376.—CHARLES SANDIE, mariner, of New York City, to my mother, Margaret Sandie, of Castle Forward, near Londonderry, in Ireland, all my estate, real and personal. I appoint Robert Bowne, Ashur Cook, and Ezekiel Robbins, executors.

Dated March 10, 1784. Witnesses, Catharine Randall, Paul Richard Randall, Balthazar De Haert. Proved, June 26, 1790.

Page 378.—MARGARET VAN CUREN, New York City, to my nephew, Ephraim Brushar, my one-half interest and claim in the dwelling houses and ground bounded by St. George's Square, Cherry Street, and Queen Street; to my niece, Margaret Walker, wife of Robert Walker, of Stratford, Fairfield County, Connecticut, the remaining part of my above-mentioned real estate.

I charge my real estate as follows: The part given to my nephew with £200, and that given my niece, £100—this sum of £300 to be out at interest for the benefit of Rachel, widow of my nephew, Abraham Brasher, and their children, Sarah, Catharine, Ephraim, and Elizabeth Brasher; to my said niece Margaret, my negro boy slave named Sam; Also the negro girl named Mary; my negro woman slave named Dianna to be made free; to my said nephew Ephraim, my silver tankard; Also to my niece, my silver milk pot, two tablespoons, and four teaspoons; the remainder of my personal estate to be divided between my niece and nephew. I appoint my said niece and nephew, executors.

Dated June 4, 1790. Witnesses, John Arthur, Henry Riker, John Woods. Proved, June 30, 1790.

Page 382.—ESTER BENZAKIN, of New York City, to my son Isaac, all the wearing apparel of my husband, Eleazor Benzakin; to my son Abraham, six silver teaspoons; to my daughter Rachel, a silver stone pin; to my daughter Symey, a silver bell and corral; the residue of my estate, real and personal, to be equally divided between my two daughters. I appoint my son Abraham and my daughter Symey, executors.

Dated June 8, 1790. Witnesses, Benjamin S. Judah, Joshua Jonas, Hercules Wendover. Proved, July 1, 1790.

Page 384.—GROVE BEND, shopkeeper, of New York, all my estate, real and personal, to be sold, and the proceeds divided as follows: To my nephew, the Reverend Joseph Grove John Bend, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, one-fourth part thereof; the remaining three fourths to my niece, Elizabeth Waldron, wife of John Peter Waldron, of Harlem, New York. I appoint John Peter Waldron, William Rhineland, and Elizabeth Waldron, executors.

Dated August 13, 1788. Witnesses, Mary E. Ar-

mour, Michael Moore, Jacob Moore. Proved, July 28, 1790.

Page 387.—RICHARD KIPP, cooper, of New York City, all my estate to be sold, and out of the moneys arising from same I give £300 to my grandson Abraham, son of my deceased son Elias; to my granddaughter Jenny, child of my son Peter, one full and equal sixth part of all the residue of my estate. I give to my children, Richard, James, Elizabeth, Sarah, and Mary the remaining five sixths of all the residue of my estate. I appoint my son, Richard Kip, and my son-in-law, Benjamin Haight, executors.

Dated April 10, 1790. Witnesses, John Bogert, merchant; William Dyckman, Cornelius J. Bogert. Proved, August 11, 1790.

Page 389.—DANIEL SHAFFER, paper maker, of New York, to my wife Elizabeth, the use, rents, income, and profits of all my estate, real and personal; after the remarriage or decease of my wife, to my daughter Mary, £40; all the remainder of my estate to my children, Charlotte, Mary, and Elizabeth, to be equally divided among them. I appoint William Snyder, shopkeeper, of New York; John Milldollar, tobacconist, New York City; and Jacob Bashart, city carpenter, executors.

Dated May 11, 1790. Witnesses, John Spies, George Lamplin, Francis Child. Proved, August 16, 1790.

Page 392.—ADAM WANDLE, of New York City, to my wife Elizabeth, a lot of ground which I now hold by lease of Henry Rutgers, Esq., situated in Division Street; Also all my personal estate. After the death or remarriage of my wife, my said estate to be divided among my children, Jacob, William, Susanah Osmond, wife of John Osmond; Charity, and Elizabeth. I appoint Andrew Sitcher and John Smith, executors.

Dated February 7, 1788. Witnesses, William Thur-

ston, James Genkins, mason; William Peckwell. Proved, August 18, 1790.

Page 395.—MARK MURPHY, innkeeper, of New York City, all my estate, real and personal, to my wife Mary. I appoint my wife sole executor.

Dated July 2, 1790. Witnesses, William S. Livingston, Alexander Fink, William Tapp. Proved, August 20, 1790.

Page 397.—ELIZABETH BEEKMAN, widow of John Beekman, of New York City, merchant, all my estate, real and personal, to be divided into four equal parts. One equal fourth part to each of the following persons: To my brother, Peter Renaudet, physician, of Great Britain; to my sister, Jane Osborn, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, widow; to my sister, Mary Chevalier, widow, also of Philadelphia; the remaining fourth part to be divided into six parts among the children and grandchildren of my late sister, Ann White; to John James White and James White, children of my nephew, James White, deceased, one equal sixth part; and one-sixth part to my niece, Sarah Furman, wife of Moore Furman, merchant, New Jersey; one-sixth part among the children of my late nephew, Townsend White, Jr.; one other sixth part to my nephew, John White, merchant, of Philadelphia; one-sixth part to my niece, Isabella Edgar, wife of William Edgar, of New York City, merchant, and the remaining sixth part to my niece, Ann Constable, wife of William Constable, of New York City. I appoint my brother, Peter Renaudet, of Great Britain; William Edgar, of New York, and Cornelius Ray, merchant, of New York, executors.

