

ABSTRACTS OF WILLS

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CITY OF NEW YORK.

VOL. I.

1665-1707.

INTRODUCTION.

THIS volume, the twenty-fifth of the series published under the provisions of the Publication Fund of the Society, consists of abstracts of wills recorded in the Surrogate's office of the County of New York.

In the preparation of the abstracts, no proper names have been omitted, nor has anything which throws light upon genealogy or real estate. Where, for any reason it has been deemed advisable to give the exact words of the will, the same has been indicated by quotation marks. All other original documents found in the records of wills have been added. In the original books of wills, there are a large number of marriage licenses. As they have all been printed in a volume of "New York Marriage Licenses," and are readily accessible to all readers, they are omitted here, with the exception of a few persons who are prominent in our early history.

This volume is the first of a series to be devoted to hitherto unpublished records of the Surrogate's office, which are so rich in material for the genealogical student and those interested in the early history of New York.

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Page 1.—WILLIAM LUDLAM, Southampton. Leaves to his son Anthony "all my housing and lands at the old ground," and a £50 right of commonage in town of Southampton. Leaves to his son Joseph "my new dwelling-house with two acres of land adjoining, and thirty acres of land adjoining to the mill and mill pond, on the east side of the mill river; and a £50 right of commonage." Leaves legacies to daughters Grace, Frances, and Mary, also to "eldest child of my son William," "my son Henry's child," "my daughter Grace's child," and to "the eldest child of my daughter Frances." Mentions "a covenant between me and Samuel Davis" concerning use of land. Makes his son Henry executor, and he is to build up the mill, and he is to have half the mill, and his brother Joseph the other half. Also leaves to Henry thirty-six acres of land at the head of the mill pond.

Dated April ye 27, 1665. Witnesses, John Howell, John Cooper. Proved at the Court of Assizes, November 2, 1667.

[NOTE.—William Ludlam came from Matlock, in Derbyshire, Eng., and was in Southampton as early as 1653. His eldest son, William, went to Huntington, L. I., and died there in 1668.—W. S. P.]

Page 2.—MARY GARDINER. "I, Mary Gardiner, of Maidstone, *alias* East Hampton, upon Long Island."

Widow of Lion Gardiner, "I give my Island, called Isle of Wight, *alias* Monchonock, to my son, David Gardiner, for life." Then to his next male heire. If he die without male issue, then to the male heir of my daughter Mary. If she die without male issue, then to the heir male of my grandchild Elizabeth Howell, "and to be entailed to the heirs male of my deceased husband, Lion Gardiner, never to be sold, but to be a continuous inheritance forever." Leaves to daughter Mary Conckling "my whole accommodation at East Hampton." Mentions sons-in-law Jeremiah Conckling and Arthur Howell. Makes Mr. Thomas James, "minister of the Word of God," Mr. John Mulford and Mr. Robert Bond, all of East Hampton, the overseers of will. They are also the witnesses.

Dated April 19, 1664. Codicil, dated January 15, 1664, mentions same persons and witnesses. Proved June 6, 1665. Letters of Administration granted to son, David Gardiner, October 5, 1665.

[Her maiden name was Mary Deurcant.]

Page 4.—LAURENCE ELLISON, of Hempstead, died intestate, and his sons Richard, Thomas, and John petition for Letters of Administration, which were granted January 2, 1665.

Page 5.—ROGER GOODSPEEDE, of Barnstable, Massachusetts, had wife Alice, who was sister and "next heire" of John Layton, "late of Middleborough, *alias* New Towne, upon Long Island." Upon application of their son Nathaniel Goodspeede, Letters of Administration were granted to his parents January 2, 1665.

Page 6.—DANIEL DENTON, of Rustdorpe, *alias* Jamaica, Long Island, and Henry Pearsall, of Hempstead, were appointed executors of the will of Nicholas Tanner, dated September 2, 1658. Having faithfully performed their duties, a Quietus was granted by Gov. Richard Nicoll, June 23, 1666.

Page 7.—FRANCIS CREGIER "dyed lately intestate at New Castle, in Delaware Bay." Letters of Administration granted to his father, Martin Cregier, and brother-in-law Laurence De Silles, July 10, 1666, by Gov. R. Nicoll.

Page 8.—Quietus granted to HENRY LUDLAM, of Southampton, as executor of will of his father, William Ludlam, October 5, 1666.

DAVID CARWITHY, Southold. "Mr. Carwithy being visited with sickness, desires to set things in order, being weake in body, but in perfect memory." Leaves to son Caleb "my best suit of clothes and a bed blanket." To daughter Martha a scythe and a Bible. To daughter Elizabeth Crowner £9 sterling. "As for my son David I left him his portion when I came from him," but adds 20 shillings. Makes daughter Sarah Curtis sole executrix.

Dated August 30, 1665. Witnesses, John Conckling, Sr., Simon Grover, Jacob Conckling. Proved Nov.—, 1665. Sarah Curtis, "of Hashamomack, neare Southold," is confirmed as executrix, and Quietus granted October 5, 1666, by Gov. Nicoll.

[NOTE.—This name, after many changes, is now Corwith, and the family are numerous on Long Island.]

Page 10.—CHAMION ARUNDELL, of the Island of Tortugas, makes "my loving wife Elizabeth Arundell, my Attorney irrevocable," to collect all debts, sell chattels, etc. "And if it shall please God I shall decease in this my intended voyage," I appoint her sole executrix of this my will, of all my estate.

Dated August 26, 1659. Witnesses, Elias Watt, Wm. Saltsbury, Peter Throppe.

Elizabeth, the widow of Chamion Arundell, married Wm. Saltsburg, of Flushing, and they made proof of will at Court of Sessions, in June, 1666, and they were appointed executors February 4, 1667. Matthias Nicoll, Secretary.

Page 12.—CHARLES DARRIEL, New York, "Merchant." Appoints his "loving and affectionate friend, Timothy Biggs, of New York, Merchant," his executor. Leaves to Mr. Wm. Browne, of New York, "a morning gown and other wearing apparel," and "silk stockings as are in our trunk, in custody of Mr. May of Boston." To Mr. Cadd, of Boston, a piece of gold. To "my loving brother Richard Darriel, my silver hat band." To "my sister Jane Darriel, two gold rings with stones set in them."

Dated October 10, 1666. Witnesses James Willett, Samuel Wheate. Proved October 30, 1666. Quietus granted to Timothy Biggs, executor, November 2, 1666.

Page 14.—EDWARD JESSUP, Westchester. "Being sicke and weake," leaves to daughter Elizabeth Hunt 20 shillings, "besides what I have already given her." To daughter Hannah Jessup £35, to be paid when at age of 18. Legacies to son Edward, to grandchild Mary Hunt, to cousin Johana Burroughs, and to Derriek Garrison. Makes wife, Elizabeth, sole executrix, and leaves her all lands, houses, and goods, and "she is to bring up my two children in the fear of God." "I appoint my well beloved friends, Richard Cornhill, Justice of the Peace, Mrs. Sarah Bridges, my brother-in-law John Burrows, and Ralph Hunt overseers of my will, and to be assistants to my executrix."

Dated, August 6, 1666. Witnesses, William Gouldstone, John Richardson, Richard Horton. Proved at Flushing, November 14, 1666. "This will was proved at Sessions, by the Governor's special order." Witness to Inventory, Thomas Hunt.

Page 16.—"JOHN CONCKLIN, Jr., of Hashamomack, neare Southold, in the East Riding of Yorkshire," having married Sarah, "late widow of Wm. Salmon, who had then divers young children, of whom he hath had greate care, and been at considerable expense in bring-

ing them up," Letters of Administration on estate of William Salmon were granted to him in November, 1665, and confirmed March 19, 1666.

Whereas, John Concklin, Jr., of Hashamomack, did intermarry with Sarah, widow of Wm. Salmon; late of Southold, with whom he left six children, four of which he had by Katharine his former wife, and the other two by his wife Sarah, the said Katharine having formerly been the wife of one Matthew Sunderland, a seaman, who formerly improved some part of Hashamomack, as an agent of Mr. James Farrett, deputy to the Earle of Stirling, of whom he purchased several tracts of land—one on the east side, another on the west side of Oyster Bay, and also an Island not far from the same; all which fell to his said wife Katharine, for her maintainance, having very little to leave to her for her livelyhood; and forasmuch as Hashamomack aforesaid being the place of their residence, and never under any Jurisdiction until his Majesty's late Letters Patent given to His Royal Highness James Duke of York, were published in this Island; Therefore the said John Conckling in the right of Sarah his wife, and the said six children, petitions this Honourable Court for Letters of Administration.

Petition granted at Court of Sessions in Southampton November 16, 1665. Jonas Holdsworth, Clerk of ye Sessions.

At a Court of Sessions held at Southold June 5, 1666, Whereas John Conckling, Jr., of Hashamomack, near Southold, petitioned to the Court of Sessions in November last, concerning the settling of the estate of Wm. Salmon to Sarah, his relict, and six orphans, *i.e.*, one son and five daughters; and four of the overseers of Southold—namely, Barnabas Wines, Thomas Terry, Richard Terry and Thomas Hutchinson—were desired by the Court to take an inspection into said estate, and after they had perused the Inventory then taken found that the eldest son's portion came to £31 11s. 4d., and the other five children's

portions, were each £15 15s. 8d.; they did not allow anything to said Conckling for bringing up the young children, but left it to the Court;

It is ordered that the said John Conckling, Jr., give good security to the next Justice of the Peace, to pay to five of the children, namely, John, Sarah, Rebecca, Elizabeth, and Hannah Salmon, the sum of £84 as followeth: To John £28 when he comes of age, and to each of the aforesaid daughters £14 when of age; the eldest daughter, Mary, having already received her portion. And when they arrive at the age of twenty-one years, they are to discharge him from all claims, and in the meantime they are to continue in obedience to him and his wife. By order of Court, Jonas Holdsworth, Clerk.

Page 20.—Upon the request of John Richbell, of Mamaroneck, that he might in behalf of Joanna Davison, widow and executrix of Nicholas Davison, and Richard Russell, of Charles Towne, in Massachusetts, take Letters of Administration of estate formerly of SAMUEL ANDREWS, deceased, in Oyster Bay and Horse Neck, upon Long Island; the same was granted November 4, 1667.

Whereas, Nicholas Davison, of Charles Town, in Massachusetts, merchant, was made Administrator of estate of Samuel Andrews, merchant, who being indebted to Richard Russell, of Charles Towne, a certain sum which was allowed by the Court, held at Cambridge April 30, 1660; and as a considerable part of the estate of said Samuel Andrews lies at a certain place upon Long Island, called Oyster Bay, and Horse Neck neare adjacent, the said John Richbell is appointed Administrator with full power to settle all claims, etc. November 6, 1667. Matthias Nicolls, Secretary.

Page 21.—THURSTON RAYNOR, Southampton. "I, Thurston Raynor, being in perfect memory, yet stricken in age, and not knowing how long my days shall

continue in this world, do make this my last will and testament." Leaves to son Joseph 28 acres of land "coming to me from the Towne," upon the last Division, which is already laid out to his own proportion in said Division. To son Jonathan one-half of all housing and lands, when he comes to the age of twenty-one. Leaves to wife, Martha, the use of the other half for life, and then to go to his son Jonathan. Leaves £10 each "to my other five children" (*not named*). Makes wife sole executrix, and "request my dear friends, namely my brother-in-law Samuel Clarke and my cousin Mr. John Howell to be overseers of my will."

Dated July 6, 1667. Witnesses, John Howell, Henry Pierson. Proved November 4, 1667.

Page 23.—HENRY PEARSALL, Hempstead. "This being the last will and testament of Henry Pearsall, Hee being in his right senses, notwithstanding very weake in Body." Leaves to Joseph Williams "a pair of oxen I bought of Mr. Fordhams," also some land upon ye north side lying in the New Field. Makes wife sole executor, and mentions "the four youngest of my children." "I desire at the death of my wife the housing and land should be left to my son Nathaniel."

Dated July 24, 1667. Witnesses, Joseph Sutton, Clerk, Thomas Rushmore, Timothy Halstead. Proved March — 1668.

Page 24.—Wee, John Williams, Joseph Williams, and Timothy Halstead, do acquit and discharge our late father-in-law (*step-father*) Henry Pearsall, his heirs and executors, from all demands of houses or lands, and all other goods that formerly were of our owne father Michael Williams, deceased.

Dated July 28, 1667. Anne Pearsall is appointed executrix of the will of her late husband Henry Pearsall, deceased.

Page 25.—Robert Coe and Daniel Denton, of Jamaica, Long Island, are appointed Administrators of the estate of THOMAS STEVENSON and guardians of his children. July 9, 1668. Ri. Nicolls.

Page 26.—Robert Coe resigns his appointment as Administrator of estate of THOMAS STEVENSON July 9, 1668, and Anthony Waters, of Jamaica, is appointed in his place. August 15, 1668.

Page 27.—CAPT. THOMAS EXTON, New York. "Being sick and weak." Appoints his loving friends Capt. Sylvester Salisbury and Mr. John Rider, Gent, executors. "I leave seven Beavers to buy wyne for ye officers and Gentlemen who accompany my Corps to the Grave." "I leave six choice Beaver skins to be paid to Capt. Thomas Breedon, of Boston, to satisfy a credit. Captain Thomas Delaval gave to Mr. Isaac Bedloe." To Mr. Matthias Nicolls "my fine new Holland shirts which lye in my Black Trunk." To Abigail, wife of Mr. Matthias Nicolls, "my silver boat, a silver meat fork, and a silver spoon." To Richard Nicoll, son of Mr. Matthias Nicoll, "my gold seale ring." To Capt. Sylvester Salisbury a pair of Haire coloured silk stockings and a pair of gloves. To Capt. John Manning "my belt embossed with silver and gold." To Mr. John Rider and wife ten Crown pieces, to buy them a piece of plate. To Mr. Thomas Tiddman, "my Gray Beaver Hatt." To Mrs. Anna Broadhead, widow of Capt. Daniel Broadhead, "a gold ring with this Poesie on it, 'God's Providence is our Inheritance.'" To Sergeant Patrick Dondell "my Gray French hatt." "My scarlett coat laced with gold and silver lace, and other coats to be sold, and 100 guilders of the money to be paid to Uffraw Wessells, and the remainder to be spent among my fellow souldiers of the garrison of Fort James." To Henry Conolley a suit of clothes. To Richard Haymer, two goats. "To Richard

Chariton for his paynes in writing this will, four pieces of eight."

Dated September 23, 1668. Witnesses, Brian Newton, Thomas Dinely. Proved October 7, 1668.

Page 29.—CAPT. ROBERT SEELEY of this city died intestate. Letters of Administration granted to his wife Mary, October 19, 1668.

CHARLES MORGAN, Gravesend. Makes wife Katharine sole executrix. Leaves to son Charles the lot or Plantations recorded to him in the Towne Books of Gravesend. To my other three sons, Thomas, John, and Daniel, the land and Plantation I now live on, and the barn that was formerly Slyniah Loras. His wife is to have the use of the said premises, "to dwell in soe long as shee shall keepe herself a widow. All this is my mynde and will soe to be." Mentions daughters Mary, Rachel, and Susannah.

Dated "Thirteenth day of 7th month 1668." Witness Wm. Goulding, Sam'l Spicer. Proved Oct. 7, 1668. Inventory mentions a very large number of articles of domestic use, and 6 acres of wheat, 5 acres corn, 4 acres Oats, 2 acres Rye, 7 acres Peas.

Page 32.—LAURENCE TURNER, of Westchester, died intestate. Letters of Administration granted to wife Martha, in 1668. Children mentioned but not named.

Page 33.—RICHARD EVERETT, of Jamaica, died intestate. Abraham Smith appointed administrator, September 4, 1668. Children mentioned but not named.

DANIEL WHITEHEAD, of Maspeth Kills, in Newtowne, left will, and made his wife (*not named*) executrix. She renounced the right, and Letters of Administration were granted to Stephanus Van Cortlandt, March 31, 1669.

Page 34.—**CORNELIS BEACKMAN**, New Utrecht. "Being sicke in his bed, disposes his estate as follows." First, he, the said Cornelis Beackman, and his wife Marihe Cornelis "do break and annul their first Contract of Marriage," and do declare that of all they have in this world the said wife shall have one half, and his daughter Mellitie the other half. But if his wife should die before the daughter is twelve years of age, "which God forbid," the testator appoints Lucas Direkse and John ye Cooper, Jr., to be tutors of said child, they being both inhabitants of New York.

Dated March 4, 1668. Witnesses, Jan Tommasen Vandyes, Jacob Lieters. This is the mark [X] of Cornelis Beackman, with his own hand. This is the mark [O] of Marihe Cornelis. Proved April 3, 1669.

Translated from the Dutch language into English by me, Thomas Lovell. Inventory taken by John Thommasen and Jacob Lieters. Mentions house and 50 acres of land and meadow at Canarsie. Also a list of debts due to the following persons: Lucas Dickson, Coenraet Ten Eyck, Hendrick Kip, Jr., John Guisberts, Gouvern Lockermans, Mr. Hans, Jan Jansen, Reynier Williamse, Cornelis Clopper, Isaac Bedloe, Laurence Vander Spiegel, Hermanns Wessels, John Tommasen, Rut Joosten.

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Page 49.—GEORGE JEWELL, of Maspeth Kills, died intestate, and Richard Pantou, of Westchester, "being nearly related to the children of said deceased," was appointed Administrator, July 1, 1670.

Page 50.—RICHARD TOWNSEND, of Lusum, in Oyster Bay, died intestate, and Letters of Administration were granted to wife, Elizabeth, September 23, 1670. Children are mentioned but not named.

[NOTE.—"Lusum," supposed to be a contraction of Lewisiam, is now Jericho.]

JACOB WOOLPHERTS COWENHOVEN, of New York, died intestate, and Johannes Van Brugh, Paulus Leendertson Van der Griff, and Isaac Greveratt were appointed administrators by Court of Mayor and Aldermen. April 21, 1670. Wife and children mentioned, but not named.

Page 51.—ANNA HALL, widow of Thomas Hall, of New York, was made executrix of his will, and confirmed March 15, 1670.

FRANCIS LOVELACE, Esq., &c. Whereas, Mr. Thomas Pell, late of Owckway, alias Fairfield, in Connecticutt, deceased, by his will dated September 25, 1669, made his nephew Mr. John Pell, only son of Dr. John Pell of old England, his heir, and "having received testimonials out of England under ye hands of Persons of Eminence and Quality" that Mr. John Pell lately arrived here. All persons having any relations to the same are to deliver to him quiet possession of the same. October 7, 1670.

Page 52.—BALTHAZAR DE VASCH, of Amesford, having absented himself from his habitation, and is gone out of the country, Capt. Elbert Elberts and Mr. Jacob Strycker, of Midwood, are appointed Trustees of his estate to take possession. October 21, 1670.

Page 53.—THOMAS IRELAND, Hempstead. Leaves to eldest daughter Jane, one Cow, and £10 when she is 18. To son Thomas "all Housing and lands," to youngest daughter Elizabeth £20 when 18. Makes wife (*not named*) executrix.

Dated September 30, 1669. Witnesses, Jonah Fordham, John Smith, Sr.

Page 54.—JOHN MARSHALL, Flushing. "I give to ye Lord my Soule, who gave it mee, and my Body to ye Earth from whence it came. I give unto my wife Angle Marshall, my whole estate, to be putt at her own disposall after my decease.

As witness my hand this 23d of October, 1670.

Witnesses:

Robt. X Terrey

John X Marshall.

John Hinchman

Proved January 3, 1670, Anthony Waters, Clerk.

[The above will, which is given entire, is the shortest as recorded.]

