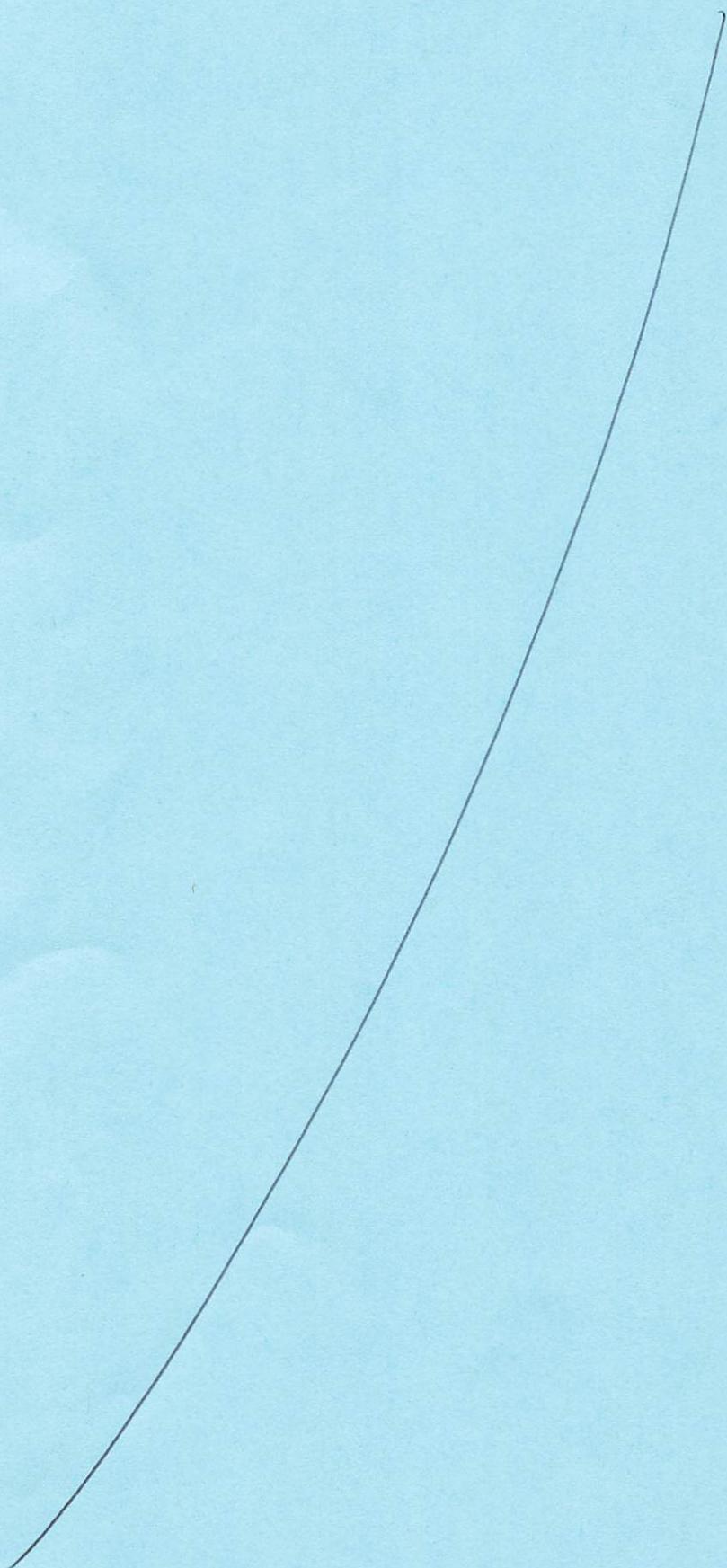


NEWSPAPER ABSTRACTS FROM THE ECONOMIST, ELIZABETH CITY, NC
published every Friday
1897