Dated April 21, 1790. Witnesses, Edward Dunscomb, John Dixon, Mary Ann Willson. Proved, July 31, 1790.

*Codicil.* Elizabeth Beekman, all the land and bonds to be divided into four parts between the family, Doctor Peter Renaudet and Jane Osborn, and the children of Ann White and Mary Chevalier; all the loose

money to be equally divided between my sisters, Jane and Mary; Also going to each of them; the rest of the small things to my nieces, Bell Turner and Bell Osborn; one pair bracelets to Mary Bedlow and one pair to Betsey Beekman; to my said sister Jane, one large silver porringer with a cover; one silver can to Bell Turner; Also a silk petticoat and one petticoat to Bell Osborn, and one to each of my sisters, Polly and Jane; the remaining articles to be divided between my niece Susan Chevalier, and to my cousin, Jenny Lillie; the residue of my estate to be divided between my brother and sisters; the rings I have at Mr. Edgar's, one to my sister Osborn, one to my sister Chevalier, and to Jenny, the maid, a dress, and a calico gown to the wench Dina.

Dated May 22, 1790. Witnesses, Mrs. Beekman Cross, Burnet R. Kinsland, Mary Dixon, Mary Beekman. Proved, July 31, 1790. On August 26, 1790, Peter Renaudet, since removed beyond the seas, and the other executors having refused to serve, administration was granted unto Thomas Leaming, of Philadelphia, Attorney, a friend of the testatrix.

Page 403.—GERTIE VANDUESEN, of New York, widow of John Vanduesen, all my estate, both real and personal, to be divided into seven equal parts; one equal seventh part to my grandson Abraham, son of my son Philip, deceased; the residue to my children, Catharine Wessells, wife of James Wessells; Neligunt, the wife of Austin Reynolds; Gertrude, wife of Abraham Knickerbacker, John Vanduesen, Elizabeth Vanduesen, and Peter Vanduesen, each an equal undivided sixth part. I appoint James Wessells, executor.

Dated December 19, 1770. Witnesses, John King, tailor; Hendrick Fisher, Gilbert Burger.

*Codicil.* To my daughter Elizabeth, all my household and kitchen furniture, together with all my wearing apparel. I appoint my daughter Elizabeth and James Wessell, executors.

Dated December 20, 1771. Witnesses, John W.



Wingfield, Charles Phillips, William Bockee, house carpenter. Proved, August 26, 1790.

Page 409.—ISAAC WILLETTS, Richmond County, New York, to my wife Submit, all my estate, both real and personal; Also the property that may be given to me by the will of Richmond Willetts, deceased, late of New York.

Dated July 8, 1785. Henry Parlee, of Westfield, Richmond County, New York, yeoman; Rebecca Parlee, Henry Perine. Proved, September 8, 1790.

Page 411.—JOHN DOUGHTY, of Bedlow's Island of New York, Farmer, to Sarah, my wife, all my movable estate; to my nephew, Samuel Doughty, all my lands and tenements. I appoint Samuel Doughty, sole executor.

Dated May 27, 1790. Witnesses, William Brown, grocer; Millesent Doughty, Mary Blacks. Proved, September 23, 1790.

Page 413.—JOHN KEATING, merchant, of New York, to my wife Anne, all my real and personal property during her widowhood, and if she should marry, then I give to her one-third part only of the same, and the other two thirds to my children; my daughter Nancy and my son John are to have deducted from their share the sums of money I have advanced each of them. I appoint my wife sole executrix.

Dated January 24, 1787. Witnesses, John Lawrence, Abraham Brinckerhoff, Charles McKnight. Proved, October 5, 1790.

Page 416.—DOROTHEA DOMLONG, widow, New York City, to Frederica Ackly, £10; to the German Lutheran Church, the use and benefit of £25; to my daughter, Margaret Dorothea, all my household goods and movable effects, together with all my lands, tenements. I appoint Jacob Hauptman and Leonard Fisher, executors.

Dated October 16, 1790. Witnesses, Matin Menold,

John Keiser, Charles Meyer. Proved, October 19, 1790.

Page 419.—JOHN FACH, lime burner, of New York City, to my wife Susannah, one third of my real estate during her widowhood, and the use of all my household furniture; to my children, George, Henry, Susannah, and John, the remainder of my estate, real and personal, except the above legacies, and £7 to my daughter Catharine. I appoint Susannah, my daughter, and John Pessinger, executors.

Dated December 15, 1789. Witnesses, William Hopson, James McMaster, Gideon Carstang. Proved, February 16, 1790.

Page 421.—SAMUEL NORTON, of Crooked Lane, London, watchmaker, to my wife Martha, all my estate, real and personal. I appoint my wife sole executrix.

Dated October 31, 1772. Witnesses, Thomas Trueman, John Schuckford. Proved, November 20, 1790, when John G. Leake and Joseph Winter, both of New York City Esquires, and Brian B. Barker, of New York City, watchmaker, testified to the handwriting of Samuel Norton, deceased, and declared that the two subscribing witnesses reside in Great Britain.