The petition of Joseph Palmer, Benjamin Palmer, Samuel Palmer, Obadiah Palmer and Thomas Palmer, sons of William Palmer of Westchester, and Martha Palmer, his widow, to Gov. Francis Lovelace, states "that it hath pleased God to take away our father lately, with a sudden blow of death, and without sickness, only a distemper he hath had on him many years, which wee could not conceive to be mortal. And left no will but verbally stating that having but little property he intended to go to his wife, in respect she was stricken in years." They request that their mother be made administratrix. Which was granted April 26, 1670.

Inventory taken by Consider Wood and Francis Feals, mentions 20 acres of upland, 16 acres of meadow, 1 House Lot 2½ acres.

Page 56.—ABRAHAM JOSSLING, Nashua. "Being very sick." Leaves to wife (*not named*) one house in Nashaway, with land thereto belonging, To eldest son Abraham, "one farm that Goodman Kittle lives on." "And Good wife I would not have you remane where you are with any of my children, but my desire is that my children may be put out to Trades where they are." Leaves to son Henry 20 shillings, "and I desire him to be kind to his brothers, and to take one of them to himselfe to learn his trade, as he hath promised me."

Dated March 16, 1669. Witnesses, Christopher Spencer, Thomas Spicer.

"Whereas Abraham Jossling dyed not long since at sea, off from ye coast of Virginia, in ye shipp ye Good Fame, of New York," the will having been proved is confirmed, April 7, 1670.

Page 57.—JOHN LARRISON, Sr., New Town. "My will is that Wm. Heyward be disposed of by my daughter Abigail until he be 21." Leaves to son John 55 bushels of wheat, due from John Cleve of Utrecht. Rest of estate to son John and daughter Abigail. Leaves to wife (*not named*) 20s. and makes her executrix.

Dated December 5, 1670. Witnesses, Wm. Love-ridge, Gersham Moore, John Ramsden. Inventory taken September 7, 1671, by John Burroughs, Thomas Lawrence, and Ralph Hunt, mentions "House and land £75."

Page 59.—JOHN STEVENSON, Newtown. Leaves to sister Mary, wife of Patrick Harris, house and land, with a share of salt meadow lying by John Burroughs. "The rest of the upland and the meadow at ye South Sea, to my brother, Edward." To brother Thomas, "my meadow before John Lorrison's." Makes brother Thomas executor.

Dated December 13, 1670. Witnesses, Francis

Doughty, Sam'l Moore. Thomas Stevens confirmed as executor, March 2, 1671.

Page 60.—"Whereas SAM'L MATO (or Majo) who had sometime an estate in Oyster Bay, did leave a lot of land he had there in the hands of Anthony Wright, as security for a sum of money and is since deceased intestate. And the said Anthony Wright hath made no improvements, although it hath been in his hands severall yeares, as no legal conveyance has been made to him, and as he is the only creditor to the deceased in these parts." The said Anthony Wright is made the administrator, February 2, 1670.

Page 61.—JOHN MARSTON, Flushing. "I will that my two sons, John and Cornelius, shall live with my well beloved friend John Hinchman and to be wholly at his disposall till they come of age, and he is to have the oversight of all my estate." Leaves all to his two sons when of age. Leaves to daughter Elizabeth a gold ring, and to daughter Katherine a silver thimble. "This is my full will and my sons' desire, as witness our hands this 14th February, 1671."

Witnesses, Robert Terry, Joseph Thorne, John Marston, Sr., John Marston, Jr., Cornelius Marston.

Page 62.—Whereas JOHN MARSTON, of Flushing, in the North Riding of Yorkshire, upon Long Island, dyed in ye month of February last, and made a will wherein he leaves John Hinchman of the same place to be the guardian of his two sons. Which will according to ye usual custom of the Law ought to be proved at ye next Court of Sessions, and it soe falling out that noe Court is to be held until the month of June during which time the estate may be impaired." The said John Hinchman is confirmed as administrator, April 6, 1671.

"Whereas JOHN HAWKINS, late resident in Elk River, in ye Province of Maryland, did appoint his

well beloved wife residing in New York, to be his true and lawful attorney. And there being credible information brought hither that the said John Hawkins is not long since deceased, intestate." The said widow Sarah Hawkins, is appointed administratrix, March 30, 1671.

Page 63.—THOMAS SAYRE, Southampton. "In the Name of God, Amen. I, Thomas Sayre, of Southampton upon Long Island, being in perfect strength of memory, blessed be ye Lord for it, but weake in Body." Leaves to son Francis two acres of land "next unto his owne in Captains Neck, in ye Great Playne, and 2 acres more lying in ye 8 acre Lots in ye said Great Playne," also "a Pewter-flagon, a Pewter bowl and a great Pewter Platter." To son Daniel "2 acres of land lying next ye above said 2 acres, in ye 8 acre lots, and 3 acres more in the Ten acre Lots, and one great Pewter Platter." To son Joseph £40 Stirling, £10 a year, "to begin five years after my decease, to be paid in good merchantable shoes, or other pay that will procure hides towards his setting up a Tannery." To daughter Damoris Atwater, 40s. To daughter Mary Price 40s. To daughter Hannah Sayre £20 at the day of her marriage, or when eighteen. Leaves household goods to sons Job and Joseph and daughter Hannah. Makes son Job executor.

Dated September 6, 1669. Witnesses, Obadiah Rogers, John Laughton. Inventory taken by John Howell, Henry Pierson, Thomas Cooper and John Jennings, July 10, 1670, mentions "Housing, lands and Tan vats" £150.

[NOTE.—The house of Thomas Sayre is still standing in Southampton, and is now the oldest dwelling in the State.]

Page 65.—THOMAS MORELL, Staten Island. Leaves to Robert Semson, of Gravesend, Long Island, "a colt,

now in ye hands of Christian Woolf of Gravesend." To Mr. Nicholas Stillwell, of Staten Island, "all other things and goods that belong to me."

Dated May 2, 1670. Witnesses, Obadiah Holmes, John Kingdom.

Page 66.—"Whereas JOHN DAVERELL of this city dyed in ye Province of Maryland intestate." Mrs. Sarah Hawkins of this city, widow, "the naturall mother of him the said John Daverell," is appointed administratrix. Given under our hand and seal at Fort-James, May 12, 1673. Francis Lovelace.

Page 67.—Whereas JAN EVERTS BOUT, late of Brooklyn, in the West Riding of Yorkshire, did in his will appoint Adrian Heggeman of Flatbush, *alias* Midwout, his executor; and there being no Court of Sessions until the month of December, he is confirmed as executor, September 27, 1671. Francis Lovelace.

Page 68.—Whereas JEAN LE TELIER, of New Utrecht, in the West Riding of Yorkshire, did by his will leave his wife Christina sole executrix. She is confirmed as such, September 12, 1671.

Whereas THOMAS ROBINSON, late of Newtown, died intestate, leaving two sons, his only-children, namely, Thomas and Josyas, the care of whom for the present is committed by the officers of the town to Jacob Reade, their uncle. He is appointed administrator, September 23, 1671.

Page 69.—JOHN WOODRUFF, Southampton, L. I. Leaves to his eldest son, John Woodruff, of Elizabethtown, New Jersey, "a half Crown Piece, in full of all portions and patrimony to be expected of me." To daughter Anne Woolley, £20. To daughter Elizabeth Dayton, £20. Leaves rest of estate to wife Ann and youngest son John Woodruff, and makes them executors.

Dated May 4, 1670. Witnesses, Christopher Foster, John Laughton.

Know all men by this, that the above written will is of my own handwriting, and I saw ye said John Woodruff sett to his marke, and take off ye seale or stamp from ye wax. As witness my hand.

John Laughton.

Proved at Court of Sessions at Southold, July 1, 1670. Inventory made May 24, 1670, amounts to £122 7s. 8d. "One half of ye Land and Housing and accommodations is already clearly by deed of Gift disposed to his son John, the other half we apprise at £55.

John Howell, Henry Pierson, Edward Howell, John Jennings.

[NOTE.—John Woodruff married Anne, daughter of John Gosmer, one of the original "Undertakers" of Southampton. He adopted his oldest grandson John Woodruff, and went to New Jersey about 1660. John Woodruff, Sr., also named his youngest son John. He remained in Southampton. His homestead was purchased in 1726 by Francis Pelletreau, and was standing till recent years. It was the last house on Long Island that retained the old-fashioned rhomboidal panes of glass, and was known as the "House with diamond windows."]

Page 72.—THOMAS JONES, Huntington, L. I. "His will is that his three youngest sons may have 20 shillings each." Leaves same sum to "my eldest sons." To daughter Martha, £10. "To my eldest son Thomas my best cloak. To my son John my watch," and make my wife executrix. February 16, 1669.

Witnesses, Samuel Titus, Thomas Powell. Sworn to by witnesses, February 26, 1669. Jonas Wood.

Proved at Court of Sessions held at Southampton, March 2, 1669, and his wife Katharine Jones, was confirmed as executrix. Henry Pierson, Clerk.

Inventory, £195. House and Lands, £35. Samuel

Titus, Thomas Scudder, Joseph Bayley, Thomas Brush.

Page 75.—JOHN WHITE, Southampton, L. I. Leaves to only son John all houses and lands. "If he die without issue then to my daughter Elizabeth. If she die without issue then to my wife Hannah, for life, and then to the eldest son of my brother James White. If he die without issue then one half to my two nephews, John Topping and Thomas Topping. The other half to be divided amongst my four young-
e sisters" [not named]. Wife to have use of property till son comes of age. Makes wife Hannah executrix, and "my loving friends, Francis and Daniel Sayre, and my brother-in-law, Thomas Topping," overseers and guardian of children.

Dated May 9, 1670. Witnesses, Thomas Cooper, Thomas Cooper, Jr.

The execution of will was confirmed May 30, 1670, before us, Henry Pierson, John Jessop, Richard Howell, Isaac Halsey. "Thomas Topping, of Southampton, testifies that the will is, and was, the very will of John White, deceased, and that hee, this deponent, wrote ye said will for him, and see him sign and seale ye same, as is also testified by ye other witnesses, July 1, 1670. Henry Pierson, Clerk of Court of Sessions."

Inventory taken by John Howell, Henry Pierson, Edward Howell, John Jennings. House and £50; allotment, £55.

Page 78.—THOMAS FOSTER, Rustdorp, L. I., "being on bed of sickness." My will is that my son Thomas shall have that mare that is at Nissauage, and if the child, my wife now goes withal, shall live, that child shall have a share in it." "My children are to be taught to read English well, and my son to write, when they doe come of age." "And if my wife should

marry or remaine as she is, and not teach ye children as aforesayd, then my will is that two cows more be layed out for yt end, to give ye children learning." Mentions "my brother" (*not named*), "my cousin, Henry Foster," wife (*not named*), my friends, Thomas Benedict, Wm. Foster, and Daniel Denton, to dispose of estate."

Dated May 22, 1663. Witnesses, Wm. Hallett, John Boylee. Approved by the authority of Rust-dorp [Jamaica], on Long Island, and recorded by their order June 10, 1663. Anthony Waters, Clerk.

Page 79.—THOMAS HOOD, New York. "I, Thomas Hood, lately a souldier in ye Garrison of Fort James, being since my arrivall taken sick," makes loving friends, Richard Patum and John Bugby, executors, and leaves them "my share of Log wood in the Ketch, 'Society,' now riding at anchor in the road of New York, of which Thomas Edwards is master." "I give ye summe of 300 guilders, wampum, or ye value thereof, to be spent among my fellow-souldiers in the Garrison of Fort James." Legacies to friend John Clarke and Richard Charlton.

Dated October 7, 1671. Witnesses, Francis Yates, John Laureson. Above executors were confirmed October 14, 1671. States that he had "formerly been a soldier, but had lately come from the West Indies, in the ketch, 'Society,' and had a share of log wood, a chest of silks, and some other things."

JOHN HADDEN, Jamaica, leaves to Captain Matthias Nicoll "my horse in the hands of Mrs. Marshall." To Peter Smith, of Jamaica, a horse. To John, son of Wm. and Margary Meritt, £10, "to be paid to his parents against he arrive to years of understanding." Legacies to Henry Newton, John Thompson, "belonging to ye Garrison of New York," Mr. Edward Smith, of New York, John Clarke, Richard Charlton, and Richard Dow, "to Margaret Welham, servant of Wm.

Merritt, for care and trouble in taking care of me in my sickness, 30 shillings," to loving friend, Benjamin Coe, £5. Makes Elias Doughty, of Flushing, and Anthony Waters, of Jamaica, executors.

Dated October 11, 1671. Witnesses, Otto Gerritts, James Matthews, Cohnraet Ten Eyck. Proved October 27, 1671.

Page 83.—JOHN HART, of Maspeth Kills, L. I. "A little before his death made a nuncupative will 'after this manner.' Gives to eldest son (*not named*) one shilling, he having already received his portion. To son William one Hog, and to his daughter Sarah another. Leaves the Plantation and rest of goods to his two sons Samuel and William and his two daughters Sarah and Susan.

"In presence of Thomas Wandell, and Anne his wife, Humphrey Clay and Sarah his wife, and also other neighbors then present."

Letters of Administration granted to Samuel Hart father of said John Hart, — —, 1671. Francis Lovelace.

Page 84.—"Whereas Captain JOHN JULIUS, late commander of the 'Loyal Dorothy' of Nevis, now at anchor in this port, dyed here, and left Mr. Gabriel Mimeveille, of this city, merchant, his sole executor." He is confirmed as such. "Having due regard to the orders given to said Captain John Julius by Sir Charles Wheeler, Governor General, of the Leeward Islands, to whom and his friends the greater part of the cargo doth belong." September 20, 1671. Francis Lovelace.

Whereas Mr. BALTHAZAR DE HART, of this city, merchant, did in his will appoint Jan Hendricks Van Bom-mell, Jacob Teunison Kay, and Mons. Jacques Cous-seau his executors, they are confirmed. July 24, 1671.

Page 86.—THOMAS WICKS, Huntington. Leaves to wife (*not named*) the use of one-third of "accommoda-

tions I now live on," for life, then to son John. To son Thomas the lot that was John Lewis', and "a lot of meadow I bought of Noah Rogers," also "Nayles to fitt up his house." To son John "the other two thirds of accommodations where I now live." Legacies to daughters Rebecca and Martha, and their children (*not named*). Rest to wife and "four of my children namely: John, Elizabeth, Mary and Sarah." Makes Isaac Platt and Thomas Powell executors.

July 3, 1670. Witnesses, Samuel Wood, Caleb Wood.

Letters of Administration granted to "widow Wicks," March 19, 1671.

Page 87.—JONAS BOWER, Southampton. Leaves to son Joseph seventeen acres of land at Flying Point, and three acres in the last Division to be taken at the east end next to Robert Woolley's, one half my meadow on the beach, one half my meadow in Quagantuck, a £50 right in the ox pasture, and a £50 right of Commonage. To son James his portion in cattle. "I leave it to my wife's liberty to pay to my son Jonathan his portion as she shall see meet." Leaves to wife Hannah use of house and land till son Jonah comes of age. If he die under age, then to go to my son Isaac. If Jonah lives, then Isaac is to have thirty-one acres of land lying by Thomas Halsey's. Mentions daughters (*not named*). Makes "my cousin John Howell, Richard Post and John Jessup executors.

Dated November 13, 1670. Witnesses, John Howell, John Jessup. Proved June 6, 1671.

Page 89.—"Whereas Mr. PETRUS STUYVESANT, heretofore Governor of these parts, for the States Generall, of the United Provinces, and West India Company, deceased, did in his last will and testament declare and appoint Mrs. Judith Bayard, his widow and Relict to be his whole and sole executrix." And the said will having been presented in ye Mayor's Court, and proof

made according to Law, the said Judith Bayard is confirmed, March 7, 1671.

JAMES NAYBOR, Huntington, "Cooper." Leaves to youngest daughter, Martha, "my Great Trunk and best chest with linnen and woolen clothes." "To my grandchild, Mercy, when 21, £10, to be raised out of my house in Boston," which I leave to my five daughters, Mary, Sarah, Elizabeth, Rachel, and Martha. Makes his daughter Martha executrix, and Mr. Wm. Bartholemew and Goodman Sundall, both of Boston, executors in trust. "I desire Thomas Scudder and Joseph Bayley, of Hunttington, to be helpfull to my daughter Martha as executor."

Dated January 27, 1671. Witnesses, Matthew Owen, Peter Floyd, Joseph Bayley. Proved at Court of Sessions, Southampton, and confirmed March 19, 1671.

Page 91.—JOHN HICKS, Hempstead, "Being weak in body but sound in understanding," makes son Thomas executor, and "he is to pay to my wife Rachel, £100 in cattle, according to wheat at 5 shillings a bushell." Leaves to wife household utensils, "besides her own wearing clothes, and what goods my said wife brought with her to me." I leave to each one of my daughter Haviland's children, a colt." Leaves to daughter Hannah £100, one-third in horses and two-thirds in cattle. Legacies to "children of my son Thomas," and to "my son-in-law Josyas Starr."

Dated April 29, 1672. The will is also signed by his wife Rachel, "in token of her satisfaction." Witnesses, Jonah Fordham, Richard Valentine. Proved at Court of Sessions, held in Jamaica, June 14, 1672. Anthony Waters, Clerk. Letters of Administration granted to Thomas Hicks, June 17, 1672.

Page 93.—Inventory of estate of WALNOVERS LETIN, of Dover, Staten Island, who hath lately deceased,

taken by Gideon Marlett, Constable, in presence of Peter Belew, Simeon Corne, Tys Barenson, "and many others then present," January 16, 1671. One lot and housing, £1,000. Whole is £2,592.

NICHOLAS STILLWELL, Staten Island, "Husbandman," "being weak and sicke," leaves to youngest son Jeremiah an iron gray mare. Leaves to "well beloved and affectionate wife Anne" all lands, houses, and estate, and makes her executor.

Dated December 22, 1671. Witnesses, Nicholas De Meyer, Richard Charlton. Letters of Administration granted to wife Anne, June 17, 1672.

Page 94.—"Whereas CLAAS MELISE, late an inhabitant of this city, was by an unhappy accident, returning in his sloop, from Virginia to this city, struck overboard into ye sea, by which means he is departed this natural life." Upon request of his widow, Gretie Ancus, that John Poppers and Hendricks Van Bom-mell, might be appointed the administrators, they are so confirmed July 12, 1672. Children are mentioned but not named.

Page 95.—Whereas GABRIEL LYNCH, late of Newtown, died intestate, his widow Margaret Lynch is appointed administratrix, September 3, 1671.

Page 96.—"Whereas THOMAS FOSTER, heretofore of Rustdorp, *alias* Jamaica, upon Long Island, did in his will appoint his widow executrix, and she having married Joseph Thurston," they are confirmed as executors, August 5, 1671. Widow's name not given.

Whereas, JONATHAN MARSH, of Westchester, died intestate, and Captain John Plott having married his widow, upon petition the said Captain John Plott and his wife Anne are appointed administrators, May 6, 1672.

Page 97.—"Whereas Captain RICHARD MORRIS, of this city, merchant, died intestate, leaving a considerable estate behind him, and whereas his brother, Colonel Lewis Morris, hath a great interest for the protection of the estate, it is judged requisite that some extraordinary care should be taken." I have thought fit to appoint Mr. Matthias Nicoll, mayor of this city, Captain Thomas Delavall, and Captain Cornelius Steenwych of the Council to His Royal Highness' Government, Captain John Berry and Mr. Thomas Gibbs to be administrators, this September, 1672. E. Andross."

Page 98.—JOHN WILLIAMS, New York. Leaves to Anthony Jansen Turk, "all my tools in the house of Henry Morris in New Jersey, as also whatever I have in the house of Anthony Jansen, or elsewhere." And all my land in New Jersey according to the records of Elizabethtown, and he is to pay to Henry Morris a debt of 40 shillings and the funeral charges. Makes Henry Morris executor.

Dated October 10, 1672. Witnesses, Otto Gerritse, John Sharpe. Letters of administration granted to Anthony Jansen Turk, October 15, 1672.

