This Will written with my own hand I sign Seal pronounce and Declare to my last Will and Testament in the presence of John Johnings Hopkins John Shannahan and Thomas Townsend whom I desire to attest the same —

Signed Sealed Pronounced and Declared by Jonathan Nicols the Testator as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us —

Jon.a Nicols (Seal)

J. J. Hopkins
John Shannahan
Thomas his X mark Townsend

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t Talbot County fs.t Then Mary Nicols and Henry Nicols the Executrix and Executor of the last Will and Testament of Jonathan Nicols late of Talbot County Deceased severally made oath on the holy Evangils that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is the true and only Will and Testament of the Testator therein named that hath come to their or either of their hands or possession and that they do not know nor have heard of any other Will by him made —

Talbot County fs.t March 2.d 1774

Certified by John Bratto Dep. Comy. Talb.t Coty.

Talbot County fs.t March 2.d 1774 Then came John Johnings Hopkins John Shannahan and Thomas Townsend Subscribing Evidences to the last Will and Testament of Jonathan Nicols late of Talbot County Deceased and severally made oath on the holy Evangils that they did see the Testator therein named sign and Seal and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their several apprehensions of sound and Disposing mind memory and understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Evidences to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other

Certified by John Bratto Dep. Comy. Talb.t County

In the name of God amen

this 9.th day of November 1773 I **James Colston** Senr. of Talbot County being sick but of memory sound thanks be to God for the same and calling to remembrance that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say first and principally I recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it and my body to receive a christian burial at the Discretion of my Exr.s hereafter named and as for such goods as it hath pleased God to bestow upon me in this World I give and

bequeath

bequeath in manner and form following —

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son James Colston part of a tract of Land called Clayo Hope to him & his heirs beginning at the first tree standing opposite to Goose Neck Point and running from thence to the second and from thence running N. W. to the main road leading down to Anthony Keromyto therewith the road to the back line and so home to the first beginning

Item I give unto my son Henry Colston part of a tract of Land called Clayo Hope to him and his heirs forever beginning at the second boundary of the said tracts of Land and running a N. W. to meet with his brother James's Land and with the said road to the back line of Clayo Hope then home to the second boundary of the said Land and the Land I purchased of Robert Bromwell called Cove Hall and fort Venture according to a Deed of Sale from the said Bromwell to him the said Henry Colston and his heirs forever —

Item I give and bequeath unto my son William Colston all the remainder of Clayo Hope on the West side of the remain leading down to Anthony Keromyto to him and his heirs forever

Item I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Alice Colston all my personable Estate during her natural life and for to bestow it among her children as she thinks proper And Lastly I Constitute and Appoint my wife Alice Colston and my son Henry Colston whole and sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof the Testator have hereunto set his hand and Seal the day and year first written —

In presence of
Samuel Hopkins
Andrew Orem
Nicholas Orem

James Colston (Seal)

At the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t Talbot County fs.t 3.d December 1773 Then Alice Colston the Executrix and Henry Colston Executor of the last Will and Testament of James Colston late of the County aforesaid Deceased made oath on the holy Evangils that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is the only last Will and Testament of the Testator therein named that hath come to their hands or possession and that they do not know nor have heard of any other by him made —

Certified by John Bratto Dep. Comy. Talb.t County

Talbot County fs.t 31.st December 1773 Then came Samuel Hopkins Andrew Orem and Nicholas Orem Subscribing Evidences to the last Will and Testament of James Colston late of Talbot County Deceased and severally made oath on the holy Evangils of Almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named sign and seal and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their several apprehensions of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Evidences to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other —

Certified by John Bratto Dep. Comy. of Talb.t Coty