NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

JOHN MASON 1635 LONDON ENG.

In the Name of God Amen, I Cap' John Mason of London Esq', being Sick in body but of perfect mind & memory, laud & praise be therefore given to Almighty God, doe make & declare this my present last Will & Testament in Manner & forme following (that is to Say) first and principally I commend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God my Maker hoping & Assuredly beleiveing ye by & through the Meritts of the most pretious death & passion of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ I shall be Saved and have full & free pardon & remission of all my Sins and Enjoy Everlasting life, in the Kingdom of heaven Amongst the Elect Children of God, My body I committ to ye Earth from whence it came to be buried in the Collegiate Church of St' Peter in Westmin' without Any funerall Pompe, or Ceremonie. And as concerneing all & Singuler the Goods Chattells Debts & personall Estate, which it hath pleased God of his Goodness to bless me withall in this life after my Debts shall be paid & my funerall Charges discharged I give devise & bequeath the Same unto Such person & persons, in Such manner & forme & Under Such provisoes Conditions and Limitations as are hereafter Expressed (that is to say)

Imprimus I Give and bequeath Unto five poor people of the Town or parish of Portsmouth in the County of Southampton the sume of five pounds to be distributed According to the discretions of the Church warden of the said Town or p'ish for the time being, and to be paid by my Executrix Unto ye said Church warden of the s'Town or p'ish within one Year Next after my Decease the s'T Churchwardens, within One Year Next after the receipt of ye said legacie given unto My Executrix an honest and Just Account, of the distribuc'on of the s'd legacie, to ye use of the s'd poor people.
Item I give unto my Sister Dorothy Moor in Case she shall be in want for & dureing the terme of her Naturall Life The Yearly Sume of Tenn pounds of Lawfull mony of England to be paid unto her or her Assignes at the two Usuall feasts or halfe Yearely paym in the Year by Even and Equall porc'ons. And I give unto every of the Children of my said Sister Dorothy Moor, Six pounds apecie of Lawfull mony of England.

Item I give unto Beatrice Baldwin the sume of five pounds.

Item I give & bequeath unto my Brother in Law Mr Joshua Green & his wife, Mr Edward Lambert & his wife, Mr Henry Burton and his Wife, Mr John Woolaston & his wife, & to my Loveing Cosins Doctor Mason of Greenwich and his wife and Mother, To my Cosins Mr Thomas Geere and his wife, To my Cosin Thomas Mason Gentleman, and to my Cosins Mr Thomas Gipps & his Wife to every of them fifti Shillings a peice to make them Rings to weare in Remembrance of me.

All the rest & residue of all & Singuler my goods & Chattells and ready Money debts and personall Estate whatsoever & where-soever, after my Debts shall be paid, and my Legacies & funerall Charges shall be discharged, I will that my Wife shall have the use thereof and of Every part thereof And shall receive have & Enjoy to her Owne proper use all the encrease, profitt & benefitt that shall be made thereof, by for and dureing the terme of her Naturall life. And from and Imediately after the decease of my said wife, then I give devise and bequeath the S\(^d\) rest and residue of all and Singuler my Goods Chattells ready Mony. Debts & personall Estate whatsoever Unto my four Grand Children John Tufton Ann Tufton Robert Tufton and Mary Tufton to be Equally divided Amongst them part and part like and to be paid to the men Children at their severall Ages of One and Twenty Years; And to the women Children at their Ages of One and twenty Years; or dayes of Marriage which shall first happen, & if any of them dye in their Minoritye then the part or porc'on of him or them soe dying shall be parted & divided Unto and Amongst the Survour or Survivors of my s\(^d\) four Grand-Children respectively
And my Will and minde is, and I doe hereby devise and Appoint, that in case my said Wife Ann Mason shall dye & depart this mortall life before all my Said four Grand-Children shall be capable to receive have hold and Enjoy the Severall legacies and bequests before in this my Will given & bequeathed unto them and to hold and Enjoy the Lands and Tenements hereafter in this my Will by me Given and bequeathed unto them or to them & their heirs respectively ye^y ye^a and in such case my Loveing Brother in Law John Wollaston shall receive the parts & portions of such of my s^d four Grand Children as shall be then in their Minority, and take possession of such Land; as I shall in this my will give, devise & bequeath Unto them, and shall Imploy ye^e same for ye^e benefit & Maintenance of my s^d Grand Children; & shall pay the same to them respectively as they shall attaine to their Ages of One & Twenty Years or dayes of Marriage as aforesaid. And I doe hereby make & Ordaine ye^e said John Wollaston after the decease of my said Wife Sole Guardian of and for my said Grand Children or Such of them as shall be in their Minority at the time of the decease of my Said Wife and in Case my s^d wife, and my s^d Brother in Law John Wollaston; shall both dye and depart this Mortall Life before my said Grand Children shall be capable to have & receive their portions as aforesaid; and to enjoy such Land as hereafter in this my will is by me given and bequeathed unto them respectively then I leave the Education and bringing up of such my said Grand Children; as shall be in their Minority, and the receiving haveling and possessing of such Lands Tenements legacies and bequests as I have and shall give them by this my will unto such person or persons as my said Brother in Law John Wollaston shall in his life time Nominate & appoint for that purpose & to no other person or persons whatsoever.—And I doe hereby Charge my said Grand Children and Every of them to make Choice of and accept of my said Brother in Law & such person or persons as he shall Appoint & none other whatsoever to be Executrix Guardian & Guardians for them, after the decease of my said Wife, And I doe hereby
make name and Ordaine my said Loveing wife Ann Mason the full and Sole Executrix of this my last will & Testament desireing her to performe the same in all things According to my true Intent and Meaning. And I doe hereby Constitute & Appoint my said Loveing Brother in Law John Wollaston the Overseer of this my Last will and Testament Entreating him to be aiding & assisting Unto my Sª Executrix in the Execution thereof & In token of thankfulness for his love to me, I doe hereby Give & bequeath unto him my Coach & two Coach Horses with the furniture thereto belonging.

Now as concerning yª Disposition of all & Singular my Man- nors, Messuages, Lands, Tenements & hereditamª with their and Every of their Rights Members & Appurtenances; as well within the Realme of England as Else where I give devise & bequeath the same and Every of them to Such person & persons upon Such Trusts and Confidence to such uses & intents & purposes, & under Such provisoes, Conditions & Limitac'ons as are hereafter Expressed. (That is to say) first I Give devise & bequeath unto the Mayor and Comonallity and Corporation of The Town of Kingslyn in the County of Norfolk where I was borne by what name title or Addition soever, the sª Towne or Corporation is have been or shall be Called Known or incorpretted and to their suc- cessors for Ever Under the provisoe or Condition Nevertheless here after expressed, Two thousand Acres of Land in my County of New hampshire Or Mason hall in New England which by my Executrix & Overseers aforesaid shall be thought most fitt, And the Reverc'on & Reverc'ons remainder & remainders of the same two thousand acres of Land and Every part thereof to have & to hold the same and Every part thereof unto the said Mayor and Comonallity & Corporation of the said Town of Kingslyn And their Successors for Ever for & under the Yearly Rent of One penny of Lawfull mony of England to be paid to my heirs if it shall be demanded, And alsoe Allowing unto my heirs for ever two fifth parts of all such Mynes Royall as shall be at any time after my deceasce found in & upon the same Land or any part
thereof Provided allwayes & my will & minde is, And I doe hereby devise & appointe that the said Mayor and Comonallity their successors or Assignes, Shall within five Years next after my Decease plant & sett upon the said thousand Acres of Land five families of people at least to plant upon y^e same, & that the Cleare Yearly profitt that shall be made of & upon the s^d Two Thousand Acres of Land shall be Yearly for Ever Distributed & Disposed of towards the Maintainance & Releife of the poor people of y^e s^d Towne at the discretion of the Mayor & Aldermen or the Cheifest Govern^s of y^e said Town for the time being. And I will that my said wife Ann Mason shall at y^e request Cost & Charges in y^e Law, of y^e said Mayor & Cominalitye their Successors or Assignes Lawfully & sufficiently convey Release & Assure unto the said Mayor & Comonality & their Successors for Ever all her Right Estate Dower Title of Dower and Interest of and in y^e said two Thousand Acres of Land, and that by Such lawfull wayes & Means, as by the s^d Mayor and Comonalitie or their successors or by their Councill learned in the Law shall be reasonably devised or advised and required.

Item I give Devise & bequeath unto my Loveing Brother in Law John Wollaston & to his heirs & Assignes for Ever to be holden of my heirs in fee farme Three Thousand Acres of Land with y^e App^ns in my County of New-hampshire; or Mannor of Mason Hall afforsaid where my said Brother & Executrix shall think fitt, and the Reversion and Reversions Remainder and Remainders Rents and Yearly profits whatsoever of y^e same Three Thousand Acres of land and Every or any part thereof, to have & to hold y^e Same, and Every part thereof unto the said John Wollaston his heirs & Assignes for ever to be holden of my heirs for ever in fee farme paying only twelvepence of Lawfull mony of England $ Annu- to my heirs when the same shall be demanded of y^e said John Wollaston his heirs or Assignes, and alsoe allowing to my heirs two fifth parts of all my Mynes Royall; as shall be at any time after my decease found in & upon my said land or any part thereof & I will that my said Wife Ann
Mason shall at the request Cost & Charges in the Law of y° s° John Wollaston his heirs or Assignes in due forme of Law convey release & Assure unto the s° John Wollaston his heirs & Assignes all her Right Title, Dower, intrest Claime & demand, of in & unto the said Three Thousand Acres of land, with ye App" and of in & unto Every or any part thereof by such Conveyance, wayes, & means as by y° s° John Wollaston & his heirs or Assignes or his or their Councell Learned in the Law shall be reasonably devised or advised and required.

I Give devise & bequeath unto my Grand Child Ann Tufton and to her heirs and Assignes for Ever under the provisoes and Conditions Nevertheless hereafter Expresse, all those my lands Tenements and hereditaments with the App" lying & being at Capeham of Wagen; upon the south East side of Sagadahock In New England aforesaid called Masona; & Containing by Estimac'on tenn Thousand Acres or thereabouts be the same more or less, and the reversion & reversions, Remainder & Remainders Rents and Yearly and other profits whatsoever of y° same Land and p'misses, To have & to hold y° said Lands & p'misses and Every part thereof with the App" unto y° said Ann Tufton my Grand Child & to her heirs and Assignes forever Provided alwayes & my will minde and meaning is, And I doe hereby devise & appoint y° my wife shall hold & Enjoy y° said Tenn Thousand Acres of Land & Every part thereof and receive take & enjoye to her Own proper use & behoofe all the rents Issues and profits of the same & Every part thereof until my said Grand Child Ann Tufton shall attaine to the Age of One & Twenty Years, or day of Marriage which shall first happen if my said wife shall soe long live.

Item I give devise & bequeath, unto my Grand Child Robert Tufton; and to his heirs & Assignes for Ever under y° provisoes & Conditions nevertheless hereafter Expresse, all that my Manner of Mason Hall in New England aforesd with all the Lands Tenements & hereditaments Rights Members and App" thereto belonging Except such part of y° Land thereunto belonging as is
before bequeathed by this my will & the Reversion and Rever-
sions Remain'd & Remain'd Rents & Yearly and Other proffits
whatsoever of the same p'misses. To have & to hold y° same
and every part thereof Except before Excepted, Unto my s° Grand
Child Robert Tufton & to his heirs & Assignes for Ever, Pro-
vided allways and upon Condition Nevertheless and my true
Intent & meaneing is that the said Ann my Wife shall have &
Enjoye the said Mannor and p'misses Given to my s° Grand Child
Robert Tufton as aforesaid and receive take and enjoy to her
owne proper use the Rents Issues & proffits thereof untill my said
Grand Child Robert Tufton shall Attaine to & Accomplish his
full Age of One & Twenty Years, (if my said wife shall soe long
live) Provided alsoe & my further will minde & meaneing is &
I doe hereby devise & Appoint y° my s° Grand Child Rob° Tufton
shall alter his Sir Name & Sir Name himselfe Mason; before he
shall be Capable to Enjoye the s° Mannor and p'misses Accord-
ing to this my Will for y° my true intent and meaning is that the
s° mann° & p'misses shall Continue in my name as now it doth &
no Otherwise.

Item I give devise & bequeath unto my s° Brother in Law John
Wollaston his heirs & Assignes for Ever upon the Trusts & Confi-
dences, and to the uses intents and purposes Nevertheless hereafter
Expressed Two Thousand Acres of Land, in my County of New-
hampshire in New England aforesaid where my said Brother &
Executrix afores° shall think fitt upon trust & Confidence, & to the
use intent and purpose, that my said Brother John Wollaston or
his heirs, And my said wife Ann Mason shall with all speed con-
venient after my decease at y° Charges of my Estate In due forme
of Law, Settle & Convey One Thousand Acres of y° said Land
to some ffeoffees in trust & to their heirs for Ever, for & towards
y° Maintainance of an honnest Godly & Religious Preacher of
Gods word in some Church or Chapple or other publick place y°
shall be Appointed for devine Worshipp & Service within the said
County of New hampshire, where my s° wife and Brother shall
think fitt, the said ffeofees & their heirs; paying & allowing unto
my heirs for Ever the Yearly rent of One penny if it be demanded, and two fifths parts of all such Mynes Royall as shall be found in & upon the said one Thousand Acres of Land or any part there of & One Thousand Acres more residue of y* said two Thousand Acres of Land I will shall be Settled or Conveyed as aforesaid to some ffeoffees in trust & to their heirs for Ever for & towards the Maintainance of a free Grammer school for the Education of Youth in some Convenient place within y* said County of Newhampshire where my said wife & Brother in Law shall think fitt; they alsoe paying & allowing unto my heirs for Ever the Yearly Rent of One penny if it be dema’d & two fifth parts of all such Mynes Royall as shall be found in & upon the said One Thousand Acres of Land or any part thereof.

all the Rest & residue of all & Singular my Mannors Messuages, Lands Tenem* & hereditaments with their & Every of their App* lying and being within y* said County of Newhampshire or Elsewhere in New England afors*, not before bequeathed by this my will; I Give devise & bequeath y* same & Every part thereof and the Reverc'on and Reverc'ons Remainder & Remainders thereof and of Every part thereof under the provisos and Conditions Nevertheless hereafter Expressed unto my Grand Child John Tufton, And to the heirs of his body Lawfully to be begotten & for want of such Issue to the said Robert Tufton or my Grand Child, & to the heirs of his body Lawfully begotten, & for want of such Issue to my Cosin Doctor Robert Mason Chancellor of the Diocess of Winchester; & to the heirs male of his body Lawfully begotten or to be begotten & for want of such Issue to my Right heirs & Assignes for Ever Provided allwayes Nevertheless and my will minde & meaning is that my said wife Ann Mason shall have hold & Enjoye; y* said Mann* Messuages lands and p*mises by me given unto my said Grand Child John Tufton as aforesaid and receive y* rents Issues and profitts thereof & of Every part thereof to her Owne proper use and behoofe untill my said Grand Child John Tufton shall Attaine to and Accomplish his full Age of One & Twenty Years if y* said Ann my wife shall soe
long live. provided alsoe, & my further will minde & meaning is
& I doe hereby devise & Appoint, that my said Grand Child John
Tufton, shall alter his Sir Name, and shall name himself Mason,
before he shall be Capable to enjoye ye said Mannors Lands &
p'misses or any part thereof. According to my bequest for that my
true intent & meaning is that the said Lands shall not descend
from the name of Mason but that my said Grand Child & his heirs
shall Enjoy the same Land & p'misses in my Owne S'r Name &
not otherwise. Provided also & my will & minde is, and I doe
hereby devise & appoint that my s'd Grand Child John Tufton or
his heirs shall well & truly pay or Cause to be paid unto my Grand
Child Mary Tufton his Sister out of ye Mannors Messuages Lands
& Tenem's by me bequeathed unto him as aforesaid ye sume of five
hundred pounds of Lawfull money of England for her better pre-
ferm & advancement in Marriage the same to be paid unto her or
her Assigns within one year next after ye day of ye Marriage of
the said Mary Tufton without fraud or Covin, provided alsoe &
my further will Minde & meaning is & I doe hereby devise &
appoint ye in Case my s'd Grand Children John Tufton, Ann Tufton,
Rob't Tufton and Mary Tufton; or any of them shall refuse or
be unwilling to take & Accept of my s'd Brother in Law John Wol-
aston, or such person or persons as he shall appoint to be in his
or their Guardians or Guardians after the decease of my wife, dure-
ing their or any of their Minorities, or if in Case my said four
Grand Children or any of them, their or any of their heirs Execut's
Adm's or Assignes or any of them shall at any time or times after
my Decease by any wayes or means whatsoever sue vex molest
trouble or prosecute my Execut's or Administ's for the sume of one
Thousand pound of Lawfull money of England which was here-
tofore deposited in my hands by Joseph Tufton their Father or for
any part thereof ye then & from thence forth in Either of those
Cases ye Legacies & bequests by me given and bequeathed to
such of my said four Grand Children & to his or their heirs as
shall soe offend Contrary to the true meaning herein before
declared shall be voyde & of none effect as if ye same had never
been Expressed in this my Will And that then alsoe and in such Case I give devise and bequeath, all & Every the Messuages Lands Tenem" hereditam" Mony Goods & Chattells whatsoever before or hereafter in this my Will Given devised or bequeathed Unto Such of my Grand Children and their heirs, which shall soe disobey my true meaning herein before declared unto my Loving Cosin Doctor Robert Mason Chancellor of ye Diocesse of Winchester & his heirs and Assignes from hence forth for Ever.

Item I give devise & bequeath all and Singular my Messuages Lands Tenem" and hereditaments with their & Every of their App" lying & being within the Realme of England or elsewhere, not bequeathed by this my will unto my Loveing wife Ann Mason and her Assignes for and dureing the Tearm of her Naturall Life and after her Decease to my abovesaid Brother in Law John Wolleston and his assignes for & dureing ye Joynt lives of my said Daughter Ann Tufton and her now husband upon trust & Confidence Nevertheless that the said John Wolleston & his Assignes shall pay and disburse the rents and profits of the said p'misses and every part thereof for and towards the proper Maintenance and stay of Liveing of and for & ye said Ann my Daughter and noe otherwise. And in case my said Daughters now Husband shall dye and depart this Life in the life time of my said Daughter Ann Tufton, then and from thenceforth I Give devise & bequeath my s" last menc'oned Messuages Lands Tenements and hereditaments Every part thereof unto my said Daughter Ann Tufton for & dureing ye Tearm of her naturall Life, and from & Imediatly after ye decease of my said Wife and Daughter and of the longest Liver of them then to my said Grand Children John Tufton Ann Tufton Rob' Tufton & Mary Tufton and to their heirs & Assignes for Ever and to none other use intent or purpose whatsoever under the provisos & Conditions nevertheless herein before declared.

finally I doe hereby revoke Countermand and make voyde all former Wills Testaments Codocills Exec" Legacyes & bequests whatsoever by me at any time made Named given, Willed, or Appointed, before the makeing of this my will willing & mindeing
that these presents Onely shall stand and be taken for my Last will & Testament and none other, saveing & reservereing unto my selfe nevertheless full power and Authority to make add or annext hereunto one or more Codicill or Codicills at my free will or pleasure any thing whatsoever before in this my Last will and Testament Expressed to the Contrary thereof in any wise Notwithstanding,

In Witness whereof I the said Cap' John Mason the Testator, to this my present Last Will and Testament being written in fourteen sheets of paper with my Name Subscribed to Every sheet; have sett my seale the six and Twentyeth day of November Anno. D'ni One Thousand six hundred Thirty five & in the Eleaventh Year of y* Reigne of our Soveraigne Lord Charles by y* Grace of God King of England, Scotland, france, and Ireland, defender of the faith &c. And in Case my said Grand Children John Tufton & Robert Tufton shall both dye in y* Life time of my wife without Issue of their or either of their bodyes Lawfully begotten; then I Give & bequeath all my Mannors Messuages Lands and Tenements by me given to my said two Grand Children or Either of them unto my wife dureing y* Tearm of her naturall Life and after her decease to my Daughter Ann Tufton dureing y* Terme of her Naturall Life; and after both their deceases then to such person and persons as the same is mentioned to be given and bequeathed unto by this my will.

John Mason

Signed, Sealed, published & declared by the said Cap' John Mason the Testator as his Last will & Testament on the day and year above written In y* presence of us whose Names are here underwritten

Tho: Noell
Mathew Mason
J ferrett Not'

Probatum fuit Testamentum supra scriptum Apud London Coram ven*si viro Magistro Willo. Clarke legum Dre—surr ven-
erabili viri D'ni Henrici Martin militi legum etiam Doctoris Curiae prerogativae Cant Magistri Custodis sive Comissarii legitime Constit vicimo sc'do die Mensis Decembris Anno D'ni Millesimo sexcentessimo Tricesimo Quinto Juramento Annae Mason relictis dicti defuncti et Executricis in hujusmodi testamento nominat Cui Comissa finit Administratio oium et singulorum bonorum Jurium et Creditorum d'i defuncti de bene et fidlt'r Administrando eadem ad s'ti Dei Evangelia Jurat.

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Tho: welham Reg'ts Dep't

Pro: New Hampsh'
A True Copia from the Superiour Court files Compared the 21st March 1704/5

UNCT: Theodore Atkinson Cler:

[ Court Files, Allen vs. Waldron.]

The Deposition of Stephen Biles and Joseph Mason.
The said Biles aged about thirty five years and the said Mason about fifty eight years both Testifieth and sayth that in March 1650 we were both at the house of mistriss Ann Mason in London the relict of Cap't John Mason Deceased and saw a branch of his will wherein he made his Said wife Ann Sole executrix and after that died it being his Last will and further these Deponents Saith not.

Testified upon Oath before me

Jo Endecott Gov't

That what is above written is a true Copie Compared w'th its originall so signed & produced in the Gennerall Court of the Massachusetts in new England by Mr Joseph Mason may 1652

Attest
Edward Rawson secret

[Council Book i, p. 37.]
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

JOHN PHILLIPS 1641/2

[Inventory, March 20, 1641/2; amount, £17.0.2; taken by George Smith and John Dam.]

[Court Records, July 5, 1643, in Deed, vol. 1, p. 16.]

Hateewill Nutter & Edward Starbuck administrators appointed by the Court the 28th of 5th Mo: 1642 to sell the goods of John Phillips deceased & to pay his debts & to returne the overplus if any bee

[Court Records, July 28, 1642, in Deeds, vol. 1, p. 11.]

[Account of liabilities settled by the administrators; amount, £17.4.4.]

[Court Records, July 5, 1643, in Deeds, vol. 1, p. 16.]

THOMAS WILSON 1642/3 EXETER

In the name of God Amen.

To all Christian people unto whom these presents shall come greeting know ye that I Thomas Wilson of Exeter being very sick & weake of body,

my loving wife & deare children I com'end unto the grace of God & to the oversight & watchfull eye of my Christian brethren of the Churches of Roxbury Hampton & Exeter or where it shall please God to call them. And for my worldly goods I do give & bequeath them in manner as followeth, viz: to my loving wife I give & bequeath my dwelling house & new frame with the millne & all lands & meddowes there unto belonging dureing the time of her widdowhood; & the use of all my Cattle & moovable goods for the bringing up of my children; & if in case she shall marry again then to have her thirds thereof & to leave them to my sonne Humfrey; or if she shall dye a widdow then it to come to my sonne Humfrey also: And I likewise give & bequeath unto
my sonne Samuel, & to my sonne Joshua, & to my daughter deborah & my daughter Liddey, either of them ten pounds the piece to be paid at the age of 21 yeares or day of marriage, out of the mill house & lands, by my wife or sonne Humphrey in whose hands it shall then be. I do further give & bequeath unto my sonne Humphrey all my right & interest of house & land wch I bought of m' needam. And if it please the Lord to take away my wife before my foure yonger children come to age or any of them, then my sonne Humphrey to provide for theire nurture & bringing up out of his owne dowry. I do further give & bequeath unto my two Sonnes Samuel & Joshua foure thousand of pipestaves to buy either of them a bullock. And in witnes of this my last will & testament, I have hereunto set my hand this 9° day of the 11° mo 1642.

witnesses:
Edward Hilton
John Smart
John Legat
John Richardson

Deposed in Court the 20th of the 7° 1643.

Increase nowell

To all Christian people unto whom these presents shall come greeting,

Know yee that we whose names are here underwritten, being present by & witnesses unto the last will & testament of Thomas Willson of Exeter late deceased do to or best understanding & apprehension take this wch followeth to be the true intent & meaneing of his last will & testament, Viz: Unto his eldest sonne Humphrey for the present he did give & bequeath all his right & interest of house & lands wch he bought of m' needham. Unto Samuel Joshua deborah & Lidde either of them ten pounds the piece to be paid at the age of 21 yeares or day of their marriage out of the house & lands & mill, by his wife or Sonne Humphrey in whose hands it shall then be, moreover, he did give & bequeath
unto his sons Samuel & Joshua for the present either of them two thousand of pipestaves the peece to buy either of them a bullock, moreover unto his wife Anne he did give & bequeath his dwelling house new frame & mill wth all lands and meadowes thereunto belonging dureing the time of her widdowhood, & if in case she should marry againe then to have her thirds thereof & to leave the rest of them unto his Sonne Humphrey or if she shall dye a widdowe then they to come to Humphrey also & he to provide for the nurture & bringing up of the foure yonger children, furthermore he did give & bequeath unto his wife Anne to be his sole Executrix to receive & pay all debts & to have all his cattle & moveable goods for the bringing up of his foure yonger children & for the adding unto theire portions as shee should see meete.

dated the 18th day of the last month 1642.

Edward Hilton
John Richardson
John Legat

This explication was taken & allowed by the Court uppon the testimony of John Legat, & John Richardson, abovenamed & subscribed

Increase nowell

[Suffolk County, Mass., Probate Files.]

JOHN WHITE 1646

[Order of Court, Aug. 26, 1646, to John Reynolds and Robert Mussell to take an inventory and settle the estate of John White.]

[Court Records, Aug. 26, 1646, in Deeds, vol. 1, p. 36.]

[Inventory; amount, £4.14.6; taken by William Everard and Reynold Fernald. Inventory of property held in partnership by Robert Mussell and John White; amount, £19.14.5.]

[Court Records, Aug. 26, 1646, in Deeds, vol. 1, p. 36.]
JAMES WOODWARD 1647

Certaine Instructions & directions from James Woodward this 27th of the 4th mo Called June 1647.

Impr. John Sherborne owes me 5l to be payd on Michalmas Day next (so Called) in the moneth of septemb. wch in Case It be not payd he must pay six pound/

It he sayth That he hath served m Williams of Saco Almost A yeare for wch he Expecteth sevene pounds.

where Also he sayeth he hath Two Barrow swine of A yeare oould and better, Allso A Sow of the same age & Two yonge shotts of halfe A yeare ould.

Itm he sayth That Tho: Warner oweth him 4l for worke of building.

Itm. due to Thomas Warner for A Red wastcote 6s

Itm He sayth that he hath at m Williams thes &ticular things As A Coate wastcote breeches 3 napkins wth 3 napkins wth the Rest of my Linine I give to Lyddia Williams. Itm he giveth to m Bacheler Twentey shillings.

Itm he desireth to be Christianly buryed in Case he dye And Afterward what Remayneth of his estate he bequeaveth to William Chatterton whome he makes his Executor. Who also Appointeth the sayd m Bachiler & Roger Knight to be overseers of this his sayd will and Testament That they see ItPerformed Accordingly.