- 1 Jan: Mrs. F. N. Mullen, wife of Dr. Frank Mullen, South Mills, Camden Co. died Sun. 27 Dec., age 77, buried in Old McPherson burying grounds.
Gracie Ballance, dau. of Mr. & Mrs. Hall Ballance of this town died Sat. at their home in the Racetrack, age 14.
- 22 Jan: Mrs. Sallie Bailey died on Tues. near Hall's Creek.
Mrs. W. W. Morrisette has returned home from a prolonged visit to her daughter, Mrs. Dr. Ritter of Moyock.
Mr. C. T. Williams of Currituck Co. son of Charles Williams, deceased, died at Currituck Courthouse on Jan. 18, 1897.
Dr. F. N. Mullen of South Mills is quite sick. He is 81.
- 5 Feb: Dr. Mullen died 31 Jan 1897, age 82.
Mr. A. M. Simmons, attorney is located at his native home, Currituck Courthouse for practice of law.
- 12 Feb: Mrs. Penelope Brothers, relict of Charles W. Brothers, dec'd, died 7 Feb 1897 at her son's. She is over 70 years old.
James B. Sawyer & Miss Belinda C. Owens, dau of Hezekiah Owens were married at her home in Currituck County. Plan to make their home in Newport News, Va.
Capt. Richard Sawyer drowned in Pasquotank River last week from the barge McKeaver.
- 19 Feb: Willis Dozier, a Confederate Veteran died on Parsonage St., age 63. Was in Battle of Roanoke Island. Died of pneumonia.
- 26 Feb: A burgler entered the bar of Mr. E. G. Morrisette.
- 5 Mar: W. B. Bailey native of Pasquotank Co., son of Judge J. L. Bailey edits Houston Herald in Texas.
Capt. Richard Leigh Sawyer drowned Tues. 2 Feb. Body now found. Son of John Sawyer of Nixenton, grandson of Mark Sawyer of Pasquotank Co.
- 12 Mar: Maggie Sanderlin wife of E.W. Sanderlin of Moyock died Wed. leaving three children.
Mrs. Sarah Snowden, wife of Jeff Snowden of Snowden Station died at her home Wednesday the 10th, age 33.
- 2 Apr: Camden- Mr. Abb Morrisette of Norfolk is now in this County for improvement of health.
- 9 Apr: Schooner "Unice Reynolds" Capt. Whitehurst was at Camden Courthouse landing Monday.
The new Baptist Church at "Whales Head" in Currituck Co. will be dedicated the 5th Sunday in May. Mr. Thos. Pool of there thanks the people & businessmen in this town for their assistance & liberality. It will be free of debt, Rev. Jno. White of Raleigh will deliver the dedicatory sermon.
- 16 Apr: A Fat Boy- Lewis T. Lewark of Currituck Co. age 13½ yrs. old weighs on 6 April 436 lbs. He has 10 brothers & sisters who weigh from 180-250 lbs, parents are under medium size.
- 23 Apr: Currituck- Mr. John C. Cox of Norfolk is visiting his Mother Mrs. Lydia Dowdy near Gregory.
- 14 May: Mr. Spence Tatem, an old veteran, who left here as a yearling boy 40 years ago, called on us Tues. Knew of the shooting of Capt. Sawyer.
- 21 May: Camden- Mrs. Mary Poyner of Norfolk visiting friends & relatives.
Mr. William Turner, an old Confederate Veteran died at home in Camden Wed, inst. age 74.



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NEWSPAPER ABSTRACTS

"The North Carolinian"

Wed. 19 July 1876

Dare Co.: William Curles died suddenly at Nags Head about 2 weeks ago.

Dare Co.: Dr. Darby fell from a house at Manteo on Friday week and died in about an hour.

Wed. 8 Nov. 1876

Marriages: On Thursday Oct. 19th 1876 at the residence of the bride near Manteo. Jno. S. Wescott to Lovey G. only daughter of Willis Tillet, Dare Co.

Wed. 24 Dec. 1879

Currituck Co.: Louis N. Simmons has been appointed keeper of the light house on Currituck beach, he replaced N. G. Burrus.

