

and plantation whereon I now dwell containing, containing by estimation One hundred & sixty acres to hold to him and his heirs for ever after the death or marriage of my wife Mary. I also give to my said Son Ethelred my former and Turners tools including one Pot and after my son James Lancaster taking out of the above Tools one Joiners tenant Saw and my best set of Bench planes.

Item

I give and bequeath to my son James Lancaster my Negro Girl Lucy now in his possession with her increase to hold to him and his heirs for ever.

Lastly my will is that my Estate be not appraised. I constitute and appoint my two sons Ethelred & James Lancaster to be my whole & sole Executors of this my last will. In witness whereof I have hereunto put my hand and affixed my seal this eighth day of September one thousand seven hundred and eighty three.

Signed, sealed & declared
in the presence of us
Richard Edwards
William White
B. Bailey.

Joseph Lancaster.

At a court held for the county of Southampton the 12th day of May 1783. This will was presented in court by Ethelred & James Lancaster the Executors therein named and proved by the oaths of Richard Edwards & William White two of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of the said Executors who made oath according to law certificate is granted them for obtaining a Probate thereof in due form giving security. Whereupon &c.

Ben^{ts}
Holdens
Will

In the name of God. Amen. I Benjamin Holdens of the county of Southampton being sick and weak of body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God do make and ordain this my last will & testament in manner & form following: viz.

Impious

I give and bequeath unto my son Benjamin Holdens one part of my land and that part of land to the South from a line beginning at a Turkey oak joining Howell Bratches line the Turkey oak being a corner tree thence to a white oak thence to a Hickory an Elbow thence to a Persimmon tree thence to an apple tree thence to a Persimmon tree thence to another persimmon tree thence to a cedar tree by the flash, thence down the said flash to the fork thereof thence down the left hand prong to a Maple, thence a straight course to a large bybrefs standing in Seacoach swamp thence a straight course from the bybrefs to the run of Seacoche swamp. I also give unto my said son Benjamin my old Gun to him and his heirs for ever.

Item

I give and bequeath unto my Son William Holdens the other part of my lands from the line of marked trees northwardly. I also give unto my said William my new Gun to him & his heirs for ever.