James X Woodward his scribld marke

Witness to this Testamentory writeing

Stephen Bachiler
Roger X Knight his marke
Andrew Leyfers marke

Takne Into the Courte hild att Dover the 10th of the 7th mo 1647 And the Courte Allowes of It to have It Recorded.

me George Smyth recorder

[Court Records, Sept., 7, 1647, in Deeds, vol. 1, p. 39.]
SUSAN CRAWFORD 1649

At the foresaid Courte, the administration of the goodes of Susan Crawforde deceased daughter of Steephen Crawforde also deceased, is granted Unto Sarah Crawforde, the daughter of the saide Steephen Crawford. |||

and this Courte doth order, margarette willey the mother of the saide Sarah & Thomas willey the husband of the saide margarette, to be gardians Unto the saide Sarah, her daughter, and that they are to give a trew & juste accompte of the saide administration unto any Courte to be holden for Dover when they shall be required.

[Court Records, Oct. 6, 1649, in Deeds, vol. 1, p. 66.]

It is ordered by the Courte, and agreed between william Seavie & Thomas Willey & margaret his wief in the behalfe of Sarah Crawforde the daughter of Steephen Crawford Deceased, and the said margaret as followeth: That whereas there is in the Custodie of the saide William Seavie the some of thirtie pounds now dew unto the saide Sarah Crawford y't is ordered that the saide William Seavie shall bringe the saide thirtie pounds into this Courte, or otherwise to paye it as this presente Courte shall further order the same:

It is ordered by this Courte that the foresaid William Seavie shall paye unto the foresaide Thomas willey & the saide margaret (whoe are gardians unto the said Sarah Crawford.) the foresaid thirtie pounds in manner followinge that is to saye XVl in Cattell, VIIIl in linen & wollen Cloth, to be praised by one man to be chosen by william Seavie, and one other man to be chosen by Thomas willey, and by william Store marshall, and the other VIIl in currant money.

[Court Records, Oct. 8, 1650, in Deeds, vol. 1, p. 74.]

[Bond of Thomas Willey, with William Beard as surety, in the sum of £50, for the execution of the trust above mentioned. In a marginal note it is stated that William Beard was discharged from this bond Jan. 28, 1654/5.]

[Court Records, Oct. 8, 1650, in Deeds, vol. 1, p. 74.]
HENRY TAYLOR 1649

[Administration on the estate of Henry Taylor granted to John Webster July 5, 1649.]

[Court Records, Oct. 6, 1649, in Deeds, vol. 1, p. 67.]

JOHN MOULTON 1649/50

HAMPTON

The last will & testam't of John Moulton of Hampton beeing in his perfit sences Doth will & beequeath as followeth: Imp to my Sonne Henry Moulton tenn acres of fresh marsh by the beach on y' South side of the river; Item one acre fresh marsh w'ch is given him for a way butting uppon his bridg towards the South and y' upground towards the north. It: give tenn acres & a halfe of Salt marsh butting on Willi ffullars towards y' south west, & y' river towards the east liing in the south side of Willi Sanborne. It: I give to henry tenn acres of upground: in y' East feild in y' East side of Willi fsifeld, & one share of com'onge att my decease: It: I give to Ann my wife my house & house Lott, & ten acres liing att y' end of y' sayd house Lott & seven acres of fresh medow more or lesse in the west medowes, two acres of ffresh medow liing on y' South side of my Sonn Henry's fresh medow att y' beach, & tenn acres of Salt marsh & halfe liing on y' South side being more or less, & five acres of salt marsh that is yett to bee appointed, all this I doe give to my beeloved wyfe duering hir life. It: I doe make my wyfe my Sole Executrix & doe give to y' say'd Ann my wyfe all my cattell, & all my move-able goods, excepting one calfe to John. The rest to hir disposeing according to hir discession: It: I give to my Sonn John Moulton after my wyfes decease the house, & house Lott, & the tenn Acres adjoyning to itt: It: I give to y' say'd John my Sonne two Cowe Com'onges. It: I give to my Sonne John one Ox com'onge It: I give to my Sonne seven acres of fresh medow more or lesse in y' west medowes. It: I give to my Sonn John tenn acres of Salt marsh more or less liing on y' south side of my
Sonne Henry's & five acres of Salt marsh wth is yett to be appointed) all these several gifts I doe give to my Sonne John after my wyfe's decease wth this Viso y¹ wth in one whole yeare after my wyfe's decease my sonne John shall pay or cause to bee payd five pounds to my daughter Jane Moutlon, & in two whole yeares after my wyfe's decease five pounds to my Daughter Bridgett & in case my Sonne John doth not pay unto his two sisters afore sayd yᵉ tenn pound, then my will is my two daughters shall have the two acres of fresh marsh liing on yᵉ South side of my Sonne Henry's. & tenn acres & halfe of Salt marsh more or lesse liing on yᵉ South side of my Sonne Henry's marsh, & in case my Sonne John doth die before hee bee posset, of thes house & lands then my will is yᵗ the house & all the lands shalbee equally divided, to all my children excepting Henry. And I give twelve acres of upland more or less in yᵉ East seild, on yᵉ east side of willi Esto's twelve acres to bee equally devided between Mary Samborne & my daughter Ann, & my daughter Jane, & my daughter bridgett, & I give unto my Sonn Samborne tenn acres of Salt marsh wth is yett to bee appointed, & I give to my Sonne Samborne fower acres of Salt marsh liing on yᵉ South side of Cristopher Palliners, & yⁿ north side of my Sonn Henries) It I give in to my daughter Ann three acres of fresh marsh att yᵉ beach next John Brownes, fresh meddow. It: I give to my daughter Ann tenn acres of salt marsh wth is yett to bee appointed: Also my will is yᵗ my Sonne John shall have a way to his ten acres & a halfe of Salt marsh through his brother Henry's Salt marsh this I doe confirme to bee the true intent of my will witness my hand this p'sent day being yⁿ (23ᵈ) of January (1649)

witnessed to this by mee John Moutlon

Robert Tuck
Willi Estowe

[Proved Oct. 1, 1650.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Deeds, vol. 1, p. 7.]
STOCKDALE CUDDINGTON 1650 HAMPTON

[Administration on the estate of Stockdale Cuddington of Hampton granted to his oldest son, John Cuddington, April 7, 1650.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]

ANTHONY SADLER 1650

[Administration on the estate of Anthony Sadler granted to his widow, Martha Sadler, Oct. “1st 3d day,” 1650. The court reserved £10 out of the estate for the use of her child, then unborn.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]

THOMAS TURPIN 1650

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Turpin granted to William Paine Oct. 8, 1650.]
[Court Records, Oct. 8-10, 1650, in Deeds, vol. 1, p. 75.]

EDMUND JOHNSON 1650 HAMPTON

[Inventory of the estate of Edmund Johnson of Hampton, taken by Robert Page, Robert Tuck, and Jeffrey Mingy March 4, 1650/1; amount, £111.19.0.]
[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

[Administration on the estate of Edmund Johnson granted to his widow, Mary Johnson, April 8, 1651.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]

[Order of court Oct. 7, 1651, that the children have the following portions out of the estate: Peter Johnson, the oldest, £32 at the age of twenty-one, John Johnson £16 at the age of twenty-one, James Johnson £16 at the age of twenty-one, and Dorcas Johnson £16 at the age of eighteen or day of marriage with her]
mother's consent. Thomas Coleman, step-father to said children, was ordered to give bond in the sum of £80, and to bind over the house and land in Hampton belonging to the estate for these payments, and he was to pay the cost of educating the children, having them taught to read and write.]

[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]

Wheras at y° Court held at Hampton the (7th) of y° (8th) mo: 1653 It was ordered y° y° Children of Edmond Jonson late of Hampton deceased should have out of their fathers estate for their portions as followeth viz Peter Jonson the eldest thirty two pounds att y° age of one & twenty years John Jonson sixteen pound att y° age of one & twenty years James Jonson sixteen pound att y° age of one & twenty years & Dorcas Jonson sixteen pound att y° age of eighteen years or at y° day of hir marriage wth hir mothers consent wth of y° shall first happen.

Know yea that I Thomas Coleman father in law [step-father] unto the aforesaid Children doe by these p'sents bind my selfe my heires Executo's & Administrato's unto y° govern't of y° Massachusets in Newengland in y° full & intire some of lower score pound of currant money to pay the aforesayd Legasies unto the aforesayd Children respectively or according to y° order of y° Court above sayd. As also to bee att the charges of y° Educacon of the sayd children and to have them taught to write & read. And for y° more sure Performance of y° p'misses: according to y° order of y° sayd court I doe with the full & free consent of Mary my wyfe (mother unto y° sayd Children) binde over in security (unto the sayd Govern't) for y° Performance of y° sayd Legasies or portions allotted unto the sayd children by the Court aforesayd as also for their educacon as aforesayd all those lands that did belonge to the aforesd Edmon Jonson liing & being wthin y° bounds of the towne of Hampton aforesayd & now in y° possession of mee the sayd Tho: Coleman: As namely eight acres of Salt marsh butting uppon y° great Oxe Com'on on y° : E: Tho: Moulton on y° (S: W) Edward Colcord on y° (N. E) y° town wast. And three acres of fresh medow butting uppon y° great Sault marsh on y° (N E) Jn° Wedgewood:
(N) the land of Tho: Moulton (S). And six acres of fresh medow bounded in wth a ditch willi: Maston on y⁰ (S W) willi Cole on y⁰ (N E.) & a highway to y⁰ Oxe common (N) And fower acres more of fresh medow joyning to Robert Tucks on y⁰ (NW) & Phile: Dalton on y⁰ (S) & Tho: Ward (N): And eight acres more of Salt marsh att y⁰ falls butting uppon y⁰ River towards the beach: Twelve acres of upland liing in y⁰ (E) feild willi: Samborn on y⁰ (S) and a Swamp on y⁰ (N) and land of Jn⁰ Huggings on y⁰ (E) and a high way on y⁰ (N) And a houselott tenn acres The street on y⁰ (N) willi: Samborn on y⁰ (S) Tho: Smith on y⁰ (E) and y⁰ meeting: house uppon y⁰ (W). And halfe an acre of Land planted wth Apple trees joining to Jn⁰ Redmans on y⁰ (S) & the street on y⁰ (N) To y⁰ pformance of all wth y⁰ aboveayd conicons I the said Tho: Coleman doe hereunto sett my hand & seale this (16th) day of y⁰ (8th) m⁰ 1653

Tho: Coleman wth a Seale to itt

Signed Sealed & delivered to use of y⁰ goverm aforesaid in y⁰ p’sence of us.
Tho: Bradbury
Wymond Bradbury
Jacob Hooke

This was acknowledged in Court by Tho: Coleman to be his act & deed, Salisbury y⁰ (12th) (2d) m⁰ 1654

Tho: Bradbury rec’d

[Norfolk County, Mass., Deeds, vol. 1, p. 31.]

GEORGE WEBB

1651

DOVER

[Administration on the estate of George Webb of Dover granted to George Smith April 8, 1651.]

[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]

[Further time was allowed the administrator to bring in an inventory of the estate, Oct. 7, 1651.]

[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]
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DARBY FIELD 1651

[Administration on the estate of Darby Field granted to Ambrose Gibbons Oct. 1, 1651.]
[Court Records, Oct. 1, 1651, in Deeds, vol. 1, p. 91.]

JAMES NICHOLS 1651

[Administration on the estate of James Nichols granted to Walter Knight Oct. 1, 1651.]
[Court Records, Oct. 1, 1651, in Deeds, vol. 1, p. 91.]

THOMAS CHASE 1652

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Chase granted to his widow, Elizabeth Chase, Oct. 5, 1652.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]

[Inventory of the estate of Thomas Chase of Hampton, dated June 2, 1653; taken by Robert Pay, Abraham Perkins, and William Fifield; amount, £111.18.10; attested by Elizabeth Chase, the widow.]
[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

[Order of court Oct. 4, 1653, that the five children of Thomas Chase of Hampton shall have out of their father's estate these amounts: Thomas Chase, the oldest, £16, and Joseph Chase, James Chase, Isaac Chase, and Abraham Chase £8 each, when they are twenty-one years of age. The widow, Elizabeth Chase, gave bond in the sum of £50, with Thomas Philbrick and John Cass as sureties.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]

[Order of court, Oct. 3, 1654, with the consent of the administratrix, that the children's portions be paid out of the lands.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]
[Order of court, Oct. 10, 1665, appointing Christopher Hussey, Ensign John Sanborn, and Thomas Philbrick, Jr., a committee to divide the estate among the children, with the consent of the administratrix, she to have £4 out of the lands.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]

[Guardianship of Isaac Chase granted to his brother, Thomas Chase, April 9, 1667.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]

JOHN CROWDER 1652 PORTSMOUTH

It is ordered by the Courte that m‘ Brian pendleton & m‘ Richarde walderne shall take the accompte of william Storer of John Crowders estate, and they shall take that estate into their hands which they finde in his hands and dispose of y‘ to the creditors as they shall see in their Judgment moste fitt.

we whose names are under written being appointed by the Courte laste holden at Strawberery bank the 8 of October 1652 to dispose of a certaine £cell of goodes in the hands of william Storer marshall of Dover which did belong once to John Crowder of strawbery bank deceased

In primis wee order to the marshall for his pains & service & venturinge his life thereby five shillings
secondly; whereas there is more remayninge to the valew of thirtie shillings & two pence, wee order it wholly to m‘ hugh Crimson because we finde the saide Crowder was indepted to him

Dated this 5. of march 1652. /

(us Brian pendleton
Richarde waldern)

[Court Records, Oct. 8, 1652, in Deeds, vol. 1, p. 98.]

HENRY PLIMPTON 1652

[Administration on the estate of Henry Plimpton granted to Thomas Canney Oct. 8, 1652.]
[Court Records, Oct. 8–10, 1652, in Deeds, vol. 1, p. 98.]
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EDWARD TUCK    1653    HAMPTON

[Order of court June 14, 1653, that the two children of Edward Tuck of Hampton shall have out of his estate as follows: Edward Tuck, the older, 40 marks at the age of twenty-one, including the house, and all the lands, meadow, upland and commonage mentioned in the inventory; and John, the younger, 20 marks at the age of twenty-one. The widow was to have the rest, and was to have the use of £40 until the children were of age, she having them taught to read and write.]

[Norfolk County, Mass.; Court Records.]

RICHARD KING    1653    PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Richard King of Piscataqua granted to Brian Pendleton Oct. 4, 1653.]

[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]

WILLIAM WEYMOUTH    1654

Robert waymoth is by order of this Court . . . Administrator for his Brother William waymoths estate—dessedesed

[Court Records, June 27, 1654, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 1.]

—— BERRY    1654

It is ordered by this Court that Jane Berry is Administratour for hir husbands goods. Dessedesed

[Court Records, June 28, 1654, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 2.]

GEORGE ABORN    1654    HAMPTON

George Habone of Hampton in his last sickerne a little before his death did give & bequeath all his estate to susanna Habone his
wife we being present. In witnesse whereof we have hereunto set our hands 8th 3rd 1654.

The m'ke

X

John Marion
Samuel Wheelwright

[Proved Oct. 3, 1654.]


[Inventory of the estate, taken by Thomas Leavitt and Robert Smith, May 26, 1654; amount, £126.]


JOHN WEDGWOOD 1654 HAMPTON

The last will & testam' of John wedgwood of Hampton
In y e name of God Amen: The twenty-fourth day of y e month
of November one thousand six hundred fifty six I John wedg-
wood husbandman of Hampton in y e County of Norfolke being of
whole minde & in good & e fect remembrance Laud & praise
bee unto Allmighty God make & ordaine this my p'sent Testament
concerning herein my last will in manner & forme following that
is to say first I com'end my soule unto Almighty God my Maker
& my redeemer Item I bequeathe to my eldest Sonne viz John
my house & land att Exeter viz (12) acres of upland & fower acres
of meadow more or lesse, also a certaine e cell of meadow liing
att Puscasicke, & one hundred & fifty acres of upland liing next
Mr Edward Hiltons the w e y e said John shall have after the decease
of his Grandmother butt in case my said Sonne dye before hir
then my wyfe Mary to enjoy, & as she see cause to dispose of it
for hir owne benefit & my childerens then liveing Item my house
& lands att Hampton the whole upland being fifteen Acres & in
fresh meadowe fower & salt marsh five, is to bee divided one halfe
to my said wyfe & the other halfe to my two Sonnes Jonathan &
David att y° age of twenty one years, in y° meantime my wyfe to Enjoy all & after hir decease all be wholy theirs: It: to my Daughter Mary if y° she marries before hir mothers decease one kettle, & to Jn° my gunn, & Jonathan my sword: It: to my daughter Abigall & my Sonne David two Oxen the which are to be sould to their use & one Iron pott to my said daughter last mentioned It: ther being nineteen hundreth foot of board att Exeter they are to satisfie my true and Lawfull debts, wth quantity if they will not suffice then the rest to be satisfied out of y° bequests above said & portionably: And of this my p°sent Testam° I make & ordaine y° said Mary my wife my Executrix. And of y° Exe- cucon of y°same I make & ordaine willi: ffifield & Henry Moulton overseers, & I utterly revoake & adnull all & every other former Testam° wills Legasies & Bequests, Executo°, & over seers by mee in any wise befoore this tyme made, named, willed, & bequeathed:

witnesses
Seth ffletcher
Willi ffifield
Henry Moulton

[Proved April 10, 1655.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Deeds, vol. 1, p. 43.]

DANIEL MAUD 1654/5

I Daniel Maud in som weakness of body but in p°fect memory, not knowing the time of my removall out of this earthly tabernacle do here desire to make this my last will & testament commending my soule into the handes of my Almighty Creator, & most . . . . . . & mercifull redeemer and my body to be layd in the place of ordinary buriall near to my last wife desiring the Lord mercyfully provide for his people som such as may hold in the work he hath among his people here wth a greater blessing than yet hath been among them and for this end and wishing to leave
such few bookes as I have for the use and benefit of such a one as may be fitt to have improvement especially of those in the Hebrew tongue, but in case such a one be not had, to let them go to som of the next congregation as may have the use of them as York or Hampton becausse learning is so much out of relish wth disuse. Excepting one booke titled Derpnosophistanom wch I want have left for Cambridge Library, and my little Hebrew bible for Mr. Brocke, or any inferiour bookes for learning of Hebrew, or to read in learning. And for my wife's 4 children seing I received som of her debts since my marriage of about 11 £ to have (of my estate not reall) to be cominge to them to the value of twenty markes to be for theire use when they com to capablernesse to improve the same besides what they have had allowed to them in every one a calfe now com to a cowe; my best outward wearing coate to Mr. Roberts & a cloath gowne wth was my wifes to his wife. Som debts I owe unto Mr. Pendleton, & 14s. to Mr Cutts wh there is 10s in my purse to be coming to him towards the ansuring of, 20s to George Walton wth Tho: Beard hath undertaken to satisfye for me, 4s to goodwife Tucke of Hampton & 5s to the french Doctor wh there is sugar in my closet to satisfie for, wh I desire may com to them & 2s to one George Field then dwelling in boston but he was removed fro' thence as was sayd to Sudbury wth I owed him for som comeing hence of som commodities hither from Boston Somthing I am indebted to Mr. Newgate about 7s and od. to Mr. Usher for som bookes wth I desire may be returned to them. this is that I can in p'sent call to mind I desire my well beloved friends Mr. Drake, William Daveport & John Hall to undertake ... le with them for their satisfaction of, if there be any remayning to bee in part taken to theire owne use or to such as are at want hereabout. one thing there is of som greater importance wth is a little tractate wrapped up in my deske wth I would have committed to Mr. Brock to put into the handes of Mr Davenport who as I heard is intended to go for England that he would peruse, and for putting it forth I would leave it to his wise & godly ordering of wth I thinke there is a truth of God in, & som
benefit to redound to som by. There is a booke of Mr. Norton's w'h is intitled the Orthodox Evangelist w'h I would have my sister Cotton to have—and an other booke I borrowed of my bro: Cotton w'h is to come to his son Seaborne. Som others agaynst Antichristian Idolatry w'h I shal leave upon the . . . together w'h . . . in the house [?] for Sara that is w'h me I should desire to that w'h she have received ful satisfactione when her time is out w'h wil be about the 7 of the next month, and a little booke w'h was my wifes & a cheese in the closet w'h Mrs. Miller [?] brought me the last weeke.

Susan Halstoe & his brother & Sister and Sister in law who have no need of supplyes from me, I desire to be heartily remembered to them. they are all in years, And this is that I have in p'sent to say. In witness whereof I have set to my hand and seal, this 17th of this 11th month 1654

(I give my favorit or best hat?) to Elizabeth Cotton som other to Joseph and one to Sarah

In presence of theise underwritten By Me Daniell Maud

William Wentworth [Seal]
Job Clements

[Proved Jan. 26, 1655/6.]
[Probate Records, vol. 1, p. 1.]

EDWARD GILMAN 1655 EXETER

[Administration on the estate of Edward Gilman of Exeter granted to his widow, Mary Gilman, April 10, 1655, and she was ordered to produce the consent of her children to the disposal of the estate by the county court according to a deed of the deceased. Moses Gilman gave his consent as above Jan. 11, 1654/5, and John Folsom, Daniel Cushing and John Leavitt, Sept. 29, 1655.]

[Norfolk County, Mass., Deeds, vol. 1, p. 45.]
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

[Inventory, attested Oct. 2, 1655; amount, £211.0.0. John Leavitt is mentioned as at Hingham, Mass.]


WILLIAM ESTOW 1655 HAMPTON

In the name of God Amen y* (16th) of y* (8th) m° in y* yeare of o* Lord god 1655: I William Estow of y* towne of Hampton in y* County of Norfolke being of whole minde & in good and fect memory laud & prayse bee unto Almighty god maker & redeemer. This my p*sent testament concerning herein my last will in manner & forme following that is to say I commend my soule unto Almighty god My maker & Redeemer, & my body to y* grave. I bequeathe unto my sonne-inlaw moris Hobbs & my daughter Sarah my house wherein hee dwelleth and the Lott therunto belonging wth two shares of Cow com’ons and one of y* Oxe Com’on with all privilidges that belong to y* two shares of y* Cow Com’on, also an acre of sault marsh more or less at y° several. Item tenn acres of land more or less to my two daughters equally to bee divided betwixt them Sarah to have the south side toward Christopher Palmer wth land joyning to y* house Lott: It: one share of the Cow Com’on to my daughter Mary. It: twelve acres of upland more or less liling in y* Mill field equally to bee divided betwixt my two daughters with y° Swamp att y° end of it Sarah to lie on y° west side. Item I bequeathe unto my daughter Mary eight acres of Salt Marsh & to my daughter Sarah nine acres this fcell to be equally divided for quallity according to quantity: y° marsh of Christophers on y° East It: twelve acres of fresh meadow I give unto my two daughters equally to bee divided betwixt them it Joyning to Christopher Palmers on y° southest Item to my Daughter Sarah Hobbs fower Oxen & two cowes wth is old gentle & blackish & one yearlin heifer: And I give unto my grandson John Hobbs one heifer of two years old, & the said Jn° Hobbs to give unto his sister Sarah y° second calfe
that this heifer shall bringe & I give unto him my gunn: Item I give to my daughter Mary Marston al ye rest of my cattell wth is 3 Cows wth is old brown, old cole & young gentle & 1 heifer 2: year old & 1 bull & 3 calves Item I give unto my daughter Mary Marston seven bushells of wheat: It: I give unto ye children of willi: Moulton forty shillings wth is tenn shillings to eatch of them to bee payd in fower yeare the eldest to have ye first tenn and ye rest according to their age yerely: Item I give unto my daughter Sarah Hobbs al ye rest that is not in my will and farther more I give unto my Sonne-inlaw Tho: Marston the farthermost stack of Salt Marsh hay that stands in ye marsh & two good loads of fresh hay. And farthermore this is my will that my Son-in law Morris Hobbs shall pay wth debts I am indebted to any & to have & receive what is due to mee from any Revoking & annulling all other & every other former Testam* wills Legasies bequests by mee in anywise before this tyme made named willed, or bequeathed any other tyme that is *perly mine et:

Read sealed & delivered in ye Willi: Estow
p'sence of us:
Abraha: Pirkins
willi: Moulton:

[Proved April 8, 1656.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Deeds, vol. 1, p. 52. A copy is found in the New Hampshire Probate Files.]

[On the back of the New Hampshire copy:]
the 12 Acres in ye mill feild formerly one ye east was tho: Philbrick
one ye west Moses Cooke butting one ye Roode which gooes to ye beach
Leften Smith one ye weste or westerly bounded on ye river notherly and Christephe Palmer on the South east
the nine and eight acres of Salt marsh
Christopher Palmers one the east butted one John brounes one ye north the river one ye west or westrely
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

[Inventory of the estate given to his daughter, Mary Marston; amount, £60.7.0; and of that given to his daughter, Sarah Hobbs; amount, £143.13.0. Debts to be paid to the children of William Moulton, £2.0.0, and to John Redman, £0.2.6.]

[Norfolk County, Mass., Deeds, vol. 1, p. 53.]

[Thomas Marston of Hampton presented to the court at Salisbury the will of William Estow, desiring the appointment of a committee to divide and set out the land given in the will, and according to the order of the court. The court appointed William Sanborn and Nathaniel Weare as such committee Nov. 14, 1676.]

[Norfolk County, Mass., Deeds, vol. 4, p. 48.]

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SAMUEL PARKER 1656

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Parker granted to Emmanuel Hilliard June 25, 1656.]

[Court Records, June 25, 1656, in Deeds; vol. 2, p. 11.]

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AMBROSE GIBBONS 1656 DURHAM

The last will & testament of m' Ambrose Gibbins on his sick bed this 11th of July 1656.

In the name of God Amen. I Ambrose Gibbins of Oyster River in the Toune of Dover in New England being sicke and weake in Body ...

Imp' I Give and bequeath unto my Grandchild samuel sherburne the son of Henry sherburne now dwelling in the Towne of Portsmouth in piscataquake Rever in New England all my right and Interest of house houses lands meadowes Goods and chattells with all and every appurtenance and Appurtenances of Goods mooveable and unmooveable and likewise all ... bills and bonds which may lawfully be recovered by law due to the said ... my true and lawfull executor and likewise ... afore named Henry sherburne be executor wth his son samuell—
with the provisoe the aforesaid Henry and Samuell are to pay unto the said Henry Sherborn's children Elizabeth Mary Henry John Ambrose Sarah and Rebeckah or any more which may be lawfully begotten by rebeckah sherborne the wife of Henry sherborne being the daughter of Ambrose Gibbins the some of Twenty one pounds starling to witt to the said to every of the fore named children when they Come to lawfull Age the sonns at twenty one yeares and the Daughters at eightene yeares and in Case any of these children should Dy the portion that should have bin theire is to be divided amongst the rest of them that are living. In Wines of the truth hereof wee whose names are under written have Subscribed:

Jonas Bying
his marke
Ambrose X Gibbins

Tho. X Johnson
william Roberts

That this is A true Copie Compared wth the originall so signed & left in the Gennerall Courte file at Boston may the 9th 1657

Attest Edward Rawson Secret

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PHILEMON DALTON 1656

HAMPTON

The last will & testament. The County of northfolke, being sick & bequeath my soule unto God who gave itt & Jesus:

It I Doe give unto Dorety Dalton my loving wife my a two yeerling heffer Called Chery: Itt one Swine & two she beed in the beed Chamber wth the furniture theair of as itt stands. Chests & the trunke with the apparrill theairif with the bras & & yron potes; wth the morter pessell wth the speete & basting. peuter viz Six platters & a Salt seller & Skillet & for bookes: viz one of mr Burrows Called Gospell worship During terme of her life & the third of all my lands and one of
the Dweling housen as my sonn & shee shall agree During the tearme of her life & the apples of the fouer trees next the Common in the orchard

Itt I Doe give unto my Sonn Samuell Dalton all the rest of . . . and housenrom; with my fouer oxen wth the Cart & furniture . . . with all my books wch are not otherwise Dispose of: . . . give unto my Daughter mehetabell Dalton one . . .
-owes Concerning Earthly mindedness . . .