THOMAS TERRY, Sr., Southold. "I, Thomas Terry, Sen., of Southold, being very sicke and weake." Leaves to beloved wife (*not named*) fifteen bushels of corn yearly, during her life. Ten bushels to be paid by my son Daniel, and five by my son Thomas. Also household goods and four bushels of apples yearly. "And if my son Daniel marry, and they doe not like to live together, then my son Daniel shall build my wife a convenient house for her comfortable living." To daughter Elizabeth a cow when she marries or comes of age. Legacies to daughter Ruth and daughter Mary Reeve. To son Daniel "my house and accommodations within ye old bounds, and one half my land at Ackabache." To son Thomas all my land at Cutch-ock, and one half my land at Ackabacke.

Dated November 26, 1671. Witnesses, Barnabas Wyndes, Barnabas Horton, Thomas Hutchinson, Martha Hutchinson, John Elton. Proved at Court of Sessions, Southold, July 5, 1672. Letters of administration granted to son Daniel, October 15, 1672.

Page 101.—Letters of administration granted to Mary Dickinson, relict of PHILEMON DICKINSON, late of Southold. "She being made sole executrix in his will, which was proved at Court of Sessions in Southold in July last." October 28, 1672.

"Whereas THOMAS BADGORD, late of this city, merchant, died intestate, leaving an estate behind him," Mr. Matthias Nicoll, Mr. John Ryder and Mr. Wm. Critchlow are appointed administrators. October 15, 1672.

Page 102.—John Sticklin, of Jamaica, "Being in greate paine." Leaves to daughter Loanus £10. "To my daughter Mathew's youngest child" 40 shillings. To Jonathan Mills, one cow. To eldest daughter of John Loanus, one cow. Rest of estate to his daughter's children (*not named*). Makes "my son John Smith, my son Saml Matthews," John Foster and Benjamin Coe, executors. "It is to be understood that the 2 cows mentioned to John Loanus' daughter and to Jonathan Mills were my wife's, and she gave them as she saw good, I having promised to perform her will."

Dated September 5, 1672. Witnesses, John Foster, Benjamin Coe. Proved and confirmed January 22, 1672.

Page 104.—"Whereas NICHOLAS DAVIS, late of Rhode Island, merchant, dyed intestate, leaving an estate upon the which Sarah his relict hath refused to administer or to intermeddle therein." Mr. Jeronymus Ebbing of this city, merchant, Dr. Henry Taylor of this city and Mr. John Bound of Flushing, creditors,

are appointed administrators, February 20, 1673. Thomas Gibbs is appointed instead of Jeronymus Ebbing.

May 13, 1673.

"Whereas HOPE BARRINTS, a carpenter, died intestate at Breucklyn upon Long Island, and leaving no relations of wife, children, or other kindred," Mr. Allard Anthony, Sheriff of New York, is made administrator, February 28, 1671. Francis Lovelace.

Page 105.—LATIMER SAMPSON, Oyster Bay. "I Latimer Sampson of Oyster Bay, being intended (God permitting) to travel to Barbadoes, and well knowing the Casualty of man's life." Leaves all estate to Grizzell Sylvester, eldest daughter of Nathaniel Sylvester, of Shelter Island, and makes them executors.

Dated in Shelter Island the 16th day of the month called February in the year 1668. Witnesses Christopher Foster, John Youngs, Isaac Arnold.

Page 106.—JONATHAN DAVIS, Jamaica. "Wee underwritten coming to ye house which was Jonathan Davis deceased, to make inquiry according to Law, whether he had made any will or no. Answer was made that he had made no written will, only in the hearing of Zacharias Mills and Abigail Darling hee did desire that what estate he left behinde should bee for his wife Sarah. And also in regard of his wife's inability to manage her business herself, he desired that his brother Samuel Davis and Nehemiah Smith should be assistants to her and be her Overseers. The which two men in our hearing did manifest that they was very willing to answer the desire of the party deceased, and bee helpfull to the widow as they could. And alsoe for some reasons best known to herself, the widow Sarah desired to have a third person added to the other two, which was Wait Smith, unto which all Parties agreed. Witness our hands, February 8

fare of my estate, and to counsel and direct my dear wife and kinsman, as may be most to God's glory, and their own good."

Dated April 19, 1675. Witnesses, Mary Wells, Elizabeth Clarke. Proved at Court of Sessions, held at Southold, June 3, 1675. Inventory taken amounting to £123.

Page 114.—"Whereas ISAAC BEDLOE of this city, merchant, died intestate, in or about the month of February, 1673. Who having been intrusted with great sums of money, and considerable quantities of goods by the late Governor, Colonel Francis Lovelace, as his factor; he was thereby involved in many and great accounts, And his widow Elizabeth Bedloe having been sued by some of the creditors." Upon her application she is appointed administratrix, August 9, 1675.

Page 116.—"Whereas BALTHAZAR DE HART, by his last will, did appoint Jan Hendricks Von Brommell, Jacob Teunison De Kay, and Jacques Cousseau as his executors, and whereas his brothers and heirs, Daniel, Matthias and Jacobus De Hart have petitioned that they may have the administration of his estate." It is granted August 9, 1675.

Page 117.—"Whereas ROGER RUGG, merchant, of this city, dyed lately without making any formal will, yet by a nuncupative will, before sufficient testimony, some short time before his decease, bequeathed his estate to Mr. John Rider and his wife of this city, and desiring Captain Nathaniel Davenport to be assisting unto them, and having made proof of the will before the Court of Mayor and Aldermen." The said John Rider is made administrator, August 9, 1675.

Matthias De Hart and Jacobus De Hart, petition that the administration of the estate of their deceased

brother BALTHAZAR DE HART, may be granted to their brother, Daniel De Hart alone, August 5, 1675.

Page 118.—"Whereas EDMUND FARRINGTON, of Flushing, upon Long Island, in his will appointed his wife Dorothy his executor, and the original having been transmitted to the Office of Record, where it now remains." The said Dorothy is confirmed as executrix, July 1, 1675.

"Whereas MATTHIAS DE HART, late of this city, merchant, did in his will appoint Mr. Peter Stoutenburgh, Mr. Samuel Edsall, and Mr. Hendricks Williams, as administrators in Trust." They are confirmed, September 1, 1675.

Page 119.—Joshua Hubbard and Thomas Hutchinson were confirmed as executors of the will of JOHN ELTON, late of Southold, September 10, 1675.

Page 120.—"Whereas FRANCIS MUNSY, late of Sealeot, upon Long Island, died intestate." His wife Hannah is appointed administratrix, September 10, 1675.

"Whereas THOMAS BRUSH, late of Huntington, upon Long Island, died intestate." His son Thomas is made administrator, September 10, 1675.

"The apprizement of the inventory amounts to £306 12s., as returned to the Court of Sessions."

Page 121.—"Whereas Captain JOHN UNDERHILL, late of Killingworth, within the jurisdiction of Oyster Bay, upon Long Island, did in his will bequeath his whole estate to his wife Elizabeth, during widowhood, and did appoint his eldest son John, with others, to be trustees for his children," and the said Elizabeth has since deceased, the said John Underhill is made administrator, November 1, 1675.

Page 122. — "Whereas Mr. JOHN WINDER, merchant, and Alderman of this city, deceased, did make a nuncupative will, and did leave his whole estate to his wife Sarah, and proof having been made," she is made administratrix, September 29, 1675.

Nuncupative will of JOHN WINDER. "I leave my whole estate to my wife, and to her disposing." In presence of us undersigned witnesses, September 27, 1675. Anthony Brochholst, John Laurence, Sr.

Page 123.—HENRY PERRING, Brookhaven, "Being weak in body," directs his body "to be decently buried in the Buryal Place of Brookhaven." Leaves to wife Hannah all lands and goods in Brookhaven, or elsewhere, during her life or widowhood. Leaves to son-in-law Joseph Longbothem, 40 acres of land as followeth, namely, 9 acres in the old field of said town, whereof 3 acres joins eastward on Andrew Miller's lot, and west on Goodman Riggs, 6 acres at the rock, formerly belonging to James Cook. Also 9 acres of my Home lot, 5 acres at Newtown, joining west on Goodman Fancy's lot, and east to the commons, and 3 acres more at Newtown of the last division betwixt Mr. Woodhull's and Goodman William's lots. Also 14 acres at the old man's, when the division shall be made. Leaves to son-in-law Jacob Longbothem, and to Joseph his brother, "my water mill in Brookhaven, and they are to pay to my daughter Hannah Perring 40 shillings, and she is to have one half of the profits of the mill during her life," "and she and her children are to be Toll free," "my daughters-in-law Joana Smith and Judith Longbothem shall be Toll free at said mill." Leaves to son-in-law Jacob Longbothem one half acre of land "adjoining my orchard." Makes Jonathan Smith, of Smithfield (Smithtown), and Wm. Satterly, of Brookhaven, executors.

Dated December 1, 1674. That the premises are the real will and testament of Henry Perring is deposed by Nathaniel Brewster before me. John Woodhull.

Letters of administration granted to Hannah Perring February 1, 1675.

[NOTE.—The term "sons in law" in above will probably means stepsons. "Old mans" is now Port Jefferson.]

Page 125.—"The deposition of Katharine Fancy, aged about forty-eight. That she being at the house of Henry Perring about a week before he dyed, she heard the said Henry Perring say that he would give his daughter Hannah Perring all his own accomodations belonging to him in the Towne, and at the South with the three islands that was given to him by the Towne, and the ground that did adjoin to his son Joseph Longbothem's lot, for which she was to give to said Joseph as much at the upper end of his lot. And the said Perring's wife being by he told her she should have the management and disposal of all his estate during her life, unless his daughter Hannah should marry, and after his death his daughter Hannah should have half, and after his wife's death the other half."

Sworn to before me, June 28, 1674. Mathias Nicoll.

Inventory taken by Richard Woodhull, John Tucker, John Jenners. Mentions dwelling house, barn, orchard, two accomodations of upland and meadow. No prices or valuation given.

Page 127.—WM. BETTS, Yonkers. "The Twelfth day of the Twelfth month 1673."

"I William Betts of the Yonckers Plantation, in the Jurisdiction now of New Orange so called." Leaves to wife Alice, "house, barn and home lot, and meadows that are lying by my house lot," also one third of my lot in the Planting Field, during her life. Also leaves her household goods. Leaves to son Samuel Betts, after his wife's decease, the said house, Home lot and meadows, and one third of all lands in the Yonckers Plantation. Also a Home lot next to the home lot of Good-

man Newman, in the Town of Westchester. Also six acres of meadow next to Samel Barrets, in the west meadow of Westchester. Leaves to son Hopestill Betts, one third of his lands in the Planting Field, and one third of the rest of his lands in the Yonckers Plantation. Also "eight acres of fresh meadow lying to the west of Long neck in Westchester." Leaves to son John Betts, one third of land in the Planting Field and one third of land in the Yonckers Plantation, also two six acre lots of meadow in the west meadow of Westchester, next to Consider Woods, and six acres I bought of Cregier, next to Consider Woods, and the other six acre lot lying between the meadow of Edward Walters and meadow of Joseph Hunt, of Westchester. And he is to live with his mother during her life, and manage her farm and stock. Also leaves to son John, "my house and orchard and two home lots next to the orchard, and eleven acres of upland by the west meadow and one and a quarter acres of salt meadow on the south end of Quimby's neck, all of which lie in the bounds of Westchester." Leaves to daughter Mehitabel Tippetts 20 shillings. To John Barrett, son of Samuel Barrett, twenty acres of upland, eastward upon the hills by Eastchester path in the Yonckers Plantation, and one acre in the west meadows, "my meadow at Yonckers which hath been wrongfully taken from me," if recovered is left to his three sons.

Witnesses, Francis French, John Barrett. Wife Alice Betts is confirmed as executrix, January 2, 1675.

Page 130.—Letters of Administration granted to Captain Nathaniel Sylvester and Grizell Sylvester, on the estate of LATIMER SAMPSON, February 1, 1675.

"Whereas Captain THOMAS CARLE, of Hempstead, upon Long Island, died intestate, upon the petition of his widow, Sarah Carle, that Letters of Administration might be granted to her, and that her father James Halstead, and her brother Timothy Halstead, of Hemp-

stead, might be made overseers." It was granted March 25, 1675.

Page 131.—SAMUEL MOORE, "merchant," New York. Nuncupative Will. "I leave my whole estate to my wife to be at her disposall." In presence of us underwriters. January 21, 1675. Nicholas De Myer, Dan'l De Hart. Sworn before me June 21, 1675.

Page 132.—The inventory taken by Peter Jacobs Marius and Jacobus Vandewater is very extensive, and enumerating all kinds of woolen and linen dry goods. Amount not given.

Page 134.—"Whereas Samuel Moore, of this city, merchant, dyed, without making any formal will, yet did leave a nuncupative before sufficient testimonies." His widow, Naomi Moore, is appointed administratrix. March 25, 1676.

Page 135.—Inventory of estate of George Tippetts, of Yonckers, late deceased, taken September 20, 1675, by Thomas Hunt, Sr., of Westchester, Wm. Hayden, of Eastchester, and Edward Griffing, of Flushing. "Tract of land and meadow be purchased of Elias Doughty, with the new dwelling house, orchard and barn." £100.

Debts owing to Captain JOHN MANNING, "Blydenburgh of New York," Robert Story, Thomas Pritchard, John Cooley, Timothy Winter, Westchester, Thomas Farrington, Westchester, John Hadding, John Baker, of Fordham, John Veale, of Westchester.

Page 136.—"Whereas LEWIS VITREY, of the Yonckers, died intestate." His widow, Mehitabel, is made administratrix. March 25, 1676.

Page 137.—RICHARD TERRY, Southold. Leaves to wife, Abigail, during her life, "the accommodations in

Town, and house and lot that properly belongs to the house, that is the 4 acres joins to the house, with the orchard. And 8 acres of land that lyes at the North Sea, and 2 acres in Calves neck, and 1 acre in the old field, and 2 acres of meadow in the Great meadow at Catchache." Leaves to son Gershom, "one half of my wood land at Catchache." To son Samuel the other half, "and a piece of meadow that was my brother Thomas Terry's." Leaves to daughter Abigail 20 acres of land lying in the Fort neck to her and her heirs, "that is to say, Thomas Rider's heirs." Leaves to sons Nathaniel and Richard, "my house and the land which I live upon here at Squash neck," with the meadow in Fresh meadow when Richard is twenty-one. Leaves to son John, after his wife's decease, "the house and accommodations in Towne." "I leave all my children to be at my wife's command, to be educated and brought up, both for the good of their Souls and Bodys," till the sons are twenty-one and the daughters eighteen. Leaves to son Samuel two acres of meadow at Ackabache. Not dated. Makes wife and son Gershom executors. Witnesses, Barnabas Wyndes, Sarah Wyndes.

"POSTSCRIPT.—When my wife see cause to live in the Towne, my three eldest sons are to fitt and repair her house in a habitable and comfortable manner."

The will having been proved at last Court of Sessions in Southold, the executors were confirmed May 13, 1676.

Page 139.—The testimony of John Clarke of Westchester, concerning THOMAS SEABROOKE. Aged about twenty-nine years. This deponent sayeth, that when there was an Alarm of Indyans, being at Castle Hill loaded with ammunition, last summer, the deponent was then a sojourner within the home of Thomas Seabrooke, was commanded among others to go to Captain Osborne's house. And at his going away, he the said Thomas Seabrooke, took his wife, the now present

widow Seabrook by the hand in the door as he was going out and said, Wife I am going out. I know not but I may be knocked on the head. If I never come again I give all I have to thee, meaning his wife. And further said to this deponent. Pray take notice what I say. And further sayth not. May 15, 1676. Sworn before me. John Pell.

Page 140.—The testimony of Penelope Cook, aged about fifty years, concerning THOMAS SEABROOKE. This deponent saith that Thomas Seabrooke of Westchester, being some time last winter at Consider Woods, he did declare that hee was going over to Long Island, and at the same time did say, that whensoever he did dye he would make his wife full and whole executor, and give all to her, his wife and nobody else should have anything to do with anything he had, but his wife. And further sayeth not.

Sworn before me, John Pell. Westchester, May 15, 1676.

Inventory of estate of THOMAS SEABROOKE, who "dyed at Westchester the 17th of December 1675. One House and home lot. 9 acres in the Field. 12 acres of meadow. £90. Total £146.06s. Edward Waters, Thomas Mollinex, Nicholas Bayley.

Page 141.—His widow Mary Seabrooke appointed administratrix May 20, 1676.

WILLIAM PURRIER, of Southold, "In perfect health of body," makes his grandson James Reeve, "now living with me," his sole executor, and desires him to take his mother, my eldest daughter Mary Reeve, into his family and provide for her during life. If she refuse, then he is to pay her 20 Nobles yearly. "I leave to my two youngest daughters, Sarah Mapes and Martha Osmun £20 each." To "Isaac Reeve who now lives with me," two oxen. To my grand

child Mary Wyndes, one cow. To Thomas Terrill who married my grand daughter Mary Reeve, two acres of land by his dwelling house. To grand son James Reeve all my dwelling house, lands and meadows. Dated December 13, 1671. Witnesses Nicholas Eades, John Youngs. James Reeve is confirmed as executor May 13, 1676.

Page 144.—“Whereas ROGER TOWNSEND, late of Westchester, did appoint Richard Cornell and Captain Wm. Lawrence as his executors. They were dismissed, with the consent, and Captain Richard Osborne, who married Mary the widow of said Roger Townsend, was appointed administrator May 25, 1676.

Page 145.—MARGARET TOE, Newtown. “Widow.” Leaves “to my two sons Jacob Reder and Isaac Reder, my dwelling house and land and orchard, and lot containing about 7 acres. All of which is in the bounds of Newtown,” bounded south by the street, east by John Reder’s lot, north by the cart way that goes up into the lots. Also a parcel of land, 15 acres fronting the highway on the north side of the Town, the rear joining Smith’s meadow, the south east side joining Saml Moore’s Lot. Leaves to her three sons Jacob, Isaac and Jeremy Reder, a “parcel of salt meadow on the east side of the town, between two pieces of meadow belonging to Thomas Stevens, fronting to the Commons, the rear by Flushing creek. Also 6 acres of Fresh meadow joining the east end of Traines meadow. Also 3 acres of meadow joining the west end of a necke commonly called Seller’s neck. Also 3 acres joining the south side of a neck called Long Neck.

Dated February 22, 1675. Witnesses, Joseph Reder, Daniel Phillips. Letters of Administration granted to the three sons, July 18, 1676.

Page 147.—“Whereas EDWARD RAWLINS of this city, merchant, was lately unfortunately drowned, and

died intestate.” Having goods, etc., in partnership with Isaac Continho, Isaac Perero, and Abraham and Aaron Parveh, to the amount of £277, as appears by an inventory made by John Innyan, Cornelius Steenwyck, Nicholas Bayard, and Nicholas Blashe. The said Isaac Continho is made administrator October 20, 1676.

Page 148.—To the Rt. Hon. Edmund Andross Esq. Lieutenant and Governor-Generall, under His Royal Highness James, Duke of York and Albany, of all His Majesty’s Territories in America, &c.

“Wee the Mayor and Aldermen of this city of New York, Hereby certify that whereas there was several goods and merchandizes in company with Isaac Perero, Abraham and Isaac Parveh, which said goods were consigned to Isaac Continho and Edward Rawlins, in Company. And the said Edward Rawlins being lately drowned, and an Inventory thereof of the estate so consigned in company was made the 17th of this instant October, under the hands of Cornelius Steenwyck, John Innyan, Nicholas Bayard and Nicholas Blaske, amounting to £277, 19s., 6d. Reference thereto had may appear. And the said Isaac Continho having not only exhibited the said Inventory unto the Court, and also given sufficient Security to our Sovereign Lord the King, Charles the 2nd &c. in the sum of £500 to answer the same. Therefore hereby prays your Honour that you will be pleased to grant him Letters of Administration of the said estate in company.”