Page 424.—PHILIP KISSICK, grocer, of New York City, to my nephew, Philip Kissick Lawrence, son of Gilbert Lawrence and Margaret (my sister), his wife, now deceased, the rents, issues, and income of all the dwelling houses, tenements, and lot of ground situated in Queen Street, in Montgomery Ward, adjoining the property of Shadrack, merchant, northerly to Vandewater Street; Also I give him two lots of ground known in a map made by Francis Marschalk, of Nicholas Bayard's farm, by numbers 775 and 776, bounded in front to Hester Street; to my nieces, Glorana and Margaret Lawrence, the rents, issues, and income of all that farm down to the North River being at Bloomingdale which I purchased of Robert Bayard, Esq., in

1782, and afterwards of the commissioners of sequestration of New York for the southern district, with all the cattle, horses, and farming utensils on the same; to my wife Penelope, £1,100; Also £360 which I borrowed of her; Also such household furniture, plate, bedding, etc.; Also the use of my negro man slave named Cato, and at her death I make the said Cato free; to my wife, nephew, and niece, each a new suit of mourning; to James Woods, son of John Woods, of this City, attorney-at-law, £50; to my sister, Elinor Tier, of the Isle of Man, widow, ten guineas for a mourning suit, to Frederick Bargus, who lives with me, £50. The residue of my estate I give as follows: The one-half equal part to my two nieces, daughters of my sister Jane, and her two sons, equally divided; the other half part to my brother Henry and his children. I appoint my wife, the Reverend Benjamin Moore Clerk and the Reverend Peter Striker Clerk, both of said City, executors.

Dated May 24, 1788. Witnesses, Mary Summers, Henry Titus, John Woods, Attorney-at-Law. Proved November 24, 1790.

Page 430.—MORRIS LAWRENCE, merchant, of New York, to my brother, Paultus Van Kleeck, my silver watch, shoe buckles, sleeve buttons, two trunks, and all my wearing apparel; one half of the residue of my estate to my executors for the use of my sister, Mary Martin, and the other half to my sister, Hannah Drake. If my sister Mary outlives her husband, Burling Martin, in that case she is to be paid both the principal and interest; if she die before her husband, the money to be put at interest for her children, James and Mary Martin; £200 to be retained out of the half to my sister Hannah, for the use of my mother, Ann Van Kleeck. I appoint my uncle, Elijah Pell, and Edmund Prior, merchants, both of this City, executors.

Dated October 20, 1790. Witnesses, Robert Bowne, Lawrence Embree, Richard R. Lawrence. Proved, December 20, 1790.

Page 433.—HENRY MOORE, Physician, of New York City, my estate to be sold by my wife, and out of the moneys arising from such sale, £30 to be paid to my brother-in-law, Charles Duryee, to be applied by him towards educating my nephew, Benjamin Moore, son of my brother Benjamin, deceased; the residue of my estate to be put at interest for the support and education of my wife Catharine and my son Henry; if my son die before lawful age, my estate to be divided into two equal parts; the one half to my wife, the other half to my sisters, Catherine, Elizabeth, and Mary. I appoint my wife sole executrix.

Dated December 7, 1786. Witnesses, James M. Cready, Henry H. Kip, Peter H. Kip. Proved, February 9, 1791.

Page 437.—ELIZABETH CALDWELL, of New York, to my grandson, John Lackey, all my lands in the Town of Argyle, Washington County, or elsewhere; Also the rents, profits, and issues thereof; out of the first moneys my nephew receives, he is to pay my daughter, Mary Spencer, twenty shillings; to my granddaughter, Jennet Lackey, all my wearing apparel, household furniture, and cash. I appoint Elbert Anderson, cabinet-maker, of New York, my sole executor.

Dated May 11, 1790. Witnesses, Jameson Cox, John Stake, Robert Hunter. Proved, February 23, 1791.

Page 439.—PETER TILLOW, chairmaker, of New York, to my son Joseph, all my wearing apparel; to my daughter Mary, wife of Samuel Cotton, all my beds and bedding; the residue of my estate to be sold and divided as follows: To my son Vincent, £10; to my son William, £40; to my son Peter, £50; to my son Joseph, £20; £30 to be put at interest, and the income to be paid my daughter Mary during her natural life; upon the death of her husband, Samuel Cotton, the principal, £30; the remainder of the said money, to be divided among my sons, William, Peter, and Joseph, and my

daughter Elizabeth, wife of Peter Hojer. I appoint my sons, William and Peter, executors.

Dated February 19, 1791. Witnesses, Jacobus Quick, William Brown, Francis Child. Proved, March 22, 1791.

Page 443.—MARY FRANKLIN, of New York, my daughter, Mary Wistar, and her husband being in no wise desirous of any part of my estate, but agreeing to the disposal of it in manner following: A piece of plate, the sum amounting to six or seven pounds, to be given to my daughter, the said Mary Wistar; to my daughter, Sarah Corsa, all my wearing apparel, bedding, and furniture; the remainder of my estate to be sold, and the interest paid to my said daughter, Sarah Corsa; at her death the whole principal of my estate to my granddaughter, Mary Corsa. I appoint my two sons, John and Samuel Franklin, executors.

Dated August 26, 1786. Witnesses, Thomas Lawrence, merchant; Robert Baker, John Clark.

*Codicil.* I direct my executors, if they shall think fit, to pay to my son, James Franklin, annually out of my estate, willed to my daughter Mary and granddaughter, Mary Corsa, the interest of £400, or such a part thereof as they shall think fit.

Dated November 21, 1786. Witnesses, Robert Baker, Hastings Stackhouse, grocer; William T. Robinson. Proved, April 23, 1791.

Page 446.—JOHN FINGLASS, of New York City, to my wife Susannah, the use, profits, and rents of my dwelling house and lot of ground fronting Beekman Street, in Montgomery Ward, New York; Also all the residue of my real and personal estate; at her death I will the above parcels to my sister Mary, wife of Samuel Long, of Dublin, in Ireland, farmer. I appoint my wife and Samuel Guilford, of New York, grocer, executors.

Dated March 9, 1790. Witnesses, Thomas Ogilvie, John Briath, Francis Child. Proved, May 6, 1791.