Ittum I give unto Hannah Dalton . . . . heffer Called hart: & I Doe give unto my wife . . . of the last Crop both Indian & English: and barne . . . & hay and rome to sett her Cattell in the leantow During term . her life and the Hake: and for the Confermation of this my last will & testament I have hereunto sett my hand & seale having apointed my sonn Sameuell & my wife as my lawfull Excequetors to this my last will, whearunt I have sett my hand the leaventh of November one thousand Six hundred & fifty Six

Signed and Sealed in the presents of us
Abraham Perkins
Timothie Dalton.
[Proved Oct. 14, 1662.]
[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

[Inventory of the estate of Philemon Dalton of Hampton, taken by Robert Page, William Godfrey, and Thomas Marston July 1, 1662; amount, £261.16.4.]
[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

GEORGE BRONSON 1657

[Administration on the estate of George Bronson, who was killed by a bull July 2, 1657, granted to John Ault and Richard York July 2, 1657.]

[Court Records, July 2, 1657, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 16 b.]
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HENRY THORNER  1657  WAPPING ENG.

[Administration on the estate of Henry Thorner, of Wapping, Eng., ship-carpenter, accidentally killed by a rolling mast, granted to James Garrett and Edward Thorner Aug. 26, 1657.]


[Inventory was presented Sept. 12, 1657; amount, £171.1.6½; taken by Brian Pendleton and Richard Waldron.]

[Court Records, Sept. 12, 1657, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 20 b.]

WILLIAM SWAINE Jr.  1657  HAMPTON

[Inventory of the estate of William Swaine, Jr., of Hampton, taken by Robert Tuck, John Sanborn, Samuel Dalton, and William Marston Nov. 10, 1657; amount, £136.4.0; sworn to by Prudence Swaine, the widow, April 12, 1658.]


EMMANUEL HILLIARD  1657  HAMPTON

[Inventory of the estate of Emmanuel Hilliard of Hampton, appraised Nov. 19, 1657, by Robert Tuck, John Sanborn, and Henry Dow; affirmed by the widow, Elizabeth Hilliard; amount, £177.13.6.]

[Norfolk County, Mass., Deeds, vol. 1, p. 74.]

[Francis Page of Hampton acknowledges the receipt from Joseph Merry of Hampton of £53.6.8, in behalf of Benjamin Hilliard and Elizabeth Hilliard, children of Emmanuel Hilliard, it being their share of their father's estate; dated June 23, 1669; witness, Nathaniel Batcheller.]


[Timothy Hilliard acknowledges the receipt from his father-in-law, Joseph Merry, of £53.6.4, it being his share in the estate of]
his father, Emmanuel Hilliard, dated Oct. 13, 1669; witnesses, Samuel Dalton and Jeremy Jewett.]

TIMOTHY DALTON  1657/8  HAMPTON

The Laste will and Testament of m't Timothie Dalton Teacher to the Church att Hampton

Being in Reasonable Helth of body and of Sound and perfect memorie lauded bee God: first I Give and Bequeth unto Ruth Dalton my Beloved wife, the House and land latly purched of Thomas Moulton with all the priveledges therunto belonging to Her and Her Heires for Ever Item I Give and Bequeth unto Her my loving wife a certaine peccell of medow or march Called or knowne by the name of Burchin Iland to Her and Her Heires for Ever: Item I Doe Give unto the sd Ruth Dalton my loving wife all my moveable Goods and Houseold stuf and Cattle: to Her and Her Heirs for Ever

Item I Give and Bequeth unto my loving Brother Philemon Dalton and to my loving Cossen Samuell Dalton His Sonn the Some of two Hundred pounds wch is to bee payd to my Assignes from the Church & Towne of Hampton paying to Ruth my wife During Her naturall life ten pounds p annum: & I Doe by these peccents make my wife ruth Dalton my sole Exce- quetor to this my last will and Testament witnes my Hand and seale the Eight of March one thousand Six Hundred and fifty Seaven or fifty Eight

Signed Sealed and

Delivered in the peccents

of us

Henrye dow

John Cleford

I Timothie Dalton being sicke & weake of body but sound in understanding praised be God Have & doe by these peccents Give
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& bequeath unto my love[in]g Cossen Bar-th Dalton fiftie acres of land which I purchased of william Eastow which lieth att the Head of my farme above saggamour Hill witnes my Hand & Seale the one & twentieth of December one thousand Six Hundred & Sixty one

Signed & sealed in the presence of us

Henery Moulton
Joseph X Huchins
His marke

[Proved April 8, 1662.]
[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

JEFFREY MINGY 1658

HAMPTON

June y° 4th 58

Goodman Mingy sick gave Eliakim wardell that peece of land wch lyeth one the left hand of the bridg as wee goe to Exeter

It ten Ackers of upland in the great Lot one the other side of the way one the right hand one the other side of the bridg

and the fresh Medow in the great Medow

and the salt Marash that lyeth by M'r Stanells

and one Cow Coman, and one oxe Coman & 2 acres & ½ of Swamp then saed goodwife Mingy Hussband give him what [you] will he shall have it to a farthing, then sayed goodman Mingy hee

will stand in need of a yoake of beasts but I will leave it to youer libertie whether he shall have the young ones or the ould ones.

and all the rest I give to my wife

then Jonathan Thing sayed who should have it but shee that hath

wrought for it

This was attested by Anthony Tayler & Phillip his wyfe uppon their oathe. in y° court held att Hampton y° 5th 8th mo : 58:

Tho : Bradbury rec'd

HENRY DOW 1659

HAMPTON

The Last will & testament of Henery Dow Sen'r of Hampton Beinge Sick & weeke of Body butt firme of understanding and memory Itt I Give and bequeth unto margrett my loving wife my House lott being by Estamation ten Acres more or less & Six acres of fresh meddow att the springs & one sheare of the lower Cowes Comon; Three of my Cowes: & the Dwelling House upon the lott above sd: and att my Household stuff Excepting whatt shall bee other waies Disposed of Itt I Give and bequeth unto my sonn Henry Dow all the planting Ground thatt is in my Hands in the East field, and my seaventeen acres of Salt marsh and . . . one sheare of the Cow comon and a sheare of the ox Comon and all my Captell Excepting the three Cowes abovesd .

Itt to my Sonn Henery, one fether bed wch Hee useth to ly upon and all the Bed Cloathes thereunto Belonging and the mile-delmost Iron Pott: and I Due by these ð'sents make and appoint my sonn Henery my sole Exequetor to this last will and testamentt Itt I Doe Give and Bequeath unto my sonn Joseph the some of thirty pounds to bee payd when Hee shall Arive to the age of twenty and one yeers. Itt I Doe Give and Bequeath unto my sonn Danill and to my Daughters mary and Hannah five pounds apeece to bee payd to them when they shall Arive to the age of twenty and one years Itt: I Give unto my sonn Thomas & my sonn Jeremiah five pounds a picee to bee payd to them att the age of one & twenty yeeres And after my wives Decease the House & House lott and the six acres of medow to Returne Into the Hands of my Excequetors; In Cause thatt Hee please to Resigne up the House and fifty Rods of ground which was sometime posessed by Thomas Sleeper Into the Hands of my sonn Joseph
and Pay unto my five yongest Children above sayd five and twenty pounds . . . that is to say five pounds a peece: to bee Payd five pounds to the eldest the yeere after my wives Decease and so five pounds a yeere to the next yonger untill the some of five pounds bee payd to the . . . after and still with this viso that in Cause my sone Henery bee not willing to leave the place wheare Thomas Sleeper lived & to take the lands above sayd After my wives Decease upon the Conditions above named then the sd House & House lot with the Six acres of medow are to Returne to my sone Joseph who upon the takeing possesion of them is to undertake for the paying of the twenty five pounds above sd to my five yongest Children according to the times above mentioned: Itt I Give unto my wife two of the best of my swine & so much of the Corne in the House as may maintaine Her & my Children untill Harvest & all the Crop on the House lott att Harvest & the Corne till Harvest to bee twenty bushels. To this my last will & testament I sett my Hand & Seale ye 16: 2 mo 1659

Wittnes:

Robert Page
His X marke
Sam[u] Dalton

[Proved Oct. 4, 1659.]


[Inventory of the estate of Henry Dow, Sr., "latt desesed upon the 21st day of Aprill 1659"; taken by Robert Page, William Godfrey, and Henry Roby May 19, 1659; amount, £193.4.6.]


[Joseph Dow acknowledges the receipt from Henry Dow of £30 left to him in the will of his father; dated Nov. 28, 1666; witnesses, Thomas Nudd and Francis Page.]


[Jonas Gregory of Ipswich, Mass., acknowledges the receipt from his brother, Henry Dow of Hampton, of £5 left to his wife,
Hannah Gregory, in the will of her father, Henry Dow; dated June 30, 1670.


[Thomas Dow acknowledges the receipt from his brother, Henry Dow, of £5 left to him in the will of his father, Henry Dow; dated April 29, 1674.]


[Daniel Dow of Hampton acknowledges the receipt from his brother, Henry Dow, executor, of £10 left to him in the will of his father, Henry Dow; dated Nov. 10, 1676; witnesses, Thomas Nudd and Joseph Dow.]


HERCULES HUNKING 1659 STAR ISLAND

A Envatoring of what goodes and botes I Harkles Hunking hath as folleth to three botes with fowar maimsails and three Roads three graplers with oares and all things be longen tow them and house and stage and mouren and Inker and land belongen tow the house and stage uppon the Iles of sholes star Iland named which I have in joyed this tenn year sollin with hose and hoses and land which I have hear tow the moan with upland mash & Cattell as folleth fowar melch Coues and fower Oxen and a lefen yearelans and Cases and tow and twenty shep and nine honks of all this that I have hear manufested herar and all that I am onar of with in doar and a thougt I will give on theerd tow my wife and the hose and land tow lef in as long as she shall lef and after her deth tow Reteren to my Eares and the othar tow thirds tow my Daftar Ann Hunking and her Children

the marke of
Rouger X Kneait wetnas
the mark
of Cester X Lor wetnes
this the 21th of Agost 1659

[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]
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["An trew Invytary of the Goods of Harculus Hunckine that is uppon the Ile of shoales," taken by Peter Twisden; amount £127.13.0.

"An Inventary of the estate of Hercules Hunkins Deceased: of the tone of Portsmouth," taken by Elias Stileman and Richard Tucker Sept. 6, 1659; amount, £342.1.3, sworn to by Benton Hunking Nov. 8, 1659.]

[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

JAMES WALL 1659 HAMPTON

The last will & testament of James Wall of Hampton in the County of norfolke. I James Wall being very weake of Body but of Good understanding & memory Due by these p'sents Comend unto all unto whome they shall Come the true Intent of my mind Concerning the setteling of my Estate after my Decease viz Concerning the Deeds formerly made to my two Eldest Daughters (Elizabeth & Sarah Wall) of my farme which lyeth westward of Robert Pages Land & bounded with the River Called Taylors River towards the South & Likewise Six Acres of Salt marsh lying on the south side of the falls River being bounded with the marsh of will Marston now in the Hands of John Cram towards the south the which lands above mentioned I Doe Conferme unto them my two Eldest Daughters. Having made and appointed Henery Roby as a seffer in trust for what I Have Given unto my two Eldest Daughters & to what is already Given them the Land is to bee Equally Devided between them two: & I Doe farther Give & bequeath unto Elizabeth Wall A Horse Coltt of two yeer & the vantage old: & I Give unto my Daughter Sarah A Horse Coltt of this yeere & A peese of stuffe between them to make Each of them a Gounie the stuffe is a peese of mixt stuff of a sad Culler of a boutt twenty-five yards: & I Have Given them a fether bed with a fether bolster with a payer of blankets & a Red Rugge Itum to my Daughter Elizabeth my best Hatt & a Carsey westcote to Each of them =

Itum I Give and bequeath unto mary Wall my Loving wife &
to my two Children which I Had by Her viz Mary & Hannah Wall my Dweling House & the House lott lying between the lott of Robert Tuck towards the south and the lott of Thomas web-stur somtimes will Howards towards the north and Six acres of Salt mursh lying on the north sid of the falles River bounded with the marsh of Gilles fuller towards the north Ittum I Give my wife & Her two Children my fower oxen & fouver Cowes & my mare and all the moveable Goods Excepting whatt is a bove mentioned & Given to my two Eldest Daughters Itt a Debt of fifty pounds Due unto mee from mr Samuell Dudly & Humphrey willson & thirty pounds Due from John Godward & a bill of twenty two pounds from nicolas Smith & these lands & moveables Given to wife & my yongest Children are to bee Improved by my Ex- cequutor for the maintinance of my wife & the bringing up of my two Children and att my wives Death or mariage whatt is left is to Returne to my two yongest Children mary & Hanna wall and I appoint Henery Robey as a seffer in trust to take noties of what Estate is left & in Cause my wife should marrie or dy whilst the Children are under Age Henery Robey is to take Care of the Estate which shall bee left to settell itt to the Children when they shall a Rive to the Age of Eighteen yeers & for the Cearfull bringing of them up in Cause God should take a way my wife by Death sooner & I Doe make & appoint mary wall my loving wife to bee my lawfull Excequetor to this my last will & tesment which I Doe Conferme with my Hand & seale thearunto affixed the twenteth of september Ann° Dm one thousand Six Hundred & fifty nine

Signed Sealed & Confermed

James [Seal] wall

in the p'sents of
Samuell Dalton
John X Cass

His marke

[Proved Oct. 4, 1659.]
[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]
[Inventory of the estate, taken by William Godfrey and Samuel Dalton in 1659; amount, £373.16.0.]
[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]
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[Guardianship of Mary Wall and Hannah Wall granted to their uncle, Thomas Philbrick of Hampton, Oct. 8, 1672.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records, Oct. 8, 1672, and Deeds, vol. 4, p. 5.]

JEREMIAH WALFORD 1660 PORTSMOUTH

The last will & Testam’t of Jeremiah Walford of Portsmouth
16. Aprill, 1660

Being visited by y*e hand of god with sickness & n’t knowing how hee may please to deale with mee, I have thought meet to make y*e as my last will & Testam’t as followes

Imp’t: I com’end my soule into y*e hands of him y’t hath made it, & I hope hath redeemed it, as being able to keepe it untill y’t day

My worldly goods I thus dispose of.

I will y’t my beloved wife shall have y*e use of my house lands Cattell, & my whole estate as long as shee lives unmarried, if shee marries y’n my estate to fall to my Children in y’n man’n

Twenty Acres of land lying on y*e East side of my house to bee divided between my two sonsn equally, togethier with three Acres of Marsh lying in y’n middle of y’n Great Island.

Another a cell of land about ten Acres more or lesse lying North-ward fro— y’n house, I will to bee equally divided between my two daughters

My Cattell also being nine in Number shall bee equally divided amongst my children, provided y’t my wife when shee marries shall have her thirds of y’n whole estate, abovementioned.

This I will & appoint, having y’n full use of my reason as formerly, determining y’t it shall stand as my last Will

as witnesseth my hand

Jeremiah X Walford

his marke

I shall intreate my hon’rd ffather

Tho: Walford & Mr. Henry sherburn to bee my Executo’s

Wittnesse

Henrie Sherburne

Henry X Savage his marke.

[Proved June 27, 1660.]
[Inventory of the estate of Jeremiah Walford, who died April 21, 1660; taken by Michael Rowe and William Powell July 10, 1660; amount, £95.11.6.]

JOANNA FERNALD 1660

The Last Will & Testament of Johanna Fernald, Widow Made the Twentie third day of April one thousand six hundred & Sixtie
I Johanna Fernald, being weak of body but in perfect memory doe make & ordaine this my last Will & Testament

Imp" I give & bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth my best feather bed, boulster & beading belonging unto it.

It I give & bequeath unto my daughter Mary my second best feather bed, boulster & beding belonging to it.

It I give & bequeath unto my sd daughters Elizabeth & Mary my now dwelling house betweene them & it is my will that Elizabeth my daughter shall have y* first choice of w* she shall like best of y* sd house & if it shall hapen that my daughter Mary shall marry first that then the husband of my sd Daughter shall build for my sd Daughter Elizabeth as good a house on y* lands her father gave her or allow the vallew thereof as shalbe apprized by two Indifferent men & the Like is my will concerning my daughter Elizabeth if she marry first & that they shall not molest or disturb one the other before the p'missess be formed & in meanwhile Live quietly together.

It I give & bequeath unto my Sonn Samuell & my Sonn John the third feather bed & beding belonging to it to be betweene them.

It I give & bequeath unto my Sonn John all the surgery bookes & instrum* that were his fathers w* his chest.

It I give & bequeath unto my Sonn Samuell a sute & cloke that was his fathers.

It I give & bequeath unto my son William fortie shillings

It I give & bequeath unto my Son Thomas one musket & a barrell of a foulling pееce & all the Carpenters and Joyners tooles.
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It I give & bequeath unto my three daughters all my wearing clothes woolen & Linning wth all my household stuff equally to be devided betweene ym, my daughter Sarah to have the first choice & for the better execution of this my will I make my Sonn Thomas & my daughter Elizabeth my Executors & Appoynt m' Richard Cutt & Elias Stileman my over seers in witness wereof have hereunto put my hand y day & year first above written. /

witness

Johanna fernall
Anthony Ellins
John Deamant
Elias Stileman

proved in Court at portsmouth the 28 Jun 60

Elias Stileman Cleric

[Inventory, June 5, 1660; amount, £118.9.6, and £3.3.0 added later; signed by George Walton and Elias Stileman.]

WILLIAM LEMON 1660

That whereas Wm Lemon deceaseing & Leaving No written will behind him concerning his estate, And Mr Antipas Mavick Exhibiting to this Court testimony that ye sd Lemon gave him his estate before witness, This Court accordingly doth allow thereof, provided the sd Maverick doth enter into 20 bonds to be resonsall for ye sd estate to any other that shall make prooofe of a better title to ye same & is hereby enjoyned to bring in an Inventory of the estate to ye next Countie Court at dover or portsmouth

[Antipas Maverick of Kittrey gives bond as required above.]

[Court Records, June 26, 1660, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 42 b.]


[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]
CATHERINE JOHNS 1660

[Administration on the estate of Catherine Johns, widow, granted to John Fabyan June 26, 1660.]
[Court Records, June 26, 1660, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 41.]

[Inventory; amount, £35.7.0; signed by John Hunking and Peter Twisdene; brought into court July 10, 1660.]

ALEXANDER BACWCHLDER 1660

[Administration on the estate of Alexander Batchelder granted to his widow, Ann Batchelder, June 26, 1660.]
[Court Records, June 26, 1660, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 41.]

MARKER HINGER 1660

[Administration on the estate of Marker Hinger granted to William Follett June 26, 1660.]
[Court Records, June 26, 1660, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 41 b.]

JOHN JACKSON 1660 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of John Jackson, who died at the Isles of Shoals, granted to John Cutt July 12, 1660.]
[Court Records, July 12, 1660, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 43.]

[Inventory of the estate of John Jackson of Portsmouth, Dec. 6, 1666; amount, £234.15.0; signed by Henry Sherburne and Elias Stileman.]

This Court grants unto Widow Joane Jackson & Rich. Jackson pow' of Administrac'on unto ye estate of John Jackson deceased with out will, the s' Joane & Richard Jackson brought in an Inventory of ye s' estate into this Court at ye same time amounting unto 234'1:15' Concerning w'ch estate the Court ord'ed with ye Consent of Ric Jackson & Tho: Jackson then p'sent that the
Widow shall have the whole estate in her hand during her Life excepting 4 acres of marsh to be equally betweene Tho. Jackson & John Jackson which they are to have at present & after his Widows decease Richard Jackson to have the house & Land at home & to allow his Bro : Thomas : 20 shillings & his brother John Jackson eleven pound; & the 3rd Thomas Jackson to have one halfe ye Land in ye plaine & John Jackson's other halfe & w't the estate that is in moveables shall be wasted the 3 brothers aforesd to beare their proportions of it & w't debts ye estate oweth to pay according to proportion and w't is due to ye estate to have their proportions the Eldest to beare & have a double portion as the estate may increase or decrease in debts & moveables .

[Court Records, June 25, 1667, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 130 b.]

December the 24th 1681 This day by the free consent & app of my Brother, Richard Jackson; Mr Elias Stileman came and laid out for me tenn acres of land joyneing to the Lands I now possess beginneng from the Creek or Well, running 44 Pôle, to Richard Saurtridges Land from that 48 Pole S. W. to a black Pine Stump on the West side of Rowes Land and from W: or W. N. W. 40 Pole to a Pine small Tree of Peter Balls bounds from that to the brook or well or stone where Peter Balls land begins the course being highest N East Easterly: 76: Pole, at which time I paid said Stileman for his labour, in my Brother Richards presence three shillings in money in my own house

John Jackson

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 363.]

ROGER SHAW 1660 HAMPTON

In the name of God Amen The 25th day of August 1660 I Roger Shawe of Hampton in the County of Norfolk being sick and weake in body

first I give unto my son Joseph Shawe my ffarme, that is to say one hundred Ackers of upland bounded as followeth from the Towne bridge & goodman Levitt in ¶t, and Comon Contry way
in part, & the Comon in part one the south east: fifteen Ackers of Land of my owne on the South west and mr Dalton's ffarme northwest medowes belonging to the ffarme north east And five and Twenty Ackers of fresh medow surrounded with [t]he Taylors River and the upland of the ffarme, the medow lying north East, And all my Salt Marsh (Excepting) five Ackers of that marsh to lye adjoyning to Thomas wards marsh on the south side of Taylors River with all preveledges belonging to the ffarme.

Item I give unto my son Benjamin Shaw my dwellling howse howses, Orchard Garden and all the land I have on the northside Taylors River, medow, upland or swamp wth all Comonages and preveledges thereunto belonging wth fifteen Ackers of upland or Swamp lying att ye South west end of the ffarme, with five Ackers of salt marsh on that side my marsh towards Taylors River adjoyning to Thomas wards.

Item I give to Margarett ward my Daughter five shillings
Item I give to my Daughter Ann fogg thirteene pounds
Item I give to my Daughter Hester Thirteene pounds
Item I give to my Daughter Marie Twenty pounds.
Item I give unto my son Daniell Tilton five pounds

Item I give to my son Benjamin one horse Coult, Three yearelings one Ewe Lamb the bed he lyeth on two puter Dishes, one of ev'ye Iron thing in the howse if there be two (or els not) A third part of all husbandry ware halfe of all Carpenters Tooles I have: six bushels of wheat and fowerteene of Indian Corne but hee must be att cost of all labo' to itt: Also I appoint Benjamin to have for his use my howse and Land on the southeast side the Country high way now for his use. Excepting halfe of the Orchard wch I give to my son Joseph for Two yeares and the peec of medow on this side the Towne Bridge, And for all these goods I give unto Benjamin my will is that he shall pay unto Daniell Tilton [t]he sum of Twenty five pounds when hee comes to the aige of 21 yeares: The wch sum is xxth pt of itt wch I was to pay by Covent & 5' I give him more as is above expressed in my will. And for want of paym't of his 25' I do bind over my
sons Benjamins Lands for the securitye of itt to be paid out of the
rents of the Lands untill itt be fully paid: Also I Do appoint
Samwell fogg & my son Joseph as trustees to order & direct my
son Benjamin untill hee come to ye age of 21 yeares according to
Law in all thinges.

Item I give all the rest of my goods both moveable & unmove-
able wth the use of all the ffeild on the oth' side on the high way
(but two Ackers on the nerer side one yeare) I give unto my son
Joseph And my will is that hee is sole Executoe of this my last
will and Testamt and I appoint him to pay all my Debts Legacyes
that are or shall appeare to be Due according to Law Excepting
what is appointed to be paid other ways. And if my Executo
fails to make paymt I appoint his Lands shall pay them (not by
saile) but by [t]he Rent of itt untill they be paid or any pt there-
of. And my will further is that if my son Joseph and Benjamin
Dye without issue then [t]he Lands to goe my other Daughters
Ann, Hester, & Marye & to their Heires for ever Considering a
Competencye for there wifes att the Discretion of my supvisors
John Leveritt & samuell fogg whome I appoint as trustees to see
this my will ¥formed

And renounce my all other former wills either by words or write-
ings I make this my last will & Testament In witnes whereof I
have here unto sett my hand & seale the day and yeare above writ-
en. Roger [Seal] Shawe

Signed sealed in the
presence of us:
John Cleford
Samwell Hall Ser.

The twentieth of march one thousand Six Hundred and Sixty
I Roger Shaw being yet in the land of the living & in sound
memory & Sence: Doe thinke meett to aDe to this my last will
as ffoloweth viz that whearas thear are two of the Children which
Have thirteen pound a peese Given them I doe appoint thatt they
shall have butt five apeece: and whearas I have Given one Child
five shillings I doe appoint thatt itt shall have five pound all which
some are to bee payd within a yeere after my decease & whearas I did bequeath fourteen bushils of indian Corne to my son Benjamin & Six bushils of wheatt I doe now appoint that Hee shall Have none: & whereas I did appoint y' benjamin should Sow two acres of y' lott on the other sid of the way the next yeere I doe now appoint that Joseph shall Have the fitt thereof the next yeere and whearas I did appoint Benjamin to pay his brothr Daniell Tilton twenty five pound when hee Cam to age I Doe now appoint Him to pay His Sister Mary twenty pounds att the time appointed her to pay five pound to His brother Joseph when Daniell Comes to Age & I Doe appoint my son Joseph to pay Abraham & Daniell Tilton their portions according to Covenant when they shall Come to Age and to this my last addition I Doe sett my Hand & seale the Day & yeere a bove written

Signed Sealed in
the p'sents of us
Samuell Dalton
John Cliford
[Proved Oct. 10, 1661.]
[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

[Inventory of the estate, taken by John Sanborn and William Moulton June, 1661; amount, £369.10.]
[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

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ANN BACHELDER 1660 PORTSMOUTH

The last Will & Testament of Anne Batchelor widdow of Portsmouth in Pascataq River made y' 5th Novemb' 1660.

I Ann Bachelor being weake of Body, but in p'sect memory doe ordaine this as my last Will & Testament, heereby revoking all former Wills, Legacyes & bequests w'e'er.

Imp' My debts & funerall charges being paid out of my whole estate I give & bequeath unto my Sonn Jn' Bachelor y' true sum'e of thirtye pounds, my son being alive at my death, if hee bee not
alive at my Death then I will ye said Sum'e unto his widdow & theyr joynt Children equally to bee divided among them.

I give unto James Leech twenty shillings, unto his wife twenty shillings, & unto theyr foure children ten shillings a peice

I give unto Jane sfurzen my best hatt & blue pettycoate

I give unto Mary Walford Widdow my best pettycoate & twenty shillings & unto her foure Children ten shillings a peice

If in Case I dye before my Servant Richard Peirce his time bee out w'time remains I give him, w't an Axe, handsaw, Adze Augre a calking Iron or two togethier w't two suits of Apparell & three shirts

I give more unto my said servant Rich : Peirce forty shillings.

