Die lunae vi aprilis

Came Nathaniell Lamplugh mate of the good ship St. nicholas whereof was master John Johnson Riding at anchor in St. michaells River in Talbot County, & Sheweth that James Woode late of wapping in The kingdom of England chirurgeon lately deceased intestate, that he hath left diuers goods & Chattels in this Prounce & therefore for preservation of the S. goods & Chattells for them that shall appeare to haue Right to the same in England, praij Letters of administration of the goods, Chattells, Rights & Credits of the S. James Wood to him to be committed

Ordered that the S. Nathaniell Lamplugh haue administration of the goods, Chattells, Rights & Credits of the S. James Cooke Chirurgeon deceased, he giuing Bond with two sufficient Sureties in double the value of what the goods & Chattells of the Said wood may be appraised & that Com. issue to Wm. Hambleton of Talbot County Gentl. one of his Lops Justices of the peace for the S. County to take bond as aforesaid & to administer the oath of administrator to the Said Lamplugh as also to to Sweare Andrew Skinner & John Kennimont appraisers of the S. goods & Chattells & after bond giuen & oath of administrator taken by the S. Lamplugh as aforesaid to deliver letters of administration vnto the S. Lamplugh, with the same Com. to be sent = & the Said Com. Letters of administration war. to appraisers & Commission to Sweare them, Issue vnder the Seale of this Office immediately #

Die veneris 9 maij:

Came Hester Porea the Relict of Anthoine le Comte late of Dorchester County deceased & Sheweth that She had endeauoured to make a perfect inuentory of the goods & Chattels of her late deceased husband to be returned into this Court 25th day of aprill last past but that the Cattell belonging to the Estate could not as yett be gott out of the woods & therefore Praij day to the 25th day of June next to bring in her Inuentory: Ordered that she haue time till 25th day of June next to bring in her Inuentory & that at that day she deliuer in the inuentory of what goods & Chattels can before that time be found without further delay #

Die martis 12: maij #

Came mary Stacey the wife of Wm. Stacey of Patuxent mannor in Calvert County & exhibited the Last will & testament of Richard Stacey Late of the Same mannor & County requesting to heare the Same by the witnesses James Garret & George Rowell to be proued & by the Judge here to be approued: whereupon James Garret in Court then present Sworne vpon the Holy Euangelists Saieth that Richard Stacey called him the S. Garrett & desired him to write the Will & testament now Sheewed him & that after it was written, he Saw the S. Richard Stacey of a Sound disposing mind signe seale & publish it, as his last will & testament



That the Said testator liued about eight & fourtie houres after he published this his testament as he was vnedilly informed wch testament followeth in these words #

In the name of God amen

I Richard Stacey being in my Sound & perfect Sences & memory doe make & ordaine this to be my last will & testament #

Inprimis. I bequeath my Soule to God that gaue it & my body to the earth from whence it came to be buried in decent manner

Item I order my debts to be paid —

Item I give my blacke mare to Wm. Stacey & her increase for euer.

Item I giue & bequeath all the Rest of my Estate either in Chattell, or any other thing whatsoever vnto mary Stacey the wife of the aforesaid Wm. Stacey, vnto the wish my last will & testament I haue here vnto sett my hand & Seale — this 14 of aprill 1674

Signed & Sealed in the presence of &c —
James Garett
George Rowell

Richard Stacey (Sealed)

Whereupon the Judge pronounced the S. Testament well made & mary Stacey executrix of the Said testament & ordered Com. to Issue to Wm. Groome Gentl. one of his Lops Justices of the Peace for the Said County to take the oath of George Rowell the other witness for full proofe of the Said testament & that they be deliuered vnto her the Letters of Testamentary with the Com. to him to be sent, & that Robert Staley & John Bigger both of the S. mannor & County be appraisers of the goods & Chattells of the Said Richard Stacey & that the Executrix returne Inuentory of the S. goods & Chattells by the twelue day of August next, & mary Stacey the Executrix named in the S. will, tooke the oath of Ex. Immediately: & the Said Letters testamentary war. to appraisers, & to Sweare them together with Commission to William Groome Gl: Issue Immediately #

But vpon further Consideration of the proofe of the S. testam. of the S. Richard Stacey, & that it was allready proued by the oath of James Garrett, who writt the Said testament & that the originall testament must be hazarded out of the Office before it be recorde, in case the aforesd. Com. to Wm. Groome be sent to take the oath of George Rowell The Judge here superseed the S. Com. & ordered the Letters Testamentary to be deliuered to mary Stacey Executrix of the S. Richard Stacey #

Eodem die

Came John Rawlins of Trequakin in Dorchester County, & in behalfe of Henry Bradley Executor of the last will & testament of Samuel Bradley his Brother Late in the Same County deceased

Exhibited