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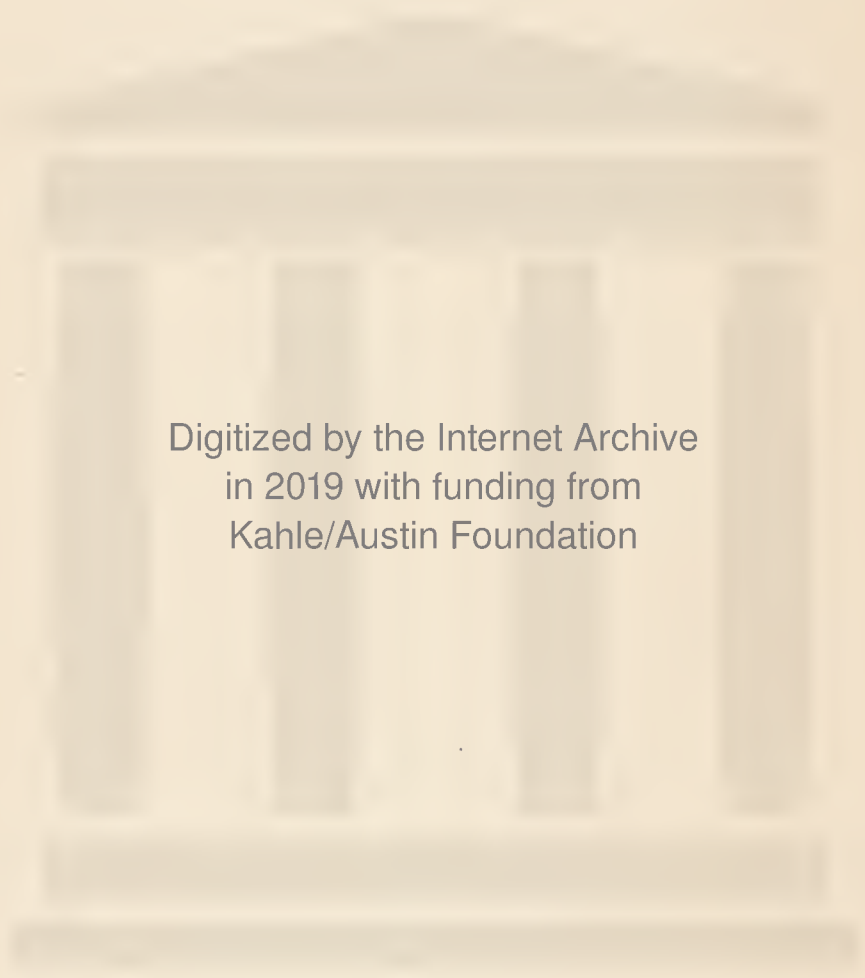
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PRIOR TO 1790.

ON FILE IN THE SURROGATE'S OFFICE,  
CITY OF NEW YORK.

VOLUME XI.



## INTRODUCTION.

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*This volume, the eleventh of the series, consists of unrecorded wills prior to 1800 which were found in the Surrogate's Office by Mr. William S. Pelletreau, and are published with his Notes. The reasons of their not being recorded are due to the inefficiency of those in authority who failed to collect the fees. All the volumes of this series have been published by the Society, under the direction of the Librarian. The expense of preparing and publishing this volume has been provided for by the President of the Society. Additional interest is given to the work by the insertion of facsimiles of rare autographs, concerning which a few words may be added.*

*Rev. Henricus Selyns was one of the earliest ministers of the Dutch Church; very few of his autographs exist. Of the witnesses to his will, Peter Jacob Marius was a wealthy merchant, and the curious account of his funeral expenses will be found in Vol. I, page 324, of this series. Jan Harberdinck was the man who left his fortune to the Dutch Church, which they still enjoy, in the shape of very valuable real estate on John Street and Fulton Street. The third witness is Jacobus Van Cortlandt, one of the most prominent citizens of his time. The autographs of these three witnesses are extremely rare.*

*Nicholas Roosevelt, merchant and alderman, is men-*

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tioned in 1769 as living "at the foot of Thames Street on the Dock fronting the North River."

The career of Jacob Leisler is too well known to require mention.

No document written by Frederick Philipse, the richest man in New Amsterdam, is known to exist. There are not more than five or six autographs, all attached to deeds. The best, of which a facsimile is given, is attached to a document in the Comptroller's Office.

The facsimile of the handwriting of William Smith, afterwards Justice of the Supreme Court, and father of Judge William Smith, the historian.

William Burnet was one of the best of our Colonial governors. He was afterwards Governor of Massachusetts, and his portrait is in the State House in Boston.

Mary Alexander, widow of James Alexander, was the daughter of John Sprat and Maria De Peyster. Her first husband was Samuel Provoost, and her grandson, Samuel Provoost, was the first Episcopal Bishop of New York. The autographs of her daughters (the children of James Alexander) are added. Mary married Peter Van Brugh Livingston. Elizabeth married John Stevens, of a noted New Jersey family. Catharine married, first, Elisha Parker; second, Walter Rutherford. Susannah married John Reid. They were the sisters of William Alexander, Earl of Stirling, a brave general in the Revolution.

Abraham Gouverneur was the ancestor of one of the branches of a famous family, now extinct. He married Mary Milborne, widow of Jacob Milborne and daughter of the famous Jacob Leisler. Portraits

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*of him and his wife are now in possession of the Philipse family.*

*Jacob Goelet was a prominent merchant, and for many years official translator of the Dutch language. He had one daughter, Jane, who married John Dies, and has many descendants among the Du Bois and Van Loan families, in Greene County.*



Henrius Selyns

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(1663)

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(1666) (VF)



New York 25<sup>th</sup> March 1734.

Friend of God and Morris Esq<sup>r</sup>. Deputy Surveyor  
of the Province of New York by the Order of His  
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promise safely to return to the Secretary  
at 25

Your Obedient  
S<sup>th</sup> M<sup>th</sup> M.

*A. B. M.*

(GOVERNOR, 1721.)

*Mary Alscouth*

1756.

*Mary Livingston  
Elizabeth Stevens  
Catharine Rutherford  
Susanna Alexander*

1760

Translated into English by

John Ruess  
Interp. & Translator  
(1708)

By  
Jacob Goeller

Room Translator of the Dutch Language  
(1757)

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## UNRECORDED WILLS

ON FILE IN NEW YORK SURROGATE'S OFFICE

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In the name of God, Amen. January 3, 1706. I, CHARLES RANDOLF, of Foster's meadows, in the town of Hempstead, in Queens County, yeoman, being in health. I leave to my wife Elizabeth, all my estate, real and personal, and make her sole executor.

Witnesses, Beverly Latham, Joseph Huddlestone, Joris Elsewart. Proved, August 10, 1709.

In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIZABETH COLE, of New York, widow, being weak and sick in body. All debts and funeral expenses to be paid, and my body to be buried at the discretion of my executors. All the rest of my estate, "whatsomever and wheresoever," I leave to my good friend, Rip Van Dam, Esq., of New York, and I make him executor.

Dated September 18, 1709, in the 8th year of our Sovereign Lady, Queen Anne. Witnesses, Jacob Reynier, Henry Wileman. Proved, April 26, 1710.

In the name of God, Amen. I, ISAAC PINHEIRO, of the Nation of the Jews, merchant, being sick and weak. My Body I commit to the Earth to be interred in the Burial Place belonging to the Jewish Nation of the Island of Nevis, and after their rites and ceremonies. I leave to my son Jacob, £250 when of age, and a negro boy, and a horse which he commonly rides, with a pair of pistols, holsters, saddle, and other furniture. To my son Moses, £100 when 18 years of age, and a negro

boy. To my daughter Sarah, £500 Sterling at the day of her marriage. To my daughters, Rebekah and Judith, £500 each when married. I leave to my dear honored father, Abraham Pinheiro, of the city of Amsterdam, £30 annually during his life, and then to my dear mother-in-law [step mother?] for life. I leave to my sister Sarah, wife of [Isaac] Dagama, of Corasoe [Curacoa], 100 Pieces of 8. To my sister, Rachel Pinheiro, of Amsterdam, £30. I leave to my sons, Jacob and Moses, a certain Plantation by me lately purchased of George Brown and Frances, his wife, and Sarah Madrin, being part of the Plantation formerly of Thomas Madrin. Also a Cafe [coffee] mill now standing on the Plantation by me leased from William and Richard Bowry, with 14 negroes. It is my express will that Jacob Sattur and Mary Sattur, his wife, now living in South Carolina, do sell her Plantation in this Island of Nevis, and that my executors purchase the same for my sons. And whereas by a deed of gift some years past, I gave to my son Jacob and my son Abraham, 7 negroes, 3 of whom are dead and lost by the late French invasion, and the other 4 are now in my possession, my son Jacob is not to disturb my executors in the peaceful possession of them. I leave to my wife Elizabeth (*sic*) the use of all the above named Plantation and negroes and mill, until my son Moses is of age. I also leave her the house and land I now own in Charlestown in this Island, and all the rest of my estate. If she dies without disposing of the same, then to my children. If my daughters are not married at the time of my wife's decease, they are immediately to be sent to Curasoe [Curacoa] to my sister, Sarah Dagama, to live with her, and my brother-in-law, Isaac Dagama, is to be their guardian. I make my wife sole executor, and I request my friends, Captain Samuel Clarke and Solomon Israel, to be overseers.

Dated November 12, 1708. Witnesses, Evan Davis, John Hilton, John Carpenter, Gideon Dovrede. Proved in Nevis, April 12, 1710.



To all to whom these Presents may come, I, ESTHER PINHEIRO, of the Island of Nevis. Whereas my late husband, Isaac Pinheiro, in his will made me executor, which will was proved before Walter Hamilton, Esq., Governor of Nevis, and whereas my husband died in New York, on February 17, last past, leaving divers merchandizes, etc. I appoint my friends, Rip Van Dam and Louis Gomez, of New York, my speciall attornies.

April 19, 1710. Witnesses, John Woodly, John Thatcher.

In the name of God, Amen. March 1, 17 $\frac{09}{10}$ . I, JOHN READER, JR., of Newtown, Queens County. I leave to my wife Hannah, all my movable estate, except a negro boy, Abrami, whom I leave to my daughter Mary. I leave to my sons, John and Jeremiah, all my lands and buildings, when of age. To my daughter Hannah, £50, when of age. To my daughter Mary, £50. I make my wife and my brother, Isaac Reader, executors, to see this will performed, and my children well brought up in Learning if it be possible.

Witnesses, Samuel Reed, John Smith, John Ganell. Proved at Court of Common Pleas, in Jamaica, Thursday, May 18, 1710.

In the name of God, Amen. PETER JACOBS BOSBOOM doth declare, who, being an Inhabitant here and at Present lying sick in Bedd, but having and using his Sences. And coming to the disposition of goods which he is to leave behind him, he makes his universall heirs to be his 5 children, Anna, Marytie, Catharina, Fytie, and Cornelis, of all goods, movables and immovables, gold and silver, and nothing in the world excepted. He makes Adam Vrooman and Joris Aertse Van der Boest, tutors of his children, according to the tenor of a will dated April 18, 1684.

Witnesses, Johanes Postman, Reynier Shoett, Ludovicus Cobes. (*Not proved.*)

In the name of God, Amen. September 6, 1711. I, CORNELIUS DYKMAN, of New York, being sick. My executors are to pay all debts and funeral charges. I leave to my eldest son, Johanes Dykman, £3 for his Birthright. To my son George I leave  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my land and Plantation, to be divided by a right line from Hudsons River to the eastermost of my bounds. And he is to take the first choice of the land when divided, and he is to pay to the rest of my children £200 after my wife's decease. I leave to my son Cornelius, the other half of my said land, and he is to pay to my children £20 each. My wife Janittie is to remain in full possession of all my estate during her life. If my wife and my son George agree to a division of the land, he is to have possession of his part, and he is to pay to my wife £200. I make Edward Blagge, Johanes Jansen, and David Mandeville, executors.

Witnesses, Thunis Cornellisen, Johanes Peterse Boss, Nicholas Somerdick. (*Names of other children not given.*) Proved, March 3, 1712.

Endorsed, "Executors not sworn, and no administration granted."

Whereas HENDRICK WILLIAMSEN, baker, living at Boswyck, in Kings County, upon Long Island, Considering the Certainty of Death, and not willing to depart out of this World before he shall have disposed of his temporal estate. He appoints for his lawful heirs his 3 daughters, procured by Sametie Joostern, his wife, deceased, viz.: Geesie, Lemertie, and Grietie. And by death of one of them, their third to succeed to the others. He gives to his daughter Geesie, widow of Dirck Van Clyf, the third part of all his ground lying and being at New York, next to the house of Otto Gerritse, the corner side to hooke (corner) of the Heere Graft, with all the buildings. He leaves to his daughter Lemertie, last widow of Claas Kock,  $\frac{1}{3}$  of said land next to the ground above, with the build-

ings. To his daughter Grietie, wife of John Robber-son,  $\frac{1}{3}$  of said ground next the ground of Peter Janse Messier, with buildings. To each a like breadth and length. And his daughter Geesie shall pay to his daughter Grietie £20. All the rest of estate to his 3 daughters.

Dated April 5, 1692. Witnesses, S. Vanderwater. (*Names of other witnesses illegible.*)

[NOTE.—The daughter Geesie inherited from her husband, Dirk Van der Cliff, the farm so well known as the Van Cliff farm, which ran from Maiden Lane to John Street, and Cliff Street, named from him, was laid out through it. The lot on Broad Street was 66 feet wide on Broad Street, and was bounded south by Beaver Street.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. Know all men whom this publique Instrument shall see, that on the 12 day of October, 1683, before me, WILLIAM BOGARDUS, public Notary, of New York, admitted by the noble and Right Hon. Thomas Dongan, Governor General, MR. GERRITT SLICHTENHORST, being sick in bed. He leaves to his wife Aeltie, all the fast and real estate lying at Kingston, in Esopus, and all his movable estate. And she shall bring up his children with Dyett and Clothes, and put them to learn Reading and writing as they are capable, and put them to a trade, and when they are married or of age to set them forth according to her ability. And concerning the land lying at Claverack, at present in Company with Jan Rosthaer, he leave it to his children begotten on his said wife, viz.: to Alida, wife of Peter Davidts Schuyler, 60 morgen; to Elizabeth, wife of Nicholas William Stuyvesant, 60 morgen; and the same to his daughter Bata, wife of Jan Cloot, and to his daughter Hellegont. All the rest of his land to his 3 other children, Gerritt, Rachel, and Gowde [or Gonde] to be divided in 2 years after his death. The land left to his daughter Elizabeth, wife of Nicholas William Stuyvesant, is not to be estranged or alienated by her husband or any one else with-

out her free will. He makes Mr. Stephen Van Cortlandt and Mr. Brant Schuyler overseers of his young children.

Witnesses, Hans Kirstede, Thys Servoes. Signed at the farm of the Heer Stuyvesant, deceased. Proved, September 29, 1685, before Gabriel Minville, mayor.—*See Volume I, page 470, of this series.*

In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen. Know all men by these presents, that in the year 1700, the 13th of November, I, the under written, HENRICUS SELYNS, Minister of the Dutch Congregation, in New York, being sick in body, but by the Grace of God of perfect memory, I do reccomend my Soul when separated by death in the merciful hands of God, my Creator and Saviour, and my body to a Christian Burial in the Dutch Church of this city in the grave where my first wife is buried. And further disposing of my temporal estate, I here in the first place give the sum of 5,000 guilders, Holland money, to be divided in form following: To the next relations of my first wife, Mrs. Margareta Spraght, deceased, the sum of 1,000 guilders, that is to say, to Mrs. Cornelia Spraght, at Utrecht, or her heirs, 200 guilders. To Anna Spraght, wife of Jan Van Hauton, or to her husband and children, 200 guilders. To Mr. Jaspar Spraght or his heirs, 200 guilders. To Maria Spraght, or her heirs, 200 guilders. To Do. Harmanus Spraght, Philip's son, minister of the Gospel, at Browsersbam, or his children, 200 guilders. Also to Mr. Wolferdus Singurreis, Professor at Leyden, or his heirs, 400 guilders, and to his nieces, Annether and Barbara Webbers Hendricks, at Meerssen, or their next relations on their father's side, 600 guilders. To my niece, Lysbet Vanderspiegel, wife of Mr. Isaac De Forrest, or his heirs, 800 guilders. To my niece, Agnetie Vanderspiegel, whom I presented at Baptism, 400 guilders; but if she dies before coming of age, then to Peter Abramsen Van Durry, and to Hester Webbers, and their children. To my niece, Sara Van



der Spiegel, wife of Mr. Rip Van Dam, or her heirs, 200 guilders. To my cousin, Wolfert Webbers, Sr., or his heirs, 200 guilders, together with the two pictures of his grandfather and grandmother at my house. To my cousin, Armont Webbers, Sr., 200 guilders. To my niece, Hester Webbers, wife of Peter Abramsen, or her heirs, 200 guilders, with all the apparell of made clothes belonging to my body, of Silk, Linnen, and Woolen. To Agnitie De Kay, wife of William Jamiay, or her heirs, 200 guilders. To Rudolphus Varick, son of Do. Rudolphus Varick, deceased, late minister on Long Island, or his brothers and sisters, the sum of 200 guilders. To Nicholas, son of Rip Van Dam, whom I have also presented at Baptism, or his brothers and sisters, 200 guilders. To my niece, Elizabeth De Reimer, who has lived in my house the space of 14 years, or, in case of her decease, to her brother Isaac, 200 guilders. To Henricus Vanderspigel, or, in case of his decease, to his sister Agnitie, 100 guilders. To Henricus, son of my cousin, Isaac De Forrest, whom I have presented at Baptism, or to his brothers and sisters, 100 guilders. The whole amount of the aforesaid legacies being 5,000 guilders. All the legacies that are bequeathed at Leyden, Utrecht, and Maarsen, are to be paid in Holland money. And the legacies left in this city are to be paid in Pieces of 8, at the rate of 15 Penny weights for eight and forty Stivers Hollands. Lastly I, HENRICUS SELYNS, out of my great love and affection to my dear and loving wife, Margareta Selyns, I appoint her my sole heiress of all the remainder of my estate, real and personal, in this country or elsewhere, and I make her sole executor. I have set my hand and seal, in New York, in America.

Witnesses, Peter Jacobs Marius, N. Bayard, Jan Harperdingh, J. Van Cortlandt.

[NOTE.—Rev. Henricus Selyns was minister of the Dutch Church from 1682 to 1701. His second wife was the widow of Cornelius Steenwyck. Her maiden name was Reimer or De Reimer.—W. S. P.]

Know all men by these Presents that I, ANDRIES DE VANDELAER, of New York, mariner, do make my loving wife Eaghie my true and lawful attorney. And knowing the uncertainty of this transitory life, I declare this to be my last will and Testament, and I leave to my said wife all my goods and estate and make her executor.

Dated April 22, 1703. Witnesses, Francis Defenne, Dirck Adolph, Thomas Adams. Proved, April 1, 1706.

In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS COKER, of New York, Gent., being sick. I leave to my wife Katharine  $\frac{1}{2}$  of two houses in Cow Lane, near Holborne Conduit, London, commonly known by the signe of the Red Cow, and I make her executor.

April 18, 1698. Witnesses, Thomas Ives, Philip Schuyler, Hugh Farquarhar. (*Not proved.*)

In the name of God, Amen. I, ANTHONY FARMER, of New York, vintner, being in good health, and being bound on an intended voyage to England, and well knowing the certainty of Death and the uncertain time thereof. All debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Elizabeth, all my houses, lands, and goods, and make her executor.

May 23, 1702. Witnesses, John Sheppard, Daniel Butts, William Sharpass. (*Not proved.*)

This witnesseth that I, OBADIAH WILLIAMS, of Gravesend, upon Long Island, in the West Riding of Yorkshire, do by this will appoint my wife, Martha Williams, my sole executor, and do grant her all my estate except as follows: I leave to my son William, the Plantation or Lot No. 13, here in Gravesend, which was formerly my father's, William Williams, when he comes of age or doth marry. And if another son shall be born to me I give him one of the lots where I live, and which I bought of Thomas Deleval. The other Plantation which I now live upon I leave to my three daughters, Ellinor, Rebecca, and Ann. To each of my children

I leave a heifer, one year old. The rest of my estate, after debts are paid, I leave to my wife. This being my will and pleasure, and I have set my hand the 25th day of the 1st month, called March, 1684.

*Postscriptum.* I, OBADIAH WILLIAMS, for the better direction of my wife, I appoint my friends in whom I have confidence, viz.: Samuel Spicer, William William-  
sen, William Coleng (?), and John Tilton, Jr., execu-  
tors.

March 26, 1684. Proved, October 3, 1698.

In the name of Jesus Christ, in the year which we write 168 $\frac{8}{9}$ , the 28 day of January. JAN MARTENSEN, present sickly abed. His wife, Janitie Stevense [Van Voorhees], shall remain in full possession of all estate, movable and immovable, until the youngest child is of age or married, and then his son, Marten Jansen, shall take in his possession the old land with the small Island and mill, and he shall pay every year to his mother, the sum of 600 guilders yearly for life. The youngest son, viz., Steven Jansen, shall have the lot of land in the neck, with the meadow to Hoggs neck, with the apurtenances. The other children shall have as follows, viz.: Steven Jansen shall have 100 pieces of 8. Jan-  
netje Jansen shall have 100 Pieces of 8, and 2 cows, and a bed and a due outfitting, and Willamentie and Neeltje Jansen shall have the same. My wife being at present with child, in case she shall have a son, he shall have the money standing out at New York, being 1,600 guilders. But if a daughter, she shall have no more than the other daughters. Done in Amesfoort, in Kings County, January 28, 168 $\frac{8}{9}$ .

Signed, JAN MARTENSEN SCHENCK.

Witnesses, John Van Duyckinhuys, William Ger-  
ritsen Van Cowenhoven. Taken out of the Records of  
Kings County Liber A. fol. 140-142 by Henry Filkin,  
Clerk.

In the name of God, Amen. The 26 of September,  
1704. I, PETER THAUVETT, being sick in body. All

debts to be paid. I leave to the Poor of the French Congregation of New York, £25. All the rest of my estate to my beloved wife, Mary Susanna, and I make her executor.

Witnesses, Peter Morin, Giles Gaudineau, S. Soumain. (*One name illegible.*) Proved before Sampson Shelton Broughton, November 21, 1704.—*See Volume I, page 399, of this series.*

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN WATTSON, of New York, butcher, being in health, being about to take a voyage into parts beyond the Sea. I leave to my wife Catharine all my estate during her life, and make her executor. After her death all the estate is to be divided between Elizabeth Forbush and Thomas Sutton, both children of my beloved wife.

Dated August 19, 1696. Witnesses, John Geddes, Elizabeth Ellis, Joseph Wilson. (*Not proved.*)

In the name of God, Amen. Be it known and manifest unto all People, that I, HENDRICK BOSCH, of New York, sword cutler, considering my great age and other bodily infirmities. I leave to the coheirs of my son, Albert Bosch, deceased, procreated by my first wife, Anna Maria Rembach, viz.: Jurian, Justus, Casparus, Albertus, and Anna Maria, wife of Mr. Marshall, of this city, taylor, the sum of 6 shillings to be equally divided among them, in full of any pretense to my estate, I declaring that I have heretofore, during the life of the said Albert, their father, sufficiently provided for him. I leave to my daughter Dorothea, procreated by my second wife, Maria Eshuysen, and now the wife of Isaac Kasperse, of Albany, 1 shilling, in full of her part, and that for and by reason of her stubborn and disobedient carriage towards me these many years. I leave to my daughter Hillegant, procreated by my second wife, and now the wife of Lodowyk Ackerman, 1 shilling, and this by reason of her stubborn and disobedient carriage towards me, these many years, and her scandalous and unclean way of



living. I leave to my dear and entirely beloved wife Egbertie, all my estate, real and personal, with full power to sell or mortgage, without giving account to my children or any one else. After her death, what is left is to be divided by my sons, Hendrick, Samuel, and Joshua, and my daughter Cornelia, wife of Peter Cavalier, all procreated by my wife Egbertie, in four equal parts among them. But my son Hendrick is to have besides, the sum of £7, 10s., as a gift for the particular service he has done for me some years past. I make my wife executor.

Dated April 23, 1701. Witnesses, Gerardus Keteltas, Abraham Gouverneur. (*Not proved.*) .

[NOTE.—The house of Hendrick Bosch was on the north side of Pearl Street, the second lot east from the corner of Broad Street. The lot next east of Fraunces Tavern was a water lot opposite the above, and was granted to the son, Albert Bosch, November 19, 1686. The descendants of Hendrick Bosch, or some of them, took the name of Bush.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. June 15, 1702, in the 14 year of King William III. I, JOSEPH FARRER, of New England, mariner, being sick. All debts to be paid. I leave to my mother, Anne Siers, of Lancaster, in New England, a sufficient maintenance for life. And what is left after her death, I bequeath to my sister, Mary Houghton and her heirs. Among things mentioned in the will are: A chest containing 7 Pieces of 8, each value 6s., 9d., two small boxes, with a small gold ring with a stone in it, three pair gold buttons, three gold buckles, about a fathom length of gold wire of a fit thickness to make small hoop rings, a good Sea Quadrant, Sundry maratime books, two or three good raisors, a light fashionable Broad cloth suit, but little worse for wearing. A pair of Breeches, with silver buttons, and about £8 in gold in one of the Pockets. I leave to my uncle, Samuel Dean, of Jamaica, on the Island of Nassau, 70 Pieces of 8, and I make him executor.

Witnesses, William Digges, Judith Barton. (*Not proved.*)

[NOTE.—The “Piece of 8” was a Spanish Dollar. Its value in New York currency was 8 shillings, but in New England currency its value was 6 shillings or a little more.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. Known be it to all whom these may concern, that I, FYTIE LIPPENS, late widow of Jan Roelifsen. I appoint as my universal heirs of all that shall remain after my decease,  $\frac{1}{2}$  to Abraham and Lyntie Jansen, son and daughter of my niece, An-nittie Abramse, procured by John Hendrickse Van Bommell, deceased. The other  $\frac{1}{2}$  to Jan Abramsen and Pluenties Centen, the two children of my sister, Swantie Lippens, residing in Amsterdam, in Holland. And to the end that this my last will may be kept, I appoint Jan Harperdinck and Jacob Boelen, executors.

Dated October 4, 1693. Witnesses, William Bogardus, Dirck Ten Eyck. Proved, November 3, 1694.

To all Christian People to whom these Presents shall come, I, JURIAN BLANCK, of New York, yeoman. I leave to my son Casparus, one shilling and no more, in lieu of all that he would or could demand. I appoint my daughter, Mary Johnson, executor, to see all my Debts paid, in expectation of a Christian Buryal. And I leave to her all my houses, lands, and goods.

Dated April 3, 1714. Witnesses, Joseph Taylor, Jarvis Marshall. (*Names of two witnesses illegible, the testator's name a scrawl.*)

This will was offered for probate in April, 1714, before Governor Robert Hunter. Three witnesses were produced against it, Catharine Whitfield, David Cunningham, and Abraham Kipp. Upon full examination it was decided that the testator was *non compos mentis*, and that the will “was obtained by Fraud and Circumlocution,” and was invalid, and the Governor refused to allow the same.

Copy of a Commission granted by Governor Robert Hunter to Jeckomiah Scott, of Southampton, Suffolk County, to take testimony concerning the will of BENJAMIN HAINES, of that town. Also the forms of oath to be administered to the witnesses and executors.

June 11, 1714.

(The will is recorded in Liber 11, Page 129.)

Know all men by these Presents that I, RICHARD FOUNTAINE, of the city of London, carpenter, have made my friend, William Haywood, of New York, Carpenter my true and lawful attorney, etc.

July 8, 1701. Witnesses, Joseph Arrowsmith, Alaine Jarrett, Richard Banks.

In the name of God, Amen. September 11, 1713. I, MARGARET KEY, of New York, widow, being very aged and infirm. I leave to the two children of Captain John Finch, of New York, merchant, viz.: Ann and Sarah, all my interest and title in my dwelling house and lot of land (*not located or described*), and all the rest of my estate. And I make Capt. John Finch, executor.

Witnesses, Bernardus Smith, Jacobus Quick, Edward Pennant. Proved, July —, 1714.

An inventory attached made September 11, 1714: 2 gold rings and a small amount of clothes and household furniture. Value not given.

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN PRICE, of Turtle Bay, near the city of New York, carver, being sick. After my funeral expenses and debts are all paid, I leave to my wife Mary all my estate of lands and goods, during her life. After her death I leave all my lands and houses to the children of my loving cousins, John Alley and James Bennett, both of St. James Market, London. Also 4 slaves, an Indian woman and her child. I leave to Sarah, the daughter of Thomas Husk, of New York, vintner, a negro girl about 15 years old.

And I leave to my said friend, Thomas Husk, £30. I make my wife and Edward Penn, executors.

August 11, 1— . Witnesses, John Finch, Edward Pennant, Jean Le Chevalier. Proved, June 1, 1715.

The widow, Mary Price, was then the wife of William Davenport.

In the name of God, Amen. December 6, 1715. The first year of King George [First]. I, JOHN REMSEN, of Cow Neck, in Hempsted, in Queens County, being very sick. I leave to my wife Elizabeth all the income of my estate during her widowhood, and also £180. To my eldest son, Rem Remsen, £12. To my son Derrick, my guns. To my son George, £15. To my youngest son, Ares Remsen, £4. All the rest of my estate to all my children, both sons and daughters (*not named*). I make my brother, George Remsen, and Rem Remsen, executors.

Witnesses, Elbert Montfoort, Robert Sutton, Timothy Halsted. Proved, March 12, 1716.

In the name of God, Amen. November 15, 1708. I, ANNE EVERENDOM, of the Ferry, in Kings County, widow, being sick. I leave to my loving kinsman, Sarah Coa, my two best feather beds, with the best furniture I have, and all my wearing apparrell. All the rest, real and personal, I leave to my loving cousins, Richard Coa, John Coa, and Sara Coa. But if my cousin, Richard Coa, shall neglect to come in person into the Province of New York, to demand his share within six years, he shall have no claim on the same, but it shall revert to the other two. I make my loving friends, William Nicoll, Esq., and Gerard Beekman, Esq., executors, with power to dispose of houses and lands.

Witnesses, James Hardinge, William Carter, William Huddlestone.

In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS GEORGE, of New York, Gent., being sick. I leave to my wife Lydia, and to all my children, including that which my wife



is now bigg with, all my estate equally, when each child is of age to receive its share. I make my trusty and loving friends, John Read and Joseph Read, executors. (*Children not named.*)

Dated November 18, 1716. Witnesses, Elizabeth Foster, Jennet Johnston, May Rubbly. Proved, December 10, 1716.

In the name of God, Amen. May 29, 1708. I, THOMAS SAYRE, of Southampton, in Suffolk County, weaver, being in perfect health. I leave to my wife Patience, all household goods and movables during her life, and at her death to whom she pleases. Also the use of all lands and messuges. After her death I leave all my lands and tenements to my nephew, Thomas Sayre, son of my brother, John Sayre. I make my wife executor.

Witnesses, Abraham Sayre, Nathan Hildreth, Ichabod Sayre. Proved, March 29, 1716.

[NOTE.—Thomas Sayre was son of Francis Sayre. His homestead was the lot on the east side of Main Street, Southampton, and owned in recent years by Peter Fournier. The hotel known as the "Commercial House" now stands upon it.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. December 2, 1714. I, WILLIAM CASE, Jr., of Newtown, on ye Island of Nassau, yeoman, being well in body. I appoint Richard Alsop and Thomas Alsop, executors, with power to sell, and the money is to be put at interest until my children are of age, "for the bringing of them up," and to be divided equally. (*No names given.*)

Witnesses, Robert Wilson, Henry Verdyne, Amy Alsop. Proved, October 2, 1716.

In the name of God, Amen. I, ANTHONY LYNCH, of New York, merchant, being sick. I leave to my wife Mary, all that my dwelling house wherein I now live, with the lot on the northwest side of the house and next adjoining during her life or widowhood, and then to my eldest son, Peter Lynch. I leave to my wife all

my household goods and two negro girls. I leave to my eldest daughter Sarah, my lot on the southeast side of my house and adjoining thereto. I leave to my youngest daughter Mary, all that lot on the northwest side of my house and adjoining to the house of Harman Benson. The rest to all my children.

Dated December 12, 1716.

I make Thomas Lynch and Thomas Tarpey, executors.

Witnesses, Richard Van Dam, May Bickley, Trintie Van Sanen.

In the name of God, Amen. December 11, 1713. I, SAMUEL SANDS, of Cow Neck, in Hempsted, in Queens County, on Long Island, *alias* Nassau Island, yeoman, being very sick. I direct all debts to be paid. I leave to my daughter Sybell, wife of Jonathan Rogers, of New London, Connecticut, one shilling, she having already received what I design for her. I leave to my daughter Margary, wife of Richard Stillwell, of New York, two bonds of Mr. Richbell Mott, of £30 each. Also a silver tankard, and £10, and £5 due to me from Stephen Johnson, of Staten Island. Also a cow the next spring after my decease. I leave to my third daughter, Anne, £100, and a Great Looking glass in the Great room, and all the small pictures around it, and two silver spoons marked S. M. and an S. at the top. And a silver tumbler marked S. S. and a bed with curtains and Valences, and 10 sheep and a cow, and she is to have her living on the farm I now live on, while she continues unmarried. I leave to my daughter Sarah, wife of Nathan Sellick, of Stanford, in New England, £35 in addition to her portion already received. I leave to my daughter Mary, £100, and a bed with curtains and Valences, and all other apurtenances, and two silver spoons and a silver tumbler, and marked S. M. and S. at the top. Also a Dutch wheel and an Indian boy, and she is to have her living on the farm. My land and stock on Block Island,

and my land in New York, are to be sold to pay legacies, if there is any necessity for it. I leave to my dearly beloved wife Elizabeth, £40 per annum. If there is any dispute about the legacy left to my wife, I give her the use of  $\frac{1}{2}$  of all my estate for life. I leave to my son, Samuel Sands, all my lands and messuages, to him and his heirs. I make my wife and Mr. Richbell Mott, of Madnan's Neck, executors.

Witnesses, William Walton, Joshua Cornell, John Chapill. Proved, "the 3d Frydy in September, 1706."

In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL PALMER, of Mamaroneck, in Westchester County, being in perfect health. I leave to my wife Mary, all movable estate during her life, and then to my children and grandchildren, in such manner as she shall think proper. Also the use of my garden and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my orchard, and any room and cellar in my dwelling house she shall make choice of to live in. And also what land she shall think fit to use for her own purposes. I leave to my son Obadiah,  $\frac{1}{4}$  of my neck of land where I now live, and which I bought of William Pinhorn and John Foster, with  $\frac{1}{4}$  of all thereto belonging. He having the dwelling house where he now liveth and the lots in his possession, and he is to pay  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the debt due to Mr. William Pinhorne. And he is to pay to my granddaughter, Mary Palmer, £10. I leave to my son Nehemiah,  $\frac{1}{4}$  of said neck, and the land I have given him by deed of gift is to be part of it. And he is to pay  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the debt and to my granddaughter, Mary Palmer, £10. I leave to my son Solomon,  $\frac{1}{4}$  of said neck, and he is to have the lot where I now live, with the dwelling house. I leave to my son Sylvanus,  $\frac{1}{4}$  of said neck, and he is to pay  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the debt. I leave to my granddaughter, Mary Palmer, £40. I make my wife and Col. Caleb Heathcote, Francis Doughty, of Flushing, and Benjamin Haviland, of Rye, executors.

Dated March 18, 17 $\frac{1}{3}$ . Witnesses, Jeremiah Fowler, Richard Parsons, Abraham Miller.

There is to be a waggon road by my dwelling house to the point landing for all my sons. (Mary Palmer and Benjamin Haviland were Quakers.)

Proved, May 21, 1716.

In the name of God, Amen. December 18, 1715. I, ICHABOD SAYRE, of Southampton, in Suffolk County, yeoman, being sick. All debts due in law or conscience to be paid. I leave to my wife Mary, during her life the use of  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my houses and lands, and meadows and commonage, she having her choice of the buildings. I leave to all my children, viz.: Ichabod, Ananias, Lemuel, Mary, Phebe, Caleb, Abraham, Martha, and that child as my wife is now big with, each £5 when of age. Also all the rest of my movable estate I leave to my wife to bring up the children as she shall think meet. I make my wife and Ensign John Post, executors.

Witnesses, Nathan Sayre, William Foster, Thomas Reed. Proved, March 30, 1716.

[NOTE.—Ichabod Sayre was son of Francis Sayre, and lived on his father's homestead, on the east side of Southampton, Main Street, and owned in recent years by Septer Jackson. His brother, Thomas Sayre, whose will is on a preceding page, lived on the north-west corner of this lot. Among other lands Ichabod Sayre owned the farm at Seven Ponds, lately owned by the Archibald family. This was one of the lots of the "Forty Acre Division" of Southampton. Thomas Reed, one of the witnesses, was schoolmaster in Southampton. —W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS YOUNGS, of Southold, in Suffolk County, Gent., being weak in body. All funeral expenses and just debts to be paid by my wife, out of that part of the estate which I shall give her. I leave to my wife during her life, all my homestead, housing, barns, lands, meadows, and gardens, and orchards, in the town of Southold, and within the distance of three miles from the now meeting house.



And after her decease, to my sister Martha, wife of David Gardiner, during her life, and after her decease, to my nephew, Joshua Youngs, and his heirs and assigns. I leave to my wife for seven years, if so long she remains my widow, all that my farm situate lying and being next to the Oyster Ponds upper neck (commonly so called), and bounded north by the Sound, east by land of Samuel King, Jr., south by the Bay, and west by Captain William Booth, and Winter Harbor, with all appurtenances. At the end of seven years, or when my wife is married, then to my nephew, Joshua Youngs, his heirs and assigns. I leave all my lands at Acquabauke, and all my Island of meadow lying in Peaconneck River at said Acquabauke, in the town of Southold, to my two nieces, Patience Gardiner and Bethiah Gardiner. I leave to my sister, Martha Gardiner, £60, and a negro slave, such of them as my wife shall appoint her. Also all the household stuff that was my first wife's. I leave to my nephew, Joshua Youngs, a negro slave and a silver tankard. I leave to my two nephews, Daniel and Joshua Youngs, all my guns, great and small, and all other arms, and my History and Law Books, and all my wearing clothes. I leave to my sister, Martha Gardiner, and my nephew, Joshua Youngs, all the household stuff that was my father's, and now in my possession. To my nephew, Joshua Youngs, a yoke of steers or oxen, and a pair of plow irons and a log chain. I leave to my wife my windmill standing at the westward end of the Town street, and all goods and chattels not mentioned. I make my wife and my trusty friend, Daniel Tuthill, and my cousin, Benjamin Youngs; executors.

Dated September 11, 1713. Witnesses, James Landon, Benjamin Youngs, jr., Gideon Conkling, John Youngs. Proved at Common Pleas, held at Southampton, April 6, 1714.

In the name of God, Amen. July 31, 1716. I, FREDERICK VEGHTE, of Brookland, in Kings County, at a

place called Gowanus. I leave to my eldest son, Reynier Vegte, all my lands and tenements with all the appurtenances which I have at the Raritan, in the Province of New Jersey. I leave to my son Nicholas, all my estate of houses and lands now in my possession. And in consideration of these bequeathments, my son Reynier is to pay my five children, Nicholas, Hillitie, Jeanittie, Lumentie, and Grietie, £200, in four years. And my son Nicholas shall pay to my other children, £250. I leave to my loving wife Grietie, £300, and she is to have the suitablist of my upper rooms, of my house, to dwell in. And my son Nicholas is to furnish her with fire wood, ready for the fire, and keep two cows for her with hay and grass. And she is to have the use of a negro man, and after her death my executors are to dispose of him to the best advantage. To my son Nicholas, a negro boy. I leave to my two sons all my carpenter and wheelwright tools, and my horses. All the rest of my goods to all my children, but my son Reynier is to have 10 shillings before any division as his Birth Right. And my daughters are to have each £25, and my youngest daughter Grietie is to have £50. And if I shall not have bought a negro boy for my son Reynier, then his brother Nicholas and his sisters shall buy a negro boy, between the ages of 6 and 13 years, for him. I make my son-in-law, Jeronimus Rapalye, and my cousin, John Vegte, executors. And as a reward I leave to Jeronimus Rapalye, a silver beaker, and to my cousin, John Vegte, the two biggest Ogers [*augers*] wherewith the naves of waggon wheels are bored. The Beaker is marked Klaas Aresea Vegte.

Witnesses, John Blaw, Frederick Blaw, Samuel Gerittse. Proved, February 13, 17 $\frac{16}{17}$ .

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN CHOLWELL, of New York, merchant, being sick. I leave to my two sons, John and Thomas, and to my two daughters, Hannah and Mary, after all debts are paid, all my

lands and tenements in Westchester County, and all other places, with all goods, etc. And my executors are to use the same for their benefit until of age or married. I commit the care and education of my children to Mrs. Isabella Davis, of New York, widow, and I make her sole executor. And I request my friend, Gilbert Ash, to assist her.

Dated June 10, 1716. Witnesses, John Johnson, Mary Forster, May Bickley, William Cornell. Proved, July 13, 1716.

In the name of God, Amen. March 14, 1715. I, JOSEPH GEE, of Westchester, Westchester County, mason, being sick. I leave to my wife Abigail,  $\frac{1}{3}$  of all movables, and the use of my house and that part of my land that is on the west side of the road that goeth to Mile Square, during her widowhood, if the time of her widowhood shall not exceed the time of my son John's coming of age. I leave to my son John, my house and barn, and all my land on the west side of the above road, when he is of age. I leave to my son Joseph, all that parcel of land on the east side of the said road, adjoining the land of Isaac Taylor. Also a £10 privilege right. I leave to my son William, a certain parcel of land, lying adjoining to the land of Henry Fowler, Jr., and the land of Edmond Tompkins. Also a £10 privilege right. To my son Moses, a certain parcel of salt meadow lying adjoining the meadow of John Drake, sr., and the meadow of John Stanton. Also a £10 privilege right. To my son John, £15, and a £10 privilege right. I make Noah Barton and Moses Hunt, executors.

Witnesses, Joseph Taylor, Matthew Smith, Hannah Aury, Frederick De Vo [Veau]. Proved, October 2, 1716.

In the name of God, Amen. I, PETER HAGAWOUT, of Richmond County, yeoman, being sick and weak. My executors are to dispose of all my estate at public vendue. All debts to be paid, and the remainder to my

children, Altie, Peter, John, Geritie, Harmettie, Isaac, Jacob, Lipettie, and Leah, and to Rachel and Diritie, the daughters of my son Egbert, equally. I make my very good friends, Hendrick Creuse and John Machil-erse, executors.

Dated February 13, 17 $\frac{15}{16}$ . Witnesses, Mary Butler, Nicholas Manning, Augustine Graham. Proved, October 29, 1716.

In the name of God, Amen. July 5, 1711. I, WILLIAM JACKSON, of New York, cordwainer, being in health. I make my wife Anne, and my well beloved friends, the Rev. Master Bernardus Freeman, of Flatbush, on Nassau, *alias* Long Island, minister, and Mr. John Van Horn, of New York, executors. I leave to my wife the use of all my estate for life. I leave to my son Robert, £16 silver money when of age. This I do in consideration of Birthright and Primogeniture. The portions of Robert and the rest of my children I leave to my wife's discretion, to allow less or more, of the good things God has given me, according as they shall behave, and do their duty to God and herself. Also I leave it to be remembered by all, and every of my children, as my faithful counsel, and charge upon them, that above all things they study and practice the fear of the Lord, and take his unspotted word for the sovereign Law of their principles, that it may in all things be well with them. And they are to love one another to their mutual advantage. I leave to each of my executors a gold ring.