I give unto Tho : Paine w'h his time is expired forty shillings & Executours for ye better performance of this my will I make Joshua Moodey & M' Elias Stileman & desire M' James Pendleton to bee my overseer.

In wittnes w'of I have heere unto set my hand in ye day and yeare above written

   The marke of
   Ann X Batchelour

   The Marke of
   Mary X Walford

   The marke of
   Ann X Hart.

[Proved June 26, 1661.]

[Inventory, Nov. 27, 1660; amount, £96.1.0; signed by William Seavey, James Leach, and Samuel Haines.]
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[Settlement of the accounts, brought into court by William Fole-lett and William Furber, administrators, June 30, 1663. One item
is "diet for the Child."]

This Court ord\# that the child of Thomas Johnson shall live
with goodman Layton if he consent untill she be ten yeeres of
age, & he to be allowed out of her estate 5\" a yeere, & from the
age of ten yeeres untill she be fourteene yeeres he is to Keepe &
maintaine her at his own pro\$ cost & charge & then she is to
make choice of her guardian, unto this agreem\^ goodman Layton
did consent

[Court Records, June 30, 1663, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 76 b.]

The Estate of Thomas Johnson of Oyster River deceased not
having any heire making claime thereunto is Comitted to the use
of the Towne of Dover according unto the Law title eschates pa:
28, & this Court further orders that the Administrato\* to y\^ sd
estate deliver it up unto the select men of the sd Towne & a Com-
mittee be appoynted to audit y\^ sd Administrato\* acco\^.

The Com\^tte agreed upon & then chosen were Capt Rich:
Waldern: Deacon Jn\^ Hall: & m\^ Pet\^ Coffin

[Court Records, June 27, 1665, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 109.]

WILLIAM STORY 1661

[Administration on the estate of William Story granted to Sam-
uel Austin June 27, 1661.]

[Court Records, June 27, 1661, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 57 b.]

[Inventory, Oct. 8, 1660; amount, £130.5.0; signed by William
Pomfret, Hatevil Nutter, and Job Clements; sworn to by Sarah
Austin, "sometimes the wife of W\^ Story deceased," June 27,
1661.]

The sd Austin brought into Court an Inventory of the Said
estate amounting to: 130\^ 5\^ 0\^ the Widow of y\^ sd Story now
wife to y\^ sd Austin is allowed her thirds out of the whole w\^b is
43\^ 6\^ 8\^; & the remaind\^ 86\^ 16\^ 4 to be devided among the
fewer children the Eldest to have a double portion Viz 34½. 14½. 8d & the other three 17½. 7½ a pece when they com to yᵉ age of 21 yeeres. the whole estate to remane in yᵉ hands of sᵈ Samuell Austin the father in Law [step-father] to yᵉ sᵈ children for there bringing up or shall chuse there Gardian before provided he give double bonds unto this Court that it shalbe pᵈ to the children accordingly, & is granted Libertie to sell any of the houses & Lands or to lett the Same provided he brings in good securite to next Court at yorke for paymᵉ of the Childrens portions

[Court Records, June 27, 1661, in Deeds, p. 57 b.]

——— PALMER 1661

[Guardianship of Joseph Palmer granted to his brother, Christopher Palmer of Hampton, and Walter Roper of Ipswich, Mass., Oct. 8, 1661.]

[Quarterly Court Files, Salem, Mass., vol. 7, p. 53.]

——— TIMOTHY DALTON JR. 1662 HAMPTON

[Administration on the estate of Timothy Dalton, Jr., sometime of Hampton, granted to Samuel Dalton April 8, 1662.]

[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]

[Inventory of the lands of Timothy Dalton, Jr., of Hampton, May, 1663; 55 acres of land in all, value not stated; signed by Samuel Dalton, and presented to the Hampton court Oct. 13, 1663.]

[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

——— WILLIAM COLE 1662 HAMPTON

The last will of william Coule of Hampton in the County of norfolke,

I william Cole being very Aged & now taken very sicke and nott like longe to Continue in this world & yet by Gods mercy
retaining my affect sence & understanding Doe Declare itt, to bee my last will as followeth viz thatt unice Coule my wife shall have all Her Cloathes which she left with mee both Her wollin Clothes & Her linin & Her small linin y' is to say Hancherchers neckclothes & Head linen thatt is made for Her; & for my Housen & lands that is free & nott Ingaged I Doe Give & bequeath the same unto Thomas Webstar of Hampton upon Good Considerations & my Cattell & Houshold stuff & twoles & whatt Ever Else Remaines free after Ingagements Discharged all to Remaine unto the sole & pur use of the sd Thomas Webster his Heires & Assignes for Ever upon Condition of his keeping of mee Comfortably Duering the time of my naturall life & I doe appoint my loving freinds Deacon Willia Godfrey & Thomas webstar to bee my lowfull Exequetors to this my last will & Testament the which I Conferme with my hand & seale the twenty sixt of may one thousand six Hundred & sixty two

Sealed & Confermed in y'

William [Seal] Coule
His marke & Seale

William Godrey
His X marke
Samuell Dalton

[Proved April 14, 1663.]

[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files, and Norfolk County, Mass., Court Files, vol. 1, p. 35.]

[Inventory of the estate; amount, £59.1.0; attested by Thomas Webster, executor.]

[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files, and Norfolk County, Mass., Court Files, vol. 1, p. 35.]

[Order of court April 14, 1663, that Thomas Webster, executor of the will of “old Cole” of Hampton, pay the widow one half of the balance after paying the debts.

Amount, £59.14.0
Debts, 18.13.7

£41. 9.5]
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The one half payable to the widow, Eunice Cole, was ordered to be paid to the selectmen of Hampton for her use.
[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]

THOMAS WILSON 1662
[Administration on the estate of Thomas Wilson granted to Nathaniel Fryer June 24, 1662.]
[Court Records, June 24, 1662, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 67 b.]

JOHN WEBSTER 1662 PORTSMOUTH
[Rachel Webster, widow, renounced administration on the estate of her husband, John Webster, and Capt. Waldron and Elias Stileman were appointed temporary administrators June 24, 1662.]
[Court Records, June 24, 1662, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 69 b.]
[Administration on the estate of John Webster of Portsmouth granted to Capt. Richard Waldron June 30, 1663.]
[Court Records, June 30, 1663, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 75.]

JOHN BICKFORD 1662 ISLES OF SHOALS
[Administration on the estate of John Bickford of the Isles of Shoals granted to Philip Tucker June 24, 1662.]
[Court Records, June 24, 1662, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 67 b.]

VALENTINE HILL 1662
[Writ of dower granted to Mary Hill for one third of the real estate of her late husband, Valentine Hill; and Lieut. Ralph Hall, Ensign Davis, and Robert Davis are empowered to set it off.]
[Court Records, June 24, 1662, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 67 b.]
[Inventory of "A parsell of Land formerly granted unto m' volentine hill deseched by the towne of dover as " Copy shoon by
Leff Nathaniell hill Administratot to sd wallentine hill which Land is Lying & being at the head of oster river in the provnece afore said contaaing about 500 acers as allso A parsell of medoe at wheelrights pond," June 30, 1699; amount, £45.0.0; signed by John Pickering, Stephen Jones, and Joseph Jones; attested by Nathaniel Hill July 4, 1699.]


[Additional inventory, June 7, 1721; amount, £75.0.0; signed by Stephen Jones and Joseph Jones.]

[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 185.]

JOSHUA KENDRICK 1662

[Administration on the estate of Joshua Kendrick granted to Nathaniel Fryer June 24, 1662.]

[Court Records, June 24, 1662, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 67 b.]

JOSEPH AUSTIN 1662/3

I Joseph Austin of dover in perscataque beinge sike of body

ase for my estate when all my just and honist debtes are pead and satisfied I doe give and bequeath onto my wife the one therd part of my holle estate wich ise left and tow therd partes to bee devided amongst my Children: only I doe give onto my sonne Thomas Austin a doubell portion: and as for my Children and that wich I have given them: I doe leave them with my wife: and Capt walldon: and Eldler winford and my Brother peter Coffin: to order and dispose of them ase meay bee most for the glory of god and ther Comfort till the Com to yeares of discrition to guid themselfes and what I leave them: and given: and this beinge my last will and testament I doe intreat and desire my lovinge frinds Capt Richerd walldon and Eldler william winford and my Brother
peter Coffin to see ite fullfilld in witnnes hearofe I have heare onto set to my hand and seall this twenty fith dey of January on thousand sixe hundred sixty and tow:

wittnis  
Joseph X Austin [seal]
the words interlined wich ise  
his marke
left wos before the seillinge
hearofe:
John Robeards
mary hanson

This will being brought into Court held at Dover the 1st of July 1663 & the Court conceiving it to be Imperfickt for want of Nomy-
nation of execut" doe appoynt the Widdow of the deceased Adminstratrix to the estate of y* deceased & order that the Adminstratrix shall not order & dispose of the estate with out the Concurrence of the overseers menc'oned in this will or any two of them whoe have powr according to y* will of y* deceased to see that it accordingly be $ formed

$ ordt of Court  
Elias Stileman Cler

[Inventory, Jan. 29, 1662/3; amount, £470.0.0; signed by Hatevil Nutter, John Hall, Ralph Hall, and John Heard; attested by Sarah Austin July 3, 1663.]

RICHARD SEWARD  1662/3

February 21 1662

In the nam of god amen; I Richard Seaward being weeke of body yett in sound and parfitt memmory doe ordaine this to bee my last will and testament

Item I give drake point to my grane Child John Jackson; Item the next point I give Richard Jackson Item the rocke point to Mary Seaward; Item the rest of the land equally to be devied betwxt Richard Seaward; and Richard Jackson; Item my housells goods equally to be devied betwxt Richard Seaward; and Richard Jackson; Item my hole parte of the Visell and Car-
goe equely to be divied betwext Richard Seaward Chrildron and Richard Jaickson Childron; Item fortene pound of mony which my brother Rogger Seaward is in deted to mee I give to my sonn Richard Seaward; my detes binge first payed; I doe heere apoint the saiied Richard Seaward and Richard Jackson my over seeres witnes my hand and seale the yeare and day aboufe ritten for the land which my brother Rogger doth live in hee is quietly to injoy it for his life time; with out any mullisattion

witneses

Richard X Seaward his marke

Nichleus Winkleey
Thomas Bransell
Tho: Besson
Will Atwood

Nikolas: winklye & Tho Bransell Came before mee & made oath that this will was the akt & deed of Richard saword senier a little before his death

Before mee

Brian Pendleton
Comisioner

[Proved July 1, 1663.]

[Inventory presented June 30, 1663, amounting to £141.10.0.]

[Court Records, June 30, 1663, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 75 b.]

ROBERT DRAKE 1663

HAMPTON

In the name of God Amen: the fifth of May in year of our lord one thousand six hundred & sixty three; I Robert Drake in the Town of Hampton in New-England in Norfolk Sarge-Maker

Item: my goods I give & bequeath as followeth: To my son Nathaniell Drake I Will & bequeath six pound; & to my son Abraham Drakes eldest son Abraham Drake I give twelve pounds To my Daughter Susanna Drake twelve pounds to my Grand-
child Rachell Drake twelve pound; to Jean Drake twelve pounds ye which are my son Nathaniels two Daughters; to my Grandchildren Susanna Drake, Sarah Drake, Mary Drake, Elisabeth & Hannah, to each of them twelve pounds, being ye Children of my son Abraham Drake; & to my son Abraham Drake I will & bequeath the remainder of my estate being my house & house lot with my Medowes salt marsh & fresh with six shares, fower of Cow Commons & two of ox Commons with all rights privileges & appertenances thereunto belonging my upland & whatsoever lands; as also my Cattell; three steres two of seaven yeares of age & one of four; two Cows, one yearling. Item my household stuff bed & bedding Brasse & puter Iron & Lead whatsoever; all which my mentioned estate I will & bequeath to my son Abraham Drake; my sayd son to pay ye aforespesified legacies to the severall parties as before given; at one & twenty yeares of age; none to make any demand till a year after my decease; Item if any of my Grandchildren dye before they be of age, there portion to be devided equally amongst my Grandchildren yet living; It: I Will & give to my son Abraham Drake all Debts, Dues, bills; bonds whatsoever belonging to me.

Item I ordain & constitute my son Abram Drake my sole executour to this my last will & testament revoking all other former wills by me made; in witnesse whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the eighteenth of May one thousand six hundred & sixty three

Testes

John Barsham
Giles fuller

[Seal] Robert X Drake his Marke

[Proved April 14, 1668.]

[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files, and Norfolk County, Mass., Court Files, vol. 1, p. 166.]

[Inventory of the estate of Robert Drake, yeoman, "who deceased the 14th of Jenewary, 1667"; taken by Samuel Dalton and Abraham Perkins Jan. 28, 1667; amount, £184.10.0.]

[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]
ROBERT MARSHALL 1663

[Administration on the estate of Robert Marshall granted to Capt. Brian Pendleton and Lieut. Richard Cutt June 30, 1663.]

[Court Records, June 30, 1663, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 76 b.]

EDWARD LLOYD 1663

[Administration on the estate of Edward Lloyd granted to Edward Rishworth, Samuel Maverick, and Richard Stileman June 30, 1663.]

[Court Records, June 30, 1663, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 75.]

This Court being informed that there is a failing of ye Administratrix to m' Edw. Lyds Estate by Reason of the death of one of them & the neglect of another doe se it meet that m' Richard Stileman that was one of them should & may act from time to time in & aboute the 2d Estate by himselfe alone as all or any two of them might have done untill the Court shall take further ord' thereaboute.

[Court Records, June 27, 1665, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 109.]

HENRY HALLWELL 1663

[Administration on the estate of Henry Hallwell of Oyster River granted to his widow, Rebecca Hallwell, June 30, 1663, who presented an inventory amounting to £16.9.10.]

[Court Records, June 30, 1663, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 75.]

JOHN TUTTLE 1663

Jn° Tuttle of Dover dying Intestate, this Court empowers his Widdow Dorothy Tuttle as Administratrix to ye 2d estate who brought into Court an Inventory of his estate amounting to £519s.:6d. the Court ord' as followeth: viz' It appearing to this Court ye the Eldest daughter of the deceased is married & hath
had her portion already ord'd that his Son Jnº Tuttle shall have 10º when he comes to 21 yeeres of age & yº youngest daughter to have 15º when she comes to the age of 18 yeeres, or be disposed of in marrieg & the remainder of yº estate shall be to yº Widdow during her Life or Widdowhood estate & if in Case she shall marry then to have the thirds according unto Law; & after yº widdows decease or marriage the Son to have the Lands. /

[Court Records, June 30, 1663, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 75 b.]

[Inventory, July 3, 1663; amount, £85.19.6; signed by Havelil Nutter, Thomas Leighton, and John Hall.]

ROBERT MUSSELL

1663/4

In the Name of God Amen

I Robert Mussell being in perfect health & Memory doe here by make & declare this to be my last Will & testament: as followeth. first I bequeath my Soule into the hands of Almighty God that gave it me; and my body to the earth at the time of my dissolution when it shall please God to call me, to be devoutly buried in a Christian manner, at the disscerson of daughter Audery Lux, whome I doe hereby make my sole heire & executrix and to whose Issue I freely intend & bequeath, after my decease, my now dwelling house & Lands adjoyning to it, for ever—

2º I doe give & bequeath to my daughter Mary Jeffery, Ten shillings. & unto hir Sonne Richard Roe Ten shillings. And to the two daughters of my daughter Audrey, Twenty shillings a pcece. to be paid Unto them by my executrix, onely the grand children specifide in this will are not to have there legacies delievered to them untill they come to the age of eightene yeares, and what may be omitted of me towards them further I shall & doe leave it to the disscerson of my daughter Audery to doe as she shall see good, by thereire behaviour & dutifull obedience to deserve., thirdly I give alsoe to my sonne Lux my daughters husband ten shillings. and lastly I give Unto the now Minister of Kittery five
shillings as a remembrance of my love & thankfulnes to him for his pains in the Ministery, his name is M't Belcher. All wc'h legasies, excepting that to my Grand children my heire is to pay presently after my decease, & the Grandchildrens as is above exprest, at the age of eighteen yeares. All wc'h legasies being paid I give all the rest of my estate what soever Unto my said daughter Audery & doe declare hir to be the whole & sole heire of all. Wtines my hand & seale this first of March: in the yeare of our Lord God one thousand six hundred sixtie & three.

Signed & sealed in the presents of us.  
Robart Mussell [seal]

John Adams  
Richard: Tucker.

[Proved June 30, 1674.]

[Inventory, Nov. 28, 1673; taken at the request of William Lux and his wife; amount, £7.10.6; signed by Nathaniel Fryer and Abel Porter.]

Articles of agreement made and concluded on this tenth day of April in the fourth year of the Reign of our Sove't Lord George by the Grace of God of Great Britaine & Ireland King Anoq Dom. 1718. That whereas Sundry tracts or $cels of Land within the Township of New Castle in New Hamp't as $ the draft hereunto annexed and also a tract or $cel of Land within the Township of Kittery in the County of Yourk & Pro of the Massa. bay in N. England did belong & a $taine unto Robert Mussell our Grand father late of S'a New Castle formerly Portsm'o des'd all w'h Land do now of right belong unto us y* Subscribers John Crunch & Francis Crunch his wife Tho' Cosen & Eliz'a Cossen his wife Tho' Marshall Jun't Christophr Fedrick and Mary Fedrick his wife Tho' Pierce and Eliz'a Pearce his wife all of New Castle aboves'd and all the Surviving heirs to the S'a $cels or tracts of Land &c' Now Know y* that we the S'a John and Frances Cronch Tho' & Eliz'h Cosen Tho' Marshal Jun't Christophr Fedrick and Mary Fedrick his wife Tho' & Eliz'a Pearce for each of us our
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Selves or our heirs exec* and adm* or any of them for Ever by these p'sents Have given & granted and by these p'sents have released and do for Ever quit claim to any part or portion of the S^d Lands except what falls to our Share as hereafter is expressed and Sett forth and is in the Plott or figure hereunto annexed (Vizt) 1^st To John Crunch & Frances his wife and to their heirs exec* adm* & assigns all that tract of Land in the Township of Kittery on the Creek that runs to Broadbut Harbour and is what Sam" Ford now possesses and also all that lott of Land in New Castle whereon his house now Stands together wth all the Garden land round it and water Side thereunto belonging and abutting begining at a Stake N° forty two degrees west distance fifty two foot from the N. W. Corner of Tho° Marshals Sen° old house & So from that Stake on a north Course to the Land late Nathl Fryer dec'ed and is now in the possession of John Frost being about Ninety foot and So down East South east by the S^d Frosts land across the high way over the Bank into the River aboute 190 foot to low Water mark and then along by the River side to a stake on the flats and from that Stake up on a west eight degrees north Course over aCross the Bank & highway again aboute one hun-dred & ninety foot to the first Stake up on the Garden side north 42 deg. west and 52 foot from the said Marshals Corner to have & to hold all the S^d parts or division of the S^d premisses wth all the appurtenances northard of that and thereunto belonging or any ways a*irting to them the S^d John & Frances Cronch and every of their heirs exec* adm* or assigns for Ever—2^nd To Tho° Cosen and Eliz° his wife and their heirs exec* adm* and assigns for ever all that tract or plott of Land that lies in N. Castle by the Sea Side on the South Side of the Sandy beech and is bounded by the Land formerly James Pendleton on the north side thereof and is aboute two acres wth all the priveledges & appurtenances thereof and that for Ever—3^rd To Tho° Marshal Jun° all y° South and east part of his fathers old possession begining from low water mark adjoyning to John Cronch on the north Side and So to run up from the River by the Said Crunches Lott aCross the high way
about 190 foot to ye S° west part or Corner Stake of the S° Cronchis Lott and then along by the west Side of the Same on a north Course to ye Land now in the possession of John Frost and So along westerly by ye Frosts Land & Mr. Hinck's till it comes to a byrer bush and from that byrer bush South Sixteen degrees East over the Rocks two hundred & fifty foot to a stake and from that Stake on a south fifty degrees west Course Seaventy Six foot or thereabouts to ye high way that leads along by me Reeds Door and so Southard by the high way to ye Land late of Andrew Pepperills De'd and So by ye Pepperells Gardin through the pond & over across the high way into ye River and then along by the River northard to John Crunchis bounds To have & to hold to him the S° Tho° Marshall and his heirs exec° adm° & assigns for Ever wth all the priviledges thereunto belonging — 4th to Christopher and Mary Fedrick all that part or plott of Land whereon his house now Stands begining at the water Side next & adjoying to ye lott formerly belonging unto black Esses alias Cosso and So to run up Southerly by the side of the S° Cosso's lott to ye S. W. Corner and then Easterly by the Same lott until it com's to ye byrer bush & bounds of the afores'd Tho° Marshal Junr lot and so along by that line South 16° East one hundred & Seaventy three foot to a stake & from that Stake through ye Croch of an aple tree on a South forty three degrees west Course ninety nine foot or thereabouts to a Stake wth in the fence on the highway and So along westerly as the high way runs Eighty five foot to a stake wth in the fence & from that Stake on a north Sixteen degrees East Course Eighty nine foot to an other Stake in the field and So down on a north twenty Seaven degrees west course into the River a Cross the high way leaving Tho° Pearces house two foot & a halfe to ye Westward of the line all wth piece or plot of ground is ye Said Fedricks portion or Share to them and their heirs exec° adm° and assigns for Ever To have & to hold wth all ye priviledges and Apurtenances thereunto belonging — 5th to Tho° Pearce & Eliz° his wife all that Land that Lyes to the westard of ye Fedricks from the high way down northward to ye high way by the
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water Side and So across the way over the Bank into the River and is bounded by Henry Paine on the west and Sd Fedrick on ye East together with all that Lott that the Graves is contained in and is what lyes between the Sd Fedrick and Tho* Marshal Junr as by their bounds before expressed as is Sixty Eight foot fronting on the high way ye runs by Reeds & Kelly's houses with all the priviledges thereunto belonging To have & to hold the Sd two Lotts to them the Sd Tho* & Eliz* Pearce and their heirs Exec* adm* & assigns for Ever. In Witness we the partyes as aboves do mutually together agree to Stand & abide by the foregoing division and do bind & oblige our Selves & our heirs Exec* and adm* each one to ye other in the penal Sume of fifty pound to be recovered from him that any way offers to disturb the quiet possession amongst our Selves or to act contrary to ye true Intent & meaning of these presents As Witness our hands & Seales the day and year as afores'd

signed sealed & D D in the presence of us

John fford
Nathl bite
Henry Payn

John Cronch [Seal]
Frances Cronch [Seal]
Tho* Cosen [Seal]
Eliz* Cosen [Seal]
Tho* Marshal Ju* [Seal]
Christop* ffredrick [Seal]
Mary ffredrick [Seal]
Tho* Pearce [Seal]
Eliz* Pearce [Seal]

[Deeds, vol. 10, p. 491.]
WILLIAM MOULTON  1663/4  HAMPTON

The Last will & Testament of william moulton of Hampton in the County of norfolke in new England:

I william moulton being sick & weak of body butt sound in my understanding & memory Doe by this my last will & testament settle my Estate as followeth

Imp I Give & bequeath unto margritt my Loving wife my new House being the west partt of my Dwelling House with the Chambers belonging thearunto and the use of the leanto and the one Halfe of the orchyard as itt is Devided by a parth Goeing
through it she haveing liberty to Choose which pt she pleaseth the which shee is to Injoy Duering [the terme]¹ of Her life or to her Day of marriage Item I Give unto margritt my wife the bed which standeth in my new Room with all furniture theirunto belonging with the Rest of my Beding and the moveables in the house Excepting whatt is other wise Disposed of as shalbee after Expressed Itte I Give unto margritt my wife my warmeing pan & smoothing Iron and fier shovell & tongs & the Rest of the Iron Brass and peuter is to bee Devided into two partts by one of my Exequeters and my sones and then my wife to Choose her partt & my two Elderst sones to hav the othe partt: Item I Give unto margritt my Loveing wife my whole stocke of neatt Cattle Horse & Swine towards the bringing up of my Children Excepting the Horse which only is to Returne unto my Eldest sones att the Day of my wives marriage or death: only my Childeren are to Injoy those Cattle which are now accounted theirs viz: my sone Joseph three my son Benjamine two & Hanna one & mary one:

Item I Give unto my son Joseph moulton my Dwelling House & Barne with all my outt Houseing and my House lott being by Estismation ten acres more or less as itt is and ten acres of planting land in the north plaine lying by Henery Robies land the which was Granted to mee by the Towne and five acres more or lesse lying in the East field adjoyning to the land of will Samborn & Samuell sfoge: and nine acres of fresh medow lying near to the Great bores Head between the medow of John Browne and Gilles sfullers: Item two acres of Salt marsh lying in a place Called the severals between the marsh of william sfuller and Christopher Palmer: Item five acres of Salt marsh on the other sid of the fales, lying betwee[n] the marsh of will sfield & Phillip Lewes: Item I Give unto my son Joseph three shares of Comonedg two shares of the Cow Comon & one share of the ox Comon: Item I Give & Bequeth unto my sonn Benjamin Moulton ten acres of Planting land Adjoyning to my House lott: and ten acres of Planting land in y° north Plaine Adjoyning to y° lott of Thomas

¹ Words in brackets are supplied from the recorded copy.
marston ye which was first Granted to Robert marston: Item
lower Acres of medow in the Greatt medow lying between the
medow of will fuller & Henery Robey: Item three: acres in the
Greatt Bores Head medow Adjoyning to the medow somtimes
Thomas Chases: Item five acres of Salt marsh lying on the other
side of the River by the landing place. Item one share of the
Cows Comon and one share of ye ox Comon: Item I Give unto
my Son Robertt Moulton six acres of Planting land in the East
fild Adjoyning to the lott of John Redman
And further itt is my will and Determination thatth when my
sone Joseph shall Come to the Age of twenty one yeers hee shall
Enter upon & posses the land which I have here Given and
Appointed for him and them thatt hee shall yeerly yield and lay
in for his mother lower loads of Hay: and shall likewise pay unto
his mother Every yeere fifteen Bushiles of Indian Corne and
Eight Bushiles of wheatt and five Bushiles of malt all merchant-
able and thatt my son Joseph shall afford and Allow His mother
Convenient House Room for her Hay and Cattell Duering the
terme of her life or to her Day of marriage
and further thatt my son Benjamin shall divide for his mother
three load of Hay yeerly to bee putt into the Barne and to pay her
ten bushilles of indian Corne & Six bushiles of wheat yerly Duering
the time above sayd: the which Corne is by both my sons to
bee Delivered as their mother shall stand in need
Itt I Give & Bequeth unto my daughter Hanna moulton the
some of ten pounds to be payd out of my stock when shee shall
Com to the Age of sixteen yeers the which is to bee Improved by
my Exequator for her untill shee shall Com to the Age of twenty
yeer or att her day of marriage which shall fall out first
Itt I Give unto my Daughter mary the some of ten pounds to
bee payd by my sonn Joseph five pounds when [she] shall Come
to the Age of sixteen yeers and five pounds the yeer following
Itt I Give unto my Daughter Sarah the some of ten pounds to
bee payd by my sonn Benjamin five pounds when shee Come to
the Age of sixteen yeers and five pounds the yeere followin
Item I Give unto my Daughter Ruth the some of ten pounds to bee payd by my son Josuph moulton five pounds when she shall Arive to the Age of sixteen yeers and five pounds the yeere following

Item I Doe appoint Concerning my Child which is yett un Borne thatt if God Give itt life untill itt Come to the age of fourteen yeeres itt shall Chose a gardian and shall then my two sones Joseph & Benjamin shall pay unto the sd Child the some of five pounds to bee Improved in the Hands of the sd Gardian for the ¥fitt of the Child untill itt shall Come to Age: and itt is Alwaies ¥vided thatt att my wives marriage the paymentt of the Corne & Hay by my sons above mentioned shall seace: and thatt when my wife leave the house the sd new Room is to Remaine to my sonn Joseph and y't all her Removeing the bedstead & the Great Table and other Lumber shall Remaine in the house by lumber I Intend tubes & troughs & such like: and thatt when my sones Come to Age my plowes Cartes yoaks & Chains and such Implements of Husbandry shalbe Devided between my two sones Joseph & benjamen: and thatt my two sones Joseph & Benjamin shall ¥vid & bring home for their mot[h]er twenty loads of wood ¥ annum thirteene loads to bee ¥vided by Joseph & seaven loads by Benjamin Duering the terme of her life or untill the Day of her marriage & they are to begin their time of ¥viding of this wood when Benjamin shall Come to the Age of twenty one; and my will and Intent is thatt If my sone Joseph Depart this life before bee Com of Age thatt then my sonn Benjamin shall Injoy his ligesey and thatt my sone Robertt shall Injoy the legesay appointed to Benjamin

And farther I Doe will and Determin thatt if thear bee any of the stocke left att my wives Desease thatt itt shalbee Devided amongst my Children by my Exequetors or so much of itt as they shall Judge meett my two Eldest Exeqter and I Doe make Co[n]stitute and appoint my Loving father in law Robert Page yeoman and my Loving Brother in law Henery Dow to bee my Lawfull Exequetors to this my last will and testament who are to Administer
[uppon my estate] and to settele it according to this last will after my Disease and I Doe appoint y' att my sones Reseiving their portions they shall allow unto their mother Comonedg for to keepe her Cattle Duering the time above sparcified and this my last will and testament I Doe Conferme with my hand & seale the Eight Day of march Anno D one thousand six Hundred and sixty & three : & vided thatt if att my wives marriage the thirds of my land should bee Claimed from my sones then y't the Exequetors shall Devid the stock to my Children or so much of it as they shall see meett

Wittnes my Hand & seale
Signed Sealed and Confermed
in the p'sents of
Robertt X Page
His mark
Samuel Dalton
Thomas Page
[Proved Oct. 11, 1664.]


