of writing as his last Will & Testament that he published & Declared the Same so to be that at the time of his so doing he was Sound & Perfect Mind and Memory to the best of their knowledge & y^t they y^d Dep^ts Did Subscribe as Wittnesses y^d Will in ye presence of ye S^d Michael & ye S^d Dep^ts further Depose y^t they Saw y^d Richd Webb Who is now Decead Subscribe as a Wittness y^d Will in ye presence of the Same Michael before me

M Howard Commissary of Talbot Cty

6^d Fees

In the Name of God Amen I William Shaw of Talbot County
Ex: planter in the province of Maryland being Sick and much out of order in my Body but in Sound perfect Mind and Memory praise be therefore given to Allmighty God for it, do make this and ordain it my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following that is to Say first and principally I commend my Soul into the Hands of Allmighty God, hoping through the meritts Death and passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ to have full and free pardon and forgiveness of my Sins and to inheritt Everlasting Life, and my Body I comit to the Earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executor, and as touching the disposal of all Such Temporal Estate as it hath pleased Allmighty God to bestow upon me I give and Dispose thereof as followeth.

Imp^s I will that my Just Debts and Funeral Charges be paid and discharged

Item My Will and desire is that my four Children I had by my first Wife to live along with their Mother in Law during her Widowhood, but if their Mother in Law Marry then it is my desire that the above four Children of mine Should be left to themselves to chuse as they think fit whom they will live with

Item: My desire is that the above four Children, at Age at Eighteen Years to be then for themselves and further that his Six Children in all I give and bequeath to Each of them one Cow a piece, and the increase of Each Cow to Each Child for ever, when they come to ye Age of Eighteen Years

Item: My Reall Estate I leave to my Son John Shaw and to ye Heires of his Body Lawfully begotten But my Desire is that my Son shall not Sell the Land and further my Desire is that if my Son John should Dye without Issue then that the Land be equally divided between my four Daughters to them and their Heirs for ever

Item I leave my Wife Elizabeth Shaw my Sole Executrix this my last Will and Testament, and hopes she will See my Desires fulfilled

(As)

As wittness my hand and Seal this 19th Day of March 1723

William his Mark Shaw Seal

Test of
Elizabeth her Mark Burges
Thomas his Mark Maguire
James Anderson

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz^t

April the 7th 1724

Then the within named Elizabeth Burges Thomas Mc guire and James Anderson made Oath upon the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God y^t they Saw ye within named William Shaw Sign and Seal ye within Instrument of writing as his last Will & Testam^t y^t he published & declared ye Same so to be, y^t at the time of his so doing he was of Sound & Perfect Mind & Memory to the best of their knowledge & that they Subscribed ye Same as Wittnesses in his presence before me

M Howard Commissary of Talbot Cty

4^s Fees

Ex: In the Name of God Amen &c I Elizabeth Ross of Talbot County Wd being Sick & weak in Body but in Perfect Sence and Memory I thank God for it and knowing that Death is Certain & Life uncertain I do make this my last Will & Renouncing all others heretofore made by me &c

Imp^s I first give my Soul to Allmighty God who gave it to me my Body to the Earth to have a Christian Bur^l as my Execu^r hereafter mentioned shall think fitt

Item I leave my Son Roger Clayland & my Son In^o Clayland my Execu^rs

Item I give & bequeath to my Son Roger Clayland my feather bed & furniture & a Cow

Item I give & bequeath to my Son John Clayland one hh^d of Tobacco due to me from Nathan^l Commege and Eight Bushells of Indian Corn & a Chest and a Mare

Item I give and bequeath to Daughter Rebecca Cole my Diamond Ring

Item I give & bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Shield all my wearing Cloaths & the Chest that the Cloaths is now in & a plain Gold Ring & Some old Gold which was a Picktoe & a frying Pan I Wittness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this Eighth Day of Feb: 7 Anno: Dom: 1723

Elizabeth Ross Seal

Sign^d Sealed & Del^d
In the presence of us
William Pd
Jam^s I Harce his Mark
Anthony A Williams his Mark

And on the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written (Viz^t)

March ye 9th 1723