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18<sup>th</sup>  
Item The whole of my Estate of all Lands either growing or in the hand with the effects of my House & its Pitchery, furniture not herein after other were disposed to her and her heirs forever.  
Item I had under my beloved wife during her life the use of the whole of my lands whatsoever situated, also land unto her during her life my Slave Sam. Jones and a Negro man Ben and furniture my Carpenter took two mauls and open chest.

Item After the death of my wife Elizabeth Edwards I give my lands to be divided amongst Matthew Thomas and Simon Vaughan and their heirs forever. I also give to Matthew Vaughan after the death of my wife my negro man Tom and to Thomas Vaughan my negro man Tony all of which property is given into Matthew Thomas and Simon Vaughan in trust and take possession of all claims or demands which they may have either against me or my wife and those shall be any such claims and they release to accept this provision in discharge of the same then I desire that the property given them may be charged with the payment of their taxes and I also desire that any debt due Mary Vaughan to me be paid out of the same funds.

Item The bed and furniture left by my self. I give to my Grand Daughter Sally Edwards after her death and after my Event. I give my Carpenter took the two mauls and open chest to my Grandson Clayton Edwards.

Item I desire that old Rose be supported during her life by my wife and that the Negro woman Cherry with her youngest child Hartley so long as said woman Rose may live. I also desire my wife shall pay her such amount annually as he is entitled to from me.

Item To my Grandsons children by my son Tom Tyler and Clement Edwards not by including their names being but those which they may hereafter have. I give and bequeath immediately after my death my Slave Wm. Hartel A.B. and Jacob and after the death Rose I give them my negro woman Cherry and Chico Hartley with any income they may have from that time also after the death of my wife. And I give I desire that my particular friends Jordan Edwards and William Edwards should in this behalf act as Guardians to my said Grand children until they are fully authorized to make sale of all or any part of said property which may come into their hands as Guardians and apply the money to the use and support of my Grand children as their necessity may require.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Tom Tyler and Clement Edwards one dollar each having formerly made provision for them by giving each of them a tract of land.

Item One half of my Stock of Cattle hogs and Sheep I leave in the hands of my Executors for the payment of my debts should that provision prove insufficient then I desire the negroes given to my Grand children to be charged with the payment of such debts as may stand out unpaid excepting such debts as I have directed to be paid by a different fund.

Testy It is my will and desire that my beloved wife and my particular friend James Wells execute this my last Will and Testement, 2<sup>d</sup> April, 1820. I do, in witness set my Hand and Seal  
Signed Seals published and acknowledged this 29<sup>th</sup> day of November in  
presence of A.S. Gardner  
Samuel Edwards my Notary

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At a Court held for the County of Southampton on the 18<sup>th</sup> December 1822. This Will was presented in Court by Elizabeth Edwards the executrix therin named proved by the oaths of A.S. Gardner Esq. Col. Cobb and James Dinsmore being the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded and on the record of said Executive who made oath according to law Certificate is granted her for probate therefore are given on his quarry land and security wherefrom the said Elizabeth Edwards together with William Wells, A.S. Gardner and James Murphy her securities entered into and acknowledged their bond in the presence of John Shaws and others constituted as the law directs.

Lucy West March 15<sup>th</sup> 1823  
Will In the name of God Amen I say that of Southampton County Considering every thing I must do to settle my debts I do my best to do in manner and form following First My desire is that all my just debts shall be paid Secondly I give and bequeath all of my Estate of every kind and quality to my daughter Lucy Barnes to be possessed by her for her natural life and at her death to be equally divided between Lucy Barnes, Eliza Stephen, William West, Achey, B. Bythew, John West and James West to them and their heirs. I give Lucy Barnes and my son Edward B. and wife