Witnesses, William Simes, Thomas Statham, Jan Van Geesen. Proved, June 11, 1718.

[NOTE.—William Jackson lived at No. 19 Pearl Street. It was in his house that the first meetings of the Presbyterian Church were held in New York, and the first baptism. A very ancient house that stood there was taken down in 1907.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. Be it known and manifest unto all People, that I, ANTHONY WHITE, of New



York, merchant, being sick. My wife Hannah is to make an inventory of all my estate, and to join with the rest of the heirs of my father-in-law, Samuel Staats, Esq., in selling real estate. And of the produce and my personal estate I leave  $\frac{1}{2}$  to my wife, and the other  $\frac{1}{2}$  to such child as my wife is now big withal. If the child die in minority (my wife being my widow) she is to remain in possession for life, and then I leave  $\frac{1}{3}$  to my father, Leonard White, of the Island of Bermuda, and after his decease to my sisters, Elizabeth, Lowe, Jane, and Honora. And  $\frac{1}{3}$  to my wife's sisters, Gertrude, Sarah, Catalina, Anna, Elizabeth, and Tryntie. I make my wife executor.

Dated October 21, in the 4th year of King George. Witnesses, Barent Rynders, Peter Van Dyck, Abraham Gouverneur. Proved, April 24, 1718.

Know all men by these Presents, that I, WILLIAM HARDNET, of New York, mariner, do make my friend, John Dun, of New York, taylor, my attorney, etc., and I do leave him all ye estate to me belonging, and I make him executor.

Dated April 15, 1713. Witnesses, Mary Dun, Bergher Means. Proved, April 17, 1718.

[NOTE.—The above, and some others like it, are written on a printed form, which seems to have been expressly made for the use of mariners, and answered the combined purposes of a power of attorney and a will.—W. S. P.]

(*Memorandum written on the back of the above.*)  
 “William Harnett was shipped in bord the *Expedition*, Sloop, at £2, 17s. per month, July 15, 1717.”

[NOTE.—The above may show the wages of an ordinary seaman at that time.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. April 8, 1718. I, SAMUEL BURNET, of New York, cordwainer, being very sick. I leave to my wife Ann, all my personal estate and household goods. I leave to my child begotten on the

body of my said wife, not as yet born, all my real estate, being  $10\frac{1}{2}$  acres, bounded by Englebart Lott, at the Fresh Kills at Staten Island. If the child dies under age, my wife is to have the use of the same, and I make her executor.

Witnesses, John Myer, John Poll, Rem Clason. Proved, May 16, 1718.

In the name of God, Amen. I, CHARLES SLEIGH, of New York, mariner, being well in health. I leave to my son Charles, £20, when of age in full of all claim as heir at law. I leave to my wife Sarah, all my estate, to pay debts and to bring up my children, excepting that house and lot where I now dwell in Queen Street, next to that of my mother-in-law, Hannah Puddington, with full power to sell, and I make her executor.

Dated March 1, 1701. Witnesses, William Morris, Samuel Burt, William Huddleston. Proved, April 8, 1718.

[NOTE.—The house and lot of Charles Sleigh is No. 247–249 Pearl Street. This was given to him by his father-in-law, Elias Puddington.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, NATHANIEL TALMAGE, of East Hampton, in Suffolk County, yeoman, being in my right mind. I leave to my son John, all that piece of land in the parish of Bridge Hampton, which I bought of Captain Sayre, and all my piece of meadow ground lying on each side of Little North west creek, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of all my Commonage, in the Town and at Meantaket [Montauk]. I leave to my son Thomas, my Home lot, bounded east by the street, and west by highway or Commons, with the fences and buildings, except the house I now live in, which is for my wife during her widowhood, and afterwards to be his. Also my lot of land in Georgica hither neck, lying between Thomas Mulford and Thomas Baker. Also 12 acres in the North West plains, next to Thomas Chatfield's land, the whole length of that Division. And all my piece of land lying near the south end of the Calf Pasture,

being 7 acres, bounded west by Thomas Mulford, north and east by highway, south by the Beach. Also my piece of land, meadow, and low ground, lying on the west side of Great Northwest creek, bounded north by Joseph Osborn, south by Stephen Hedges. Also that Division of land lying on this side of the head of the 3 mile Harbor, as it was laid out to my father. And  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my Commonage both at Town and at Meantaket. I leave to my son Daniel, all that piece of land on the west side of Georgica, being  $20\frac{1}{2}$  acres. I leave to my son Enos, 3 acres of land near the Walnuts in the eastern plains. Also my  $4\frac{1}{2}$  acres in the old eastern plains, which I bought of Samuel Brook. Also my piece of land lying in Amagansett woods, bounded south by Mr. John Gardiner, north by Captain Samuel Mulford. My will is that my son Thomas shall make sure to my son Enos, under his hand and seal, that piece of land at the north end of the Town, joining to William Hedges home lot, containing upward of 3 acres, or my son Thomas may pay him in lieu £25. I leave to my son Enos, one chain. To my son Thomas, a cart and plow, and the rest of my farm utensils to my said two sons. The meadows left to me and my brothers, Onesimus and Shubal, are to be divided. My son Thomas is to have the time of my apprentice, Abel Barnes. I leave to my wife Rebecca, the use of the house where I now live, and all household goods and movables. I make my sons, John and Thomas, executors.

Dated July 24, 1716. Witnesses, John Taylor, Nathan Mulford, Elisha Conkling. Proved at Court of Common Pleas, in Southampton, March 29, 1717.

Administration bond for £100 given by Thomas Scurlock, vintner, John Dun, taylor, and James Waters, on estate of William Hardnett, April 17, 1718.

In the name of God, Amen. December 29, 1714. I, WILLIAM WILKENSON, now resident of Flushing, in Queens County, Gent., being sick and weak. I leave to

my loving friend, Matthew Loe [Low?], all my estate and make him executor.

Witnesses, William Doughty, Thomas Foord, Hannah Sleigh. Proved, August 7, 1717.

In the name of God, Amen. May 10, 1718. I, HENRY BREVOORT, of the Bowery, in the Out Ward of New York, yeoman, being very sick. All just debts to be paid in some convenient time. I leave to my eldest son, John, £5 for his Birthright, as Heir at Law, and as a bar forever to the same. I leave to my said son John, all my estate, real and personal, which did belong to my first wife, Mary Brevoort, deceased. I leave to my wife Jacamintie, all my estate, real and personal, during the time she remains my widow, for the bringing up of my children until of age. But if it shall please Almighty God that my wife Jacamintie shall marry again, then I leave  $\frac{1}{2}$  to my children, John, Abraham, Henry, Elias, and Jacob, and the other half after my wife's decease.

Witnesses, Hendrick Ellis, Samuel Benson, Henry De Myer. I make my wife and my brother, Elias Brevoort and Abraham Buckbey [Buckbee], executors. Proved, July 16, 1718.

In the name of God, Amen. February 17, 1710. I, HENDRICK VANDERHULE, of New York, vintner, being very sick. I leave to my wife, all my estate while she continues to be my widow. But if she marries she is to have one third. I leave to my eldest son, Abraham, £5, over and above the rest of my children (*not named*). I make my wife executor.

Witnesses, Elbert Clock, Edward Penant, Robert Kisbet. Proved, August 25, 1718.

The widow, Mary Vanderhule, was then dead. The children were: John and Hendrick, both under age, and Abraham, who was 17 years old, and had chosen Harmanus Rutgers and Johanes Meyer, to be his guardians, and Letters of Administration were granted to them.



In the name of God, Amen. December 29, 1715. I, SAMUEL WOODRUFF, of Southampton, in Suffolk County, yeoman, being well in health. All debts and duties to be paid. I leave to my wife Hester, the east end of my dwelling house with ye Chamber and garet over the same, with the east part of the leanto joining the house, and  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the cellar and barn, and the free use of the well, during her natural life. And  $\frac{1}{3}$  of all lands, meadows, and Commonage, and a negro slave, John, and £20. I leave to my son Samuel, all my buildings after the decease of my wife, and all my lands, meadows, and Commonage. But if he dies under age, and I have no other son, I leave the same to my eldest daughter, Mary Woodruff, the said dwelling house and barn where I now live, with my Home lot of land adjoining to the same. And all my land lying east of and adjoining to my home lot, and my 2 acres of land at Captain's Neck. All the rest of my lands I leave to the rest of my children. I leave to my daughter Mary, £25 when of age, and the use of the second row of apple trees, running east and west, on the south side of my orchard at Seabonack. I leave to my daughter Hester, £15, when of age. I leave to that child my wife is now bigg with, if a son, £40, if a daughter, £15. The rest of my movable estate to my wife and my son Samuel. I make my beloved brother-in-law, John Davis, of East Hampton, and my friend, Ephraim White, of Southampton, and my wife, executors.

Witnesses, Jeremiah Jagger, Josiah Halsey, jr., Thomas Reed. Proved at Court of Common Pleas, in Southold, September 26, 1717. Confirmed by the Governor, August 20, 1718. At that time the widow Hester was the wife of Jonah Rogers.

[NOTE.—Samuel Woodruff was the eldest son of John Woodruff (2nd), who died in 1703, and whose will is recorded in the "Lester Will Book," in Suffolk Co., Clerk's office, and printed in Pelletreau's "Early Long Island Wills." The homestead of Samuel Wood-

ruff (and of his father before him), on the east side of Southampton Street, was sold by his son Samuel to Francis Pelletreau in 1726, and now belongs to the heirs of Josiah Foster. The Woodruff farm included all the land on the south side of the road to Bridge Hampton, east of the homestead, and extended to Old Town Street. The son, Samuel Woodruff, moved to New Jersey, and was a very prominent man. The old Woodruff house, sold to Francis Pelletreau, was the last on Long Island which retained the old-fashioned rhomboidal panes of glass, once in universal use, and for this reason was known as the "House with Diamond windows."—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. June 15, 1717. I, ABRAHAM BRASHER, of New York, turner, being weak in body. I leave to my son Luke, all the working tools as belongs to my trade, and my largest gun. All the rest I leave to my wife Elizabeth, during her widowhood. But in case it shall please God that my wife shall be disposed to alter her condition and marry, she shall resign up all lands, tenements, and goods to my children, but no division to be made until my youngest son, Ephraim, is of age. I make my wife and Mary Bickley, and Dr. John Norbury, executors.

Witnesses, Thomas Grigg, Owen Hughs, Thomas Elde.

(In the probate the widow Susannah Brasher was confirmed as executor. Perhaps the name of Elizabeth in the will was an oversight.)

In the name of God, Amen. December 7, 1716. I, CORNELIUS TIMBER, of New York, mariner, being in perfect health. I leave to my wife Cornelia, one large silver Tankard, one silver Tea Pot, a gold chain, and all other wearing apparell. I leave to my brother, Peter Timber, £20, out of every £100, which my estate shall amount to. Also all my wearing clothes, my gun and cartouch box. But if he consent to stay without

the twentieth part, till my wife's decease, then he is to have  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the whole. All the rest to my wife, and I make her executor.

Witnesses, Edward Penant, Dirck Egbertson, Isaac Bratt. Proved, December 3, 1717.

In the name of God, Amen. February 21, 1711. I, MARY BROUSARD (*alias* Deschamps), of New York, widow, being sick. I leave to my dear son-in-law, Andrew Stuckey, and to my dear daughter Mary, his wife, all my estate of every kind, and I make him executor. I desire my executor to give to the elder of the French Church of this city £3, for the Poor of said Church.

(Signed) MARIE BROUSSARD.

Witnesses, Cornelius Lodge, Obadiah Hunt, Augustus Grasset. Proved, January 6, 1717.

[NOTE.—Mary Brouard was the widow of Saviot Brouard (*alias* Deschamps), who lived on the south side of Petticoat Lane, or Marketfield Street, next to the French Church.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. January 11, 17 $\frac{1}{4}$  $\frac{3}{4}$ . I, MARY HOWELL, of Southampton, in Suffolk County, Gentlewoman, being sick and weak. I leave to my son, Edward Howell, that 12 acres of land at Meacocks, lying at the north end of my brother Jonah's close, lately deceased. And a £50 right of Commonage, and the Home Lot at the Town, and the mill lot, all of it that comes to me by my brother, Jonah Fordham. And a lot of meadow at Captain's Neck, lying by Samuel Woodruff. I leave to my son Benjamin, 11 acres of land lying at Meacocks, beginning at the south west corner of the Close that was my brother Jonah's, late deceased. And it is my will that he shall keep my daughter, Mary Howell, during her life with meat and lodging. I leave to all my sons all the rest of my lands lying at Meacocks gate, that came to me by my brother, Jonah Fordham, lately deceased. I make my son, Edward Howell, executor.

Witnesses, Nathaniel Howell, John Howell, Joseph Pain. Proved at Court of Common Pleas, in Southampton, March 29, 1717.

[NOTE.—Mary Howell was daughter of Rev. Robert Fordham. Her husband was Edward Howell, son of the Founder of Southampton. Her brother, Rev. Jonah Fordham, was born in 1633, and died in Southampton, July 17, 1696. He was pastor of the church in Hempstead from 1660 to 1680, and for several years minister of a church in Brookhaven. The lands at Mecocks were on the east side of what is now called “Atlantic Avenue,” and south of the road to the bridge over Sagg pond. Across the main highway at this point was Meacocks gate. The Home lot at Town is probably the homestead formerly of the Mackie family, and now owned by Mrs. Mary Ann Allen. Edward Howell, the husband, died in 1699.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. February 15, 171 $\frac{1}{2}$ . I, JOHN COCK, of Oyster Bay, on the Island of Nassau, husbandman, being well in health. I leave to my two sons, Thomas and Daniel, all my land situate and lying by James Woods land in the New Purchase of Oyster Bay. Also all my land which I formerly bought of Daniel Seaman and Adam Wright, in the said New Purchase. Also all that 30 acres of land which I bought of John Townsend, deceased, in said New Purchase. I also leave to my two sons £20 each when of age. I leave to my other three sons, John, Hezekiah, and James, all the rest of my housing and lands, which I have in Oyster Bay. I leave to all my sons, all my meadow, creek, and creek thatch, which I have within the Patent and Township of Oyster Bay. I leave to my daughter, Hannah Pryor, £30. To my daughter, Maribah Cock, £6. To my sons, John, Hezekiah, and James, each £100. To my son Daniel, my riding horse which I bought of Jacob Carr, and my silver headed cane. I leave to my wife Dorothy, all the rest of movable estate. If she marries she is to have £100,



and the rest of movables to my children. I make my wife executor.

Witnesses, George Townsend, Thomas Smalling, Samuel Barker. Proved at Court of Common Pleas, December —, 1717.

In the name of God, Amen. June 1, 1706. I, JACOB HASTA, of Staten Island, being in good health. I leave to my wife Catharine, all my estate during her life, but if she comes to marry she shall have two thirds. I leave to my 5 children by my said wife, viz.: Charles, Sophia, Cornelia, Johanes, and Benjamin, £10 each. My oldest son, Bartholomew, is to have the choice of my horses, or £8, in money, before the rest of my children. The rest to all my children.

Witnesses, Matthias De Decker, William Hilyer, Samuel Osborn. Proved, December 12, 1717. Letters of Administration granted to wife Catharine.

In the name of God, Amen. May 11, 1717. I, JOHN OBLINUS, of Harlem, on York Island, reed maker, being sick. I leave to my eldest brother, Peter Oblinus, 1 shilling, sterling money, and no more. I leave to my brother Hendrick, all my wearing apparell. To my eldest sister, Mary, one gold ring of the value of 12 shillings, and one to all her children except Lena and Jacobus. The said Lena having at the present time a silver snuff (?) box as her legacy. I leave to her son Jacobus, £23, and a pair of Gold shirt buttons. I leave to my sister, Josantie Vermilias, a silver snuff box, and my bed and furniture, and a cupboard, and to her husband, Isaac Vermillias, and to her children, each a gold ring of 12 shillings value. I leave to her daughter Altie, £25, and to her eldest son, Tunis Cosea, £50. I leave to the wife of my brother, Henricus Oblinus, and to all her children except Casantia, a gold ring, value 12 shillings. I leave to her daughter Casantia, £25. I leave all the rest of my estate to my brother Henricus, and to my sisters, Mary Aldrich and Josan-

tie Vermillias. I make Hendrick Oblinus and Isaac Vermillias, executors.

Witnesses, Peter Bussing, Benjamin Corsen, John Archer, Edward Fitzgerald. Proved, August 10, 1717.

(Written in the French Language.) Au Nom Du Pere, Du Fils et De St. Esprit, Amen. I, PIERRE GENDRON, of New Rochelle, in Westchester County, being sick in body, and knowing that there is nothing more certain than Death, and nothing more uncertain than the hour. I will that 60 acres of the 205 which I own, shall be sold to pay debts. I leave to my wife Leah, one third of what remains after paying my debts, with power to dispose of it as she will. I leave to my wife Leah, the use of the other two thirds during her life, and then to my children as follows: If God shall give to my wife a male child, she being now pregnant, it shall have six Livres in money, and a horse and a sword and a pair of pistols. But if it be a daughter she shall have six Livres in York money. It is my will that my wife shall remain in possession of the shares of my children, Magdalene and the child that my wife may have. My wife is to retain as a gift, all the furniture and other movables that belong to her. I desire my brother-in-law, Talcot, and Andre Naudin, Jr., with my wife, to be executors.

Dated January 16, 171 $\frac{1}{2}$ . My executors are not to permit any wood to be cut on the premises, except for the use of said lands. Witnesses, Lewis Guion, Jr., Alexander Allaire, David Cycort (Sicart?). Proved, May 4, 1717.

[NOTE.—The word “Livres” in the will, was doubtless intended as the equivalent of Pounds.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, ANTHONY WATERS, of Jamaica, in Queens County. I leave to my son Anthony, and my two daughters, Elizabeth and Abigail, all my lands in New Britain, in New Jersey, equally. I leave my dwelling house and home lot and the pasture

over against it, purchased from John Alsop, and the lot commonly called the Pasture lot, adjoining on the home lot, and the land lying on the Hills, commonly called the Hill Pasture, and that land purchased from my brother Thomas, adjoining to the Pasture Lot, to my wife Elizabeth, during her natural life, and then to my son Benjamin, and his heirs and assigns. I order that my lot of land adjoining to Stephen Lucas' land, and my other lot of land joining on John Rodes, on the Hills, be sold by my executors, to pay debts.

All the rest of my lands and real estate I leave to my son Daniel, and he is to pay £50 due to Thomas Smith, being part of purchase money for land bought of him. I make my wife executor.

Dated this 8 day of —, 1715. Witnesses, William Nicoll, Catharine Sawyer, George McNish. Proved, May 20, 1717.

[NOTE.—Anthony Waters came to Jamaica from Southampton, L. I., where on March 6, 1659, he bought a house and lot of Samuel Dayton. On December 19, 1696, he sold the same to George Harris. He is then mentioned as “of Jamaica, in Queens County.” —W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. April 15, 1715, in the First year of the Glorious Reign of our Sovereign Lord, King George [1st]. I, WOLFERT WEBBER, of the Out Ward of New York, yeoman, enjoying yet good health, but being ancient. I make my well beloved son-in-law, Philip Minthorne, of the Out Ward, wheelwright, executor. All debts to be paid, and an inventory to be made. I leave to my daughter Anneken, wife of Jacques Fonteyn, of Raritan, Somerset County, New Jersey, £2, 10s., as a preference for her birth-right, whereby I do utterly cut her off from being my Heiress at Law. I leave to my granddaughter, Geertie Fonteyn, daughter of Jacques Fonteyn, a silver cup of the value of £8, for her being called after the name of my wife, Geertie Webbers, deceased. I leave to my

granddaughter, Geertie Minthorn, daughter of Philip Minthorn, a silver cup of the value of £8, for her being called after the name of my wife Geertie, deceased. I do ratify and confirm the devise and bequest which I have willed and declared to the said Jacques Fonteyn, and his wife Anneken, and to Philip Minthorn, and Hillegard his wife, each an equal part of my land at Poughkeepsie, in Dutchess County, containing and bounded as by the several writings may appear, and made March 7, 1712. I leave to Philip Minthorne and his wife Hillegarde, all that my dwelling house and lot, orchard, and pasture, with all that certain parcel of land at the Bowery, on the south side of Captain Blagge, joining the Kings farm commonly called the Negroes farm, about 32 acres, with all appurtenances. All the rest to my children equally.

Witnesses, John Conrad Codwise, Peter De Reimer, Isaac De Reimer. Proved, February 5, 1717. At that time John Conrad Codwise was dead.

[NOTE.—Wolfert Webber's name is connected with two important tracts of land in New York. A large tract of low land extending from the Bowery nearly to Cherry Street was known as Wolfert Webber's Meadows. There was a clear spring of water between Mott and Mulberry streets, and from this a brook or rivulet wound its devious way through the meadows, and emptied into the East River at what is now James Slip. This stream separated the Montgomerie Ward, on the south from the Out Ward on the north, and the Out Ward embraced all the rest of Manhattan Island. The farm left to his son-in-law, Philip Minthorn, was well known in later days as the "Minthorn Farm." It was on the east side of the Bowery and extended from First Street to Fifth Street. Its eastern boundary was Orchard Street. The alley known as Extra Place is in the south side of the farm. Mangle Minthorne, a representative of this family, had a daughter, Hannah, who married Governor Daniel D. Tompkins.—W. S. P.]



(Written in the French Language.) Au Nom Du Pere, Du Fils et De St. Esprit, Amen. I, DANIEL JANDIN, of New York, being sick. I leave my body to be buried according to the wishes of my executors. After all debts are paid I leave all the remainder to my dear wife, Catharine Jandin, during her life, to enable her to bring up my children in the fear of the Lord, as a good mother such as she is, will do. And I make her executor. (*Names of children not given.*)

Dated August 21, 1712. Witnesses, Jean Lapons, Alexander Moore, Elias Neau. Proved, April 1, 1717.

In the name of God, Amen. I, ALEXANDER STEWART, of Richmond County, being sick. I leave to my son Alexander, all the land where I now live with all housing, and £50 when he is of age. I leave to my daughter Catharine, the sum of £200 when she is 18 or married. I make my wife Catharine executor with power to sell, with the advice of John Johnston, Daniel Lake, and John Stillwell.

Dated February 11, 17 $\frac{16}{17}$ . Witnesses, Lambert Garrison, Hans Christopher, Duncan Olpherts. Proved, July 26, 1717.

In the name of God, Amen. I, GEORGE DUNCAN, of New York, being very weak in body but of sound mind, do make my last will and testament. I leave to my eldest son, Michael, my best horse and best gun, and my silver hilted sword, and silver headed cane, and my chest and wearing apparell. I leave to my daughter Frances, my cane with a gold head, and a locket for her neck, one pair of rings in a small black box, a gold bodkin for her hair, two pair of gold buttons, and a ring with three small stones. I leave to my son George, three pair of gold buttons, and small rings set with Cornelians, and other articles of a similar kind. I leave to my daughter Christiana, a gold bodkin, two lockets, two pair of gold buttons, a ring set with three blue stones, and a ring with her mother's hair in it. "I leave to my daughter Mary, a gold whissel with three

gold balls, and a beryl in it." Whereas it has pleased God to afflict my son James with an impediment in his eyes, and I am doubtful of his being capable of any other business, than being a farmer, I leave him my farm whereon I now live, with two able men slaves, with all the stock and utensils. And my silver snuff box with my name engraved on it, and my reading glasses, and case. I leave to my son Thomas my second best gun, and a silver toothpick case, and a silver snuff box. All the rest of my estate I leave to my six children, Frances, Michael, George, Christiana, Thomas, and Mary. I make Adolph Philipse, Esq., Col. Jacobus Van Cortlandt, and Mr. Peter Barberie, executors.

Dated January 16, 1715. Witnesses, Richard Edsall, Samuel Moore, Francis Duncan.

In the name of God, Amen. I, GILBERT ASH, of New York, merchant, being weak in body. After funeral charges and debts are paid, I leave all my estate to my wife Eleanor, and to my children, Elizabeth and Gilbert. My executors may sell estate. And I make my wife executor, desiring my loving friend, Mr. Gabriel Ludlow, to be aiding to her.

Dated June 11, 1717. Witnesses, John Croke, Cornelius Lodge, Isabella Davis, Richard Reeves. Proved, March 10, 17 $\frac{17}{18}$ .

[The will of Cornelia De Peyster may be found in Vol. II of this series, page 298. The following affidavits are in papers on file with the original will.—W. S. P.]

ANDRIES MARSCOUR COCK, of New York, upon oath sayeth, "That he about 30 years ago, he had lived six years with widow Cornelia De Peyster, and did then keep shop, and sold goods to persons indifferently. But that she understood English or sold in English, Can't say." November 1, 1721.

Mary Blood testifies, "That about 11 years ago she left the widow De Peyster, with whom she had lived 2 years. And about 9 years before that she had lived

with her for the space of 7 years. That the said Mrs. Cornelia De Peyster did understand some English words, and but few, but she could not understand a whole discourse, or not a whole sentence. And she says that she, the deponent, was often called upon to assist in the shop, when any English people were there, and used commonly to talk to them, and interpret to her, when none of her relations were there to interpret. That she could speak but some words of English. And that when the last wife of David Provoost (who was an Englishman) used to come and see her, she used to call the deponent to interpret, which she, the said Cornelia De Peyster, would not have done in any manner of ways, if she understood English, for she interpreted several things which she believes they would not be desirous she should know. And that when this deponent was last married, the said Cornelia De Peyster was desirous to see her husband but said I don't know how to understand him. And deponent said that her husband understood Dutch, which gives her greater reason to believe that she did not understand English. That deponent afterwards heard her say, that she loved her grandchildren, the children of Mary Spratt, as her own, and heard her also say, that were it not that their father-in-law [step-father], David Provoost, was obliged to maintain them, or if they had their estate, in their own hands, she would give them board for nothing, but it would be giving it to a stranger, not to make David Provoost pay for it. November 1, 1721.

David Jamison and Henry Wileman testify, That the codicil attached to the will of Cornelia De Peyster, was in the hand writing of Jacob Reynier, and they are well acquainted with said Jacob Reynier, and heard him say that he did not understand Dutch.

John Vincent and Caterina Carbanck, depose that they knew Cornelia De Peyster, and that she did not understand English.

John Roosevelt deposes, in relation to the last codi-

cil, to the will of Cornelia De Peyster, he believes that it was in Dutch, and that he had been at her house. but never heard her speak English. That when this Codicil was executed, the persons present were Cornelius De Peyster, Isaac De Peyster, Johanes Beekman, Daniel Bonticou, and John Beekman, and no other except one woman. And he does not remember that it was read in his presence.

(Written in the French Language.) Au Nom De Dieu, et Du Fils, et Du St. Esprit. I, JACQUES FLANDREAU, living at New Rochelle, in Westchester County. by the will of God being under some sickness, but of sound mind, and willing to put my estate in order. which it has pleased God to give me. My body to be buried as a true Christian at the discretion of my executors. My will is that after all just debts are paid my wife Elizabeth shall possess all my goods, during the time she remains my widow, but if she remarries, they are to be divided among my sons, Jacques, Peter, John. Daniel, Benjamin, and Elias. Giving 5 shillings more to my son Jacques, than to the others. I leave to my eldest son, Jacques, a horse and saddle, such as he shall choose. I leave to my daughter Elizabeth Magdalene, £15, and a cow, when she is married, or when her mother shall judge it proper. I leave to my daughter Jeane, £15 and a cow when she is married. For executors of this my will, which I wish to have executed in all its points, I appoint my good friend. Jean Martin, and my wife.

Done at New Rochelle, the 18 of May, 1720. Witnesses, Isaac Mercier, Alexander Allaire, Jeremie Mebee. Proved before Gilbert Willett, appointed by his Excellency, William Burnet, Governor, December 20, 1727.

In the name of God, Amen. October 5, 1727. I, JOHN HIBON, of New York, carpenter, being weak and sick. After all debts are paid I leave to my son, Jo-



hannis Hibon, aged about 7 years, a silver cup marked G. H. B. I leave to my daughter Gertrude, my large gold ring. To my daughter Catharine, the least of my gold rings. To my daughter Helena, a silver spoon. My house and lot on the Broadway, where I now live, is to be sold by my executors, to the highest bidder. After all debts are paid, I leave the remainder to my four children, and the money to be put at interest until they are of age. I make my loving friends, Peter Post, of Hoboken, New Jersey, and Johanes Hyer, of New York, cooper, executors.

Witnesses, Stephen Deblois, John Debois, Henry De Myer. Proved, November 25, 1727.

In the name of God, Amen. February 8, 172 $\frac{7}{8}$ . I, HANNAH KNOWLING, of Shelter Island, widow, being sick. I leave to my daughter, Mary Merrow, a negro girl, Tamor, and my trundle bed with all its furniture. And my Great Iron Pot, and Great Brass Kettle, pewter platters, basons, and plates, and two silver spoons, and my Great Bible, and a warming pan and black mare, and my silk hood and scarf. I leave to my grandson, John Merrow, when of age, a negro boy, and my daughter, Mary Merrow, is to have the use of his labor till her son is of age. And she shall pay to my grandson, Thomas Par, son of John Par, £6. I leave to my grandson, John Merrow, my best bed which I lie on, with all the furniture. I leave to my daughter, Hannah Hopkins, a trundle bed, with its furniture, and an Iron kettle, my Silk Crape Gown, and petticoat. I leave to William Paine's daughter Sarah, an iron pot. I leave to my son-in-law, John Par, my deceased husband's best suit of clothes, and to his daughter Mary a Drugget gown and petticoat and stays. I leave to my son, Elisha Par, my deceased husband's suit of working clothes, a pewter bason, and 20 shillings. I leave to my daughter, Hannah Hopkins, a pewter bason, and the same to William Paine's daughter Sarah. I leave to my grandsons, William Hopkins and

Cornelius Paine, 10 shillings each. I leave to my granddaughters, a good lace cap, every one of them. All the rest of my goods I leave to Mary Merrow. I make Charles Hole, of Southold, and my daughter, Mary Merrow, executors.

Witnesses, Edward Huntting, Henry Merrow, Sarah Rolt. Proved, February 19, 1727. "Governors fees 10s. Secretarys fees £2."

In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL HALLETT, of Newtown, in Queens County, being sickly and weak. I leave to my daughters, Elizabeth Jackson, Grace Hewlett, Mercy Cornell, and Martha Hazzard, 2 horses, 2 cows, six yearlings, and £210 which is due to me by the bond of John French, of New York, and £24 due me from said John French and his son-in-law, Edward Earle, and also the produce of a certain horse now in the hands of Edmond Haynes, and all my household goods except a cedar chest and £4 in the hands of my son, Samuel Hallett. All to be divided equally between them. I leave to my son Samuel, all the rest of my estate, real and personal, and he is to pay all debts. And he is to pay £6 to my granddaughters, Mary Cornell, Hannah Washburn, and Sarah Hazzard. I make my son Samuel, and my son-in-law, James Hazzard, executors.

Dated October 7, 1716. Witnesses, Joseph Hallett, Thomas Jones, Peter Berrian. Proved, May 16, 1727.

Be it remembered that I, CHRISTOPHER DINGEE, of Westbury, in the township of Hempsted, Queens County, yeoman, being very sick, do make this my last will and testament. I leave to my wife Mary,  $\frac{1}{3}$  of movables and  $\frac{1}{3}$  of my lands, during her life. And the use of my dwelling house and half my barn and a negro boy. I leave to my eldest son, Charles, £20 to be paid by my son John. I leave to my daughter, Sarah Wright, £40. To my grandson, John Balden, £10. To my granddaughter, Jane Balden, £5. To my

grandson, Christopher Dingee, a suit of clothes, and my little bald faced horse. To each of my grandchildren, 6 shillings. To my son John, I leave all my land and farm, viz.: my homestead that formerly belonged to my father, Robert Dingee, and the addition to the same, and all my lands that I bought of Harman Hendricksen, and all the land I bought of Adam Mott, William Nicolls, and Andrew Gibbs. Also all my land in the new General Purchase of Oyster Bay, and all my right of undivided lands in Hempsted. Also a negro boy and  $\frac{1}{3}$  of all movables indoors and out doors. Also the remainder of the time of service of Richard Spragg according to his indentures. My grandson, John Bolden, is to live with my son John until he is 15, and then to be put to a trade. I make my wife Mary, and my son John, and Thomas Pearsall, and Benjamin Seaman, executors.

Dated the 17 of 11 month called January, 1723. Witnesses, Joseph Clement, Silas Titus, William Willis, Jr. Proved, February 22, 172 $\frac{7}{8}$ . The executors and witnesses are all Quakers.

In the name of God, Amen. I, SARAH CLEMENT, widow, of Flushing, in Queens County, being in Sound mind. All debts to be paid. I leave to my daughter Margaret, the case of drawers, table, and bed in my lodging room. All the rest of my movables to be divided by my executors among Elizabeth Doughty, Thomas Hinchman, Hannah Thorn, Mary Willett, Joseph Hinchman, Margaret Clement, and Bridget Thorn. I make my son, Thomas Hinchman, and John Clement, and Benjamin Thorn, executors.

Dated June 15, 1725. Witnesses, John Haight, D. Humphrey, Francis Marston. Proved, September 8, 1727.

In the name of God, Amen. June 17, 1727. I, JOOST DIRYE (Duryee), of Bostwyck, in Kings County, being sick. All debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Doritie, the house and orchard which I have bought



of John Sprang, as now in fence. And two acres of wood land for her to use to burn wood, and for fence. And she is to cut on my meadow which is by Steven Stevense mill, hay for two cows and one horse. And she is to keep two cows in my pasture upon my farm here. All these for her use until she shall happen to marry. And she is to have all her movable estate which she brought when I married her. Also £40, and two cows. I leave to my son Joost, one of my best horses, and a saddle and bridle and pistols, and everything that belongs to the Trooper's horse, before any division. All the rest of my estate I leave to my six children, Doritie, Joost, Lena, Hendrick, Annattie, and Volkert, when they are of age. My daughter Doritie has received £25 on her portion. I make my father, Jacques Diryee, and my brother, Abraham Diryee, and my son-in-law, Jacobus Monfoort, executors.

Witnesses, Leffert Lefferts, Abraham Lequire, Abraham Lott. Proved, July 17, 1727.

In the name of God, Amen. April 30, 1722. I, ARTHUR ALBURTIS, of Hempstead, in Queens County, yeoman, being very sick. All debts to be paid. The brown horse that I used to ride is to be sold, and so much of my stock of cattle as will pay all debts. I leave to my wife Mary, all my lands and movable estate, to be wholly at her disposal while she remains my widow, to do all things needful to bring up my children. But when she marries to another man then she shall have one third. After her death, I leave all my lands and estate to my seven children, Henry, Elizabeth, John, Mary, Martha, Hannah, and William. I make my wife, and John Dusenberry, Sr., and Mordecai Lester, executors.

Witnesses, John Mott, Jr., John Dusenberry, Sr., Symon Laamert. Proved at special meeting of Court of Common Pleas, May 15, 1722. (John Dussenberry was a known Quaker.)

On October 2, 1727, the executors were confirmed.

The widow, Mary Alburdis, was then the wife of Thomas Langdon.

In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM CASE, of Newtown, on Nassau Island, yeoman, being sick and weak. My body to be buried in a Christian like and Decent Burial. I leave to my wife Rebecca, whom I make sole executrix, the use of all housing and lands and meadows where I now live, with all appurtenances, during the space and time of her widowhood. After her death I leave all the same to my son Thomas. My executor may sell all that certain neck or point of land lying at the head of Rock Pond, being 100 acres, in order to maintain a snite at Law, lately commenced against me by the Stewarts in the Lower Counties, if there be occasion therefor, and after the said snite or tryall is determined, and all charges paid, then what is remaining I leave to my five daughters, Mary, Meribah, Elizabeth, Abigail, and Martha, when they are 18 years of age. I leave to my five daughters, all my right and title in Martins Vineyard. I leave to my grandson, John Case, 5 shillings. All the rest to my wife.

Dated January 6, 172 $\frac{6}{7}$ . Witnesses, Thomas Alsop, Samuel Alburdis, Jacob Reeder. Proved, October 13, 1727.

In the name of God, Amen. December 13, 1718. I, JOOST DERIEW (Duryee?), of Bushwyck, in Kings County, on the Island of Nassau, yeoman. I leave to my wife Cornelia, £7, 10s. To my eldest son, Joost, £5, in bar to all claims as heir at law. I leave all my estate to my children, Joost, Jacques, Abraham, Charles, Simon, Antonatee Lequier, and Madaline Okee. I make my wife executor.

Witnesses, Ann Bobin, Isaac Bobin, James Bobin. Proved, June 9, 1727.

In the name of God, Amen. I, PETER BARBERIE, of New York, merchant, being at present under an ill

state of health. My executors are to pay all debts. I leave to my wife Catharine, during her life, all my plantation, houses, lands, and tenements in New Rochelle. And a silver coffee pot, and a small silver tankard, two small silver salvers, six silver spoons, six silver forks, two silver salt cellars, and all her wearing apparell, gold watch, and jewels. Also my picture and two negro slaves, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of all household goods and furniture in my house. I leave to my only son Johanes, my gun, sword, pistols, and watch. I leave to my daughter Frances, a female slave, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of all household goods. All the rest of my personal estate I leave to my son John, and my daughters, Frances and Elizabeth. I leave to my son John, all my plantation, houses, and lands in New Rochelle. I make my wife and my honored father, John Barberie, Esq., and my partner and well beloved brother-in-law, John Moore, and my esteemed friend, Peter Valette, executors.

Dated March 18, 1725. Witnesses, John Hamilton, Richard Moore, William Sharpas. Proved, December 19, 1727.

[NOTE.—John Moore, mentioned above, was Col. John Moore, after whom Moore Street, in New York, was named.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, HESTER STANTON, of New York, widow, being sick. After all debts are paid I leave to my daughter, Hester Parcher, £10. All the rest I leave to my four children, Hester Parcher, George, Henry, and William. I make my daughter, Hester Parcher, and my son, George Stanton, executors.

Dated December 8, 1725. Witnesses, John White, Edward Man, Edward Pennant. Proved, July 18, 1727.

In the name of God, Amen. I, CHRISTOPHER YOUNGS, of the town of Southold, in Suffolk County, being in health. I leave to my son Christopher, all my lands

and buildings where he now dwells at Aquabauk, in said town, bounded north by the Sound, east and west by land of Israel Parshall, south by John Youngs, with that my way from the said premises to the Kings Road. And all my meadows on the south side of Peaconick River, and my meadow lying at Peaconack (so called) on the north side of said river. I leave to my wife Elizabeth,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of all my movable estate, to dispose of as she pleases. And her choice of my two dwelling houses, where I now dwell, and  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the land where I now dwell, bounded north by the Kings highway, east by Thomas Conkling, south by the bay, and west by Benjamin Youngs. And  $\frac{1}{3}$  of my meadow called Puryers (Purriers) meadow, lying at the south end of said land, during the time she remains my widow and not longer. And she is to have the improvement of the other  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the land and meadow, where I now dwell, until my son Daniel shall be of age. I leave to my son Daniel, all my said land with all the houses and buildings. I leave to my wife, all the rest of my movables. I make my wife and my son Christopher, executors.

Dated May 29, 1725. Witnesses, William Horton, Obadiah Smith, Benjamin Youngs.

*Codicil.* I leave to my son Daniel, all that parcel of meadow at Saw mill brook, in Southold, which I lately purchased of Jabes Mapes.

Dated June 24, 1727. Witnesses, Robert Stedman, Josiah Youngs, Benjamin Youngs. Proved, August 16, 1727, before Brinley Sylvester.

In the name of God, Amen. I, BENJAMIN CLAPP, being sick and weak. I leave to my wife my house and land, during such time as she continues my widow. If she remarries, she shall deliver the same to my executors, who shall pay her £40. I leave all the rest of my estate to my brothers, John Clapp, Elias Clapp, Gilson Clapp, and Cornbury Clapp. But my brother John is to have a double share. I give to my friends, called Quakers, the sum of £10 towards the building



of a meeting house, which meeting house is to be built between John Clapps and Benjamin Burchams, on a piece of land already layed out for that use. (*Name of wife not given. No residence mentioned.*)

Dated February 20, 1727. Witnesses, Adam Ireland, Joseph Denton, S. Raye. Proved before Gilbert Willett, Esq., in Westchester County, August 13, 1727.

In the name of God, Amen. Be it known and manifest unto all People, that I, EVERT DUYCKINCK, of New York, "Limner," being sick in body. I leave to my wife Elsie, all my lands and houses, during the time she remains my widow, and then to my well beloved son, Evert Duyckinck, Jr. And if he die in his minority, then to my brothers, Abraham De La Noy and Johanes De La Noy, and to my loving sisters, Maria Beekman, widow of Christopher Beekman, late of New Jersey, deceased, and Catharine, wife of William Beekman, of New York, merchant. I leave to my wife  $\frac{1}{2}$  of all personal estate, and the other half to my son Evert. I make my wife and my brother, Johanes De La Noy, and my brother-in-law, William Beekman, executors.

Dated February 13, 1724. Witnesses, Jacob Goelet, Abraham Gouverneur, David Provoost. Proved, June 28, 1727.

[NOTE.—The brothers, De La Noy, were half brothers of the testator. The house of Evert Duyckinck is No. 89 Pearl Street.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSEPH TAYLOR, of the town of Southampton, tailor, being in good health, and being bound unto the West Indies, and having shipped myself on board a vessell. I leave to my wife Mehetabel, one third of all movables, with all that she brought to me, and the use of one third of my lands during her life. I leave to my loving mother, Mrs. Mary Howell, of Southampton, all the rest of my movable estate during her life, to enable her to have a comfortable living and livelyhood in this World of necessity and want. After her decease I leave all my

estate to my sister, Mary Fordham's, son, John Fordham. I make my mother, Mary Howell, executor.

Dated November 27, 1708. Witnesses, Edward Howell, John Howell, Isaac Halsey, Joseph Fordham. Proved at Court of Common Pleas, in Southold, October 2, 1718, in the 5 year of King George. The will is signed "Joseph Tailor."

Papers attached to the will state that Joseph Taylor made his mother, Mary Howell, formerly Mary Taylor, executor. She died without having proved the will. John Fordham died and his estate descended to his brother, Joseph Fordham. Joseph Fordham died and by will made his wife, Mary Fordham, executor. She applied for letters of Administration which were granted. In the petition she states that her son, Joseph Fordham, was her elder son, and John Fordham was a younger son, who was then about 15 years of age. Mary Fordham and her son, Joseph Fordham, were made administrators, January 6, 17 $\frac{1}{9}$ .

[NOTE.—Joseph Tailor (or Taylor) was the son of Rev. Joseph Taylor, of Southampton, who died April 4, 1682. After his death, his widow married John Howell, Jr., January 30, 1690. Her husband was Town Clerk of Southampton, and son of Major John Howell. He died March 8, 1692. Mary Fordham, wife of Joseph Fordham, was probably a sister-in-law of Joseph Taylor.—W. S. P.]

Be it known and manifest, that I, CORNELIUS TURCK, of New York, mason, being sickly and weak. I leave to my eldest son, Cornelius, £5, for his birthright, before any division. I leave to my wife Elizabeth, my whole estate, real and personal, for the maintainance of my under aged children, during the time she remains my widow, but she is not empowered to sell or mortgage. If she marries, I leave her for a sufficient dwelling, the house I now live in during her life, and then to my children. I also leave her the interest on £400, for a sufficient maintainance. After her death I



leave all the rest of my estate to my children, Cornelius, Paulus, Hendrick, Johanes, Belitie, Neeltie, and Altie.