“Whereas SAMUEL BOORY, late of Jamaica upon Long Island, died without making any formal will, yet before sufficient testimony, as his nuncupative will declared his mind and will to be, that the four persons hereinafter named should be overseers or Trustees to take charge of his children, namely John Buys and Dirck Storm of Bruycklin with Titus Serix and Minnie

Johanis of Flatbush, which trust they have accepted, and Elizabeth Boory has consented thereto." The same are appointed administrators in Trust August 13, 1675.

Page 149.—"Whereas JOHN LANE, late of New-castle, in Delaware, died intestate, leaving no formal will, yet as a nuncupative will, did, before sufficient testimony, appoint George Moore of the same place, to be his executor, of the which proof has been made before the Court at New Castle." The said George Moore is made administrator, September 19, 1679.

Page 150.—"Whereas RICHARD STRETTON, late of East Hampton, upon Long Island, did in his last will appoint his wife Elizabeth to be his executor, and proof having been made at the last Court of Sessions held at Southold, the original will having been transmitted to the office of Records in this place." The said Elizabeth is confirmed as executrix October 2, 1676.

"Whereas MR. ROBERT SANDFORD, of the Island of Barbadoes, merchant, by an unhappy accident came to be drowned in the harbour near this city, and died intestate." Upon the petition of his uncle, Captain Wm. Sandford, that he may have Letters of Administration. They are granted October 9, 1676.

Page 151.—"Whereas PAULUS RICHARDS, late of Staten Island, dyed, and in his will bequeathed the greatest part of his estate to Paulus Richards of this city, merchant, his friend and countryman, and there not being any of his near relatives in this country," upon his petition, the said Paulus Richards is made administrator, November 8, 1676.

"Whereas FRANCIS BLOODGOOD, late of Flushing, upon Long Island, in his last will left all estate to

his wife Elizabeth Bloodgood, and made her executrix, which having been proved, is transmitted to the office of Records. And the Constable and overseers having taken security from said Elizabeth," she is confirmed January 13, 1676.

Page 152.—"Whereas JUFFROW ANTONIO SLACKBOOM, late of Schanectade, near Albany, is lately dead, and in her will did appoint William Beekman, Sr., of this city, her executor." Upon his petition Letters of Administration were granted January 15, 1676. (She was aunt to the wife of Wm. Beekman.)

Page 153.—"Whereas RICHARD GIBBS, late of this city, felt maker, died intestate, and his widow Elizabeth having taken an inventory into the Mayor's Court," upon her petition Letters were granted February 24, 1676.

RALPH HUNT, Newtomb. "It is my will to have my son Edward sole executor, and he is to give to his other three brothers as they come of age, their portions by equal divisions." "As for my daughter Mary, I doe give her two cows, six sheep, and the feather bed I now lye on." "As to my daughter Anna's three children I give to each of them a sheep." This will of mine being writ when I had my perfect memory, although very sicke and weake. Captain Betts and John Burroughs I do desire to be overseers with my son-in-law Theophilus Phillips." Dated January 12, 1676. Witnesses, Edward Stevenson, John Hayter, Thomas Morell.

Codicil January 13, 1676. "my daughter Anna shall have as good a portion with that she hath already as any of the rest of my children. And as for the red coat she now has in possession, it is to be valued and one-half given to my daughter Mary."

Witnesses, Joseph Burroughs, Edward Hunt. Ad-

ministration granted to son Edward February 26, 1674.

Page 155. "Whereas WM. PIGEON, late of Flushing, upon Long Island, did in his will appoint Captain Wm. Laurence to be his executor." Upon his application Letters of Administration are granted March 19, 1674.

"Whereas the petition of Margaret Backer, referred to the Court of Mayor and Aldermen, setting forth that her husband Jacob Backer, about eight years since, departed from her leaving her with three small children, in a very poor condition, without making any provision for payment of his debts or for the maintenance of his family, and that now Mr. Geritt Van Tricht, one of ye creditors hath sued her for his debt, which will undoubtedly provoke the rest of ye creditors to doe ye lyke." And that "she very much doubts of his life, not having in several years had any letter or advice from him, but various reports of his death, since his departure from Holland to the East Indies." Upon her petition Letters of Administration were granted July 27, 1677.

Page 156. "Whereas JOHN COOPER, of Southampton, upon Long Island, died intestate, and Sarah his widow hath petitioned to me, by reason of the great distance of the Court of Sessions, for Letters of Administration," they are granted July 8, 1677.

Page 157. Whereas PHILIP LANE, of this city, chirurgeon, died intestate and Mary his wife having petitioned for Letters of Administration, they are granted August 15, 1677.

Entered for THOMAS BONNETT, the following Probate September 12, 1677.

"Barbadoes. By His Excellency. Know yee that

upon the 30th day of October, in ye yeare of our Lord God, 1676, and in ye eight, and twentieth year of the reign of our Sovereigne Lord, Charles ye Second, Etc. Before me the last will and Testament of Thomas Bonnett of this Island, Gent, deceased was duly proved and allowed, and Thomas Bonnett, Jr., son to ye said deceased is admitted and allowed as executor. Given under my hand ye 15 day of June, 1677. J. Atkins. Edwin Stede, Dep. Sec.

Page 158. "Whereas ANTHONY JANSEN of this city, died intestate, upon the petition of Mattie Grevensat, his widow, she having produced an inventory, and likewise produced a contract made between her said husband and herself before marriage, that the longest liver of them should remain in full possession of all the estate during the survivor's life." Letters of administration were granted to her March 25, 1677.

"Southampton, March 8, 1677. An Apprizal of the estate of late deceased JOHN COOPER, taken this day out of the account formerly taken by ye overseers appointed by the Five men chosen to it by this present Court of Sessions." Land at North Sea, £50. The Last Division at Mencecks, £60. The Close in Great Plain, £40. Several Parcels of land and meadow in Shincok Plains, £40. 10 acres by the ox Pasture gate, 12 acres layed out north of John Jagers Close, 150 acres at Southold, £40. House, Homelot, barn, all buildings and fences, £380. Commonage, £100. Taken by Edward Howell, John Jessup, Thomas Cooper, Thomas Topping, Obadiah Rogers. Debts due to Ellis Cook, Henry Pierson.

Page 161. — Inventory of estate of Mr. JOHN WINDER taken by John Lawrence, Sr., and Richard Mann.

[This inventory is of great length, covering several pages, and mostly composed of dry goods in woollen

and linen. A very long list of debts due from a great multitude of people, including it would seem almost every business man in the city.]

Page 185.—“Agreement made this 26 November, 1674, between Mr. Joseph Fordham, and his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Fordham, of the one part, and Mr. Jonah Fordham by his agent, Lieutenant Edward Howell, and Edward Howell himself and wife Mary, and respecting John Fordham and Mrs. Hannah Clarke, daughter of Mr. Robert Fordham, deceased. Which Agreement is a Total and final Conclusion.

“First. That Mr. Joseph Fordham with his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Fordham, shall bee lawfully possessed as executors of the estate of said Mr. Robert Fordham.

“Second. That the said Mrs. Elizabeth Fordham shall have one third of the movable goods as appraised.

“Third. That the said Mr. Joseph Fordham shall have for him and his heirs the £250 allotment now in his possession, and part of his father's accommodations in this Towne, with two-thirds of the movables.

“Fourth. That John Fordham shall have 45 acres of land which were his father's, and is lying at Meacocks within fence, with a Home Lot in the Town Plot adjoining to Mr. Robert Fordham's home accommodations commonly called Jonas his lot, being 3 acres. Also £75 in current pay.

“Fifth. Jonah Fordham shall have £100 of the living stocks which is of his deceased father's estate. Also the books bequeathed to him by his father in his life time. Also 50 acres of land formerly laid out to Mr. Robert Fordham, lying against the mill path between the Towne and the Hollow commonly called Littleworth, and £50 of commonage. Also a little parcel of land, 3 acres, lying in Captains Neck between John Woodruff and Ellis Cook. Also 4½ acres of land in the Little Plain and one Home Lot, 3 acres, which Mr. Robert Fordham bought of Mr. Browne.

“Sixth. Lieut. Edward Howell and wife Mary shall have 40 acres of land at Meacocks unfenced or not yet layed out, and 20 acres in the next division, where Mrs. Elizabeth Fordham shall appoint, and a £50 right of commonage. Also 2 lotments of meadow in Shinecock neck, and £40 of the living stock.

“Seventh. Mrs. Elizabeth Fordham shall satisfy her daughter, Mrs. Hannah Clarke, for what is due her, out of her third of the estate.

“Eighth. If John Fordham become chargeable to them with whom he may dwell, it shall be made up out of his estate. Elizabeth Fordham, Joseph Fordham, Edward Howell, Mary Howell.

“Witnesses, John Howell, John Youngs, Henry Pierson.”

Page 188.—“Whereas ROBERT FORDHAM, of Southampton in the East Riding of Yorkshire, upon Long Island, minister, dyed in or about the month of November, 1674, leaving no formal will in writing, yet as a nuncupative will before sufficient testimony did declare his will to bee that Joseph, his son, should have his House and Land, at Southampton. After which an Agreement was made by said Joseph Fordham and his mother Elizabeth, on one part, and the rest of the brothers and sisters, on the other part, by which each has quietly possessed his proportion, and proof of the said nuncupative will having been made at last Court of Sessions held at Southampton, March 8 last, the said Joseph and Elizabeth Fordham are confirmed as administrators. March 25, 1678. By order of Council. Matthias Nicoll, Sec.”

Page 189.—The deposition of Captain John Howell, aged about forty-eight years, being deposed saith, “that three or four days before Mr. Robert Fordham died, being sent for to Mr. Robert Fordham's house, hee went into Mr. Fordham's new room. Mr. Fordham lay sick upon ye bed, this deponent asking him

how he did. Mr. Fordham answered hee was ill. This deponent thereupon moved him to set his house in order, and used some arguments to persuade him. Mrs. James being present did persuade him to the same purpose, and finding that nothing would prevail, Mrs. Fordham being present desired this deponent to ask Mr. Fordham who should have his house and land. He answered, Joseph. Then this deponent asked him what hee would doe for his son Jonah, and Mr. Fordham answered, a small matter, Twenty pounds. This deponent told him it was a small matter, indeed, and said hee was his son. Said Mr. Fordham, a rebellious son, and said hee had given him many twenty pounds and he had wasted them, and he was not bound to give to rebellious children. And further mention being made about his son John, Mr. Fordham asked who it was best John should be left withal, and this deponent answered he thought with Joseph, and Mr. Fordham said hee thought soe too. Mrs. Katharine James attests to the truth of what is above mentioned (only as to the many 20 pounds given Jonah) and they both testify that to their apprehensions Mr. Fordham was in his right mind."

Taken upon oath the 27th November, 1674, before me. John Youngs.

[NOTE.—The lands mentioned in the foregoing documents are all in the town of Southampton, and for their location the reader is referred to the Printed Town Records. Mrs. Katharine James was the wife of Rev. Thomas James, of East Hampton, W. S. P.]

Page 190.—GEORGE COOK, New York. "I George Cook, Gent. being sicke." Leaves all his estate to "dear and loving wife" (*not named*), and makes her executrix. January 28, 1677.

"The 28, Jan. 1677. I doe hereby desire and appoint my loving friends John Pell, Esq., Mr. Francis Rumbout and Mr. Nicholas Bayard and Mr. Johaness Van Brugh to be overseers."

Samuel Leete, Gent., aged thirty-nine or thereabouts, makes oath that on the 28th of January last, being sent for to Mr. George Cook's deceased to make his will, which he did, as the same is hereto annexed, and read the same to deceased, who approved and liked of the same, and desired him to leave the same with him. And the next day being the 29th of January, this deponent came to the testator's house, he being in bed, and asked him if he had signed the said will. He answered in presence of Mr. Abraham Corbett, noe, but all the goods and estate I leave to Martha, my wife.

Samuel Leete.

February 11, 1677.

Abraham Corbett aged sixty, who says that on January 29th last, he heard Mr. George Cook in his presence, Mr. Samuel Leete being by, say that all estate I have what soever I give unto Martha my wife.

February 11, 1677.

Abraham Corbett.

Inventory of estate taken by John Lawrence, Nicholas Bayard, Johaness Van Brughen, Abraham Corbett. Amounts to £96, 18s, 6d.

Page 192.—Letters of Administration granted to Mrs. Martha Cook, February 15, 1677.

Page 193.—Whereas WM. BROWNE, heretofore of Gravesend, upon Long Island, and late of Middleton in New Jersey, died intestate, and John Brown of Middleton his eldest son having made application for Letters of Administration, they were granted January 21, 1677.

Page 194.—Whereas CORNELIUS DIRCKSEN, late of this city died intestate, and Gretie his widow hath made application to the Court of Mayor and Aldermen, for Letters of Administration, they are granted May 9, 1678.

Whereas CARSEN JANS EGGERT of this city did in his last will bequeath his estate part by way of legacy, and the rest to be disposed of by way of gifts to his next relations, that is to say the sum of 500 guilders, wampum, to the Lutheran Church, as a legacy, and to his sister Greetye Jans, wife of Jacob Petersen, 150 guilders, wampum, the rest to be divided equally between his brother Dirck Jansen De Groot, his sister Greetye Jansen, and Bruyn Ages, the son of his other sister, Annatje Jans and Bruyn Ages, both deceased, making Hendrick Williams and David Westells executors, as in said will, and additions the 7th and 19th of April last. The same was confirmed May 9, 1678.

Page 195.—Whereas SIMON DROVIN, of Flushing, in his will made Magdalen Ledowychs his widow, the executor and to possess his estate for life, and she at the Court of Sessions held at Jamaica the 13th of this month made proof of the same. The same is confirmed June 24, 1678.

Page 196.—Whereas DOROTHY FARRINGTON, widow and executrix of the will of Edmund Farrington, late of Flushing, died intestate, and her eldest son John Farrington making application, on the 13th of this month, for Letters of Administration. They were granted, June 24, 1678.

Whereas AMBROSE SUTTON of Staten Island, did in his last will, make Obadiah Holmes, of the same place, his executor, and proof having been made at Court of Sessions held at Gravesend, in June last. The same is confirmed July 8, 1678.

Page 197.—Whereas MARY JANSEN, widow of Gouververt Lockermans, did in her will appoint her kinsman Mr. Johannes Van Brugh and Mr. Francis Rumbout, one of the Aldermen of this city, her executors, in Trust. Said will being dated May 7, 1677, with a

codicil November 1, 1677. They are confirmed June 8, 1678.

Page 198.—Whereas MALLIARD JOURD, late of Staten Island, in his will, gave all his estate to his wife, Elizabeth Daman, for the maintenance of herself and children, and nominating David Demarest and Joast Van Oblinus, as executors in Trust. "And it soe happening that the said Elizabeth hath since joyned herself in marriage to another person upon Staten Island." And the said executors have neglected their duty in regard to said estate, of which complaint was made to Court of Sessions at Gravesend in June last, who appointed Mr. Paulus Richards, merchant, and Obadiah Holmes, of Staten Island, to be executors. They are confirmed July 8, 1678.

Page 199.—THOMAS HALSEY, Southampton. "I Thomas Halsey, being in a right mind and sound judgment," leaves to wife, "one woollen wheel and one linen wheel, my little Iron Pott, and a Yellow Rugg, and one white Dutch blanket, and 4 bushels of wheate to be paid yearly, as long as she liveth, and 4 sheep." Leaves to son Thomas, "my house and home lot, and the beach lot, and the Little Plain close, and the little close on the south side of Mr. Raynor's, commonly called Troublesome, and the close at the mill neck called Peter's close, and the lot I had in the last Division at Meacocks." Leaves to son Isaac, "my close at the head of the creek, and 5 acres adjoining, and 5 acres in the Great Plain in the ten acre lots, and 3 acres at the town pond, and 10 acres in the ox pasture, and the Gin lots, and 4½ acres in the Little Plain, and 20 acres in the next Division, and he is to have his choice out of my £300 of Commonage in lieu of the land at Sagapanack." The remainder of all Divisions is to be divided equally between my sons Thomas and Daniel, and Hog neck to be divided also. Isaac is also to have the lot of meadow at Seponack

on the north side, and one acre at Halsey's neck, and half the meadow on the south beach, the other half to my son Daniel. Leaves to son Daniel, one lot of meadow at Seponack, and the eastermost two acres in the Little Plain, and the home lot I bought of Mr. Smith, my land at Quogue and North side, and Hog Neck, to be divided equally between my sons: Legacy to daughter Elizabeth, wife of Richard Howell.

Dated July 28, 1677. Proved March, 1679. Witnesses, Richard Barrett, John Else. The sons Isaac and Thomas were confirmed as executors July 8, 1679.

Page 200.—Inventory not on record, but mentioned as amounting to £672.

SAMUEL CLARKE, Southampton. "After my wife's decease, all my lands and meadows, to be equally divided among my two sons Samuel and Edmund. What I have given to Samuel is to be part of his share, only Samuel is to have the home lot, housing and orchard. The land called Homesis I give to my son Edmund for his home lot. If my son Edmund settles here, then Samuel is to allow him towards his building the sum of £15. My mill is to be divided between Samuel and Edmund, and the latter is to have a £50 right of Commonage. Leaves a sheep to each of his daughters, Sarah, Mary, Susannah and Martha. Makes his wife (*not named*) and his sons executors.

Dated May 11, 1675. Witnesses, John Howell, Charles Sturmy, John Laughton. Proved February 24, 1678.

Page 202.—Inventory taken by Obadiah Rogers, John Jessup, Thomas Cooper and John Jagger:

The Old House half the barn and Home Lot, £40, meadow, 14 acres, £30. The Clay Pitts 4½ acres, £15; 20 acres at Meacocks, £14; a £50 right of Commonage, £24; one home lot lying at Homesis, £6. The whole inventory amounts to £384 11s.

[NOTE.—There were two Samuel Clarkes, in South-

ampton, one known as Samuel Clarke of Old Town, the other as Samuel Clarke of North Sea. The latter is the testator of the above will.—W. S. P.]

Page 203.—JOHN JENNERS, Brookhaven. "I John Jenners of Brookhaven, *alias* Seatalecutt, on Long Island." Leaves to wife Alice the use of house and all accommodations during life, "and if my wife judge it fitting she may sell the same. It is my intention that my children may hereby stand the more obliged to carry themselves dutifull to their mother, soe that in soe doing she may be induced, of her motherly affection to preserve the said accommodations, for their future good," and that my three sons Thomas, John and Joseph may share equally after my wife's decease. Legacies to his daughters Elizabeth, and Mary wife of Wm. Satterly of Sefaleot. "Whatever rights are due me in the Plantation of Stratford in the Colony of Hartford, I leave to my wife and son John." Makes son Thomas executor.

Dated March 7, 1674. Witnesses, Nathaniel Brewster, Sarah Brewster. Proved at Court of Sessions at Southold June 5, 1679.

Page 204.—Inventory by Richard Waring, Thomas Thorpe. House and accommodations £100. The whole is £202 13s.

Page 206.—SAMUEL HOLMES, Gravesend, makes his wife Alice sole executrix. "In case she marry againe she is to give unto my children every one of them a cow three years old." Leaves to sons Samuel and Joseph "all my wearing clothes and carpenter tools." Legacies to daughters Anne, Katharine and Mary. "If either of my sons doe marry before the decease of my wife, then the lot or Plantation I bought of Thomas Delavall, they shall have for their use between them." Makes his loving brothers and friends Richard Still-

well, Jonathan Holmes, Obadiah Holmes, John Browne and Samuel Spicer, Overseers and guardians of his children.

Dated 28th of 2d month, 1679. Witnesses, John Tilton (or Tillon) Towne Clerke, John Emmons. Proved in the Secretary's office before the Governor, by John Tillon and Samuel Spicer, July 25, 1679.

