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In obedience to an Order of this Court we the subscribers being appointed & first sworn have appraised the estate of Kalem Price as followeth Viz

£ s d
• 1 horse £4 one mare & colt £3 700
Nine head of cattle & 2 young calves
• 1 Negro Man
• 9 hogs & fourteen piggs
49100
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rought up & Continued £ s d
49100
One saddle & two bridles
• 1 14/ 3 bells & 2 iron wedges 12/6 166
• 2 old axes & 1 cythe 5/ 3 pots & hooks 10/ 0150
• 1 handsaw, adz,, drawing knife, & small auger 0140
• 1 spice mortar pestle, frying pan & spoon mould 100
• 1, 1 piggin, 2, 1 butterpot 1 3-/ 206
• 1 tanning wheel, 2 tin pans, some old pewter, 1 mug 10
• 4 quart bottles, 1 small bottle, 1 old chest 4/, 6 old 6/ 0100
 Some old books, 1 smoothing iron 2/6, 2 b, 1 bedstead 326
• 6 wool in the & 2
• 1 leather bag & three iron
625
6 th of April 1761
Returned into Court & Ordered to be Recorded
Teste

Roger Dixon cl

[The film (LVA #31) was difficult to read. Some unfamiliar words were undecipherable. In addition, the associated values were difficult to interpret and do not add up as interpreted.]

[12 pence (d) = 1 shilling, 20 shillings (s) = 1 pound]

[It seems apparent that Kalem was the owner of a modest farm, and did not possess much beyond the necessities. The reason more ordinary household items were not included in the appraisal is not clear.]

[For reasons which are also not clear, it appears that no action was taken to settle Kalem's estate until 19 March 1761, when Alexander Burk applied for Letters of Administration approximately two years and four months after the will was submitted for probate. Presumably, this was shortly after he married Kalem's widow, Mary. It would have been necessary to settle the estate before Burk could take legal possession of Mary's inheritance. The estate appraisal was submitted about one month after Burk became involved in the settlement.]