Dated November 1, 1727. Witnesses, Jacob Sorly, Jan Langendyck. (*Not Proved.*)

In the name of God, Amen. I, JONATHAN DICKINSON, of Philadelphia, but now of Flushing, in Queens County, in the Parish of Jamaica, Gentleman, being in perfect health. I direct all debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Hannah, the use of all my estate within the Province of Pennsylvania, while she remains my widow, and no longer. Also my now dwelling house and lands and meadows in the township of Flushing, until such time as Jonathan Willett, son of my brother-in-law, John Willett, of Flushing, shall arrive at the age of twenty-one, or until the death or marriage of my wife. I leave to my wife the use of £200 Sterling, out of my estate in the Island of Jamaica, in the West Indies, to be paid by my two brothers, Joseph and John Dickinson. I also leave to my wife all household goods, plate, and money in lieu of dower. I leave to my cousin (nephew), Jonathan Willett, son of my brother-in-law, John Willett, £100, and to the rest of the children of John Willett, viz.: John, Thomas, Anne, Hannah, and Samuel, £250 among them. To be paid to their father by my two said brothers, and by him put at interest for them. I leave to said Jonathan Willett, my now dwelling house, with the land, meadow, and privileges, in Flushing, which I formerly purchased of Dr. John Rodman, Jr., and his father is to improve the same, until he is of age. I leave to my brothers, Joseph Dickinson, of Jamaica, West Indies, and John Dickinson, of Philadelphia, merchants, all my estate in Jamaica, West Indies. Also all my estate in Pennsylvania, and they are to pay all debts and legacies. I make my wife and my said brothers, and my brother-in-law, John Willett, executors.

Dated March 22, 1725. Witnesses, Samuel Clowes,

Thomas Lawrence, Samuel Clowes, Jr., John Clowes.  
Proved December 6, 1727.

Thomas Lawrence and John Willett being "known Quakers."

In the name of God, Amen. I, RICHARD OLDFIELD, of the town of Jamaica, in Queens County, being somewhat weak at present. I direct all debts to be paid out of my personal estate. I leave to my wife Sarah, my dwelling house where I now live, and 14 acres of land adjoining, being a part of the land I bought of my brother, Daniel Oldfield. And 4 acres of woodland adjoining John Foster, with freedom to pass and re-pass through my lands. Also 4 acres of meadow in the hither east neck, lying next to Captains Point (?) by the upland, with all my buildings and improvements, during so long as she remains my widow. I leave to my wife  $\frac{1}{3}$  of my movable estate, to be at her own disposal. All the rest of my estate, real and personal, I leave to my grandchild, Joseph Oldfield Payne, and to my daughters, Jane, Hannah, Mary, Deborah, Susanah, and Keziah, except two cows apiece, which I leave to my cousins (nieces), Dorothy and Rebecca, daughters of my brother, Daniel Oldfield. I make Jonathan Waters and Joseph Smith, executors.

Dated April 7, 1727. Witnesses, John Forster, Benjamin Smith, Thomas Thurston. Proved, January 2, 1727.

[NOTE.—This family is probably descended from John Oldfield, who settled in Southampton, L. I., in 1651. He lived at North Sea, and went to Jamaica about 1662.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL GARDINER, of the town of East Hampton, in Suffolk County, yeoman, being sick and weak. I leave to my son Samuel, all my lands, meadows, and commonage, and rights at Meantauke, and my sword, cane, and clock, 10 cows, 2 oxen, and 4 horses. And what my father intended

to leave to me I give to my said son. I leave to my daughter Elizabeth, all the rest of my movable stuff. I leave to my housekeeper, Sarah Grant, £20, in Connecticut money, and one suit of clothes, to be taken off my piece of silk crape. The profits of my land are to be used to bring up my children during their minority. All the rest of my movables, except the shingles and nails for the repairing of my house, are to be turned into money. If both my children should die, then I leave my estate to the eldest male child of my brother, Joseph Gardiner, and in default, to David Gardiner, son of my brother David. I make David Gardiner, Samuel Hudson, and Eleazar Miller, executors.

Dated May 22, 1727. Witnesses, Cornelius Conkling, Elisha Conkling, Matthias Burnet. Proved, June 3, 1727, before Brinley Sylvester, Esq.

In the name of God, Amen. September 16, 1726. I, ISAAC HEDGES, of the town of East Hampton, in Suffolk County, being in perfect mind. I leave to my wife  $\frac{1}{3}$  of all movables and real estate, and the privilege to live in my house with my son, Isaac or Gideon, which ever she pleases. And my two sons shall equally share in allowing her an honorable maintenance during her widowhood. I leave to my two youngest sons, Henry and David, three tracts of land, viz.: That tract of land which I had of Stephen Hand, lying in Two mile Hollow. And that tract that I had of Richard Shaw, lying near Hook Pond. And the tract I had of John Squire, in the North west plains. And my sons, Isaac and Gideon, shall pay to my two younger sons, £200, when of age. I leave to my son Isaac, my now dwelling house and half the barns and shop, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  my share in the horse mill, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my lands not given away. I leave to my son Gideon, the house that my son Isaac now dwells in, and one half of the barn, shop, and horse mill, and one half of all other lands not given away, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my share of Montauk and Commonage. I make my wife and Daniel Dayton, executors.

Witnesses, Nathaniel Dominy, Seth Parsons, Nathan Dayton. Proved, June 6, 1727.

In the name of God, Amen. I, SETH PARSONS, of the town of East Hampton, in Suffolk County, being sick. I order all debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Sarah, my home lot, addition, and swamp adjoining the same, with all the buildings excepting my now dwelling house, which I reserve for my wife, so long as she remains my widow, and for my honored mother during her life. I also leave to my son Seth, 5 acres in the old plain adjoining to the land of Isaac Hedges, and all my lands at the North west plains, and a piece of land to the east of Two mile Hollow, which I bought of Thomas Osborn, and my close adjoining to Thomas Diboll, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a share on Montauk, and a 4 acre allotment in the Town Commons; and all my meadow at Ackabonack great meadow and swamp, and the land adjoining, and a piece of meadow at Little North west, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a piece of land in Amagansett woods. I leave to my son John, all the rest of my lands, meadows, Commonage, and rights on Montauk. I leave to my wife Sarah,  $\frac{1}{3}$  of my personal estate. I leave to my daughter, Mary Dayton, 5 shillings. I leave the rest of my personal estate to my other four daughters, Sarah, Hannah, Elizabeth, and Puah. What my daughter Sarah has already had, is to be deducted from her part. And my son Seth shall take care of my mother and provide her a sufficient and honorable maintenance, so long as she shall live. I make my son Seth, executor.

Dated August 21, 1725. Witnesses, Nathaniel Dominy, John Hudson, John Davis. Proved, June 6, 1727.

In the name of God, Amen. August 6, 1725. I, JOHN CROCHERON, of Staten Island, yeoman, being in health. My clear land and pasture land that lies within fence, running to the path that goes to the Long Neck, shall be equally divided into two parts. And I leave to my



wife Mary, that part joining to the Great Swamp, to the westward of said Swamp. And 20 acres of meadow, beginning at Carles Neck run, during her widowhood. And my wood land that joins to my pasture land shall likewise be divided equally into two parts, and my wife shall have that part joining to the said Great Swamp, during her widowhood. But if she comes to marry she shall give good security to my executors, that it may not be embesseled from my children, that I had by my said wife Mary. I leave to my wife a bed with its furniture, and a great cupboard, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my movable estate, and she is to pay all debts and funeral charges, out of her share. The other half of my movables I leave to my children by my first wife, viz.: John, Abraham, Mary, and Elizabeth. The other part of my pasture and clear land I leave to my sons, John and Abraham. My son John is to have that part joining to the west by the salt meadow, and my son Abraham is to have that part joining to the east by the land left to my wife. And they are to have the other part of my wood land. My son John is to have the part lying toward the Long Neck; and my son Abraham is to have his part joining to my wife. I leave to my son John, 10 acres of salt meadow joining to said land, and my son Abraham is to have 10 acres of salt meadow joining to the length of his brother John's meadow. My son John is to pay to his sister Mary, £100. And my son Abraham is to pay to his sister Elizabeth, £100. My son John is to have £1 out of my movable estate before any division. And my two sons are not to be disturbed on the places where they now dwell, until the whole is divided, and no division is to be made in 6 years from this date. And my son Abraham is to have the liberty to take his house where he now lives, and bring it where he pleases; and to take the division fence from where it now stands, and bring it where he pleases. I make my wife executor.

Witnesses, Thomas Lake, Edward Hilyer, William Hilyer. Proved, June 7, 1727.

The widow, Mary Cocheron, married Benjamin Ayres, of Staten Island, and they gave bonds according to the terms of the will. June 3, 1730.

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN KNOWLING, of Shelter Island, yeoman, being weak and sick. I leave to my wife Hannah, a negro boy and a negro girl, and the bed that I lye on, and the trundle bed with its furniture, and 2 iron pots, and a brass kettle, and a warming pan, and pewter, and 6 spoons, and my Large Bible. I leave to my son, John Knowling, in England, £20. I leave to my daughter, Mary Bottesshell, in England, £20, as a legacy, and £10 for her services done me by her husband. I leave to my daughter, Grace Ware, in England £20. I leave to my grandson, John Merrow, £10. I leave to my wife's three children, John Parr, Hannah Hopkins, and William, 10 shillings each. To my son-in-law, Elisha Parr, a colt. To Henry Martain, 20 shillings. All the rest to my wife Hannah, and my daughter, Mary Merrow. I make my wife and Brinly Sylvester, and my daughter, Mary Merrow, executors.

Dated December 28, 1727. Witnesses, Edward Gillman, Ephraim Hopkins, Abraham Parker. Proved, January 18, 1728.

In the name of God, Amen. April 22, 1727. I, DAVID ROUSELL, of New York, weaver, being sick. I leave to my brother, John Rousell, all my right to my dwelling house and lot, which I hold by lease for a term of years from John Harperdinck, late of New York, deceased. My executors are to sell all the rest of estate, and pay all debts. I leave to Jean Barberrie, of New York, merchant, £20 for the poor of the French Church. I leave to my friend, John Care, £2, 10s. All the rest to my brother, John Rousell. I make Joshua Quereau, blacksmith, and John Clawdy, taylor, executors.

Witnesses, Abraham Bertrand, John Brashier. Proved, June 20, 1727.



In the name of God, Amen. August 2, 1727. I, DANIEL LAKE, of Staten Island, Gentleman, being not well, but of perfect mind. I leave to my wife Sarah, all my lands and goods, both movable and immovable, during her widowhood, to keep my children by her. If she marries, my estate is to be divided as follows: I leave to my sons, Daniel and Joseph, all my lands and tenements where I now dwell. If either die under age, his share is to go to my son William. But if they both live, they shall pay to my son William, £100 each. I leave to my wife Sarah, and my son William, and my daughter Alice, all my movable estate and household goods, except my riding horse, bridle, and saddle, and my gun, which I give to my son Daniel. I leave to my grandson, Daniel Stillwell, all the land I bought of Nelche Severin, and Johanes Severin, and Nathaniel Britten, Esq. I make my wife and William Hillyer, Richard Stillwell, and Matthew Reev, executors.

Witnesses, John Mitchell, Samuel Holmes, James Kierstede. Proved, October 9, 1727.

In the name of God, Amen. February 21, 1721. I, MARGARET GENOUNG, of Flushing, in Queens County, widow, being in health. I leave to my eldest son, John Genoung, all my lands, meadows, housing, and tenements in Flushing, during his life and then to my son Jeremiah and his heirs and assigns. I leave to my daughter, Hannah Hedger, £30, and my negro girl Sarah. I leave to my son John, a negro man. To my daughter, Susanna Lourier, £30, and a negro girl. I leave to my granddaughters, Hannah Debieas (Debevois?) and Charity Field, £10 each. All the rest to my four children, John, Jeremiah, Hannah, and Susanah. I make my friend, Steven Ryder, and James Clement, executors.

Witnesses, Joel Burroughs, Gabriel Luff, Joseph Smith. Proved, March 4, 172 $\frac{7}{8}$ .

In the name of God, Amen. Be it known and manifest unto all People, that I, JACOBUS PROVOOST, of New

York, Chirugion, being at this time very sick. I leave to my only son, Samuel, £25, to be paid at the time of the death or marriage of my wife. All the rest of my estate, real and personal, I leave to my wife Mary, while she remains my widow, and then  $\frac{1}{2}$  to my son Samuel, and the other half to my only daughter, Sarah, wife of Johanes Louw. I make my wife and my son Samuel, and my son-in-law, Johanes Louw, executors.

Dated July 19, 1725. Witnesses, James Livingston, Cornelius Bogart, Abraham Gouverneur. Proved, October 28, 1727.

In the name of God, Amen. February 6, 1728. I, JEREMIAH ROBBINS, of Springfield, in Queens County, yeoman, being very sick. I leave to my wife Elizabeth, her living in the best room in my house, so long as she remains my widow, and a sufficient maintenance at the charge of my sons, John and Jeremiah. I leave to my son John, my land joining to the plains, bounded west by John Jansen (Johnson), east by the highway that leads from Oyster Bay to Hempstead plains, north by a line run by Samuel Clowes. Also 50 acres on the north side of said land. Also  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my land upon the plains and hollows, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my meadow lying upon Unkaway Neck. And my Town right, and privileges in Robert Williams Purchase, To be equally divided between my sons, John and Jeremiah. I leave to my son Jeremiah, my now dwelling house and orchard and 20 acres, including the house and orchard, lying on the south east side of the highway that leads to Jericho, and on the west side of said highway, being 45 acres, with the barn that stands on it. Thirty of which acres are measured with the 18 foot pole, and so to have it as it stands on record. And  $\frac{1}{2}$  my lands upon the plains and hollows. And  $\frac{1}{2}$  the meadow that lyeth upon Unkaway neck. And a lot of meadow that lieth upon Unkaway neck, and a lot of meadow lying upon First (?) neck, bounded on one side by the meadow of Josiah Lattin (Latting), and on the other side by a lot of

meadow now in possession of John Robbins. And also 63 acres measured by the long measure, Beginning at the middle of the Round Swamp, so running by and adjoining to the land of James Skrinnin (?) as may appear by a survey, and Card made by James Townsend. I leave to my daughter Abigail, £10, of a bond now in the hands of Samuel Clowes. The rest of the bond I leave to my wife. I leave to my son John, a good pair of oxen, and a good pair to my son Jeremiah, when of age, and his choice of the horses. Three horses are to be kept on the farm for the use of my wife. The rest of my movables I leave to my wife and 5 daughters (*not named*). The farming utensils to my two sons. I make my wife and my son John, executors.

Witnesses, Jacob Seaman, Samuel Workman, James Scinnen (?). Proved, February 22, 1727 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

Jacob Seaman being a "known Quaker."

A Certificate of the Probate of a Nuncupative will of MARGARET BROGLEY. August 28, 1727, in the First year of King George II. It states that she had no relations in these parts, and no person had appeared to request administration. Letters of Administration were granted to James Alexander. There is no copy of the will.

In the name of God, Amen. December 10, 1725. I, JOHN FOSTER, of the town of Southampton, in Suffolk County, Gentleman, being well in health. I leave to my wife Hannah, all the west end of my now dwelling house, during her life, and the use of  $\frac{1}{3}$  of my lands and meadows, and one third of all movables, and my silver cup and all my silver spoons. I leave to my daughter, Hannah Cooper, £5, she having already received her portion. I leave to my son, Hackaliah Foster, one half of my head of the creek close, the westward side thereof, joining to John Reeves and James Cooper. Also a £50 right of Commonage, west of Canoe Place, except Quaquantuck Purchase. And

one third of my land in the North Side Division joining to Davis Mill pond. And £10. Also  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a £50 right of Commonage east of Canoe Place, and an acre of meadow at the bottom of Halseys Neck, lying on the east side of my meadow. I leave to my son, Thomas Foster, my now dwelling house and home lot and barn. And  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my upper close in Halseys Neck and  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a £50 right of Commonage, east of Canoe Place. And one acre of Orchard at Long Springs, and a £50 right in Quaquanantuck Purchase, and an acre of meadow at the bottom of Halseys Neck. Also 8 acres of my tract of land at Head of Creek, at the north east corner, and one lot of meadow on the West Beach, adjoining to his brother John, and a £50 right of meadow and upland in Ogdens Neck. I leave to my son Abraham, £18. My £50 lot of upland and meadow in Assops Neck, in partnership with Joshua Halsey, is to be sold to the highest bidder to pay debts. I leave to my son John, all the rest of my lands, and he is to take care of his brother Jonathan during his life. And my son Thomas shall provide for his grandmother, during her life. I make my wife and my sons, John and Thomas, executors.

Witnesses, John Howell, Joseph Foster, Christopher Foster. Proved, November 17, 1727.

[NOTE.—John Foster was son of Christopher Foster, the first settler. He was born in 1634. His home lot was on the east side of the main street of Southampton, and on the south side of the main country road, or road to Bridge Hampton, and now owned by the heirs of Capt. Isaac Sayre. The head of the Creek Close is on the north side of Hill Street, in Southampton, and is the farm of late Stephen Edward Randall, or the western part of it. The daughter, Hannah, was wife of Capt. John Cooper, who died in 1715.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. December 22, 1724. I, WILLIAM PARCELL, of Newtown, in Queens County, be-



ing sick. I leave to my son Nicholas, all the Plantation where I now live, being 75 acres, as it is lotted and bounded. Except a small piece of salt meadow of about  $6\frac{1}{2}$  acres, adjoining to Johanes Van Alst. And an acre of land at or near my point, by the river side. I leave to my wife  $\frac{1}{4}$  of all my grain that shall be raised on my farms, both here and in the Jersies. Also a room in my house, and an acre of land near my point by the river side. I also leave her my Indian woman. And my son Nicholas shall keep 2 cows for her, during her widowhood, and she is to have firewood and fencing. I leave to my son Walter, all my Plantation in New Jersey, being 146 acres. And he is to pay to my son Jacob, £50, on May 3, 1731. I leave to my sons, Thomas and Abraham, my Plantation in Elizabethtown, New Jersey. But if by any means they are debarred from the said Plantation, they are each to have £100. I leave to my daughter Abigail, a negro woman. To my wife and my daughter Abigail, all household goods, my daughter to have her share when of age or married. I leave to my son Nicholas, a negro man, and  $6\frac{1}{2}$  acres of salt meadow, and he is to pay to my daughter Abigail, £25. I also leave to my daughter Abigail, a cow that was my daughter Catharines. I leave to my sons, Thomas, Walter, and Abraham, each a negro boy. To my son Abraham, a loom with tackling and a cutlass. To my son Thomas, a sword. All the rest to my four sons. Also a Draught Lot in the bounds of Newtown, to be sold, and the money to my four sons. I make my beloved cousin, John Parsell, and my neighbor, Isaac Burgaa, executors.

Witnesses, Jacob Blackwell, George Van Alst, John Colger. Proved, October 6, 1728.

In the name of God, Amen. I, PETER STRINGHAM, of Flushing, in Queens County, on Long Island, yeoman, being very infirm in body. I leave to my wife Anne, the use of all my estate during her life, but if she marries she shall give up all. An inventory of all



personal estate to be made. I leave to my oldest son, Benjamin (if alive), £10, if he comes or sends for it within seven years. I leave to my sons, Peter and Charles, each 5 shillings, they having received their portion. I leave to my daughter Mary, a good bed with good furniture, and two cows and £10, to make her equal with her married sisters. After the death or marriage of my wife, I leave all movables to my five daughters, Hannah, wife of Richard Cheeseman, Anne, wife of William Sexton, Mary, wife of Adrian Hege-man, Elizabeth, wife of Thomas Inman, and Sarah. After the death of my wife all my lands are to be sold, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the money to my sons, Thomas and Samuel, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  to my sons, William and James, and William is to have  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the half. I make my wife and my four sons, executors. And I admonish my sons to be faithful and obedient to their mother, and all my children to be at unity, and to live at peace among themselves.

Dated August 6, 1726. Witnesses, Ichabod Lewis, Elias Doughty, Samuel Clowes. Proved at Hempsted, February 13, 1727.

In the name of God, Amen. The second day of May, 1726. I, THEODORE PIERSON, of the town of Southampton, in Suffolk County, blacksmith, being sick and weak in body. I leave to my wife Frances, one half of my dwelling house and one third of my movables and lands, during her life. I leave to my son Job, 16 acres of land at the south end of my home lot, with the buildings thereon, except the smith shop. Also  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my land that lies between Daniel Sayre's home lot and the land that was Thomas Jessups, and Daniel Sayres. Also 10 acres by the wind mill. And  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my lot of land called the Beach Close, lying between the Piersons land and the land that was Thomas Jessups, deceased. And 7 acres of land, lying by Edward Howell and bounded west by Daniel Hedges, And  $\frac{1}{3}$  of a lot in the last Division, at ye Yellow Spring. And my meadow at the North Side. And a lot of land at Hog Neck,

and my land lying on the north side of Mr. [John] Wicks home lot, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my Commonage. And  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my meadow and upland in Quogue Purchase, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my right on Montauk. I leave to my son, John Pierson, 8 acres of land at the north end of my home lot, square across, and my new house upon it. And  $\frac{1}{2}$  my land between Daniel Sayres home lot and the land that was Thomas Jessups, and Daniel Sayres, being 10 acres with a highway on the north side of it. Also a lot bounded east by Captain Burnet, south and west by Daniel Sayre, north by Joshua Hand. And  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my Beach Close, lying between the Piersons land and the land of Thomas Jessup, deceased, with a highway at the north end. And  $\frac{1}{3}$  of a lot I bought of Matthew Lum, lying with John Cooper, being 12 acres. And  $\frac{1}{2}$  of all my meadow and upland in Quaquanantuck Purchase, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my Commonage, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my right on Montauk, and my shop and smith tools. I leave to my daughter Anne, £10. To my daughter Mehitabel, £10. To my daughter Abigail, £10, and 10 sheep. To my daughter Hannah, £40 when she is 18 years of age. I make my wife and my sons, Job and John, executors.

Witnesses, Daniel Hand, William Halsey, Theophilus Howell. Proved, November 18, 1727.

[NOTE.—Theodore Pierson was son of Henry Pierson, and was born in 1669, died May 7, 1726. His home lot was on the east side of Sagaponack Street, and on the south side of the road running east, by the house of Hiram S. Rogers. The lands mentioned as near the home lot of Daniel Sayre, are near the south east corner of the Town of Southampton.—W. S. P.]

I, JOSEPH THORNE, of Flushing, in Queens County, being aged and indisposed. Being well advised with ye weighty concern I am now about. I leave to my son Benjamin, all my Plantation or homestead where I now live in Flushing, with all housing, orchards, and lands, and all my meadow and woodland. I leave to my wife Mary, the use of  $\frac{1}{2}$  of all lands and meadows, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of

all housing and orchards during her life. After her death I leave  $\frac{1}{2}$  to my son Benjamin, and he is to pay legacies, viz.: To his brother Jacob, £100, and to his brothers, Isaac, Thomas, and Abraham, £20 each. To my son Isaac, I leave 5 shillings. I leave to my sons, Thomas, Abraham, and Isaac, all that tract of land lying at a place called —, in Bucks County, Pennsylvania. I leave to my wife Mary, a negro man, and an Indian woman. To my daughter Sarah, a negro girl. I leave to my son Joseph, 5 shillings over and above what I have formerly given him by deed of gift. I leave to my son William, 5 shillings besides what I gave him in West New Jersey. To my son John, 5 shillings and a negro boy. To my wife Mary,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the rest of my movables. To my daughter, Mary Shadwell, a negro girl. I leave to my daughters, Hannah Field, Mary Shadwell, Susannah Hedger, and Sarah Thorn,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my movables. I make my wife and my son Benjamin, executors.

Dated July 27, 1724. Witnesses, Thomas Farrington, Richard Laurence, John Haight. Proved, November 27, 1727.

In the name of God, Amen. I, DANIEL CLARKE, of the Borrough town of Westchester, Gentleman, being weak and sick. I leave to my wife Martha, all the estate which I had with her, and  $\frac{1}{4}$  of all other movables, and plate. All the rest of my estate, real and personal, is to be sold by my executors to pay debts, and the remainder I leave to my four daughters, Elizabeth, Sarah, Hannah, and Isabel. I make Col. Caleb Heathcote, of Jamaica, Long Island, and Mr. John Stevenson, and John Ferris, executors.

Dated December 15, 1719. Witnesses, Thomas Hadden, Robert Eddo, Jonathan Ferris. Proved, January 23, 1727. John Stevenson was a Quaker.

In the name of God, Amen. December 6, 1728. I, JACOVAS VANDERWATER, of Oyster Bay, in Queens

County, being very weak. I direct all my estate, real and personal, to be sold, and I make my honored father-in-law, Peter Huff, and Simon Losee, executors. I leave to my wife Guerneriche, one third of my estate, and the rest to my children, Cornelius, Peter, and Winecke.

Witnesses, Peter Monfoort, Daniel Denton.

In the name of God, Amen. This the first day of August, 1727. I, R<sup>IP</sup> V<sup>AN</sup> D<sup>AM</sup>, J<sup>R.</sup>, of New York, merchant, being in perfect health. I direct all debts to be paid. I leave to my only son, Nicholas Van Dam, £5, when he is of age, in consideration of his birth-right. I leave to my wife Judith, for her support, and to bring up my children, all my personal estate, plate, and goods. If she marries, she is to have one half. I leave to my wife, the use of all my real estate for her support and to maintain my children. After the death of my wife I leave all my estate to my two children, Margaret and Nicholas. If both die, then I leave half to my wife, and the other half to my brothers and sisters. I make my wife and my father-in-law, Nicholas Bayard, executors.

Witnesses, Francis Pelletreau, Nicholas Vaughton, Anthony Ham. Proved, July 10, 1728.

[NOTE.—The residence of Rip Van Dam, Jr., was one of the lots of his father on the southwest corner of Maiden Lane and Nassau Street. His father-in-law, Nicholas Bayard, left to the two children of his daughter Judith, who married Rip Van Dam, Jr., the house and lot bounded north by Stone Street, and east by Hanover Square.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, W<sup>ILLIAM</sup> S<sup>MITH</sup>, J<sup>R.</sup>, of New York, merchant, being sick. I leave to my wife Catharine, all my now dwelling house and lot of land in Stone Street, to her and her heirs and assigns. Of all the rest of my estate I leave  $\frac{1}{2}$  to my wife and  $\frac{1}{2}$  to my son William. I make my son William, and my father-in-law, John Harris, baker, executors.



Dated May 3, 1727. Witnesses, William Smith, Mary Ketcham, Abraham Lodoe. Proved, April 12, 1728.

[NOTE.—The house and lot of William Smith was the southwest corner of Stone Street and William Street.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. April 9, 1713, in the 12th year of Queen Anne. I, BENJAMIN OLDES, of New York, felt maker. All debts to be paid. I make my wife Aaltjie, executor, and she is to make an inventory, and have it entered in the public records. I leave to my wife the use of all my estate during her widowhood. I leave to my eldest son, Benjamin, all my shop with all the members and tools, and a reasonable allowance for his birthright. I leave to my daughter, Mary Oldes, my dwelling house where I live, near the Dutch Church. And she is to pay her brother £40. All the rest to my two children.

Witnesses, John Goelet, John Hoff, William Chapman, John Conrad Codwise. Proved, March 29, 1728.

[NOTE.—The house and lot of Benjamin Oldes was on the south side of Garden Street (now Exchange Place) a little west of William Street, and opposite the east part of the old Dutch church.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. April 28, 1727. I, MARTIN RAELOFS SCHENCK, of Flatbush, in Kings County, being very sick. I leave to my wife Janitty, all my estate, real and personal, during the time until my loving wife shall happen to remarry. I leave to my sons, Abram, Marten, and Lucas Schenck, all that farm lying at Cranberry brook, so called, To be divided when my son Marten is of age. I leave to my son Johanes, £200 and a negro boy, to be paid by my sons, Raelof and Minnie Schenck. If he dies under age, then all to my children.

Witnesses, Jan Lucasen, Adrian Hegeman, William Cowenhoven. (*One name illegible.*) Proved, September 9, 1728.



In the name of God, Amen. May 16, 1728. I, JOSEPH BALDING, JR., of Hempstead, in Queens County, yeoman, being sick. I will and order, that a certain house and land in Hempstead, being 40 acres, bounded east by Daniel Smith, west by highway, north by William Carpenter, and south by the highway. And 8 acres that were granted to me by my father, Joseph Balding, by deed of gift, shall be sold immediately after my decease, at public vendue. I leave to my wife, £30 and all household goods. To my daughter Mary, £15. To my daughter Ellinor, £15. All the rest of personal property to be sold. The rest of estate I leave to my son Isaac. I make George Balding, Joseph Hall, jr., and John Carle, executors.

Witnesses, John Johnson, John Carpenter, Gerardus Clowes. Proved, June 13, 1728.

At that time George Balding, one of the executors, was living at Elizabethtown, New Jersey.

In the name of God, Amen. February 9, 1727, in the First year of King George II. I, JOHN STEVENSON, of the Borrough Town of Westchester, Gentleman, being sick. My executors are to pay all debts. I leave to my wife Abigail, the use of  $\frac{1}{2}$  of all estate, during such time as she shall remain my widow and no longer. Also the south half of my dwelling house, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of all other buildings. Also the use of  $\frac{1}{2}$  the ferry from Westchester to Long Island, for which I have a lease. I leave to my son Edward, on condition that he pay legacies,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of all lands and meadows in Westchester, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of all my privileges in the Common lands, and of my dwelling house and buildings, and of the ferry. And the whole after the death of my wife. And he is to pay these legacies. To my sons, James, John, and Benjamin, £80 each, when of age. If he neglects or refuses, my executors are to sell lands. I leave to each son, a mare colt of the pacing breed. My executors are to sell all my lands, meadows, and privileges in Newtown and Jamaica, on the Island of Nassau, com-

monly called Long Island. And from the money they are to pay to my three daughters, Mary Jones, Charity, and Abigail, £100 each. The rest to be put at interest to bring up my sons, James, John, and Benjamin, till of age, and then the principal to be divided among them. I leave all my wearing apparell to my four sons: I leave to my nephew, Cornelius Verdine, when of age, 100 acres of land, out of the first tract of land that shall be taken up in the Western Division of New Jersey, by virtue of a warrant, dated November 4, 1724, to take up the quantity of 1875 acres in said Western Division. If he dies under age, then to my sons, James, John, and Benjamin. All the rest of my lands in the Western and Eastern Divisions of New Jersey, are to be divided among my sons, James, John, and Benjamin. I leave to my wife,  $\frac{1}{4}$  of personal estate, except money due to me. Whereas I have given to my daughter Mary, wife of Evan Jones, £200 in cash, and a mare and saddle of the Value of £15, and my mother-in-law, Mary Perkins, late deceased, has given her considerable value, my daughters, Charity and Abigail, shall have £215 each as an equivalent, and the rest of my personal estate to my three daughters. The share of Abigail to be paid when she is 18. I make my wife, and my son Edward, and my uncles, Robert Field and Jonathan Whitehead, and Col. William Willett, and my brothers, Elnathan and William Stevenson, executors.

Witnesses, Thomas Baxter, James Baxter, William Forster. Proved, May 10, 1728.

Abigail Stevenson, Edward Stevenson, Robert Field, Elnathan Stevenson, and William Stevenson, were all "of the People called Quakers."

In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES DENTON, of Hempstead, in Queens County, being weak in body. All of my estate, real and personal, is to be sold in such a manner and within such a time, as to my executors shall seem convenient. I leave to my wife Eliza-

beth, the best bed, bed stead, curtains, and furniture belonging thereto. And a brass kettle, and a gray mare for her riding, with saddle and bridle. My will is that my dear mother, Jane Denton, shall have the use of  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the money from the sale. All the rest to my wife, and my daughters, Elizabeth and Jane. And if my wife, who is supposed to be with child, shall have a living child, it shall have an equal share with the rest. I make my father-in-law, William Cornell, Esq., and my uncles, William Willis and Robert Mitchell, executors.

Dated November 5, 1728. Witnesses, Isaac Smith, Peter Titus, Charles Peters, James Stringham, Robert Jenny. Proved, November 14, 1728.

William Willis resigned as executor, in presence of Daniel Underhill, Amos Underhill.

In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS WIGGINS, of Jamaica, in Queens County, on Long Island, yeoman, being sick. I leave to my wife Rebecca, all that my certain 20 acres of land in Jamaica, near the place where I live, and which I bought of William Foster, except the part which I sold to Isabella Wiggins. Also  $8\frac{1}{2}$  acres of my other land next adjoining to the land of the heirs of John Smith, and so up to the highway. To her and her heirs and assigns. I leave all the rest of my estate to my wife during her life, and then to my two nephews, William and Josias Wiggins, sons of my brother, Josias Wiggins, lately deceased, and they are to pay all debts and funeral expenses. And they are to pay to my two nieces, Rebecca Williamsen and Mary Williamsen, daughters of my sister-in-law, Mary Williamsen, £5 each. I leave to my brother, Gresham Wiggins, of New Jersey, 5 shillings. To my wife I leave all the rest of my personal estate for life, and then to my said nieces. I leave to Nicholas Flattery, £10. I make my wife and my two nephews, executors.

Dated April 21, in the year of Man's Salvation, 1728.

Witnesses, Benjamin Smith, Mary Williamsen, Joseph Smith. Proved, February 21, 1728.

The widow resigned the executorship, in the presence of Daniel Whitehead, Benjamin Taylor.

In the name of God, Amen. I, HENDRICK LODT, of Newtown, in Queens County, yeoman, being sick. All debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Catharine, all the land and meadow belonging to me in Kings County, with all appurtenances. The present Plantation on which I dwell, and which I bought of Richard Scudder, lying and being in the bounds of Newtown, and all my personal estate of every kind soever, to her during her widowhood. I leave to my son, Peter Lodt, my Trooping horse, pistols, and holsters, and Carbine for his right of first born. I leave to my sons, Peter and Johanes, all my lands and meadows in Newtown, and all my lands in Jamaica, after their mother's decease, or marriage. And all my lands and meadows in Kings County. And they are to pay to their sisters, Dorothy, wife of William Remsen, Gertruyt, wife of Andries Onderdonk, and Mary, £100 each, within three years after they come in possession. I leave to my daughter Mary £100, and she is to have as much of my movable estate as my other daughters have had at their marriage. All my land in Nova Caesaria (New Jersey) and all the rest of my estate I leave to my children. I make my wife and sons, executors.

Dated April 15, in the 11th year of Queen Anne. Witnesses, Claas Simons, Peter Berrian. (*One name illegible.*) Proved, September 6, 1728.

In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOBUS KRONCKHEYT, yeoman, of Newtown, in Queens County, being in good health, but knowing that all flesh must yield to death. All debts are to be well and truly paid. I leave to my nephew, Abraham Lent, of Westchester County, son of my sister Tryntie, deceased, all that messuge, tenement, and Plantation, on which I now dwell, in Newtown, at or near a place called and known by the name



of ye poor Bowery. With all lands and meadows, salt and fresh, to the same belonging. And he is to pay to my son-in-law, Jacob Ten Eyck, £60, soon after my decease. And he is to pay to my brothers, Sybeth and John Kronckheyt, and to Arisen and Beltie Ten Eyck, Engeltie Windeford, Aertie Van Voorst, and to Henry Juman, son of my sister Jannettie, and to Ariantie Ryder, and Wyntie Hoff, each £5. And he is to pay to the children of my sister, Killetie Frederiekse, deceased, £5. I leave to my nephew, Peter Luyster, of Oyster Bay, son of my sister, Wyntie Hoff, a mulatto girl, named Molly. I leave to my niece, Margaret Snediker, a bedstead and bed, with ye proper furniture, and my new cupboard. All the rest of household goods I leave to the children of my deceased wife, Elizabeth. All the rest of my estate I leave to my brothers, Sybeth and John Kranckheyt, and my nephew Henry, son of my brother Theunis, and to my sisters, Maritie, Belitie, Engeltie, and Antie, and my nephew Henry, son of my sister Janettie, and to my sister Ariantie, and the children of my sister Hillitie, and to the said Abraham Lent. I make my nephew, Abraham Lent, and my friend, Samuel Fish, of Newtown, executors.

Dated November 18, 1728. Witnesses, Andries Rieke, Peter Berrien. (*One name illegible.*) Proved, March 3, 1728.

In the name of God, Amen. I, ALEXANDER HUBLES, being in a Reasonable state of Health. I leave to my son Robert, 50 acres of land being part of my homestead, lying on the south end thereof, and to be laid out from side to side, as near as may be on a square. Also 52 or 53 acres, in ye New Purchase, being partly a 16 acre lot laid out on my right, and the remainder, land which I bought of Joseph Dickinson and Nicholas Deane. And  $\frac{1}{4}$  of my meadow at South. I also leave him my negro man James. I leave to my next two sons, John and Joseph, all the remainder of my land



now laid out on the west side of the road leading from Oyster Bay to Jericho. And 4 Ten acre lots in the New Purchase, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  my meadow at South. I leave to my youngest son, Charles, my mansion house, and all the rest of my land lying on the east side of the road leading Oyster Bay to Jericho, and the remaining  $\frac{1}{4}$  of my meadow at South. I leave to my daughter Elizabeth, one feather bed and reasonable furniture, and 2 cows and 6 sheep, and the same to my daughter Amy. I leave the rest of my personal estate, and the use of the best rooms in my house to my wife Amy, so long as she remains my widow. Also the use of my real estate, except the part left to my son Robert, until my three younger sons are of age. And I leave to my wife and her heirs and assigns, 50 acres of land to be laid out upon my right in the Old Purchase, in Oyster Bay. All the rest to my sons. I make my wife executor.

Dated March 15, 1726. Witnesses, William Moyles, Nicholas Lang, Mary Moyles. Endorsed Proved, June 4, 1728.

[NOTE.—In most of these wills, the Probate written at length, is written on the back of the will or on a page added. In many cases, however, the date of probate only, is endorsed on the will.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. September 28, 1728. I, JOHN KERFBYL, of New York, merchant, being at this time very sick. I leave to my loving son John, £25, when he is 21 years of age, or sooner if my executors see cause, so to do, and I do herewith cut him off and exclude him from any other or further claim or Pretension, as being my eldest son and Heir at Law. I leave to my daughter Catharine, in lieu of an outset, £30. My executors are to sell any part of my estate, real or personal. All the rest of my estate, I leave to all my children, John, Catharine, Susanah, and Mary. My daughter Catharine, and Egbert Van Borsum, are to be guardians of my children. I make my daughter Catharine, and my loving friends, Joris Rapalye, Nich-

olas Berrien, of Newtown, and Egbert Van Borsum, executors.

Witnesses, Andrew Marschalk, John Jansen, Simon Johnson. Proved, December 6, 1728.

[NOTE.—John Kerfbyl lived on the north corner of Broad Street and Mill Street, now South William Street.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. December 20, 1724. I, ISAAC VAN TUYL, of Richmond County, Gentleman, being very sick. I leave to my eldest son, Isaac, or such of my sons as shall be the eldest at my decease, one Golden Pistole, in full of all pretence as Heir at Law. I leave to my wife Sarah, full power to dispose of all estate, during her widowhood, but if she marries, she is to have this power in conjunction with my executors. I leave to my son Isaac, £50. To my sons, Abraham and John, £30 each. After the above four sums be taken, which amount to £111, 8s., all the rest is to be divided among all my children, Isaac, Abraham, John, Catharine, and Gertruy. My wife is to have her maintainance during her life. I make my wife and Abraham Lakerman, and Abraham Van Tuyl, Gentlemen, executors.

Witnesses, Rem Van der Beek, James Kierstede. Proved, November 27, 1728.

In the name of God, Amen. May 29, 1728. I, EDA VAN SCOY, of Oyster Bay, in Queens County, being very sick. I leave to my wife Mary, the use of all lands, improvements, and movable estate while she remains my widow, and my son Cornelius shall live with his mother in order to carry on my farm. I leave to my son Francis, 5 shillings, with what he has had already. I leave to my son Aaron, 5 shillings, with what he has had already. I leave to my son Cornelius, after the death of my wife, all my lands and buildings. If he dies without issue, then to my sons, Stephen, Jacob, and Timothy. I leave to my daughters, Rachel and Mary, £10 each. My two younger sons are to be

put to trades, as soon as they are fit in years. I make my wife and Joseph Rogers and Abiel Titus, executors.

Witnesses, Nathaniel Ketcham, David Rogers, John Morgan.

I, THOMAS BALDING, of Hempstead, in Queens County, on Nassau Island, yeoman. Being weary weeke of Body, Butt of perfitt mind. All such debts as I owe to any person shall be well and truly paid. I leave to my wife Elizabeth,  $\frac{1}{3}$  of all movables, both within doors and without. I leave  $\frac{1}{3}$  to my daughter Elizabeth, and  $\frac{1}{3}$  to my sons, Silvenus, Thomas, and James. I leave to my wife the use of my dwelling house during her widowhood, and the use of all my lands and meadows until my sons are of age, and then she shall have but one half. I leave to my three sons all my lands and meadows, at the Little Neck, on the South, and all the rest of my lands and rights of land. I make my wife and my two brothers, Ezekiel and Samuel Balding, executors.

Dated April 7, 1728. Witnesses, Peter Titus, Henry Willis, James Titus. (All Quakers.) Proved, May 11, 1728.

In the name of God, Amen. February 19, 172 $\frac{7}{8}$ . I, THOMAS WALTON, of Richmond County, Gentleman, being very sick. Whereas it has pleased God to give unto me 6 children, Thomas, Richard, Matthew, William, Martha, and John. My wife Martha is to continue in possession of the farm or Plantation, where I now live, during her widowhood. I leave to my son Thomas, a negro boy, and to my daughter Martha, a negro girl. I leave to my three older sons,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of all my estate real and personal, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  to my wife and my three younger children. I make my wife and my son Thomas, and Richard Stillwell, executors.

Witnesses, John Mitchell, Matthew Reev, Catharine Reev. Proved, November 26, 1728.

In the name of God, Amen. May 30, 1728, in the First year of King George II. I, PETER ELPHINSTON, of New York, mariner, being sick. I leave to my wife Ann, all houses, lands, and personal property, to her and her heirs and assigns. The mark of Peter X Elphinston being lame in his hands.

Witnesses, Saul Williams, George Warbuton, Edward Pennant. Proved, January 24, 1728.

In the name of God, Amen. I, MOSES LEVY, of New York, merchant, being sick. All debts to be paid. I leave to my son, Asher Levy, one silver mugg, of the weight of 20 ounces. To my daughter Miriam, £100 when of age or married, over and above her share. I leave to my grandson, Naphtalai Franks, one piece of silver plate, of the value of £12. All the rest of estate I leave to my wife Grace, and to my sons, Nathan, Isaac, Michael, Sampson, Benjamin, and Joseph, and to my daughters, Rachel, Miriam, Hester, and Hannah. The shares of Nathan, Isaac, and Michael, are to be paid in 5 years, and the rest when of age or married. But if my wife shall not be contented with her share, but shall insist upon the performance of certain Articles of Agreement, made by my wife, Grace Levy (then Grace Mears), and Jacob Mears, before our marriage, then my executors shall pay to her in 5 years, such sums of money and plate, as by said Articles are agreed. I make my wife and my sons, Nathan and Isaac, and my son-in-law, Jacob Franks, and my brother-in-law, Judah Mears, executors.