Page 207.—ELLIS COOK, Southampton. Leaves to son John, when twenty-one, "if he behave himself well to his mother, and live civilly in conversations in the judgment of my friends, whom I appoint overseers of this my will, either my housing and land at Mecox or my housing and accommodations at the Towne, whichever may be meet in the judgment of my wife." Leaves to son Ellis "the other half of my land and accommodations after my wife's decease, if he be twenty-one." Leaves to his servant Thomas Stephens, one heifer at the end of his apprenticeship, if he carry himself as he ought in his place, during his term of service. Leaves to daughters Elizabeth, Mary and Martha each £30. Makes his wife Martha executor, and "my brothers John Cooper and Thomas Cooper, overseers." "And soe I comitt my Body in God's appointed time, to be decently buried in the Earth, from which it was first taken."

Dated September 5, 1663. Witnesses, Henry Pier-son, Thomas Dimon, George Harris.

Page 208.—Inventory taken February 26, 1678. The old House and Home close, about 20 acres, £230. The Little close next to Arthur Howell's, £21. The two former Divisions, about 45 acres, £20. A £150 right of Commonage with 20 acres already laid out, £80. The land at the Towne, the Home lot, the land in the Plains and meadow, £100. Total amount, £1184, 10s. 10d.

Proved at Court of Sessions in Southold in March last, and confirmed July 8, 1679. E. Andross.

Page 211.—JOHN GRAVES, Newtown. "I, John Graves, of Newtown, *alias* Middleborough, upon Long Island, being sicke and weake" Leaves to his father, Wm. Graves, all houses and land, and makes him executor. "If my sister Hannah or her children survive my father, then the same to go to her or her children." Legacies to Mary, wife of Thomas Case, Mary, wife of John Scudder, and Elizabeth, wife of John Alburts of said town.

Dated July 11, 1679. Witnesses, David Vickree, Mary Scudder. Inventory taken June 13, 1679: 10 acres of upland, £20, 3 acres of meadow in Trains meadow, £02. Total amount, £90.

Page 212.—WM. GRAVES, Newtown. Leaves legacies to Abigail, Mary, Hannah and Rebecca, the daughters of Joseph Phillips, of said town, all under age. Also to Joan Madock, widow to David Vickree, "now in the house with me." To Nicholas Elder, Mary Case, wife of Thomas Case, Mary Scudder, wife of John Scudder. Leaves to his daughter, Hannah Graves, six acres of upland next to the old house in Newtown. Also a cove of meadow near my creeke, and to extend from a certain white oak tree down the said creek to Captain John Coe's creek. Leaves all rest of land and goods to "the little children of my daughter Hannah Graves," and to "my grandchild, Abigail Dibble, now living in Connecticut." Makes daughter Hannah executor, and Mr. Robert Field, Sr., and Lieut. Gershom Moore executors in trust. Leaves to Mr. Robert Field "my best suit of clothes, and to Lieut. Gershom Moore my beaver hatt, my pipe and my boots which were my son John's, and to George Wood, Sr., my cloak."

Dated July 13, 1679. Witnesses, Thomas Eshring-ton, Nicholas Eades.

Page 214.—Inventory. Housing, upland and meadow, £130. Total amount, £219 9s. 8d.

Page 215.—Whereas JOHN GRAVES, of Newtown, did in his will give to his father, Wm. Graves, all his land, but if his sister Hannah or her children should survive him, then the said lands were to go to them. And whereas the said Wm. Graves, the father, not long after likewise departed this life before the will of his son could be proved, and in his will did appoint his daughter Hannah his executor, with Robert Field, Sr., and Gershom Moore executors in trust, since which his daughter Hannah has likewise departed this life, the said Robert Field and Gershom Moore are confirmed as executors. July 8, 1679.

Page 216.—HENRY CLARKE, of Poynig Creek, Virginia, May 26, 1679. "I, Henry Clarke, of New Yorke, late come from Virginia, being sicke," my will is that the money in my best pocket being 3 shillings and a pair of large buttons shall be put in the pocket of my best suite, and sent home to England to my brother-in-law John Harwood, his eldest son, living in Islington." Directs Mr. Thomas Clarke and Abraham Corbett shall see my negro Francis, delivered unto Captain John Palmer, of Staten Island, and he is to pay £33, Boston money for him. "And they shall see me decently buried in the church in New York." After debts are paid all the rest is to go to the eldest son of his brother-in-law John Harwood. "I appoint Mr. Samuel Leete, Abraham Corbett, Henry Filkin, John Corbett, and Richard Walsh, to carry me to my grave, and to have scarves and gloves, according as the usual custom is."

Witnesses, Henry Filkins, Thomas Davis, George Jewitt. Proved July 19, 1679. Inventory by Thomaston and Wm. Boyall. Total, £44 18s. 6d. Money in his pocket, £2 3s. 10d. One negro man, named Francis, £33.

Page 218.—The above-named executors are confirmed July 20, 1679.

Page 219.—JOHN BURROUGH, Newtown. Leaves to son John "my new dwelling-house and orchard, and out-housing, with all the land from my house northward to the highway which goes through the field, with all my meadow before my house at the south side of the highway. Also a small island of salt meadow lying by the upland, about 20 acres with a ditch on one side and the creeke on the other, lying in Foster's Neck." But the said lands are to remain in the hands of his wife till his son, John is twenty-one. If he die they are to go to sons Jeremiah and Joseph, but they are not to be sold during his wife's widowhood. "But if she marry again, then her husband must provide for her as I have done." Leaves to son Jeremiah all land on the north side of the highway, going across the field, "and my right of meadow at the south of Seller's neck." Leaves to son Joseph "my 20 acres of land on the east side of the highway going along outside the field, and another piece of 7½ acres at the rear of the field," with all my salt meadow except the island I have given to John. It lyeth at Foster's neck, between Caleb Leveritts and Sarah Haise. Legacies to daughters Joanna, Reder, and Mary Burroughs. Makes son Jeremiah executor.

Dated July 2, 1678. Witnesses, Gershom Moore, Thomas Pettit, who are also made overseers. Inventory, August 29, 1678. Land not specified. Total, £297 14s.

Page 224.—Son Jeremiah is confirmed as executor, "proof of will having been made before the Justice of the Peace in Newtown." October 19, 1678.

ELIZABETH BURROUGHS, Newtown, leaves to son John, "all that his father John Burroughs gave him in his will, and the feather bed I now lie on," also all kitchen utensils. "My will is that the housing and lands which my husband gave to my son John Burroughs, be improved to best advantage, and the profits

to be equally divided between all my children, viz.: Joseph Reed, John Reed, Mary Moore, Sarah Reed, and John Burroughs, until he is of age. Leave to sister Hannah Pettit a serge-lined coat and my petticoat. "I leave my wearing clothes to my two daughters Mary Moore and Sarah Reed." All remainder to my sons Joseph Reed and John Reed, and to my daughters Mary Moore and Sarah Reed. Makes her son-in-law Samuel Moore, of Newtown, executor.

Dated November 25, 1678. Witnesses, Nicholas Eedes, Jonathan Howard. Letters of administration granted to Samuel Moore November 20, 1679.

Page 226.—Whereas BASTIAN DE WINTER, late of Albany, did in his will appoint the Deacons of the Reformed or Protestant Church there to be his executors, and proof having been made before the Commisaryes at Albany, the same are confirmed May 23, 1678.

Page 227.—Whereas NICHOLAS SNETHIN, late of Flushing, in his will did appoint Mary his wife his sole executor, and proof having been made at the Court of Sessions held in Jamaica on December last. She is confirmed as executrix September 16, 1678.

Whereas WM. MANDEVIL, of this city, merchant, being lately about his occasions at the Town of Setalcot, dyed there intestate, and Elizabeth his widow, having requested that she bee made administrator of her husband's estate, a great part of which lyes in said Town of Setalcot, Letters of Administration are granted October—, 1679.

Page 228.—Whereas WM. RODNEY late of this city Gent. and Surveyor of Customs, being bound for this place from the island of Nevis, dyed on board a certain vessell named "Lovell" in the Sound near unto New Haven, and leaving no will in writing. Yet as a nuncupative will did declare that he left the care of

his concerns in these parts to Captain John Fowler, of Staten Island. Upon application Letters of administration were granted to him January —, 1678.

Page 229.—DIRCK ARESON, Flushing. "This first day of October, 1678." Leaves to his wife Mary all lands and goods, during widowhood. If she remarry, then one half of the estate is to be divided among his seven children (*not named*). Makes Captain Thomas Willett and Mr. Elias Doughty the overseers of will. "The estate which is in Holland," if recovered, is to be divided among his seven children.

Witnesses, James Clement, Wm. Ward.

"An account of what debts Dirck Areson owes, taken from his own mouth in his greatest extremity."

To John Garlson.....	600 lbs of Tobacco,	£6	5s
Thomas Styles.....	400	4	4
Mr. Steenwyck.....	800	8	8
Mr. Bridges.....	005	0	10½

Debts due to him from Richard Stockton, Henry Cornelis, Mr. Osborne, John Van Clem 3 deer skins, Henry ye Shoemaker, 1 pair of shoes for a boy and 2 pairs for a woman. Adam Mott. Elias Doughty.

Know all men whom this may concerne, that Mr. Doughty of Flushing, hath given security to us for and in behalf of Mary Areson, widow woman of Flushing, that she shall not Imbezzle her state that her husband left in her hands. Thomas Wickes, Richard Cornell. July 23, 1678.

Administration granted to her February 21, 1678.

Page 231.—"Whereas DAVID LANE of Setalcot, having been committed as a prisoner to the Common Gaol of this city, in the time of my predecessor, Governor Lovelace, upon accusation of a rape committed by him on his owne daughter, but breaking prison made his escape, and having since been convicted of the same at the generall Court of Assizes held in the month of October, 1675, and his estate forfeited to the

King. Yet upon application of Katharine his wife, in the behalfe of her children for their relief and sustenance as also toward satisfaction of the creditors, said forfeiture was remitted as it had before been ordered in the time of the late Dutch Governor, Anthony Colve, and that one half thereof be given to the use of the said wife and children and the other half to be divided among the creditors. But nothing hitherto having been done in effect, soe that the estate and houses go to decay." Mr. Samuel Edsall is appointed administrator February 10, 1678. E. Andross.

Page 232.—Whereas SAMUEL CLARKE of Southampton did in his will appoint his wife Susanah Clarke, and his sons Samuel and Edmond to be executors, and proof having been made at the Court of Sessions in Southampton in March last. They are confirmed July 8, 1679.

Page 233.—Whereas Mr. NICHOLAS VAN RENSEL-
LAER, late of Albany, died there intestate, and Eleanor his widow, having requested to be made executor, Letters of administration were granted in 1679.

Whereas ANNETJE CLAAS CRESENS, late widow of Daniel Litscho of this city, deceased, did in her last will give to Hermanus Jansen, her son by a former husband, the sum of 400 guilders "sewant," and unto Annie Litscho her daughter by the latter the like sum, and having disposed of the remainder of the estate that she died possessed of to the children of her said son and daughter during their lives and then to their children. And did appoint Mr. Thomas Lamberts of Bedford upon Long Island, carpenter, and Mr. Asser Levy of this city, merchant, executors, and having made proof of the will, which remains in the Secretary's office. They are confirmed May 16, 1679.

Page 234.—Whereas SAMUEL HOLMES, late of Gravesend upon Long Island, did in his will appoint

Alice Holmes, his wife, to be sole executor, and desiring his loving brothers and friends Richard Stillwell, Jonathan Holmes, Obadiah Holmes, John Bowne, and Samuel Spicer, to be overseers. They are confirmed, June 25, 1679.

Page 235.—BALTHAZAR DE HART, of New York. "In the name of the Lord Amen. By these presents be it known to any which shall see these wrightings or shall read the same, that in the year of our Lord 1672, the 4th day of January on Thursday, in the afternoone, about 3 of the clock, I Wm. Bogardus, notarie Publick in New York, admitted by the Hon. Col. Francis Lovelace. . . . Comes as witnesses those that have these underwritten, unto Balthazar DeHart, merchant and Inhabitant of this city, a man well known to the witnesses and mee. Being sickly of body nevertheless having his memory and speech as well as formerly. Soe as outwardly did appear." He doth bequeath unto his natural son Matthias DeHart, 2,000 guilders Holland money, which shall remain put and secured upon the house and lot of said DeHart where hee for the present dwelleth, lying within this city between the house of Mr. John Lawrence and the widow of Daniel Litsche, until he comes of age. And he is to have maintainance with reasonable vittles, and clothes, and likewise to be teached to read and write, and in a trade also that thereby he may help himself. He leaves to his natural son Daniel DeHart, . . .

. . . a certain house and lot, as likewise the lot that came of Robert Baulands, belonging thereto, lying within the city upon the Heere Gracht, where . . . Elias Provoost, smith, for the present doe dwell. Likewise 2 great stilling kettles, and 60 guilders wampum yearly until he is of age. Also leaves . . .

. . . a certain cedar chest with all that may be found therein, and a negro woman named Sarah with her 3 children. He doth make as a gift to his brother

Jacobus DeHart all the land in Haverstroo, purchased by the testator of the Indjans, and a Patent granted by the Governor, Philip Carterett. He leaves the remainder of his estate to his true brothers Daniel, Matthias, and Jacobus DeHart, and to the children of his sister Willenmyntie. And that this may be done in the uprighteousest and truest manner, he appoints Hendrick Van Bomell, Jacob Teunison Kay, his good and acquainted friends, to administer this will and estate, and Jacques Cousseau is to take an exact invoice of goods. Dated and past in the house of the testator, being present Mr. Hans Kierdsiede, Chirurgon, and Timon Van Borsum as desired witnesses, which with the said DeHart and mee Notary being subscribed the original hereof the day and year above written.

Translated out of Dutch into English by me, Thomas Lovell.

Page 239.—MARY JANSEN, New York, May 7, 1679, widow of Gouvert Lockermans. This will is written in the Dutch fashion by Wm. Bogardus, Notary Public. Leaves to Cornelius, Timothy and Margaretta Van der Veen, children of her daughter, Elsie Leisler, by Peter Cornelis Van der Veen, each 100 guilders, in Beavers at 8 guilders a piece. To Anna Bogardus, daughter of Wm. Bogardus, 50 guilders. Leaves the rest of property to her children Elsie Tymans, married with Jacob Leisler. Cornelis Dirchsen married with Gelise Hendricks and Jacob Lockermans not married yet. Makes her cousin, Mr. Johanes Van Brugh, and Mr. Francis Rumbout, alderman of this city, her executors.

Dated May 7, 1677. Witnesses, John Dervall, Cornelis Cregier.

Codicil, November 1, 1677. Leaves to son, Cornelis Dirchsen, a negro boy. To daughter, Elsie Leisler, a golden ear ring, made of gold, which was partly given to her by her grandmother. To son,

Jacob Lockermians, her diamond rose ring. To son, Cornelis, the Great Bible, and to his wife 3 silver spoons. To Mary, daughter of Johanes Van Brugh, a silver bodkin. To her grand daughter, Margaret Van der Veen, a silver chain with keys. To grand-daughter, Susanah Leisler, a silver chain with a case and a cushion.

Witnesses, her neighbors, Mr. Carsten Learsen and Mr. John Cavilleer.

Approved, July 22, 1678, By Mathias Nicoll, Sec.

Page 243.—Whereas CHRISTOPHER HUNLOCH, late of this city, merchant, died intestate, upon application of his wife Mary, Letters of administration were granted September 17, 1679.

Colonel SOUTHEY LITTLETON, Virginia, September 16, 1679. "I, Southey Littleton, of Virginia, being sieke and weake." Leaves to eldest son, Nathaniel, a tract of land upon Magathlie Bay, in Northampton County, Virginia, containing 1,050 acres, for life and then to his heirs male. To daughter Esther, a neck of land at Pingstiog, called Kings neck, bounded by Swanrihott creek, and the two main branches that make the Kings neck, to the head of said branches, and then by two parallel lines to the land of Captain John Robins. To grand son, Southey Littleton, my plantation at Nandove in Ackomac County containing 2,270 acres. To John Rust 200 acres in Somerset Co., Maryland, where he now lives, and all the rest of the lands in the neck to his daughter Gertruyd Littleton. To Francis Wilkins 300 acres in Somerset Co., Maryland, bounded between the necks of John Rust and Kings neck. The rest of the neck up to Captain Robins line to his daughter, Elizabeth Littleton. All the rest of the land at Grange neck in Somerset Co. to his son, Botman. To daughter, Sarah, 600 acres at Pock a nock, in Acomack Co. To Nathaniel Tunnell all my land at Ackocomson in Ac-

omack Co., Virginia. To Wm. White, planter, 155 acres in Acomack at the head of the branches of Pungstioq. Rest of estate to his four daughters. He desires his daughter Esther to be left at his sister Robin. Sarah with Mrs. Bridget Foxcroft. Elizabeth with Mrs. Anne Jenifer, and Gertruyd with Mr. Richard Bayleys. His son Southey is to be left for four years with his nurse, Nicholas Taylor's wife. Makes Mr. Thomas P. Clark, Colonel Wm. Kendall, Major Edmund Bowman, Captain John Rolins, Captain Daniel Jenifer and Mr. Richard Bayley executors.

Done at Albany upon Hudsons river September 16, 1679. Witnesses, John Willett, Thomas Eayres, Robert Livingston, Sec.

Page 244.—Whereas WALTER WHARTON, of New Castle, in Delaware, died intestate, upon request of his wife Mary, that Edmund Cantwell might be made administrator. It is granted, November 10, 1679.

Page 246.—Whereas JOHN JARMYN, of Staten Island, blacksmith, died intestate. Upon application his wife Anne is made administrator, November 20, 1679.

Inventory: Bellows and anvil, £4 5s., $\frac{1}{2}$ of House and plantation, £6.

Page 248.—Whereas DANIEL OLBORNE of Eastchester, belonging to the Jurisdiction of Westchester in the North Riding of Yorkshire, died intestate. Upon application, his wife Abigail is made administrator, November 10, 1679. Inventory, taken by Wm. Hadden, Nathaniel Tompkins, Samuel Drake. House, land and meadow, £70. Samuel Drake, Deputy Constable, makes oath to same.

Page 250.—Whereas Wm. Tom, late of New Castle, died intestate, upon application of Captain Edmund Cantwell, as creditor. Letters of Administration are granted to him, November 16, 1679.

JOHN SHACKERLY, New York, July 23, 1679, "merchant." Leaves to wife Sarah "one half of all my right to a Plantation at St. Johns creek, and a Plantation at Mispellin creeke in Delaware." The other half to his two children Elizabeth and William, both under twenty-one, makes his wife executor, and Mr. Wm. Merritt and Mrs. Elizabeth Bedhoe overseers.

Witnesses, John Coler, Andrew Boucher, Richard Walsh and John West. Upon petition of creditors Mr. Cornelius Steenwyck is made administrator, December 25, 1679.

Page 256.—SAMUEL LEETE, New York, July 23, 1679, "Gentleman." Makes this "will as a codicil to my former will made in England, August 26, 1673." The Trustees herein named, are to collect all dues, and pay all debts. Remainder of property is left to his wife Christian. Leaves to Abraham Corbett, "all my household goods in part payment of what I owe him for meate and drinke." If any thing is left after payment of debts it is to be sent home to his wife by Abraham Corbett. Makes Mr. John West and Abraham Corbett Trustees.

Witnesses, Thomas Bauman, Matthew Tyler.

Page 257.—Inventory made by Mr. Jacob Leisler and Mr. Paulus Richards. Total £23, 10s. "38 books, great and small," £5, 16s.

THOMAS RICHARDS, Newtown. Leaves all uplands and meadows to his children Elizabeth, John, Thomas, Edmund, and Jonathan, to be divided between them when they come of age, "that is, the maids at the age of 18, and the boys at the age of 21." "And whereas my wife is now bigg with child, he or she is to have an equal share." Wife Susanah to have the use of all property during children's minority.

Dated October 16, 1679. Witnesses, John Ere, Nicholas Eades.