[Inventory of the estate of "William Moulton of Hampton: late Deceased: upon the Eighteenth day of April: Anno: 1664"; taken by William Godfrey and John Sanborn May 14, 1664; amount, £470; attested by Robert Page and Henry Dow, executors.]


[Sarah Moulton acknowledgès the receipt, April 28, 1674, from her brother, Benjamin Moulton, of £10 left her in the will of her father, William Moulton; witnesses, Henry Dow and John Moulton.]

THOMAS PHILBRICK 1663/4

HAMPTON

The Last will and testament of Thomas Philbrick Sun of Hampton in the County of norfolke in new England—

I Thomas Philbrick being very Aged and weak in body Butt sound in understanding senc & memory Doe settle my Estate according to this my last will here under written

Impri  I Give and Bequeth unto my son James Philbrick and to my Grand Child John Philbrick my fresh medow lying near to the Beach being by Estimation six acres more or less as it is the which to bee Equally Devided betwen them att such time as shal be . . after mentioned: Ittem  I Give unto my son James Philbrick . . Dwelling House and my House lott with the orch-yard and all . . . priveledges and appertinances thear unto belonging to him . . His Heiers for Ever: Ittem  I Give & bquith unto my son . . and to my Grand Child John Philbrick my . . . of Thomas Sleeper lying towards the Clam-bancks in that . . of marsh Comonly Called the Little ox Comon to bee Devided . . them att such time as is hereafter mentioned

Ittem  I Give unto my sognn Thomas Philbrick the some of . . pounds to bee payd by my Exequetor after my disease Ittem  I Give unto my sognn Thomas Philbrick the land which was sometimes Daniell Hendrakes Called the Hop Ground to bee wholly att His Disposall at this p'sent time: Ittem  I Give unto my sognn James one bed with all the furnituer thearunto belongeinge and a payer of Cob Irons and a payer of tonguies: Ittem  I Give unto my Grand Child John Philbrick thatt Bed which hee useth to ly upon with the Bedding Belonging to It. and my Beetle and [fower] wedges and one of my Hakes: and a weanable Cow Calfe within a yeer after my Diseace to bee payd by my Exequetor and like wise I Give to my Grand Daughter Hanna Philbrick one weanable Cow Calfe the next yeer to bee payd by my Exequetor

Ittem  I Give unto my son James Philbrick my mare and hee

Words in brackets are supplied from the recorded copy.
is to pay or deliver unto my sonn Thomas Philbrick the first Colt which she shall bring when it is weanable. Item I Give my fower Cowes to my fower Daughters to my Daughter Elizabeth one to my Daughter Hanna one to my Daughter Mary [one] and to my Daughter Martha one to bee Delivered by my Executor after my Decease and the moveables in the House which are not Expressed above are to bee Equally Devided between [my four] Daughters after my Decease. and I Doe appoint my sonn James Philbrick to bee my lawfull Exequetor to this my Last will and Testament and I Doe Declare it to bee my Intent that when my Grand Child John Philbrick shall Come to the age of twenty one yeares that then hee shall Enter upon & posses what I have Given him by this last will: and thatt att the Decease of my Daughter Elizabeth Garland her son James Chase shall have one Cow in lew of the Cow which I have Given my daughter Elizabeth & thatt the Cow Given to my Daughter Cass shalbee for the use and pfit of her daughter Martha: & for the Conformation Hereof I have sett to my hand & Seale the twelth of march 166:64:

Signed & Sealed in ye p'sents of Thomas [Seal] Philbrick
Samuell Dalton
Mehetabel Dalton
[Proved Oct. 8, 1667.]

[Inventory, taken by Thomas Marston and John Redman; amount, £124; sworn to by James Philbrick.]
[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

JOHN MARTIN 1664

The last Will & Testament of John Martyn made this 5th April 1664. 

I will that what estate I have may bee distributed as followeth vz: One third part of my whole estate I give & bequeath unto my beloved Wife Sarah Martyn.
The other two thirds I will that it bee equally divided between my five Children Sarah Mary Mehitabeel Hanna & Abraham Saving only that I give unto my servant William Peirce all my Tooles

Further I will that my Wife & my Brother Lareket shall bee my Executors.—

Also I request Capt' Brian Pendleton & M' Richard Cutt to bee Overseers for the Performance of this my Will according to the true Intent of the same. As witnes my hand & seale.

Witnesse
Joshua Moorsey
Richard Martyn
[Proved June 30, 1664.]
[Court Papers, 1674-1677, p. 217.]

ROBERT READ 1664 HAMPTON

[Account of the administrator; Robert Smith, against the estate of Robert Read of Hampton, showing a balance of £7.2.6 due him from the estate. This the court, April 12, 1664, ordered to be paid out of the rent of a house in Boston belonging to the estate.]

[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]

WILLIAM URIN 1664 STAR ISLAND

[Administration on the estate of William Urin of Star Island granted to Jonathan Wade, Capt. Brian Pendleton, Richard Cutt, and Nathaniel Fryer May 13, 1664.]

[Court Records, May 13, 1664, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 85.]

["A true Invoice of the goods of William Urin deceased the last of Apperill 1664"; amount, £433.12.8; signed by Jo' Hunking, John Fabes, and Christopher Joce; brought into court July 11, 1664, by Capt. Pendleton.]
under written do attest & affirm, That Capt: Richard Cutt & Capt James Pendleton, & my self & Jonathan Wade, were all appointed Administrators of the Goods & chattels of William Urin of Star Island, who died intestate, as by the Records of the Town of Portsmouth related thereunto as at large appeareth, in the year of our Lord God One thousand Six hundred Seventy one or Seventy two; as appeareth also by bond given the 17th day of July 1672, under ye hand and seal of Richard Woolcomb, that married said Urins widow to the abovesaid Administrac'on of One hundred & fifteen pounds in money, to bear them harmless in what they acted about sd Urins Estate which Bond is now with me Nathaniel ffryer Sen' So we ye abovesaid Administrators acted in that Power, and by the desire of the said Urins Widow, gave & consented that the said Widow should have ye House, and all the Land that was her deceased Husbands William Urin's, that lyeth on the Great Island at Paşcataqua, for & in her Thirds, clear of all Debts heirships or incumbrances whatsoever of the sd Urins Estate.

Nathaniel ffryer

Taken upon oath the 11th \\
November 1685, before me \\
R Chamberlain Just P.

[Deeds, vol. 3, p. 182 b.]

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OTHO TUCKERMAN 1664 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Otho Tuckerman of Portsmouth granted to his widow, "Eme" Tuckerman, May 24, 1664.]

[Court Records, May 24, 1664, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 85.]

[Administration on the estate of Otho Tuckerman granted to his widow, "Eme" Tuckerman, "& Leaves it in her hands until she shall marry againe, & then bond is to be given unto this Court for the securing the childrens portions out of it."]

[Court Records, June 28, 1664, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 90.]
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[Inventory, 1664; amount, £84.19.3; signed by Pheasant Eastwick.]

WILLIAM KING 1664 ISLES OF SHOALS

[Inventory of the estate of William King who died at the Isles of Shoals; taken May 28, 1664; amount, £21.2.0; signed by John Hunking and John Marden.]

[Administration on the estate of William King of the Isles of Shoals granted to his son, William King.
William King, the administrator, being under age, chose John Hunking as his guardian.]

[Court Records, June 28, 1664, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 88 b.]

MRS. LUDECAS 1664 DOVER

[Inventory of the estate of Mrs. Ludecas, taken by Thomas Willey and John Meader June 2, 1664; amount, £11.6.0.]

[Account of her debts to Thomas Humphrey; amount, £11.6.4; sworn to by Thomas Humphrey June 3, 1664. She is credited with £2.2.0.]

[Administration on the estate of Mrs. Ludecas of Dover granted to James Middleton June 28, 1664.]

[Court Records, June 28, 1664, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 89 b.]

THOMAS HINKSON 1664 PORTSMOUTH

The will of Thomas Hinkson June the 3rd 1664

Item I give to my wife the one halfe of my Estate As long as shee shall lieve & no longer & the other halfe to my Childe & the mother to have the desposing of it tell shee shall Come to sixting yeares of Age & then shee shall have it to her owne desposing & Aftar her desase the hole & All so intrust my well bee loving frends John Shurburne & william brooking to see that nothing
shall be wasted nor sold which shall bee hort full to my Childe
As witnis my hand X
in the presence
of these witnases
the marke X of thomas Walver
the marke X of thomas Peverell
Walter Rodes

Tho: Walford tooke his oath hereunto the 29 June 1664
Elias Stileman Cleric

[Inventory, June 20, 1664; amount, £87.9.3: signed by Richard Tucker and Richard Sloper.]

There being brought into this Court an Imperfect Will of Thomas Hinckson of portsmouth deceased This Court grants unto Martha Hinckson his Widow pow' of Administrac'on to his estate, & enjoynes her to form the will'though Imperfect according to ye mind of the deceased, and if in case she marries againe to give sufficient securitie to the Court for the Childs p' menc'oned in the sayd Will
brought into Court at the same time by the 8d Widdow, an Inventory of the estate amounting unto 84". 09". 3d unto w'h she tooke her oath debts 6'. 7'. Star'd owing

[Court Records, June 28, 1664, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 88 b.]

[Mary Hinkson made choice of Sergt. John Sherburne for her guardian June 25, 1678.]

[Court Records, June 25, 1678, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 27.]

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OLIVER WINGATE 1664 ENGLAND

[Administration on the estate of Oliver Wingate "of Bridgtowne In the Countie of Devon in Old-England, being lately cast away at ye Isles of Sholes," granted to Edward Holland, "his Kinsman," June 13, 1664.]

[Court Records, June 13, 1664, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 85 b.]
THOMAS WIGGIN 1664 EXETER

I Thomas Wiggin of Quamscott being Sensible of the infermyties & decaye of old age & not Knowing how soon it may please god to take me out of this transitory Life Being in fikt memory doe ordayn this as my Last will & testam's

Imp's I give & bequeath unto my Lo: wife Katherin Two feather beds boulsters Ruggs blanketts bedsteeds & all ye furniture belonging thereunto to be at her sole dispose

It: I give unto my Loving wife afores'd: a scarlett sute & Cote, provided that if my Sonn Andrew wiggins doe pay or cause to be p'd unto his mother the some of five pownds or a good Cow of Like vallu he to have the sd sute otherwise my s'd wife to have & Injoy the same as aforesd:

It: I give unto my s'd wife my Gelding to be at her sole dispose.

It I give & bequeath unto my Son Thomas wiggins one flaggon & voider: & great coate & wearing clothes.

It I give & bequeath unto my daughter Mary one Cubbard with drawers, w' I formerly promysed her

It I give unto my s'd wife one piece of broad cloth & w'ever debts are owing or shalbe owing & due unto me together with any other goods w'soever not formerly given Nor abov menconed
having alreadie-Give unto my two sons Andrew & Thomas there portion, & for the better execution of this my will: I make my Loving wife Katherin aforesd my Executrix, & desire my Loving friends Sam: Haines, & Elias Stileman to be my overseers, here- by Revoking all former will or wills In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seale the 16: of June 1664

Testes:  
Joshua Moodey.  
Elias Stileman  
Samuell Haines  
[Proved 1666.]  
[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

PHILIP FOGGETT 1664

L't Ralse Hall desireing that he might have pow'r of administra-
c'on to the estate of phillip ffoget is granted him  
[Court Records, June 28, 1664, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 89.]

NATHANIEL HOCKADAY 1664 ISLES OF SHOALS

[Administration on the estate of Nathaniel Hockaday of the Islands of Shoals granted to John Fabyan of Star Island June 28, 1664, for the use of the widow and child.]  
[Court Records, June 28, 1664, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 89.]

THOMAS STEVENSON 1664 DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Stevenson of Oyster River granted to his son, Joseph Stevenson, June 28, 1664.  
Joseph Stevenson, being a minor, chose William Follett for his guardian, who accepted and gave bonds of £100 "for paym't of the portions to rest of s'd Joseph his brothers & sisters, when it is knowne w't it comes to."]  
[Court Records, June 28, 1664, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 89.]
ROBERT TUCK 1664

[Inventory of the estate of Robert Tuck, appraised by Robert Page and Thomas Ward Nov. 17, 1664. Amount, £385.17.2.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Files, vol. 1, p. 39.]

[Administration on the estate was granted to "Johannah Tucke widow & John Samborn her son in law," Oct. 11, 1664.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Files, vol. 1, p. 39, and Court Records, Oct. 11, 1664.]

[Order of court, April 11, 1665, that the estate of Robert Tuck, intestate, be left in the hands of the administrator for the use of the widow during her life, and then to be divided among the three children, Robert Tuck, Elizabeth Sherburne, and Mary Samborn, and the grandchild, John Tuck, son of Edward Tuck.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]

[Order of court, Oct. 9, 1666, authorizing Ensign John Samborn to sell lands to the value of £40, with consent of the widow.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]

Articles of agreement made & concluded upon by & between m't John Samborn on ye one p't & Johannah Tuck on ye other p't both residing at Hampton in ye County of Norfolk & Administratrix to ye estate of Robert Tuck deceased: Imp: It is agreed upon ye't ye sd widdow Johannah Tuck shall deliver up power of Administ' in this p'sent Court unto ye aforesd m't John Samborn concerning ye aforesd Estate of Robert Tuck deceased: In Consideration wherof ye aforesd John Samborn doe engage to pay unto ye aforesd widdow Johanna Tuck the full sum of fifteen pounds 180 yeare duering ye' terms of her naturall life & ye' she
hall enjoy out of ye aforesd Estate ye use of two Cowes & three acres of meadow during her life as aforesd wth meadow is intended to bee ye Same wth is now in her possession bee it more or less & other necessary things for her house keeping as shalbee upon ye mature Consideracon of Jonathan Thing & Thomas Mastin thought convenient they both being made choyce of by her for that purpose wth parties are to receive ye afore mentioned fifteen pounds annually for her use

This was own'd by both parties, above named (i.e.) John Samborn & Joanna Tuck to bee their act & deed: And wth ye Consent of both parties ye Court orders it to bee Recorded:

as attests

Tho: Bradbury rec'd


upon ye Complaint of ye aged widow Tuck ye she wanteth necessary Comforts & that John Samborn Administrator to her late husbands estate doth not take due care for her though there bee sufficient estate to due it: It is therefore ordered by this Court: ye Select men of Hampton or a Committee of two or three of them whom the rest shall choose & appoint for ye end; Are hereby required & impowered from time to time to take due care ye ye said widdow Tuck bee supplied with all necessary comforts for her livelihood suitable to her condicon; And John Samborne Administrator is ordered, & requiered by ye authority of this Court to make payment for ye same out of ye estate of Robert Tuck Deceased, & wth ever hee shall Disburse to keep a faithfull accomp' thereof & it is to bee allowed in his account as Administrator: And ye ye sd Samborn shall have power to make sale of land belonging to ye sd Tucks estate to supply ye necessity of ye sd widdow Tuck:

Ordered by the court at Hampton 14:8:1673.

[Norfolk County, Mass., Deeds, vol. 4, p. 22.]

[Inventory of the estate of widdow Joanna Tuck of Hampton "deceased upon the 14 day of february 1673"; presented by John Sanborn, administrator to the estate of Robert Tuck; amount, £33.10.0; attested by John Sanborn April 14, 1674.]
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TOBIAS LANGDON 1664 PORTSMOUTH

[Inventory of the estate of Tobias Langdon, who died July 27, 1664; taken Nov. 30, 1664; amount, £369.2.0; signed by Henry Langstaffe and John Sherburne; attested by the widow, Elizabeth Langdon, June 28, 1665.]

At a County Court held at Dovr 27 Junr 65 Tobias Langdon ofportsm° dying intestate this Court grants pow° of Administrac°n unto his Widdow Elizabeth Langdon unto his estate who at ye° same time brought into Court an Inventory of the Estate amounting unto 383°:9° The w°th s°th Sum° the Court ord° y° y° Widow shall have ½ p° of the house & Land during her Life & y° other ⅔° the Eldest of Sayd Langdons sonns to have a double porc°n out of it at y° age of 21 yeeres w°th is to be apprized, the remainder to be distributed among the rest of y° children at y° age of 18 yeeres & all the moveables to remain in the hands of the Widow for y° bringing up of his s°th children & after the decease of the s°th widow her ½ p° of house & Land in the value thereof to be devided among all his s°th children the Eldest son paying y° rest their parts out of it & So to have y° ⅔ of hous & Land: upon further considerac°n the Court respitts this as their determynation untill they take further ord° aboute the better settlement thereof: Afterwards this is refered to y° Court of associats to ord°

This is a true Coppie taken out of the Court Records as attests
Elias Stileman Cleric

JOHN HART 1664/5 PORTSMOUTH

The Last Will of Jn° Hart of portsm° in piscattaeque River shipwright
I John Hart aboves\textsuperscript{d} being weake of Bodie but in perfect mem-
ory, doe ordaine this as my last Will and Testament hereby revok-
ing all former Wills and bequests w\textsuperscript{t} soever,

My Just debts being payd & my funerall Expences discharged
I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Judeth during her naturall
Life the house & ground on which it standeth w\textsuperscript{e} I have in Bos-
ton & wherein she now Liveth provided & it is my Will it be Kept
in good repare at her & her husbands proper cost & charge. &
after my s\textsuperscript{d} Daughter her decease then the S\textsuperscript{d} house & ground to
be to the only use & behoofe of the three daughters the s\textsuperscript{d} Judith
had by Robert Rachell her former husband. & if it shall happen
that any of the three shall dye before they shall have any Issue
then my will is that it shalbc to the surviver or survivors & theire
heires for ever.

I give & bequeath unto my Grandchild Mary Rachell that
peece of Land Scituate & being betweene the S\textsuperscript{d} house & Land &
the house & Land of m\textsuperscript{r} Allexsand\textsuperscript{d} Addams in Boston to be to the
only use & behoofe of her y\textsuperscript{e} s\textsuperscript{d} Mary & her heires for ever:

I give & bequeath unto y\textsuperscript{e} s\textsuperscript{d} Mary my Granchild a peece
of black Stuff to make her clothing w\textsuperscript{th} all

I give & bequeath unto Ann Rochell & Temperance Rochell
my grandchildren my black coate to cloth them with all:

The remainder of my Estate my Will is that the one half
thereof be to the only use & behoofe of my wife & the other halfe
I give unto my daughter Judeth & her Three children she had by
Rob\textsuperscript{d} Rachell Equally to be divided between them my overseers
taking sufficient securitie for the childrens part\textsuperscript{e}

& for the better pformance of this my Will I make my Loving
wife Ann my Executrix, & desire and appoynt m\textsuperscript{r} Joshua Moody
& Elias Stileman to be my overseers, giving them as a token of
my Love Thirtie shillings a peece, In Witness whereof I have
hereunto set my hand & seale the 2\textsuperscript{d} day of march 16\textsuperscript{f}\textsuperscript{f}

Signed sealed &

John hart [seal]
delivered in p\textsuperscript{nts} of

witnis Phillip Wick [?]
signe of X Thomas Enion
* [The above section in Italics is cancelled, and the following appears in the margin:]

All ye rest of my estate except wᵗ is heereafter excepted I will my wife shall have the use of it while shee lives & wᵗ shee leaves wⁿ shee dyes shalbe divided betweene my Daughtʳ & her 3 childⁿ by Rachell, to each an equall share ṃvided yᵗ if shee Marry shee shall have ½d forever & ye othᵗ two 3ᵈ betw: ye ṃsons aforesd ṃvided also that shee shall not unnecessarily wast or imbezzle any of ye sᵈ estate 5. 7. 67

[Proved Sept. 18, 1667.]

THOMAS WIGHT 1665 EXETER

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Wight of Exeter granted to Israel Wight April 11, 1665.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]

FRANCIS SWAINE 1665

[Administration on the estate of Francis Swaine granted to Nathaniel Weare April 11, 1665.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]

JOHN LEGGETT 1665

[Administration on the estate of John Leggett granted to John Huggins April 11, 1665.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]

WILLIAM BROAD 1665 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of William Broad of Portsmouth granted to his son, William Broad, June 27, 1665.]
[Court Records, June 27, 1665, in Deeds, Vol. 2, p. 108 b.]
RUTH DALTON 1665 HAMPTON

The Last Will and Testament of Mrs Ruth Dalton of Hampton Widow: Excectrix to the last Will and Testament of Mr Timothy Dalton deceased: being sick and weake of body but firme of understanding and memory. Item wheras I have formerly Bargained and sold unto my Loving Kinsman Nathaniel Bacheler all my Houses and Lands as is specified in his bill of sale bareing Date The Twenty second day of March Anno 1663 or 64 I now Ratify and confirme to him and his heirs forever. It, my will is that the severall legacies mentioned in the aforesaid bill of sale be paide to the respective persons according as it is ther mentioned.

Item wheras I have formerly given to my Cousen Nathanell Batcheler fower oxen, & five Cows; I doe now by will Ratify and Confirme to him. Item I doe give and bequeath unto my Cousen Nath: Batcheler; A feather bed & bedsted, fower blankets, A bolster, two pillows, two chaires, three Cushions, A paire of Andirons, A little Table, he paying unto my Cousen John Smith Junior the Summe of Ten pound. Item I doe give and bequeath unto my Cousen Deborah Batcheler wife to Nathanell Batcheler; Inprim: two brass kettle, two pots, two platters, two saucers, one scummer, one spit, A basting spoon, A flock bed, and blankets; all which goods she doth Already possesse for her use.

Item to Mrs Mary Carter wife to Mr Thomas Carter of Oburne; I doe give and bequeath my best bed and bolster, fower blankets and two pillows.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my cousin Samuel Dalton son Timothy, one trunk marked T and D.

Item: I give and bequeath to my Cousen Nathanell Batcheler: one warming pan, one case of Bottles.

Item: for the remainder of my goods I give and bequeath them to my cousin Deborah Smith:

And I doe by these presents make and Appoint my Cousen Nathanell Batcheler, and my cousin Deborah smith sole exce-
qutors: to this my last will and Testament, and therunto I set my hand and seal, the eight day of the tenth month 1665

Signed and Sealed in the presence of us witnesses

Seaborne Cotton

X

Ruth X Dalton

Her marke

Robert Smith.

[Proved Dec. 8, 1665.]


[Inventory of the estate of Ruth Dalton, "Deceased: upon the 12 day of may Anno: 1666:" taken by John Sanborn, Samuel Fogg, and Henry Dow May 24, 1666; amount, £57.5.0.]


THOMAS HANSON 1666

These presents witnesse that I Thomas Hanson Being in perfect mind & memory though weak in Body doe make this my Last Will & testament, ffirst I Bequeath my soul to God that gave itt & my body to y* Earth to bee decently Buried. My Will is thatt after my debts are paid with my funerall Charge I doe give To my Loving Wife (duering her Naturall liffe or soe long as shee keeps herselfe a Widdow) all My housing with the Improved Ground thereunto Belonging at Cutchecho with all my Cattell and moveables withall my ... stuffe, she paying to my two daughters when they Come to the age off eighteen years old twenty pound & a pence. But in case shee shall marry again then my will is that she shall have Butt one third off houses & improved Lands with all moveables and the other two thirds I give to my son' Tobias with all y* Rest off that threscore acres off Land lying in Com' on & nott improved given mee in two grants ffrom y* Town one off fforty acres another off twenty acres all which after my decease I Give to my son' Tobias, except whatt is Beffore
given to my wife Likewise I Give to my son’ Thomas thatt thirty acres off Land I Bought off William Hackett & thatt fifty . . . off Land thatt I Bought off Cap’ Bearffoot with five pounds in Cattell. also I Give to my two youngest son’s Isaac & Timothy ten’ pounds a peecce When they Come off age withe thatt six score acres of land Granted me By y* town & laid outt to mee Between fresh Creek and Nechowoneck River Be equally devided Between them and doe apoint my Loving Wiffe Mary Hanson my soule Exequetrix to see all this my Last will to Be perfomred and to pay outt all these Legacies when my Children Come off age: outt off ye Chattells and if there is more in any Goods or Chattels or any bills Bonds or amounts due to mee ffrom any man after my debts are paid and all ye abovesd Legacies. I Give & Bequeath to my Wife with third off houses & lands to Bestow upon any off her Children that shall Be most Obedient as shee shall see Cause. in Wittnesse heroff I have putt to my hand & seale

signed seleid and deliverd I Thomas hanson (seal)
in the presence of us
Richard Waldern
Samuell Hale

[Proved June 27, 1666.]