Wed. 4 Aug. 1886

Mr. Samuel Forbes, a citizen of lower Camden died on the 18th of July, 1886.

Wed. 10 Aug. 1887

On the 3rd of Aug. 1887 at Gum Neck, Tyrrell Co., Mrs. Z. A., wife of A. A. Combs died, age 37 years, 6 mos., 17 days.

Wed. 17 Aug 1887

Mr. Ed. S. Lamb of Camden Co. fell from the train station railing at Bell Cross last Wednesday and died on Friday.

Wed. 23 Nov. 1887

Mr. William Dozier, perhaps the oldest citizen of Camden Co. died at Shiloh on the 11th. He was 83 years of age.

Wed. 30 Nov. 1887

Joseph C. Mann of Croatan, Dare Co. died the 17th, age about 24.

Wed. 25 Jan. 1888

It is said that the oldest man in this section is the venerable Andrew Flora of Currituck Co. who is in his ninety-six year of his age. He resides with his son Richard B. Flora, near Coinjock, NC.

Reports of death from neighboring Counties:

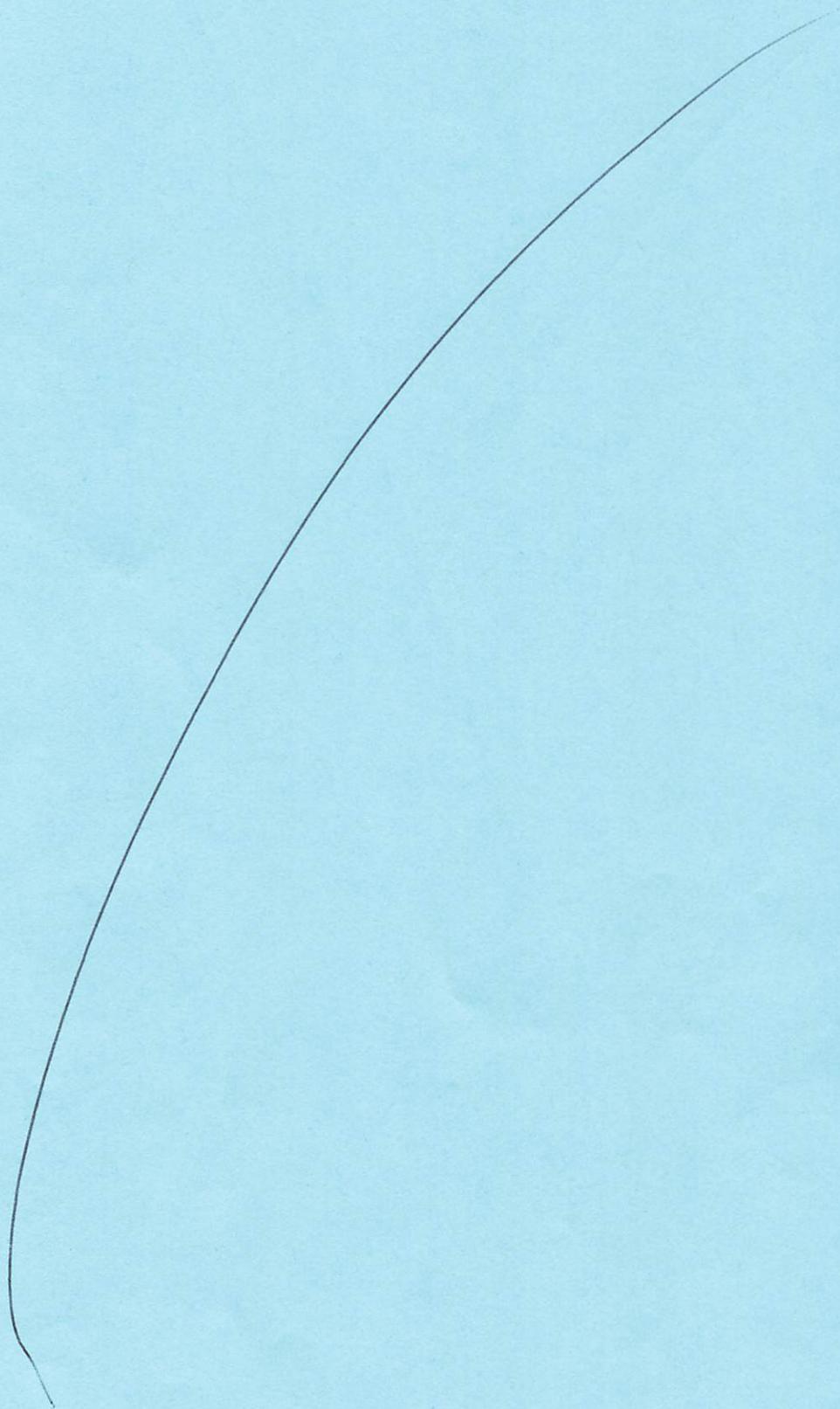
Perquimans: Mrs. John S. Wood in her 75th year.