Inventory: October 21, 1679. House, upland, and meadow £50; 1 Horse, £4; 4 cows, £16; 6 swine, £4; 10 sheep, £3, 6s. 8d. Total £97. Letters of Administration to wife Sarah, January 20, 1679.

Page 259.—Inventory of estate of NATHAN WHITMAN of Staten Island, made August 28, 1679. A House and land and 4 Erves, joining to the house, and 40 acres of land in the Old Town, 27 acres of land in the Close laid out by the Surveyor, and 8 acres of Bogg meadow, adjacent to the Erves, and 10 acres of meadow at the Great Killes, £75.

Page 260.—Whereas NATHAN WHITMAN, late of Staten Island, husbandman, was about ye 28th of August accidentally drowned, and died intestate, leaving a wife and 6 children behind him. Upon application his wife Sarah is made administrator, January 26, 1679.

Whereas JOSEPH WINSLOE, late of Boston, merchant, came into these parts with his wife and children, bringing some goods and merchandize, with intent to settle here, but soon after died intestate. And his wife Sarah having afterwards married Charles Salters, her father, Captain Thomas Laurence, with their consent, is made administrator, January 26, 1679.

JOHN RICHARDSON, Westchester. Leaves to wife Martha, "all my housing and orchard and all moveables, without and within, and all my land and meadow in the Planting neck, and all the Long Neck, that runs southward from Thomas Hunt's new dwelling house, to the Sound. During her life." Leaves to son in law Joseph Hadley, a pasture of 8 acres at or about the first spring. "To my 3 daughters, Bethia, wife of Joseph Ketcham, of Newtown, Mary, wife of Joseph Hadley, and Elizabeth, wife of Gabriel Leggett, all the meadow that is already divided, on this side of the

river, above the Planting neck." Leaves to Joseph Richardson, "my brother's son," in England, 100 acres of land, if he come within the space of one whole year. If he does not come, then it is to go to his wife Martha. Leaves rest of estate to his three daughters. Makes Wm. Richardson, and Richard Panton of Westchester, and Jonathan Hazzard of Newtown executors.

Dated November 16, 1679. Witnesses, Walter Webly, John Laurence, Thomas Hunt, Jr., Edward Walters.

Page 262.—ROBERT CALLWELL. The 31st day of August, 1679. The last will of Robert Callwell, an Inhabitant of Maspeth Kills, within the Jurisdiction of Newtowne. I will my Soule to God, my Body to the Dust, and as for the rest of my estate I will it all to my wife and my child which I had by her, except four or five pounds, which I will to my son, and soe much to my other daughters. Robert Callwell.

Witnesses, Wm. Alburtus, Herman Petersen.

Inventory: £58. Letters of administration to wife, January 27, 1679.

Page 264.—Whereas SAMUEL LEETE, Gent., late Clerk of the Court of Mayor and Aldermen, and Alderman of this city, did in his will appoint Mr. Abraham Corbett, Mr. Thomas Coler and Mr. John West, executors. They are confirmed, January 3, 1679.

Page 265.—HANNAH TITUS, Hunttington. Leaves to son Content Titus, house and land, and he is to pay to his brother John £10. To son Edmund a horse, and to son Samuel a cow. "To my son Samuel's wife my warming pan. To my son Abial's wife, my smoothing irons. To my son Content's wife, my skimmer. To my daughter Susannah, my serge hood."

Dated May 14, 1672. Witness, Richard Williams, Thomas Skidmore. Inventory taken March 24, 1675, £52 13s. 6d. Administration granted to son Content, March 1, 1675.

Whereas RUTGER AERTS, an Inhabitant of the Towne of Albany, did, in his will appoint his brothers and sisters or their children executors. That is, his brother John Sholden, living at Trent, in Denokamp in Holland. The children of his brother Lambert Aerts, deceased, and the children of his brother Aloff Aerts, deceased, and his sisters Rebecca and Aeltie, and making Adrian Gerrits Van Poppersdorf executor in Trust, and the will having been proved November 4 last, the same was confirmed January 14, 1678.

Page 267.—Capt. SILVESTER SALISBURY. "This 26 day of August, 1679." Leaves to his well beloved wife Elizabeth, who is made executor, and she is to hold in possession all lands and property, with this "proviso and restriction, viz. to bring up the three children namely, Francis Salisbury, aged 9 years, Silvester Salisbury, aged 6 years, and Mary Salisbury, aged about 13 months, in good education and learning, and further to do what is fitting for good and Religious Parents to do for their children, and when each comes of age, then each to have his just one third." Appoints as Assistants to his wife, "the Rt. Hon. Edmund Andross and my well beloved brother Peter Jacobs Marius, and my loving friend Jacob Tunison Kay, to look after the education of my children and the management of my estate."

Witnesses, Johanes Wendell, Robert Livingston, Sec.

Page 269.—Whereas Captain WM. LAURENCE, late of Tues neck in Flushing, one of the Justices of the Peace of the North Riding, died intestate, leaving a considerable estate, and divers children. And Elizabeth his wife, and his eldest son William by a former marriage, having made application for Letters of Administration, and having brought in an inventory, they were appointed March 25, 1680.

Whereas Captain SILVESTER SALISBURY late Commander of Albany, did in his will appoint his wife Eliz-

abeth to be sole executor, and made his brother in law Peter Jacobs Marius and Mr. Jacob Tunison Kay, overseers, they are confirmed March 12, 1680.

Page 270.—JOHN LEGGETT, Westchester. "I John Leggett, now of Port Royal in the Island of Jamaica, mariner, being very weake and sicke in body." Leaves to his well beloved son John all that one half of the Ketch Royall, of New York, and one negro boy, now on board the same, one hogshead of sugar, one barrell and eleven gallons of rum, two gallons of lime juice, etc. Rest of property to his wife Anne. And "unto the child she now goes withal, £30, if it lives to the age of two years." Makes my good friend Mr. Frederick Phillipse executor, and "I desire him to take care of my son John, and bring him, or cause him to be bred up to the sea, for his livelihood."

Dated October 2, 1679. Witnesses, Anthony Swimer, Miles Grant, Charles Dawson, Thomas Colewood, Sr.

Whereas JOHN LEGGETT, late of Westchester, mariner, departed this life, at the Island of Jamaica, and in his will did appoint Mr. Frederick Phillipse executor. He is confirmed, February 2, 1680.

Page 272.—Know all men by these Presents that for as much as John Palmer, Gent., who hath intermarried with Sarah, the widow of John Winder, late of this city, merchant, did administer upon the estate, and having well and truly administered according to law, a Quietus is granted, November 8, 1683. Thomas Dongan.

Page 273.—Know all men by these presents, that whereas John Vincent, did administer upon the estate of Jacques Cousseau, and being informed that the said John Vincent hath well and truly administered according to law, a Quietus is granted, March 23, 1684. Thomas Dongan.

Whereas Mr. NICHOLAS RENSELLAER, late of Albany, dyed there intestate and Alida his widow having requested of me that she may be made administrator. She is confirmed as such, November 30, 1678.

E. Andross

Page 274.—Wee underwriters appointed and sworn by the Worshipfull Court of Albany to appraise the estate of the deceased Dom. Nicholas Van Rensselaer, according to instructions by the Commissioners, upon the 16 of January, 1678. So it is that we have apprized and valued said estate, except his possessions in the Colony, according to our best knowledge in manner following. Done in Albany 9 December, 1680. Hendrick Cuyler, Jacob Sander gloine, Johaness Wendell.

The house and lot standing in Albany, near the hill, 1,200 guilders; 50 beavers, 400 guilders; 13 pictures with the King's Arms and an Almanack, 80g. About 200 bookes, quarto and octavo, the most of them in Strainge Languages; and a brass pocket watch out of order, 200g. Total, 4,344 guilders. The widow Alida married Robert Livingston. "Funeral charges as per accounts rendered, 131 guilders."

Approved December 30, 1680. Martin Gerritsen. Johannes Provoost.

Page 277.—Whereas ROBERT LIVINGSTON, husband of Alida Schuyler, late widow of the deceased Dom Nicholas Van Rensselaer, hath, by virtue of Letters of Administration granted to his wife by Sir Edmond Andross November 30, 1678, shown a general account concerning the administration, with an inventory showing the amount to be 3,140 guilders, 3 styvers, in Beavers, charging the estate with money paid to creditors, being 2302 guilders, 4 styvers, sewant, and 3,549g., 4 styvers, beavers, as by accounts, all of which we have examined, and especially the account of Captain Philip Schuyler, father-in-law to said deceased Van Rensselaer, because of the near relation.

Upon application of Robert Livingston, the account is approved December 30, 1680. Martin Gerrit en. Johnes Provoost.

Page 279.—Thomas Dongan, Lieut.-General and Governor and Vice-Admirall, under His Royal Highness, of New York, &c. To all to whom this shall come or may concerne, know yee that on the day of the date hereof, the last will and Testament of Joost Adrians, deceased, was proved, and Jan Joosten being therein appointed as tutor or overseer, he is confirmed as such. Done at Fort James the 17 day of October, 1683. Thomas Dongan.

Whereas Job Sayre, of the Town of Southampton, did, at the last Court of Sessions held in that town, make proof of the last will of THOMAS SAYRE, his father, wherein the said Job was made sole executor, the original will remaining in the office of Records. He is admitted and confirmed, April 1, 1671.

Page 280.—Whereas BURGER JORIS, late of Maspeth Kills, did in his lifetime make his last will wherein he left his wife Angeltie Mans his sole executor, if she should survive him. She is hereby admitted and confirmed, April 25, 1671.

[NOTE.—Burger Joris, whose name very frequently appears in the earliest New York deeds, owned a lot on the corner of Pearl Street and Hanover Square, where the Grace Building now stands. In front of this he opened a narrow lane, running to the river, and called Burger Joris Path. His wife Engeltie Mans was born in 1624, and lived to an advanced age.—W. S. P.]

Page 281.—An Act of the Governor's Council, the sentencing and confiscating ye land, houses, and estates of the subjects belonging to the States of Holland which shall be found within these His Royal Highness's Territories.

Whereas the States of the United Belgick Provinces have begun and continued a warr against His Majesty's our Dread Sovereign, his Realms and Dominions, as well in Europe as upon His Majesty's foreign plantations, to the great effusion of Christian blood, and the destruction of commerce. In which cases it is not only customary but consonant to the Law of Nations to make seisure of and confiscate ye estates of the subjects of these Powers or States against whom warr is declared. Now Forasmuch as divers persons of the Dutch Nation, residing near the Dominion, and being the subjects of the said States of the United Belgick Provinces, and not under oath or obligation or allegiance to His Majesty, have and do enjoy within this Government, to their use and behoofe, several houses and lands, the full discovery of which cannot at present be found, and in respect of the several private Conveyances, Letters of Attorney, Deputations, Procurations and the like, Therefore the Governor by, and with the advice of his Council, have thought fitt to enter upon the Records (without making publication thereof, for reasons and considerations satisfactory to themselves). And bee it entered upon the Records, that from and after the date hereof, all the lands and houses lying and being within the Territoryes of His Royal Highness James, Duke of York, &c., which did formerly belong, or, anyways now may appertaine to any of the subjects of the said States or any of the inhabitants under their Dominion, (who are under no oath or obligation of Allegiance to His Majesty,) are and doe stand sentenced and confiscated to His Majesty's use. To the end that the rents, profits, and emoluments, arising from the confiscation of the said lands and houses, together with the rents, profits, and emoluments received and remaining in any other hands, by a Procurator or otherwise, may render some support to the charge of the Government. And it is further ordered and declared that the entry of this resolution of the Governor and Councill upon the Book of Re-

cords shall stand true and valid to all intents and purposes, notwithstanding the formality of the Publication is omitted. And the execution of this decree and order shall and may be lawfully put in practice at all or any time from and after the date hereof, as fully and effectually as if the same had been published, declared and manifested. Given under my hand, this 10 day of October, 1663, in James Fort. Richard Nicolls.

THE CONDEMNATION OF THE VESSELL OR GALLIOTT
CALLED THE HOPE.

Upon hearing the case of John Poppers, late master of the vessell or Galllott, called the Hope, now under arrest and riding in the Harbour. And having received the allegations on both parts, that is to say from Mr. Thomas Delavall, Plaintiff on the behalf of his Majesty, and from Mr. John Rider in behalf of the Defendants, and having perused the several examinations upon oath, as well as of the said John Poppers, as of all the seamen who sayled from Curacoa hither. We find according to the Laws of the Admiralty in the like cases, that the vessell or Galllott called the Hope is a lawful Prize, for that she hath (contrary to his Majesty's laws and Ordinances) now in the time of Warr, been in a Dutch Port and hath taken in goods there and traded for and with the King's open and professed enemies. Wherefore she ought to be confiscated. Wee doe hereby decree that the said vessell, with all her loading, etc., is confiscated. Done at Fort James, this 22 September, 1666. Richard Charlton, Clerk.

Page 283.—Whereas the Galllott the Hope, whereof John Poppers was master, is adjudged to bee a good and lawfull Prize, and therefore confiscated to his Majesty's use, these are to require and authorize you, Petrus Leandertson, Thomas Hall, Isaac Bedloe and Samuel Edsall, to view and apprise the said Galllott as also her lading, etc., according to best knowledge.

Given under our hand at Fort James, New York, the
9 day of October, 1666.
Richard Nicolls.

Page 283.—Whereas the Galliot called the Hope was heretofore seized by order of the Rt. Hon. Colonel Richard Nicolls, Governor, etc., and the said Galliot being on the 22 day of September last condemned, as a lawful prize, together with her rigging, etc. Now know ye that Colonel Richard Nicoll and Captain Philip Carterett, being appointed a sub commission for the disposing of all prizes, etc., as by their said commission bearing date the 28 February, 1664. Have according to form, at a Publick sale or outcry bargained and sold unto John Poppers of this city, mariner, to have the said Galliot, together with all her rigging, etc., for the sum of £117 good and lawful money. The receipt of which is acknowledged. To him the said John Poppers as a free vessell to goe or come trade or traffick in any port. Done at New York on the Island of Manhattan, November 1, 1666. Richard Nicoll, Philip Carterett.

Sentence of the Court Marshall against Richard Williams, held at Fort James, the 13 February, 1665. The Governor General and officers, having taken under consideration the Riotous Insolence and assault made by Richard Williams, souldier, against John Van Gee, Burger of this city, upon the 10 of this instant February, and that the said Williams, without any cause or occasion given by the said John Van Gee, did strike and affront the said John Van Gee, whereupon much blood might have been spilt, and the Peace between the Inhabitants and souldiers endangered, which is never to be done without severe punishment. Have thought fitt to give sentence against Richard Williams. That for his insolent and riotous behaviour he shall remain in the Dungeon till to-morrow, being Friday, the 16th instant, from whence he shall be brought at one of the clock by the marshall, and set upon the Wooden

horse till the Guard is relieved. And further and in consideration of this and diverse other his former crimes, his next misdemeanor shall be punished with running the Gauntlett, and banishment. Robert Needham, Richard Nicoll, John Manning, Silvester Salisbury.

Page 285.—The proceedings against Richard Russell, John Matthews and Thomas Weale, souldiers, accused of felony. Deposition taken before the Governor in Fort James this 9th of November, 1666. The Deposition of Mark Dale. That Richard Russell, Thomas Weale and John Matthews, being all three together in company, in some part of the house where he now dwelleth, he and his wife bought of them, or some of them, two Iron Potts, two Hoes, one pair of Shears, and three quarters of a Firkin of soape. But cannot precisely remember what part of ye house it was in, or what day of the week it was, or what time of the day, or what was paid for the same. But affirmeth that hee and his wife treated with them, all three together about their having of the goods, aforesaid, and further deposeth not. The Deposition of Anne, the wife of Mark Dale, upon oath. That Richard Russell, Thomas Weale and John Matthews, did sell unto her husband and herselfe, two Iron Potts, two hoes, one pair of Shears and about three quarters of a Firkin of soape, for 72 guilders wampum. And that the greatest part of the said sum was told by her, and divided into three parts which she delivered unto Thomas Weale for the use of himselfe, Richard Russell and John Matthews discounting with each of them what was due to her from them. But what day it was upon, she cannot remember, only that it was in the forenoone. She further deposeth that Richard Russell told her in the back yard of the dwelling house where she now lives, that he or they were offered 72 guilders for the aforesaid goods by another and had refused it. Whereupon the deponent said, If you were

offered so much by another, I will give you as much for them, and so the bargain was concluded, and further this deponent says not.

Richard Russell and John Matthews stated in their Justification and deny the theft, but Thomas Weale confesseth as follows, namely, That he together with Richard Russell and John Matthews, did steale the afore-said Goods out of Captain Carterett's cellar, which goods were by them sold unto Mark Dale and his wife.

Thereupon they were all three by the Governor's order committed into the Marshall's hands, and after shut up close prisoners in the Hole. In the evening of the same day, being Friday, the Governor ordered some persons to go to the Prisoners, and to advise them to prepare for another world, for that one of them should dye ye next daye.

Remember the 10th (being Saturday) in the fore-noone the three prisoners being brought into the Governor's lodgings, they drew Lotts for their lives and the fatall lot fell to Thomas Weale's share.

By the request of the Court of Aldermen, the condemned prisoner was reprieved until Monday. Sunday, November the 11th, in the evening, a company of the chefe women of the city, both English and Dutch, made earnest suite to the Governor for the condemned man's life.

Monday the 12th, in the morning, the same women who came the last night, with many others of the better sort, and a greater number of the ordinary Dutch women, did again very much importune the Governor to spare him. Then all the souldiers did unanimously with one consent join together in a petition to ye Governor, in the behalfe of their fellow souldier, and chose Sarjeant Thomas Exton and Corporal Zachary Barnes to deliver it, but Captain Needham took it and presented it for them. The Tenour of the Petition is as follows, viz.:

To our Rt. Hon. Governor, Colonel Richard Nicolls.

The Humble Petition of your Honour's minor officers and Souldiers in the Garrison. That they doe all acknowledge your Honour's Constant Clemency towards severall of us in passing over our misdemeannours, and your just intention to make a sore example at this time of our fellow souldier, Thomas Weale. But we are not without hope that your Honour will extend mercy considering his youth and strength may be for the future employed in a Reformation of his life to doe his Majesty faithful service in his calling. And that your Honour may be the rather inclined to pardon a fellow souldier whose sentence alone will strike as great a Terror in us and detestation of such evil practices as if he suffered death. We promise that we will never conceal any theft or thievs, but doe and will discover any such practices or persons to your Honour, which each of us engage to doe upon the faith and word of a Souldier. Willingly submitting to be punished with death when any of us shall breake this solemn engagement, and desire that this Petition may remain upon Record against the first offender. Thereupon all the Souldiers of the Garison being drawn up in the Fort, owning the Petition and promising future amendment, the Governor pardons the condemned person and releases him and all others in prison, upon this or the like account, and restored them to their arms without any further punishment.

Page 287.—The Decree and order of the Governor and Council about the wampum stolen from Emity. Whereas it appears upon examination and confession of John Woolstoncraft and Thomas Brown, that they together with Thomas Bennett stole from the dwelling house of Emity at Albany by computation the sum of 1,000 guilders wampum, which they three divided amongst themselves. However, it appears that John Toovey had part of the stolen wampum for a bribe not to reveale the same. It also appeared that John

Woolstoncraft drew the latch of the door and let in the aforesaid Brown and Thomas Bennett, his partners. And the theft being detected, Captain Baker seized upon some part of the stolen wampum, which by the computation of Thomas Rogers, John Schute and John Woolstoncraft, was 400 guilders in black wampum, which said Captain Baker took into his custody, soe computed, and sealed the bag. After which time Captain Baker opened the bag and put into it another parcel of the same wampum found in the hands of John Toovey, which was counted and found to be 45 guilders.

