

Item I give unto my son Jabez Lewis my negro man Abraham to him and his heirs forever also my negro girl Nancy unto her increased to him and his heirs forever

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Benjamin W Lewis my negro man Abraham to him and his heirs forever also fifty pounds to be paid out in the purchase of a negro boy or girl to him this heirs forever

Item I give to my son James Lewis my negro James and Daniel to him and his heirs forever

Item I give to my daughter Sally and her Elys Lewis my negro woman Glad and all her future increased also a negro boy by the name of Charles to her and her heirs forever

Item I give unto my daughter Mary Hannah Lewis my negro man Stephen and Lill church and Nancy to her and to his heirs forever as it is my will if either of my sons should die under age or without heirs that survivors should have my land equally divided between them provided they pay to my daughters one hundred pounds each If two of my sons should die under age or without heirs I give the surviving son for the sum of two hundred pounds each all which I give unto their heirs forever It is my will and desire that the orchard I have placed about the land should be enlarged to the amount of five hundred trees should be planted where John Docketty formerly lived near the Crofs River It is also my will that my representative should keep my orchard up by raising grafts or buying them as he may think proper

It is my will if either of my negroes except Stephen should behave improper that my representative may if he think proper sell the said negro or negroes and the money arising from the sale of said Negro or negroes to be laid out in the purchase of another negro or negroes and to go to the child the said negro or negroes belong to

And lastly I nominate and appoint Levi Rockells Sam Blank and Thelma Edmunds Executors to this my last will and testament hereby revoking all other wills by me made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this seventeenth day of September one thousand eight hundred and fifteen

Witness
Levi Rockells

Thelma Edmunds

Henry S P Westbrook

Benjamin Lewis

At a Court held for the County of Southampton the 18th day of December 1816 This Will was proved by the oaths of Robert Rockells and Henry S P Westbrook two of the witnesses hereto and read to be recorded And at a Court held for the County of Southampton the day of January 1816 On the motion of Robert Rockells who made oath according to law to certify for the administration with the will annexed of the said Benjamin Lewis dec^d the Executors thereunto named refused to take upon themselves the burden of the Execution thereof the same is granted him upon his giving bond and security Whereupon