Camden: Mrs. Mary Trotman

Camden: Mr. Nathan Sawyer

Currituck: Mary Walker

Currituck: Haygood Doxey



"The North Carolinian" (cont.)

Wed. 15 Feb. 1888

Mr. Robert J. Bell of Camden Co. died on the 11th in the 59th year of age.

Wed. 22 Feb. 1888

Adam Bray of Shiloh died the 11th, age 73.

Mr. Frederick W. Bell, keeper of Currituck Shooting Clubhouse, died on the 18th, he was formerly Sheriff of Bertie Co.

Wed. 18 Apr. 1888

Death of Miss Lillian, daughter of Geo. W. Sanderlin, died on the 18th in the 17th year of her age.

Mr. S. S. Simmons, a noted citizen of Tyrrell Co. died on the 11th, age 75 years.

The store and dwelling of S. K. Everts at Coinjock was destroyed by fire on Wednesday night last. The goods, furniture and most of the clothing were lost.

Wed. 25 Apr. 1888

Death: Mrs. Harry Skinner died on the 16th.

Wed. 9 May 1888

Mr. Samuel Cartwright, one of our old and much respected citizens died on Friday morning last. Age 60 years, 6 mos. Funeral was on Sunday.

Wed. 3 Oct. 1888

A young man named, Thomas Jones near Old Trap was killed yesterday by a falling tree.

Submitted by,
Lois J. Meekins

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These below listed newspapers are on microfilm in the Corp. office of the News-Herald in Ahoskie, NC.

Hertford Co. Herald, Ahoskie, NC Dates: 30 Oct. 1914 - 31 Dec. 1989.

Gates County Index, Gatesville, NC Dates: 1 Jan. 1955 - 30 Dec. 1989.

Northampton News, Jackson, NC Dates: 1 Jan. 1955 - 31 Dec. 1989.

Scotland Neck Commonwealth, Scotland Neck, NC Dates: 25 May 1934 - 31 Dec. 1989.

Enfield Progress, Enfield, NC Dates: 1 Jan. 1965 - 31 Dec. 31, 1989.

CURRITUCK WILLS

Submitted by Lillian Wetherington

Will Book 1 page 6

At Inferior Court Of Pleas & Quarter Sessions held at the Courthouse for the said County on the first Tuesday in April 1762 Present His Majesty's Justices. The following Will was here proved in due form of Law and on motion ordered to be registered which acording follows in these words To wit.

In the name of God Amen First I commit my body to the Earth To be buried in a decent manner and secondly recommend my sole to God.

Item after all my lawful Debts is paid I leave the Remainder part of all the dets that is due to me unto Solomon Ashbe likewise one bed and furniture one Chest one Case and botels one Gun and all my Tulls and one Gold ring one Silk handkerchea one pare of silver butens one trunk two diest dear skins one Fidel and likewise all my lands that I have in North Carolina after my deceas to him and his Hears for Ever.

