

1764 Barbados, Parish S<sup>t</sup>-Philip  
October 27<sup>th</sup> Christopher Forte &  
Elizabeth Weekes. were  
married, by licence

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Extracts

Notes of Samuel Forte's Will  
who was the Uncle of Nathaniel  
Weekes Forte, Capt. G. Forte's G<sup>d</sup> father

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Barbados } In the name of God Amen  
April 1809 }  
27<sup>th</sup> } Samuel Forte Senior, of the  
parish of S<sup>t</sup>-Thomas & Island  
aforesaid being of a sound & disposing  
mind & Memory & wishful to settle  
my worldly affairs do make & ordain  
this to be my last Will & Testament  
in manner & Form following Vizt:  
Inprimis, I direct my body to be  
decently buried by my Executors &  
Executor hereafter named, & that

They do have a Vault built for that  
purpose & with all speed in 1<sup>st</sup> Thomas  
Church Yard, I also direct that all  
my just Debts & funeral Expenses  
be fully paid & satisfied with the  
utmost dispatch after my decease  
Item I give devise & bequeath unto  
my beloved Wife Elizabeth Forte  
the sum of one hundred pounds  
per annum during her Widowhood  
& also her residence & living in  
my Mansion House during her  
Life & that she shall be entitled  
to every liberty & advantage on my  
Estate as she had in my life time  
I also give unto my said Wife the  
following Slaves to wit Judy, Pam,  
Betsy, Shigg, Judy = Jane, America  
Maria & Sam = Prince with all

The Issue & increase of the said  
Female Slaves hereafter to be  
Borne, for & during her natural  
life & at her death to return to  
my Estate & be part of the Estate  
hereafter bequeathed to my nephew  
I do also order that my said Wife  
shall be allowed a good Riding  
Horse for her use & also twelve  
Pots Muscovado Sugar, Six jars  
Molasses & twenty Gallons of good  
spirit with every kind of provisions  
that the Estate produces for her  
uses per annum and that she  
shall have free access to and  
from my Estate, without Molestation  
or disturbance.

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