Dated June 13, 1728. Witnesses, Matthew Clarkson, Richard Nichols, Moses Lopez X Foneca. Proved, December 4, 1728.

In the name of God, Amen. June 29, 1728. I, ANN EVITS, of New York, single woman, being sick. All debts to be paid. I leave all my real and fast estate, and all goods to my kinswomen, Mary Linton and Han-



nah Samas. I leave to my worthy good friend, Rodrigo Pacheco, a negro girl. I leave to Jenny Sheims, Elizabeth Bardy, and Edward Pennant, each a gold ring, and I make my said kinswomen, executors.

Witnesses, John Brady, Mary French, Edward Pennant. Proved, August 19, 1728. The executors resigned, and Letters of Administration were granted to Edward Burlig, merchant, August 17, 1728.

In the name of God, Amen. I, JANE COWLEY, widow of John Cowley, of New York, blacksmith. I leave to my daughter Cornelia, in consideration of the great trouble and fatigue she has had with me these many years, in attending me with many distinguishing marks of her love and affection, my dwelling house in which I live, in Duke street, with the ground and appurtenances, and I make her executor.

Dated April 30, 1728. Witnesses, Robert Richardson, Isaac Bobin, Jan Hibon. Proved, October 7, 1728.

[NOTE.—The house and lot of John Cowley is now No. 85 Stone Street.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. May 18, 1728. I, JAMES COCK, of Oyster Bay, in Queens County, yeoman, being sick. I leave to my sons, Samuel, Joshua, and Josiah, the use of all my lands for 12 years, to enable them to discharge all debts and legacies, and for the subsistence of my family in the following manner. My son Samuel is to have the use of  $\frac{1}{4}$  for four years, and my sons, Joshua and Josiah, are to have the use of  $\frac{3}{4}$  for four years, and then each to have the use of  $\frac{1}{3}$ . After the 12 years are expired, my affectionate wife is to have the use of all improved lands during her widowhood, and all movables except 2 cows, and a chest of drawers. After her death I leave to my eldest son, Samuel, the land where he now dwells, to extend from his house, north to the brook of water, between our houses, and thence west through the Round Swamp, by a straight line to the west end of the tract. Also as much of my lands lying south of the road from Musheto



cove to Oyster Bay, as shall make it up to  $\frac{1}{3}$  of all my lands. Also  $\frac{1}{3}$  of all meadows and rights in undivided lands, in the New Purchase, so called. I leave to my son Joshua, as much land in the south part of my land lying south of the road from Oyster Bay to Musheto Cove, as will be  $\frac{1}{3}$  of all my estate. Also  $\frac{1}{3}$  of all meadows. I leave to my son Josiah, my mansion house and all that part of my home lot lying north of the land already given to my son Samuel, and as much more on the south of said road as will make his part  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the whole. Also  $\frac{1}{3}$  of all meadows. I leave to my son Robert, £150 when of age. My sons, Samuel and Josiah, shall pay to my son Joshua, the sum of £14, to enable him to build a house. I leave to my four daughters, Sarah, Hannah, Martha, and Mary,  $\frac{2}{3}$  of all movables, including two bonds, one from Joseph Ludlam, and one from Robert Feek. I make my wife Hannah and my brother, Henry Cock, and my eldest son, Samuel, executors.

Dated May 18, 1728. Witnesses, William Mapes, Daniel Cock, William Moyle. Proved, June 10, 1728.

In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM CONIHANE, of New York, taylor. I leave to my eldest son, William, my silver headed cane, and my large English Bible, and writing desk. I leave to my son Francis, £10. My executors are to sell in three months as much of my personal estate as will make £60, which I leave to my sons, William and Francis, and to such other children which I shall gett in the future by my wife Mary. To be put at interest until they are of age. All the rest I leave to my wife during her life, and she is to alimnt and bring up my children. If she marries she is to have  $\frac{1}{2}$ . I make my wife and my friend, Harmanus Rutgers, brewer, executors.

Dated March 9, 172 $\frac{7}{8}$ . Witnesses, John Dunn, John Cowly, H. De Meyer. Proved, July 19, 1728.

In the name of God, Amen. I, MARGARET CODRINGTON, of New York, widow, being sick. After debts are

paid I leave to Frances Willett, all my wearing clothes, both linnen and woolen. I leave to Elias Peyton (or Pipton?), of New York, Gentleman, a negro girl, and to Mary Scott, widow, a negro girl. I leave to Martha, wife of William Lawrence, of New York, mariner, a negro girl. Whereas William Malcom is indebted to me by bond for £21, 12s., I leave to his wife Margaret, £10 of the same, to buy her a piece of plate. All the rest I leave to Martha Lawrence, and make her executor.

Dated September 2, 1728. Witnesses, Margarey Wilson, Elizabeth Compton, Joseph Murray. Proved, September 24, 1728.

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN PRATT, of Jericho, in the town of Oyster Bay, in Queens County, being very sick. All my lands and estate to be sold. And I leave to my wife the use of the same for life. All the remainder to my five children, Jonathan, Ann, Mercy, Sarah, and Hannah. I make my wife and my son Jonathan, executors.

Dated February 10, 1728. Witnesses, Samuel Workman, John Seaman, Benjamin Stanton. Proved, February 22, 1728.

In the name of God, Amen. May 24, 1726. I, HEL-ENA COOPER, of New York, widow, being in good health. All debts and funeral charges to be paid in some convenient time. I leave to my son, John Le Montes, a negro girl, Bella. To my daughter Rachel, wife of Dugall Campbell, a negro girl, Grace. To my daughter, Mary Cooper, a negro boy, Peter. To my dutifull and loving grandchild, Jennett Campbell, daughter of my daughter, Rachel Campbell, a negro boy, Matthew. I leave to my son, John Le Montes, all my right to two certain houses and ground on the west side of a street known by the name of — street [Little Dock street], and now in tenure of Robert Livingston, jr. The other fronting the Dock or wharf, and at part in tenure of Francis Vincent, and both being between the ground of Jacobus Van Cortlandt, and the

ground of the widow Outman. The mortgage which I have given on said houses, is to be paid out of my personal estate, before any division. I leave to my daughter, Mary Cooper  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a house and lot in New York, on the west side of Broad street, between the house and ground of Abraham Van Duersen and the house and ground of Mr. Witt, deceased, or his heirs. The other half I leave to my daughter, Rachel Campbell, during her life and then to her two children, Jennett and John Campbell. The mortgage upon this house and lot is to be paid out of my personal estate. All the rest to my three children, John Le Montes, Rachel Campbell, and Mary Cooper, and I make them executors.

Witnesses, Coenraet Ten Eyck, Simon Johnson. (*One name illegible.*) Proved, December 19, 1728. The daughter Rachel was the child of her first husband, John Le Montes.

[NOTE.—The maiden name of Helena Cooper was Helena Fell. She married John Le Montes, September 26, 1686. After his death she married Robert Griggs. After he died she married Caleb Cooper. The lot left to her son John, is now No. 78 Pearl Street, and No. 44 Water Street. This was a water lot granted to Francina Hermans, who sold it to John Le Montes in 1687. It was afterwards owned by Governor Cadwallader Colden, who gave it to his daughter, who married Peter De Lancey. The lot on Broad Street is now No. 80, about half way between Stone Street and Marketfield Street.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL JACKSON, of Hempsted, in Queens County, being very sick. April 22, 1728. I leave to my son Isaac, the north west part of the farm I dwell on with the house and buildings. The bounds to begin at the north west corner, by the lane that parts the Seamans tract of land and mine, and so to run down southerly on the east side of the road that leads to South, till it cometh to the

fence that parts my brother, John Jackson's, land and my land, and then to run east to the first cross fence, that runs north and south, and then to run northerly as the fence stands, till it cometh to the end of the fence, to the north side of my brother, John Jackson's, land, and then to run east by said land, and then westward by the south side said road to beginning. I leave to my son Thomas, the tract of land lying eastward of the land left to my son Isaac. To begin on the west side thereof, at the lane that divides the Seamans land and mine, at the fence on the east side of my son Isaacs land, and to run down south as the fence stands till it cometh to the fence that parts my brother John's land and mine, and then east as the fence stands, to the end thereof, and then on a due east line to the east side of my tract of land, and then to run north, as my land runs, till it cometh to the north end of my land, and then to run west, according to the dimensions of the Card, or Survey, by the path to the beginning. I leave to my son Samuel, the north part of my tract of land, with my house standing thereon, that I have between my brother, John Jackson's, land and Joshua Barnes land. Beginning on the north west corner thereof, next to the road, and running on the east side of the road to South, till it cometh to the fence that stands on the south side of the Orchard, and then to run east as the fence stands till it cometh to the east end of it, and then to run a due east line till it cometh to the bounds between my brother John's land and mine, and then north, by my brother John's bounds, till it meets with our east and west bounds, and then west to the first mentioned bounds. I leave to my son Richard, all the remainder of my tract of land lying between Joshua Barnes and the land left to my son Samuel, Bounded west by the road, south by Joshua Barnes, east by land of my brother John, and north by the land left to my son Samuel. Also another piece of land lying on the east end of Joshua Barnes home-stead, bounded west by Joshua Barnes, east by Joshua



Barnes, and containing 34 acres, 148 rods. Also all that piece or slip of land lying on the Great Neck, east of the Eight Acre Lots, and west of the path to South. Also the south part of the equal half of a piece of land above the Eight Acre Lots, lying between the Eight Acre Lots and Joshua Barnes land. I leave to my sons, Samuel and Richard, a tract of land and swamp in Jerusalem Swamp. Beginning at the west side of the road that leads to South at John's south bounds, and running along the bounds across the swamp to the south west corner of John's land, then along the bounds between John's land and mine up the swamp northward, by a line of marked trees, 30 rods, from thence a west line, across my tract of land into Birdsalls swamp. And all the land I have on the south side of that line, in that tract of land shall be equally divided between my sons, Samuel and Richard. And Samuel is to have the north half. And all the land that I have on the north side of the said line on the said neck, and also a small piece of land that I have on the east thereof, and bounded by the road to South, on the east side thereof, I leave to my son Isaac. I leave to my sons, Samuel and Richard, all that equal half of a certain tract of land owned by my brother John and myself, Which is a piece of land which lyeth in the fork of the Great Neck swamp and Little Neck swamp. I leave to my son Samuel my piece of land lying upon the Half Neck, bounded south and west by Benjamin Seaman, north by Joshua Barnes, east by Seamans Swamp. I leave to my son Samuel all that uppermost west half of upland that I have in the Great Neck, Bounded north by the neck fence, east by fence, west by the path down the Neck. I leave to my sons, Richard and Thomas, my upper middle field on the Great Neck, bounded north by the Neck fence, west by the fence that parts the field left to my son Samuel, and the middle field; and east to the east fence of the middle field. I leave to my son Richard, the west half of the middle field, and to my son Samuel the east half.



I leave to my son Isaac my uppermost east field on the Great Neck, Bounded west by the fence of the middle field, north by the Neck fence, east by the Vly of meadow. All of which lots, left to my sons are to extend down south so far, and no farther than to leave a piece of upland all across my land next to the meadow, to make the pieces of upland of my sons, Richard and Thomas, equal to my son Samuel. And the said piece across the neck is to be divided between my sons, Richard and Thomas, and for my sons, Samuel and Isaac, each a stack yard. The rest of my salt and fresh meadows on the Great Neck I leave to my four sons, to be laid out in lots; and Samuel is to have the west lot, and Richard the lot next east, and Thomas to have the next, and Isaac to have the east lot. I leave to my wife the use of the above lands, and a bed and furniture, and a chest and a round table, and trunks that she brought with her. And £3, 10s., to buy a cupboard, and a horse and saddle and a negro man. To each of my sons when of age, 2 horses, oxen, and cows. My son Samuel is to pay to his sister Ruth, £20, and my son Richard shall pay the same. My son Thomas is to pay to his sister Abigail, £20, and Isaac is to pay to my daughter Jemima, £20. All the rest of my lands I leave to my four sons, except 8 acres in the Hills in the north woods, which are to be sold, and the proceeds to be paid to my wife Abigail, and my daughters, Ruth, Jemima, Jerusha, and Abigail, and they are to have the rest of my movables. I make my brother, James Jackson, and my brother-in-law, John Seaman, executors.

Witnesses, James Seaman, Nathaniel Seaman, William Willis. Proved, —, 1728.

[NOTE.—Samuel Jackson was the son of Col. John Jackson, whose will may be found in Liber 11, p. 324.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. September 3, 1728. I, ANNE SMITH, widow of Jeremiah Smith, of Hemp-

stead, in Queens County, being very sick. I leave to Robert Clark, £5. To Cornelius Wiltsee, a great table and two benches. To John Cornell's wife, 10 shillings. To James Smith's wife, 10 shillings. I make and ordain Mr. Santa, George Clarke, and John Smith, executors. All the rest I leave to Mary Cocks, of Monmouthshire, England.

Witnesses, Micah Smith, Elly Thews, J. Purdy. Proved, February 13, 172 $\frac{8}{9}$ .

The last Will and Testament of WILLIAM THORNEYCRAFT, SR., of Mosketo Cove, in Oyster Bay, in Queens County. Made the 19 day of the First month, called March, 17 $\frac{1}{2}$  $\frac{0}{0}$ . I leave to my wife Hannah,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of all my movable estate, except tools of husbandry. I leave to my son William, the dwelling house where he now liveth, and one half of my orchard at home, adjoining said house. And  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my land lying on the west side of the highway where his barn stands. I leave to my son Joseph, my dwelling house and the other half of said lands and orchard. I leave to my son Thomas, 10 acres of land where he is now building his house, on the west side of the highway with (*will torn and dilapidated*). I leave to my son Joseph, one third of undivided land that I bought of Nicholas Simpkins, lying at the south side of Mosketo Cove creek. All the rest of my lands and rights in Oyster Bay, I leave to my three sons. I leave to my daughters, Mary and Phebe, each £8, besides bedding and other things they call their own. I leave the rest of my movable estate to my five daughters, Hannah Washburn, Elizabeth Pellam (Pelham), Mary Thorneycraft, Jane Carpenter, and Phebe Thorneycraft. I leave to my wife the use of  $\frac{1}{2}$  my house, and  $\frac{1}{3}$  of my orchard, and 10 acres in my old field.

Witnesses, Mary Carpenter, Thomas Pearsall, Joseph Carpenter. Proved, December 19, 1728.

I, MARY THORNE, of Flushing, in Queens County, widow of Joseph Thorne. June 20, 1726. In order to

settle all worldly affairs, as much as in me lies, to prevent contention. I leave to my son Benjamin, my negro man Tom. Also all my share of that our wagon, and all implements of husbandry on the place where he now lives. All the rest of my estate I leave to my seven children, and granddaughter, viz.: my children, Thomas, Abram, Isaac, Jacob, Hannah, Mary, and Sarah, and my granddaughter, Elizabeth, daughter of Eliahim Hedger. I make my son Benjamin, and my brother, Samuel Bowne, executors.

Witnesses, John Haight, John Bowne, D. Humphries. Proved, August 12, 1728.

In the fourth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord, George II, *annoque Domini*, 1727. I, ANNA SUIRE, of New Rochelle, in Westchester County. For the disposal of such worldly estate as God in his great mercy has given me. I leave the same to the five children of my daughter Angeltie, wife of John Marioge, and to Aman Guion, son of my daughter Margaret, wife of Aman Guion, Sr. That is to say, £12 to every one of the children of my daughter Angeltie, wife of John Marioge, and £12 to Aman Guion, son of my daughter Margaret, wife of Aman Guion, Sr. And if anything remain it is to be divided among them. I leave to the Poor of the French Church of New Rochelle, £3. I make my friends, Aman Guion, Anthony Lepinard, and Henry Chadeayne, executors.

Witnesses, Andrew Foucault, Derick Schurman, Jacob Schurman.

*Codicil.* (Written in the French Language.)

Ce jourdhuy. Troiseme mai, en l'an de Nostre Seigneur. Mil, Sept Vingt huit. This day the third of May, in the year of our Lord 1728. I, ANNE SUIRE, widow of Mr. Jean Suire, of New Rochelle, in Westchester County, being sick in body. Considering the good services that Marie Breare, widow of Pierre Breare, has rendered me, and which I hope she will render to

me until the time of my decease, and for her care in my sickness, I leave her half of all my clothes and my green cloak, also the little Cabinet (cupboard), and a chair and six shillings. I also leave six shillings to the widow of Mr. Charles Forester. And I desire that this codicil to my last will and testament shall be executed by my executors.

Witnesses, Gallaudet, Zacharie Angevine, Samuel Gillott. Proved, June 3, 1728.

In the name of God, Amen. August 16, 1721. I, CAESAR SUIRE, of New Rochelle, in Westchester County, yeoman. I leave to my dear mother, Anne Suire, all my estate, real and personal, during her life. After her decease I leave all to my sister Angelica, wife of John Marioge, and to my nephew, Aman Guion, son of my sister Margaret and Aman Guion. I make my dear mother, Anne Suire, executor.

Witnesses, Henry Shadden (Chadeayne), Josias Le Conte, John Tudor. Proved, June 3, 1728. The executrix having died without having the will proved. Letters of Administration are granted to Aman Guion, same date.

[NOTE.—The name James Shadden show how soon the original French names of the Huguenots were corrupted.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. September 5, 1726. In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN WHEELER, of East Hampton, in Suffolk County, yeoman, being sick and weak. I leave to my wife the east end of my now dwelling house, from the bottom to the top, and the east end of the lintow (leanto) adjoining to the same during her widowhood. Also  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my home lot, running from the swamp at the bottom of said lot to the street, at the northwest end of said lot. I leave to my children, Thomas, Rebecca Talmage, Aylu Lord, and Abigail Lupton, each 5 shillings. All the rest of my movables and estate to my wife Sarah forever, Where-



as I have given to my son Thomas several tracts of land by deed of gift, I confirm the same.

Witnesses, Theophilus Willman, Peter Covan, John Davis. Proved, August 3, 1728.

[NOTE.—John Wheeler was son of Thomas Wheeler, whose widow, Alce, was the second wife of Josiah Stanborough, one of the first settlers of Southampton.—W. S. P.]

I, JOSEPH PRIOR, of Oyster Bay, in Queens County, yeoman, being sick and weak. I leave to my wife Deborah, all my movable estate, during her widowhood, for the bringing up of my children. My executors may sell house and lands at their discretion. All the rest of my estate to my children, John, Elizabeth, and Deborah, My son John to have two thirds. I make my brother, John Prior, and my brother-in-law, Amos Underhill, and my brother-in-law, William Carpenter, and my brother-in-law, Daniel Underhill, executors.

Witnesses, Joshua Cock, William Matthews, Samuel Underhill. Proved, May 11, 1728.

John Prior, William Carpenter, Daniel Underhill, Joshua Cock, and Samuel Underhill, were all Quakers.

I, MATTHEW FARRINGTON, of Flushing, in Queens County, on Nassau Island, yeoman. September 6, 1728, being indisposed in body. After all debts are paid, I leave to my wife Hannah, my now dwelling house, and all my lands and meadows, with all appurtenances, for her use so long as she remains a widow. And after my said wife shall happen to die, or marry again, then the said house and lands are to be sold to the best advantage. I leave to my son Matthew, £25, in lieu of all claim by right of inheritance. All the rest I leave to my sons, Edward, Joseph, Benjamin, James, and Thomas. I leave to my son James, a brown pacing mare. To my son Benjamin, a sorrel horse. To my son Thomas, a sorrel mare. I leave to Sarah, daughter of Dorothy Wilson, a cow and a bed, if she stays or tarries out her time. I leave all the rest of my per-



sonal property to my daughters, Sarah, wife of Samuel Veal, Hannah, wife of Moses Mollener, and my daughter, Mary Farrington, who is to have £15 above her sisters. I make my wife and my brother-in-law, John Embree, and my friend, James Clement, executors.

Witnesses, Matthew Franklin, Nathaniel Roe, D. Humphrey. Proved, February 16, 1728.

The widow, Hannah Farrington, resigned as executor on the 11 day of 12 month called February, 1728.

[NOTE.—Matthew Farrington was the son of Edward Farrington, who was one of the first settlers of Southampton, L. I.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. June 13, 1728. I, NICHOLAS LEW, of New Rochelle, in Westchester County, cordwainer, being sick. I leave all my estate, both movable and unmovable, to my friend, Andre Naudain, and make him executor.

Witnesses, Aman Guion, Henry Chadeayne, Zacharie Angevin. Proved, November 13, 1728.

In the name of God, Amen. May 23, 1728. I, RICHARD BUTLER, of Oyster Bay, Queens County, yeoman, being very sick. All debts to be paid. All my estate, real and personal, is to be sold to the best advantage by my executors. I leave to each of my sons, John, William, Michael, and Richard, an equal double portion, when of age. To each of my daughters, Mary and Mercy, a single portion, when they are 18 years old or married. I make my father-in-law, John Weeks, Sr., and my brother-in-law, John Weeks, Jr., and my friend, Henry Dickinson, of Cedar Swamp, and Benjamin Smith, of Norwich, executors.

Witnesses, Daniel Townsend, Joseph Woolsey, Caleb Coles. Proved, June 14, 1728.

Henry Dickinson was a "known Quaker."

An Inventory of the estate is attached. Among articles mentioned are, Wearing apparell, £10, 3s.,

Home lot and meadows, £300, 4 horses and one mare, £13, 10s., 8 cows and 3 calves, £18, 6s., 18 sheep, £3, 12s., 28 swine, £9, 4 beds with their furniture, £26. Total amount, £413, 12s. 6d.

In the name of God, Amen. January 3, 1728<sup>r</sup>. I, GILES CARPENTER, of North Castle, in Westchester County, blacksmith. I leave to my wife Jane,  $\frac{1}{3}$  of all movables. All houses and lands to be sold. I leave to my daughters, Hannah and Phebe, £10 each when of age. The rest to be put at interest until my three sons, William, Timothy, and Giles, are of age, and then divided among them. I make William Craft and William Carpenter, Jr., both of Long Island, and my wife Hannah, executors.

Witnesses, Adam Ireland, Job Wright, Nathaniel Carpenter. Proved, February 11, 1728.

In the name of God, Amen. November 10, 1726. I, HENRY ALLYNE, of Madnans Neck, in Hempstead, in Queens County, being in bodily health. I leave to my wife Mary,  $\frac{1}{3}$  of movable estate, and the use of the best room in my dwelling house, and the use of  $\frac{1}{3}$  of my home farm or Plantation during her widowhood. I leave to the Poor of Queens County, £50, to be distributed among the poor and needy at the discretion of my executors. I leave all my lands and meadows to all my sons, but with no power to sell, until they are 30 years old. And they are to cut no timber except as necessity requires. The rest of my personal estate I leave to my daughters, and they are to live in my house till they are married. (*Names not given.*) I make Theodorus Van Wyck, Esq., George Hewlett, William Mott, all of Madnans Neck, executors.

Witnesses, William Burch, Richbell Mott, Henry Underwood. Proved, August 19, 1728.

In the name of God, Amen. I, MICHAEL FEETER, of New York, gardener, being sick. I leave to my wife

Mary, all my estate, during her widowhood, and then to my children, John, Marcus, Mary, and Adam. But John is to have £5 more than the rest. I make my friends, Mr. William Christopher Berkermyer, and Charles Beakman, and Henry Schleydon, executors.

Dated March 18, 172 $\frac{6}{7}$ . Witnesses, Hermanus Simons, Jacob Bos, Henry Pratt. Proved, September 17, 1728.

I, DANIEL RAPALYE, of Brookland, in Kings County, on Nassau Island, being at present in good health. I leave to my wife Sarah, the use of all personal estate, and the use of that part of my dwelling house, which I at present possess. Also my orchard lying north of my said house, during her natural life. I leave to my son Joris, £10, as his right of first born. I leave to my son Daniel, my Great Nether Dutch Bible, to be delivered to him after his mother's decease. I leave to my sons, Joris and Daniel, all my Carpenter tools. All the rest of my estate after my wife's death I leave to my children, Joris, Daniel, Catharina, wife of Joseph Van Cleef, Antie, wife of Cornelius Voorhees, Mary, wife of Elbert Hegeman, and Sarah, wife of Peter Luyster. The part of Catharina, she is to have the use of, during her life and then to her children. I make my sons, Joris and Daniel, executors.

Dated September 29, 1722. Witnesses, Joris Brinckhoff, Jacobus Kronckhuyt, Peter Berrien. Proved, May 10, 1728.

In the name of God, Amen. December 6, 1728. I, MARTEN CLOCK, of New York, shopkeeper, being very sick. I leave to my wife Elizabeth, all my estate, real and personal, where ever the same is to be found, for her support during her life. After her death, all is to be divided into two parts, and one part is to be given to my nearest relations, namely, to my sister Sarah, widow of Daniel Rapalye, Catharine, wife of Jacob

Boelen, of New York, goldsmith, and the children of my brother, Albert Clock, late deceased. And the other part to my wife's nearest relations, To wit: Johanes Vanderheuil, and the children of Tryntie Clock, deceased, late wife of my brother, Albert Clock, deceased, and to Mary De Milt, widow of Peter De Milt, deceased, and to Femetye Wynkoop, wife of Benjamin Wynkoop, of New York, goldsmith, and to the children of Hendrick Vanderheuil, late of New York, deceased. My negro man Frank shall be free, and he shall not be esteemed part of my estate. And my executors are to use £25 for his support, and he is to have one good new suit of apparell from head to foot, and three new shirts, and a new hat and cap, and all the wearing apparell that he has. I make my wife and Johanes Vanderheuil, and Henricus Boelen, executors.

Witnesses, James Parsell, Peter Felton. (*One name illegible.*) Proved, March 4, 1728.

[NOTE.—The residence of Martin Clock was the north corner of Pearl Street and Hanover Square, and was the home of the family for two or three generations.—W. S. P.]

Nuncupative Will of DANIEL REYNIER, of New York, Gentleman. My body to be buried at discretion of my executors. All debts to be paid, and I leave all my estate to my kinswoman, Mary Sly, and I make her executor. September 18, 1728. (*Not signed. No witnesses.*)

Proved, October 1, 1728, upon oath of John Blake, Antie Cregier, and Jacob De Kay, that the said writing was distinctly read to the said Daniel Reynier, and that he declared the same to be his will.

In the name of God, Amen. I, DENNIS LAWRENCE, of Newtown, in Queens County, mariner, being very sick. I leave to my son Dennis, £100. To my wife Janettie, all the remainder. And if my son dies under



age, then all to her. I make my wife and my father-in-law, Samuel Fish, executors.

Dated April 27, 1727. Witnesses, Timothy Wood, Peter Luyster, Benjamin Fish. Proved, March 3, 1728.

In the name of God, Amen. December 9, 172 $\frac{8}{9}$ . I, JOHN SACKETT, of Newtown, in Queens County, Gentleman, being sick. I leave to my wife Susannah, all my movable estate except two bonds, one for £200, and the other for £34, which I ordain to pay lawful debts, and the remainder put at interest for my daughter. My wife is to enjoy all my estate until my son comes of age, for the bringing up of my children. I leave to my son William, all my lands and meadows, unless the child my wife now goes with shall be a son, in which case my lands are to be divided among them, allowing the buildings to the elder. If the child be a daughter, my son William shall pay her £60, when he is 21. If my son William dies without issue then I leave all my estate to my two daughters (*not named*). I make my two brothers, Joseph Moore and William Sackett, executors.

Witnesses, John Lawrence, Robert Titus, Samuel Richards. Proved, February 1, 172 $\frac{8}{9}$ .

I, MARY PALMER, of Mamaroneck, in Westchester County, widow of Samuel Palmer, being of perfect understanding. After all debts are paid, I leave to my son, Obadiah Palmer, £30, and my silver tankard, during his lifetime, and then to his daughter, Mary Ann. I leave to my granddaughter, Esther Palmer, the daughter of Obadiah Palmer, my best suit of wearing clothes, and my best silk hood. I leave to my son Silvanus, £20. I leave to my granddaughter Mary, wife of Samuel Field, of Rye, £40, and two silver spoons. To my granddaughter, Mary Palmer, daughter of Nehemiah Palmer, £10, and two silver spoons. To my granddaughter, Mary Palmer, daughter of



Silvanus Palmer, £10, and two silver spoons. To my granddaughter, Mary Palmer, daughter of Solomon Palmer, £10, and my silver tankard. These sums to be put out at interest till they are of age. I leave to my daughters (in-law), Ann, wife of Obadiah Palmer, and Mary, wife of Silvanus Palmer, all the rest of my wearing clothes. All the rest to my four sons, Obadiah, Nehemiah, Silvanus, and Solomon. I make my son Obadiah, and John Griffin, of Mamaroneck, and Josiah Quimby, executors.

Dated September 1, 1728. Witnesses, John Hunt, James Mott, Tristram Sobey. Proved, October 7, 1728. (James Mott, Obadiah Palmer, and Josiah Quimby "being of the People called Quakers.")

In the name of God, Amen. January 23, 1719. I, SAMUEL COE, of Rye, in Westchester County, yeoman. I direct that my honored mother, Deborah Coe, shall be taken care of by my brother, Jonathan Coe. I leave to my brother, John Coe, that piece of salt meadow lying on the back side of my neck of land lying upon Menursen Island, known by the name of the backmill meadows. But he is not to put any cattle to pasture, nor prejudice the owners of the rest of the neck. I leave to my brother Jonathan, all the rest of my lands and meadows, and barn and orchard, and my now dwelling house, with all privileges, and all my movable estate and cattle. And he is to provide for my mother, and she is to have one end of the house, and he is to provide food and apparell. And he is to pay to my brother John, £20. And concerning a pair of oxen, which I bought of Nathan Kniffen, my brother Jonathan is to return the same to him again. And what I have paid towards them I give to my brother-in-law, Nathan Kniffen, and I leave him £5. I leave to my sisters, Phebe, Mary, and Hannah Coe, to each £5. And whereas Joseph Sherwood and I am bound to Josiah Quimby for the payment of £130, my brother Jonathan is to pay my part. I make my honored

mother, Deborah Coe, and my brother, Jonathan Coe, and my friend, Joseph Sherwood, executors.

Witnesses, Joseph Kniffen, John Brundge, John Shakham. Proved, January 23, 1724.

In the name of God, Amen. October 28, 1723. I, JOHN PERLE, of Staten Island, being very sick. I leave to my wife all my estate, real and personal, during her widowhood. I leave to my son John all my carpenter tools. If it is necessary to pay debts, my wife shall sell the salt meadow that I bought of Jerome Deslin. I leave to my sons, John, Peter, and Abraham, all my lands and Plantation. I leave all my movable estate to my six daughters, Ann, Elizabeth, Mary, Sarah, Esther, and Martha. My sons shall pay to their sisters, £100. I make my wife and my beloved friend, John Le Counte, executors.

Witnesses, Margaret Le Counte, Catharine Jandine, William Hillyer. (*Not proved.*)

In the name of God, Amen. Know all men by these Presents that I, ANTHONY BROCKHOLST, residing at Pompton, in Bergen County, in the Province of East New Jersey, being in perfect health, this 15 of June, 1710, in the 9 year of Queen Anne. I commit my body to the Earth to be buried in such decent manner and form as my executors shall think fit. All debts to be paid. I leave to my dear and loving wife Susanna, during her life or widowhood, all my estate both real and personal, whatsoever or wheresoever, in New York, or New Jersey or elsewhere, without being bound to anyone, to give any account or to make an inventory, For her support and the support of my children, who are to be supported till of full age. After her death all my estate is to be appraised, by persons chosen by my children, and an inventory to be duly recorded. I leave to my son, Henry Brockholst, £50 as being my first born son. All the rest to all my children, Mary, Henry, Judith, Susanna, and Jannet-

tie, or such as shall then be living. I make my wife executor.

Witnesses, Nicholas Bayard, Abraham Post, William Cutler. Proved, August 29, 1723.

[NOTE.—Anthony Brockholst was Lieutenant Governor of New York, with Governor Edmond Andross. In 1681 he received a special Commission as Commander in Chief, and as such was Governor of the Province till 1683, when Governor Thomas Dongan arrived. Governor Brockholst was the owner of a very large tract of land at Pompton, New Jersey, and lived there. When in New York, he had a house on the south side of Bridge Street, a little east of Broadway. He married Susannah Maria, daughter of Paulus Schrick, May 2, 1681. Most of his children died in childhood. Henry, who was born December 28, 1684, married Maria Ver Planck. Judith married Dirck Van Veghten. Susannah married Philip French. Johana, born February 15, 1700, married Frederick Philipse, Lord of the Manor of Philipsburgh. The will of Anthony Brockholst is alluded to in New Jersey history, but hitherto no one has ever found it.—W. S. P.]

[Among the papers of the Philipse family is a rough draft of a will of Susanna Brockholst, as follows]:

In the name of God, Amen. I, SUSANNA BROCKHOLST, of Pompton, in Bergen County, Province of New Jersey. Relict and executrix of Major Anthony Brockholst. Being desirous to settle my temporal affairs, that my children may have general contentment, do make this my last will and testament. Whereas, among other things it was the good will of my deceased husband (of precious memory) to bequeath to me all his personal estate, after leaving a legacy of £50 to his son, Henry Brockholst, and I have in my own right a lot of ground on the east side of the Broadway in the city of New York. And since the death of my husband I have acquired several bonds and mortgages, as by deeds and writings may appear.

And have since his decease married some of my daughters, and given each a portion of £500, and a compleat outset of apparell and household stuff, becoming children of mine, And being desirous to care for my other children, who have not been provided for, I direct all my estate to be inventoried and sold and converted into money, and my executors have power to sell my lot in the Broadway, in the city of New York. I leave to my daughter Judith, wife of Dirck Van Vechten, a sufficient outset as my other daughters have had. I leave to my son, Henry Brockholst, £500 and an equal value in apparrell, etc., as my daughters. I leave to my daughter, Mary Brockholst, £1,000, and an outset. If a sufficient dowery of £500 is settled upon my daughter Judith, then my executors are to pay the same amount to her and my children. I leave all the rest of my estate to my children, Henry, Judith, Mary, Susanna, and Johanna. I make my son Henry, and my sons-in-law, Frederick Philipse and Philip French, in the right of their wives, Johanna and Susanna, and my daughter Mary, executors.

Dated this — day of July, 1724.

[NOTE.—The house and lot on Broadway is now No. 64-66. Henry Brockholst married Maria (or Mary) Verplanck. He was born December 28, 1684, died March 4, 1766, leaving no issue.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, BENJAMIN BAYLES, of Settaheet (Setauket), in Suffolk County, on the Island of Nassau, being somewhat infirm in body, and knowing nothing more certain than Death. I leave to my brother, John Bayles, £10. To my brother Jonathan, my horse, he paying the sum of £8, that I as yet am owing for him to Gershom Gerroe. I leave to my brother Daniel, my weavers loom and tackling now in the possession of my mother. I leave to my brothers, Richard and Joseph, my house and upland that lyes in Settaheet, South. I leave to my brothers, Elias, Jonathan, Daniel, Richard, and Joseph, all my meadow



ground at Settahet, South. I leave to my brothers, Jonathan and Daniel, all the debts that are owing to me, and all other movable estate, and they are to pay all debts. I make my brothers, Jonathan and Daniel, executors.

Dated April 9, 1722. Witnesses, John Muirhead, Rebecca Muirhead, James ——. (*Not proved.*)

[NOTE.—As in early days, Setauket was the first settled and most important part of the town of Brookhaven, the name was applied to the town at large. “Setauket South” meant the south part of the town, on the Great South Bay.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. December 20, 1711. I, JOCHEM GUYLICK, of Gravesend, in Kings County, being very sick and weak. I leave to my loving wife Jaquimyntie, all my estate of houses, lands, and meadows within the town of Gravesend, with all liberties and privileges, during her natural life, without any interruption or molestation of any person. After her death, my son Johanes shall have all my estate, to him and his heirs and assigns forever. And in consideration thereof he shall well and truly pay to my 8 children, Hendrick, Jochem, Peter, Teunis, Catalyntie, Grietie, Gertruyd, and Jaquamintie, £655, in 5 years after he comes of age. And he shall further pay to my son Hendrick, £7, which is a gift from me for his birthright. And as he hath already received £50 of his portion, my son Johanes shall pay him only £40. And as my son Jochem hath received his full portion, he hath no more to demand. And my son Johanes shall pay to my 4 daughters, each £90. And my son Johanes shall pay to my sons, Peter and Teunis, each £124. If my son Johanes dies without issue, then all of my estate I leave to my son Peter, houses, lands, and meadows, upon the same conditions. If any of my unmarried children shall marry, each is to have a decent setting out, from my estate. I make my wife executor. And I appoint my brother, and my friends,

Aaert Van Pelt, William Willemsen, and Samuel Gerritsen, guardians and overseers of my wife and children.

Witnesses, Samuel Hubbard, John Lake, Nicholas Willemsen. Proved before Governor William Burnet, in New York, August 26, 1723.

In the name of God, Amen. I, AENEAS MACKENZIE, of Richmond County, clerk, being sick. After all debts are paid, I bequeath all my real and personal estate and whatsoever in right doth belong unto me, within Great Britain or in America, to my dear and well beloved sponse, Elizabeth Mackenzie, to her and her heirs and assigns. And for as much as the purchasing of the land, and building of the house, wherein I now live, hath layed me under the Difficulty, incurring and necessity for putting myself under obligations, for considerable sums of money, for accomplishing my desire, for the use and benefit of ye minister of St. Andrew's Church for the time being, my executors shall transfer and convey all my title to said land and house to the Church wardens and vestrymen of said St. Andrews Church, Provided they, within one year, shall pay to my executors such sums as have been actually expended, on the said house, and which must be paid out of my estate by such obligations.

Dated February 7, 172 $\frac{2}{3}$ . Witnesses, Edward Vaughan, Philip Tillyer, J. Garreau. Proved, August 29, 1723. (This will is in testator's own handwriting.)

[NOTE.—Rev. Aeneas Mackenzie was sent to this country in 1704 as a missionary by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts. He was the first pastor of St. Andrew's Church, on Staten Island. During the first seven years of his ministry, his church services were held in the French Church, through the charitableness of its officers.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. November 21, 1720. I, JONATHAN COE, of the town of Rye, in Westchester

County, yeoman, being sick. I leave to my honored mother, Deborah Coe, all that my dwelling house and barn, with the several parcels of land where the said house and barn stand, with that parcel of the same which my brother, Samuel Coe, formerly bought of Josiah Quimby, during her natural life. I will that the farm which I bought of Joseph Carpenter, which was Roger Parks, and all my land and meadow, lying upon Manursing Island, and all my right in the undivided lands, are to be sold by my executors for the payment of debts, and the remainder to be divided among my sisters and my brother, John Coe. I leave to my brother John, all my wearing apparell except a pair of silver shoe buckles, which I give to my kinsman, Nathan Kniffin, I also give to my brother John my gun and my saddle. To my sister Phebe I leave a three year horse, and a two year old heifer, and the same to my sisters, Mary and Hannah. I make my mother, Deborah Coe, and my brother John, and my good and trusty friend, Joseph Sherwood, executors.

Witnesses, John Brundge, Joseph Kniffen, John Stockham. (*No Probate.*)

[NOTE.—Manursing Island is now City Island.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN HAMES, of New York, mariner, being in good health, and well considering the certainty of Death, and the uncertain hour thereof. All debts to be paid. I leave to William Lyford, of New York, mariner, master of the Sloop "*Content*," £5. All the rest, real and personal, whatsoever and wheresoever, I leave to Esther Dobbs, of New York, spinster, and make her executor.

Dated November 17, 1720. Witnesses, Thomas Clipp, Richard Nichols. (*No Probate.*)

Newtown in Queens County, on Nassau Island. I, THOMAS STEVENSEN, because of the uncertainty of this life and the certainty of Death. I leave to my wife,

Jean Stevensen,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the Plantation on which I now dwell, with the now house I live in, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the orchard and meadow, and a piece of land lying in the Town Plot of Newtown and bounded on the north by Pullis (?) and Joseph Ketcham's meadow and upland, west by Job Vonglit's upland and meadow, south and east by Coe's mill creek. And another piece lying in Frayes (?) neck meadow, so called, during her natural life. Also  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my personal estate, except a negro man. I leave to my son, Steven Stevensen, the other half of my said lands and meadows, and a negro man. I leave to my two sons-in-law, Thomas Betts and Samuel Thorne, a piece of salt meadow, lying on the east side of Newtown, being my share of salt meadow, except an Island of meadow lying next to the upland, which I give to my son Steven. I leave to my grandsons, Thomas Stevensen, son of John Stevensen, of New Jersey, and Thomas Stevensen, son of Daniel Stevensen, of Newtown, all that my 1000 acres of land lying in West New Jersey, which I bought of my son, John Stevensen; To be divided equally. I leave to my daughter, Sarah Stevensen, the remainder of my movables, plate excepted, and my best bed with its furniture, and my best riding horse. I leave to my grandson, Jennings Stevensen, son of my eldest son, William Stevensen, of West New Jersey, £10. I make my wife and my son Daniel, and my nephew, John Stevensen, executors. This 20 day of the 3d month, 1724.

Witnesses, Robert Field, Benjamin Fish, Peter Berrien. (*No Probate.*)

(Written in the French Language.)

Au nom du pere, du fils et du St. Esprit, Amen. I, PIERRE DAS, living in New Rochelle, in Westchester County, being by the Grace of God sound in mind. I leave to my son, Isaac Das, the £51 which I have paid to Madame the widow Nenfvile, for the 60 acres of land which I have purchased in the name of my said



son Isaac. I leave to my said son Isaac, £20 in silver, and this and the £51 is to be his portion of my estate. I leave to Pierre Das, 60 acres of land, more or less, joining that of my son Isaac, and which I purchased of Johanis Baeret, and from Lewis Guion, Sr. It is my will that my wife shall have the power to live in the house, on the land where we live at present; containing about 46 acres, during her life; with all the cattle (*bestiaux*), horses, cows, and calves, and all the rest of my movables generally. Also the use of 16 acres, which I have joining to Daniel Sycart, for her support. And after that to my three daughters, Jeanne, Marie, and Susanna. And they and my son Pierre are to have the 46 acres where I now dwell, after the death of my wife Jeane. And also all the cattle on the place, and all thereto belonging. My wife is to have the use of the 60 acres of land which I have given to my son, Pierre Das. I make my wife executor.

Dated March 11, 17 $\frac{1}{7}$ <sup>6</sup>. Witnesses, Charles Forrester, Pierre Paliat, Alexander Allaire. Proved, May 16, 1723. Endorsed, "The oaths being interpreted by me, Abraham Gouverneur."

In the name of God, Amen. May 23, 1722. I, ROBERT WINALLS, of New York, bricklayer, being sick and weak. I leave to my wife Mary, whom I make executor, my house and lot in a street or Hill, commonly known by the name of Golden Hill or Golden Street, where I now live. Also  $\frac{1}{2}$  of all household goods and movables. To her and her heirs and assigns. I leave to my daughter Elizabeth, when of age, my other two houses and three lots thereto belonging, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my household goods.

Witnesses, Thomas Hodgins, James Stewart, John Sellwoot. (*No Probate.*)

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN CLARK, mariner, of London, being in health. But Considering the Dangers of the Seas. I commit my Body to Earth or

Sea, as it shall please God to order. I leave all my property and wages due to me, to my wife Isabella, of the Parrish of Ratliff, London, and make her executor. I have set my hand and seal in Lisbon river, this 23 of July, 1725.