December ye 1 day 1761

Jonathan X Johnson (no seal) his mark

Test William Bornslev William Barom Jurat Sarah Ashbee Jurat

Recorded and Examined this tenth Day of June 1762

Wm. Mearns C.C.

Will Book 1 page 29

October Inferior Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions Anno Domini 1765

The following Instruments_____ a last will & Testament of one Lydia Caron Deceased that it appears to have been executed above thirteen years ago was then & there (By the influence & order of Francis Brown one of the Justices in open Court then sitting) ordered to he exhibited proved and recorded whereupon John Holstead who was brought from the colony of Virginia for that purpose being called upon Deposes that he believed he knew his own signing as one of the witnesses to the afors. Instrument and further said not.

In the name of God Amen I Lydia Caron of the County of Currituck in the Province of North Carolina being of sound mind & memory but indoped in Body do make this my last will & Testament in manner & form following Vizt. I recommend my soul to almighty God who gave it living in sure & certain hope of the Resurrection of the dead thro the merits of my blessed Savior Jesus Christ. Imprimis I give & bequeath unto my Brothers Joseph Church & Caleb Church & my Sister Julian Stewart all the land which may appear to be given me by my deceased husband's Jacob Caron last will in manner following that is to my Sister Julian Stewart three hundred acres begining on Timothy Etheridge's Line across the Ridge for the compliment of three hundred acres of the said Land and the remaining Part of the sd land to be equally divided between my Brothers Joseph Church Caleb Church to them the sd Joseph Church Caleb Church & Julian Stewart to them and their Heirs for Ever. Item- I give & bequeath to my Brother Joseph Church one Walnut Desk. Item- I give and bequeath unto my Brother in law Joseph Stewart one Gilding Horse named Top also I give to my sister Julian Stewart one walnut Tea Table & all my Teaware & my Tea Kettle & all my wearing apparel & my largest trunk. Item- I give & bequeath to my cousin Elizabeth Stewart one negro Boy named Ben to her & her Heirs for Ever & two gold rings and a gold locket. Item I give and bequeath unto my Cousin Elizabeth Corprew if she lives to become of age one negro woman named Bess and increase that may happen hereafter to her the said Elizabeth Corprew & her Heirs forever, but in case she should die before she marries or comes of age then & in that case to go to her Brother Thomas Corprew & his Heirs & one gold Ring- Item- I give to my Mother-in-law Alice Caron one Feather bed which she has now in her possession Futhermore my desire is that my deceased Husband Jacob Caron Just debts & my own be paid then all the rest of my Estate remaining ungiven away I desire should be equally divided between Joseph Stewart Joseph Church Caleb Church to them & their Heirs for ever - I also nominate & appoint my Brother in law Joseph Stewart and my Brother Joseph Church & Caleb Church whole & sole Executors of this my last Will & Testament discounting all other former Wills. I witness hereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this thirteenth Day of March one thousand seven hundred and fifty two.

Lydia Caron (And a Seal)

Attested By William Shergold John Holstead Jurat Wm. Bradley Jurat

Witnesses - Recorded & examined the 28th of October 1765 Wm. Mearns C.C.

Will Book 1 page 194 & 195

In the name of God Amen, I Sarah Chittum of the County of Currituck & State of North Carolina, being very sick & weak in body but sound & perfect in memory considering that it was appointed fall all once to die & after death the judgment and as for my worldly goods which it hath pleased God to bless me with I leave as follows. I give & bequeath to my son James Chittum one bed & furniture, one dish & three plates One Case of bottles one half of the hogs one mare- I give & bequeath to my son John Chittum one bed & furniture one dish & three plates one table one Case bottles two chairs one half of the hogs - I give & bequeath to my daughter Mary one bed & furniture, one dish & three plates- I give & bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Chittim one linen wheel & one heifer one dish three plates one pot hooks & tramels, one box iron, one pair of steelyards, two chairs, one bason & plat One loom one Great wheel- I give & bequeath to my daughter Sarah one hand mill one hackle- I give & bequeath to my daughter Sarah Baxter and Elizabeth Chittum all the remainder of my household goods to be equally divided I give & bequeath to my son William Harris one chest - James Chittum & John Chittum executors

Joshua Baxter Jane (+) Philips jurat (her mark) Cloe (H) Dauge (her mark)

her Sarah L. Chitum (Seal) mark Recorded & Examined August 20th 1785 Wm. Ferebee, C.C.C.