Page 449.—SUSANNA LIVINGSTON, widow of Robert James Livingston, to my children, William S., Robert James, Peter R., Maturin Livingston, Mary Mattett, wife of Jonathan Mattett, and Susanna Armstrong, wife of Reverend James F. Armstrong, all my real estate; Also all my personal estate (my wearing apparel and picture excepted), which I give to my daughter Susanna; my son, William S., to pay out of his proportion of my estate £40, the amount advanced to him for the purchase of books out of my father's library; my daughter, Mary Mattett, be paid over and above her proportion the balance due on my note which I gave to her for moneys she paid for me to General James Robertson. I appoint my sons, William, Robert, Peter, and Maturin, executors.

Dated November 24, 1790. Witnesses, Ann Bostwick, William Smith, Jr., gentleman; Jeremiah Tronson. Proved, May 11, 1791.

Page 452.—JOHN HASTIER, goldsmith, of New York City, to my daughter Margaret, one silver tankard; Also a mulatto girl named Abigail; to my grandson, John Hastier, Jr., now living in the Island of Curacao, West Indies, all my wearing apparel; to my two daughters, Margaret and Catharine, use and benefit of my negro wench named Silvia; the tools and plate belonging to me in my shop to be sold, and the proceeds divided into five equal parts among my four children and grandson, namely, Margaret and Catharine Hastier, Mary Bassett, Elizabeth Lure, and John Hastier, Jr.; the remainder of my household goods and furniture to my said two daughters, Margaret and Catharine; all my plate (except the silver tankard above mentioned) to my four daughters before named; the house I now live in to my two daughters, Margaret and Catharine. I appoint my said four daughters executrixes.

Dated February 6, 1762. Witnesses, Cornelius Clopper, merchant; Rudolphus Van Dyck, Peter Gresneau. Proved, June 3, 1791.



Page 456.—LEWIS NICHOLS, of New York City, cabinetmaker, to my wife Mary, my household furniture; Also one full third part of the whole amount of my estate; the remaining two thirds to be put out at interest for the benefit and support of my children. I appoint my brother-in-law, John Thompson, William Irving, Sr., Ebenezer Hazard, Esq., John Bingham, executors, and my wife, my daughter Margaret, executrices.

Dated New York, March 9, 1787. Witnesses, Teunis Schenk, Jr., Abraham Willson, merchant; Elias Smith. *Codicil.* I revoke that part of my will where I made my daughter, Margaret Nichols, my executrix.

Dated May 9, 1791. Witnesses, Hugh Dougall, James Black, cabinetmaker; John Lents. Proved, June 6, 1791.

Page 460.—SAMPSON FLEMING, of New York, my executors to buy stock in the Bank of North America as soon as the moneys come to hand if the plan proposed to David Williamson should take place; the moneys arising therefrom partly for the support of my wife and children; the remainder that may be necessary taken from the interest arising from bank stock. If the scheme proposed prove destructive, my executors are to sell Beaver Hall; I allow £800 a year for the support of my wife and children, to be taken out of dividends from Bank stock or Beaver Hall; to my wife Alice, the use of the furniture she possesses at my death; if my wife remarries, my estate to be divided into five equal parts; one equal part thereof to my wife, the remaining parts to be equally divided among my children; to Sarah Perry's child, now living with Darkos Keetch, two shares in the bank of North America, at four hundred dollars each share; my son William, born December 7, 1777; my daughter Ann, born September 16, 1779; my son, John Augustus, born August 28, 1785, and my wife, Alice Fleming (formerly Haliburton) shall share equally without distinction.

In case all my children die without issue, reversion to my brother, William Fleming; my sister, Eleanor Fleming, alias Bowman, and my step-brother, John Bell; if John Bell be dead, his share to descend to his brother, Adam Bell, Jr., of Movilla, or to his father, Adam Bell, Sr. I appoint my wife and Daniel McCormick, executors.

Dated March 26, 1787. Witnesses, George Anthon, physician; Richard Kip, Jr., Joseph Pitcairn. Proved, June 22, 1791, when administration was granted unto Alice Fleming, alias Haliburton.

Page 466.—EDWARD C. CALDWELL, schoolmaster, of New York, my body be interred at Oyster Bay, on Long Island; to my cousin, Abigail Caldwell, all my household furniture except the following articles: A large looking-glass, a mahogany dining table, half-dozen silver spoons, silver sugar tongs, a set of blue and white china, teacups and saucers, to my housekeeper, Deliverance Bowne; to my nephew, Abraham Caldwell, son of Isaac Caldwell, of Oyster Bay, all moneys that shall remain after my accounts are settled; if he die before lawful age, the same to be divided between my two half-brothers, Isaac and Jacob Caldwell; Also to the last two-named half-brothers, all my wearing apparel, except four suits of clothes to be given to my servant boy, David Mills; Also a new hat costing about twelve shillings; to John Titus, son of John Titus, merchant, all my books; to George Cock, son of Elijah Cock, merchant, my silver watch. I appoint John Titus, Elijah Cock, of New York City, executors.

Dated April 2, 1791. Witnesses, William P. Smith, James Weeks, tailor; Joseph Youle, student of Physic. Proved, June 23, 1791.

Page 469.—CORNELIUS P. LOW, Esq., of New York, to my executors all my personal and real estate in trust; nevertheless to permit my daughter, Ann Cary, the rents, issues, and profits thereof during her natural

life. I grant her full power to make her last will, notwithstanding being under a coverture; if she die without making a will, my estate to go to her children, under the laws of New York State, on condition that they take the name of Low instead of Cary; to my eldest brother, Peter, fifty dollars yearly, to be paid by my executors; to my sister-in-law, widow of my brother Nicholas, a farm at Otsego Lake, described by lot number six in the map, which I had from Augustine Prevost, during her natural life; after her decease, then for and during the term of her youngest son, Peter's, natural life; to Richard Cary, for seven years the sum of £1,000 shall be lent him by my executors; my executors to pay my daughter not less than £300 annually. I appoint William Patterson, Esq., one of the United States Senators; Cornelius C. Roosevelt, Cornelius Low, son of my brother Peter, and Samuel Low, son of my brother John, executors.