RICHARD BRAY 1666 EXETER

[Administration on the estate of Richard Bray of Exeter granted to his widow, Mary Bray, April 10, 1666.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]

[Order of court, Oct. 9, 1666, that the estate be divided as follows: to the widow, Mary Bray, besides one third of the house and land during her life, one third of the remainder for her use, and the use of the other two thirds for the maintenance of the two children, John Bray and Mary Bray, until he is twenty-one years old and she eighteen. The estate is placed in the hands of John Gilman, Moses Gilman, and Jonathan Thing, all of Exeter.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records.]
THOMAS WALFORD 1666 PORTSMOUTH

The last will & testament of Thomas Walford senio', being in perfect Memory though very sick & weake of Body: as followeth—

Imprimis I bequeath my Soule into the hands of Jesus Christ my redeemer from whome I Receaved it; and my body to be buried in the burying place neare mr Henry Shirburns; and my estate as followeth: vizt.

first I give unto my Grand child Thomas Walford: my now dwelling house, with all the out housing, orchard, garden & tillage ground now in use, with as much upland to it & next adjoying as will make up the whole one hundred acres with ten acres of Meadow or marsh grounds, and my old mare—

It: I give to my Grand child his brother Jeremiah Walford: fifty acres of upland & foure acres of Marsh land—

It: I give to John Peverly, a point of Marsh about halfe an acre, lying before his fathres dore on the norther side of the Creek—

It. I give to my Grand child John Westebrook: twenty acres of upland, but not to come over the Creeke—

It. I give to Mary Hingson my Grand child, all my upland lying at the head of the Marsh formerly possest by my sonne in lawe Thomas Hingson, soe far that way as my land containeth—

It. I give to my Grand child Mary Homes all my upland lying to, or neare the meadow or marsh that hir husband John Homes possesseth, not coming over the feshett—

It: I give to my daughter Peverly my Mare Colt—

It. I having Nine Cattell as steers Cowes & others I dispose of them thus, vizt. my wife Jane walford to have hir thirds out of them, & then to pay my Debts, & the remainder to be imploid towards the bringing up of my Grandchild Thomas Walford in learning at scoole—

It: Nine Swine I thus dispose of: I give one of the yongest Sowes to Martha Walford my Grand child—

one yong Sowe to Sara Jones my Grand child—
one yong Sowe to Mary Savidg my grandchild—
on Sowe & one barrow to my daughter westbrook—
one Gould Sowe to my daughter Peverly—
one yong one to my Grandchild Samuell Jones—
one yong one to my Grandchild Hester Savidg—
one Swine towards my burial—
one yong one to John Homes—
It:  my Corne about fifty bushells I allow towards my debts, &
the remainder to be at the disposing of my executors for the benefit
of the children—
It:  my Servant: John Read, I dispose of him to my sonne in
law John Westbrook for the time he hath to serve—
It.  The rest of my goods, as houshold stuffe, clothing bedding,
pewter, potts, yron work, tooles or any thing els I leave to my
executors to be disposed of by them for the use & good of my
children as they shall see meete & convenient
It:  I doe herein except out of all my estate, soe disposed of
by leagases, The one third part of all to my wife Jane Walford,
& where it cannot be equally Divided in the same Kinde or specie,
then to be valued & the full thirde thereof to be delivered to hir—
It:  I doe appoint Mr Henry Shirburne & Richard Tucker both
of this towne of portsmouth to be my executors & to see this my
will performed witnes my hand this fifteenth day of November,
one thousand six hundred sixty & six.—memorandum: will Per-
formed in the next line save one above is allowed before the siging
hereof—

witness.
Richard sloper
Nicolas X Doe
by his marke

Thomas X Walford
by his mark

[Proved June 27, 1667.]

[Inventory Nov. 21, 1666; amount, £75.6.11; signed by John
Sherburne, Richard Sloper, and William Seavey.]
The Deposition of Jane Walford Widdow aged 69 yeeres or there aboutes Testifie & Say that her husband Thomas Walford did give to Elizabeth Savidg his daughter a piece of marsh Lying between Wm Brookins & Mary Hincksons, & he gave it aboute 9 yeares before he dyed & it was com'only Called Bess Savidges Marsh & further I my selfe gave my consent, & further Saith not Taken upon oath 27th June 67 before me

Elias Stileman Com’issr

Vera Copia as attests

Elias Stileman Recordr

[Court Records, June 25, 1667, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 132 b.]

The Deposition of Jn° Homes aged 26 yeares or there aboute Testifieth & Saith that I heard my Granfather Tho: Walford say that he had given y° peese of marsh between Wm Brookins his marsh & Mary Hinckson her marsh unto Elizabeth Savidg for her Life & after her death to her daughter Mary & tooke a stone or a boult & putt up by y° marke tree & Said so far it should com, & I heard y° s° Walford say that he had given it as foresd severall times, & further Saith Not:

Taken upon oath 27 June 67 before me

Elias Stileman Com’issr

vera Copia according to y° originall as attests

Elias Stileman Recordr

[Court Records, June 25, 1667, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 132 b.]

The Deposition of Mary Brooken aged 33 yeares or there aboutes testifieth & Sayth that she heard her father Walford Give Unto Elizabeth Savidg a piece of marsh Lying between Will: Brookins & Mary Hincksons, & after y° decease of y° s° Elizabeth Savidg unto Mary Savidg her daughter & further Saith Not

Taken upon oath 27 June 1667

before me Elias Stileman Com’issr

This is a true Coppie according to y° Originall as attests

Elias Stileman Recordr

[Court Records, June 25, 1667, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 132 b.]
The Deposition of Martha Westbrook aged 22 yeares or there aboutes
Testifieth and Saith that she heard her father Walford Say that he Would give unto Elizabeth Savidg a piece of marsh lying between Will Brookings & Mary Hincksons and further Saith not Sworne ye 27 June 1667 before me Elias Stileman Com'issr
Veria Copia as attests Elias Stileman Recor'd

[Court Records, June 25, 1667, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 132 b.]

In answer to ye petition of Widdow Walford The Court orders that her thirds of the Land of her deceased husbands be Layd out unto her according to Law & the will of her 3rd husband & that John Sherburne Phillip Lewis & Wm Cotten have hereby power or any two of them to Lay it out as abov'd

[Court Records, July 1, 1671, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 181.]

The Humble Petic'on of Jeremiah Walford to the Honoured Council now sitting at Portsmouth in the Province of New-Hampshire March ye 1st 1680,
Humbly craveth yo' Honours, to take into considerations, and yield him redress in his present exigency. your Petic'oners Grandfather Thomas Walford left him & his brother Thomas Walford deceased a bequeath of land, & made Mr Henry Sherborn & Mr Richard Tucker exec't's, to see the performing of his will, the greatest part of which estate hath bin ever since in said Execut's hands, and not made use on to the benefit of them, to whom it was bequeathed. yo' Petic'on's father in law John Amazeen being his guardian, hath moved from Court to Court for redress therein: which is not yet accomplished. Therefore yo' Petic'on being of age, hath essayed to supplicate this Honoured Council, to take cognisance of ye same, & grant him relief for the recovery of ye said estate; Namely yo' Petic'on's and Thomas Walford his brother deceased, to whose estate yo' Petic'on apprehends him-
selse to be the right heir, for which your humble Peticon\textsuperscript{r} shal be yet farther obliged to pray for Your Honours prosperity.

Yo\textsuperscript{r} humble Peticon\textsuperscript{r}

Jerem: Walford

Vera copia from ye Council book Teste

Ric\textsuperscript{d} Chamberlayn Secr\textsuperscript{to}.

[Misc. Provincial Papers, mss., vol. 1, p. 4.]

The humble Petic'ons of Mary Musset & Martha More the Grandchildren of Thomas Walford Sen\textsuperscript{r} deceased, to ye Honoured Council now sitting at Portsmouth in ye Province of New-Hampshire, this 8\textsuperscript{th} of March 1680.

Humbly sheweth, That your Honours would please to take into yo\textsuperscript{r} considerac'on and give Order for ye estate of abovesaid Thomas Walford Sen\textsuperscript{r}; which was given by him to his Grandchild Thomas Walford Jun\textsuperscript{r} our brother, who was suddenly taken away by death, not disposing ye same. In which estate we conceiv ourselves to have a share, but know not how to acquire ye same. Therefore do humbly fly to your fatherly Patronage, that your Honours would please to yield us relief therin & p'scribe a way for the obtaining of the same. We your Petitioners heard our Grandfather Walford say in time of his life, that he gave above said estate to our brother Walford, as desirous that he should bear up his name; and therefore conceive, that he bearing such fatherly love to our brother, was not unwilling, that when our brother should leav ye estate his nearest kinred should succeed in it. We again & again therefore humbly sue to your Honours, to mind us in our streights, and redress what wrong may oppress us with all. Wherein we shal be yet farther obliged to pray for Yo\textsuperscript{r} Honours prosperity, who remain

Yo\textsuperscript{r} Hon\textsuperscript{m}\textsuperscript{r} humble Peticon\textsuperscript{ers}

Mary Musset.

Martha More.

[Misc. Provincial Papers, mss., vol. 1, p. 4.]
To the honoured President & Council now assembled at Portsmo in the Province of Newhampshire the humble Petitions of Jean Goss Hanna Jones Mary Brookin Elisab: Savage, Sept: 7th 1681.

Are, that whereas your Petitioners father Thomas Walford deceased did in his will bequeath to Thomas Walford his Grand-childe ten acres of Marsh & four acres of Marsh more to Jeremiah Walford his Brother being part of a peice of Marsh belonging to Sagogore Creek. Now there yet remaining an overplus of Marsh besides what was given to y° s° Brothers. Your Petitioners humbly conceive the overplus to belong to y° s° Walfords our fathers children. He himself likewise in his will ordering y° w° was overplus y° should be divided among his children; farther our father Thomas Walford in his Will did give the thirds of his estate to our mother his wife without any Limitation, which estate we likewise conceive to belong to her children, she deceasing & leaving no other order. The ten acres also beforementioned given by our father to aforesd Tho: Walford, he dying without Will, we conceive to fall to our fathers children ourselves. We therefore humbly Petition this hono'ed Council seriously to weigh & Consider of this our Case in all it circumstances that by yo' aid & assistance our just due and rights in y° above things themselves as also in regard of w° damages we have sustained in being kept from them so long may be obtained. Herein you will yet farther engage y° humble Petitioners to pray for yo' honours Prosperity & so remains your honors humble Petition's

Jean Goss
Hanna Jones
Mary Brookin
Eliza Savage

[Misc. Provincial Papers, mss., vol. 1, p. 12.]
THOMAS KING  1666/7  EXETER

In ye name of God amen

I Thomas King of Exetur upon the River of Pascataqua in New England being of sound and perfect sense & memory but very weak of Body ...

1st I Give & Bequeth unto Miriam King my Beloved wife for the terme of Her Naturall life my Dwelling House & barne and all the Houses being and standing upon my lott with all my lands and medows in the Towne of Exeter Excepting whatt I shall by this my last will otherwaies Dispose of and the same to bee and R[е]maine unto her Duering her Naturall life or her mariing to som other man & if shee shall Dispose of her selfe in marring that then shee shall Injoy onely one third partt of my houses & lands

2nd that after my wives Decease my sayd Houses and Lands in the Towne of Exetur medows & marshes & other priveledges & appurtinances I Doe by these p'sents Give & bequeath unto Jonathan Thing of Exetur & my Cossen Henery Moulton of Hamp- ton for the use & benefit of his second son thatt shall live & Arive unto ye Age of twenty one years the one halfe of all above written to him & his Heires & Assignes for Ever & the other Halfe unto Jonathan thing as is above sd his heires and Assignes for Ever

3rd I Give and bequeath unto my Cossen Christian Dolhorrty twenty Akers of Land in the towne of Exetur out of thirty Ac[r]es lying from Henery Magoons land over Rockay hill to the bridg ward and two acres of the Swamp over the little River which is now Clered & made medow after my wives Decease or marriage

4th I Doe Give unto william willy my servantt fifty Acres of land which I formerly promised him & I Doe also Give him whatt further time I have in him by Covenant.

And for my Cattle & Houshold Goods & Debts and other mova- bles my Just Debts being first payd, I comitt the same to my wife Duering her naturall life or marring and in Case of mariage she
to Injoy only one third part of the same of which Debts my will is that John Moulton shall have ten pounds after my Decease towards his building a house & Christian Dolhort ten pounds when hee shall settle & build

And my will is that after her Decease the sd Estate of moveables bee Devided into three parts or In Cause thatt my wife should Dispose of her selfe in marriag that then the two thirds shall bee Divided Accordingly viz one third % unto my Ceson Henery Moulton & one third partt to Jonathan Thinge and one third partt to my Cossen Christian Dolhortt if the sd Jonathan & Henery shall see thatt hee settle him selfe In some provable way of Good husbandry and the sd third partt together with the twenty Acres of land formerly mentioned to bee & Remaunt unto the first Child which hee the sd Christian shall have by my Cossen Rachell his p'sentt wife

And I Doe by these p'sents Nominatt & Appoint my loveing Cossen Henry Moulton & my Neighbor & Countrey Man Jonathan Thing to bee my law full Exequetors to this last will & testament who are to take Efectuall Care of my estate after my Decease and to see that what I leave to my wife may bee so mannaged & Improved as that my wife may live comfortably and that the sayd estate may not bee wasted & Imbaseled and Itt is Intended thatt y* twenty Acres of land Given to Christian Dolhortt & y* fifty acres of land Given to william willy to bee to their use & Improvementt Emediately after my Decease and for the Confirmation of this my last will and testament I the sd Thomas King have hereunto sett my hand & seale the Eleventh Day of March one thousand Six hundred & sixty & Six : 6 : 7

Signed Sealled & Confermed Thomas [seal] King
in the p'sents of us as witneses His marke & Seal.
Seaborn Cotton
Samuell Dalton
[Proved April 9, 1667.]
HENRY ELKINS 1667 HAMPTON

I Henry Elkins of Hampton in ye County of Norfolk in new england being very aged weeke & infirme of body but of sound & efect sence & understanding: doe make this my last will & Testament as followeth

1st: I give & bequeathe unto my loveing Sone: Gershom Elkins my dwelling house & out howsing being & standing, on my house Lott

It: I give unto my sone Gershom my house lott being ¥ estimacon five acres more or less as it is liing between ye lott of Godfrey dearborn towards ye East & ye land of m' Hussey sometimes Jefferie Mingays towards ye west to him & his heires for ever

It: I give unto my Sone Gershom Elkins two acres & an halfe of planting land liing between ye land of Tho: Levitt towards ye East & ye land of Henry Dearborn towards ye west more or less as it is

It: I give to my Sone Gersom, one share of ye Cows com'on according to ye true estimacon thereof as ye Com'ons are divided by ye towne

It: I give unto my Sone Gershom Elkins ye one halfe of my land of ye 2d division at ye west end of ye towne called ye new plantacon being by estimacon forty acres more or less as it is

It: I give to my Sone Gershom my two Oxen & my Cowe & one calfe & my horse & all ye moveables in ye house & feild & he is to take care to im¥ve ye same & to ¥vide for my comfortable livelihood whilst I am in this world

It: I give to my sone Eliezer Elkins my youngest sone five pound to be payd by mine Executoe within a yeare after my decease
It: I give to my Sone Eliezar, ye other halfe of my land att ye new plantacon being by estimacon forty acres more or less as it is

It: I give to my sone Eliezar ye two acres of marsh wch was purchased of Benjamin shaw as it is made sure to him by deed

And I doe make & appoint my Sone Gershom Elkins, to bee my lawfull Executoe to this my last will & Testam: who is to take care for my comfortable subsistence whilst I live & for my decent buriall att my death in a Christian manner & Costome: And for ye confirmacoen of this my last will and Testam: I have herunto set my hand & seale ye 27th of April 1667

Signed Sealed & confirmed Henry Elkins wth a seale in ye presence of us

Sam: Dalton:
Mehetable Dalton

[Proved April 9 and 13, 1669.]

[Inventory of the estate, appraised March 27, 1669, by Godfrey Dearborn and Giles Fuller; amount, £45.7.10.]

WALTER ABBOTT 1667

May the The last will & testament of Walther Abbot Senior, 15. 1667. being very sick & weak in body but in perfect memory, declareth as followeth

Imprimis I bequeath my soule into the hands of Almighty God my creator from whome I Receaved it, and my body to the earth to be buried in a Christian & decent manner after my decease—secondly I doe wholly give & bequeath unto my welbeloved wife Sara Abbott all my whole estate, as houseing lands, uplands & meadow, Cattell of what kinde soever, all my debts whether by bookes, bills, bonds or any other waies due to me, with all my goods of what Nature or condition soever to me belonging, both
within dores & without, to be freely enjoyed by hir dureing hir naturall life, she paying all my just debts & paying the legasies after satisfaction of my Debts wch is as followeth—

It. I allow & give to my sonne Peter Abbott a double portion of my lands to him & his heirs at theire disposing—
To my daughter Wills five pounds to be paid in land—
To my Sonne William five pounds to be paid in land—
To my Sonne Walther five pounds to be paid in land—
To my daughter Mary five pounds to be paid in land—
To my sonne John five pounds to be paid in land—
To my daughter Elizabeth five pounds to be paid in land—
To my Grandchild Thomas Abbott forty shillings
To my Grandchild Joseph Abbott forty shillings
To my Grandchild Sara Wills forty shillings

And these three legasies to my grandchildren I doe appoint my to pay out of my Just estate, & And soe doe leave my said wife Sara Abbott my whole & sole executrix to see this my will & testament performed

witness my hand this: 16: may: 1667
Signed in presents of us the mark of X walther Abbott
John Sherburne
francis X Rand by his mark
william X Cotten
by his marke
Richard Tucker
[Proved June 26, 1667.]

[Inventory, June 18, 1667; amount, £1433.3.8; signed by Elías Stileman and Philip Davis.]

CLEMENT RALPH 1667 DURHAM
Oyster Riv' att . . . Follets house this 24 day of June: 1667

This my last will and testament of Clement Ralfe: first I bequeath my body to y* dust and my soule to god that give it;
now lying sick; yet in my perfect sense and memory; it is my
free will and desire to make William Follet my sole and only
executor; and do leave all my goods and deeds that are or Shall
be due unto the said Clement Ralf unto and with the said william
follet this witness my hand the day above mentioned in presents
of: the X mark of Clemet Ralfe
teste John Parnell
William Roberds
Jn° Parnell depo: in Court of associates y° this is y° will of
Clement Ralfe. /

The Will of Clemont Ralfe brought into Court & Lies on y° file
being not fully proved there being butt one Witnesst that would
take oath:

[ Court Records, Sept. 17, 1667, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 135.]

THOMAS HARRIS 1667 ENGLAND

I Thomas Harris late of Dittesonn, reare Dartmouth in the
Countie of Devon in Ould England Marriner, and now bound out
Boateswaine of a Katch James of Pascataquay River, in Newe-
England, on M° Edward Cowle Comannder on a Voyage to ffall,
being blessed bee God in very good health of bodie, and of sound,
and perfect memorie, not knoweing how it may please God to
deale wth mee in this my p'nt Voyage, leaveing out the formall
words of a will, and hereby makeing void, and null all other, and
former wills doe hereby make, and Declare this my last will, and
Teastament as followeth Viz:

I give and bequeath unto my Eldest daughter Mary Harris Sixe
pounds to bee paid unto her at the age of Eighteene yeares; or
at the day of her marriage, which shall first happen:

Alsoe I will, give, and bequeath unto my Sonn Gabriel Harris
five pounds, to bee paid unto him by my Executrix when hee shall
attain to the age of Twentie one yeares,

Alsoe I will, give, and bequeath unto my daughter Dewnes
Harris fiftie shillings, to bee paid unto her, when she shall
attaine to the age of Eighteen yeares or bee married, which first happeneth:

Alsoe I will, give, and bequeath unto my Daughter Annis Harris, fiftie shillings, to bee paid unto her, when shee shall attaine to the age of Eighteen yeares, or bee married with first happeneth

Alsoe I will, give, and bequeath unto my Daughter Joanna Harris, fiftie shillings to bee paid unto her, when shee shall attaine to the age of Eighteen yeares, or bee married, which first happeneth;

Alsoe I will give, and bequeath unto my loveing wife Dewnes Harris of Dittisonn aforesaid, my house; ground, Moveables debts, goods, and whatsoever else I have either in Ould England, or in Newe-England, or in the Katch wherein I now am, with my Wages therein, whome I doe also Declare to bee full & Sole Executrix of this my last Will, and Testament, whome I also enjoyne to pay the above said Legacies, and I doe alsoe desire my loveing friends M' Huddey of Connari and William Harris of Chesson to bee Overseers hereof to see this my Will performed:

And further my will, and intent is that if any of my abovesd children depart this life before they attaine the ages above specified then the said Legacie, or Legacies, of the deceased shall be equally divided among those that survive; this I declare to bee my last Will, and Testament, dated in Portsmouth, in Pascataquay River this Nineteenth day of June Anno Domini One Thousand sixe hundred sixtie seaven: And in the Nineteenth yeare of the Raigne of our Soveraigne Lord Charles the second, King of England, Scotland, fraunce, and Ireland, defender of the faith &c 1667:

Signed, sealed, and declared in presence of us:

francis X Jen'ings
his mark
Mary Stilman
Ric: Stileman Ser: /

[Proved July 1, 1668.]
INVENTORY OF BILLS AND DEBTS DUE TO THOMAS HARRIS, WHO DIED IN 1667; AMOUNT, £75.0.4.; ATTESTED BY EDWARD MELCHER JULY 1, 1668.

LETTER, MARCH 13, 1667/8, FROM DUENS HARRIS, WIDOW OF THOMAS HARRIS, TO THOMAS JACKSON AND EDWARD MELCHER, ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF NEWS OF HER HUSBAND'S DEATH, AND DIRECTING THE DISPOSAL OF HIS ESTATE; ALSO POWER OF ATTORNEY TO JACKSON AND MELCHER, DATED MARCH 14, 1667/8, AND WITNESSED BY JOHN COTT, GEORGE BAGSTER, AND NICHOLAS TRUST.

THOMAS NOCK 1667

ADMINISTRATION IN TRUST ON THE ESTATE OF THOMAS NOCK GRANTED TO LIEUT. COFFIN, JOHN ROBERTS, AND WIDOW NOCK, JUNE 25, 1667; AND CAPT. WALDRON, LIEUT. COFFIN, AND JOHN ROBERTS APPOINTED TO AUDIT THE ACCOUNTS OF THE CREDITORS.

COURT RECORDS, JUNE 25, 1667, IN DEEDS, VOL. 2, P. 129.

JOHN GODDARD 1667

ADMINISTRATION ON THE ESTATE OF JOHN GODDARD GRANTED TO HIS WIDOW, WELTHEN GODDARD, AND JOHN GODDARD JUNE 25, 1667, AND ENSIGN DAVIS AND ROBERT BURNHAM JOINED WITH THEM TO PRESENT AN INVENTORY.

INVENTORY OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN GODDARD, WHO DIED NOV. 12, 1666, DATED SEPT. 16, 1667; AMOUNT, £554.2.0.; SIGNED BY ROBERT BURNHAM, WILLIAM WILLIAMS, JOHN FOLSOM, AND JONATHAN THING.

ORDER OF COURT, SEPT. 17, 1667, THAT THE WIDOW AND HER SON, JOHN GODDARD, WITH ENSIGN DAVIS AND ROBERT BURNHAM, BRING IN TO THE NEXT COURT A LIST OF THE LIABILITIES OF THE ESTATE.

Liberland the 10th of May 1670

This Wittnesseth that: ENSIGNE JN° DAVES & ROBERT BURMAN: by Order of Courte being Trustesse & William ffurber An Asistant to them: have this day made An Agrement with Welthen Simons.
and her Children: and made A Satisfactory Devison of the whole Cleare Estate of her Descaised Husband John Godward all Depts and Leagese paide As folloeweth—

The Said Wethen Simons is to have ninty pownds
Her Sone Jn⁰ Godward is to have one hundred pownds
Her Sone In Law Jn⁰ Gillman ssoerty pownds
Her Sone In Law Arthur Benicke, ssoerty pownds
Her Sone In Law James Thomas ssoerty pownds
Her Sone Benjamin Godward ssoerty pownds

Wittnes owre hands the day & yeare Above written

the marke of
Welthin X Simons
John godward
the marke of
Arthur X Benicke
the marke of
James X Thomas

[Approved by the court June 29, 1670, and Ensign John Davis, William Furber, and Robert Burnham were appointed to make the division.]

[Report of the division of the estate as above, June 12, 1678, by John Davis and Robert Burnham; mentions Mary Bennick, wife of Arthur Benrick and "her Children," and Benjamin Godward, youngest son of John Godward, deceased. Confirmed by the court June 25, 1678.]

MATTHEW GILES 1667 DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of Matthew Giles granted to Matthew Williams, and John Bickford and William Follett were joined with him to take an inventory.]

[Court Records, June 25, 1667, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 130.]

[Inventory of the estate of Matthew Giles, who died Jan. 21, 1666/7; amount, £165.13.0; signed by Thomas Willey and William Roberts; attested by Matthew Williams Sept 17, 1667.]
MARK HUNKING 1667 PORTSMOUTH

Piscataway River 1 July 1667

The last will & testam't of mee Marke Hunkins: I being in perfect memory yet not knowing how God may deale w'th mee thought good to settle my house & busines in as good an order as I can: to see—1 I bequeath my Soule to god y't gave itt. 2 I make my welbeloved wife my Sole Executo'r after my just debts ar paid I do bequeath to my wyfe my now dwelling house and all y's lands y't doth belong to itt on this neck w'th y's marsh to y's 3 acres & all my household goods: to see w'th in dores & w'thout only one Cowe com'only called by y's name of Brown, & one great brass pott w'th I give unto my Daughter Mary as her portion from mee 3 My will is y't if my wyse doth Marry duering her Naturall life then my said house & lands shall returne to my Eldest sonne Marke Hunkins, butt if she live & die a widdow then to keep: said house & goods duering her Naturall life, & afterwards said house & lands shalbe my Eldest sonnes as above if hee bee alive if not then to my next Sone & as for my household goods & cattells my will is y't after my wifes decease or if she marry that then said goods shall [be] equally divided amongst all my children except one long fowling peece & one fire lock gunn & a sword I give to my Sonne Marke, & my great fowling peece I give to Tho: furnell: & two small gunnes & a sword to my sone Archelaus Hunkins: My will is y't y's track of land of about twenty acres that lie neare will: Seves & y's lower acres of Marsh w'th I bought
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of Jn Partridge I give to my Sonne Archelaus Hunkins: 5 My will is yt after my decease my Sone Marke shall have all my waring clothes & tooles: 6 My will is yt shipp now on yt stocks & all yt planks boards & tymber belonging to her shalbe equally divided amongst my Childrenen Mary excepted.

So I comytt my Soule to god & to yt good word of his grace to bee kept & guided by him as witnesse my hand & seale this day & yeare above written

witnesse us: Nath: Fryer The marke X of Mark Hunkings

John Hunkings.

[Proved Oct. 4, 1667.]


[Inventory of the estate, appraised Sept. 27, 1667, by Elias Stileman, Nathaniel Fryer, Theophilus Lyne, and John Seward; amount, £372.19.0; due to estate, £50.4.3; due from estate, £64.13.5; attested by Mrs. Ann Hunkins, executrix.]


