apprehension of sound and Disposeing mind and memory—
And they the aforesaid Daniell Mayhadier and Rowland
Gloyd as wittnesses subscribed the Said Will in the presence of
the Said Testator.

3d Nov. Sworn to before me Thos Dorman Clerk Talbot Cty

In The name of God amen I James Colston of the parish of St Michaels in the County of Talbot and in the Province of Maryland Coner being in perfect Health of mind (praised be God) do make this my Last Will and Testament as followeth.

Imprs. I most Humbly bequeath my soul to God my maker beseeching his most Gracious acceptance of it through the all Sufficient merits & mediation of my Compassionate Redeemer Jesus Christ who gave him self to be an attonemt. for my Sins and is able to save to the uttermost all that come unto God by him.

Item — I Give my Body to the Earth from whence it came, in full Assurance of its Resurrection from thence at the Last Day as for my burryall (when it shal please God to Call me) I desire it may be Decent at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter Named, who I doughtnot will manage it with all requisite Prudence.

Item — I Give and bequeath to my Eldest son James Colston one Hundred acres of Land being part of a tract of Land Called Clays hope Including part of the manner plantation (wch. growes of the trees of the orchard) Lying on the north side of Thread haven Creek in Cheptank River after my wifes Decease.

Item — I Give and bequeath to my son Henry Colston Seventy Acres being part of the said Tract of Land.

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Item — I Give and bequeath to my son Jeremiah Colston Thirty acres being part of the same Tract of Land.

Item — I Give to my Daughter Rose Colston out of my Personall Estate to the Value of two thousand pounds of tobacco.

Item — my Desire is that my son William Colston may be paid between his Mother if Living, & his brother James two thousand pounds of Tobacco, but in case his mother be Dead, his said Brother James Colston shall pay him the said sum of Tobacco him self.

Item — I Give and bequeath to my well beloved wife Elizabeth Colston the whole plantation with all the personall Estate to me belonging Dureing her Life to bring up her Children in the fear of God according to her Discretion and after her Decease to be Devided among my three sons as aforementioned.

Item — I Constitute appoint and ordaine my well beloved wife Elizabeth Colston my sole Executrix of this my Last Will & Testament till that my son James shall come to age, & then my said son to become Joynt Executr. with his mother.

Item — the Remainder of the orchard to be Included into the hundred Acres of Land for my son James after his mothers Decease.

Signed sealed, published & Declared as the Last Will & Testament in the Presence of us the subscribers — Elinor E her mark B Bradshaw — John + Brady — Francis Cook.

James Colston

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written (viz.t) — Talbott County Ss. Aprill the 4th 1729 Then Came Elinor Bradshaw John Brady and ffrancis Cook three of the subscribing wittnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they saw the Testator James Colston sign and seal and heard him publish & Declare the same as his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their knowledge & apprehension of sound and Disposeing mind and memory and that they the af