Dated December 17, 1790. Witnesses, James Abeel, Andrew Bostwick, Justus B. Smith.

*Codicil.* The Honorable William Patterson, first named as one of my executors, to be umpire in all matters of dispute that may arise; executors same as above. Proved, July 29, 1791. On August 2, 1791, the executors having refused to serve, the Court appointed Ann Cary, late Ann Low, of New York City, daughter of the testator, to administer the estate.

Page 474.—ELVEN HUNT, hatter, of New York City, to my brother, Israel Hunt, all my real and personal estate; if he dies without lawful issue, I give the same to my brother, Thomas Hunt. I appoint Israel Haviland, executor.

Dated September 16, 1791. Witnesses, Selah Strong, John Dickson, Robert C. Degrove. Proved, September 21, 1791.

Page 476.—THOMAS DAFT, watchmaker, of New York City, to my nephew, Robert Dowle, £50; to my wife

Mary, all my lands and tenements; Also all my debts, credits, goods, and chattels; my wife is to sell all my estate one year after my decease, and divide the net proceeds into four equal parts between herself and my three children, namely, Thomas, Oliva, and Mary. I appoint my wife executrix.

Dated July 14, 1791. Witnesses, John Keese, John Albee, Jr., Richard Norwood. Proved, September 21, 1791.

Page 479.—JAMES F. SEBOR, to my brother Jacob, all my estate, both real and personal.

Dated Philadelphia, August 9, 1791. Witnesses, Frans Ingraham, Luke Morris, Jr., Thomas McEwen, of New York, merchant. Proved, October 12, 1791. On October 13, 1791, administration was granted unto Jacob Sebor, Jr., of New York City, brother of the testator.

Page 481.—THOMAS SMITH, cordwainer, New York City, to my wife Mary, the use of the rents, issues, and profits of all my estate, real and personal; if she should remarry, I give her £300; at the death or remarriage of my wife, I give all my estate to my children, Thomas Robert Smith, George Bridges Rodney Smith, Theophilus Washington Smith, Mary, Charlotte, and Sarah Smith. I appoint my wife, executrix (if she remarries, my son, Thomas Robert, in her place); Abraham Brower, hatter, and Robert Snow, grocer, both of New York, executors.

Dated October 8, 1791. Witnesses, Francis Child, Benjamin Haviland, John Murray, Jr. Proved, October 13, 1791. [Thomas Robert Smith did not qualify as an executor until January 4, 1793.]

Page 485.—DANIEL LE ROY, to my brother Jacob, my negro boy, Jack, and my ground at Hellgate; to my brother Robert, my negro boy, Joe, my gold watch, my silver shoe buckles, and all my clothes; to my sister,

Mary Livingston, my gold sleeve buttons, picture, and £10; to my sister Elizabeth, £10; to Charlotte Desbrosses and Cornelia Clinton, each a gold mourning ring; it is my wish that Adrian Kissam has the ordering of both these rings; to my niece, Cornelia Livingston, £5, to purchase a ring; to my brother Herman, my generosity and gratitude, for he is in want of both; to my brother-in-law, John Livingston, my house furniture. I appoint my brothers, Robert and Jacob, my executors.

Dated New York, January 20, 1791. Witnesses, Henry Troup, writing clerk; Thomas Turnbull, James Cuyler. Proved, October 14, 1791.

Page 488.—ANTIE DE BOIS, of Harlem, New York City, all my estate, real and personal, to my executors in trust for my daughter Mary. I appoint John Bogart, Jr., of New York; Jacobus Lent, of Newtown, on Long Island, executors.

Dated May 8, 1773. Witnesses, Jonathan Landon, Cornelius Pogert, Robert Hicks. Proved, November 28, 1791. On the same day, both executors having since died, the Court appointed Mary Baalman, late Mary Brinkerhoff, daughter of the testatrix, to administer the estate.

Page 490.—THOMAS CHARLES MAN, of New York City, to my daughter, Lydia Margaret Dent, wife of Mark Dent, of London, £200; to my wife Elizabeth, all the residue of my estate, real and personal. I appoint my wife sole executrix.

Dated August 26, 1791. Witnesses, Leffert Lefferts, Jr., George Brewerton, James De Haert, notary public. Proved November 14, 1791.

Page 492.—CHARLES SHAW, of New York City, merchant, to my wife, the house and lot of ground which I now occupy, situated in Broadway, New York, during her natural life; at her decease the said house to de-

scend to my son Gabriel; to my wife, £3,000; to my brother, John C. Shaw, all the moneys purchased in behalf of me and my said brother; Also two suits of wearing apparel; my negro man, Caesar, to be freed after my decease; to the said Caesar, the annuity of £20 during her natural life; it is my will that my said house and lot be charged with the payment of the said annual sum; the moneys received on account of my partnership with Gabriel H. Ludlow, deceased, shall be applied to the discharge of the debts of the said partnership, and one half of the clear remainder, if any there be, shall be paid to my son, and the other half to the representatives of the said Gabriel H. Ludlow; all the residue of my estate to my said son, and my will is that my son be under the guardianship of Robert Watts; to the widow of my late partner, £50. I appoint my brother, John C. Shaw, and George Bowne, Thomas B. Bridgen, and George Knox, of New York, executors.