Witnesses, John Brown, carpenter, John Baker, clerk. (*No Probate.*)

In the name of God, Amen. I, CLEMENT ELSWORTH, of New York, shipwright, being sick. All debts and duties which I owe in right or conscience to be paid. I leave to my grandson, Clement Elsworth, eldest son of my son, Theophilus Elsworth, late of New York, deceased, 6 shillings, in full of all claim as my heir at law. I leave to my wife Mary, £15. Of all the rest of my estate, I leave  $\frac{1}{5}$  to the children of my son Theophilus,  $\frac{1}{5}$  to my daughter Sarah,  $\frac{1}{5}$  to my daughter Anna Mary,  $\frac{1}{5}$  to my daughter Elizabeth, and  $\frac{1}{5}$  to the child of my son John. And he is to allow out of the same to the rest of my children, for the lot of ground lying near the Cripple Bush, already received by my son John. I make my brother, William Elsworth, shipwright, and my sons-in-law, Cornelius Kierstede, silversmith, and John Brestead, cooper, executors.

Dated November 20, 1723. Witnesses, Anthony De Mill, Hendrick Anthony, Henry De Meyer. Proved, February 29, 1726.

[NOTE.—The Cripple Bush was a swamp, through which Jacob Street now runs. The region still bears the name of “The Swamp.”—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, GABRIEL SPRANGH, of Bushwick, in Kings County, innholder, being sick. I leave to my son Derrick, £5 for his birthright. I also leave to my son Derrick the dwelling house wherein Simon Symonsen now liveth, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of all my lands and meadows. And he is to pay all legacies. I leave to my son Gabriel, my dwelling house and lot where I now live, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of all lands and meadows. I

leave to my wife Gertruyd, the use of all lands and meadows so long as she remains my widow, for her support and of all my children. And my said sons shall pay £65 each to my four daughters, Annake, Ade, Maricha, and Catharina, after the death or marriage of my wife. I make my wife executor.

Dated March 10, 172 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Witnesses, David Sprangh, Abraham Cook, John Ganeel.

*Codicil.* I leave to my wife £25. October 24, 1722.

Witnesses, Jacobus Cosyne, Abraham Divine, John Ganeel. Proved, September 14, 1726.

In the name of God, Amen. I, PATRICK SCOTT, Surgeon of His Majesty's ship "*Lowenstaffe*," being sick. After all debts are paid, I leave to my wife Mary, all money due to me for services on said ship, and all the rest of my estate, and make her executor.

Dated October 6, 1725. Witnesses, Percy Breet, Henrietta Swift, William Channing. Proved, June 13, 1727.

In the name of God, Amen. May 24, 1725. I, DERICK BENSON, of New York, potter, being sick in body. I leave to my son, Sampson Benson, as being my eldest son, £3. I leave to my wife Elizabeth, all my estate for her support and the support of my children, and after her death to my children then living. (*Not named.*) I make my wife executor, and my brothers, Harman Benson, Sampson Benson, and Hendricus Benson, and Egbert Van Bose, and his wife Elizabeth, to be guardians of my children.

Witnesses, Edward Pennant, John Waldron, Abraham Alstine. Proved, March 9, 172 $\frac{7}{8}$ .

In the name of God, Amen. February 10, 172 $\frac{2}{3}$ . I, JOHN HAIGHT, of Rye, in Westchester County, Gentleman, being now sick. I leave to my wife Elizabeth, all that my homestead, where I now dwell, with all the buildings, orchards, and meadows, and all my land in

the Town Neck. And a piece of salt meadow bounded north by Timothy Knapp, and running down the creek, to the little creek, that comes from the bridge. Also one little lot on the south side of the little creek called —, during her life or widowhood, and then to my youngest son, Joseph. After paying debts I leave to my wife all movable estate, during her widowhood, and then to my three daughters, Elizabeth, Winnie, and Mary. I leave to my eldest son one half part and seven acres more, of my land that lies in a body together, where he now dwells, in the White Plains Purchase. Also a piece of salt meadow, about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres, lying on the Mill creek, and is bounded on the south by Joseph Lyons' dam, north by the above mentioned lots of meadow. I leave to my second son, Samuel, the other half (excepting the 7 acres left to my son John) of my land that lies in a body, on the southernmost end of said tract, where he now dwelleth, in the White Plains Purchase. And  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my salt meadow in Town Neck. I leave to my third son, Jonathan,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of  $\frac{1}{3}$  of Browns Point, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my salt meadow in Town Neck. And all that land which I am to have in the laying out of the White Plains Purchase. I leave to my two eldest sons, John and Samuel, all other lands and rights of land. I order that my allotment of land in the White Plains Purchase, containing 23 acres, bounded east by land of Major Budd, deceased, south-east by highway, west by undivided land, and north by land laid out for Samuel Merritt; and all my land in the Wiles Purchase, to be sold by my executors, to pay debts. I make my wife Elizabeth, and Mr. Caleb Hyatt, and Mr. John Horton, executors.

Witnesses, Benjamin Brown, John Carhartt, Samuel Purdy. Proved, June 1, 1727.

Inventory of estate of JOSEPH CARPENTER, of the Round Swamp, in Oyster Bay, Queens County. Taken March 13, 1727. Among others, the following items: Land and crop, £112; cash in house or outstanding,



£22; 5 cows, £13, 5s.; 11 swine, £4, 2s., 6d.; 2 beds and furniture, £14, 6s.; 14 sheep, £4, 4s. Total, £234, 1s. Made by William Willis, James Townsend, Zebulon Dickison.

[NOTE.—It is interesting to compare the value of the beds with other articles. The term “furniture” means the bed clothes, curtains, and vallances, which were then considered a necessary part of a well-made bed.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. February 25, 1727. I, JOSEPH CARPENTER, of Oyster Bay, in Queens County, yeoman, being very sick. I leave to my wife Abigail, all my household goods (saving my gun and carpenter tools), and what was left to her in her father's will. To her and her heirs and assigns. Also the use of John Townsend's land so long as it was to have been mine. All the rest of my lands and movables are to be sold, and the proceeds divided between my two sons, Joseph and John. I make my wife and her brother, John Robbins, executors.

Witnesses, Samuel Workman, Robert Hubbs, John Wooden. Proved, March 21, 1727 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

In the name of God, Amen. March 12, 1727. I, EDWARD BROOMHEAD, of New York, vintner, being sick. I leave all my estate, lands, and goods to my wife Mary, and to her heirs and assigns, and I make her executor.

Witnesses, Richard Norwood, Samuel Naphtaly, Edward Pennant. Proved, March 15, 1727 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

Attached to the above are the following affidavits:

John Haskell, of New York, Gentleman, deposes and says, “That some time ago he heard Governor Hunter's housekeeper, Mrs. Rogers, say that she had lived with the Lord Byron, and that she knew Edward Broomhead, and that he was married in England.”

Stephen Deblois, of New York, says, “That he heard John Quick, of New York, joiner, say that Edward Broomhead told him, a little before his death, that he had a wife and child.”

John Izard, of New York, weaver, says, "That he heard Edward Broomhead say several times that he had a wife and child."

William Price says, "That about 12 months ago he came from the country, and stopped at Edward Broomhead's house, to call for some liquor, and not meeting with quick attendance, he told Edward Broomhead that it was a shame to keep a Publick House, without better attendance, and he replied, he wished his wife was here; and as deponent believes, he meant his wife in England."

George Ducent says, "That while Edward Broomhead was butler to the Lord Byron, he, the deponent, was at said Lord's country seat in Nottinghamshire, waiting upon the Duke and Dutchess of Kingston; and that the said Edward Broomhead Courted the Dairy maid, and declared afterwards that he married her, before he left England, and that he told him upon his deathbed, that he had a wife and child in England."

Thomas Welch says, "That he heard Thomas Elde, of New York, blacksmith, say that Edward Broomhead had a wife, and that he heard Mary Benjamin, who lived with Edward Broomhead, say that he had a wife."

In the name of God, Amen. I, PETER MORINE, of New York, merchant, being in good health. All debts to be faithfully and truly paid. I leave to my wife Mary, all my estate, houses, lands, and goods. To her and her heirs and assigns, and I make her executor.

Dated February 27, 1726. Witnesses, John Ever-son, John Chambers, Abraham Lodge. Proved, October 19, 1727.

In the name of God, Amen. December 23, 1728. I, DANIEL KISSAM, of Queens County, yeoman, being sick and weak. I leave to my true and loving wife Ann,  $\frac{1}{3}$  of my personal estate. But it is my will that in ye first place she shall have the sum of £50, due from Rich-

bell Mott, of Queens County, to me. Also the use of  $\frac{1}{3}$  of my real estate, during her widowhood, and no longer. I leave to my daughter Elizabeth, all the rest of my personal estate. I leave to my son Joseph, all my real estate, lands, and houses, and meadows. If he dies under age, then to my daughter Elizabeth. If both die, then to my sister, Elizabeth Strong (or Long?), I leave £100, and the rest to my sisters, Hannah Kissam, Martha Wood, and Levina Kissam. I make my honored father, Daniel Kissam, of Queens County, executor.

Witnesses, William Burch, Benjamin Tredwell, Abel Smith. Proved, March 24, 1728.

In the name of God, Amen. I, DANIEL SMITH, of Smithtown, in Suffolk County, Esq., being sick and weak in body but of sound mind. I will that all my just debts and legacies and funeral expenses be payed and satisfied by my son, Daniel Smith. I give to my beloved wife Mary, one equal third part of my lands, thatch, and meadows, lying and being within the bounds of Smithtown, and all the house that I now live in, and one third part of my barn, and my negro man, James, during her widowhood, and my negro woman, during her life time. Likewise I give unto my wife one half of my flax, half my sheep, one third part of my wheat and corn, both in the barn, in the field, or elsewhere, and all my hogs, and one third part of my personal estate of what kind soever. My will is that my negro woman, Jinny, after my wife's decease shall be sold by my daughters, Irene, Sarah, and Mary, and the money divided among them. My negro, James, I give to my son Solomon, after my wife's decease. I leave to my son, Daniel Smith, all my lands and meadows lying on the east side of the River, in Smithtown. Also three mares and colts, four heifers, one silver tankard, half my sheep, half my flax, and the remainder of my wheat and corn and one third of my cattle and my silver headed cane. But if my son

Daniel dies without issue, then I leave the said lands and meadows to my son, Solomon Smith. I give to my daughter Deborah, my large silver cup. I leave to my son Solomon and my daughter Irene, one half of my personal estate. I leave to my daughters, Sarah and Mary, one third of my household stuff. I give to my wife Mary, £25, to be paid by my son Daniel, within two years. And to my daughter Irene, £40, when of age or married. I leave to my daughters, Sarah and Mary, £40 each, and six cows and calves each, when they are of age or married, and to be paid by my son Daniel. If my son Daniel shall neglect or refuse to pay the same, then my executors shall sell eighty acres of my land, adjoining the road from Smithtown to Brookhaven. Fifty acres lying on the south side of said road, bounded on the west by Jonathan Smith, and on the east by Richard Smith. And thirty acres lying on the north side of said road. I appoint my wife Mary, and my trusty and well beloved friend, Epenetus Smith, Esq., executors.

Dated November 19, 1719. Witnesses, Sarah Platt, Jonas Platt, James Smyth. Proved in New York, before Governor William Burnet, May 16, 1721.

[NOTE.—Daniel Smith was one of the sons of Richard Smith, the Patentee of Smithtown. Less is known concerning him than any other of the sons, and hitherto, even the approximate date of his death was unknown. As he leaves no lands to his son Solomon, he probably had given him lands by deed of gift.—W. S. P.]

In the 'name of God, Amen. April 28, 1730. I, THOMAS OAKLEY, of the Borrough Town of Westchester, carpenter, being sick. I leave my body to be buried at discretion of my executors. I leave to my wife Abigail, a bed and bedstead, with curtains, blankets, bolsters, pillows, and other furniture, thereto belonging, and £10. I leave to my son Thomas, one horse, and my best saddle and bridle, and £5. I leave



to my son Nehemiah, a mare and my old saddle and bridle. I leave to my daughter Jemima, a bed and furniture, and one cupboard which is coloured with blue, white, and red, and she is to allow the value of it out of her legacy. My executors are to sell all the rest of my estate, houses, and lands, mills, orchards, and personal estate. All debts to be paid, and the remainder to my wife and my children, Thomas, Jemima, Nehemiah, Abigail, Elisha, and Edward. The sons are to have their shares when 21, and the daughters when 18. The children under 14 years of age are to be put to trades. I make my son Thomas, and my brother, Miles Oakley, and my friend, Jonathan Odell, of Eastchester, executors.

Witnesses, Thomas Gardner, John Cuer, Leonard Vincent. Proved, May 26, 1730, before Gilbert Merritt, Esq.

In the name of God, Amen. I, REM ADRIANSE, of Flushing, in Queens County, yeoman, being sick. I leave my body to the earth to be decently buried. All debts and funeral expenses are to be paid out of my personal estate. I leave to my wife Sarah, all my estate, whatsoever and wheresoever, and all houses, lands, and meadows, so long as she continues my widow. But if she happens to be married again, all my estate is to be sold in some convenient time, and the money paid to my children, Elbert, George, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Catharine, and Rem. Also my meadow in Newtown. Only, Elbert, my eldest son, is to have £10 more than the rest, and my carpenter tools. I make my wife and my friends, Abraham Brinkerhoff, Teunis Brinkerhoff, Direk Brinkerhoff, and Cornelius Hooglant, executors.

Dated March 26, 1730. Witnesses, Joseph Smith, Anthony Glenn, Abram Schenck. Proved, June 22, 1730.

In the name of God, Amen. April 22, 1730, in the 3d year of King George II. I, JOHN BUCKBEE, of the

Borough Town of Westchester, yeoman, being sick. My executors are to sell at some convenient time, when most advantageous, all my lands, meadows, and houses, and salt meadows. And all my privileges, in the tract of land called the Long Reach; and my £25 right in the Sheep Pasture of Westchester, and all my personal estate, except two cows, and a bright bay horse, and a brown horse with a star in his forehead, and all my bedding, and the value of £3 in other things, such as my wife shall think fit to take. From the proceeds, my executors are to pay all debts and funeral expenses, and the remainder to be divided into nine equal parts, and I leave two parts to my wife Abigail, and the rest to my seven children. (*Not named.*) I leave to my wife for her right of dower, all the above reserved articles. My sons are to be bound to trades. I make my brothers-in-law, Thomas Hunt and Abner Hunt, and my wife, executors.

Witnesses, Thomas Gardner, John Cromwell, William Forster. Proved, May 5, 1730.

In the name of God, Amen. I, BENJAMIN CROMWELL, of Jamaica, Queens County, on the Island of Nassau. Cooper, being sick. All debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Phebe the use of all buildings, and the lot I live on, and all my estate after debts are honestly paid, during her widowhood. But if she marries she shall have one half of the movable estate. After the death or marriage of my wife, my executors are to sell all my estate, and divide the proceeds among my children, Benjamin, John, Sarah, and the child my wife now goeth with. I make my loving and trusty brother-in-law, Increase Carpenter, and Elias Bayles, Jr., executors.

Dated May 31, 1730. Witnesses, Ruth Bayles, John Muirhead, Nehemiah Smith. Proved before George Clarke, Esq., August 5, 1730.

In the name of God, Amen. April 6, 1726. I, HENRY JOHNSON, of Richmond County, husbandman, being

sick, and knowing that it is appointed for all men, once to die. After all debts are paid, I leave to my son William my riding horse, saddle, and bridle, for his birth-right. I leave to my eldest daughter, Anne Johnson, my brass warming pan, and side saddle. I leave to my three sons, William, Nathaniel, and Matthias, all my lands, buildings, and meadows, on Staten Island. I leave to my six children, William, Nathaniel, Matthias, Anne, Mary, and Sarah, all my movable estate. I leave to my eldest daughter, Anne, £30, which my son William shall pay. To my daughter Mary, £30, which my son Nathaniel shall pay, and to my daughter Sarah, £30, which my son Matthias shall pay. I make Johanes Depece and my son William, executors.

Witnesses, Thomas Sheckfielding, William Britters, Abraham Cole. Proved, March 25, 1730.

To all Christian People to whom these presents shall come, Greeting. Know ye that I, HUGH COWPERTHWAIT, of Flushing, in Queens County, do make this my last will and testament. And as to the outward substance which it hath pleased God to bless me withall, I do dispose of it as followeth. All debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Grace, all houses and lands in Flushing, to her and her heirs and assigns, for ever. Particularly my homestead, or house and land and meadow where I now dwell; bounded westwardly by Flushing creek, southwardly by John Clemment's land, easterly partly by John Clemment, and partly by land of Joseph Hinchman, and partly by land of John Foster, north by land of James Smallshanks, and partly by highway, containing 50 acres. With all buildings. Also my lot of land joining to the land of Matthew Farrington, deceased, on the west side; south by Thomas Field, east by a lane, north by the highway. Being 13 Acres. Also a piece of land at the Long Swamp, Bounded west and north by land, now or late of John Genong, east by Jonathan Wright and Thomas Farrington, Jr., south by Christopher Hopper. Being

6 acres. Also a piece of salt meadow, lying near Tews Neck. Bounded north by meadow of Richard Lawrence, and west, south, and east by Flushing Creek, and two small creeks passing out of said creek, Being 10 acres. I also leave her all my personal estate and she is to pay all of the following legacies, namely, I leave to Joseph Rodman, Thomas Farrington, and Samuel Bowne, £100, in trust for ye use of ye Poor amongst Friends (commonly called Quakers) in ye Province of New York. To be paid after the marriage of my wife, or within one year after her decease. And the said sum is to be put at interest for the said Poor, and to be continued at interest forever. I give to the said Thomas Farrington (viz., him called Town Thomas), £25, to be paid at the same time and manner. I leave to my beloved brother, John Cowperthwait, all my wearing apparell, and my riding mare and saddle, and £10, to be paid as soon as convenient. I leave to my beloved cousin, Hugh Cowperthwait, £200, to be paid within one year. I leave to my cousin, Elizabeth Shotwell, £100, and to her daughter Elizabeth, £15, and to all the rest of her children, each £10. I leave to my cousin, Susanna Webster, £100, and to her children, £8 each. I leave to my cousin, Abram Shotwell, my youngest mare. "Also George Fox Doctrinal Book, and one of William Sewels Historys." I leave to my cousin, Ambrose Copland, £50, and to his son, Cowperthwait Copland, £12, 10s., and to his two daughters, Sarah and Elizabeth, each £5. All to be put at interest, and paid to the children when of age. I leave to my brother, James Mott, the works of Isaac Pennington. I leave to Richard Seaman, one of Barclay's Apologies, and £5. I leave to Richard Hallett, £5. I leave to Nathaniel Seaman, one of Barclay's Apologies. I leave to John Rodman, "George Fox, his Great Mystery, and Books of Epistles." I leave to Silas Titus, William Penn's No Cross No Crown." I leave to Hannah Ryder, my Sewel's History, in three parts. I leave to my beloved brother, John Way, £5.



To my cousin, Edward Burling, Jr., £5. To my cousin, William Burling, Jr., £5. I leave to my beloved brothers, Edward Burling and William Burling, and to my trusty and beloved friends, Samuel Bowne and John Ryder, each £5, in consideration of the trouble they are likely to have, in executing my will. If my wife should marry, she shall give security for the sum left to the Poor. I make my two brothers, Edward and William Burling, and my said friends, Samuel Bowne and John Ryder, and my wife Grace, executors.

Dated this 28 day of the second month, called April, 1730. Witnesses, John Clemment, John Bowne, Richard Cornell, Daniel Humphrey. (All except John Clemment were Quakers.) Proved, June 3, 1730.

[NOTE.—The seal attached to the signature of the testator has H. C. impressed on it. The term “cousins” in the will probably means nephews and nieces. The books mentioned were all noted works, written in defence of the Quakers and their doctrines.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. March 4, 1728. I, HERBERT VANDERBERGH, of New York, carman, being sick. All debts and funeral expenses to be paid. I leave to my eldest daughter, Elizabeth, my Great Bible, for priority of birth. All the rest of my estate, houses, and lands, I leave to my wife Mary, during her life, provided she so long continues my widow. If she marries, she is to have the use of one third. All the rest I leave to my three daughters, Elizabeth, Tuentie, and Mary. I make my wife executor.

Witnesses, Edward Man, Edward Pennant, Pieter — (*illegible*). Proved, May 26, 1730.

I, WILLIAM FRASHER, of the Patting Ship (Patent ship) of Moriches, in Suffolk County, laborer, being in a weak and low condition. I make my trusty and well beloved friends, John Mackie and Nathaniel Smith, executors, to take care of my estate as followeth. “I

leave to my wife Jermermer (Jemima), my Indian gearl, called Ester, and one third of my movable estate. I leave to my daughter Phebe, my Indian gearl, called Mol, and my young Ron (roan) mayr. I leave to my son Daniel, my young gray mayr colt. To my daughter Hannah, 10 sheep. To my daughter Abigail, 10 sheep. All the rest to my children."

Dated April 27, 1727. Witnesses, John Wool, Gabriel Luff, Jr. Proved, April 2, 1730.

In the name of God, Amen. I, BENJAMIN MOORE, of the town of Southold, Suffolk County, Gentleman, being sick and weak. I leave to my wife Abigail, the use of all my lands, during her natural life, if she continues my widow, except the lands hereafter mentioned. But if she marries, she shall have as the Law directs. I leave to my wife all my movable estate, during her widowhood, and she has power to give to my unmarried daughters, Rachel and Abigail, as she shall think fit, and also to my daughter, Anna Cleveland. I leave to my son Benjamin, the house where he now lives, and the land thereto appertaining, and bounded southerly by the street, east by my own land, now in possession of the widow Petty, north by a cross-fence, at the north end of my orchard, and to extend west so far as the east end of my garden. I also leave to my son Benjamin, a debt which he oweth me, and I do acquit him from all debts due to me from the beginning of the World, to the date of these Presents. I leave to my son Matthew, all my land lying in Hallocks Neck, containing 9 Lots, bounded partly by William Wells, partly by road, partly by Captain Reeve, partly by Benjamin Reeve, and partly by land in the possession of Benjamin Woolly, and partly by the creek. Also a piece of land commonly called Lotts orchard, bounded partly by a lane, partly by the street, partly by Benjamin L'Hommedieu, and partly by land in possession of Joseph Moore. I also leave him a gun, now in his possession. "And ye Acts of Assembly,

Contained in a Book lately purchased of William Bradford." I leave to my son James, a gun which was purchased of Armstrong, and my Beetle and wedges. And my son, Israel Moore, shall pay to my son James, £20, in four years. I also leave to my son James, £5, to be paid by my son Micah. I leave to my son Israel, my dwelling house, and orchard, and also a lot of land adjoining to my orchard to the north, with all the buildings. Bounded south by the street, west by land formerly of Samuel Derby and Thomas Young, north by my own land, divided by a cross fence, and east by land in the occupation of the widow Petty, and partly by land left to my son Benjamin. I also leave him one half of my land lying at the North Side, bounded east by the road, north by Thomas Reeve, west by the road, south partly by John Corwin, partly by Nathaniel Moore, deceased. The east side of said lot I leave to my son, Israel Moore. I leave to my son Micah, all the rest of my lands, and the west part of my North Side land. I leave to my daughters, Rachel and Abigail, each a bed, with all bedding. I leave to my daughter, Anna Cleveland, a large pewter dish, and pewter platter. My executors are to sell the land held in partnership between me and Samuel Derby. I make my wife and my son-in-law, Ichabod Cleveland, and my son Israel, executors.

Dated February 17, 1727. Witnesses, Charles Gilham, Benjamin Woolly, Henry King. Proved, March 26, 1730.

In the name of God, Amen. February 27, 1769. I, SOLOMON WELLS, of the town of Southold, Suffolk County, yeoman, being sick and weak. I leave to my wife Esther, the use of all my lands and houses, so long as she remains my widow, and no longer. I leave to my three children, David, Esther, and Elizabeth, all my lands and meadows, after my wife's interest is ended. If all three of my children die, I leave all my said lands to my daughters, Bethiah Terry, Mehitabel

Fanning, and Hannah Wells. I leave to my daughters, Bethiah Terry, Mehitabel Fanning, and Hannah Wells, each £200, York money, and to my wife, £50. My wife shall take into her hands all my movable estate, and after debts and funeral expenses are paid, she shall give to my daughter Hannah, such household goods and furniture as she shall think proper, and the rest to my children, David, Esther, and Elizabeth. I make my wife, and Benjamin Wells, and Phinehas Fanning, executors.

Witnesses, John Wells, Joshua Benjamin, Abigail Benjamin. Proved before Jared Langdon, Surrogate, December 25, 1769.

In the name of God, Amen. I, RICHARD VAN DYCK, of New York, merchant, being at present sick. I leave to my wife Elizabeth and my son Henry, all my lands and tenements, to them and their heirs and assigns as tennants in common. And also all my personal estate, and I make them and Benjamin Kissam, of New York, Attorney at Law, executors.

Dated May 21, 1770. Witnesses, Richard Kip, cooper, Johanes Quackenbos, Richard Parkin. Proved, July 21, 1770.

In the name of God, Amen. April 10, 1766. I, PETER TOTTEN, of Rye, in King street, in Westchester County, farmer, being in good health. I do first and foremost order all my just debts to be paid, and funeral charges, and charges of settling my estate, to be paid by my executors. All the rest of my personal estate I leave to my son Daniel and my daughters, Jean Dusenbury, Phebe, wife of Richard Barnes, Mary, wife of John Pell, Jr., and to all the children of my deceased daughter, Martha, wife of Caleb Huisted. My executors are to sell all my personal estate at publick vendue, and pay debts and legacies. After my wife's decease, my executors are to sell all my real estate, and to pay to my eldest son, Peter Totten, 5 shillings. To the children of my deceased son, Gilbert Totten,



£300, and £60 which my son Gilbert paid for the use of my son Daniel. I leave to my son Joseph, £200. To my son Daniel, £140. The rest to all my children, then living, and the children of those who are dead. "And whereas before the date of this will I have given two deeds of gift to my sons, Gilbert and Joseph, for all my lands which I possessed at the time, which I should not have done, of my own free will, but was over persuaded to give the said deeds, which ever since has much troubled my mind, by reason it did not do equal justice between my children. And I do hereby, as much as in me lies, disallow and revoke the said two deeds of gift, and I desire that no Court of Law or equity shall allow them." I make my sons, Peter, Joseph, and Daniel, executors.

Witnesses, Jonathan Miller, James Brundige, Caleb Fowler. Proved, May 29, 1770.

In the name of God, Amen. I, DAVID PROVOOST, of New York, boatman. July 21, 1756. I leave to my wife Christiana, all my real and personal estate, during the time she remains my widow. To enjoy the use and profits as she shall think fit and convenient. But if she marries, she is to have such a part of my estate as the Law will justly allow her. All the rest of my estate, I leave to my well beloved sons, Peter Praa Provoost, Daniel, and Jonathan, and my daughter, Catharine Ruw. I make my wife and children executors.

Witnesses, Ahasuerus Turck, Johanes Kool, Lawrence Wessels, baker.

Endorsed "No Probate granted on this will." On another part of the page is written, "Proved, March 15, 1770, before John Bowles."

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN CRAIG, of New York, mariner. I leave to my wife Ledeia, all my estate and all and everything that may or is belonging to me, and I make her executor.

January 26, 1763. Witnesses, Samuel Donald,

Thomas Poole, innholder, Jean Poole. Proved, May 19, 1765.

[NOTE.—This will is written on a printed form, and a power of attorney on a printed form is attached.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS HODGINS, of New York, late Cordwainer, but now Leather Dresser, being sick. I leave to my wife Elizabeth, all my real and personal estate, none in the World excepted, and I make her executor.

Dated June 1, 1743. Witnesses, John Breese, Gerard J. Beekman, Simon Johnson. Proved, January 19, 1759.

The wife seems to have been dead at that time, and Abraham Messier, saddler, was made administrator.

In the name of God, Amen. March 28, 1751. I, DANIEL FROST, of Oyster Bay, in Queens County, Gentleman, being sick and weak. All debts to be paid. I leave to my brother, Wright Frost, 10 shillings. To my brother Joseph, 10 shillings. I leave to my niece, Letitia Frost, all the lands and tenements which I bought of the executors of John Pryor. I leave to my brother Jacob, all my right in the lands called the New Purchase. Also my horse, saddle, and bridle, and all farming utensils, and all my swine and hay. And my desk and case of bottles, and my gun, and my hone and razor. To my niece Letitia, 2 beds and all household furniture, and silver cup and spoon, and my gold sleeve buttons, and all provisions and money. To my brother Jacob, all my wearing apparell, silver buckles, and buttons, and my bullet mould, shot mould, and spoon mould, and I make him and Benjamin Woolsey, executors.

Witnesses, Samuel Bayles, Daniel Underhill, Charles Weeks.

*(The signature is an illegible scrawl.)*

The following affidavits are attached:

“Samuel Clowes enters a Caveat, in behalf of

Wright Frost, Jacob Frost, and Joseph Frost, brothers of Daniel Frost, against proving this will." May 11, 1751.

William Lawrence, Practitioner in Physicks and Surgery, maketh oath, That he had often been called to attend, and administer medicine to Daniel Frost, late of Oyster Bay, deceased, and did attend him in a lingering distemper, and that he was much disturbed in head, memory, and understanding. That about the latter part of March last, he was desired to be a witness of his will, and went to his house with that intent. That Charles Weeks and some others were in the room. That the will was produced, and the said Daniel Frost, who this deponent says could write pretty well, made two scribbles upon the paper, but was not at the time of sound memory or understanding, and very inclinable to a lethargy, of which he dyed about a month after. And that he is clearly of the opinion, that the said Daniel Frost was not capable of making a will, and he therefore refused to be a witness thereof. Sworn May 6, 1751.

Daniel Underhill, being a known Quaker, affirmed, That at the time he was desired to be a witness to the will of Daniel Frost, dated March 28 last, he did after much hesitation, put his name to the same. But was very doubtful in himself concerning the same. And upon the whole, he does not believe that the said Daniel Frost was of sound mind and memory.

Charles Weeks deposes, That he was desired to be a witness to the said will, and that Doctor Lawrence and others were present. And that said Daniel Frost did make some marks, against the Seal. And that the Doctor refused to be a witness, because he thought he was not in his right mind, and this deponent suspected the same. And that the executing of the will was deferred till the next day, and then the testator did execute it with the other witnesses. But that in his opinion the testator was not otherwise in respect to mind and memory, than he was the day before.

Probate was not allowed, and Wright Frost, Jacob Frost, and Daniel Underhill, were appointed Administrators, and executed a bond on a printed form, May 6, 1751.

In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB WALTON, of New York, merchant, being at this time afflicted in Body. I direct all debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Mary, the dwelling house and part of the lot where we now live, except the store house on the rear of the lot, and the ground whereon it stands. During the time she remains my widow. Also the use of all my plate and furniture, and my two negro women slaves. Also the full sum of £3000, for her own use, and a negro boy, and all her apparell, rings, and jewels. All the rest of my real estate except the said dwelling house and lot and store house, I leave to my five sons, William, Jacob, Thomas, Abraham, and Gerard, to be divided as they can agree among themselves, when the youngest is of age. And in the meantime, my executors are to manage, and keep the buildings in repair. If my wife should marry, she shall have one half of my plate and furniture, over and above the £3000 left to her. Also the negro boy and her apparell and rings and jewels. My dwelling house, lot, and store house are to be appraised, and my eldest son, William, is to have the same at the appraised value, and he is to pay  $\frac{1}{5}$  of the value to each of my sons. It is to be appraised by two indifferent and discreet men of the neighborhood. And whereas by a contract of marriage, made by me and Lewis Morris, Esq., of Morrisania, and Lewis Morris, Jr., his son, and Mary, his now wife, then Mary Walton, my daughter, reciting that a marriage was shortly intended, between said Lewis Morris, Jr., and my daughter, Mary Walton, I did agree to pay to said Lewis Morris, Jr., £1000, for her marriage portion. And as the marriage has been consummated, I have already advanced the said £1000, and I do intend to give other sums, of which I intend to keep an



account. The same amount shall be paid to each of my other children, when of age or married. The rest of my estate I leave to all my children, William, Jacob, Thomas, Abraham, Gerard, Mary, Magdaline, and Catharine. My executors are to advance such sums of money, as may be necessary for instructing any of my sons in such art, mystery, or calling or profession, as shall be thought proper. I make my wife Mary, and my brother, William Walton, executors.

Dated October 14, 1749. Witnesses, James Devereux, Abraham Lodge, Richard Morris. Proved in New Jersey, before Anthony White, Esq., April 19, 1750.

Endorsed "Recorded in Secretary's office in Perth Amboy, in Book E, of Wills, Page 386."

[NOTE.—Jacob Walton, died October 17, 1749, aged 47. His house was No. 128 Pearl street and lots in the rear. He married Maria, daughter of Gerard Beekman, May 14, 1726. His oldest son, William, married Mary, daughter of Governor James de Lancey. He died August 18, 1796, aged 65. The son Thomas died unmarried, May 23, 1772, aged 37. The daughter Magdalene married David Johnston. Catharine married James Thompson. This family inherited the wealth of their uncle, William Walton, whose will is in Vol. VII of this series, page 178. The above will is of great length and beautifully written on large sheets of paper.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. The last will and Testament of MAURICE SULLIVAN. I leave to my wife Mary, all my worldly substance, and I make her executor. I further impower her to sue John Gardner, for £8, 17s., 6d., due to me for cash lent him.

Dated December 20, 1752. Witness, Martin Jarratt. (*No Probate.*)

In the name of God, Amen. January 12, 1747. I, SUSANAH VAN SICKELLEN, of Flatlands, in Kings County, in the Island of Nassau, single woman, being in

health. After my lawful debts are paid, and my funeral charges are defrayed, I leave all my real and personal estate, in Flatlands or elsewhere, to the children of my brothers and my sisters. That is to say, my estate is to be divided into six parts. And one part to the children of my brother Reynier, one part to the children of my brother Ferdinandus, one part to the children of my sister Margaret, one part to the children of my sister Eve, and one sixth to my sister Anne, and one sixth to my sister Cornelia. I leave to my cousin (nephew) Ferdinandus, the eldest son of my eldest brother, 10 shillings for an acknowledgement. I make Ferdinandus Van Sickelen, Sr., and Ferdinandus Van Sickelen, Jr., executors.

Witnesses, Lucal Voorhees, Abraham Duryee, Simon Gerritsen. (*Not Proved.*) Both executors resigned.

In the name of God, Amen. I, being feeble of body and not well, and calling to mind that it is appointed for all men to die. First all debts to be paid. I leave to my wife her equal thirds, and to live on my farm, and have her third of the profit. I leave two thirds to my sons, Solomon and Steven. I make my wife Deborah executor. Dated May 15, 1751.

ROBERT FARRINTON.

Witnesses, Joseph Conlin, Alexander Dowell. Proved, December 6, 1751. No residence given. A small legacy to the eldest son, whose name begins with Th——, rest illegible.

In the name of God, Amen. March 17, 1752. I, JAMES KNAPP, of North Castle, in Westchester County, Gentleman, being very sick. All debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Elizabeth, one feather bed and bedstead, 2 pair of sheets, a pair of pillows, a new coverlid, and a pair of blankets, and pewter plates and platters, a gallon basin, 2 Porringers, a tin pan, a chest, a table, pots, frying pan, 3 chairs, and looking glass. The rest of my movables to be sold at public Vendue, and my wife to have the use of the money, to

bring up the children, till 14 years of age, and then I leave all to my son Joseph and my daughter Sebe. I make my wife and my brothers, Gabriel Knapp and Daniel Knapp, executors.

Dated March 17, 1752. Witnesses, Timothy Carpenter, Jacob Carpenter, John Green. Proved, April 9th, 1752.

I, WILLIAM SHEPARD, late of Jamaica [West Indies], but now of New York, being sick. I leave to Jane Laurence and Hannah Laurence, £12, 10s. each, for their extraordinary care of me in my sickness. My personal estate, both in New York and in Jamaica, such as negroes, etc., to be sold, and my executors in New York are to remit to my executors in Jamaica. I leave to my brother, Thomas Shepard, now an apprentice at Cork, in Ireland, £100 Stirling, to be sent by Patrick Hogan, when he is of age. Also my shoe buckles, and knee buckles, sleeve buttons, sword, spurs, and watch. I leave to my mother, Margaret Shepard, £100 Stirling. To my sister Elenor, £100. All the rest I leave to my sisters, Mary Hays and Ann Barwin, it it exceed not £50. I leave to Thomas Shepard, £100 on a bond for £1000, from John Hynes. I leave to my brother Edward, now in Jamaica, £300, and the rest to my brother James, of Jamaica. I make Peter Van Brugh Livingston, and Hugh White, and my brother James, and Patrick Hogan, executors.

Dated July 10, 1742. Witnesses, Collin Mackenzie, John Waddell, Joseph Collett. Proved, August 6, 1742.

(Nuncupative will of RICHARD ANNELY.)

Appeared before George Clarke, Esq., Lieutenant Governor, on September 12, 1743, Francis Lewis, of New York, merchant, and John West, clerk to said Francis Lewis.

John West deposes, That on Tuesday, September 6, of this month, he was at the dwelling house of Mr.

Richard Annely, merchant, deceased, at Whitestone, in Queens County, where he was then lying sick, and he was desired to come into the chamber where he was then lying, and where he found his sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Annely, and one Hannah Beard, in the room with him. And he had some discourse with said Richard Annely, concerning his will. And he said he had little or nothing to do as to his will except as to his place at Whitestone, which he said should be for his sister Elizabeth and Mrs. Beard, and that he would give it between them, which he repeated several times. And he gave said John West directions to make his will. But deponent said that he did not understand such things, and said Annely desired him to go to Flushing and get some person. And he went to Flushing and got one Philips to come, who stopped at one Doughtys, within a quarter of a mile of the house where the said Richard Annely lay, and did not venture further, for fear of the distemper of which said Annely then labored, the same being accounted contagious. He then went to acquaint said Annely that Philips was at the house of Doughty; but durst not come. He found Mr. Francis Lewis, Mrs. Elizabeth Annely, and Hannah Beard, with the said Richard Annely; and the said Annely died in the evening of the same day. And the said Francis Lewis deposes, That on the 6 of September he was with said Annely at Whitestone, who told him that he intended to give his place called Whitestone to his sister, and thought it best to give her a Deed of Gift. Deponent said that Annely told him he had sent John West to Flushing, to get some one to write his will. Deponent said it was very necessary. That said West came, and said that Philips was at a neighbor's house, but durst not come. And Mr. Annely asked, What shall we do? Deponent said that he might give directions, and some person might take it down, and carry to Philips to put in form. And he desired deponent to do it. And he called for ink and paper, and desired said Annely to proceed. And



he stated, I give to my sister, Elizabeth Annely, that place called Whitestone, exclusive of that place called Wildys, with the land belonging to it, which I give to Mrs. Beard. And he wrote this down in the presence of said Annely. He then took it to Doughtys, to Philips to put in form; and he was informed that Annely had a right to some meadow at Flushing, and he returned to him. And Annely told him that it should be in his will that he gave it to his sister, and all that he had upon Whitestone. And he immediately went to Philips. He then returned and asked him concerning what might yet be left. And Annely said that he left half of his house in New York to his brother, Thomas Annely, as security for a debt of £300. He said that he made as executors, this deponent, and John Vander Spiegel, Abraham Lodge, and Mr. Ver Planck. He also chose Mr. Huisman, his friend. All of which he told to Philips. He also deposes, That said Annely died before the will could be read to him, and that he believed him to be of sound mind.

[NOTE.—Elizabeth Annely, the sister of the said Richard Annely, married Francis Lewis, whose name is famous as one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. They were the parents of Governor Morgan Lewis. It will be remembered that in those days, the term Mrs. was not only given to married ladies, but to unmarried as well, especially if of high social position, as in the above case. This will shows the origin of the name of “Whitestone,” an important locality in the town of Flushing.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. October 15, 1743. I, JOHN VAN GELDER, of New York, gun smith, being sick. I leave to my wife Sarah, All lands and tenements and household goods and personal estate, during her widowhood. I leave to my children, Hermanus, John, Tuenty, and Sarah, all my personal estate, except a negro man, which I leave to my wife. I leave to my eldest son, Hermanus, £3, in lieu of all claim as heir

at law. I leave to my son John, his maintainance in food and raiment and schooling so as to read and write and cypher, until he is of age. And my daughters are to have the same. I make my wife and sons executors.

Witnesses, John Man, Abraham Quick, James Ward.  
(*No Probate.*)

(Nuncupative will of GEORGE RICHARDSON.)

John Smith, of New York, mariner, and Peter Wallis, mariner, being sworn, depose, That at sundry times they heard George Richardson, mariner, declare and say to William Haynes, mariner, on board the Privateer, Brigantine "*Hester*," that if he dyed, the said William Haynes should have all that he left. And that they had an agreement that the longest liver should have all. And that the said Peter Wallis was the last person to whom he spoke.

Dated August 15, 1749.

In the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen. Be it known unto all men, especially those whom it concerns to know the same, that on the 3d day of February, 170 $\frac{6}{7}$ , appeared before me, Johanes Schenck, admitted Clerk of the Town of Midwout, the Hon. JACOBUS HEGEMAN, living at the New Land or East wood, in Kings County. The which considering the brittleness of human Life, the certainty of Death, and the uncertainty of the time and hour thereof, and willing to dispose of his temporal goods, by God Almighty lent him; and as I find myself sickly and feeble in body, though having my sence and memory. I make my loving wife, Janettye Hegeman, mistress and executrix of my whole estate, so long as she shall live, in such manner as the same is fast and loose, movables and immovables. Without being accountable to the children or any other. If she remarry, an inventory shall be taken. And I make my three children, Adrian, Elbert, and Catharine, my universal heirs. But my first born son shall have for his right of Primogeni-

ture, £3, and my Large Bible. Desiring that this my will may be observed and complied with. Dated February 3, 170 $\frac{6}{7}$ .

JACOBUS HEGEMAN.

Witnesses, Peter Nevins, Joseph Hegeman, Johanes Schenck, Clerk.

January ye 30, 1741. A true Copy and Translation of the Dutch original will, for (*illegible*).

Proved, January 29, 1741, before John Moore, Esq. The widow being dead, Elbert Hegeman and Abraham Lott were made Administrators with the will annexed.

In the name of God, Amen. Know all men by these presents, that I, GEORGE NICHOLSON, mariner, of His Majesty's Ship *Shoreham*. I leave to my mother, Mary Nicholson, all my real and personal estate, and what is due me on said ship. And she is to pay all lawful debts. I make Mr. Edmund Strange, Lieutenant of said ship, executor.

Dated at New York, March 3, 172 $\frac{8}{9}$ . Witnesses, G. Stopforth, A. Buckman, John McDuff. Proved, May 8, 1730.

In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM HARRISON, of Richmond County, on Staten Island, Clerk, being in a state of perfect health. Being sensible of the necessity of doing Justice to all men. I think fit to leave this Instrument, in order thereto, and this is my last will. And I do by this cut off all other wills. Particularly, One made, on [account of] the Rev. Comisourys Vesey's being my chief creditor, by a bond now in the hands of Joseph Pearce, of Trenton, in New Jersey; which will is in keeping of William Ricketts, of New York, Esq. But it is not now of any use, the said Vesey being paid in full. I commit my Body to the Earth from which it was taken, to be decently layed in the Grave until the General Ressurrection. I leave to my loving friend and brother, the Rev. Edward Vaughan, of Elizabethtown, in New Jersey, all my wearing clothes, Books, Sermons, and Manu-

scripts. And the two half length Pictures, and four Oval pictures, now in possession of Captain Ricketts. My executors are to sell in the best manner, all my stock of cattle, sheep, negroes, and household goods, for the paying of debts and legacies. I leave to the Poor of Staten Island, £20, if so much be left when debts are paid. I leave my Funerall, to be at the discretion of my executors, but to be plain and without show or ostentation, Decent and Humble such as becomes a Pilgrim who died Poor, in a strange land. I appoint Mr. Adr. Shiler (Adonijah Schuyler), Gent., of New York, and Joseph Pearce, of Trenton, executors, they being my chief creditors. To this I set my hand and Seal this 16 day of September, 1735.