RICHARD SEWARD     1667     PORTSMOUTH

In yt name of God Amen. /

I Richard Seaward of Portsmouth in Pascactoque River in New England beinge sick & weake in body but yfect in mind & memory doe make & Appoynt this to be my Last will & testament, as followeth (Vizt:

Imp My will is that the Land belonginge to mee and Richard Jackson on yt Ragged Neck be Equally divided betweene us. And that part wch is to be my share I give and bequeath to my wife Mary Seaward and my Children to be Equally divided amongst them. The dividend (between me & yt said Rich: Jackson to begin at a great Elme stump at yt head of a branch, & from thence to Rich: Jacksons sence on yt top of a hill and soo into yt woods to yt bounded tree lying North-Easterlie
It: my will is that ye twenty six acres of Land adjoyninge to ye former, (wch land was layd out by men appoynted by ye towne) be alsoe Equally divided betwene my said wife & Children. / 

It: My will is that thirteene Acres of Land wch lyes to ye Norward of ye Ragged Neck wch is betwene Richard Jackson & my selfe and bought by us both of Roger Knight to be divided betwene us; And that halfe wch falls to my share my will is that it be likewise divided betwene my wife & children, But if Richard Jackson doe make sale of it, then ye one halfe of ye produce wch falls to my share to be divided as aforesaid betwene my wife and children. / 

It: my will is that Knight Island be likewise Equally divided betwene me & Richard Jackson. And the halfe that falls to my share to be likewise divided between my wife & children, And my will is that there be noe sale made of wch my part is in ye said Island on noe Acc whatever. / 

It: My will is ye Tobacco I have in ye vessell called ye Prosperouse, And likewise what is due from m Richard Cutt & m' Sfryer to me wth ye Tobacco due to me in ye province of Mary Land to be sold for ye satisfyinge of my debts, And wch is above ye wch will sattisfie my said debts to be put to use for ye maintenance of my wife & Children, And for ye rest of my Estate in wch nature kind or quallatit soever it be I give & bequeath to my wife & Children to be Equally divided betwene them, and doe hereby appoynt my Loveing friends Major Nicholas Shapley & m' Nath Sfryer to be ye Overseers of this my will untill my children be of Age. 

In Witnesse whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 1st day of August 1667. / 

Testes. 
Testt by me Thomas Miller
Arthur X Roper. / 
[Proved April 25, 1668.]

[Inventory, April 22, 1668; amount, £144.11.0; signed by Elias Stileman, Sr., and Huybrech —— (?)]
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

[Debts due from the estate; amount, £48.10.0; signed by Mary Seward.]

[Administration granted to Mary Seward, the widow, June 30, 1668. The will was declared imperfect, and was not allowed.]

THOMAS FOOTMAN 1667

made the 14th of August 1667

the Last will and testament of Thomas Footman being in sense and good memory I do bequith my body to the dust and my soul to God that gave it. I do bequeath all my whole Estate to my wife Cattren Excepting one seater bed which I bequith to my daughter Abigall and a roufe that be longeth to the said bed and a bolster to it with one Cowe; as Long as my wife doth retain in her widowhood I do leave all my whole estate with her but in case that she shall marry I do give her on third part of my Estate and the rest to be Equally defed. amongst my Children and further I shall desire my brother Bengemim Mathews and William ffollett to Assist my wife and to helpe her and assist her in her businesses which hear unto I have sett my hand and seal this daye about meneshened

witness

the mark of

Bengemim X Mathews
William ffollett
witness the mark of
John X Bickford
Robert Burnum
Nicholas Harrisson
Thomas Drew
[Indorsed] Imperfect will of Tho. ffootman brought into Court held 30 June 1668

[Inventory; amount, £234.14.0; signed by John Bickford, John Davis, and Anthony Nutter; attested by the widow, Catharine Footman, March 30, 1669.]
[Administration on the estate of Thomas Footman granted to his widow, Catherine Footman, the will being imperfect.]

[Court Records, June 30, 1668, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 151.]

Wm Durgin making a motion to this Court ye' he having marryed ye' Relict of Thomas ffootman, & the children being maintained by him, as alsoe there being 7411: 1s. 2d., to be p'd unto severall men w'ch ye' said ffootman owed, Desires this Court soe to ord' & Settle the estate soe as ye' ye' children might have their portions sett out unto them, & ye' he might Know & have a Libertie to dispose of what the Court should thinke fitt for ye' bringing up the children & paying ye' debts & s'd relics proportion of s'd estate that soe he might not be called any further acco' or Question about ye' same.

In Answ' hereunto the Court orders that y' one hundred acres of Land menconed in ye' Inventory at ye' North west of Wm Beards Creeke neere Jn Bickfords Lott & y's six acres of marsh & sixtie acres of Land adjoyning to it neere Rob Burnams Lott & Willia—fhollets Lott neere Lam Hill River & two Acres of marsh Joyning to Anthony Nutters together with an Island Lying at ye' house to be seperated & Sett a part & shalbe too & for ye' children of said ffootman for ye' portions when they come of age according as ye' Associate Court 28th Sep' 1669 did ord'. And the Remainder of all goods Lands houses chattles & cattle menconed in s'd Inventory to be the s'd Relict Katherin ffootman now wife to s'd Dur- gin, & to y' s'd Wm Durgin for ever for bringing up s'd ffoottmans children untill they come to age & paym' of all Just debts due from the s'd ffoottmans estate.

[Court Records, June 25, 1672, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 190.]

John Footman allow'd administration on Thomas Footmans Estate De bonis non.

[Probate Minutes, March 4, 1723/4.]
JOHN JONES 1667 PORTSMOUTH

In the Name Of God Amen; the second day of septtember in the Eighteenth Yeare of the Raigne of our Sovraigne Lord Charles the second by the Grace of God of England Scotland ffrance and Ireland King defender of the faith &c: I John Jones of Portesmouth in the Riv' of Piscataqua Blaksmith being sicke in body . . .

I give and bequeath Unto my welbeloved Children ffrrancis Jones Mary Drew Nathanaell Jones, James Jones and John Jones the sum'e of One shilling a peecce to be paid them in lawfull mony of New England wthin one yeare next aft' my decease and as for my lands and other goods not before disposed I give and bequeath Unto my welbeloved wife Anne Jones to be disposed of by her for satisfacon of my debts and other Expences about my funerall at her will and pleasure and I doe hereby make and ordeyne my said wife to be my full and sole Executrix of this my last will and Tes-tam't In Wittness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seale this day and year first above written

Signed sealed & published the m'k of
the m'k of
James X Drew
Abra: Corbett
the m'k of
Roger X Knight
[Proved Sept. 17, 1667.]

[Account of disbursements out of the estate by the executrix, April 30, 1667; amount, £42.17.0.]

[By the court records, Sept. 17, 1667, the inventory amounted to £52.0.0.]
WILLIAM GODFREY 1667

In the Name of God Amen

I William Godfrey of Hampton in the County of Norfolke in New England being very sick & weak of Body butt sound of mind & understanding: Doe make this my last will as followeth

Concerning such Estate as God hath Given mee in this world I Doe will & bequeth as followeth

Imp I Give and bequeth unto Margery My Loveing wife all my stock of Cattle Duering the terme of her naturall life and whatt stock of Cattle shall Ramane att her Decease to Return to my soonn Isaac Godfrey: Itt I Give unto Margery Godfrey my wife my Dwelling House Duering the terme of Her naturall life

Itt I Give unto Margery Godfrey my wife all my Houshold Goods ... her & her heires for Ever

Item I Give unto Margery my wife and Isaack Godfrey my soonn all my land both of upland medow & marsh pastors orchyard or Gardens or other Inclosure (Excepting whatt shall bee here-after mentioned) to bee and Remain to them Duering y^e terme of my wives naturall life & att my wives Decease to bee & Remaine the sole priety & possetion of my son Isaac Godfrey to him hes Heires for Ever, Item my will & pleasure is thatt my soone in law webester shall have & Injoy that pcee [of] the land last pur-chesed of Nath Boulter y^e Remaines in [y^e] Hands of my son Isaac or else thatt my son [Isaac] pay him the some of five pound & keep the s^d [land] Himselse

Itt I Give and bequeth unto my son John Godfrey so much [of] my planting lott as will make up y^e p^l whearon hes House standeth lower trees which is so to bee layd out to him as y^e itt may take in all the unbrok up land to the [Swamp]

Item I Give & bequeth unto my Daughter sarah Godfrey the some of Six pounds to bee payd by my son Isaac y^e year after my wives Decease:

Itt I Doe Give unto my Daughter Deborah Godfrey the some of

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1 The words in brackets are supplied from the recorded copy.
Six pound to be paid to her the second year after my wife's decease: & my wife & my son Isack to have & enjoy all my Comonedom & other town's priviledg which is to Remain to my son Isaac after my wife's decease. And I Doe make my loveing wife & my sone Isaac my law full Executor to this my last will & testament to see the same & formed & I appoint my loving friends Robert Page & Samuell Dalton to bee as over seers to all Intents & Constructions herin Contained witness my hand & seale ye 2d 8th mo 1667

Witnes
Abraham Perkins
Samuell Dalton

[Proved April 11, 1671.]


[Inventory of the estate of Deacon William Godfrey, taken April 10, 1671, by Samuel Dalton and Abraham Perkins; amount, £267.7.0.]


EDMUND GREEN

[Administration on the estate of Edmund Green granted to Nathaniel Fryer and the widow, Lydia Green, June 30, 1668.]

[Administration granted to Lydia Green and Isaac Trickey July 3, 1669, the former administration to be void, being illegal.]

[Court Records, July 3, 1669, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 158.]

[Inventory, May 2, 1668, taken at the request of the widow; amount, £50.16.9; signed by Nathaniel Fryer and Joachim Harvey.]
RICHARD LEADER 1668

[Administration on the estate of Richard Leader granted to John Hole and Samuel — , June 30, 1668, "they having married ye daughters of sd Lead．"]

[Court Records, June 30, 1668, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 149 b.]

JOHN LOVERING 1668 DOVER

[Inventory of the estate of John Lovering of Newichwannock, who died July 27, 1668; taken August 11, 1668; amount, £232.7.0; signed by John Wincoll, Roger Plaisted, and Andrew Searle; brought into court Sept. 30, 1668.]

This Court confirmes the Administrac'on granted Hester Lovering & Cap' Waldren to ye estate of Jo'n Lovering at ye* Court of Associates held at Dover ye* 29: septemb: 1668, & orders concerning ye* estate that ye* sd Hester have one third part of all the housen & Land during her naturall life, & one third part of other the estate for Ever, & the rest of ye* estate to be divided among ye* children the eldest Son: to have a double portion, & further this Court appoynts m' John Wincoll & m' Ezekiell Knight to be guardians to ye* children untill they be of age to chuse for themselves or till ye* Court take farther ord'r & that ye* Administra'n make a returne of w't they doe herein at ye* Next Countie Court at portsm'o

[Court Records, July 3, 1669, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 158.]

M' Ezekiell Knight brought into Court an acco' of w't charge he hath been at aboute maintaing & the bringing up John Loverins children from ye* time of his marrying Hester Loverin his widow untill ye* time they weere putt out, In Considerac'on whereof this Court allowes him all the movables menc'oned in ye* Inventory of sd Loverins estate, & to rechave & pay all sd Loverings debts, but they reserve the house & Land menc'oned in ye* said Inventory to be for ye* children according as this Court shall see Cause to ord'r together w'th the rents thereof from ye* time of ye* death of sd Knights
wife relict of s'd Loverin, further ord' & Impower Cap' Jnº Wincoll
gardian to yº children that he Looke after & gather in the rents of
s'd house & Land for yº use of the children, & to Lett & set yº same
from time to time till this Court take further order, & yº he dispose
of yº eldest daughter either by putting her out or Continewing of
her w'th m'º Knight as may be best for yº childs Good : /

[Court Records, June 29, 1675, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 11.]

JOHN PICKERING    1668     PORTSMOUTH

The 11 Day of yº 11 month 1668

In the name of god Amen: I John Pickern Senir beeing in
pirfect Memory do give & bequeth my body to the dust & my
Spirit to god that gave it
Likewisse I give unto My Deere sonne Thomas Pickrin my
dwelling housse and land Ajoyning to the great bey with all the
portinances belonging to it
likewisse I give My Horse to my sonn Thomas togethere with
all the Houseall goods & tools belonging there too: Likwisse I
give to my soon Thomas Pickrin too stere Calves: together with
the keeping of Sixe Cowes as Long as Antony Stanell of Hamton
shall live: Likwisse to My too doghters Rebecah and Abigall I
give that fifty Pounds due by bill to be paid by M'r Antony Stanell
together with an ocks Equally to be divided to them too together
with fore swinee Equally to be divided between them too
Likwiss I give to my too doghters Mary & Sarah fore ocken:
sixk Cowes sixk swine to be Equally divided be tweene them too
witness
Phillip Swaddon
John X Pickrin
Joseph Hall

[Inventory of the estate of John Pickering of Portsmouth, Jan.
29, 1668/9; amount, £303.4.6; signed by Elias Stileman and
John Sherburne.]
[Administration on the estate of John Pickering granted to his son, John Pickering, June 29, 1669, the will being imperfect.]

[Court Records, June 29, 1669, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 155 b.]

JOHN TANNER 1669 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of John Tanner, carpenter, granted to John Fletcher "At a meeting of Cap' Ric: Waldren m' Ric: Cutt & Elias Stileman y' 30th of march 1669 by Vertue of Mages-tratticall pow'r Granted them by the gen - Court."]


[Inventory of the estate of John Tanner of Portsmouth, June 26, 1669; amount, £7.9.0; signed by Nathaniel Fryer and Elias Stileman.]

JOHN REYNER 1669 DOVER

In the name and fear of god amen:—

Know all men to whom these presents shall come, that I John Reyner of Dover in New-England,

After my just debts which I shall owe to anie person be truly payed, and necessary funerall expences satisfied, That of my dear love, and tender affection to my wife, and desire of her comfortable subsisting; and being confident of her care, of and motherly affection to, her children: I will and bequeath to her my whole estate; in New-England; in or out of this jurisdiction, houses, lands, chattels moveables rents debts and what ever else is or may be, anie part of or belonging to the same, (Excepting such legacies as hereafter in this my will shall by me be disposed of otherwise) to be by her enjoined, and improved, to her own use, and benifit, together with the rents of my land in Old-England, lying, and being in the Countie of Yorke, in Town of Gildersome, in the Parish of Batly, either alreadie due, or that hereafter shall be, during the terme of hir naturall life, (she remaining my widdow)
but in case she shall se good to change her condition, and enter into marriage; then my will is that my whole estate immediately before such change of her condition, be equally divided into parts, and that she enjoy one halfe of this estate in Newengland, as aforesaid: together with one third of the rents of that in Old England, as above the other halfe of my estate here in Newengland, with the other two thirds of the rents of the aforesaid lands in Old England, upon her so entering int married estate, as also that halfe left in her hands, with the one third of the rents of that in old England as aforesaid, at her decease; Or the whole (in case she marie not) at her decease be so disposed and equally divided that my five Children John, Elizabeth, Dorothee, Abigail, and Judith Reyner my natural son and daughters, by this my last wife may have each one equall benifit by and portions out of the said estate, both in Newengland and old yet that the particular parts, or parcels of the said estate, here, or there, or elsewhere (if anie be) be settled upon the persons, to whom hereafter bequeathed to my son Jachin Reiner of Rowley, and daughter Hanna Lane, wife to Job Lane of Billerica; to each of which I have given theire full portions as my estate will reach, I will and bequeath the old silver beer bowle, and so much monie as shall be ten shillings more than the worth of the cup, one of them to have the cup, the other the monie, Jachin to have his choise; the cup is that which I had with ther mother; to my son John Reyner I will and bequeath by these presents my Librarie, books and manuscripts (except such English books as his mother shall make choise of for her use) this besides an equall proportion with anie of his sisters as aforesaid. Item I doe by these presents will and bequeath my land in Old England in the Countie of yorke as aforesaid, to my son John his heirs and assig’es to have and hold forever in fee simple and do hereby ingage him to dispose of the rents according as is above specified, during my wife his mothers life; and so long after as my aformentioned four Daughters Elizabeth, Dorothee, Abigail an Judith or anie of them shall leave their part of the principall in his hands, not exceeding the terme of
twentie years they standing to the losse or gain of the said estate according to interest therein; and being at equall charges for recoverie of the same, if attended with anie difficulties, my will also is that my son John, injoy my housing and land on Dover neck, and my foure daughters Elizabeth, Dorothe, Abigail, Judith, my land lying in the woods near Cachecha; being equally devided among them a due respect being had by the deviders to the qualitie as well as quantitie of the said land or anie part or share thereof, yet not contradicting the premises viz that everie and each of my above named five Children, my son John, and Daughters Elizabeth, Dorothe, Abigail, and Judith have equall shares in, benefit by, and portions of my whole estate; in New-England and Old, and elsewhere if anie (excepting the above mentioned legacies bequeathed to my sons Jachin and John and Daughter Hanna viz cup monie, and Librarie, as also ten pounds which I give my wife to dispose of at her decease as she shall see good) all which estate of myn in what place soever as aforesaid I doe by this my last will and testament bequeath to my above-named five children John Elizabeth Dorothe Abygal and Judith according to the premises what anie have receved, (not herin excepted), to be considered as part of their share, my will is also that if anie my foure children yet unmaried, shall by gods providence be so disposed, as to enter upon mariage, during the time the estate according to this my will remaneth in their mothers hands, or posession, there be some suitable encouragment, as the estate will afford (hir own need duly first considered) given to each one as the case shall require, I constitute and appoint my beloved wife Francis Reyner sole executrix of this my last will and testament and intreat my worthie friends; mr Richard Waldern, and mr Joshua Moodie, to be helpfull to my wife, and children, by their faithfull counsel, and advice, or otherwayes as god shall inable; in signe of all and everie the premises, I hereto set my hand and seal this nintenth day of April in the year of our lord on thousand six hundred sixtie and nine. if anie of the above-
said five children decese before actual possession they shall have libertie to dispose of their right being of age

the word (named) between line John Reyner [seal]
third and fourth (nie) line fifth
(make) line twenteie second interlined
with some other letters befor signing
and sealing and part of fortie first
and second line.—
signed sealed and delivered in
presence of us
Testes Hatauill Nutter
John Hall
[Proved June 30, 1669.]

[Inventory, June 15, 1669; amount, £657.2.7; signed by Peter Coffin, Job Clements, and John Roberts.]

WILLIAM DREW 1669

[Administration on the estate of William Drew of Oyster River granted to his widow, Elizabeth Drew, June 29, 1669.]

[Court Records, June 29, 1669, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 155.]

SAMUEL DREW 1669

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Drew granted to Anthony Ellins of Portsmouth July 3, 1669.]

[Court Records, July 3, 1669, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 158.]

THOMAS PEVERLY 1670

PORTSMOUTH

The last will & testament of Thomas Peverly, being very weake & sick in body, but in perfect memory.—

Inprimis I bequeath my soule into the hands of Almighty God
from whom I Received it, and my body to the earth after my
decease to be buried in a Christian manner.

It: I doe bequeath & give unto my beloved wife Jane Peverly
all my whole estate, of houseing, lands both upland & meadowes,
with all my Cattell of every sorte & kinde, with all my household
stuffle & goods of what nature soever both within dores & without
dureing the tearme of hir Naturall life, in case she keepe hir
selfe a widow, but if she shall dispose of hir selfe in mariage,
then to have onely the thirds of all dureing hir life, the debts that
I owe being first satisfide.—

It: I doe further declare my will thus: that in case my wife
shall dispose of hir selfe in Mariage, that then the whole estate
shall be & belong to my sonne John Peverly, he paying to his
mother the thirds of the whole estate as it shalbe adjudged to be
worth betweene two indifferent men eaqually chosen, & the debts
first paid out of the whole: And the said John Peverly is after-
wards to pay five pounds a peece to the Rest of my children, that
is to say to Thomas Peverly five pounds, to Lazaras Peverly five
pounds, to Samuuell Peverly five pounds, to Jeremiah Peverly five
pounds & to Sarah Peverly five pounds, and alsoe to give unto
my Daughter Martha Noble five acres of upland on the wester
side of the path belowe my now Corne feild—

It: I doe further declare my will, that if my wife Jane Peverly
shall not dispose of hir selfe in Mariage, but shall live Upon the
estate dureing hir life, that then after hir decease the whole estate
then left shall fall to my sonne John Peverly, he paying the Leg-
ases above express when the Children come to age, he maintaine-
ing the Children till they be capeable to be disposed of abroad.

It: I doe make my beloved wife Jane Peverly my executrix
to this my will, & doe alsoe intreate & apoint my loving freinds
& Neighbours John Shirburne senior & Richard Sloper to be my
Overseers & assistants to my executrix to see this my will per-
formed: In witnes whereof I have hereunto sett my hand &
seale this nineteenth day of Aprill: one thousand six hundred
and seaventy. 1670
It is further by me declared that I doe give unto my daughter Holmes seaven acres of upland out of lands that is given me by this towne not yet laid out in any place convenient for hir—

Sealed signed & delivered in Thomas X Peverly [seal]
this presents of us./
his marke & seale

this subscription Really
intended to the will.
John X wesbrook
by his marke
Richard Tucker
[Proved June 30, 1670.]

[Inventroy of the estate of Thomas Peverly of Portsmouth, May 26, 1670; amount, £191.5.9; signed by Richard Tucker, John Westbrooke, and John Sherburne.]

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HEZEKIAH SWAIN 1670 HAMPTON

[Inventroy of the estate of Hezekiah Swaine of Hampton, taken by Thomas Marston and Nathaniel Batchelder May 2, 1670; amount, £142.18.0; attested by William Swaine, administrator.]


Hezekiah Swaine of hampton in y° County of [Norfolke lately]¹ Deses [&] having mad no will; & levinge an [estate and also] some [debts] to bee payed: His Brother william [Swaine] mad admistrator to y° estate may y° 6th 1670 & and 3 sisters Hanath, bethia and prudence Swaine [being heires to] the estat left for y° Devidinge of y° estate they agre [as followeth] if y° Court see Cause to Confirme it

y° y° land & Chatils as it is prised in y° inventory presented [to y° Court] shall bee Devided into five parts y° brother william [Swaine to have two] parts & y° sisters ech: of them one part wilam Swaine [to have] his two parts out of y° land & what

¹ Words in brackets are supplied from the recorded copy.
remaine [y. s'd william to] have & to bee acounteble to y. rest of his sisters for [as much pay] acordinge as it is prised in y. inventory, & y. [three parts to bee] equily Devided amonge y. sisters, also what [debts is due to y.] estat to [bee] devided acordinge to thayer proportion [y. said william] two [parts & y. three] sisters an equill part one as much [as y. other] & also [all debts] Due to eney from y. estat to pay [according to that rule] & to this wee y. sd william Hanah bethia & pru [dence Swaine] doe freely & willingly agree to if y. Court see m[eat] & with y. Consent of our mother prudence Cox : as wittnes our

Nathan

[William Swaine]

William [ffisfeld]
y. marke of [ffrancis Jenis]

this 4th of october 1670

y. husband [of Hana Swaine]
y. marke of [Bethia Swaine]

[Approved Oct. 11, 1670.]


JOHN HUGGINS 1670 HAMPTON

The last will & Testam't of John Hugins sen. aged about 61: years being made & signed this 31st: of May 1670 * * * * I John Huggins of Hampton in y. County of Norfolk in new-england doe make & declare this my last will & Testam't * * * * as for y. outward estate w'd god hath given mee as it is y. will of god so my will is y. out of it my debts be first payd & then my wyfe & Childrens should live of y. rest I doe therfore for y. Christian Educacon of my younger children give to my deare & beloved wyfe Bridget y. imprvm't of my now dwelling house & land adjoyning, together w'd y. meadow Com'onages, & any other rights & privilidges app'teyning therunto as also two oxen, two cowes, & one heifer two years old w'd sixteen sheepe & lambs duering y. terme of her naturall life after w'd y. prietie of y. abovsd lands to bee disposed of to my Children who have not yet received their portions according to y. reasonable will of my said wyfe

Item I give to my Sone John six acres of land more or less in
y® east feild as it is lay’d out wth a cow Com’onage and all other rights belonging therunto, as also my right in some land in y® woods com’only called m® Legatts, besides w® other guifts & portion hee hath received of mee already in cattle or otherwise to his owne use & behoofe for ever, I doe also appoint my dearly beloved wyfe Bridgett & my loveing sone John Executo® & Executrix of this my last will & Testam® & have accordingly herto set my hand & seale this May 31: 1670

Signed & Sealed in y® p’sence John hugin wth a seale to it of us Seaborne Cotton

Will: ffuller

[Proved Oct. 11, 1670.]


[Inventory of the estate of “John Huggins, Sener of Hampton Late deceased upon The Seaventh day of June 1670;” taken by William Fuller, John Sanborn, and Henry Dow June 30, 1670; amount, £177.10.]

[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

JOHN WYATT 1670 PORTSMOUTH

[Inventory of the estate of John Wyatt of Portsmouth, June 5, 1670; amount, £94.13.4; signed by Richard Shortridge and Robert Purington.]

[Administration on the estate of John Wyatt granted to his widow, Salome Wyatt, June 28, 1670.]

[Court Records, June 28, 1670, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 168.]

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JOHN WOODIS 1670 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of John Woodis granted to his father Richard Woodis of Boston, June 28, 1670, who presented an inventory amounting to £26.8.6.]

[Court Records, June 28, 1670, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 166.]
[Inventory of the estate of John Woodis of Portsmouth, May 30, 1670; amount, £26.0.6; signed by Richard Stileman and Thomas Parker; attested by Ruth Woodis June 28, 1670.]

OLIVER KENT 1670 DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of Oliver Kent of Oyster River granted to his widow, Dorothy Kent, and John Bickford June 28, 1670.]

[Court Records, June 28, 1670, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 166.]

[Inventory, June 26, 1670; amount, £113.12.0; signed by Thomas Edgerly and John Bickford.]

[Probate Records, vol. 1, p. 92.]

HENRY JENKINS 1670

[Inventory of the estate of Henry Jenkins, June 30, 1670; amount, £3.0.0; signed by William Furber; brought into court July 1, 1670.]

JOHN SEELEY 1670

[Petition of William Seeley, June 30, 1670, for administration on the estate of his brother, Capt. John Seeley; mentions wife and children of the deceased. William Seeley and Elias Stileman were appointed administrators.]

Mr Wm Henderson as Attorney to William Tapping & Johannah Tapping of London Administratrix to ye housen & Land of Cap't John Sealy deceased in ye hand of Elias Stileman who had granted him Administrac'on to ye same by the County Court some yeares since to Looke after ye same till a right claim should be made by his ye s'd Jn's Sealys heires or adminis out of England should appeare This Court upon exammynac'on of s'd Henderson Ler' of Attturney & other writings exhibited to this Court now on
file doe ord' that the s'd Housen & Land w'h are on Docters Island
be forth with deliv'ed up unto s'd Wm Henderson for the Use of s'd
Wm Tapping & Johannah, & to Stand responsible two yeares in
case a better title & claime should appear y's s'tileman to be p'd
for his time & trouble Looking after y's same, & ord' y't y'e clarke
take a coppie of his s'd Hend'sons Lr of atturny & returne y's
originall

[Court Records, June 27, 1676, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 16.]