Dated November 15, 1791. Witnesses, Nancy Micanon, John A. Hardenbrook, merchant; Peter Ogilvie. Proved, November 21, 1791.

Page 496.—CHARLES MCKNIGHT, of New York City, physician, to my wife Mary, all my estate, both real and personal. I appoint my wife sole executrix.

Dated October 13, 1791. Witnesses, Lewis A. Scott, Esq., George Gillasspy, R. F. Keating. Proved, December 2, 1791.

Page 498.—SAMUEL DUNLAP, of Perth Amboy, New Jersey, to my wife Margaret, all my estate, real and personal. I appoint my wife sole executrix.

Dated January 24, 1765. Witnesses, Ravaud Kearney, Perth Amboy, N. J.; Henry Cuyler, Bryan Leferty, Jr. Proved, January 4, 1792.

Page 500.—JOHN MCKENNY, tailor, of New York City, to my eldest son James, one shilling as his birth-



right; the residue of my estate, both real and personal, to my wife Elizabeth, during her natural life; at her decease the remainder of my estate to be divided among my children (except my said son, James) and my grandson, John Lodowick McKenny (son of my son James), share and share alike (except that £200, which my said son, James, has already had of me, shall be accounted as part of my grandson's share). I appoint my wife, executrix; my son John, John King, tailor, and Francis Panton, wigmaker, both of New York, executors.

Dated October 5, 1776. Witnesses, J<sup>no</sup>. C. Knapp, James Deas, hairdresser; Charles Brown. Proved, May 2, 1777. On June 23, 1786, Elizabeth McKenny, the executrix, having since died, administration was granted unto John McKenny, another of the executors. On February 1, 1792, John McKenny having since died, and the other executors having refused to serve, administration was granted unto Elizabeth Dunscomb, late Elizabeth McKenny, daughter of the testator.

Page 505.—JAMES RYKER, of New York City, to my wife Mary, the residue of my estate, real and personal, after my debts and funeral charges have been paid. I appoint my wife Mary, my Uncle, George Codwise, Henry Shute, executors.

Dated August 24, 1791. Witnesses, Henry Shute, Jr., William Peterson, Richard Furman, painter and glazier. Proved, February 29, 1792.

Page 507.—SAMUEL TEN EYCK, of New York City, to my eldest son, Conrat, £10 as his birthright; to my wife Mary, all my real and personal estate while she remains my widow; if she remarries, I give her £10 a year, to be paid her by my children, during her natural life; to my son Conrat, one fifth of all my estate; to my son Gurudy, one fifth part; to my son Thomas, one fifth part of all my estate; to my daughter Ann, one fifth part of all my estate; the remaining fifth part to

my daughter Mary. I appoint my wife, executrix; Thomas Brown, executor.

Dated July 19, 1793. Witnesses, Thomas Lawrence, Daniel Ten Eyck, blacksmith; Samuel Wessells. Proved, March 1, 1792.

Page 510.—HESTER COE, of New York City, widow, to my granddaughter Hester, wife of Thomas Shepherd, all my wearing apparel and such part of my plate as she may choose, paying my executors the price as it is appraised; all the residue of my plate, together with my negro wench and boy, shall be sold by my executors; to my sister, Mary Forcie, the use of all my household furniture during her natural life, and after her decease to be sold, and the proceeds be divided between my granddaughter Hester and my two grandsons, John and Thomas Coe; to my said sister, Mary Forcie, £15 yearly during her natural life, in quarterly payments by my executors; to my said grandchildren, all the residue of my estate. I appoint Jeronimus Alstyne and Hubert Van Wagenen, executors.

Dated August 12, 1791. Witnesses, Lucy Many, Andrew Fisher, Francis Panton, merchant. Proved, March 8, 1792.

Page 512.—JOHN PETERS, innkeeper, of New York City, to my eldest daughter, Elizabeth, one third of my house stuff and furniture and fifty dollars, now in the hands of Mr. Gosey Finchorn, if she marries to the satisfaction of my executors; if not, her share to be divided between my other two daughters; to my son John, £50; to my son William, £50; to my daughter Mary, the one third of all my household stuff and furniture and fifty dollars and my negro wench; to my daughter Nancy, the remaining third of my household stuff and furniture and fifty dollars. I appoint Charles Stuart, merchant, of New York, sole executor.

Dated December — 1789. Witnesses, John Maghee, Henry B. Earle, house carpenters; John Lowry.

*Codicil.* My desire is that my daughter Elizabeth may have the sum of £50 besides the fifty dollars. I nominate my said daughter, Elizabeth, with the said Charles Stuart, as executors.

Dated May 18, 1791. Witnesses, Judian Briller, glovemaker; Timothy McCarty.

*N. B.* This is to certify it is my further will that my negro man, Samuel Stilwell, may live on my estate, and not be sold; it is my desire that he live with my daughter Nancy, but her husband may not sell him. Witness, Timothy McCarty. Proved, March 16, 1792.

Page 516.—MATTHIAS BURNET MILLER, physician, of New York City, to my wife Phebe, two hundred acres of land in Town of Plattsburgh, County of Clinton, in lot No. 14, in lieu of her dower; to my daughter Elizabeth, one hundred acres of land, lot No. 17, lying on the West side of Lake Champlain; to my son, Morris Smith Miller, two hundred acres of land, in Currie's Patent, in lot No. 49, and two hundred acres in the same patent in lot No. 66; to my son, Matthias Burnet, two hundred acres in the said patent in lot No. 108, and two hundred acres in the same patent in lot No. 109; to my three daughters, Maria, Margaret, and Lucretia, three hundred and one acres of land in lot No. 8, adjoining on the Township of Plattsburgh; all the remainder of my estate to be divided between my wife and six children aforesaid. I appoint my wife, my Uncle, Eleazer Miller; my brother, Philip Smith; my brother, Samuel Miller, and David Gelston, executors.