Witnesses, Mary Catharine Boudinot, Mary Emott, Mary Vaughan.

Endorsed, "Probate not issued."

Annexed to the will is the following: "Mary Vaughan, July 12, 1739, *jurat*, that she saw the other witnesses sign." "Mr. Adonijah Schuyler, one of the executors, sworn and Power given to Joseph Pearce."

In the name of God, Amen. February 17, 172 $\frac{6}{7}$ . I, JOHN MULFORD, of East Hampton, in Suffolk County, being sick. I leave to my wife Elizabeth, £12, to be paid in six months, and a bed and bedstead, with all furniture belonging to the same, and a silver tumbler. and one looking glass, all which she brought with her. And provision and firewood for one year. I leave to my grandson, John Mulford, my silver headed cane. To my granddaughter, Phebe Mulford, 5 shillings. To my daughter, Jane Dennison, £3. I leave to my granddaughter, Mary Cogsell [Cogswell], one quarter of all movables. I leave to my daughter, Jane Dennison, one quarter of all movables, and one half of my wheat now growing. I leave to my daughter, Deborah Conkling, one half of my movables, and one half of the wheat growing. I make my two daughters, and their husbands, my executors.



Witnesses, Samuel Gardiner, Mary Huntting, Matthias Burnet. Proved, October 18, 1736.

[NOTE.—Deborah Mulford married Cornelius Conkling. Jane Mulford married Daniel Denisson.—W. S. P.]

The will of HENRY RICHARD, brother of Paul Richard (who was mayor of New York, in 1735), may be found in Liber 12, Page 465. Attached to the original will, is the following Certificate:

Certificate of Thomas Thach and Stephen Desbrosses, That Henry Richard, one of the brothers of Paul Richard, Esq., of New York, lately undertook a voyage beyond Seas, to Funchall, in Madeira, and did there make his will, November 5, 1735, and that he made them his executors, and left them each £50. And that they and one Benjamin Bartlett were witnesses. They resigned as executors, and request that Letters of Administration may be granted to Paul Richard. And they release all claim to the said legacy, in consideration of sixpence, paid to each by said Paul Richard.

May 11, 1736. Witnesses, John Poor, Saul Heath, Jr.

Henry Richard died in Madeira.

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN STRATTON, of East Hampton, in Suffolk County, yeoman, being well in body. I leave to my grandson, son of my son John, deceased, now newly born, my two pieces of land, lying near John Conklings, as you go to Amagansett. One bounded by the land of John Conkling and Thomas Mulford and highway, and the other is bounded with the land of John Conkling on one side, and on the rest by highways. And all my meadow at Napeage, and  $\frac{1}{8}$  of a share on Montauk, and a 4 acre Right in East Hampton Commons. Provided he live to be 21 years of age. But if he dies, then I leave the same to my five daughters, and they are to pay to my daughter Ann, £20. I make my brother-in-law, John Conkling, exec-

utor. All the rest of my estate I leave to my five daughters, Ruth, Sarah, Mary, Hannah, and Ann.

Dated October 2, 1721. Witnesses, Robert Hudson, Matthew Mulford, Samuel Gardiner. Proved, December 5, 1735.

Hannah Stratton married Thomas Chatfield, and they were made Administrators. John Conkling having resigned.

Hannah Stratton married Judge Thomas Chatfield, May 26, 1707.

In the name of God, Amen. February 25, 173 $\frac{1}{2}$ . I, CORNELIUS WINANT, of Richmond County, yeoman, being sick. All debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Mary, one third of all movables, and the rest to be sold by my executors. I leave to my wife the use of all my lands, during her widowhood, but if she see cause to marry then as follows: To my daughters, Elizabeth and Mary, £50 each. And whereas my wife is now with child, if it be a daughter, she is to have £50. I leave to my son Cornelius, one fowling piece or gun, as my heir at law. All the rest of my estate to my sons, Cornelius and Abraham, and the child unborn, if it be a son.

Witnesses, Abraham Cole, Simon Bogart, Barent Schuyler. Proved, April 6, 1735.—*See Volume III, page 173, of this series.*

I, SAMUEL PINE, of Hempsted, in Queens County, being well in health. My executors are to sell all houses and lands, even all my whole estate, real and personal. All debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Rachel, two thirds of my estate, and one third to my well beloved friends, Joseph Latham and Thomas Townsend, of Hempsted, and Samuel Underhill, of Oyster Bay, and I make them executors.

Dated this 22 day of 12 month called February, 172 $\frac{8}{9}$ . Witnesses, Thomas Pearsall, Joseph Thorne, Jarvis Mudge, Jr. Proved, May 28, 1730. The executors were Quakers.

In the name of God, Amen. September 12, 1727. I, PIETER LOTT, of Flatbush, in Kings County, being at present sick. I direct all debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Sarah, all my estate, houses, and lands, and my personal estate, until my sons, Hendrick and Mauris Lott, are of age. But if she happens to marry, my executors are to take possession, for the best of my children, viz.: Hendrick, Mauris, Catharine, Antie, Maria, and Pieter. But if she remains unmarried she is to have the east room in my dwelling house, with the cellar and chamber, and 30 acres of land in the township of Flatbush, Bounded north by the Kings road that leads to Jamaica, and west by William Van Bursum. Being in breadth  $2\frac{1}{2}$  Lots, and in length, south from the Kings road till it makes up 30 acres. And she is to have fire wood and fencing out of my woodland in Newtown. And she is to have hay from my meadow in Flatbush. And one third of my orchard that joins to my dwelling house. I leave to my sons, Hendrick and Mauris, all my houses, lands, and meadows, in Flatbush or Newtown, when they are of age, or after the death of their mother, Catharina Lott. And they shall pay to my daughters, Catharina, Antie, and Maria, £600 each, in six years after they come in possession. I give to my son Pieter, all my farm or Plantations in Kings County, in the Town of Boswyck (Bushwick). I make my brother, Johanes Lott, and my brothers-in-law, Rem Remsen and Andries Onderdonk, Johanes Schenck, and Abraham Lott, executors.

Witnesses, Joris Colm, Thomas Betts. Proved, June 4, 1730.

In the name of God, Amen. I, GERRITT ALBERTSEN, of Jericho, in Oyster Bay, in Queens County, being very sick. All debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Abigail, £60, and a riding horse. I leave to my daughter Elizabeth, two cows, two calves, six sheep, a feather bed and furniture, and cupboard, six plates, two platters, three basons, six spoons, "one Eyron

pot, and one Eyron kettle, and two spinning wheels." All the rest of my household goods, I leave to my wife Abigail. All the rest of my estate, real and personal, I leave to my two sons, Nicholas and John. I make my wife and my son Nicholas, executors.

Dated December 29, 1729. Witnesses, Nathaniel Townsend, Jacob Seaman, Daniel Denton. Proved, April 13, 1730. (Nathaniel Townsend and Jacob Seaman were Quakers.)

In the name of God, Amen. The 7 day of the 11 month called January, 17 $\frac{2}{3}$  $\frac{9}{0}$ . I, DANIEL WILLIAMS, of Oyster Bay, in Queens County, carpenter, being very sick. I make Thomas Kirby and Samuel Weeks, Jr., of Cedar Swamp, and Thomas Williams, of Oyster Bay, and Joseph Williams, of Great Neck, in Hempstead, executors, to and for my wife Phebe and my children, John, Phebe, and Ruth, with full power to sell. After paying all debts, all the rest of the money is to be paid to my wife, to bring up the children.

Witnesses, Amos Weeks, John Mott, Mingo Cochran. Proved, April 6, 1730.

In the name of God, Amen. I, BENJAMIN CARPENTER, of Oyster Bay, in Queens County, being sick. I leave to my wife all household goods and movables, and she is to give to my two youngest daughters, Mary and Ann, enough to make them equal with my two eldest daughters, Elizabeth and Hannah. I also leave her the west half of my house and buildings, and my lands and meadows, during her widowhood. But if she marries she is to immediately surrender them. I leave to my son Joseph, all my lands and messuages, and buildings, and six sheep, and one horse. I leave to my son Benjamin, £100 when he is of age. To my son Robert, £100 when of age. I make my wife Mercy, and my son Joseph, executors.

Dated December 2, 1729. Witnesses, Nicholas Sneathen (?), Job Ireland. (Mercy Carpenter and



Joseph Carpenter were Quakers.) Proved, April 13, 1730.

In the name of God, Amen. I, LENA SCOTT, of New York, widow, being well in health. I leave to my two dear children, Rebecca and Rachel Scott, all my wearing apparell, linnen and woolen. All the rest of my estate I leave to my children, John, Peter, Hunter, Vincent, Rebecca, and Rachel, when of age or married. I make my son John, and John Le Montes, merchant, executors.

Dated March 11, 1729. Witnesses, Allert Anthony, Peter Van Duersen. (*One name illegible.*) Proved, August 8, 1730.

In the name of God, Amen. April 10, 1695, in the seventh year of their Majesties Reign (King William and Queen Mary). I, NICHOLAS GARRETTSE, of New York, mariner, being in health. All debts to be paid in some short time after my death. I leave to my son, Garrett Garrettse, in full of his pretense of being my eldest child and Heir at Law, £100, before any division, when he is of age. I leave to my wife Mary, during her life or widowhood, the use of all the rest of my estate, and then to all my children. But allowing my eldest son the privilege of having my Mansion House in the Broad Street, at the price it shall be valued at by two honest appraisers. If my wife should marry she is to have the use of one half, and the rest is to be delivered up to my brothers, Bartholemew Le Roux and Tobias Stoutenburgh, for the use of my children. I make my wife and Bartholomew Le Roux and Tobias Stoutenburgh, executors.

Witnesses, Abraham Vandewater, Luycas Van Thienhoven, William Huddleston. Proved, September 10, 1730.

[NOTE.—It will be noticed that the above will was not proved until thirty-five years after it was written. The lot and mansion house on Broad Street is probably the northwest corner of Stone Street.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. December 20, 1716. I, OBADIAH ROGERS, of Southampton, Suffolk County, being sick and weak in body. I leave to my wife Mary, the use of one third of all my lands, and the best room in my now dwelling house, and one third of my cellar and barn, and all other necessaries during her life. And one third of all my movables forever. I leave to my daughter Sarah, one cow, she having received her portion already. I leave to my son-in-law, Israel Howell, 5 shillings, his wife having received her portion in her lifetime. I leave to my granddaughter, Eunice Howell, one cow, when she is 18 years old. I leave to my daughter, Deborah Rogers, one third of all movables. I leave to my son, Obadiah Rogers, all my housing, buildings, meadows, and one third of all movables. I make my wife Mary, and my son Obadiah, executors.

Witnesses, Abigail Foster, Christopher Foster. Proved, April 8, 1730.

[NOTE.—Obadiah Rogers was son of Obadiah, and grandson of William Rogers, the first settler of the name in Southampton. His homestead was that of his ancestors before him, on the east side of Main Street, of Southampton; and north side of Meeting-house Lane. It remained in possession of his descendants for many generations, and is now owned by Samuel L. Parrish. Obadiah Rogers died May 5, 1729. He was born in 1655.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. April 19, 1729. I, WILLIAM SATTERLY, of Brookhaven, Suffolk County, being very sick. I leave to my wife Elizabeth, all my stock of cattle and household goods and movables, for her comfortable subsistence, and also to dispose of, as she in justice, and according to her good discretion, among our four daughters, Mary, Sarah, Elizabeth, and Hannah. I also leave her the use of the westernmost room in my house. I leave to my eldest son, William, all my land and tenements within my homestead, being 8 acres. And a 4 acre Lot in the Old Field, between the

lands of John Satterly and Catharine Gray. Also a 3 acre Lot in the Old Field, between the lands of John Briggs and Daniel Brewster. Also another 3 acre lot in the Old Field, between Richard Woodhull and Catharine Gray. Also a Lot at the Wading River of the Last Division, Number —, with a small share of meadow at said Wading River. Also a share of meadow at the Old Field Beach, and all my Right of Commonage. I leave to my second son, Richard, all the lands which I have given to him by deed. (*Not described.*) I leave to my third son, Nathaniel, that part of the Home lot formerly appertaining to Thomas Jenner, and purchased by me from his daughter, Susanah Raynor, joining north to my home lot. I leave to my fourth son, Arthur, a Lot lying near Crane Neck, known by the name of the Bank Lot, being 14 acres, adjoining north to Zachariah Hawkins. Also a 15 acre Lot, lying on the east side of Connecticut river. And a share of meadow at Nacomack. Also a piece of meadow joining to Thomas Helme, at the Old Mans. Also a share of Creek Thatch, on Goose Island. And a half share of meadow at the Fresh Pond. I make my wife sole executor.

Witnesses, Timothy Mills, Richard Woodhull, Jacob Longbotham. Proved before Henry Smith, Esq., "being thereto delegated by His Excellency William Burnet, Esq., Governor." October 29, 1729.

Will of TUNIS WARTMAN. I do make this to be my last Will and Testament. I leave to my two sons, Derrick and Tunis, all my lands and meadows, to be divided in six weeks, and my son Derrick to have the first choice, and they are to pay £740, as follows: To my son John, £10, and £30 to my daughter Sarah, within one year. Of the remaining £700, they are to pay £60 a year to their brothers and sisters, viz.: John, Martha Simonsen, Hannah Jacobse, Elizabeth Schanck, Catharine Bennit, Harmety Duree (*Dur-ye?*), Sarah, Derrick, and Tunis. I leave to my 3

sons, two negro men and one wench. To my daughter Sarah, a negro girl. To my daughter, Harmette Duree, 2 cows. The rest to all my children. I make my three sons, executors.

October 29, 1729. Witnesses, Hendrick Vandewater, Dirck Sprang, Josiah Hurman. Proved, December 11, 1729. (*Place of residence not given.*)

In the name of God, Amen. I, MARGARET STEWARD, of New York, widow, living in Golding Street, being sick and weak. I leave to Joseph Sackett, of Newtown, Queens County, on Nassau Island, my beloved friend, two Lots, one in New York, fronting Golding Street, between the lots of David Core (Corey?) and Johanis Beekman, and at the other end adjoining the lot of Margaret Brittel. The other Lot is in the Patent of Kakiat, in Orange County. I also leave him all movable property, and he is to pay all debts, and I make him executor.

Dated February 5, 172 $\frac{4}{5}$ . Witnesses, Benjamin Moore, John Wilson, Abraham Devine, Jacob Reeder. Proved, June 3, 1729.

[NOTE.—Golding Street is Gold Street.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. May 4, 1723. I, JOHN LAKE, of Gravesend, Kings County. I leave to my son Daniel all my estate, houses, and lands in Gravesend or elsewhere. And he shall pay to my four other children, John, Thomas, and Nicholas, and my daughter Mary, wife of Cornelius Van Sickelen, as follows: To my son John, £110. To my other sons, £100 each, and to Mary Van Sickelen, £70. I leave to my son Daniel, a negro boy, 3 cows, 2 horses, wagons, ploughs, and Harrow. All the rest to my 5 children. My son Daniel is to provide my wife Mayke all necessary and needful things, and maintain her in his own house, and a Decent and Christian Burial, at his own cost.

Witnesses, Samuel Hubbard, Samuel Gerritsen, Nicholas Williamse. Proved in New York, before Isaac Bobin, Esq., May 17, 1729.



In the name of God, Amen. November 8, 1723. I, CASPAR SPRINGSTEEN, of Newtown, Queens County, being sick. I leave to my wife Mary, all household goods, and movables, and the best room in my house, and she shall keep what goods and movables she may think convenient for her use, and she is to have the use of all the estate, for her maintainance. I leave to my son Joris, my home farm and orchard and land adjoining. And  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the salt meadows, that part which I used to mow myself. And he is to pay what remains due on two bonds to Gertry Lott and Johannis Lott. And he is to pay to his brother Derrick, £50. I leave to my son Abraham, the house, barn, orchard, and land adjoining, bounded west by Jonathan Moore, east by Mr. Pumry (Pomeroy?), north and south by highways. And a piece of woodland lying near his, between the land of William Creed and the land of Jonathan Coe. Also  $\frac{1}{3}$  of a piece of salt meadow joining the meadow of Jonathan Coe and David Coe. I leave to my son David, the house and lot he now lives on, bounded east by George Remsen, north and west by Robert Field, south by highway. And a piece of wood land and cleared land, bounded north and west by land of David Coe, south by Richard Betts, north by highway. Also  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the salt meadow, that part which he commonly mows. My son David is to pay to my daughter, Gertry Miler, £50. After death of my wife, all the rest of movables to my 5 children. I make my wife, and my son Joris, and my brother [in-law], Peter Praw, executors.

Witnesses, Robert Field, Samuel Wright, Josiah Herman. Proved, August 7, 1729.

In the name of God, Amen. I, JORIS BRINKERHOFF, of Newtown, in Queens County, being in good health. I leave to my wife Antie, during her widowhood, all my messuages, tenements, and Plantation, on which I now live, in Newtown, and the use of all personal estate. I leave to my eldest son, Abraham, my silver

Beaker, for his birthright. I leave to my son Hendrick, my messuage, tenement, and Plantation, with all appurtenances, after my wife's marriage or death. And he is to pay for himself and the rest of my children, £750. I leave all the rest to my children, Abraham, Tunis, Isaac, Hendrick, Sarah, Susanah, Aeltie, Neetie, and Antie. I make my son Abraham, and my son-in-law, Rem Adrianse, executors.

Dated May 17, 1728. Witnesses, Nicholas Berrien, John Foster, Peter Berrien. Proved, November 6, 1729.

In the name of God, Amen. August 19, 1729. I, DENYS VAN DUYN, of Flatbush, in Kings County, being very sick. All debts to be paid. I leave to my eldest son, William, £5 for his birthright. To my son Gerritt, £50, to be paid on the day of his marriage, or when he is 30 years of age. To my son Jacobus, £100, on day of marriage, or when 30 years of age. To my son David, £50, when married or 30 years old. To my daughter Maria, £50, on day of marriage, or when 30 years old. To daughters, Lydia and Keziah, each £50, when married or when 30 years old. I leave to my son William, all that tract of land or Plantation, whereon he now lives, at Raritan, in Somersett County, in Province of New Jersey, being 250 acres. And he shall pay to my executors, £400, to be divided among all my children, William, Denys, Gerrett, John, David, Jacomyntie, Anetje, Lydia, and Keziah. I leave to my son Denys, all that tract of land or Plantation where he now lives, at Raritan, aforesaid, being 200 acres. Also another piece at Raritan, of 50 acres, which is the rear part of the wood land adjoining my son William. And he is to pay to my executors, £430, to be divided among all my children. I leave to my son Gerritt, all that tract of land or Plantation whereon I now live, in Flatbush, as now in fence. Also a lot of wood land in New Utrecht, at a place called the Great Pann, being 13 acres. Also a lot of meadow in Flatbush, at

a place called Kanarsey (Canarsie). And he is to pay to my executors, £640, to be divided among all my children. The place in New Utrecht, or elsewhere, not herein given, is to be sold to any person or persons, upon Long Island living, and to no other persons from elsewhere, and the money to be paid to all my children. The crop of wheat of last year and this year, is to be kept for the family. And all my children are to have lodging in my house, and not to be molested, by their brother Gerritt, or any other brother, while unmarried. I make my sons, William and Denys, and my son-in-law, George Anderson, executors.

Witnesses, Rem Martense, Adrian Martense, Adrian Hegeman. Proved, November 3, 1729.

In the name of God, Amen. Be it known and manifest unto all People, that I, ABRAHAM GIRARD, of New York, sailmaker, being in good health. I leave to my wife Anna, all my lands and estate during her life, and after her death to my beloved friend, Michael Vaughton, of New York, sailmaker. I leave to my wife all personal estate, goods, and her apparel. I make my wife and Michael Vaughton, executors. And he is to pay to my wife  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the negro Jeffrey, which belongs to him and myself. Also all sums which he shall be indebted to me.

Dated April 10, 1724. Witnesses, Jacobus Kip, Abraham Boelen, Abraham Gouverneur. Proved, February 24, 1729.

In the name of God, Amen. I, SAMUEL EMBREE, of Hempsted, in Queens County, on Nassau Island, being very aged and full of Days. January 11, 1727 $\frac{1}{8}$ , but through the Goodness of Almighty God pretty well in health. I leave to my wife Sarah,  $\frac{1}{3}$  of all movable estate, goods, and chattels, except my negro boy, Josias. And also the use of all houses and lands until my son Samuel is of lawful age, in case she remains my widow, to bring up my children withal. After my

son Samuel is of age, she is to have the use of her choice of rooms in my house, and the use of  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the estate, and her fire wood. But if she marries, she shall not have the use any longer. I leave to my only son and heir, Samuel Embree, all my houses and lands, when of age, and my negro boy, Josias. But if he dies, then to my 4 daughters, Sarah, Abigail, Mary, and Hannah. I make my trusty and loving friends, Col. John Tredwell and Daniel Pearsall, both of Hempsted, executors.

Witnesses, Joseph Pettit, Isaac Germans, William Willett (Quaker). Proved, August 4, 1729.

In the name of God, Amen. August 22, 1729. I, JOHN JANSEN, of Brookland, in Kings County, cordwainer, being sick and weak. My wife Jannetye is to remain in full possession of all my real and personal estate, but if she happens to remarry, she is to have  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the movable estate. And she and my executors have power to sell that tract of land lying on the east side of the road to the Ferry, bounded southeast by Carel De Bevoise, northwest by John Rapalye, and they are to pay all debts. After her death I leave all my estate to my three sons, Johanes, Joris, and Barent Jansen. I leave to my oldest son, Johanes, £6 for his birth-right. I make my wife and Joris Rapalye, Peter Lott, and Isaac Jansen, executors.

Witnesses, George Bergen, John Ellm, Christopher Codwise.

(Signed) JAN JANSEN.

(Not probated.)

In the name of God, Amen. January 10, 17 $\frac{29}{30}$ . I, EBENEZER BLACKLY, of Huntington, Suffolk County, on Nassau Island, being very sick. In the first place I do constitute Edward Burling and Daniel Lewis, executors. Forty acres of land lying in the East Neck, joining Higbie Hollow, and Nine acres and a half, in the same Neck, joining Joseph Odell's land, are to be sold to pay debts. And if not sufficient, my negro boy



Cubit is to be sold, and personal property may be sold. My smith tools excepted. I leave to my son Ebenezer, a tract or parcel of land, lying Eastward of Jeremiah Platt, and half of another piece, lying on the north side of the Country Road; and he is to have my shop, with the bellows, anvil, vise, tongs, and hammer, and a bick Iron. My wife Jane and her two sons, that is, Benjamin Blackly and Daniel Blackly, shall live in my house, during the time she remains my widow. I leave to my son Daniel all my other lands and my house. I leave to my son Benjamin, 23 acres of land lying upon the Plains. I leave to my wife  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the movable estate, and the rest to my sons and daughters. My son Ebenezer to have a double share. Jeremiah Platt is to have the charge of my negro boy Cubit, for carrying on his mistress's business. If my wife marries, he is to be sold, and the money paid to my daughters, Elizabeth and Ann.

Witnesses, Richard Dingee, John Morgan. Proved, February 17, 17 $\frac{2}{3}$  $\frac{9}{10}$ .

Edward Burling being of the People called Quakers.

In the name of God, Amen. February 6, 172 $\frac{8}{9}$ . I, PETER LECOUNT, of Richmond County, being very sick. My wife Anne is to keep and remain in full possession of my whole estate, lands, and movables, and to reap the benefit of the same, so long as she doth remain my widow. "But if she do marri again to an other man, she shall take her thirds according to Law." I leave to my daughters, Margaret and Mary, all my lands and tenements when of age, and  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the movable estate. Whereas it is likely now, that my dearly beloved wife is with child, if it be a son, it is to have an equal share of my lands and £50 more. But if a daughter, she is to have an equal share. I make my brother, John Le Count, and my brother-in-law, Nicholas Stillwell, and my wife, executors.

Witnesses, Jacob Billow, Jaques Poillon, Abraham Cole. Proved, June 13, 1729.

In the name of God, Amen. June 13, 1729. I, JOHN SICKLES, of the Borroughstown of Westchester, yeoman, being sick. My executors are to sell all lands, meadows, and buildings, and pay all debts. And they are to pay to my son John, £5. I leave to my brother, Gerardus Sickles, my black mare. I leave to my wife the use of all the rest of the monies from the sale, and she is to bring up the children. If she marries, the executors are to divide all the money between my wife and children. (*Not named.*) I make my two brothers-in-law, Abraham Myer and Abraham Lent, executors.

Witnesses, Ryke Lent, John Drew, William Forster. Proved, June 23, 1729, before Gilbert Willett.

Because of the uncertainty of the present Life, I have thought best to make this my last will and Testament. I direct all debts to be paid. I leave to my daughter, Elizabeth Wood, my best bed, 2 blankets, a checked coverlid, a pair of sheets, bolster, 2 pillows, and a set of the best curtains, with the Vallances, bedstead, and cord. To my son, Richard Wright, £5. To my daughter, Hannah Everit, a negro girl, Darkas, for her and her eldest daughter, and not to be sold. All the remainder I leave to my daughters, Elizabeth Wood, Mary Fish, and Hannah Everit. I leave to my granddaughters, Elizabeth Fish and Elizabeth Furman, each a silver spoon at 12 shillings price. I make my friend, Robert Field, and my grandson, Josiah Furman, executors.

Dated January 19, 172 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

Signed SARAH WRIGHT.

Witnesses, Abraham Spring, Jonathan Wright, Abraham Morrill.

(Residence not given, but doubtless in Newtown, Queens County. No probate, but endorsed "Proved, August 7, 1729.")

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN CURWIN (Corwin), of Southold, Suffolk County, Gentleman, being

very sick and weak. I leave to my wife Sarah, my westernmost dwelling house, where I now dwell, during the time she remains my widow, and no longer. I also leave her 1 horse, 2 cows, 8 sheep, and all household goods, to be by her disposed of to my daughters when and as she pleases. I leave to my son John,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my lands lying near Mattituck, that is to say, the eastward part, with the houses on the same. And  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the meadow at Cutchogue, and westerly from thence. And  $\frac{1}{2}$  my lands at Aquebawk. Also a young horse and a pair of oxen. I leave to my son David,  $\frac{1}{2}$  my lands near Mattituck, the west half; and  $\frac{1}{2}$  my meadow at Cutchogue, and westerly from thence. And  $\frac{1}{2}$  my lands at Aquebauke, and a horse and a pair of oxen. I leave to my son Joseph, all that part of my home lands, on the south side of the street or highway; that is, lying westerly of a ditch in the meadow, and containing about 20 acres. And  $\frac{1}{3}$  of my fresh and salt meadows, lying near the mill meadows, so called. And one lot of Creek Thatch at Indian Neck, and all my Creek Thatch in Toms Creek. I also leave him 2 oxen and a horse and one falling ax. Also all the wood and timber growing on 6 acres of the southermost part of my north side lot of land lying between the inlet and Duck Pond. I leave to my son Samuel, all my house, lands, and buildings where I now live, as the same are lying on both sides of the highway or street, except what is given to my son Joseph. I also leave to my son Samuel, my North side lot of land lying between the inlet and Duck Pond. And  $\frac{2}{3}$  of my fresh and salt meadows lying near the mill creek meadow (so called). And two lots of Creek Thatch on Indian Neck, and a horse, and a yoke of oxen. I leave to my sons, John, David, and Samuel, all my farming implements. To my son John, my best pistols and holsters, and my worst sword. I leave to my sons, David and Samuel, my two guns, and my other sword and my bagonet (bayonet). I leave to my three daughters, Sarah, Anna, and Patience, one cow each. I leave to my

daughters, Martha and Experience, one cow, one heifer, and 6 sheep, each. I leave to my grandson, the eldest son of Jonathan Brooks, 10 shillings. All the rest of estate to my sons, John, David, and Samuel. My son John is to pay to my son David, £10. And my son Samuel is to pay to my son Daniel, £10. My sons, John, David, and Samuel, are to keep my wife's horse, cows, and sheep, and they are to pay her yearly  $3\frac{1}{2}$  bushels of wheat;  $3\frac{1}{2}$  of Indian corn, and 4 loads of firewood. I make my wife Sarah, and my son John, executors.

Dated December 9, 1729. Witnesses, Samuel Hutchinson, Silvanus Davis, Benjamin Hutchinson. Proved before Brinly Sylvester, Esq., February 11, 17 $\frac{2}{3}$  $\frac{9}{10}$ .

In the name of God, Amen. I, SOPHIA TELLER, widow of Andries Teller, late of New York, and executrix of his will, Being aged and infirm, but thanks be to God, of sound memory, for the future peace and quiet of the children of my son, Oloff Teller, and my grandchild, Andries Teller, the only representative of my eldest son, Andries Teller, deceased, do make this my last will and Testament. Whereas my husband by his will, dated May 18, 1700, did give to his eldest son, Andries, then in full life, but soon after deceased, the sum of £25, and also all that lot of land with appurtenances, lying over against the house we did then live in, next to the house and ground of Robert Livingston, on the Condition that I was to enjoy the use of  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the same. And it so happened by the pleasure of Almighty God that my eldest son, Andries Teller, died in 1702, and my daughter Margaret died unmarried, so that there remains only Andries, the son of Andries, our eldest son, and Oloff, our youngest son, to share the estate. And whereas my father, Oloff Stephense Van Cortlandt, in his life, by his deed, dated April 22, 1672, did make over to my late husband, and myself, his daughter Sophia, a certain house and lot of ground, in New York, to the north of the Wall or strand, hav-



ing to the west the lot and ground of Charles Bridges, to the north, that of Jolyn Verghen, and to the east a certain narrow lane, and to the south the afore mentioned Wall, being 24 feet wide, and 54 feet 8 inches long, Dutch wood measure. And whereas the said Oloff Stephense Van Cortlandt, on the 4th day of January, 1681, did purchase a certain house or tenement, to the northward of said house and ground, from Josyntie Verghen, situate between the house and lot of Charles Bridges and the aforesaid certain narrow lane; which he did likewise give unto the said Andries and Sophia. And whereas my son Andries, nor his son Andries, have had the said legacy of £25, I hereby bequeath, that after my funeral charges and just debts are paid, that my grandson, Andries Teller, shall have the said sum. And whereas my son, Oloff Teller, hath lately departed this life, leaving behind him several children. And as I have taken into consideration, that the house and other erections built upon the lot over against the house and lot that my deceased son lately lived in, and was devised to my eldest son, Andries, were built by the estate of my son Andries. And the lot of land whereon the house I now live in, fronting Duke street, with the other house and ground adjoining backward and fronting Dock street; and the tenement that was purchased from Verghen, are of much less value, than the lot on the south side of the Strand. And it being considered that the houses and lots on the north side of the Strand, was the proper estate of my husband and me, and are of much greater value, than the bare lot of ground on the south side of the strand, adjoining to the house and ground of Robert Livingston, lately deceased. And as it may prove troublesome for my grandchild, Andries Teller, and the children of my son Oloff, to hold any real estate, as tenants in common, I hereby devise and bequeath to the children of my son Oloff, all that lot of land between Duke street and Dock street with all the houses. And I leave to my grandson, Andries Teller, all that

my  $\frac{1}{3}$  of a certain lot of land, formerly purchased by Mr. Oloff Stephense Van Cortlandt from Peter Stoutenburgh and Jan Vinge, executors of Rachel Van Tienhoven, lying at a place sometime without the City Gate, on the west side of the highway, and on the south side of the land of Jan Vinge, containing in breadth at the highway or east side, 18 rods and  $\frac{7}{10}$  of a rod, and on the west the like measure. To him the said Andries Teller, and his heirs and assigns. The said lot of land is to be valued by indifferent men, and if one half of the sum it shall be valued at, do amount to the sum of £200, then the devise shall be deemed a sufficient equivalent to the devise of the lot between Duke street and Dock street, left to the children of my son Oloff. But if the value do not amount to £200, the difference is to be made up by the children of my son Oloff. All the rest of my estate is to be sold, and I leave  $\frac{1}{2}$  to my grandson Andries, and the other half to the children of my son Oloff. And I reccomend to them to maintain the love, peace, and kindness to one another, as they will expect the blessing of Almighty God. I make my grandson Andries, and my friend, Frederick Van Cortlandt, and Mr. Stephen Bayard, executors.

Dated September 20, 1728. Witnesses, G. Du Bois, Coenradt Ten Eyck, Abraham Santford. Proved, October 1, 1729.

[NOTE.—Sophia Teller, daughter of Oloff Stevense Van Cortlandt, was born May 31, 1651, and married Andriese Teller, May 6, 1671. The house and lot where they lived is now No. 85 Pearl Street, extending through to Stone Street. The house where Mrs. Teller died is now No. 52 Stone Street, being the rear part of the lot above mentioned. The house and lot left to the grandson, Andries Teller, is directly opposite the above, and is now No. 88 Pearl Street. This was a water lot granted to Andries Teller, in 1687. Andries Teller (the grandson) married Catharine, daughter of Evert Vandewater. They had one child, Catharine,

who married Lawrence Lawrence, son of Samuel Lawrence. The name of Oloff Teller was Anglicized into Oliver. He married Cornelia De Peyster, October 10, 1712. They had children, Johannes, Oliver, Isaac, Andries, Maria, Sophia, Margaret, and Cornelia. The lot of land on which Andries Teller and his wife lived, was owned by Oloff Stevense Van Cortlandt as early as 1662. This descended to her, as part of her father's estate. The house and lot bought of Verghens, is probably No. 79 Pearl Street. The lot on "the west side of the highway," is on Broadway. As there is no deed for it recorded to Oloff Stevense Van Cortlandt, the will supplies a missing link. In 1733 Cortlandt Street was opened through the middle of the lot, and the heirs of Andries Teller had the south side. Gualtherus Dubois, one of the witnesses, was minister of the Dutch Church, 1699-1751, and the will appears to be in his handwriting.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN ASHLEY, of Hempstead, in Queens County, Gentleman. I leave to my wife Sarah, and to my children, John, Richard, George, Sarah, and Olive, each a negro slave. All debts to be paid without demurrer or Suit at Law. All the rest of my estate I leave to my children, when of age, and in the mean time to remain in the hands of my wife, to maintain and educate them. I make my wife executor, for that part of my estate which is in New York, and for that part which is in the Island of Jamaica. I appoint my cousin, Philip Roberts, and my friend, Richard Cargill, both of Jamaica, executors.

Dated May 14, 1729. Witnesses, John Jenny, William Laurence, James Stevenson. Proved, June 25, 1729, before George Clarke, Esq.

In the name of God, Amen. October 19, 1729. I, JOHN FERRIS, of the Borough Town of Westchester, Esq., being sick. My executors are to sell all my estate and pay all debts. I leave to my wife Elizabeth, £100.

Whereas my wife is now with child, if it be a boy he shall have £100, to be put at interest, and the interest to be paid to my wife, in consideration of bringing him up. If it be a girl, she is to have £40. I leave all the rest to my son John, and my executors are to pay for his bringing up and schooling. I make my brother, James Ferris, and my brother-in-law, Edward Burling, executors.

Witnesses, William Forster, Henry Gillam, John Smith. Proved, November 15, 1729.

Attached to this will is a seal, probably that of William Forster. A chevron between three hunting horns. Crest an arm, mailed, holding a dart.

In the name of God, Amen. I, NATHAN COLES, of Musketo Cove, in the town of Oyster Bay, yeoman, being sick. I leave to my wife Rachel, all household goods, and all movables, both in doors and out, to dispose of to my children and grandchildren as she shall see fit. I leave to my grandsons, Coles Mudge and Michael Mudge, £25 between them. I leave to my grandson, Lazarus Horton, £25. I leave to my daughter, Deborah Carpenter, the house and land lying at Duck Pond, where she now lives, during her life, and then to my granddaughter, Rachel Carpenter. I make my wife, and David Valentine, and Benjamin Carpenter, and John Carpenter, executors.

Dated December 6, 1724. Witnesses, Thomas Har-rad, Thomas Keble, William Harnchraft. No Probate, but endorsed, Proved, August 29, 1729.

In the name of God, Amen. May 8, 1729, in the Second year of King George II. I, JOHN WILLIAMS, of the Borough Town of Westchester, tanner, being sick and weak. My executors are to pay all debts, except £25, which my son John is to pay. I leave to my wife Abigail, the best room in my dwelling house where I now live, and the use of one third of my home lot; on both sides of the highway. And my field, called



the Tan vat field, and my salt meadow which I bought of John Jennings, and the use of one third of the barn, during her widowhood, and the use of one third of the personal property. I leave to my son Daniel, all my home lot, on both sides of the highway. And my Tan vat field, and salt meadow. And a £25 privilege in all the undivided lands, and my Tan vats. I leave to my son John, all my tract of land called Scabby Indian, with appurtenances. And he is to pay £25, on a bond owed by me to John Van Horne, of New York, merchant. And £20 to my son Stephen, and £15 to my daughter, Martha Brown. And £10 to my daughter, Abigail Purdy, and £10 to my son Daniel. I leave to my grandson, Edward Merritt, a cow. To my son Stephen, my Great Bible. To my son John, my cane. All the rest to my three sons. I make my sons, John and Stephen, and Israel Honeywell, executors.

Witnesses, Thomas Hadden, Daniel Turner, William Forster. Proved, May 12, 1729.

[NOTE.—Endorsed upon this, and many others of these wills, “Governor’s Fees 10 shillings. Secretary’s Fees £2.”—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, TIMOTHY DENTON, of Jamaica, Queens County, on Long Island. I leave to my wife Mary, all movables and personal estate, to bring up our child, and the use of the dwelling house and homestead, during her widowhood, with power to sell, and put the money at interest for my daughter Martha. All my outlands, meadows, and tenements, are to be sold by executors, for my daughter Martha. If she dies, then I leave one third of my estate to my brother, Nehemiah Denton, and two thirds to my brothers, Nathaniel, James, and Robert, and my sisters, Deborah and Martha. I make my father-in-law, William Burnet, of Westchester, and my friend, Samuel Smith, Jr., of Jamaica, executors.

Witnesses, James Smith, Edward Jones. Proved, March 21, 1729.

In the name of God, Amen. I, BENJAMIN COLES, of Oyster Bay, in Queens County, on Nassau Island, Gent., being very sick. I leave to my wife Phebe, all household goods and movable estate. I leave to my wife the use of all my homestead, lands, and meadows, during her life, and then to my son Joseph. I leave to my two daughters, Freelove and Jemimah, two lots of land, one lying by the highway that leads from Musketo Cove to Matinecock; and the other lying by the highway that leads from Musketo Cove to Oyster Bay. I make my wife and my brothers, Joseph Coles and Derick Albertson, executors.

Dated September 19, 1726. Witnesses, David Valentine, Josiah Milliken, Thomas Keble. Proved, October 23, 1729.

These Presents witnesseth, that I, BENJAMIN SEAMAN, JR., of Hempsted, in Queens County, October 28, 1729, being very sick, and willing to set my house in order. I leave to my three daughters, Elizabeth, Martha, and Jane, all household goods. Also the north east part of my two lots of land, which I bought of John Dingee, lying in the New General Purchase of Oyster Bay. The bounds beginning at a white oak tree, being the north east bounds of a lot I bought of Christopher Dingee, and thence to extend easterly about 50 rods, and thence to extend north east, or the course of the lots to the north east end of said lots of land. Also a part of a piece of land I bought of Joseph Wright, lying eastward of the Great Pond, by Crooked Path. Beginning at the north east corner of said piece, and from thence to run about, or near, southwest, to a walnut tree, about 30 rods. Then southward to a white oak tree that stands in the field, and from thence yet southerly, to a small tree that stands in the fence; and from thence to run as the fence stands, to the south west part of said piece of land, and thence eastwardly 44 rods to a white oak tree, and from thence to the place of beginning. My executors are to sell all

my out pieces and tracts of land, both divided and undivided, except my farm where I now live, and my rights of land on the Plains, and the money to be paid to my three daughters. All the remainder of my estate and my servants I leave to my daughters and my son Benjamin. I leave to my son Benjamin, all the remainder of the farm I now live on, and my Right on the Plains, and my dwelling house and buildings. And he is to pay to his sisters, £30, when he is 22 years old. And to his sister Jane, £30, when he is 23 years of age. The part of the two lots which I bought of John Dingee, is not to be sold till my son Benjamin is of age, and then he is to have the refusal. My three daughters are to live on the farm until my son is 18 years of age, they bringing him up, and giving him schooling sufficient to write and cypher. I make my brother, Solomon Seaman, and my brother-in-law, Jacob Townsend, and my cousin, Solomon Seaman, executors.

Witnesses, David Seaman, Arthur Kirk, Richard Valentine. Proved, November 27, 1729.

In the name of God, Amen. I, ELISHA MERROW, of Southold, Suffolk county, cordwainer. I leave to my wife Mary all household goods and furniture, and linnen, and woolen, except six silver spoons. Also the use of one third of my house and land where I now live in Southold, during her life. I leave to my son John, my house and land, two thirds, when he is of age, and one third after the death of my wife. I also leave him six silver spoons. I leave to my brother, Nathan Merrow, two tracts of land lying at a place called the Wading River, which I purchased of one John Robinson. And he is to pay £18, which is yet due for said land, I having paid £6. My executors are to pay all debts, and they may sell my part of the Sloop that is now building, and my boat lately purchased of Captain John Broderick (or Braddock), and also my watch. All overplus to my brother

Nathan and my son John. I make my brother Nathan executor.

Dated July 1, 1725. Witnesses, James Galloway, John Holloway, Benjamin Woolsey. Proved, March 21, 17 $\frac{29}{30}$ .

[NOTE.—The foregoing will is faded and almost illegible.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. September 9, 1720. I, CALOP (Caleb) CARMAN, SR., of Hempstead, Queens County, on Nassau Island, yeoman, being sick and weak. I leave to my wife all my movable estate, during her widowhood, but if she marries again, then to my daughters. I leave to my son Calop, the land which he now lives on, lying by the Plain Edge, near the Great meadow. And the meadow lying at the East meadow. I leave to my son Benjamin, my house and home lot in Hempsted; bounded north by my brother John's land, east by highway, north by Samuel Hinery (or Ginery?), and west by highway. I leave to my son Samuel, all my lot at a place called Hicks Neck, in Hempsted. I leave to my two youngest sons, Samuel and Benjamin, all my meadow at Coe Neck, and all my meadow at Hicks Neck. I leave to my three sons, all my rights of land, divided or undivided, not herein given. I make my son Calop, and Adam Mott, Jr., executors.

Witnesses, Samuel Embree, Benjamin Valentine, Abraham Bedell. Proved, October 23, 1729.

[The name is spelled Caleb Carman in probate, which is the true name.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, ROBERT WHITE, being in a weak and languishing condition. My executors are to pay to my brother, Joseph White, of Oyster Bay, 40 shillings, as a token of my brotherly love. I leave all the remainder to my sister, Mary White, not doubting but that she will fulfill what I have formerly communicated to her, as to the support of my dear



mother (*not named*), and my sisters, Abigail, Martha, and Ann, and I leave her all my estate, real and personal, in Oyster Bay or elsewhere, and make her sole executor.

