To the Honorable the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina

The Petition of Sarah Childs of the County of Anson respectfully represents that your Petitioner intermarried with General Thomas Childs of the same County about thirty years past, who at the time of said Marriage was in affluent Circumstances, and that he received in Marriage with your Petitioner a Considerable personal Estate, that shortly after said Marriage the said Thomas fell into habits of intemperance and dissipation and has long since entirely squandered and disposed away all his estate, and that he about ten years past