Dated October 1, 1791. Burnet Miller, Leffert Lefferts, merchant; J<sup>no</sup>. Miller, writing clerk. Proved, March 14, 1792.

Page 518.—HENRICH ZIMMERMAN, of New York, gardener, to my son, John Henrich, all my wearing apparel; to my wife, Anna Margretha, all my household furniture; Also the rents, profits, and issues of all my

estate, both real and personal, during her natural life; at her death, all my estate to my said son. I nominate my wife, executrix, and Daniel Grim, yeoman; Leonard Fisher, wigmaker, both of New York, executors.

Dated February 12, 1787. Witnesses, Andrew Merrell, Geory Enejel, Philip Grim, merchant. Proved, April 13, 1792.

Page 520.—WALTER MOFFAT, of New York, to my wife Jemima, all my real and personal estate except my watch, which I give to my son Walter. I appoint my wife and Uzal Kitchell, of Hanover, Morris County, New Jersey, executors.

Dated March 30, 1792. Witnesses, W<sup>m</sup> McKenney, P. V. Steenburgh, schoolmaster; Charles Smith. Proved, April 16, 1792.

Page 522.—SAMUEL DEALL, merchant, of New York City, to my eldest son, Samuel, £5 as his birthright; to my son Peter, £300, besides his share hereinafter given him; the residue of my estate to my three children, Samuel, Jane, and Peter; if either of my children shall desire to keep any of my plate or household furniture, the same shall be appraised, and the sum deducted from his or her share. I appoint the Reverend Samuel Ingles, Doctor in Divinity, Rector of New York; Edward Paul, of London, merchant; William Newton, and Francis Panton, wigmaker, executors.

Dated December 1, 1777. Witnesses, Christopher Blundell, J<sup>no</sup>. C. Knapp, Charles Phillips. Proved, April 19, 1792, when John Arthur, of New York City, merchant, testified to the handwriting of the said Samuel Deall. On April 21, 1792, when Samuel Deall, of Westchester County, New York, and Jane Nicoll, of New Haven, Connecticut, children of the testator, were appointed to administer the estate—there being no such person as Samuel Ingles named as an executor, and Edward Paul and William Newton having since died, and Francis Panton refused to serve.

Page 526.—WILLIAM C. BRADFORD, of New York City, innholder, to my wife Susanna, the use and possession of all my estate, to hold the same during her widowhood or until my daughter Esther shall arrive at lawful age, at which time I order my estate to be divided between my wife and daughter; if my wife die before my daughter arrives at lawful age, then my brother and sister-in-law, Christopher Beakley and his wife Catharine, his wife to be guardians to my said daughter. I appoint my wife and Christopher Beakley, of New York, innholder; Thomas Allen, bookseller, of the same City, executors.

Dated April 2, 1792. Witnesses, George Bond, Esq., Thomas Ferdon. Proved, April 23, 1792.

Page 529.—HENRY REMSEN, merchant, of New York City, to my wife Cornelia, all my plate and household furniture; Also £1,000 in lieu of dower; to my son Henry, Jr., my gold watch and fowling piece with my name engraved thereon; to my son, George H., my Postlethwaite's Dictionary; law books; the remainder of my books to be divided among my children; all my real estate and remainder of my personal estate to my executors, and to sell the same (with my wife's permission), to be divided equally among my children and wife. I appoint my wife (during her widowhood and no longer), executrix, and my said sons, Henry, George, and John H. Remsen, executors.

Dated March 9, 1792. Witnesses, Robert Troup, J<sup>no</sup>. Broome, merchant; John W. Mulligan. Proved, April 24, 1792.

Page 535.—STEPHEN CROSSFIELD, of Cherry Street, seventh ward, New York City, to my wife Hannah, all my plate, household furniture, and all the money I may happen to have by me at my decease, and all other personal estate; Also my dwelling house where I now reside in Cherry Street, and adjoining the real estate of William Beekman and his family connections; Also all

my real estate on the north and south side of Cherry Street, together with two hundred feet running from Water Street into the East River; Also my tract of land in Montgomery County, within the limits of the Patent of Totten and Crossfield, lot No. 1; Also the residue of all my real estate, subject to the payment, after the death of my wife, of £60 to Henry Newton, one of the sons of my sister, Mary Newton, yearly during his life. I also except the house and lot on the north side of Cherry Street, adjoining the property of Mrs. Osgood on one side and that of Mr. Post on the other; after my wife's death, in case my daughter Elizabeth dies without lawful issue, the house and lot last mentioned to William Newton, one other of the sons of my sister, Mary Newton. I also except the three lots of ground following: My lot at the corner of Oliver Street and Cherry Street; Also my lot fronting Oliver Street and the lot on the south side of Cherry Street, the same being used by me as my shipyards; after the death of my wife, and in case my daughter dies without lawful issue, I give the same to the said Henry Newton. I appoint my wife, Henry Newton, William Newton, and William Beekman, Jr., executors.

Dated February 29, 1792. Witnesses, James Desbrosses, Robert Troup, Esq., Robert Rutgers. Proved, May 2nd, 1792.