Dated, in Oyster Bay, in Queens County, October 9, 1729. Witnesses, Abraham Weeks, Edmund Weeks, William Mayles. (No Probate. Endorsed, Proved, January 1, 17 $\frac{29}{30}$ .)

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSHUA HORTON, of Southold, Suffolk County, Gent., being sick and weak. My executors are to pay funeral charges and debts out of that part of my estate left to my wife Mary. I leave to my eldest son, Joshua, the 3 Lots of land where he now dwells, bounded west by Captain John Corwin. And one Lot in the four several Divisions of land last laid out in the said town, which is to be understood, one of those two Lots of land in the said Division that my son Joshua drawed and received at the time they were delivered by the surveyors. And one Right of Commonage in said Town. Also my 4 Lots of meadow in Curchoge great meadow (so called). Also one Lot of Creek Thatch, at the said Curchoge, formerly Col. Youngs. And  $\frac{1}{3}$  of my other Creek Thatch, lying at the said Curchoge, next unto the said lot. Also all that part of my meadow at Fort Neck (so called), lying northward of a white oak tree standing near the said meadow, over against the head of the creek there. Reserving a way through gates or bars, to the meadow given to my son Joshua. I also leave him 5 shillings. I leave to my daughter, Zerviah Case, 5 shillings, over and above what I have formerly given her. I leave to my wife Mary, the west room in my dwelling house, with the chamber over the same. And the privilege of the Old Orchard, while she remains my widow, and then to my son Ephraim for life, and then to his son Joseph. I leave to my son Ephraim, during his life, all the remainder of my houses, orchard, and home lot, and all my north side and back side lands (so

called), Bounded east by William Horton and Jeremiah Vail, west by the lane and William Halliock's land. Also 3 Lots in Hog Neck, bounded west by Benjamin Reeve, east by Nathaniel Youngs. Also 2 Lots in each of the four Divisions of land laid out, and bounded as by the Book of Entries may appear. And 2 Rights of Commonage. And all my meadow at Pine Neck, bounded south by Joshua Wells, north by the highway, into Pine Neck. And all my meadow at South Harbor (so called), bounded east and west by John Goldsmith, and after his death all these to go to his son Joseph. I also leave to my son Ephraim, during his life, 3 Lots, about 75 acres, bounded east by Henry Wells, west by Thomas Goldsmith. Also 2 Lots of Creek Thatch at Curchoge, bounded east by William Salmon. And all my meadow at Fort Neck, not given to my son Joshua. And after his death I leave all these to his son Benjamin. I leave to my son Ephraim, all husbandry utensils, and to my wife Mary, all goods and moveables and money not herein mentioned. My son Ephraim is to keep my orchard in fence, and to keep in repair, the part of the house left to my wife. And she is to have 3 cows, 10 sheep, and firewood, and 10 bushels of wheat, 10 of Indian corn, and 15 pounds of flax yearly. I make my wife and my friend, Lieut. Matthias Hutchinson, and my cousin, Jonathan Horton, executors.

Dated March 23, 172 $\frac{2}{3}$ . Witnesses, James Landon, Jonathan Corey, Benjamin Youngs. Proved, February 11, 17 $\frac{2}{3}$ .

In the name of God, Amen. June 1, 1729. I, NATHANIEL BRITTON, of Richmond County, Esq., being at this time dangerously ill. Whereas it has pleased God to give unto me thirteen children, which are all now living, being six sons and seven daughters, namely, Nathaniel, Richard, Nicholas, Abigail, Elizabeth, Alice, Rebecca, John, Samuel, Mary, Sarah, Rachel, and William. And whereas the first four have been

portioned and provided for out of my estate, and the fifth and sixth have been partially provided for. I will that all funeral charges and debts be paid. I leave to my wife Elizabeth, a negro woman, and one third of my personal estate. I leave to my son William, a lot of land, 60 acres, and 6 acres of salt meadow, there-to belonging, situate at the head of Fresh kill, which was sold to me by James Dye. And he is to pay to my grandson, Nathaniel, son of my son Abraham, deceased, £30, when he is of age. If my son William dies without issue, then I leave the above to my sons, John and Samuel. I leave to my sons, John and Samuel, all my farm or Plantation where I now live, in the South Precinct of Richmond County; lying between the Plantations of Col. Nicholas Britton and Vincent Fountain, Jr., with all appurtenances. The northeast part, joining Col. Nicholas Britton, is to be for my son John; and the southwest part to my son Samuel. The Hom-machs, in the Fresh meadow are to be in the part of my son Samuel; and the rest of the meadow equally between them. And they are to pay £250 to six of my daughters, viz.: Elizabeth, wife of James Poillon, Alice, wife of John Cowell, each £25. And to my daughters, Rebecca, Mary, Sarah, and Rachel, each £50 when of age or married. I leave to my grandson Nathaniel, 2 cows and 2 mares. I leave to my son William, £100. To my son Nicholas, 6 shillings. I leave to my sons, John and Samuel, two thirds of my personal estate, and to my wife the use of the farm. I make my wife and my son John, executors.

Witnesses, Lewis Stillwell, James Carman, Daniel Sayre, Jr. Proved, November 11, 1729.

In the name of God, Amen. I, PETER DE MILL, of New York, baker, being in perfect health. I leave to my wife, Mary Vanderheull, *alias* De Mill, during her widowhood, all my estate, houses, lands, and goods. And she shall bring up the children till of age or married; and she is to give each a portion, or outsetting,

as she shall think fit. And she may sell, with the consent of my brothers, Isaac Kip and James Vanderheull, all my estate. After the death of my wife, all my estate is to be divided among my children. (*Not named.*) And my oldest son is to have 20 shillings over and above his share, in bar to all claim as heir at law. I make my brothers, Isaac Kip and Johanes Vanderheull, trustees, and my wife, executor.

Dated July 27, 1711. Witnesses, Andries Marschalk, William Eyght, Jacob Bennett. Proved, June 15, 1729.

In the name of God, Amen. February 9, 1729. I, CALEB COLES, of Oyster Bay, in Queens County, yeoman, being very sick. My executors may sell all that certain tract of land, near the town of Oyster Bay, adjoining William Wright, Richard Butler, and Wright Coles, containing 80 acres. I leave to my two brothers, Robert and Barak, and to my sisters, Martha, wife of Samuel Macoune, and Deborah, wife of Joseph Woolsey, all my lands and orchards, being the Homestead, in the Town Plot of Oyster Bay. And a share and a half of meadow, and a Right in the undivided lands, in the Old Purchase. And also a tract of land, or field, adjoining John Week, Sr., and Esther Townsend, being 15 acres. I leave to my loving mother-in-law, Sarah Rogers, the room in the north end of my dwelling house, and the benefit of  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the North orchard, during her life. I leave to my two nieces, Sarah and Hannah Woolsey, each a cow and 4 sheep. All the rest to my brothers and sisters. I leave to Wright Coles and Freelove Coles, 5 shillings each. I make my brother, Barak Coles, of New York, merchant, and my friend, Jotham Townsend, of Oyster Bay, executors.

Witnesses, John Weeks, Jr., Thomas Townsend, John Weekes. Proved, February 26, 1729.

In the name of God, Amen. September 29, 1729. I, CORNELIUS JACKSON, of Richmond County, glazier. My



wife Mary shall have as the Law directs, after my debts are paid. My executors may sell all lands, goods, and negroes, a year and a day after my decease, and divide among my five children, Margaret, Susanah, Elizabeth, Sarah, and Mary, when they are of age. I make Abraham Cole and John Le Count, executors.

Witnesses, Wygant Le Count, Richard Cole, Albert Johnson. Proved, October 10, 1729.

Be it known and manifest unto all People, that I, JACOB BOELEN, of New York, goldsmith, being in good health. I leave to my wife Catharina, all my estate, real and personal, lands, and goods, for life. And after her death, I leave to my granddaughter Catharina, the only child of my eldest son, Isaac, deceased, £3, when she is of age or married. I also leave her all that my house and lot where I now live, in the Broad street, between the houses and lots of Ursilla Van Dyck and William Roseboom. I leave to my son Henricus, all that my house and ground, now in his tenure, in New York, fronting the Dock, behind Queen street, between the lots of Anna Vanderspiegel and Cornelius Langevelt, which lot is to contain the whole breadth of the lot, and to extend back towards Queen street, sixty-three feet, to the remainder of my ground, with all my right to the Dock. I leave to my son-in-law, Jacob Goelet, Jr., and my daughter Catharine, his wife, all that my large house and ground, now in his occupation, fronting Queen street, between the houses of Anna Vanderspiegel and Cornelius Langevelt. To contain the whole breadth, and to extend back to the lot left to my son Henricus, being 70 feet 2 inches, with the privilege of a water course over the said lot to the river. And they are to pay £100 to my son Henricus, and £200 to my nephew, Coenraet Ten Eyck (son of Dirck), cordwainer, to be put at interest for my granddaughter Catharina. I leave all my personal estate to my granddaughter Catharina, and my son Henricus, and to Jacob Goelet and his wife. I make my wife

Catharina, and my son-in-law, Jacob Goelet, and my son Henricus, and my nephew, Coenradt Ten Eyck, executors.

Dated July 31, 1725. Witnesses, Abraham Gouverneur, John Walters, John Marshall. Proved, March 23, 17 $\frac{29}{30}$ .

[NOTE.—Jacob Boelen lived on Broadway. In 1694 he purchased of Thomas Lloyd a lot 89 feet wide, bounded east by the Broadway, north by Crown Street (now Liberty). It was divided into four lots, now Nos. 139–145. The house and lot left to his daughter Catharine, wife of Jacob Goelet, Jr., is now No. 116 Pearl Street. He bought it of Elsie Leisler, widow of the famous Jacob Leisler, in 1699. The house and ground left to his son Henricus, is in the rear of the above, fronting Water Street. Jacob Goelet was the “sworn interpreter of the Dutch language,” and wills translated by him are to be found in these volumes. He married Catharine Boelen, May 6, 1716. He left an only daughter, Jane, who married John Dies, of Catskill, where they built an elegant residence, which stood till recent years. She has many descendants among the Dubois and Van Loon families. She died March 5, 1799, aged 78 years. Her sons were the founders of Gilboa, in Schoharie County, N. Y.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN DUNK, of New York, vintner. After paying debts, I leave to my wife Margaret, my four negro slaves, during her life or widowhood, and then to my son-in-law, George Parker. My negro boy John to be free when he is 21, and in the meantime to remain with my son-in-law, and learn the art, mystery, and trade of a felt maker. All the rest to my wife during her life, and then to my son-in-law, George Parker. I make my wife executor.

Dated December 2, 1729. Witnesses, — Dupuy, Hercules Wendover. Proved, March 9, 17 $\frac{29}{30}$ .

In the name of God, Amen. This 24 day of February, 172 $\frac{1}{2}$ . I, CONTENT TITUS, of Newtown, in Queens County, on Nassau Island, being old and crazy, but of sound mind. I leave to my son Robert, all my real estate in Newtown, he paying out the legacies, and allowing grass and hay for 2 cows for Hannah. And all my wearing apparell, and all my tools for building, turning, and husbandry. Also 3 horses, 4 cows, and a negro man, Jack. I leave to my sons, Silas, John, and Timothy, 5 shillings each. I leave to my daughter Hannah, the use and whole command of my newest house, during her single state, and then to my son Robert. Also 2 negro girls, and all household furniture, belonging to the Great room, in the new house, and the rest of the movable estate. And she is to have  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the crop of every sort, and grass and hay for her cows, and if she dies unmarried, then to my daughters, Phebe and Abigail. I leave to my daughters, Phebe and Abigail, each a negro girl and boy and £20, having heretofore dealt out household goods to them. I make my son Robert, and my daughter Hannah, executors.

Witnesses, Moore Woodard, Charles Wright, Samuel Pumroy. Proved, January 31, 17 $\frac{2}{3}$  $\frac{2}{3}$ .

Hannah Titus resigns as executor, "being very weak, and indisposed in body, and incapable of going abroad, without great danger to Life."

[NOTE.—The term "crazy" at that time meant general debility of body, but not mental alienation.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. January 2, 1728. I, JOHN IRELAND, of Oyster Bay, Queens County, carpenter, being sick and weak. I make my wife Sarah, executor, and I leave her all lands, messuages, and tenements, so long as she doth bear up the name of her husband, John Ireland. And all my creatures, except 2 jades and 4 cows for my children. I leave to my daughters, Mary and Sarah, each a bed and a cupboard. I leave to my son John, when of age, one new

worsted suit of clothes, and a pair of new wash leather breeches. All debts to be paid. After the death or marriage of my wife, all my estate is to be sold, and divided among my seven children, born, and one not born. But the boys are to have £4 each more than the girls. (*Not named.*) I make Benjamin Simmons, of Westbury, and John Dinge, executors, after the death of my wife.

Witnesses, David Rogers, John Blackhead, William Crumly. Endorsed, "August 28, 1729."

I, CHARLES MOTT, of Cow Nek, in the town of Hempstead, in Queens County, being sick and weak. My executors are to sell all my housing and lands and meadows that I bought of Noah Barton, in Westchester County. And they may sell it in a short time or tarry some years, before they sell it. I leave to my wife Deborah, one third of my money and movable estate, and my executors are to put two thirds out at interest to pay for bringing up my children. If my children should prove sickly or lame, and the interest is not sufficient, they may use the principal. And they may give my children what schooling they think fit. And when my three daughters, Abigail, Elizabeth, and Mary, are 18, they are to have £20 each. I leave all the rest to my four sons, Joseph, Thomas, Samuel, and Silvanus. I make my father, Charles Mott, and my uncle, Adam Mott, and my brothers-in-law, Henry Pearsall and Richard Valentine, executors.

Dated August 31, 1729. Witnesses, Jacob Mott, Alexander Young, William Kirk, Thomas Pearsall. Proved, September 9, 1729.

In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM HALLETT, of Hellgate Neck, in Newtown, Queens County, being very infirm and weak. I leave to my son Joseph (my eldest son now living), all my houses, lands, tenements, and meadows, with all improvements, situate at Hellgate Neck. Beginning at a great Rock in the valley of



the southwest of the Ridge, and ranging from the rock south easterly 40 Degrees, to a certain marked tree in the woods, 300 rods. Ranging from the marked tree North easterly along the Purchase line, 47 Degrees to a stone set in the ground and marked W. H. on the one side, and S. H. on the other side, 178 rods. Ranging thence along the fence as it now stands to a stone set in the ground on the east side of my gate, at the end of the lane by my orchard. Ranging thence along the orchard 36 rods, thence along the Garden 16 rods. From thence down to the Purchase line, that comes through Hellgate. From thence to the mouth of the Great Creek, thence to the little creek, from thence to the Great Rock, the first station. And he is to have the equal privilege of the lane with Samuel Hallett; as it is now fenced, from the stone, by my gate to the water side, so down west to the Purchase line. Except a certain tract of land and buildings, given to my son, Moses Hallett, by a deed, June 7, 1708. To him, my son, Joseph Hallett, and his heirs male, and in default of such, then to my son, George Hallett, and his heirs male. And in default to my son Richard and his heirs male, and in default of such to my female heirs, forever. I also leave to my son Joseph, a negro man, and a negro wench, and a waggon, plough, and my great riding horse, and a cupboard, and the Great Table and great chest, and my silver Tankard. I leave to my sons, George and Richard, and to my grandson, Joseph Hallett, and to my daughters, Sarah Phillips, Rebecca Jackson, Sarah Blackwell, and Charity Moore, certain negroes. I leave to my true and loving wife, one third of the remainder of all my movable estate, and the privilege of the chamber in the stone house, during widowhood. And my son Joseph is to furnish her sufficient support and firewood. I leave two thirds of my movables to my five daughters, Sarah Phillips, Rebecca Jackson, Charity Moore, Mary Blackwell, and Elizabeth Fish. And my son Joseph is to keep for his mother, four head of cattle, winter and summer. I

leave to my sons, Joseph and George, all my apparell. I make my wife Mary, and my sons, and James Jackson, and Samuel Moore, executors.

Dated September 16, 1727. Witnesses, Samuel Hallett, Samuel Hallett, Jr., Samuel Richards.

(No probate recorded. Endorsed, August 23, 1729.)

In the name of God, Amen. March 3, 1728. I, SAMUEL THORNE, JR., of Flushing, in Queens County, being sick and weak. I leave to my wife Hannah, the use of one third of my lands and houses, lying at Success, in the bounds of Flushing, and the west rooms in my house, both above and below, during her widowhood. I leave to my son Samuel, all my lands and meadows in Flushing, with all improvements, and he is to pay to my son John, £350, when he is of age. I leave to my son Obadiah, all my lands in the West Jerseys, which was given to me by my father. I leave to my daughter Hannah, a bond for £100. My executors are to sell the rest of movable estate, and divide the money among my wife and my four children. I make my son Samuel, and my son-in-law, Samuel Stringham, and my friend, Benjamin Hicks, executors.

Witnesses, Elizabeth Elsmond, Thomas Hicks, Josiah Elsmond. Proved, April 14, 1729.

In the name of God, Amen. February 22, 1728. I, ELI NELSON, of Marneck (Mamaroneck), in Westchester County, yeoman, being very sick. I bequeath to my dearly beloved wife, a home, and I make her executor. I leave to my son-in-law, James Scholefield, my dues and demands from Peter Veen, and my loom and tackling, and 2 cows and 2 calves. I leave to my daughter Henerick, two cows and a horse. To my daughter Mary, a negro wench. I leave to my son Eli, the old field, which was my father's. I leave to my son William, the Homestead. I leave to my son John, the place I bought of Samuel Hadden. To my son James, my salt meadow and my orchard. If my son

Eli dies under age, then his part to go to my son James.

Witnesses, Peter Boyd, Michael Shaw, John ——— (*illegible*). Proved, April 1, 1729.

June 15, 1729. I, JOHN BATES, of Westchester County, being very sick. I leave to my wife Elizabeth, one half of all movables, and the other half to my three daughters, Hannah, Sarah, and Elizabeth. I leave all my lands to my three sons, Samuel, Joseph, and John, when of age. And I leave six shillings more to my eldest son, Samuel. I make my wife, and Joseph Sutton and John Clap, both of Greenwich, Connecticut, executors.

Witnesses, Moses Quinby, Dorcas Clap, Susanah Sutton. Proved, October 10, 1729.

In the name of God, Amen. March 23, 1728<sup>s</sup>. I, ROBERT GRIFFING, of Southold, in Suffolk County, bricklayer, being very sick. My executors are to sell to pay debts, my north side Lot of land, and three Lots of land upon the plain in Halliocks Neck, and part of Sawyers Neck. And if that is not enough, then one half of my mill to be sold. I leave to my wife Lydia, the use of my house and lot and one half the mill, and all household goods, and all debts owing to me, while she remains my widow. I leave to my sons, Samuel and William, my housing and four acres of land adjoining, and one half of my wind mill. To be divided between them at the discretion of two or three of the neighbors. I leave to my sons, Robert, Jasper, and John, and my daughter Elizabeth, each a feather bed, when they are of age. I make my wife and my sons, Samuel and William, executors.

Witnesses, Charles Stole, Benjamin L'Hommedieu, Samuel Turner. Proved, May 5, 1729.

“Governor's Fee 10s. Secretary £2.”

In the name of God, Amen. February 11, 1728. I, ALBERT RYCKMAN, of Richmond County, currier, being

sick. I make my wife Caternichie, and my father, John Ryckman, Gerritt Christopher, and Philip Keizean, executors. All estate to be sold. (*Will here illegible and torn.*) I leave all the rest to my wife.

Witnesses, Louis Dubois, jr., Adam Mott, — — — (*illegible*). Proved, August 30, 1729.

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN EVERITT, of Jamaica, in Queens County, on Long Island, being now sick. I leave to my executors, all my estate, real and personal, in Jamaica, to be sold, and after all debts are paid, the remainder to my wife Sarah, and my daughters, Sarah, Mary, and Elizabeth. I leave to my son, Daniel Everitt, all my estate in Orange and Ulster Counties, and my Indian slave. I make my brother-in-law, Thomas Smith, and my brother, Daniel Smith, executors.

Dated May 7, 1729. Witnesses, Nathaniel Higbie, Benjamin Cromell, Joseph Smith. Proved, December 5, 1729.

In the name of God, Amen. July 23, 1728. I, NATHAN WHITFIELD, of New York, mariner, being in perfect health. I leave to Rebecca Low, widow of the Rev. Mr. Andrew Low, late of London, £30 Sterling. I leave to my brothers, Peter and Josiah Whitfield, each £20. I leave to James Searles, John Marshall, William Bradford, Jr., and Albertus Bosch, all of New York, £10 each, to be by them laid out in a suit of mourning. All the rest I leave to Susanah Marshall, of New York, and I make her executor.

Witnesses, Jonas Smith, Harman Stout, Henry Beekman. Proved, December 3, 1729.

In the name of God, Amen. April 2, 1729. I, JONATHAN HUDSON, of Shelter Island, yeoman, being very sick. I leave to my son Jonathan, the lot of land which he now lives on, which I purchased for the sum of £172, 10s. I also leave him £37, 10s. I leave to my son Richard, the estate of land he now lives on, which



I purchased. I also leave him £20. I leave to my son Samuel, all the money which he has had of me, by way of loan, or otherwise, being £105. And enough more to make him equal to my son Richard. I leave to my grandson, Joseph Hudson, son of Jonathan, 12 acres of land, with an orchard on it, at a place called Okabog, in Southold. I leave to my daughter, Hannah Spencer, £32 Boston money, and 2 cows and a negro girl. To my daughter, Deborah Parker, £20 and 2 cows and a negro girl. To my granddaughter, Deborah Pain, £10. After all debts are paid, all the rest of my estate to be sold by way of auction or vendue, and the remainder to my wife, so long as she remains my widow, and after her decease, or after she is married to another man, then to my sons, Jonathan, Richard, and Samuel, and my daughters, Hannah Spencer, Deborah Parker, and Mary L'Hommedieu. I make my wife Sarah, and my son Samuel, executors.

Witnesses, Joel Bowdich, John Havens, Charles Stole. Proved, April 10, 1729.

[NOTE.—The above is one of the first instances where the word "auction" is used.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. August 17, 1728. I, WILLIAM HORTON, of Southold, Suffolk County, yeoman, being very sick. I leave to my wife Mary, the best room in my now dwelling house, or she shall make her choice, during her widowhood. I also leave her all household goods, and also all that I shall oblige my son William to do for her. I leave to my eldest son, William, my house and barn and home lot. And all my land at the north side of the town adjoining to my brother Jonathan's land on the east, and my uncle, Joshua Horton, on the west. Also 3 acres of meadow at Goose Creek, adjoining my brother James and Samuel Wines. Also 3 lots of meadow at Corchaug Great meadow, and 4 lots of Creek Thatch, at the bottom of Indian Neck. And all my right of land at Aquabok. And my two lots of land at Indian Neck Great Divis-

ion. And my lot of land at Corchaug Pond. Also a horse and a pair of oxen, and all husbandry tools, and a gun and a sword and my silver headed walking staff. And my son William shall provide for his mother yearly, the fifth bushel of all sorts of grain, that may be raised on the ground, and firewood, and he shall sow one quarter of an acre of flax, and furnish her 15 pounds of wool, and keep two cows for her. And he shall do for his grandmother, as I have done during my life time. I leave to my second son, Moses Horton, £15, and a colt, and my iron bound chest. I leave to my youngest son, Micah, £15. My son William shall give to his sisters, Mary and Mercey, when he is of age, each a chest with one drawer. I leave to my daughter Phebe, a cow. One lot of my land on Indian Neck, adjoining Elijah Hutchinson, shall be sold to pay debts. I leave all the rest of my lands and Commonage, to my son William, and my two best suits of apparell. I make my wife, and my brothers, Joseph and James Horton, executors.

Witnesses, Daniel Booth, John Peck, Jr., Jonathan Horton, Jr. Proved, April 1, 1729, before Brinley Sylvester, Esq.

In the name of God, Amen. The 20 day of July, 1729. I, ROBERT NORRIS, of Southampton, in the County of Suffolk, husbandman, being sick and weak in body, but of perfect mind. I leave to my son, John Norris, the use of all my houses, lands, meadows, and Commonage during his natural life, except what is herein disposed of otherwise. I also leave him all my Cooper's tools and Carpenter's tools, and my team and tackling, and my Great Byble, and my old mare, six sheep, a bed and bedsted, called the bedroom bed, and a steer called the bull stag, three year old. Also my gun, sword, and ammunition. I leave to my wife, Hannah Norris, the improvement of the east end of my dwelling house, and the east end of my barn, and the improvement of all the rest of my movable estate dur-

ing her natural life. I leave to my daughter, Hannah Howell, three acres of land, off that part of my home lot, joining to David Pierson's home lot. To her and her heirs and assigns forever, provided my son, John Norris, shall refuse to give her the sum of twenty Pounds. But if he will give the aforesaid sum to her, or her heirs, within five or six years from this time, then the said three acres, shall be to him and his heirs and assigns. I also leave her  $\frac{1}{2}$  the movable estate which I leave to my wife, after my wife's decease. I leave to my daughter, Mary Landon, five shillings, current money. To be paid in convenient time. I leave to my granddaughters, the daughters of Mary Landon, namely, Mary Goldsmith, Hannah Munson, and Hepzibah Wilmott, one half of the movable estate after the death of my wife. I leave to my granddaughters, the daughters of John Norris, namely, Hannah, Rhoda, and Keziah, each five Pounds, when they arrive at the age of eighteen, or are married. I leave to my grandson, John Norris, a colt. I leave to my grandson, John Norris, after his father's decease, all my housing and home lot, except the part left to my daughter, Hannah Howell. And my Beach Close, bounded part by the beach, and part by ye Narrow Lane, part by Mr. Whites land, and part by Hezekiah Topping's land. Also that piece of land called Pamers (Palmer's) lot, bounded on one side by David Pierson's land, and the other side by the land that was formerly my brother's, Peter Norris. Also one half of all my Commonage, and one half of all my meadows. I leave to my grandson, Nathan Norris, after his father's decease, all that piece of land called Poxabogue Lot, bounded south by Edward Howell's land, west and north by common land, and east by Captain Sayre's land. Also my wood close lot, bounded south and east by Abraham Pierson's land, north and partly east by Josiah Pierson's land, and west by the highway. Also all my Black Pond Close, bounded all round by a pond and Common land. Also one half of all my

meadow. If either of my said grandsons die under age, his share shall go to my other two grandsons, namely, Peter Norris and Stephen Norris. I make my son, John Norris, and Benjamin Howell, executors.

Witnesses Josiah Topping, Elnathan White, David Pierson. Proved before Brinly Sylvester, Esq., September 10, 1729.

(Written in the Dutch language.) In the name of the Lord, Amen. Be it known to everyone who shall see, or hear read this present Instrument. That in the year 1662 the 9 of October, at 9 o'clock in the morning, before me Tielman Van Vleege, Notary Public, admitted by the very Honorable and Noble Director General and Lords Counsellors, of New Netherland, in the presence of the after named witnesses, Have appeared before me in their own proper persons, DIRCK TEUNISSE, and his lawful wife, Aryaentje Waeleng, living in the village of Bergen, on the west side of the North river, well known to me. Being through the Lord's grace, strong in body and understanding, and in full possession of their memory, knowing that there is nothing more certain than death, or more uncertain than the hour thereof, and are not willing to depart without disposing of their temporal affairs. If the testator dies before his wife, she shall remain in full possession and have the income of all, real and personal, for life, with power in case of necessity to spend a portion. If she dies first, then her husband is to have one half, and the other half is to go to her children, as procreated between her and her former husbands, Franz Petersen Sloosz and Cornelis Jansen Slubber, by whom no property was left. Assigning to the children in full of all demands, the sum of 60 guilders, sewan, [wampum] value. Further, they leave to Jan, son of Joost Goderus, one quarter of the estate. And they leave 50 guilders to the Poor. Done in Bergen, 9 of October 1662.



Witnesses, Harman Smeeman, Laurens Andriesen,  
[Van Boskerk]

The mark of DIRCK × TEUNISSE.

ARIENTJE WALINGSZ.

[NOTE.—The testator of the above will survived his wife, and in March, 1669, married Catalyntie Frans, widow.—W. S. P.]—*See Volume I, page 165, of this series.*

(Written in the Dutch language.)

Extract from the minutes of the village of Brewckelen.

In the name of Our Lord, Amen, 1670, August 18. Appeared before me Dirck Storm, Secretary of the Court of Jurisdiction in the village of Brewckelen, appointed by the Very Honorable Lord Governor Francis Lovelace, and his Council, for His Royal Highness, the Duke of York, in the West Riding of the Long Island, and in the presence of the after named witnesses, in his own person, the worthy JAN EVERTSEN BOUT. After good consideration and of his own good will has executed this his last will. He leaves to Anthony Jansen and Maria Anthony, his wife, his faithful servants, their liberty and two draught horses, and two cows, and a pig, one year old. This is on account of the faithful service rendered to us, Jan Evertse Bout and his deceased wife, Tryntie Symons De Witt. And out of good will they agree to remain in the service of said Bout, during his life, without complaint or obstinacy. This the testator declares to be his last will. The said Jan Evertse Bout has subscribed to this with his own hand, with Jan Cornellisen Buys and Dirck Jansen Woertman, Supervisors in this village of Brewckelen, requested for the purpose. Done at Brewckelen and signed by said witnesses, also Jan Cornelis Dorman.

DIRCK STORM, Secretary.

In the name of God, Amen. Ye 18 of July, 1683, I, THOMAS STYLES of Flushing in ye North Riding of

Yorkshire being sick and weak, considering the uncertainty of this life which is mortall, and yt it appertaineth to every man, to sett in order all Worldly thinges, I leave to my daughter, Rachel Styles, that part of my lands yt I bought of Thomas Kinsey, with all ye housing and orchards, And half of my meadow lying next to the said land, and she is to be immediately possessed at my decease. I leave to my wife Margaret during her mortal life all the rest of my lands and meadows and houses. And after her decease to return into the hands of my daughter Rachel and her heyres for ever. I leave to my wife Margaret all movable household goods. It is my will that Thomas Rumsey, Sr., shall have his maintenance during his life time out of my estate. If my child die before it comes to bear issue, then I leave all to my wife. My child is to be brought up and educated with Learning out of that part of my estate left to my wife. I make my wife executor. I also request Mr. Richard Cornell and Richard Stoughton to be overseers.

Witnesses, Richard Cornell, Joseph Hedger, James Clement. Proved, December 6, 1683, before John Spragg, Esq.

In the name of our Lord God, Amen. Know all men that on the 2nd day of March, 167 $\frac{1}{2}$ , about 9 of the Clock in the evening, appeared before me Ludovicus Cobus, Public Notary, and the under named witnesses, PETER MESEEN VROOMAN and VALCHYR PIETERSE, who have had their Proclamation and Banns of Matrimony, and are to be married accordingly next morning. Both parties being well known to the Notary, and being in perfect sense and memory, and their bodies in good health. Considering the mortality of mankind, have thought best to dispose of their temporal estate. They appoint for their universal heir, to the surviving party all the estate, without any molestation of any person whatever. Provided allways, that they shall pay to

their two sons, being equal children, by name, Jan Gerritsen Stovatt and Matthias Pietersen Vrooman, to each of them the quantity of 80 merchantable Beavers, skins. And upon the death of either of the said parties, the said children shall enjoy one quarter of the estate, the computation thereof to be at the discretion of the survivor. And if they should procreate more children, they are to inherit with those above mentioned. The survivor is to be sole executor.

PETER MESSEEN VROOMAN,  
FOLKERTSE PIETERS.

Witnesses, Jan Verbeck, Claas Jansen Stovatt. Proved before Cornelis Steenwyck, Mayor, March 15, 168 $\frac{3}{4}$ .

JOHN PARSONS, of East Hampton, Suffolk Co., leaves to son Samuel, house and home lot, 8 $\frac{1}{4}$  acres, and 9 acres on east side of Hook Pond, and meadow at North West, and 2 acres on Eastern Plain by land of Richard Brooks and John Kirby, and  $\frac{1}{3}$  of his Commonage. To son John, 9 acres on Eastern Plain, west of the Indian Well, bounded west by Mr. Schellenger, and 6 acres on Eastern Plain, east of the Two mile Hollow, bounded west by John Miller, and 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  acres, east of the Two mile Hollow, bounded east by Enoch Fithian. And meadow at Ackabonack Neck, by Thomas Chatfield and Richard Strattan. To son Robert, land on North West woodland Plain, and bounded by good man Garlick and John Miller, and meadow at Napeague. To sons, John and Robert, the rest of my Commonage at town and Montauk. Wife (*not named*) to be comfortably supported.

March 5, 168 $\frac{5}{6}$ . Proved, March 16, 168 $\frac{5}{6}$ .

John Brooks, East Hampton, died intestate, March 16, 168 $\frac{5}{6}$ . Wife Hannah administrator. He was son of Richard Brooks, and had son John Brooks, Jr.

In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES HERRICK, of the town of Southampton, Suffolk County. I leave to

my wife Martha my house and home lot, during her life, and 5 acres in Halsey's neck, and my close or acre of land by the Water mill swamp, and my land at Flying Point, and two acres at the Plains gate, and 15 acres at the west end of my wood close at Wickapogue, and my meadow at Assops neck. After her death I leave to my son Thomas, my house and barn, and one acre of my home lot, and 5 acres at Halsey's neck, and the acre at the mill swamp, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a £50 right of Commonage, when he is of age. I leave to my son William, the rest of my home lot, and my two acres at the Plains gate, and a 20 acre lot on Hog Neck. I leave to my son James, my 15 acres at the west end of my close at Wickapogue, and my meadow at Assops neck, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a 20 acre lot on Hog Neck, and a £50 right of Commonage. If my son William will give to my son James the 15 acres which I gave him, lying east of Henry Ludlam's accommodations, then I give to my son William all my land at Flying Point. Otherwise to my son James. Mentions daughters, Mary Howell, Sarah Petty, and Martha. I make my wife Martha executor.

Dated August 12, 1685. Witnesses, John Mowbray, Andrew Gibbs. Proved, March 16, 168 $\frac{5}{6}$ .

[NOTE.—The homestead of James Herrick is now the home lot of Henry H. Post, on the east side of Main Street, Southampton. It also included the homestead of the late Albert Foster. The "two acres at the Plains gate" is on the east side of First Neck lane, and next south of the lot sold by Henry E. Fordham to Hon. Salem H. Wales. The close at Wickapogue is probably the lot on east side of Narrow Lane, and owned in after years by Obadiah Rogers. The land "lying east of Henry Ludlam," is on the north side of the road to Bridge Hampton, and next west of Hay Ground Creek. The land at Flying Point is now or later, the land of — Bruce. James Herrick had a younger brother, William Herrick, who lived in Newtown, Queens County, and died without issue. A lo-



cality called Herricks, about three miles northwest of Mineola, derives its name from him. The daughter Sarah was probably wife of Edward Petty. The daughter Martha married Zerubabell Phillips.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN JENNINGS, of Southampton, in ye County of Suffolk, on Long Island, Being in perfect strength of memory, Blessed be Almighty God for it, though weak of Body, and not knowing the Day of my Death, doe make and ordain this my last will and testament. I give and freely bequeath my Soul to God, my Creator and Redeemer, who at first gave it to me, and my Body, after decent burial, to the Earth from whence it was at first taken, and for my Worldly Estate as is hereafter inserted. I leave to my eldest son, John Jennings, that land that doth belong to me on ye east side of the Creek at North Sea, adjacent to ye land of John Davis, and ye Close at Cow Neck gate, with ye land adjoining to it, lately laid out to me. I give to my son, William Jennings, the lot I bought of Thomas Shaw, joining to ye land my house stands on. I give to my son, Samuel Jennings, my house and home lot, with all the housings thereon, to be possessed by him when he shall be twenty-one years of age. And the rest of my lands, meadows and Commonage my will is that they be equally divided betwixt my said three sons, John, William and Samuel, and in like manner all my Millitary Arms. If either of my sons die without issue, the estate to be equally divided to my surviving sons. I leave to my wife Ann, full and free possession of my house and home lot, with all improvements, until my son Samuel shall come of age, if she shall live a widow. But if my said son should die, and my wife should marry again, then when my son William shall come of age; and whosoever she shall bring into ye said house shall make ye houses and all other buildings, when they leave them, as they were at their

first entering upon them. I give to my daughter, Ann James, 10 shillings, to be paid by my executor. I give to my daughter, Johanah Haines, 10 shillings. I give to my daughter, Sarah Jennings, a feather bed and bolster, with furniture thereto, and soe much more out of my estate as shall make up the bed and furniture to be Twenty-five Pounds. I make my wife executor of this will, to pay out all my said legacies, and to dispose of all ye rest of my estate that I have not herein given, as shall seem best unto her. In witness I have set my hand and fixed my seal, in Southampton, the 6 day of November, Anno. Reg. Regis Jacobis, nunc Anglia, etc. Primo (*In the first year of King James of England, etc.*) annoque Domini, 1685.

Witnesses, John Laughton, Isaac Howell. Proved at Court of Sessions held at Southampton, March 15, 1686.

[NOTE.—John Jennings came to Southampton about 1662, and was one of the first settlers at North Sea. His homestead was probably that of his son, Samuel Jennings, after him. He owned all the land on the north side of the road running east from the school-house, from the brook to the wading place. The land left to his son John is probably the homestead of late Jared M. Jennings, at Towd. The original will is now in possession of James Edwin Jennings, of Southampton.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN MULFORD, SR., of East Hampton, Suffolk County. I leave to my wife, 4 acres of land out of the additions to the Home lots, at the end next to town, and 2 acres of my home lot, and 2 acres out of the lot I bought of Thomas Thompson. If she leaves the town, then the same is left to my sons, Samuel and John. They are to pay for it. I leave to my son Samuel the Home lot I bought of Thomas Thompson, with buildings. Also 8 acres lying west of Little Pond, and 2 acres by Hook Pond, and my land on the Eastern Plain running south to the

Beach, and  $\frac{1}{4}$  of my division of land in the woods north of the Indian Well, and  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the Division that belongs to Thomas Thompson's lot, lying in the woods eastward, and 6 acres east of the Little Pond, bounded west by Stephen Hedges, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my land east of the Indian Well, on the Plain, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my meadow at Napeake, and salt marsh meadow at Ackabonack neck, "by the sea side," and meadow at North West. To my son John my home lot with additions and housing, and my close west of the town, called the Girdled Trees, and my wood land lot I bought of Thomas Thompson, bounded east by the lot that was Mr. James, and  $\frac{1}{4}$  of my lot in the woods north of the Indian Well, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  my land in the Eastern Plain, beyond the Indian Well, and my meadow at Accabonack, and my meadow at the harbor at North West. I leave to my daughter Hester 10 shillings, and to her three children 5 s. each. To each of the children of my daughter Hannah, wife of Benjamin Conkling, 4 shillings. I leave to my daughter Mary, wife of Jeremiah Miller, 20 acres of land north of the Indian Well. I make my son John, and Mr. Thomas James and my brother, William Mulford, executors.

December 4, 1683. Witnesses, Thomas James, Richard Brooks, Katharine James. Proved, October 19, 1686.

In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM MULFORD, of East Hampton, in Suffolk County. I leave to my son Thomas one half of my home lot and additions, and my house and  $\frac{1}{3}$  of meadows and Commonage, and  $25\frac{1}{2}$  acres north of the town, and my meadow at Great North West. Leaves legacies to children Benjamin, Sarah, and Rachel. I make my wife Sarah, and Stephen Hedges and Samuel Mulford, executors.

Dated November 29, 1684. Proved, March 16, 1686.

(Written in Dutch language.) In the name of God, Amen. In the year after the birth of our Lord and

Saviour, Jesus Christ, 1687, the 27 day of March, Appeared before me Jacobus Vandewater, Notary Public, admitted in the village of Breucklin, in Kings County. The worthy Mr. WILLAM HUYCKEN, and his wife, ANNATTIE WILLJOER, married people, known to me, and living at the Gowanus, both being in bodily health, going and standing. They leave their dead bodies to their heirs for a decent burial. They appoint as their universal heir the survivor or longest liver of the two, as to all real estate, cattle, goods, etc., without being obliged to give any account, and all personal estate, cattle, silver, gold, coined or uncoined. And after the death of both, then to their children, Machtel, Maria, Annettie, Gertruy, Catharina, and Elizabeth, and such further children as they may have. Excepting Gertruy, who is not in the possession of her senses, and she shall have a double portion. The real estate is not to be divided until all of the children are of age. Desiring no Courts to meddle with their estate, but thanking them for the trouble they may be willing to take. The party living the longest is to appoint guardians. This being plainly read to them, is their last will.

Witnesses, Jan Jansen, Hendrick Sleght. At the house of the testators. (No Probate.)—*See Volume I, page 231, of this series.*

In the name of God, Amen. It being the Duty of all Persons living, to consider their mortall and frail estate upon Earth, the consideration whereof moves me at this time, being sick and weak, to settle my earthly estate so that no other thoughts but heavenly and faithfull may take up my Soul when I am preparing for my Journey to my Blessed Lord. I, JACOBUS KIP, of New York, Esq., desire my executors to pay all debts and I give them full power to sell. I leave to my son John £5 in full of all demands as eldest son and heir at law. I leave to my wife Catalina, all the rest of my estate during her life, if she



so long remains my widow, and she is to bring up my under aged children. When my children are of age or married, my wife is to give them such an outset as she sees cause. If she marries, she is to have one third of my personal estate, and she is to deliver an inventory of all the estate at, or before, the day of her marriage. All the rest of my estate to my children, John, Jacobus, Catharine, William, Henry, Cornelia, Balthazar, and Benjamin. I make my wife and my son John executors, and my loving brother, John Kip, Abraham Van Vleecq, and Balthazar De Hart, overseers.

Dated November 3, 1726. Witnesses, Samuel Kip, Jacobus Kierstede, Henry De Meyer. Proved before William Burnet, February 13, 172 $\frac{6}{7}$ .

In the name of God, Amen. The 3d day of March, 1712. I, HANS KIERSTED, of the city of New York, Chirurgeon, being in good health. All debts and funeral expenses are to be honestly paid and satisfied. I leave to my son Hans, 5 shillings. All the rest, houses, lands, negroes and goods in what place or country so ever found, I leave to my kind and loving friend, Gerritt Onkelboght, of New York, silversmith, and make him executor.

Witnesses, Marius Tiebout, Laurens Cornellisen, Arey Quackenbos.

*Codicil.* I, HANS KIERSTED, of New York, Chirurgeon, do approve my will made March 3, 1712. And in case my executor should die, I appoint Johanes Brestead, of New York, turner, and Johanes Van Gelder, turner, to be executors.

Dated May 1, 1713. Witnesses, Ewont Ewetse, Adolph Degrove, John Hunt. Proved, March 9, 1728.

[NOTE.—Hans Kierstede was son of Dr. Hans Kierstede, who died about 1691, and grandson of Dr. Hans Kierstede, who married Sara Roelofs, daughter of the famous Annake Jans.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, WILLIAM LAMBERT, of New York, mariner, being in perfect health. I leave to my wife Hannah, my house and all personal estate during her life, and after her decease, to my son, William Lambert, and my daughter-in-law [step-daughter?] Hannah. I make my wife executor.

Dated June 10, 1739. Witnesses, Edmund Peers, William Hilton, George Smithson. (No probate.)

