

The last will and Testament of Benjamin Shipps deceased was proved by the oath of John Drury and James Drury two of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded: and the executrix therein named being an infant under the age of twenty one years on the motion of John Drury she made oath and together with William Dorman, Peter D Beckman and James Drury her Executors entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of two thousand dollars conditioned as the Law directs certificate is granted him for drawing letters of administration on the said Benjamin Shipps estate with his bond well approved in due form.

Ordered that William A Jones, Simon T Westbrooke, Thomas Westbrooke and John Day or any three of them being first duly sworn before a Justice of the Peace for that purpose do appraise all the personal estate of Benjamin Shipps deceased and return the appraisement under their hands to Court.

Thomas Butler who has been appointed Sheriff of this County by a Commission from the Governor dated the six day of December 1740. with the Seal of the Governor aforesaid appeared in Court and together with Joseph Butler, Robert Butler and Thomas J Butler his Executors entered into three several bonds in the penalty of \$30,000 each conditioned according to law which bonds were acknowledged by the obligors therein named and ordered to be recorded: and the said Thomas Butler took of fidelity to the Governor aforesaid, the oath of a good citizen, the oath to support the Constitution of the United States, and the oath of Office.

Ordered that Shugart Linn, Patrick Dhes and James Blaylock being first duly sworn before a Justice of the Peace for that purpose do appraise the residue of the personal estate of Russell Branch deceased and return the appraisement under their hands to Court.

Ordered that James James, Henry Moore and David Atkinson or any three of them let to the best advantage the rebuilding of the bridge across Flat Swamp over the road leading to Kingsbridge, receive the same when completed and make report thereof to Court.

On the motion of Peter D Beckman. Ordered that Master Commissioners Bell examine State and settle the said Beckmans Transactions on the estate of Lucy Atkinson de^d and make report thereof to the Court with any matters especially stated deemed pertinent by himself or which he may be required to state.

Ordered that the estate of William A Stone deceased be committed to the hands of Thomas Butler Sheriff of this County for administration according to Law.

William D Canby
against

Edwards Watts for himself and as guardian ad litem of John W Canby an infant of tender years

The Commissioners appointed to make sale of the land of in the proceedings mentioned this day made the following report to wit:

Sale of one moiety of the house in Jerusalem and land

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