Page 539.—ELIAS BREVOORT, JR., of New York, to my wife Ann, the rents, interest, income, and profits of my estate, both real and personal, during her natural life, except my clothing; to John Silvester, Jr., who lives with me, son of Francis Silvester, deceased, my watch buckles, clasps, and all such parts of my wearing apparel as my wife shall think useful to him; at the death of my wife, to the Minister, Elders, and Deacons of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, of New York City, £300, to put the same out at interest to expend in teaching poor children the English Language; Also upon the decease of my wife, £150 to Elias Brevoort



Woodward, son of John Woodward, of New York, merchant; Also £150 to Elias Hoffman, son of Nicholas Hoffman, of Red Hook, farmer; one equal half of the remainder of my estate to my wife, and the other half upon the death of my wife I dispose of as follows: £500 to Elias Hicks, son of my niece, Charlotte Hicks, and the remainder thereof to John Brevoort Hicks, Thomas and Margaret Hicks. I appoint my wife, my nephew, Whitehead Hicks, Esq., and Peter Silvester, Esq., of Albany, executors.

Dated May 15, 1775. Witnesses, John J. Roosevelt, merchant; Victor Bicker, Jr., Abraham Van Alstyne. Proved, September 10, 1791.

Page 543.—HUGH ROSE, merchant, New York City, to my brother, Alexander Rose, three-fourth parts of my estate, and the remaining one-fourth part to my sister Margaret, wife of James McDonald, and to my sister Elizabeth, wife of Luchlen Forbes, now residing with their husbands in Scotland, Kingdom of Great Britain. I appoint my said brother, Abraham John Jackson, James Scott, and Robert Lenox, executors.

Dated April 19, 1792. Witnesses, Stephen Sell, merchant; Hugh McDougall, John Woodage. Proved May 16, 1792.

Page 546.—MARY HARNETT, formerly of Wilmington, N. C., widow, to Elizabeth Cortland, of New York, my negro girl, Nanny, to serve her three years from my decease, then to have her freedom and £100 North Carolina Currency; to Hannah Farmer, of New York, all my plate and jewels; to Robert Barnes, all my household furniture; to my nephew, Cornelius H. Holt, £500 North Carolina currency; to my niece, Mary Toomer, £500 North Carolina currency; to Joshua Wright, of Wilmington, N. C., £100; to Doctor James Maze, £100; to Mary Casey, who at present attends me, £200, with all my wearing apparel; Also to her daughter Elizabeth, £100; to Robert Barnes and David

Lydig, of New York, the residue of my estate. I appoint John Bradley, James Fergus, Esq., of Wilmington, N. C., David Lydig, and John Thorn, of New York, executors; £400 to my executors.

Dated New York, April 24, 1792. Witnesses, John Applegate, Philip Grim, merchants; Richard Loines. Proved, May 17, 1792.

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Page 3.—ELEAZER MILLER, JR., merchant, New York City, to my wife Ann, a sum of money equal in value to moneys or estate which I received in her right from the estate of her father, John Waddle, and her mother, Ann Waddle, and her brother, John Waddle; Also one-third equal and undivided part of the residue of my estate, both real and personal; one other third part to my father, Eleazer Miller, of Easthampton, Suffolk County, New York; the remaining third equal part to my brothers and sisters, namely, Burnet Miller, Jeremiah Miller, Ananias Miller, Abraham Miller, Elizabeth Jones, widow; Mary Hedges, wife of Stephen Hedges, Jemima Talmadge, wife of Thomas Talmadge, and Mehitable Baker, widow, to be equally divided among them, share and share alike; in case of the death of my father, his one-third part to be equally divided among my brothers and sisters. I appoint my wife Ann, my brother-in-law, John Taylor, merchant, New York; Ebenezer Hazard, David Dickson, Jr., and John McKesson, of New York, executors.

Dated New York City, June 3, 1776. Witnesses, John I. Kip, George Cummings, Rem P. Remsen.

*Codicil.* In case my wife, Ann Miller, should be with child at the time of my decease, then and in such case I revoke the devises made in and by my said will to my father and brothers and sisters, and give and devise the two thirds of the residue of my estate to such child or children of my wife, his, her or their heirs forever, and in all other parts and things I ratify my said will.

Dated June 6, 1776. Witnesses, John I. Kip, George Cummings, innkeeper; Rem P. Remsen, merchant. Proved, May 23, 1792.

Page 8.—BENJAMIN DAVIES, mariner, of New York, to my son Benjamin, £5 as his birthright, he being my eldest son; my wife Elizabeth to have the use, possession, rents, and income of my estate, both real and personal (she remaining my widow) until our youngest child shall arrive at the age of twenty-one years, to be by her applied for and towards the maintenance and education of our four children, namely, Benjamin, James, Elizabeth, and Rachel; when my youngest child shall arrive at lawful age, I authorize my executors to sell my whole estate for such price and sums of money as shall appear for the interest and advantage of my wife and children; one third thereof to my wife and her assigns forever, and the other two thirds thereof to be divided among all our children, as well as those which shall or may be born after the making of this my last will; the share of the child or children under age shall be put out at interest, and the money so arising shall be applied towards the maintenance and support of such respective child until it arrives at the age of twenty-one years; in case of the death of my wife without remarrying, her share to be divided among my surviving children, and in case of the death of any one of my children his share of the one so dying to be equally divided among the survivors. I appoint my wife Elizabeth, Andrew Gautier, Esq., of New York City; Henry Van Vleck, merchant, New York, executors.

Dated September 26, 1770. Witnesses, Thomas Whitechurch, Henry H. Kip, merchant, and Peter H. Kip. Proved, May 23, 1792.

Page 14.—JAMES LESLY, New York City, to my brother, Peter Lesly, of Philadelphia, £20; to my sister, Jean Voorhees, wife of Hendrick Voorhees, of Mollats Bush, on the Mohawk River, New York, £40; to the Corporation of the first Presbyterian Church, New York City, £100, to be kept at interest on good security, and the interest to be appropriated to the