CURRITUCK COUNTY WILLS

Submitted by Lillian Wetherington

John Jarvis

Will Book 3 Page 82

The last will and Testament of **John Jarvis** deceased Exhibited and Proved at May term 1816.

In the name of God Amen, I **John Jarvis** of the state of North Carolina and county of Currituck do this day in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixteen the tenth of April calling to mind that it is ordained for man once to die, do this day make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following. Item First I give and bequeath to son **William Jarvis** one gun to him and his heirs forever. 2 I give to my daughter **Nancy Balance** one small desk to her and her heirs forever. 3 Item I leave as much of my perishable property to be sold as will pay my just debts and funeral expenses. 4 Item I give to my daughter **Betsy Jarvis** one bed and furniture to her and her heirs forever and one cow and calf. 5 Item I give to my son **John Jarvis** one bed and furniture one cow and calf to him and his heirs forever. 6 Item I give to my son **Foster Jarvis** one bed and furniture and one cow and calf to him and [his] heirs forever. 7 Item I give and bequeath to my children by name **Nancy Balance, Thomas Jarvis, Betsy Jarvis, John Jarvis** and **Foster Jarvis** all the remainder of my estate both within doors and without to be equally divided between them to them and their heirs forever. 8 Item I make & appoint my son **John Jarvis** the whole and sole Executor of this my last will and Testament.

John Jarvis Seal

John T. Hampton, Jurant**Evan Jones**

Will book 1 page 216

In the name of God, Amen April the 10th day of 1786 I **Evan Jones** of North Carolina Currituck County being of sound and perfect senses and memory blessed be God for the same and knowing the uncertainty of this life and minded to settle my affairs in manner and form as followeth that is to say first and princably I give and bequeath my soul to God who gave it hoping that at the general resurrection I shall through the presuss blood of Jesus Christ my Redeemer recive full pardon and remission for all my sins, and as for what worldly goods in his mercy hath stowed me I give and bequeath as followeth ~ Item I give unto my well beloved son **Evan Jones** and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body the land I now live on and also the tract of land on Joneses Island ~ Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter **Rody Capps** one bed and furniture and also one chest ~ Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson **David [L??ps]** Twenty shillings ~ Item I give and bequeath unto my son **Evan Jones** one chest of drawers. ~Item I give and bequeath unto [my: struck through] five of my children **Evan Jones, Elizabeth Caves, Mary Fansher, Amy Grimsted, Rody Capps**, all my movable estate that has not been give to be equally divided between the five children above mentioned. I do make and ordain constitute and appoint **Evan Jones** my hole and soul Excutor of this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written~

Evan [his mark] Jones Seal

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of us

Caleb Simmons, John Hill, Solomon MorseRecorded and Examined the 25th day of Sept. 1786 Wm. Ferebee CCC

Norfolk County [Chesapeake, Virginia] Will

Will of **Abigail Creekmore** 1815-1816

Will Book 4, page 234

In the name of God, Amen. I **Abigail Creekmore** of the County of Norfolk and Saint Brides Parish being at this time very sick, but of sound and perfect sense of both mind and memory blessed be almighty God for the same. I do make ordain & constitute this to be my last will & testament in manner and form following. First I ??? I give and bequeath unto my two brothers, **Peter Creekmore** and **Ballance Creekmore** all my proportional part of my fathers undivided land to them and their heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath unto my sister **Martha West** one iron pot and one linnen wheel to her and her heirs forever. Item I leave one feather bed and furniture to pay my funeral expenses, Lastly I nominate and appoint my Uncle **Thomas Ballance** whole and sole executor of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this nineteenth day of November one thousand eight hundred and fifteen.

