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I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Martha Thorpe during her natural life my land & plantation lying between three creeks & the road also my negro man Dick & three of the first choice of my stock of cattle four of the first choice of my stock of sheep one bay mare one feather bed & furniture one spinning & cards twenty barrels of corn for the ensuing year twelve heads of hogs of any size she chooses & one pot & after her death, I desire that the negro the cattle except two the sheep the wheel & cards the mare the stock of hogs the bed & furniture, & the pot be sold & the money equally divided between my four children namely Timothy Thorpe Hardy Thorpe Willie Thorpe & Olive Thorpe to them & their heirs forever.

Item I give & bequeath to my son Joshua Thorpe the above mentioned land & plantation after the death of my beloved wife Martha Thorpe also two of the above mentioned stock of cattle or two of their increase one feather bed & furniture & my stile to him & his heirs forever.

Item I give & bequeath to my son Timothy Thorpe one tract or parcel of land lying on tar river in the state of North Carolina near Ferds bridge containing six hundred & forty acres be the same more or less to him & his heirs forever but if the said Timothy Thorpe should die without his lawfully begotten issue the said land & plantation to my son Willie Thorpe to him & his heirs forever but I except one third of the said land & plantation which I leave to the wife Timothy Thorpe's widow during her natural life & after her death that third shall return to the said Willie Thorpe as above mentioned.

Item I give & bequeath to my son Mary Thorpe the whole of my land lying on the south side of the road leading from L. Ampton Court house to Hicks Ford except one acre to him & his heirs forever but if he should die without his lawfully begotten issue I give the said land to my son Joshua Thorpe to him & his heirs forever also one bed and furniture.

Item I give and bequeath to daughter Sarah (child one negro boy, named Mary, to her and her heirs forever

Item I give & bequeath to my three grand children orphans of Mary Spence daughter twelve pounds each current money of Virginia & the money to be paid to her by my executors until the eldest son arrives to the age of twenty years then I desire that the principal & interest should be equally divided