In the name of God, Amen. March 13, 1741. I, LANCASTER SYMES, of New York, Gentleman, being at present in perfect health. I leave to my son, Lancaster Symes, £50, and all my wearing apparell, and arms, to his own proper use. I leave to my two daughters, Catharina Symes and Elizabeth Symes, all the wearing apparell, rings and jewels which did belong to their mother, deceased. I leave to my said three children, all the rest of my estate, real and personal, equally. If either dies, then to the survivors. If all of them die, then I leave to my executors £100 each, and the rest to John Roseboom, son of my brother-in-law, Dr. Jacob Roseboom, of the city of Albany, and to my Goddaughter, being the daughter of my brother-in-law, Mr. John Hendrick Lydius, of Albany, by whatsoever name she may be known, and to their heirs and assigns. If either of these should die, then to the surviving children of said John Hendrick Lydius. All debts are to be paid before any division. I charge my whole estate with the support of my children during their minority, and I make Dr. Jacob Roseboom, of Albany, Benjamin Blagg and John Richards, of New York, merchants, executors. When my children are of age or married, my executors are to sell all lands, and divide such as I hold in common.

Witnesses, Ahasurus Elsworth, Victor Bicher, George Elsworth. Not Proved.

[NOTE.—The testator was son of Lancaster Symes and grandson of Capt. Lancaster Symes, famous in early New York.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, HARMANUS VAN GELDER, of New York, brick layer, being greatly advanced in years. I direct all debts to be paid, and my executors may sell all the estate. And until such sale is made, my wife Tieuntie is to hold the same, and she is to have the use of all while she remains my widow. After her death or marriage, I leave to my daughter Taneken, my negro wench, named Hannah, over and above what I shall give her. I leave to my grandson Harmanus, the son of my eldest son, Johannis Van Gelder, deceased, my Large Dutch Bible. Whereas my deceased son, Teunis Van Gelder, was at the time of his death indebted to me, a considerable sum of money, upon ballancing accounts, as would amount to more than his share of my estate, To prevent all disputes I leave to his only child, Effie, all such sums as he was indebted to me, upon settling his estate, and £15 more, provided his executors make no further claim. Of all the rest of my estate I leave  $\frac{1}{4}$  to the children of my eldest son, Johannis, viz.: Harmanus, Tientie, John and Sarah, when of age, and  $\frac{1}{4}$  to my daughter Jannittie, wife of Victor Hyer, and  $\frac{1}{4}$  to my daughter Dinah, wife of Regnier Burger, and  $\frac{1}{4}$  to my daughter, Janeken Van Gelder. I make my wife, and my three daughters, executors.

Dated January 28, 1743. Witnesses, John Chambers, Joshua Slidell, John Bartow. (No Probate.)

(On printed form.) Know all men by these Presents, that I, WILLIAM OLIVER, a private Centinel in the Independent Company of Fuzileers, posted in the Province of New York, commanded by Richard Riggs, Esq. I make my trusty and loving friend, George Burns, of New York, one of the Serjeants of said Company, my true and lawfull attorney. I leave to Paschal Burns, son of said George Burns, all my estate.

Dated June 16, 1743. Witnesses, Goldsbrow Banyar, John Godby. (No Probate.)

In the name of God, Amen. I, PETER STOUTENBURGH, of Reading town, in the County of Hunterden, in the Province of West New Jersey, school master, being very sick. I leave to my wife Margaret, a certain mesuage or lot of land lying and being in the city of New York, in the street commonly called and known by the name of the Broad street, the said lot adjoining to the lot of Thomas Knox, with all buildings and all the rest of my estate, real and personal, and I make her executor.

Witnesses, Nicholas Wyckoff, John Johnson, Ralph Potter. Dated July 23, 1745. (No Probate.)

(On Printed form.) Know all men by these Presents, that I, JOHN RATTERBY, of New York, mariner. I make my friend, Henry Patterson, my attorney, and leave him all my estate.

December 26, 1745. Witnesses, Malcom Campbell, David Galatin, Donald McKay. (No Probate.)

In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIZABETH HUNT, of Newtown, in Queens County, on Nassau Island, widow, being in reasonable health. All debts to any person or persons to be justly and truly paid, and all funeral charges. I leave to my son, Jonathan Hunt, £10. To my daughter Hannah, wife of Thomas Smith, of New Jersey, my negro wench Dinah. After all debts and legacies are paid I leave all the rest to my grandchildren, the children of my son Jonathan and the children of my daughter Hannah. (*Names not given.*) I make my brother, James Hazzard, and my friend, Cornelius Berrian, executors.

Dated September 3, 1747. Witnesses, Elizabeth Hazzard, William Hazzard, — (*illegible*). (Not Proved.)

(On Printed form.) In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN DONTON, mariner, belonging to His Majesty's Ship of War "*Warwick*," Monarch Shauldan being Captain and Commander. All debts to be paid. I



leave to William Dowers, of New York, all my estate and wages and Prize money due to me from the ship "*Warwick*," Monarch Shauldan, Captain, and I make him executor.

September 30, 1756. Witnesses, John Bryan, John Johns, Samuel Peters. Power of Attorney annexed. (No Probate.)

(Written in the Dutch language.) In the name of the Lord, Jesus, Amen. In the year 1715, the 15 day of June, in Kings County, Island of Nassau, in the village of Midwout, in the presence of the undersigned, the worthy ABRAHAM HEGEMAN declares his will to dispose of his temporal affairs, because he is very sick and weak, but having his full understanding, and considering the uncertainty of life. It is my will that my wife Gertruy, shall remain in full possession of all my estate, real and personal, as long as she remains my widow, without being obliged to account to anyone. But if she re-marry, my entire estate shall go to my three children. I leave to my son Adrian, who is unmarried, a proper outset out of my estate, and if my daughter Catrina shall marry she is also to have a decent outset. If my wife dies before my youngest son, Jan, is of age, his brother Adrian and his sister Catrina shall decently maintain him, and have him taught till of age, out of my estate, and then he shall have his outset also. I leave to my eldest son, Adrian, for his Primogeniture, a silver cup, now in my house. All the rest to my three children.

Witnesses, Joseph Hegeman, Benjamin Hegeman, Johanes Jansen. (No Probate.)

Endorsed "Received in Secretary's Office, 1757."

(The following is on a blank form.) Know all men by these Presents, That I, ROBERT TREFOOT, mariner, belonging to His Majesty's Ship of War "*Warwick*," do appoint my friend, William Dowers, of New York, blacksmith, my attorney to receive from the Honor-

able the Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy, all Prize money and wages, due to me.

Dated December 6, 1756. Witnesses, William Webb, Anthony Fox, George Clapham.

Attached is a printed form of will, by which he leaves all his estate to William Dowers. (Same date, same witnesses.) The power of attorney is acknowledged before Leonard Lispenard, Esq., one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, December 6, 1756.

(Endorsed on back of the will) William Webb, of New York, cooper, sworn October 26, 1758.

New York, May 19, 1757. Received of Captain Richard Haddon, £33 15s. on account of the within.—Jane Dowers.

(On Printed form.) In the name of God, Amen. I, DAVID WARD, of New York, mariner. I leave to my brother, Aaron Ward, all my estate, and all debts due to me, and likewise my Prize money due to me from the last cruise of the Snow, "*Dreadnaught*," under the command of Captain McKeev, and all my wearing apparell, and I make him executor.

May 29, 1757. Witnesses, Richard Waters, Henry Van Den Ham.

(A Power of Attorney is annexed.)

Renunciation of Aaron Ward, of Middletown, Connecticut, mariner, as executor of the will of David Ward, formerly of Middletown, but late of New York, mariner. Dated June 17, 1757. Witnesses, John Goadby, Robert Yonge.

(On a printed form.) In the name of God, Amen. I, ROWLEY KANE, of the city of New Castle on Delaware, mariner. After all debts are paid I leave to my loving friend, Archileas Lewis, of New York, inn-keeper, all my estate, real and personal, and make him executor.

Dated August 4, 1757. Witnesses, Joseph Cox, upholsterer, Edward Vanes, Samuel Clarke. (A Power of Attorney is attached.) Proved, May 9, 1758.

(On Printed form.) In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN LYELL, late of North Carolina, and now of New York. I leave to my wife, Sarah Ann, all my estate, to her and her heirs, and make her executor.

Dated January 30, 1757. Witnesses, Fenwick Lyell, Margaret Stelle, Sr., Margaret Stelle, Jr.

(A Power of Attorney is attached.)

Endorsed. "Executors sworn, November 25, 1758."

(On Printed form.) In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN VAN VACTOR, of New York, cordwainer. After all debts are paid I leave to my wife Nancy my whole estate, and all such Prize money as shall be owing to me from the Privateer Ship "*Tartar*," and all other effects. But if she happens to depart this life without issue, then to my beloved friend, John Beeck, and his heirs. I make my wife and John Beck executors.

Dated December 16, 1758. Witnesses, Thomas Laurence, William Hanford, Cornelius Berian, Jr.

A Power of Attorney attached, gives power to his wife to collect all Prize money "coming to me from the Privateer *Hawk*, Captain Alexander, and from the Privateer ship *Tartar*, Captain Thomas Laurence, now bound on a Cruise." (No Probate.)

(The following is on a printed form.) I, WILLIAM JACKSON, of New York, mariner. I leave to my wife Martha, all my estate, real and personal, and make her executor.

Dated August 4, 1756. Witnesses, John Ellis, Henry Pecknell, John Turner.

(A Power of Attorney is attached.) "Acknowledged before John Bogart, Jr., one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace of New York, living in Montgomerie ward." Proved, March 16, 1759.

I, THOMAS OAKLEY, of Huntington, in Suffolk County, on Nassau Island, yeoman, September 19, 1757, being well in health. My executors are to sell land

enough to pay all debts and all charges. Or they may sell movables. I leave to my son Thomas, the house and orchard, and about 23 acres of land where he now lives, as his full share and portion of my estate. I leave to my wife Patience the use of all the rest of my estate, real and personal, for her support and that of my family, "during the full term of her widowhood, but no longer." If she marries, she is to have one third of the movable estate. After her death or marriage, my executors are to sell all the rest of my estate not herein given. I leave to my son Samuel two mares. I leave to my grandson, Nathaniel Oakley, so much of the proceeds of my estate as will, with what his father left him, make his full share. I leave to my sons, John, Israel, and Jesse, each one share. To my son, Wilmot Oakley, one half a share. To my daughter, Phebe Oldfield, one third of a share. I make my wife and my son Samuel and my father-in-law, John Skidmore, executors. My executors are to put my three youngest sons to trades, as they incline.

Witnesses, Thomas Davis, Eliphalet Chichester, Zebulon Ketcham. Proved before Henry Smith, Esq. November 19, 1760.

In the name of God, Amen. February 13, 1761. I, ANDREW NODINE, of Yonkers, in the County of Westchester, yeoman, being in health. I leave to my wife Susannah the use of all lands and tenements during her life, and all movable estate at her disposal. After the death of my wife, and in three months after her decease, all my lands and tenements are to be put up at Public vendue and sold to the highest bidder. From the proceeds my sons, Andries and Peter, are each to have one third, and one third to my two daughters and my two granddaughters, viz., my daughter Juda, wife of Cornelius Jacobs, and Elizabeth, wife of Israel Pinkney, "my two granddaughters to have their mother's share." The share of my daughter, Elizabeth Pinkney, is to be paid to her, and not to her



husband. I leave to each of my executors £5 for their trouble. I make my son, Peter Nodine, and my son-in-law, Cornelius Jacobs, executors.

(Signed) "ANDRIES NAUDAIN."

Witnesses, William Betts, Gerardus Vermilyea. (No Probate.)

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN WILX, of New York, being weak and sick, August 10, 1756. All debts to be paid. I leave to my well beloved daughter Margaret, wife of Charles Philips, £30. To my daughter Catharine, £60. To my granddaughter, Margaret Apple, £100. "I leave to my son-in-law, Johanes Poel, all that my corner house, kitchen, and back house, and ground, now in tenure of — (*illegible*) and a German woman, situate and lying near the Old Dutch Church, in this city." I leave to my daughter, Catharine Weilx, and my son-in-law, Charles Philips, each one half of the house and ground where I now live, and to their heirs and assigns. I leave to my daughter Cornelia, wife of Charles Smith, the rents and profits of the house, stables and ground next adjoining to the ground belonging to the house I now live in. And also my house and ground in Jamaica, in Queens County, during their lives, and then to her children. Whereas, my houses and grounds left to my said daughters and sons-in-law are not of equal value, and my design is that my real estate shall be equally divided among them, my executors are to appoint three honest and disinterested men to appraise the same; and the portion having the houses and lots of least value, are to be made equal, out of my personal estate. All the rest I leave to my said daughters and my granddaughter, Margaret Apple. The share of my granddaughter is to be for her education and support till she is of age or married. I make my good friends, Abraham Abramse and Peter Lott, both of New York, executors.

Witnesses, John Eagles, Thomas Duncan, S. Johnson. Endorsed "Proved February 2, 1761, before G.

Banyar, on oath of John Eagles, of New York, saddler." (Not signed.)

[NOTE.—The house and lots of John Wilx were the north corner of Broad Street and Exchange Place. The eastern end of the lot was sold to the Dutch Church by Charles Phillips.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, ANDRIES ALBODY, *alias* ANDERSON, of the Out Ward of New York, yeoman, being sick. All debts to be paid. All the rest of my estate I leave to my sons, Elias, John, and Abraham, and the son and daughter of my deceased wife, to wit, Matthew Buys and Rebecca, wife of John Dyckman, and their heirs and assigns. I make my brother, Peter Anderson, and my friend, John Bogart, executors.

Dated March 5, 1762. Witnesses, John Morin Scott, Tobias Ryckman, — (*illegible*). (No Probate.)

Peter Anderson, carpenter, and John Bogert, baker, resign as executors, July 13, 1762. Witnesses, John Dikeman, Crean (?) Brush, Nicholas Bogert.

In the name of God, Amen. May 20, 1762. I, WILLIAM VAN GELDER, of the township of Flatlands, in Kings County, on Nassau Island, being in good health. All debts to be paid. "I leave to my brother, Evert Van Gelder, 6 shillings, current money of New York, for his right as heir at law, and then to be wholly cut off and debarred of all my real and personal estate." I leave to my sister, Susannah Van Gelder, £15, to be paid in six weeks. All the rest of my estate, houses and lands, I leave to my brother, Abraham Van Gelder, and make him executor.

Witnesses, Jan Stryker, Pieter Lott, Michiel Stryker. (No Probate.)

(On Printed form.) I, JOHN PHILLIPS, of New York, now bound on a cruise on board the Privateer "*Charming Sally*." I leave to my loving friend, Jane

Tinney, of New York, all my effects. And all Prize money that may be due to me, from the intended cruise, is to be sent to my friends in Boston, as their own real property. I make Jane Tinney executor.

September 19, 1757. Witnesses, George Evans, mariner, Richard Newbold, John Waller. Power of Attorney annexed. Proved, September 9, 1762.

In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES LIVINGSTON, of New York, taking into consideration the uncertainty of life and the prudence of making a disposition of my worldly estate while I enjoy my usual share of understanding. My body to be interred in such a manner, and such expense as my executors may think proper. Whereas, I have formerly given to my son Robert £900, towards his advancement, and have since advanced to him £472 10s., I discharge him from all demands, and I also discharge him from all rent for the house he now lives in from the first day of May, in the year 1750, to the first day of May, 1764. I also leave him my large Silver Punch Bowl, and a saddle, and one small Silver Salt; and the further sum of £125 10s., to be paid in six months. I leave to each of my daughters, Elizabeth and Mary, £1,500, to be paid in six months. And as I have already given an advancement of £1,000, in cash, and £500 in an out-set, to each of my daughters, Jannet and Margaret, at their marriage, I direct that these sums left to my son Robert and my daughters, Elizabeth and Mary, shall be paid before any division. I leave to each of my daughters, Elizabeth and Mary, the further sum of £100, in consideration of the trouble they have had in taking care of my family since the death of my wife. I leave to my grandson, James Livingston, son of my son Robert, all that my part of a certain parcel of ground and water lot, in Montgomerie Ward, in New York, which was purchased by Robert Benson, deceased, and myself in common, as by deeds may appear. All the rest of my estate, real and personal, I

leave to my son Robert, and my daughters, Elizabeth, Jannet, Margaret, and Mary, and if either dies, her share is to go to the rest. I make my children executors.

Dated September 3, 1763. Witnesses, Gualtherus DuBois, Pierre De Peyster, Whitehead Hicks. Proved, August 31, 1764.

[NOTE.—James Livingston was son of Robert Livingston, who was son of James Livingston, brother of the first Lord of the Manor of Livingston. He was born December 21, 1701, died September 7, 1763. He married, May 18, 1725, Maria, daughter of Jacobus Kierstede and Elizabeth Lourens. His son, Robert Livingston, married Susanah Smith, daughter of Judge William Smith, and sister of William Smith the Historian and Chief Justice of New York and Canada. The daughter, Janet Livingston, married the said William Smith, Historian and Judge. Mary Livingston was the second wife of Major Thomas Moncrieffe. They were married October 9, 1764. Margaret Livingston married Peter R. Livingston, of the "Manor family." Eliabeth Livingston died unmarried. The house and lot, the rent of which was given to his son Robert, is now No. 23 William Street. This had a large garden in the rear. James Livingston owned a wide lot on the east side of William Street, extending nearly to Sloat Lane, now Beaver Street. The north part of this, with the houses, belonged to his wife, who was the only child of Jacobus Kierstede. It was sold by Thomas Moncrieffe to Alexander Robertson in 1783. The south part, also with two houses, was purchased by James Livingston from one White Timmer. He seems to have given them to his daughter Janet, wife of William Smith. The house and lot, owned in partnership with Robert Benson, is now No. 28 Cherry Street, and No. 27 on the south side of the street, and the same lines extended to Front Street. It was sold by James K. Livingston (the grandson mentioned in the will) to John Beekman, in 1794. The son, Robert



Livingston, had many children, among them Judge Maturin Livingston, who married Margaret, the only child of Governor Morgan Lewis. Jacobus Kierstede was son of Dr. Hans Kierstede, who was the son of Dr. Hans Kiersted, who married Sara Roelofsen, daughter of the famous Annake Jans. Elizabeth, wife of Jacobus Kiersted, died January 26, 1760, aged 81. Her daughter, Maria Livingston, died November, 1762.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen, September 4, 1745. I, GEORGE RAPALJE, of the Ferry in the township of Brookland, in Kings County, on the Island of Nassau, yeoman, at present sick and weak. I leave to my wife Dinah all my whole estate, houses and lands in Brookland or elsewhere, during her natural life, "or so long as she, my said wife, shall continue my widow and bear my name, but no longer." "But if she come to remarry again, I leave her £400." I leave to my eldest son, John, £15, over and above his share, before any division, for his birthright. I leave to my son John all my farm or Plantation, which I now live on, on the Ferry, aforesaid, with all meadows and appurtenances. I leave to my son Gerritt all my farm or Plantation lying and being at the Walebooght, so called, in the township of Brookland, with all appurtenances. My son John shall pay to my son Gerritt £600. I leave to my daughter Cornelia, wife of Abraham Lott, of New York, £800, out of my movable estate. I leave to my daughter Antie, £800. All the rest to my children, John, Gerritt, Cornelia, and Antie, I make my loving brother, Jeronimus Rapalje, and my brother-in-law, John Middagh, executors.

*Signed,* JORIS RAPALJE.

Witnesses, William Edmonds, Jacob Remsen, Adrian Hegeman. Proved, March 13, 1764, on the following affidavits. Hendrick Benson, of full age, deposes, that he was well acquainted with Joris Rapalje, and his hand writing, and believes the signature to be his.

Rem Remsen, of the township of Bruyklin, in Kings County, merchant, aged 44 years, and upwards, that he was well acquainted with the hand writing of his father, Jacob Remsen, who died about 8 years ago, and believes that his signature as witness is his own proper hand writing. Joseph Hegeman, of Breuycklin Ferry, in Kings County, baker, deposes, that he was well acquainted with the hand writing of his father, Adrian Hegeman, being at the time of his father's death upwards of 27 years of age, and he believes that his name as witness to be his own proper hand writing.

These sworn to before Goldsbrow Banyar, March 13, 1764.

In the name of God, Amen. I, GEORGE PETERSON, of New York, sugar baker; being well in health. "My body I commit to the Earth, to be interred in my vault and burying place in the antient Lutheran Church yard in New York." All debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Mary the use of all my estate, real and personal, during the time she remains my widow, and if by sickness, loss or any other accident or misfortune, my wife is brought to want, my executors may sell estate. After the death of my wife I leave to her two daughters, Maria Catharine, wife of Cornelius Wynkoop, of New York, merchant, and Sabrina, widow of Nicholas De Ronde, all my estate, real and personal. If either die, then her share to go to the survivor. If my wife marries, she is to have one third, and the rest to her daughters. I make my wife and Cornelius Wynkoop, executors.

Dated September 12, 1764. Witnesses, John De Bord, William Hulme, David Wolff. (No Probate.)

[The above will is most beautifully written, apparently in the hand writing of David Wolff.]

Be it known and manifest, that I, FRANCINA STAATS, of New York, widow of Col. Joachim Staats, late of

the County of Albany, being at this time very sick. "Considering the Frailty and fragility of this present life." All debts and funeral charges to be fully paid. I leave to my well beloved brother, Jacob Leisler, my two negro boys called "Jef" and "Tob," to serve him during his natural life, and after his decease, to my well beloved daughters, Jacoba Kierstede, wife of Jesse Kierstede, Francina Lewis, and Elizabeth Staats. I leave to my daughter Jacoba, a negro girl, "Annihe." To my daughter Francina, a negro girl, "Floor." To my daughters, Jacoba and Francina, my negro woman, "Diana," and her son. To my daughter Elizabeth, two negro girls, "Jenni" and "Nanni." Also £20 to buy a silver tankard. I leave to my daughters, Francina and Elizabeth, the same, and the like portion of clothes, linnen and woolen, and household stuff, as I have already given to my daughter Jacoba, at the time of her marriage. And to prevent and dispute concerning the same, I will that my brother, Jacob Leisler, ascertain the same, as to quality and value thereof. All the rest of my personal estate I leave to my three daughters. And whereas I am seized in fee, by virtue of certain mesne conveyances in the Law, made to me by my said brother, Jacob Leisler, of sundry lots or Tofts of ground in New York, near the Commons of said city, which are denoted on a certain map made thereof, and other lots, conveyed by my brother, Jacob Leisler, to his other sisters, which map is in possession of my said brother, as will appear by his conveyance. And having already sold some of them, I dispose of the rest in manner following. My executors are to sell Lot No. 140 and pay the money to my three daughters. I leave to my daughter Jacoba five Lots, Nos. 86, 87, 113, 114, 128. To my daughter Francina, five lots, Nos. 92, 93, 118, 191, 122. To my daughter Elizabeth, five lots, Nos. 41, 42, 98, 99, 127. I make my brother, Jacob Leisler, sole executor. "I have set my Hand and Seal, in New York, this 19th day

of August, in the second year of King George II. 1728.”

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FRANCINA STAATS.

Witnesses, Jacob Marius Groen, Balthazar De Hart, Matthew Du Bois. Endorsed, “3d August, 1765, proved by the oath of Matthew Du Bois, of Dutchess County, Esq.”

[NOTE.—Jacob Leisler, whose life and acts are so important a part of the history of New York, left children, Jacob, Susannah, wife of Michael Vaughton; Catharine, wife of Robert Walters; Mary, wife of Jacob Milborn (she afterwards married Abraham Gouverneur); Hester, wife of Barent Rynders; and Francina, the testatrix of the above will. She was baptized Dec. 16, 1676. She married, 1st Thomas Lewis; 2d, Col. Joachim Staats, who died about 1712. The lots of land mentioned in the will are a part of Jacob Leisler’s farm, through which Frankfort Street now runs.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN WALCOT, mariner, belonging to His Majesty’s armed Sloop *Gaspee*, Thomas Allen, Commander, do for divers good causes, make this my last will and testament. I leave to my wife, Mary Walcot, of New York, all wages and money due to me from the Honorable Commissioner of the Navy, and whatever else I have, and I make her executor.

Dated October 28, 1765. Witnesses, Vincent Montanye, Samuel Dodge, Philip Pelton. (No Probate.)

I, ISAAC MARTIN, inhabitant of New York, being at this time in health. My executors are to sell all my estate, and pay all debts. After all debts are paid. I leave to my wife one third of the remainder. Also my best bed, and six of the best “cheers,” and my chest of drawers, and my best table. All the rest to my children when of age. I make my brothers, Samuel



Bowne and Edward Burling, with Joseph Delaplaine, executors. (*Children not named.*)

Dated this — day of the 6th month, 1769. (No signature. No witnesses. No Probate.)

[NOTE.—The word “chears” shows the very common way of pronouncing the word, chairs, in old times, and this, in some localities, continued till a recent date. —W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN CROCHERON, of Richmond County, being in good health. All debts and funeral charges to be paid by my executors. I leave to my son Abraham all that my farm or Plantation whereon I now live, with all the salt meadow thereto belonging. And one third of the meadow I bought of Lewis Gano, with all the appurtenances. And he is to pay as legacies, to my daughters, Abigail, wife of Barent Simonsen, and Johannah, widow of Henry Marsh, or to their heirs and assigns, each £150, in six months. I leave to my grandson, Henry Crocheron, all that my farm or Plantation with all the salt meadows, and one half of the salt meadow I bought of Lewis Gano, with all the appurtenances. And he is to pay to my daughter Sarah, wife of John Dupuy, £150, in six months after he comes of age. And my will is that my son-in-law, John Dupuy, shall live on the farm where he now lives, free of rent until my grandson, Henry Crocheron, is of age. But he shall not commit any waste. And my grandson shall not sell any lands or meadows until he is 30 years old. If he dies without issue, his estate is to be sold by my executors, and the money paid to my four children, viz.: Abraham, Sarah, Abigail, and Johannah. All the rest of my estate I leave to my four children. I make my son Abraham, and John Dupuy, and Barent Simonsen, executors.

Dated May 25, in the first year of King George the III, 1761. Witnesses, Cornelius Badgley, John Hill-  
yer, Jacob Hatfield. Endorsed. “Lodged the 20 of

June, 1771, by Abraham Crocheron, one of the executors." (No Probate.)

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSEPH MORRIS, of New York, mariner, being in good health. I leave to my wife Emm the use and rent of the dwelling house and lot where I live, and the use of all the rest of my estate for her comfortable support. If she marries, she is to have one third of my estate. All the rest I leave to the children of my late brother, Jacob Morris, and to Oliver Shourt, son of my sister, Rebecca Moore. I make my wife Emm, executor.

Dated November 7, 1764. Witnesses, Thomas Fogg, John Watts, Charles Keeling. Proved, October 29, 1771.

In the name of God, Amen. I, ELIZABETH GENTER, of New York, widow, being sick. All debts and funeral charges to be paid as soon as conveniently can be. I leave to my daughter, Mary Magdalene, wife of William Dudley, of New York, house carpenter, the use of £300, which was given me in the will of my husband, John Genter, during her life, and then to my daughters, Lydia and Anne, and my granddaughter, Elizabeth Dudley, daughter of William Dudley. I make my friends, Humphrey Jones and James Van Varick, executors.

Dated June 18, 1772. Witnesses, John Dunscombe, merchant. John Alstyne, blacksmith, Jacobus Van Antwerp. Proved, July 6, 1772.

[NOTE.—The house of John Genter is now No. 45 Stone Street.—W. S. P.]

(See *Volume VIII*, page 47, of this series.)

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN DE LA MONTAGNE, of New York, Painter and Glazier, being weak and sick, this 4 day of May, 1772. My executors are to pay off and discharge all debts. I leave to my only son, John, £5. I leave to my wife Catharine, all the rents and profits of all my real and personal estate

and household goods, and a negro girl, while she remains my widow, and she is to bring up and clothe and maintain my children till they are of age or married. If she marries, she is to have one third of the personal estate, and the rest to my son John and my daughters, Santia and Catharine. If she remains unmarried, then my son John is to have one third, and the rest to my two daughters. I make my wife, and my friends, John Roome and Charles Phillips, cooper, executors.

Witnesses, Evert Wessells, Peter Van Benthuisen, latter, Charles Morse. Proved, September 16, 1772, before Edmund Fanning, Esq.

*(See Volume VIII, page 63, of this series.)*

In the name of God, Amen. I, JAMES MAGRA, of New York, Physician. My executors are to put £1,000 at interest for my wife Elizabeth, during her life. After her death, it is to go to my son Perkenus, but if he die without issue, then to my son James, and if he die without issue, then to my son Rodemond. All the rest of my estate I leave to my son Perkenus, and I make him and my friend, Daniel Johnston, executors.

Dated March 25, 1773. Witnesses, Richard Morris, Sampson Simpson, Abraham Jacobs.

In the name of God, Amen. I, HENDRICK WESSELLS, of New York, sailmaker, being well in body. My executors are to pay all debts, in some short time. I leave to Jacobus Wessells, of New York, peruke maker, John Wessells, Hercules Wessells, Hannah Sibley, wife of Richard Sibley, of New York, turner, and Catharine Stephens, wife of James Stephens, of New York, cooper, children of my brother, Jacobus Wessells, deceased, each £50. To be paid to John and Hercules Wessells, when of age, and to the rest in twelve months. I leave to the said Jacobus, John, and Hercules, all my wearing apparell, both linnen and woolen. "I leave to my wife Teuntie, all that my house and lot in Stone Street, in the South Ward,

between the house and ground of Isaac Van Dam, and the house and ground of Brant Schuyler, Esq., and now in the tenure of Cornelius Linck, schoolmaster," during her natural life, and then to my said nephews and nieces. All the rest of my estate I leave to my wife.

Dated August 19, 1749. Witnesses, John Watts, Baltus Van Kleeck, John Burnet. Endorse, "Proved by oath of Baltus Van Kleeck, of New York, merchant. August 12, 1773."

[NOTE.—The house and lot of Hendrick Wessells is now No. 15 Stone Street. The lot of Brant Schuyler was next east, and was sold by the executors of his son, Samuel Schuyler, to Nicholas Cruger, and by him to Hon. John Jay, January 12, 1792, and formed part of the Jay estate, a large lot at the corner of Broad and Stone streets, which remained in the family for many years.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, JACOB WEBBERS, of Bloomingdale, in the County of New York, being well in body. All debts to be paid. I leave to my wife a decent maintenance, to be allowed by my executors out of my estate during her widowhood. "But in case she shall remarry, then the said marriage to be a Revolution of this my bequest." I leave to my eldest son, Oliver, £20, in full of all pretence as heir at law. All the rest of my personal estate to my children, Oliver, Peter, John, and Elizabeth. "One no more than the other." My executors may sell my little farm whereon I lately lived, situate adjoining the east side of the Bloomingdale road; the north side of which farm joins the land of John Hopper. I leave the proceeds to my four children. All the rest of my real estate on the island of Manhattan I leave to my four children, and to Henry and Isaac, the children of my wife by her former husband, John Shourt. I make my sons, executors.

Dated July 8, 1774. Witnesses, John Somerindyke.



John Lowe (*illegible.*) (*Name of wife not given.*)  
(No Probate.)

In the name of God, Amen, the 1 day of August, 1755. I, PETER LEFFERTSE, of Flatbush, in Kings County, yeoman. My Body to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner, and all lawful debts paid. I leave to my beloved wife, Eitie, one room in my now dwelling house, and free liberty to take of the fruit in my garden and orchard. "Also my best bed and best cupboard, and firewood, and so much of all sorts of meal, as she shall want for her family, and so much of the household goods as she shall want to use for herself, and the sum of £30 per year, during she remains my widow." "I leave to my son Leffert for his firstborn right, £10." Also the sum of £100, by him due to me, and my negro wench named "Bett," now in his possession. I leave to my son Jacob, £100, from what is due to me from my son Leffert, and a lot of meadow in the "cnarzy" (Canarsie?), and one half of my right in the common brew house, and my negro boy called —. I leave to my son Jan my Great Bible, and my weaver's loom with all the tools thereunto belonging, and my negro "Harry," and two of my best horses, and one half of my right in the brew house, and £100, out of the sum due to me from my son Leffert; and all my house, lands and meadows not herein given. And he is to pay £1,400 to my executors, in four equal payments, to begin May first, after my decease, yearly. And he is to provide my wife with firewood and meal, as above mentioned. I leave to my grandson Barent £50. I leave to my daughter Adriantie a negro wench named —. To my daughter Antie a negro wench named "Liez." To my daughter Abigail for her dowery or outset, as much as my other daughters have had when they were married, and to buy a (*illegible*) for her or else my negro boy Isaac. All the rest I leave to all my children, Leffert, Jacob, Jan, Adriantie, Antie, Abigail, and Altie,

and my grandson Barent. The share of my daughter Altie is to be in the hands of my executors for her support, and what can be spared to be put at interest during her life, and then to my estate. The share of my grandson Barent is to be put at interest till he is of age. The legacy left to my wife is to be secured to her. I make my brother, Abraham Lefferts, and my sons, Leffert, Jacob, and Jan, executors.

Witnesses, Joris Remsen, Johanes Waldron, Tunyce Waldron. Proved, before Cary Ludlow, Esq., July 25, 1774, on oath of Johanes Waldron, of Flatbush, turner. On the same day the surviving executors, Jacob and Jan Lefferts, were qualified.

(On Printed form.) In the name of God, Amen. I, OWEN HUGHES, of New York, mariner. All debts to be paid. I leave to my sister, Catharine Richards, of New York, all my estate, real and personal. I leave to my good friend, Charity Wheeler, all wages due to me on board the Brigantine *Hand in Hand*, Peter Berian, master, bound from New York to London. I make Charity Wheeler, executor.

Dated October 24, 1770. Witnesses, Nicholas Low, Benjamin Jones, John Warner. Proved, April 21, 1775.

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN INNES, of Jamaica, in Queens County, Practitioner of Physick, being in full and perfect health. All debts to be paid by my executors. I leave all my estate, real and personal, to my children, John, James, William, George, Peter, Helena, and Margaret. My executors are to sell all lands as soon as may be, and apply the proceeds to the support of my children until of age. I make Rev. Abraham Ketteltas, and my sons, James and Peter, executors.

Dated November 19, 1772. Witnesses, Joseph Furman, John Hinchman, Thomas Welling. Proved, November 11, 1775, before John I. Troup, Esq.

In the name of God, Amen. I, JERONIMUS RAPALJE, of Newtown, in Queens County, on Nassau Island, brewer, being in good health. "And touching such temporal estate as the Lord, in His mercy, hath been pleased to bless me with." My executors are to sell all my estate at public or private sale. I leave to my son George £10 in lieu of his birthright. All the rest of my estate I leave to my wife, Weyntie, and my children, Jeronimus, John, Abraham, and Cornelius. The share left to my wife is during her natural life, and then to my four sons last named. I make my said four sons, executors.

Dated April 22, 1775. Witnesses, Samuel Moore, Jacob Moore, James Moore. Proved, May 8, 1776, before John I. Troup, Esq.

In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS WRIGHT, being in sound mind. I will and order that after a reasonable time after my decease, at discretion of my executors, all my estate, real and personal, be sold, except the homestead wherein I lately lived, and the negro man "Peet," which is reserved for my wife during the time of 25 years. I also except a negro girl for my wife, and I also leave her all her wearing apparell and effects which she had when I married her. I leave to my daughter Sarah a negro wench "Tamer," and another to my daughter Elizabeth. When my homestead is sold the proceeds I bequeath as follows. To my wife Mary, two shares. To my daughter Elizabeth, two shares. To my daughter Sally, and my sons, Stephen and Thomas, each one share. And lastly I leave to my trusty and loving friends, Benjamin Hildreth, Sr., and Thomas Griswold, whom I make executors, the sum of £50, and I also make my wife executor.

Dated December 1, 1776. Witnesses Caleb Sutton, Joseph Thorne, Elizabeth Drake.

In the name of God, Amen. I, THOMAS DUCK, "Conductor of Stores to His Majesty's train of Ar-

tillery, now on command at Boston, in New England." After paying all debts and the probate of this will, I leave to John Bennet, of Woodstock, Oxford County, England, cordwainer, £5. All the rest of my estate I leave to Elizabeth Camfield, *alias* Duck, daughter of Mary Camfield, deceased (late wife of George Camfield, Jr., of Woolwich, laborer in his Majesty's dock yard). The said Elizabeth Camfield, *alias* Duck, is at present under the care of Mrs. Mary Hawarden, Abbess of a convent at Dunkirk in France. And she is to have the same when of age. If she dies, then to Ann Westie, daughter of Sarah Westie, of the Parish of Ensham, County of Oxford, England, widow. I make Duncan Drummond, Esq., Captain in His Majesty's Royal Regiment of Artillery, and Francis Carpul, Gent., of Gloucester Street, Queens Square, London, executors.

Dated June 19, 1775. Witnesses, George Wray, Francis Hawksbee. Proved, March 1, 1777.

In the name of God, Amen. I, CHARLES DOUGHTY, of Queens County, yeoman, August 17, 1776, being in a low state of health. My executors are to pay all debts as soon as convenient. I leave to my daughters, Mary and Sarah, my negro girl "Charity," and to each a feather bed, bedstead, and other furniture, and the linnen that is now called their own, free and clear. I leave to my wife Elizabeth, all the rest of my beds and linnen, and two cows. My executors are to sell all the rest of my estate, real and personal. From the proceeds, they are to pay to my wife one fifth, and the rest to my daughters, Mary, Sarah, Elizabeth, and Miriam. The shares of Elizabeth and Miriam are to be put at interest till they are of age. I make my brothers, John and Robert Doughty, executors, and they are to sell my dwelling house and tract of land and meadows, "at a place called Hungry Harbor," and all my personal estate.



Witnesses, John Nostrand, Martin Van Nostrand, George Doughty. Proved, April 10, 1777.

In the name of God, Amen. I, HENRY CUYLER, at present of the township of Newark in the Province of New Jersey, being weak in body. My share of the lands in the Eastern Division of New Jersey are to remain unsold, and my executors are to locate my rights in future divisions. My executors are to sell all the rest of my estate as soon as convenient, and the money to be put at interest for my children, Henry and Catharine, and when they are of age or married, to be paid to them. If they die, then I leave the same to my three sisters, Oleda, Hannah, wife of Nicholas Ogden, and Hester. As my sister Hester is under age, if she dies, her share to go to the rest. I make Stephen Skinner, of Newark, and Samuel Bayard, Jr., of New York, and John Smyth, of Perth Amboy, executors.

Dated July 17, 1776. Witnesses, Robert Watts, Peter Brown, Margaret Foord. Proved, August 28, 1777.

[NOTE.—A part of the estate of Henry Cuyler was a lot on the south side of Dock Street (now Pearl Street) formerly owned by Samuel Bayard. On the east side of this from Water Street to South Street runs Cuyler's Alley. The lot from Water Street to Front Street was sold by the executors of Henry Cuyler, to Peter Messier. The lot on Pearl Street, running south to Water Street, was sold to Isaac Low, and was confiscated and sold after the Revolution. The lot is now No. 82½-84 Pearl Street.—W. S. P.]

In the name of God, Amen. I, PHILIP PINKNEY, of Mamaroneck in Westchester County, being weak in body. I recomment that my three children be educated and brought up out of my estate, unto years of maturity. I leave to my wife Elizabeth, and my three

children, all my estate, real and personal. (*Children not named.*) I make my wife and Joshua Temple de St. Croix, of New York, merchant, executors.

Dated March 20, 1778. Witnesses Nehemiah Cook, Thomas Stanley, Stephen Camm. Proved, April 15, 1778.

“King’s District, March 29, 1778. In the name of God, Amen. I, JOSIAH SKINNER, of King’s District in the State of New York,” being sick. Having already given to my son Josiah one third of my land, on the east side of my lot, and one third of all movables, he is to pay one third of all debts contracted before May, 1776. “All the rest I leave to my wife Elizabeth, and to Hezekiah, her son, and to Jonathan, my son, and to Anne, my wife’s daughter, and they are to pay two thirds of all debts contracted before 1776, and all debts contracted since May, 1776.” “The house is to be contained within the share of my wife and her daughter Anne.” “Reserving a bedroom which I give to brother Jonathan during his life.” “The barn to be within the part of Hezekiah and Jonathan.” At decease of my wife, her share is to go to the said four children.

Witnesses, Micah Mudge, Abraham Mudge, Jr. (No Probate.)

[Upon a separate document appears the following.]

Abraham Mudge, Jr., of Kings District in Albany County, being sworn, says, that the day before the date of said will, he and Micah Mudge were in the room of the testator, Josiah Skinner, who lay sick with Small Pox. A will that had been written at the request of the said testator, was read to him, to which he made some objection, and desired deponent to make another more to his mind, and to set his name to it, and to have evidence to it. Accordingly the next day he wrote the will, dated March 21, 1778, according to his directions, and did sign the name of said Josiah Skinner, and his own as witness, and saw

Micah Mudge sign the same. That the testator was of sound mind, and that he was blind, and that the will was not read to him.

In the name of God, Amen. I, STEPHEN MARTINS, of Old Town, on Staten Island, being sick and weak in body this 13 day of April, 1779. I direct all debts and funeral charges to be paid. It is my will and desire, that such of my children as are single, and live with me, at the time of my departure shall have the whole use of all my estate, real and personal, for two years after my decease, they making no waste or destruction, and the estate is then to be sold by my executors, and the money to be divided as follows. To my son Stephen £40. To my two daughters, Charity and Elizabeth, £20 each. To my sons, Cornelius, Abraham, and Benjamin, £30 each. To my daughters, Elenor, Cornelia, and Sarah, £30 each, and the remainder to my eleven children, Ann, Mary, Charity, Elizabeth, Cornelius, Abraham, Benjamin, Susanah, Elenor, Cornelia, and Sarah. I make my sons, Stephen, Cornelius, Abraham, and Benjamin, executors.

Witnesses, John Willson, Christian Jacobsen, Mary Vanderbeeck. Proved, August 4, 1779, before Benjamin Seaman, Esq.

*(See Volume IX page 73 of this series.)*

In the name of God, Amen. I, PATRICK HACKETT, of New York, taylor. I direct all debts to be paid. I leave to my friend, John Cox, of New York, tavern keeper, all my estate, and make him executor.

Dated May 31, 1779. Witnesses, Morris Earle, John Woods. Proved, August 9, 1779.

In the name of God, Amen. I, JOHN LABOYTEAUX, of Philadelphia, being of sound memory, thanks be to God. After all debts are paid, I leave to my wife Hannah the use of all household furniture, while she

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

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

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

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

Dated February 3, 1781. Witnesses, William Shacklerey, Peter Vandenburgh, Robert Chambers. Proved, July 21, 1784.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Witnesses, James Green, Richard Green.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(Signed) MARY BARCLAY.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

ABRAHAM FLORENTINE.

LETITIA FLORENTINE.

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Power of attorney attached. (No Probate.)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

MARY X WIGHT.  
her mark.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Written in the Dutch language.

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

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

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

Written in the Dutch language.

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

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

[NOTE.—The house and lot of Tobias Ten Eyck was on the north side of Pearl street, about 30 feet east of Coenties Lane.—W. S. P.]

Written in the Dutch language.

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

Dated April 20, 1727. Witnesses,

*Danic Bontecou*  
*Paul Pelltreau*  
*Leonard Lewis*

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

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

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



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

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

Harmen Smeman  
Lourensz Andriesz.

ditist X merck van  
DIRCK TOENISS  
ARIAENTJE WALINGSZ.

Dese bouenstaende Copie Accordeert met Het principaell. Quod Attest

TILMAN VAN VLECQ, *Notis publicq.*

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

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

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

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

Harmen Smeman,  
Lourensz Andriesz.

this is X the mark of  
DIRCK TOENISS  
ARIAENTJE WALINGSZ.

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

TILMAN VAN VLECQ, *Notary Public.*

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



## CORRECTION.

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

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



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