Abigail [her mark] Creekmore

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of **John Hutcheson, Peter Creekmore**At a court held for Norfolk County the 20th day of May 1816. This will was proved by the oath of **John Hutcheson** and **Peter Creekmore**. Witness thereto and ordered to be recorded. Teste, **Wm. Wilson**

CHAPLIN FAMILY WILLS (continued)

Researched by O. S. Chaplain, Jr.

State of North Carolina, Currituck County - Be it remembered that Caleb Chaplin on the 18 April 1789 being in his sound mind and disposing memory and Sarah Poerich and Sarah Dough did dispose of his Estate in the following manner. All his movable property to be sold to maintain and educate his son James Chaplin and that he did appoint Richard Dough Executor or trustee of this Last Will and Testament personally appear before me a State Justice. Sarah Poerich and Sarah Dough give to the above in due form of law this 19th day of April 1789. Signed - Thomas Jarvis.

State of North Carolina, Currituck County 1777 June County Court Session of the Peace, Present State Justices - The last will and testament of Jehue Hall late of said county aforesaid was in open court exhibited and proved Nathan Hall Executor there to qualified by taking the oath by law prescribed all in due form of Law the said will stand here thus recorded -- In the name of God Amen I Jehue Hall considering the uncertainty of this transitory life do make and ordain this my last will and testament being of perfect strength of memory and senses. Thanks be to almighty God for it first recommending my soul to God that gave it and as to my temporal affairs I leave my body to be burried my Executor hereafter mentioned and after all my just debts are paid I give and dispose of the rest of my estate in manner and form following. Item. I give and bequeath my desk to my Sister Sophia Chaplin I give and bequeath my Shoo Buchels and nea buckets to my father Spence Hall - Item I give and bequeath the rest of my estate goods and Chattals wearing apparrell money and debts due to me To my brother Nathan Hall and do make and ordain him the said Nathan Hall my whole and sole Executor of this my last will and testament made this twenty sixth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven and first year of _____ state Inwitness hereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and date above mentioned.

Signed in the Presence of - Silvanus Howell & Sarah X. (her mark) Due

Jehue Hall (seal)

Recorded and Examined this 12th day of June 1777, test Hall-Williams.

State of N. Carolina, Currituck Co. In the name of God, Amen. I Sarah Toler of the said county being in reasonable health at present, thanks be to God for the same and of as sound mind and memory, but calling to mind it is appointed for man once to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form. first of all I devise that all my just debts be paid out of my estate. Item. I give and bequeath unto Caleb Toler my grandson one feather bed and furniture. Item. I give unto the deacons of Powell's Point baptist church twenty dollars to be laid out by them for the support of the ministry to be raised out of my estate. Item. I give unto Mathias Toler my grandson twenty dollars to be laid out on schooling of said child. Item. I give unto Mathias Davis my grandson one cow and calf. Item. My will and desire is that all my property that I have not already given away be sold by my executor and after my just debts is paid all the remaining part of the mony to be equally divided amongst all my children, to wit James Toler, Sally Chaplin and Polly Etheridge and last of all I make and appoint my friend Semeon Sawyer my executor to this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have this day sit my hand and offixed my seal this February 22nd day of 1814.

Sarah X (her mark) Toler (seal)

Signed, Sealed & delivered in the presence of us, Jacob Sawyer _____ Jurat & S. Sawyer.