The Governor and Council order that Captain Baker shall make good to Emity the full sum of 400 guilders and the 45 guilders he had from Toovey. That 115 guilders shall be deducted from Thomas Bennett's pay and 100 from Thomas Brown's, and that John Woolstoncraft as the chief actor make good the remainder. And that Mr. Delavale is ordered to stop payment upon all bills due him April 10th, 1667.

DECREE OF GOVERNOR AND COUNCIL ABOUT WOOLSTONCROFT GIVING SATISFACTION TO CAPTAIN BAKER.

Whereas John Woolstoncroft hath wrongly defamed Captain Baker for concealing and embezzling several goods belonging to Captain Abraham Staats, thrown by the inundation upon a part of the Fort: and hath further accused John Shute, John Gifford and Wm. Nottingham to have received each nine Beavers for their part of the spoyle. And it appearing that after a strict examination that neither Captain Baker nor the said souldiers were in the least guilty, but that the accusation is false and scandalous. The said John Wolstoncroft is to make publick satisfaction, and the manner and measure is to be put to the discretion of Captain Baker. Dated April 10, 1667.

Page 289.—The sentence of the Governor against Albert Heymans, Arent Albertsen, Anthony D'Elva and Cornelis Borensen, who stand convicted upon oath and affirmance for taking of arms in a riotous and illegal manner upon the 16th of February, 1666, to awe terify and suppress his Majesty's English Garrison established at Esopus.

That the aforesaid persons have deserved to be put to death. However the Governor with advice of Council, inclining to mercy, at the humble petition of the rest of the inhabitants, will not at this time inflict the rigour of the law.

Albert Heymans is sentenced to be bannished out of this Government during life, and he is to have 48 hours to transport his estate, and that a fine of 100 bushels of wheat or value thereof be levied on his estate in the Esopus for charges of Court, etc.

Arent Albertsen, his son, is sentenced to be banished for one whole year and a day, and he is to have 40 days to remain in the Esopus for the disposal of his and his father's affairs.

Anthony D'Elva is to be banished for three years, giving him liberty to sell his estate at the Esopus. And Cornelis Borensen has the same sentence.

May 3, 1667.

Richard Nicolls.

Upon the petition of Albert Heymans, the Government remits one half of the time, and he may remain in any part of the Government except Esopus, New York and Albany, and that his son may remain till his corn be husked, threshed and disposed of, May 9, 1667. Upon petition of Anthony D'Elva he is allowed 40 days to dispatch his affairs, May 10, 1667. Which time is increased thirty days more.

Page 290.—Wm. Collard and Anthony Snooks, being condemned to die for deserting and running away from their colours. Whereupon the following petition from their fellow souldiers was presented by the company.

Page 291.—In this Petition the soldiers admit that the men have deserved an ignominious death as runaways from his Majesty's service, but think it was from their folly, or ignorance. They recall the fact "that of your Honours last mercy shown to Thomas Weale, hath wrought so much good upon him and all of us in General," and hopes his Honour will be pleased to use Clemency, etc.

The sentence against William Bishop of Flushing, for uttering seditious words. The Governor being informed that one Wm. Bishop had spoken seditious words at a publique meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Flushing, before his Honour on the third of this instant month. Captain Betts deposed that at the time and place above mentioned after the Governor among others told the people there met together that he would furnish them with powder for their present occasions, and would be content to receive firewood for it, the said Wm. Bishop spoke these words aloud, viz. that "there was another cunning trick." Upon which Captain Betts told him that if he had anything to say in answer to what had been proposed by ye Governor he had best to speak it to ye Governor himself who was hard by, and not to mutter such words among the people. To which he made answer, "It is very like that he hath sett you here to hearken to what we say, that you may tell him." Whereto Captain Betts replied that it was not so, but since he thought so, he should take further notice of what he said. Then Bishop returned answer "What have I said." "I said nothing but, there is another cunning trick." July 8, 1667. The above being read and attested in the presence of the said Wm. Bishop, it was likewise by him confessed, July 3, 1667.

For Seditious words, Wm. Bishop is sentenced to be made fast to the whipping post, there to stand with rods fastened to his back, during the sitting of the Court of Mayor and Aldermen, and from thence to be removed into the Common Gaol till further order.

Page 292.—An Act of Governor and Councill about Wm. Teller and his children, January 30, 1667. It was then agreed upon by the Governor and Councill, Mr. Cornelis Van Ruyven and Mr. Johanis De Brugh being present, in the matter between Wm. Teller and the children he had by his former wife, as follows.

Wm. Teller shall within twenty days pay unto his daughter 85 Beavers for her portion, without pretence of debt due to him from her deceased husband; and to see that the said beavers are to be used only for her own use and her children by her husband, deceased. That for securing the portions allotted to the four younger children, two houses which said Wm. Teller hath in Albany; that is to say the house he dwelleth in, and the house where his son Andeas now liveth, shall be mortgaged to the Overseers of Orphans till satisfaction be given.

As to Wm. Teller's other two children, it being alleged that they are already agreed with. If so there is no further care to be taken. By order of the Governor.

Page 293.—Answer to Letter from ye schout and Commisaryes at Albany, touching sentence against Emity.

"I have received your advice and the account of your proceedings against Emity, and have seen and heard what she can say for herself, and find no cause to differ from the sentence, except that ye do not place your execution upon the dwelling-house of her husband and her, but that she may give all her satisfaction according to law, I think it reasonable that Emity should, in your presence, aske the Dominie Schout's forgiveness for what is past.

"I am your very loving friend, Richard Nicolls."

Page 294.—The examination* of severall persons concerning ye knocking down of Serjeant Dondell in

ye quarters, and at a Court Marshall held the 7th day of December, in Fort James, 1667.

Present, the Governor, Captain Needham, Captain Manning, Ensign Salisbury. Serjeant Dondell says that Roger Purchase told him that he should not come into the Quarters, but drew his sword and bid him come in if he durst, and that with several great oaths. And further, that he heard Purchase swear to a man (whom he knows not) that if he did open the door he would pin him to the wall. That at his first coming he had two musketeers and at the second time he had four, and demanded entrance, but being refused he broke open the door, and was struck down at his entrance. He thought it was one John Kingdon who gave him the blow.

Anthony Snooks says the Serjeant told him he was the Round. Roger Purchase said noe common officer should come in, and bid him enter if he durst, and the like at his second coming with two musketeers, and he saw a sword drawn but in whose hands he knows not.

Richard Perrott, Henry Jansen, and Richard Levy all say the same.

Thomas Walton about 8 o'clock at night came into ye roome, says that Roger Purchase denied the serjeant entrance. That Wm. Fisher, Roger Purchase, and John Kingdon held the door, Purchase had a drawn sword in his hand, Kingdon had an iron fire fork, that Wm. Fisher had no weapon, that he would have opened the door to the serjeant, but Purchase would not suffer him.

Page 295.—Proceedings of a Court of Admiralty about the ship Cedar and ye Privateer, after their return from the French port in Accadie.

Monday, April 13, 1668, before noon. Present, Colonel Richard Nicolls, Governor, Colonel Francis Lovelace, Mr. Thomas Delavall, Mr. Ralph Westfield, and Mr. Matthias Nicoll, Secretary.

Captain Thomas Salter, of Port Royall, by Mr. John Rider, Attorney for Samuel Mosely, on behalf of said Salter, Wm. Smith, Abraham Keeling, Thomas Davis, Samuel Smith, Thomas Barnes, John Heyter, and Symon Jones, Master and company of ship Cedar. Captain Richard Morris, their security, brings them into Court.

Mr. Rider puts in an allegation for Captain Samuel Mosely, Attorney for Captain Salter against Wm. Smith and Company.

Thomas Barnes excepts against his hand and seal but his mark is proved by the lyke which he makes. Abraham Keeling moves for security of Mr. Rider for prosecuting him.

Upon request of the prisoners that they might have 48 hours' time to give in their answer, the Court gave them till Thursday next, at 10 o'clock. Upon Abraham Keeling pleading for himself divers things were objected to against him, and testimony of several persons upon oath, viz: Wm. Meritt as to his common discourse against the Laws and the Justice of the Governor. Philip Johns and Ned Schollet as to their being threatened to be thrown overboard by him.

Page 297.—A petition was presented by the prisoners acknowledging their errors, and putting all the fault of their acts upon Abraham Keeling, and threw themselves on the mercy of the Court.

Then being demanded by the Court how Keeling come to be of their company, they replied that three of them went from Wm. Smith, their master, to treat with Keeling and Throckmorton to goe along with them, they being in want of provision, and did propose an equal share.

Page 300.—The Privateers now present a new petition to the Governor, requesting to be freed from arrest in the suit of Captain Salter.

Captain Thomas Salter of Port Royall appoints his

trusty friend Samuel Mosely, mariner, his attorney, September 16, 1667.

LETTER FROM SAMUEL MOSELY TO JOHN RIDER.

Dated Boston, September 1, 1667.

Sir. As I am unacquainted, I most kindly salute you, being informed by my good friend Captain Thomas Breeding that you are related to the Law, have taken the boldness to acquaint you of a business that was committed to my care by Captain Thomas Salter of Jamaica, commander of a Private man of war, who it seems took a Spannish vessell, laden with Campeachy wood, and made one William Smith master of her with orders to bring the said prize to Jamaica, but contrary to his orders hath brought said prize to your port. I give you full power to sue the said Smith and Company in case they have disposed of any of the cargo.

Page 303.—Articles of Agreement between Wm. Smith, Commander of the good ship "William," now in the bay of Campeachy, and Foregift Frogmorten, Thomas Barnes, Symon Jones, Samuel Smith, Thomas Davis, John Haytor and Abraham Keelings.

1st. Each man is to have his proper share of the vessell, and each shall have his proportionable share of the Campeachy wood now on board, and the Captain to have two shares.

No one is to sell his share except to some one of the others.

If any one desert the ship, he forfeits his share.

All prizes to be equally divided, except that the Captain shall have two shares.

Page 305.—Petition of John De Decker of Amsterdam, late of the Councill in the service of the West India Company, for New Netherlands.

Sheweth. That a little before your Royall Highness fleet appeared in New Netherlands, there were arrived two hundred negroes or more, to ye account of

the Dutch West India Company, of which twenty were granted to your petitioner, by the Governor and Councill, on account of his monthly Sallary, and were accordingly received, and ten of them transferred by him to ye Fort Orange, now called Newe Albany, intending to sell them there, and leaving the other 10 in New York, (now so called) in custody of one Resolved Waldron to dyet and keepe them for your petitioner. The reduction of New York to your obedience happening in the mean time, one Thomas Delavall, whom your petitioner supposed to have been appointed by Colonel Richard Nicoll the Governor, seized these ten negroes as negroes belonging to the Dutch Company, but indeed were not so. The petitioner therefore implores the benefit of the Articles of Capitulation.

Article 3. Every one shall be and remain a free citizen or denizen and retain their lands, houses goods ships, etc.

Page 306.—Memorandum. That on Thursday the 20th September, in the 35th year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord, Charles the Second, etc. At the City Hall in New York, a Special Court of Over and Terminer was holden, by virtue of the following Commission.

Thomas Dongan, Lieutenant and Governor Generall and Vice Admirall under his Royal Highness, of New York and dependencies, in America.

Whereas his Royal Highness James Duke of York and Albany, etc. hath by his Commission dated at St. James October 3, 1682, made and constituted me his vice Admirall of New York, and hath authorized and empowered me to appoint a Judge, Register, and Marshall, of a Court of Admiralty. I therefore appoint you, Lucas Santen, Esq., Judge of said Court. And Wm. Beekman Deputy Mayor, John Laurence and James Graham aldermen of this city, of New York. Mr. Cornelius Steenwyck, Mr. Nicholas Bayard, Mr.

Wm. Pinhorn and Mr. Jacob Leysler, and you, or any six of you to hear and determine any or all Treasons, felonies, Roberies, murders, manslaughter, confederacies, breaches of Trust embezzelling goods or other transgressions, done and committed on board the ship *Cameleon*, of London, Nicholas Clough, Commander. I also appoint Wm. Nicolls to be Register, and John Collier to be Marshall of this Court. Given under my hand September 15. 1683. Thomas Dongan.

The prisoners brought to bar were, Edward Starkey, Robt. Cockrain, John Dorvall, Henry Lewin, Daniel Kelly, Robt. Dawson, John Morine, Arthur Davis, Thomas Dickson, and John Hallemore.

You are indicted. For that the ship *Cameleon* of London, Nicholas Clough, master, did in the year 1682, make a voyage on account of the Royal African Company, from the river Thames, in England, to Old Calabar in the Bite, on the coast of Africa, to land Negroes and other goods, and proceed to the island of Barbadoes, then to sail to Montserat, one of the Caribbee islands, to take in her loading and thence to London. And the ship arrived at the island of Nevis in June last and there took in her loading of sugar, etc., to be delivered at London. And that you not having the fear of God before your eyes, but being wickedly moved by the instigation of the Devill, on the 24th of June, near the Island of Nevis upon the deep seas, did with force and arms piratically enter, and the said ship did take, and the course did change and alter, piratically, designing the ship and her loading to spoyle with other false pirates. And on the 30th of June the day following, did conspire to share and divide the same, in the following manner.

Articles of agreement between us on board the ship *Cameleon*, Nicholas Clough Commander.

All goods to be disposed of, and each man to have his share. The Commander to have two shares and a half, and the mate to have one share and a half, as for the Doctor one share and a half. And the better to

carry out your piratical designs you did take the ship to the island of Bonaire and Curacoa, and there did sell part of the cargo, and about the 23d of August did take the said ship to a certain place called Sandy Point in the maritime Jurisdiction of New York. Against the Peace of our Lord the King, etc.

Jury impanelled. Andrew Boon, John Inians, Richard Martin, Wm. Merritt, Wm. Cox, Edward Read, John Rich, John Robinson, John Thurber, Paul Richards, Robert Schuyler, Jacobus Van Cortlandt.

Adjourned to next day.

Edward Starkey brought to bar, the rest remanded.

Nicholas Clough, sworn says, that he never saw the prisoner but twice before he came on board. First at one Mrs. Eversons, and when he was going to the Governor for his Pass. That he never invited him, nor knew when he came on board, being drunk, says that Starkey was made Quartermaster, and that he the said Clough took the Sword into his hand as Captain, intending to discover the piracy at the first Port. That Daniel Kelly brought him the writing to sign, Threatening him if he would not. That he sailed on June 29th about 4 o'clock in the afternoon, but knows not when the prisoners came on board, nor who altered the course.

Being asked by the Prisoner, whether he did not send his boat ashore for them. He answered "Noe." The prisoner said that Nicholas Clough, the master, conspired with several to come on board, and told them the ship and cargo was his own, and bargained with the prisoners on shore on the 28th or 29th of June, that they should go along with him, and that Daniel Kelly came on shore and fetched them on board; and that Clough made the agreement with all of them at Everson's, and welcomed them on board.

Samuel Haywarr, sworn, says. That on the afternoon they sailed from Nevis, the master sent his boat ashore, the master said for some linnen, and at her return the prisoners and the rest came on board, but can-

not say that they brought any arms. That the master told him, that when the ship came to a place where it would be a prize he would complain against the prisoners. That the prisoners ordered him to draw the agreement, but he refused, and that John Copping drew them, and he was forced by fear to sign them. That he saw Starkey on shore in the master's company, at Everson's. That he was in the cabin when the prisoners came on board, and the master was on deck, and no opposition was made by the master. And that at Curacoa the master did propose to dispose of the sugar and did dispose of same.

John Griffin, sworn, says that he desired Captain Clough to give him a passage home to England. That the boat was sent on shore by the master, and when she returned the prisoner was one that came, and the master welcomed them. He owns to his hand to the writing, but says the master was with his sword in his hands and threatened those that did not sign it. That at Curacoa, a Jew came on board and took a sample of the sugar.

Nicholas Dumaresq, sworn, says, that being at Curacoa the master told him that he found himself at sea, the next morning after he went from Nevis, with more men on board than he expected, and that he had a mind to get a sloop and send them back, and that he told him he intended to go to Jamaica, but Daniel Kelly told him they were bound for London, but put into Curacoa to stop a leak.

John Watkins, sworn, says. He knew of no agreement between those men and the master. That he was sent on shore in a boat with the Doctor, John Kelly, for what he knows not, and that when they came to the ship, the master was on the Quarterdeck, with most of the company.

Wm. Heath, says that the master sent the boat on shore, and when the prisoner and the rest came on board he welcomed them. That Henry Lewin pulled him out of his cabin to sign the agreement, and the

master threatened to set them on shore on an uninhabited island if they refused, and that the sword was put into the master's hand by John Kelly.

Albert Lawson says. That 3 fowling pieces, two swords and a rapier were brought on board in the boat when the prisoner came with the rest, and that he was forced to sign the agreement by the master.

Wm. Strother says, That he was sent on shore with the boat, but knows of no agreement before with the prisoner.

John Copping owns that he wrote the articles, by the Captain's order, in the Cabin.

John Reginald says that they were sworn by Copping.

George Petersen says, Nicholas Clough swore the men, and had the sword in his hands, and that at Curacoa the master ordered him to make a leak in the ship, and that Heath advised him to it.

On Friday, September 20th, the Jury bring in a verdict of not guilty.

Page 315.—Wm. Heath gives a bond for £2,000, to take the ship *Camelion* to London, and to give true information against Nicholas Clough. The accounts of the ship are examined and approved.

Page 317.—Court of Admiralty held on Thursday, October 11, 1683, to determine the case between Jacob and Isaac Melyn and Stephen Crego.

The complaint is for 22 pounds, 5 ounces of plate, their share on board the sloop *Pemaquid*, of which said Crego was master, in a late voyage to the Spanish wreck lying near the Bahama Islands.

The answer is that they came on board for a passage to New York and never were a part of his company, and denies that he is the detainer of the said plate. Judgment of this Court, is that the defendant pay to the plaintiffs four pounds of plate, and costs of Court.

Page 318.—Complaint of Frederick Phillipse against John Cornelisen. That on December 4, 1682, an agreement was made between him and James Loper, Jacob Melyen, Isaac Matyne and John Cornellsen about a voyage to be made to a wreck on the Bahama Islands, with a brigantine called "Delaware Merchant." It was agreed that Frederick Phillipse should fit out the vessell with sufficient sails, anchors, etc., and he was to have one fifth of what was gotten. Pursuant to this he fitted out the vessell and made John Cornelisen master. It was also agreed that whoever furnished provisions, etc., should have twenty-four per cent. of what he expended. Frederick Phillipse furnished the same to the amount of 11,413 guilders. But the said John Cornelisen "having got and acquired great profits" refused to pay the said twenty-four per cent. He demands 2,285 guilders, 2 styvers.

The defendant denies all claim, and says that he has paid to said Frederick Phillipse 145 pounds of plate with which he acknowledged himself fully satisfied. Complaint was dismissed. The complainant to pay costs.

Page 320.—Frederick Phillipse enters another complaint against John Cornellsen, complaining that he had sold certain anchors and cables to the amount of £45, and refuses to account for the same.

In answer John Cornellsen says that he admits that he went as master to the Spanish wreck, and after he and his company had labored many days and became very weak, and wishing to come away, he did sell a certain old cable and anchor to a master of a sloop then in company, for the reason that he and his company by reason of their labor were so weak that they "could not in no wise," get up the anchor. But he denies that he got £45 for it. Ordered by the Court that the defendant pay £24 and costs.

Page 322.—Will of JEAN MACHET, New Rochelle. Written in the French language. "Notre ayde soit au nom de Dieu, qui a fait La Ciel et La Terre." "I Jean Machet, ship carpenter, born in the village of Trubelcoll, and dwelling at Bourdeaux," "the said Machet being a fugitive from persecution, with his family consisting of himself and Jeanne Thomas his wife, and his children Pierre, Jean, Jeanne, and Mariame, having abandoned all their goods for their Religion which they profess." He commits his soul to God the father Almighty, maker of Heaven and Earth, and makes his wife sole executrix and guardian of the children, with full disposal of all property "which we have gained together with the labor of our hands and the sweat of our brow," and when the daughters come to marriageable age the mother is to arrange with them what is proper without constraint.