Recorded and examined the _____ day of _____ (date of recording never filled in)

In the name of God Amen I Sampson Ethridge of Currituck county and State of North Carolina, being in good health and of sound mind and memory, and of free disposing intellectual faculties, but calling to mind the uncertainty of life and certainty of death, do make and publish this my last will and testament in the manner and form following, that is to say, first of all I recommend my soul into the hands of the Almighty God, and my body to the ground to be burried in a decent manner at the discretion of my executor, and as touching what worldly goods it hath pleased gods to bless me with, I dispose of as follows. Viz. Item 1st. I give unto my grandson Nathaniel Murrel fifty acres of land to be laid off on the northwest end of my land, including his house and plantation: Also I give my grandson Nathaniel Murriel two hundred silver dollars. Item 2d I give unto my son Sampson Etheridge one negro boy called George. Item 3d I give unto my daughter Anny Chaplin one negro girl called Grace and a girl called Silva to her and her heirs, but if my daughter Anny should die without lawful heir of her own body, the two girls Silva and Grace are to be equally divided among all my children. Item 4th. I give unto my three grand children, namely, William Nelson, Sampson Nelson and Elijah Nelson the three following negros, viz. To William Nelson I give one negro girl called Bets, To Sampson Nelson I give my girl Sall, To Elijah Nelson I give my boy Dick. Item 5th. All the remainder of my estate consisting of land in possession of John Murrel, my negros not before mentioned, my stock, household goods all my property of every description I leave to be sold on twelve months credit, and the money arising from the sale be divided into five shares, one of the shares I give to my son Sampson Etheridge, the 2 share I give to Nathaniel Murriel, the 3d share I give to my daughter Anny Chaplin, and the 4th share I give to my daughter Peggy Murriel, and the 5th share, I give to my three grandchildren, William, Sampson and Elijah Nelson to be equally divided between them. Last of all I nominate, constitute and fully appoint my son Sampson Etheridge my whole and sole executor, to this my last will and testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 3d day of August 1815. Signed, Sealed, Pronounced and declared in presence of - L. W. Hall. - Recorded and examined the ___ day of _____ (no date recorded) John Greeves

The Last Will and testament of John Chaplain Deceased proved November term 1831 State of North Carolina, Currituck County. - In the name of God amen I John Chaplain of the county and State aforesaid being of sound disposing mind and memory (although feeble in body) Thanks be to God for the same-Calling to mind the un certainty of life and the certainty of death do make and ordain this my last Will and testament in manner and form as follows. First I give unto my daughter Polly Toller one feather bed and furniture - one cow and calf and the use of the Hall room of the House I live in provided she does not sell nor rent it out but occupy it herself and one linnen wheel to her and her heirs forever. Secondly I give unto my beloved wife Anny Chaplain my negro woman called Gracey, two feather beds and furniture unto her and her heirs for ever. Thirdly I lent to my beloved wife Anny Chaplain my old negro man James and woman Phaoby all my kitchen furniture. I also lend to my wife the manner plantation and all the woodland belonging thereto and the windmill with a priviledge to sell the mill if she may think proper to pay my just debts - I also lend to her all my cattle except the cow and calf I gave to my daughter Polly, all my gang of hogs, all my sheep and all my mare and horse coal. I also lend her all my farming tools I also lend unto her all my bacon and pork all my corn and all my things indoors and outdoors that is not lent or given away - I also lend her my lighter and canoes and all my nets with a privilege to sell such things as she may think proper to pay my just debts - lastly After the death of my wife Anny Chaplain I give and bequeath all the property I have lent to my daughter Polly Tolar to her and her heirs forever - lastly I nominate, constitute and appoint my beloved wife Anny Chaplain my whole and sole executrix to this my last will and testament and request my friend Spence Hall to assist her as she may need - In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal February 21st 1831 - Signed, sealed, published and declared to be the last will and testament of the testator in presence of - S. Hall, Clerk, John M. Corbell & Wallis X (his mark) Etheridge -

Signed John Chaplin (seal)

State of N. Carolina Currituck Co. November term 1831 this last will and testament of John Chaplain Deceased was exhibited and proved in open court by the oath of S. Hall a subscribing witness thereto and ordered recorded when the Executrix came into open court and Qualified etc.

Recorded Jan. 28th 1832 by, S. Hall and James G. Hall.