Dated April 17, 1694. Witnesses, Thauvet G. Cathoneau, Daniel Strang, Justice of the Peace. Proved November 10, 1699.

Page 324.—JOHANNES VAN BRUGH, New York, "Merchant," "Being weak in body," leaves to wife Catharine for life or during widowhood, all estate real and personal. But she is not to sell without the consent of the children, or the greater part of them, and he makes her sole executor. "And whereas our daughter Elizabeth Rodenbergh, now wife of John Donaldson of New Castle in Delaware, has due unto her out of my estate the like proportion as her sister Lucretia Rodenbergh has received in full of her proportion of the estate of her father Lucas Rodenbergh, the executor is directed to pay the same, to be paid according to the terms of a marriage settlement made between the said John Donaldson and Elizabeth his wife, February 24, 1694. And whereas I have purchased for my son Peter, a tract of land on Delaware river next to the land of John Donaldson, the same is left to him. He also leaves him £5 "in consideration

that he is my first born son." After his wife's decease the property is to go to the children, Elizabeth Donaldson "my wife's daughter by a former husband," Helena, wife of Tennis DeKay, Anne, wife of Andrew Cravenraedt, Peter, Catharine, wife of Henry Rensselaer, Johannes, and Mary wife of Stephen Richards. (No witnesses.) Proved—, 1699.

Page 326.—Inventory of estate of GERRITT JANSSEN Roos. Taken by Daniel Provost, Sr., and Abraham Gouverneur, at request of Johannes Van Gelder and Mr. Jacob Boelen, executors, September 15, 1698. 17 pieces of 8 at 17 pennyweights, £26 6s. 6d., 14 pieces of 16½ pennyweights, £15 5s. 1½d., 19 Lyon dollars, £5 4s. 6d.

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Page 328.—HENRY CREVENRAEDT. March the 11, 1699. Blewfield in Jamaica (West Indies). "I Henry Cravenraedt considering the uncertainty of this transitory life, doe leave and bequeathe unto Sarah my wife all that I have in this world, till my children come of age." Then two thirds of the estate to go to them. Leaves to son Isaac a seal ring with a black stone in it, marked H. G. Hopes that his wife "will be kind to the children and not rong them but doe by them as she will answer to God Almighty." (No witnesses.)

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Account of goods sold by Jeanne Machet. To Anthony Lisperard a young negro boy £12. A negro man £60. A negro woman £40. Account of some that Peter Machet has received since the death of his father Jean Machet, for which he is accountable. From Francis Vincent for ½ the sloop £80. ½ of the cargo of Brazil wood £66. Rent of house and yard 3 months at £3 per month. Barrel of Tar 15s. Paid for John Machet Jr. since the death of his father, to Lewis Guion £5. To John Manning for charges in the sickness and at the burial of said John Machet deceased in Jamaica, Long Island £13.

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Inbrough, Andrew Lawrens, Benjamin Wynkoop. Proved before the Governor, John Nanfan, November 10, 1699.

Page 332.—JASPER SMITH, Flushing, "on Long Island, *alias* Nassau. My wife is to have a comfortable living out of my estate for life, but if she remarry then she shall have only £20." After the death of his wife he directs his Plantation be sold, and the entire estate to be divided among his three children John, Judith and Hannah. "My will is that my son John be careful and diligent and seeke to please his mother and goe forth in her business and not grieve her." If he does so he is to have £10 more than the rest, but if not, "and he bee careless and disobedient," then he is to have £10 less than the rest. Makes his wife Margaret, and his friends Hugh Cowperthwaite and Samuel Bowne, executors, and John Wey and George Langly overseers.

Dated "17th day of the Eleventh month called January," 1695. Witnesses, John Ervine, Edward Burroughs, Wm. Fowler. Proved before Thomas Weekes, Judge of Court of Common Pleas, and Daniel Whitehead and Thomas Stanton Justices, March 16, 1695.

Page 333.—RALPH CORDELL, Gravesend. "I Ralph Cordell, of Gravesend, yeoman, have by this Instrument of Deed of Gift, of the cordial love and natural affection, I beare unto my wife Elizabeth, doe by these presents absolutely deliver and freely give all my estate, real and personal, to her and her heirs after my decease. I engaging not to sell or diminish it without the consent of Mr. Samuel Willson of New York, merchant, and Mr. John Ryder of Maspeth Kills, Gent." Done in my dwelling house in Gravesend, June 10, 1669. Witnesses Direk Jans Vandervliet, Jane Rider, Theophilus Turford.

Acknowledged by the witnesses before John Spragg Sr. December 7, 1683.

Page 337.—GABRIEL LEGGETT, West Farms, April 16, 1697. "Being very sicke," Leaves to wife Elizabeth all household goods. To son John Leggett "my house, outhouses, orchards, lands and meadows in the Planting neck, and is that messuage that Thomas Williams dwells upon, and was formerly my father in law John Richardson's." Also 50 acres of woodland. To son Thomas Leggett "my new dwelling house and orchard and outhouses with the upland and meadow I bought of John Fergesen Sr. and Robert Manning, and 50 acres of woodland lying within the bounds of our Patent, and is $\frac{1}{2}$ of 100 acres with his brother John. To son Wm. Leggett, 100 acres of woodland and 50 acres of meadow lying behind the field within the bounds of our Patent, with all the undivided meadow that shall fall to my share, and also my house and home lot, with the orchard thereon in the town of Westchester. Makes his wife executor. Legacies to daughters Martha, Mary, Sarah, Alice, and Elizabeth. Estate to be under the care of his wife during life, "due care being taken that nothing be wasted." Makes his friends Samuel Haight of Flushing and Samuel Palmer executors in Trust. Leaves to son John "30 acres of pasture adjoining the orchard I have left to him."

Witnesses, Wm. Barnes, Joseph Haviland, Edward Collier. (Proved but no date given.)

Page 338.—Whereas JOHN WESSELLS, of New York, lately died intestate. Letters of Administration are granted to his widow, Francentie. July, 1700. John Nanfan, Governor.

JOHANES VAN BRUGH, Sr., New York, December 22, 1696, merchant, "being weake in body," "calling to mind that all Flesh must yield unto Death." Leaves all estate to wife Catrina during her life or widowhood. Whereas our daughter Elizabeth Rodenbergh, now wife of John Donaldson, of New Castle in Delaware, has due unto her the like proportion as her

sister Lucretia Rodenbergh, as by her jointure of marriage with said John Donaldson dated March 29, 1691, the same is to be paid. Leaves to son Peter Van Brugh, a tract of land he has purchased for him, on Delaware river next to John Donaldson's, also £25 as his first born. Rest of estate to children, Elizabeth Donaldson (his wife's child by a former husband), Helena, wife of Tennis De Kay, Catrina, wife of Henry Rensselaer, Anna, wife of Andrew Gravenroet, Johannes, and Mary, wife of Stephen Richards. Proved —, 1700.

Page 341.—RICHARD HAWKINS, New York, "mariner," "being in perfect health, but being bound for a voyage to the Island of Barbadoes, and considering the various accidents of life and the perils of the sea." Leaves to "my loving friend Thomas Harwarden, of New York, merchant," all estate and makes him executor.

Dated July 2, 1698. Witnesses, Anthony Brockholls, Michael Hawdon, Matthew Plenor, John Taylor. Proved —, 1700.

Page 342.—ROBERT CODENHAM, "Late of Shadwell, England, but now of New York, mariner." Leaves to his wife, "now living at Shackley Wells in Shadwell," all estate for her own use and the education of the children. Makes Richard Jones, of New York, sole executor.

Dated November 22, 1688. Witnesses, George Heathcote, Thomas Clark, Edmund Buckmaster, George Brewerton. Proved at Court of Record, New York, December 4, 1688.

Inventory of estate of Robert Codenham, late master of ship "Charles," January 28, 1688. Cash, £14. 14. 7.

Page 344.—ROBERT GLOVER, Antigua, "mariner," being very sick. Leaves to his two sons, Robert and

Thomas, "all my silver and gold, coyned and in dust." To son Charles in Jamaica, £50. Makes Captain John Perry, of Antigua, and Robert Allison executors, to whom all the rest is left for the use of the children.

Dated at "Island St. Mary, nigh to the Island of Madigascar," September 5, 1697. Witnesses, Samuel Taylor, Thomas Hall, Wm. Durhans. Proved —, 1700.

FRANCIS BASSETT, New York, "saylor," "being in good health." Makes wife Mary Maglalen sole executor. If she marry she is to have half of the estate, the other half to the children (*not named*), the oldest to have £10 more than the rest.

Dated January 29, 1666. Witnesses, I. Vincent, John Hain, John Davis, Giles Gaudineau. Proved —, 1700.

Page 345.—JACOB SMITH, New York, "Turner," being by God's blessing in bodily health. Leaves to wife Mary "my house and ground within this city, on the east side of said city." As to my sons Michael and Jacob, I leave to each of them 12 pence. To my daughter (*not named*), 12 pence. Makes wife sole executor.

Dated August 10, 1686. Witnesses, Johannes Myer, Wm. Robinson. No date of proof.

Page 346.—JOHN COESART, New York. "I, John Coesart, merchant, and having the effects of my own estate and others at a great distance from my own kindred." Makes Mr. Duzell Van Seriton executor, to dispose of all my goods and to return the proceeds to the executors of my former will (evidently made in England).

Dated April 25, 1700. Witnesses, Gerrit Van Hoorn, Daniel Jamieson. Codicil, dated July 20, 1700, makes Jacob Van Cortlandt executor. Witnesses, Wm. Aerts, Daniel Jamieson, Richard Earl of Bello-

mont, Captain General and Governor, etc. To all to whom these presents shall come, know ye that at Fort William Henry, in New York, the 30th day of July, before me the last will of John Coesart, late of this city, merchant, was proved and allowed, etc. July 30, 1700.

Page 347.—Richard Earl of Bellomont, Captain General and Governor, etc. To Captain John Corbett, of New York, mariner. "Whereas Thomas Milton, late of New York, merchant, did in his will appoint his wife Christian (now also deceased) his executor. And whereas the said Christian has since the death of said Thomas Milton, intermarried with you," the said John Corbett is made administrator. September 28, 1700.

Page 348.—Inventory of estate of Frederick Hendricks De Boog. Presented by Wm. Beekman, October 13, 1700. Total, £91 6s. Richard Earl of Bellomont, Governor, etc. Know all men, that on the 25th of July, 1700, came before John Harman, Esq., one of the Justices of the Peace in the County of Ulster, John Lawrence, administrator of the goods late of John Evans and John Bosch, deceased, and did exhibit a full account, etc. Quietus granted November 13, 1700.

To making ye grave £2 2s. 2 coffins £9 11s. 6d. To Bier £8 8s.

John Laurence for seeking and burial of the dead at his house with loss of time £10. 5 old Roman Catholic Books, 9s. 1 Bill of 136 Guilders £3 8s.

[NOTE.—The above named men appear to have been drowned at the same time. W. S. P.]

Page 350.—JOHN PELLETREAU, New York. In the Name of God, Amen, the 10th day of December in the year of our Lord 1697, and in the 10th year of his Majesty's Reign. I, John Pelletreau being sicke of

body but of sound and perfect memory, Praise therefor given to Almighty God, do make this my last will and testament. Touching the disposition of all such temporall estate as it has pleased Almighty God to bestow upon me. First I will that all my debts and funeral charges be paid and discharged. I leave to the poor of the French Congregation of New York the sum of £4. To Mr. Peter Poyer, Minister of the French Club the sum of £4. To Elias Pelletreau, my nephew, all the tools that are employed about candle making and whalebone cutting. To John Pelletreau, my nephew, £25. To Esther David, my niece, £25. I leave all the rest of goods, houses, and lands to my beloved wife Magdalen Pelletreau, *alias* Magdalen Vincent, whom I make sole executor.

Witnesses, Augustus Grasset, P. Legrand, G. Gaudineau, Richard Earl of Bellomont, Governor, etc. Know ye that on the 10th day of November, 1700, the last will and testament of John Pelletreau, was proved etc.

Page 351.—Account of estate of EDWARD ACTION, April 21, 1700, by Nicholas Jamain. $\frac{1}{2}$ brigantine "Antigua" £400. Discharge granted to Nicholas Jamain, December 18, 1700.

Inventory of estate of SARAH and CORNELIS JACOBS, upon request of Sarah Van Vendon: 33 Spanish Pistoles at 24s, £40. 2s; 2 Guineas at 28s, £2 16s; 2 Arabians at 12s, £1. 4s; 23 Arabian pieces of silver at 18d each; 54 Bank Dollars, 6s 9d each; Gold, £5 per ounce; Wrought plate, 7s per ounce; 1 Watch, £4; Silver hilted sword, £3. 10s Total, £1,953 19s. August 25, 1700

Page 352.—Probate of Will of ADRIAN VAN SCHAACK, January 12, 1700

Page 353.—Inventory of estate of JOHN COESART, December 23, 1700. By John Barberie, Stephen De-

laney, Rip Van Dam. Total, 9,196 guilders. A very long list of goods of all sorts, and very long list of debts due to him.

Page 357. ADRIAN VAN SCHAAEK, New York. See Appendix.

Page 359. STEPHANUS VAN CORTLANDT, New York. "In the name of God, Amen. Know all men by these presents that I Stephanus Van Cortlandt, of the city of New York, merchant, being distempered in body, but of good sound and perfect memory." Leaves to his eldest son, Johannes Van Cortlandt, "all that neck and part of my land on the east side of Hudson's river at the entering of the Highlands over against a certain place called Haverstroo, and is known by the Indian name of Menagh. Being separated from my other lands on that side of the river, called Appamapagh by a certain creeke called Menagh, and bounded on the other side by that creek that runs between my said land and the land of Ryck Abramse and others together with the meadow on said neck, and all the buildings." All the rest of my houses, lands, meadows, etc., are to be divided among my 11 children, viz. Johannes, Margaret, Ann, Oliver, Mary, Philip, Stephen, Gertrude, Elizabeth, Katharine and Cornelia. He leaves to each of his children who are not already provided for in that manner, a lot of ground in the city of New York, for the building of a convenient dwelling house, and to each of his children not already provided for, £150. Makes liberal provision for support of his wife Gertrude, and makes her executor. Makes "My brother Jacobus Van Cortlandt, my brother Robert Schmyler, and cousin Wm. Nicolls," guardians of children.

Dated April 14, 1700. Witnesses, Rip Van Dam John Abeel Richard Staats, Andrew Teller, Jr. Proved, January 7, 1701.

Page 362. This Indenture, made this 23d of September, 1697, between Shuart Olpherts and Helike Clopper, widow of Cornelius Clopper, late of this city, blacksmith. The said Shuart Olpherts agrees that he will, before the first day of October next, "marry and take to wife, the said Helike Clopper, if the law of the Church will permit the same, and she the said Helike Clopper shall consent thereto." And the said Helike Clopper also agrees to marry the said Shuart Olpherts. In consideration of this, he agrees that if she survive him, his executors shall pay to her £150, in full of all dower rights. And she grants to him during his life, "a certain house and lot of ground on which she now dwells, being the corner of Maiden Lane fronting to Queen street, and ranging with Maiden Lane as far as the west side of the next lot adjoining to her garden." If he remarries then the house and lot shall go to her children. And she is to retain full control of all the rest of her property, and to dispose of it by will or otherwise.

Page 363. HELIKE CLOPPER, New York, October 14, 1700. Helike Clopper "late widow of Cornelius Clopper; being sick." "Whereas my husband Shuart Olpherts hath with me signed certain deeds, at my instance, for the better satisfaction of purchasers and my children, my children are to give him security to be held harmless in the same." Leaves all the rest of estate to her children or their heirs, namely $\frac{1}{6}$ to the 3 children of my eldest son Johannes Clopper, Eightie, Cornelis and Anaijie. $\frac{1}{6}$ to my son Cornelis Clopper. $\frac{1}{6}$ to my daughter Margaret, wife of Olphert Shuarts. $\frac{1}{6}$ to Catalina, wife of John Stevens. $\frac{1}{6}$ to Peterneil, wife of Albertus Van de Water. $\frac{1}{6}$ to Dinah, wife of Wm. Cooley. My son in law Olphert Shuarts is to have the ground adjoining his lot as far as Nicholas Autom Bogart's land extendeth. Proved —, 1700.

Witnesses, Zacharias Sickles, Wm. Huddleston.

Inventory of estate of Helike Peters, wife of Shuart Olpherts. Gold £48, 8, 7½.

Page 366.—ANNE RICHBELL, Mamoroneck, "Gentlewoman" "My body to be buried in decent and comely burial, at discretion of Col. Caleb Heathcote and Mr. Richbell Mott and Lieut. John Horton, whom I make executors. Leaves to daughter Elizabeth £80 and my gold ring with an emerald stone in it. To daughter Annie £60, and gold chain. To my three grand daughters, Ann Gedney, Mary Williams, and Mary Mott, each £40. To grand daughter Mary, my biggest gold ring. To son in law, James Mott, £10, and to his son James Mott, Jr., £15. To the rest of my grand children, by my two daughters Mary and Elizabeth, not above named, £10. Mentions "my grand children, James and Adam Mott."

Dated April 1, 1700. Witnesses John Worham, Jonathan Huestis, Obadiah Palmer. Proved, February 19, 1700.

Page 368.—JAMES GRAHAM, Westchester, June 12, 1700. "My body to be decently buried in the New York burying place, by my deceased wife," at the discretion of my loving friends, Mr. Robert Livingston and Mr. Thomas Codrington, whom I appoint executors. Directs all debts to be paid, "especially one legacy of £50 given to my son Augustine by his grandfather, and £50 given to my daughter Isabell by her grandmother, having been received by me." Gives full power to executors to sell houses and lands. Rest of estate to children Augustine, Isabel, Mary, Sarah, Margaret and John.

Witnesses, James Emott, Wm. Vesey, Philip French, James Inyan.

By the Hon. Wm. Smith, Esq., President, Peter Schuyler, Abraham De Peyster, Samuel Staats, Robert Livingston, Robert Walters, and Thomas Weaver, of our Council, on whom ye Administration of ye Gov-

ernment is devolved upon ye death of ye Earl of Bellemont, and ye absence of ye Lieutenant Governor.

Whereas at New York, on the 3d of April instant, the will of JAMES GRAHAM was proved and allowed. The above named executors are confirmed, April 3, 1700.

Page 369.—Inventory of estate of JOSEPH WEST. Cash, gold and silver, £429. Plate 25 ounces sold at 6s 6d per ounce. 50 ounces of plate sold at 6s per ounce. Funeral expenses, £24. 4s. Total inventory, £813.

Page 370.—Papers recorded at request of Rev. Wm. Vesey. 1st Certificate in Latin, from Henry, Bishop of London, stating that on August 2, 1697, he ordained Wm. Vesey as Deacon. 2nd, Certificate in Latin, that on August 2, 1697, Wm. Vesey was ordained as Presbyter. 3d, That on the same date, the said Wm. Vesey took the oath to conform to the Liturgy of the Church of England. 4th, Certificate of Governor Benjamin Fletcher, that on March 13, 1698, Rev. Wm. Vesey declared in Trinity Church his assent and consent to all things in the Book of Common Prayer.

These documents are printed in full in the "History of Trinity Church Parish" by Rev. Morgan A. Dix, to which the reader is referred.

Page 371.—By Hon. Wm. Smith, Esq., President and Council. Whereas at New York on the 9th of May last, the will of JOHN MORSE was presented, and John and Peter Berrian being made executors. They are approved and confirmed, 1700.

JOHN MORSE, Newtown. "Being sicke and weake." Leaves all estate to his youngest brother Seth Morse of Dedham. Makes John Brian and Peter Berrian executors.

Dated October 16, 1700. Proved before John Coe, Samuel Edsall, Content Titus May, 5, 1701.