JOHN TUCKER 1670 STAR ISLAND

Know all men by these p'sents that I John Tucker fisherman
of the Yles of shoales, vidz' Starr Yland In the County of Ports-
mouth being by gods providence at the house of John Amerideth
of the Town of Kittery In the County of Yorke, very sicke &
weake of body, yet at p'sent of Indifferent firme memory and
understanding, doe make this my last will & Testament/

1 Inp' I Comitt my spirit unto god that gave Itt, & my body
unto the dust from whence It came, to bee decently buried at the
Charge of my executors, whom I shall name & appoynt/

2: I dispose of my outward estate In manner as followeth, vidz' my will is that all my debts bee duly & truely payd by my
executors/

3: I give & bequeath unto Thomas Wells Minister of the Town
of Kittery the full & Just some of one pound tenn shillings, to bee
payd by my executors after my decease, the one halfe In money
& the other halfe In fish/

4: I give & bequeath all the rest of my estate whatsoever unto
my very Loveing freind John Amerideth, & Johanna his wife, &
my will is, that all those y't have any estate of mine in their Cos-
tody, or y't doe ow any debt unto mee, do deliver & pay the same
unto the s'd Amerideth or his wife after my decease, upon y't de-
mand or either of them their heyres, executors administrators or
Assignes, in speties, as the same is to bee delivered or payd unto
mee/
5: I doe Nominate & appoynt the abovesd John Amerideth senior of the Town of Kittery in the County of Yorke, to bee the executor unto this my last will & testament, & do here by Injoyne him faithfully to ₷rforme all & every of the ₷misses above mentioned/ In witness w'of I have here unto sett my hand & seale Dated yº last vidzº the Thyrty one day of October, In the Twenty second yeare of the Reign of oº Soveraigne Ld King Charles the secund, by the Grace of god King of Great Brittain, France & Ireland, & In the yeare of our Lord one thousand six hundred & seayenty/31:8: Anno: Dom: 1670:

Subscribed & sealed in the presence of us/

William Rawling
the marke of X
Thomas sharpan

[Proved Jan. 3, 1670/1.]
[York County, Me., Court Records, vol. B, p. 97.]

[Inventory, amounting to £74.1.10½; attested by John Amerideth April 26, 1671.]
[York County, Me., Court Records, vol. B, p. 97.]

The Deposition of Thomas Wells aged 24 yeares, sayth y't when hee wroght John Tuckers Will hee could not ₷rceive nor discerne but at that tyme Joº Tucker was of good and ₷rfect Memory & understanding, & yº the will that hee wroghte was as to the substance of it the same that him selfe related unto this Deponent, as alsoe an accompt of some debts due unto the sayd Tucker, & some debts that the sd Tucker owed unto some men/ This Deponent further sayth, that w'as hee expressed In the will (of Indifferent memory & understanding, It was not from any Imp°fection that hee could ₷rceive in his memory or understanding, at that tyme, but because yº hee thought, that yº bodily sickness & Infirmity in any one might debilitate & weaken memory & understanding, & further sayth yº w'n John Tucker made his marke to his
will that hee sayd I intended it for J. T but my hand shakes, I
know not whither It bee well done or to y' affect, & further sayth
not/ Taken upon oath this 26: of April 1671 : ¶
Edw: Rishworth ReCor:

[York County, Me., Court Records, vol. B, p. 97.]

GREGORY CHURCHWOOD 1670/1

[Inventory of the estate of Gregory Churchwood, Feb. 7,
1670/1; amount, £110.11; signed by Richard —— and Thomas
Bartlett.]

[Administration on the estate of Gregory Churchwood granted
to John Fabyan, who presented an inventory amounting to £11.
110, to which £2.10.0 was afterwards added.]

[Court Records, June 27, 1671, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 175.]

The deposition of William Weeks aged about 35 y' & of Sam'-
uell Streeke aged about 28 years
These depolant Sworne Saith that this Hum'phery Churchwood
is brother to Grigorie Churchwood that was drowned in the boat
with Edward Carter: & weare both of them borne at kingsware
neare Dartmoth in England & weare the Reputed sons of Hum'-
pery Churchwood their father & brought up by him & further
they say not://
William Weekes & Sam'uell Streeke made oath to these depo-
sitions this 29th of Aperell 1675 before mee :/

Peter Twisden Com'isho'

[Order of court, June 29, 1675, that John Fabyan, administra-
tor, deliver the balance of the estate to Humphrey Churchwood, it
appearing to the court that he is the brother of Gregory Church-
wood and the next heir.]

[Court Records, June 29, 1675, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 11.]
EDWARD HILTON 1670/1

[Administration on the estate of Edward Hilton granted to Edward Hilton, William Hilton, Samuel Hilton and Charles Hilton, March 6, 1670/1.]

[Inventory, March 9 and 10, 1670/1; amount, £2204.c.o; signed by Samuel Dalton, Antipas Maverick, Robert Burnham, William Follett, and William Moore; Christopher Palmer, at the same time, made claim to a part of the estate in behalf of two sisters to the administrators, who were daughters of the deceased.]

EDWARD CATON 1670/1

[Administration on the estate of Edward Cator granted by the commissioners, to John Fabyan and James Blagdon March 7, 1670/1.]

[Court Records, March 7, 1670/1, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 170.]

[Administration on the estate of Edward Cator granted to John Fabyan July 1, 1671, "the former Administra" Viz: James Blagdon & s'd ffabins refusing to hold together."

[Court Records, July 1, 1671, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 180.]

[Order of court, Oct. 31, 1667, that John Fabyan, administrator of the estate of Edward Cator, send £20 to the widow, she being in England and in distress, and that he deliver the rest of the estate to James Blagdon, attorney for Cator's daughter.

[Court Records, Oct. 31, 1677, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 21.]

[Division of the estate is presented and placed on file June 24, 1679.]

[Court Records, June 24, 1679, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 30.]
[Petition of John Fabyan, James Blagdon, and Robert Townsend, attorneys, for a division by the court of the estate of Edward Cator to the widow and two daughters; dated June 26, 1679.]

[Account of the estate, and order of the court for the division of the estate equally among the widow and two daughters in accordance with the petition.]

JOHN HUNKITT 1670/1 HAMPTON

[Inventory of the estate of John Hunkitt of Hampton, taken by Samuel Dalton and John Sanborn March 22, 1670/1; amount, £14.19.3.]

[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

PHILIP BABB 1671 ISLES OF SHOALS

[Administration on the estate of Philip Babb of the Isles of Shoals granted to Nathaniel Fryer April 24, 1671.]

[Court Records, April 24, 1671, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 170.]

[Joseph Hall petitioning the court for recompense for maintaining for two years Peter Babb, son of Philip Babb, the father and mother both being dead, and the child five years old next Michaelmas, the court, June 27, 1676, binds Peter Babb as an apprentice to Joseph Hall until he reaches the age of twenty-one years.]

[Court Records, June 24, 1676, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 15.]

DANIEL MOULTON 1671

[Inventory of the estate of Daniel Moulton June 22, 1671; amount, £180.17.6; debts due to the estate, £30.18.11; debts due from the estate, £18.0.0; signed by Elias Stileman and Joseph Morse.]
THOMAS JAMES 1671

[Administration on the estate of Thomas James granted to James Blagdon June 27, 1671.]

[Court Records, June 27, 1671, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 175.]

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THOMAS LEIGHTON 1671

DOVER

In ye name and feare of God Amen I Thomas Layton seni' of Dov in New England Aged sixty seven yeares or there aboutes, beinge exercised with great infirmity of body, * * *

As for my outward Estate my Will is that my p'sent Wife Joanna do enjoy (during her naturall life if she continue in the estate of widowhood, or during her widowhood if she marry) my whole Estate both personall and Reall to be improved for her comfortable maintenance, and at her marriage one third part of ye whole, after that her marriage to be improved by or for her till her decease. That my onely son and heire Thomas Layton shall have (besides what he hath or shall receive before my decease) All my housinge Landes Orchard Marshes flatts, with their priviledges or appurtenances either within or out of this Town to be had and held by him his heires or assigns forev'. After they fall from his mother by marriage or her decease as abovesaid, To him also I Give one quarter part of the movables which shall be Left undisposed of by my wife for her comfortable supply as abovesaid, He ye said Thomas Layton my sonne payinge To my Daughter Mary ye wife of Thomas Roberts juni' To ye value of tenne pounds To my Daughter Elizabeth wife of Phillip Cromwell to ye value of forty pounds To my Daughter Sarah (unmarried at p'sent) to the value of forty pounds; which he is to pay to them or their heires or assigns within the space or terme of two yeares after ye decease of his Mother Joanna if they shall demand it, which I by these p'sents Assig'e to them out of the said Estate together with a quarter part of the movables to each of them which may be Left by my wife Joanna. He ye said Thomas my sonne also set-
tinge John my Indian Servant free and painge him to ye value of five poundes at ye decease of ye said Joanna. Moreover I doe hereby constitute and appoint my sonne and heire Thomas above-said Executor and my wife Joanna Executrix jointly whilst they are both living and severally after the Decease of either of them In witnes of the promises I doe here unto set my hand and seale this one & twentyeth day of september Anno Domini 1671
Test Thomas X Layton seni' [seal]
(to each of them) interlined his mark
Jn' Reyn'
X Thomas Roberts juni' his mark
[Proved June 25, 1672.]

[Inventory, Feb. 15, 1671/2; taken at the request of the widow and her son, Thomas Leighton; amount, £475.5.0; signed by Job Clements, John Dam, and John Hall.]

JOHN GARLAND 1671 HAMPTON

The last will and testament of John Garland senior: aged about fivety yeares of Hampton in the countie of norfolke: in nue england Being made and signed: this 15th day of november 1671:

In the name of Jesus christ who is Lord of quick and dead: who hath [taught]1 uss to doe the will of our Heavenly father And yet hath in his word Ratified the will of the teastatour when he is dead: I John Garland sick in body * * *

As for my outward Estate which god have [gratiously] given me As it is the will of god so my will Is that out of It [my debts] being first paide that then my wife and childreng: should live of [ye'] Rest: I doe therefor give and Bequeath unto Elizabeth my loving wife the north End of my dwelling House the lower Rome & the bed in the Rome & all: furniture to itt: and ten: pound a

1Words in brackets are supplied from the recorded copy, Norfolk County, Mass., Deeds, vol. 2, p. 249.
yeare to be payd as followeth & nesesary Housold stufe that shall be nedfull for a single woman & a Hors to be found Her by my Exectatour : & wood brought to Her dare fitt for the fire : so long ass she live in the House if she Remove from the House or marry then the wood & Hors & the House & five pound of the former ten to cease : she only to Have five pound a yeare paid Her : and to Have the bed and furniture away with Her : & I give unto Her the milke of a cow so Long as she live in the House : aforesd :

tt I give & bequith unto my son John : garland : my Dwelling House and barn & all my out Housing and all the land : a bout the House & the medow : all that I bought of philip lewes : & 5 ackes : more or less of salt marsh lieng in the Littill oxe comon : which wase formerly Tho: chaces : and a mare colt : which I formerly gave him Likewise I give unto my son John garland : all my stock of cattell Horses & swine : And Impliments of Husbandry : that are about my House att Home : and all my Housolld stufe : & beding Excepting what shall be after mentioned : He paying : the former pay to His mother which is formerly men tioned untill : His brother Jacob garland & peter garland shall come to the age of twentie one yeares : and then that : pay to be Equally : devided & thay all to pay there mother : one ass much ass the other :

tt I give unto my son : Jacob : garland & peter garland the [one] Half : of that land : that I bought of mr Seaborn cotten that is in the woods with the plows & Impliments of Husbandry that is theare : the land and them to be equally : devided between them : which is att the Hog pen plaine : thay to Have it [ass] thay come to the age of twentie one years : : ase also each [of] them a bed and the furneture to it : when : thay come to [y* age] of twentie one years : to be paid to them by my Execteure

And I doe hereby apoint my deare and loving wife Elizabeth Garland : & my son John garland to be my lawfull Excetor & Excetetour : she untill : my son John come to the age of [one] and twentie yearse : and then : my son John garland to be my Excetetour to this my last will and teastiment and for the confer-
mation Hearof I the above sd John garland Senior Have Hear
unto put my Hand and seall the day and yeare above
Signed & sealed in the pressenes: The mark of
of uss John X garland [seal]
Robard X page &
His mark
Hen: Dow
[Proved April 9, 1672.]

[Inventory of the estate of John Garland of Hampton, "late deceased upon the 4 day of January 1671," taken by Robert Page, James Philbrick, and Henry Dow Feb. 6, 1671; amount, £303.0.o.]
[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

SAMUEL FOGG 1671/2 HAMPTON

In the name of God Amen
I Samuell fogg of Hampton in the County of Norfolke being very weake & Inferme in Body butt of sound understanding and of a Disposseing mind Doe make this my last will & testament as followeth, I sollemly Comitt my soule unto allmighty God the father of Spirits and my fraile and weake body unto the earth from whence it was taken to bee buried in such Decientt manner as my Exequetors hereafter mentioned shall appoint
And for whatt Estate the lord of his bounty Hath bestowed upon mee in this world my will is as followeth
1st I Give & bequeth unto Mary my Beloved wife Duering the terme of Her naturall life as Her Dowry the one Halfe of my Salt marsh which lyeth on this side of the falls River towards the towne the which was formerly the marsh of Roger shaw and so much of the five Acres in the little Comon as will make up Heir thirds of all the marsh in my posseotion
Itt I give unto mary my wife for her Improvement the one
Halfe of Eight Acres of planting Land in the East feild viz thatt partt thatt which lieth towards william Samborns land towards the north (and so much as will make up her thirds of the upland) att the South End of my Howse Lott

Itt I Give unto mary my wife the west End of my Dwelling House Duering the terme of Her widowhood & no longer, butt if shee shall Remove Her Dweling from thence in the time of her widowhood then the whole Howse to bee leatt with the lands by my Exequetors untill my Eldest sonn shall Come to the Age of twenty one years, and then my Eldest sonn is to posses itt and pay unto mary my wife Her thirds of the Rentt

Ittem I Give unto Mary my wife two Cows & the whitt Rone mar and whatt Household stuff she brought into the Howse with her or whatt bedding or other Household stuff she hath Else whear to bee & Remain to Her & Her Heirs for Ever

Ittem I Give & bequeth unto my Eldest sonn Samuell fog the other two thirds of my land marshes & medows & Comonage the which he is to Enter upon & posses when he shall Come to the Age of twenty & one years, butt shall nott Have full power in selling or disposeing of his Estate withoutt the Consentt of my Exequetors untill hee shall come to the Age of twenty fower years.

Itt I Give unto my son Samuell ffoge all my Howseing & barne & out Howseing the which he is to Enter upon & posses att the Age of twenty one years paying the thirds of the Rentt for the Howse to my wife Duering the time of Her widowhood and for my stock of Cattle & other moveables & twoles and Implementes of Husbandry nott otherwayes Disposed of by this my Last will they are to bee improved & Renewed att the Discretion of my Exequetors so as thatt the stock may bee maintained & nott wasted & Imbesseled untill my sone shall Come to the Age of twenty one years and then to be and Remaine to him & att his Disposall payeing these following legacies

Itt I Give & bequeth unto my son Daniell ffoge the some of fifteen pound to bee payd by my son Sam" fog when Daniel shall Arrive to the Age of twenty one years
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Itt I Give unto my Daughter mary fog one fetherbed & one fether boulster & one pillow & two Blankits one of them a Red blanket and two payer of sheets which were her mothers

Itt to my Daughter mary and Brass pan & three puter platters and Som other puter & Earthin Dishies which were hir mothers, and these Goods being prizid to my Daughter Mary my son Samuel is to make up the some of fifteen pound to Her when she shall Come to the Age of twenty one years or att Her marring which shall Happen first

Itt I Doe Give unto my son Daniell fog the other third partt of my land, which he is to Enter upon & posses att my wives Decease & within one year after to pay the some of fifteen pounds back againe unto my son Samuel if hee hath Received itt before the Land fall to him

Ittem I Give unto my son Daniell fog my two new puter platters & a puter Bason

Ittem I Give unto my son Samuell flog my two Tables & one bed stead & one Greatt Chayer & three Chests and one new Greene Rug and a Sute of Curtains, and one fowleing piece and all the Rest of my Howsehold stuff I Give & bequeath unto mary my wife & to the three Children which I have by Her

Itt I Give unto my Son Seath floge the some of Six pound to bee payd to him by my son Sam" when he shall Come to the Age of twenty one year

Ittem I Give unto my Son James flog the some of Six pound to bee payd when he shall Com to the Age of twenty one years to bee payd by my son Samuel

Itt I Doe Give unto my youngest Daughter Hanna flog the some of Six pound to bee payd by my son Samuell when she shall Come to the Age of twenty one years and if her marriag shall Happen forst then to be payd att her Day of marring

and my will is thatt my Eldest Son should Die withoutt Heire of his owne body thatt then His portion of Land to Desend to my next son, and if any of my other Children should Die without Issue, that then their portion shall bee Devided amongst the Rest of my Children that shall Survive
And I Doe by these p'sents Appoint my Loveing ffather in Law Deacon Robert Page and my loving ffreinds william ffuller & Nathaniell Bachelder to bee my lawfull Exequetors to this my last will & testament: to see thatt the same be performed according to the tru Intentt & meaning herof and if God shall take away any of them thatt if god p'mitt they shall Have power & liberty to make Choyce of whom shall suply in his or their place in point of Exequetorship and I Doe appoint my Loveing Brother Thomas ward & my loveing ffreind Samuell Dalton to bee as overseers to this my will who Have the like power to make Choyce of suply in their places in Cause of Death or Removall

and my will is thatt my three Eldest Children shall bee Settled by my Exequetors viz my Son Samuell & Daniell to som Good trade which they shall most Desire and to be placed in such famelyes as may bee for their Comfortt & Advantag both for soule & body as much as Can bee Attained and I Appoint that such wearing Cloathes as I shall leave att my Death shall bee Im- proved by my Exequetors to fitt outt my two sons Samuell & Daniell to service and to make such further supply as they in Descretion shall Judg meett.

And my will is thatt my Executors shall take such Care both in the time of my wives widowhood & att all times thatt my Estate may bee p'tformed and y't the Howseing Due nott Goe to Decay without Repayeration and thatt the fences and other things Doe nott suffer strip & wast in the time whilst itt is outt of my sons Hands

And my will is Conserring my Daughter Mary bee Desposed of to the tuission of my loving ffreinds william ffuller & ffrances His wife, and if God should take away Goodwiffe ffuller whilst my Daughter mary is in Her minority I will & Comitt her tuition unto my Brother Benjamin ——— & to Goodwif Bachelder) and my will is thatt my Howseing & lands & stock of Cattle & other moveables & Improved by the Discretion of my Exequetors for the subsistance of my wife & my three youngest Children untill my son Samuel shall Arive to the Age of twenty-one years and
to this I Affix my Hand & Seale as my last will this ninth Day of Janewary 1671
Signed & sealed in the p'sents of us will ffuller
Samuell Dalton
Frances ffuller
[Proved Oct. 8, 1672.]

[Inventory of the estate of Samuel Fogg of Hampton "late Deceased upon the 15 day of Aprill 1672;" taken by Thomas Marston and William Sanborn May 3, 1672; amount, £249.19.0.]

JOHN LARRIFORD 1672
[Administration on the estate of John Larriford granted to Thomas Jackson of Portsmouth, March 26, 1672.]

[Administration was confirmed by the court June 25, 1672, and Thomas Jackson was required to give security for the estate as inventoried "for ye use of ye next heire that shall appeare to chal-leng ye same."]
[Court Records, June 25, 1672, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 186.]

[Inventory; amount, £16.12.5; signed by Elias Stileman and William Cotton; attested by the administrator June 25, 1672.]

PETER ADAMS 1672
[Administration on the estate of Peter Adams granted by the commissioners to Thomas Jackson of Portsmouth, March 26, 1672.]
[Court Records, March 26, 1672, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 181.]
[Administration confirmed by the court June 25, 1672, and Thomas Jackson, presenting an inventory, "is enjoined to give securitie to ye clarke to respond ye estate that it may be forth coming to ye right heire."

[Court Records, June 25, 1672, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 186.]

["An Invoice of what Petter Adams; Deceased the first of November 1671 left in the Custody of Thomas Jackson; of Porchm° Cupp"; amount, £9.15.8; witnessed by John Fletcher and William Irish; attested by Thomas Jackson June 25, 1672.]

RICHARD YORK 1672 DOVER

In the Name of god Amen the later will and testament of Ritchard yorke whoe being well stricken in years but ripe in memory this 23 daye of appriell one thousand six hundred seventie and tow viz I doe leave and bequeath to my sonne John Yorke that I now live in my farme the dwelling howses and owtt howses with all & . . . privelidges and ye Apertinantes thereunto belonging togeather with ye stock whitch shall . . . upone ye farme after my deseas and ye legeses here mentioned to be payd and what stocke . . . and sheepe and swine shall be left after ye legeses be payed shall be equally devied between . . . sonne John yorke and daughter Elizabeth C—tie and my sonne . . . daughter grace yorke and like wise allso I doe leave and be queave to my wife . . . yorke duering here life time one third part of ye estate and one Cowe only my sonne John yorke paying ye just debts to any parson or parsons that can be made Justly apeare allso I doe leave and bequeath to my sonne Samuell yorke five pounds allso i doe leave and bequeath to my daughter Ratchell Halle five pounds and all so I doe leave and bequeath to my sonne Bengeman yorke that tracket of land which I hold by towne grant situate ling and being neare the second sale of Lampleriver adjoyning unto that which wase latelye John Martaines lott together with one yoke of oxen and all so doe leave and bequeat to my
daughter grace yorke tenne pounds all soe leave and bequeath unto my tow grandchildren Richard yorke and Bengieman yorke fiftie shillings apeice all so my daughter grace yorke leges is to be payd at her day of marage or eightene yeres of age now I Richard living and being ripe in memorye doe now acknowledge this to be my last will and testament sined sealed and acknoled in y° presence of us to be his act and deede dated y° 23 of appreell 1672

witnesse us:) [seal]
y° marke of x nicholous Doe:)
francis Thorne:)

An Imp°fit will of Ric: Yorke brought in to the County Court held in portsm° 30 June 1674

this Court Appoynts his wid Eliza: yorke & Jo° yorke Administr° to y° estate & ord° y° the estate be devied according to this im"fit will & give securty that they will form y° same accordingly

Elias Stileman Cleric

Eliza: yorke & Jn° yorke

[Inventory, March 27, 1674; amount, £264.13.0; signed by William Roberts, John Rand, Benjamin Matthews, and Thomas Willey.]

[Administration on the estate of Richard York of Dover was granted to his widow, Elizabeth York, and John York June 30, 1674, and they were ordered to divide the estate according to the terms of the will, which was imperfect; amount of inventory, £264.13.0. They gave bond for double the amount of the inventory, with Nicholas Doe and Samuel Willey as sureties.]

[ Court Records, June 30, 1674, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 3.]

It is agreed betwixt William Graves on the one part, and John York his Son in law [step son] on y° other part; That what the sd William Graves hath received of Richard Yorks Estate deceased, It shall be to y° use of William & Elizabeth Graves The sometimes Widow of sd Richard York deceased, during the lives
of the sd William & Elizabeth Graves; which are, One feather bed and Boulster, with Blankets & Covering to it. 2d That whereas Elizabeth Graves & John York her son jointly administered on sd Richard Yorks estate deceased, That the sd John York only shall be liable to pay all his deceased father Richard Yorks debts. 3d That one third of all the sd Richard Yorks land deceased, whether in tillage, or meadow, or orchard, in being during the sd Richard Yorks life, shall be laid out on a com' on charge betwixt y° Parties before- said, & afterwards shall be to y° use of the sd Elizabeth Graves during her life, but after her decease to be to y° use of the sd John York & his heirs for ever. 4d Fourthly, That the sd John York shall deliver to the sd Willia— Graves, One Cow, & five pounds in staves, and shall bear y° charge of the present Court at Dover. On the true performance of all the before said Articles these shall acquit from all difference w'soever betwixt the sd William Graves & John York to the day of the date hereof. In witness to the Articles above articling, have mutually set to our hands this 8th of June 1681

Signed & delivered
in y° p'sence of
Thomas Broughton
John X shore
his mark
Owned by William Graves & John York in Court held at Dover 7th June 1681, to be their act & deed.

[Deeds, vol. 3, p. 182.]

WILLIAM JACKSON 1672 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of William Jackson of Portsmouth granted by the commissioners to Thomas Daniell May 8, 1672.]


[Inventory, July 5, 1672; amount, £8.15.3; sworn to by Thomas Daniell June 27, 1673.]
ONESIPHOROUS HARVEY 1672 ISLES OF SHOALS

[Administration on the estate of Onesiphorous Harvey of the Isles of Shoals granted by the commissioners to Thomas Daniell May 8, 1672.]


ALLEN LLOYD 1672 PORTSMOUTH

[Inventory of the estate of Allen Lloyd of Portsmouth, June 24, 1672; amount, £201.15.6; signed by Elias Stileman, John Fletcher, and John Pickering, appraisers.]

[Administration on the estate of Allen Lloyd of Portsmouth granted to his widow, Sarah Lloyd, who presented an inventory amounting to £202.15.6, and a list of liabilities amounting to £39.10.6.

"For ye settleing of ye estate Court ordre th' that the house & Land on wch it standeth be to ye son of sd Lyde when he shalbe of age & ye thirteen acres at ye pulpet & ye rest of ye estate be to ye widow for paying of ye debts & bringing up ye child & the whole to remaine in her hand untill ye child be of age, & the thirds thereof during her life."


JOHN GODDARD 1672

In th' name of god Amen, th' Second of July in the year of our Lord one thousand Six hundred and Seventy Second being but Sickly in body Item I give and bequeath my whole Estate as above Said unto my very loving brother Brother Benjamin Godward always provided th' So long as my mother wealthin Simmons liveth th' Sd Estate Shall remain in the hands of my Sd mother and brother as now it is in the hands of my Sd mother and myne own and after my Sd Mothers decease to be totally and Soly to the right and to behoof of my Sd Brother Benjamin godward forever; Ex-
cept thirty pounds with I will and bequeath to the three Sons of my three Sisters; viz John Gilman ten pounds John Bennet ten pounds James Thomas Jun' ten pounds to be paid to them when they come of age; and I do constitute and ordain Robert Burnam and John Davis to be Executors of this my last will and testament as witness my hand and seal.

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John Simmons X
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[Proved June 4, 1694.]
[Deeds, vol. 5, p. 91.]

JOSEPH BAKER 1672 ISLES OF SHOALS

[Administration on the estate of Joseph Baker, "who dyed intestate on Isles of sholes," granted by the commissioners to Edward Beale Nov. 2, 1672.]


[Inventory of the estate of Joseph Baker, who died Oct. 16, 1672; dated Nov. 19, 1672; amount, £39.11.2; signed by James Blagdon, Edward Soule, Peter Twisden, Elias Stileman, Nathaniel Fryer, and James Rendell.]

[Administration confirmed by the court, and inventory presented, amounting to £39.11.2.]


The Deposition of Mary Twisden aged about 41 years:
This deponent Sworne Saith that Joseph backer when he lay one his death beed in the house of her husbands the Said backer
did wish that Edward Beale was com shee asked of him what he would have of the said Beale he the Said Backer said he would willingly speake wth him for he did owe to him the greatest debt that he did owe in the world & that the Said Beale should take his house & land & all that he had and pay his debts for he had enough to pay his debts & to burie him like a man & further saith not:

Taken upon oath by mre Mary Twisden ye 10 July 1673
before me Elias Stileman Com’is

Thé deposition of Phillipe Hatch Aboute 22 years
This depolant Sworne Saith that Joseph Backer did goe to sea wth him in a shollope of Peter Twisdens & that Sum’er before the Said Backer died & he hard the Said Backer say that Sum’er manie times that he did owe Edward Beale eightene pounds wth was more than he did ow to all the world besides & furthe saith not:

10 July 1673 taken upon oath by phillip Hatch
before me Elias Stileman Com’is

The deposition of Peter Twisden aged about 45 years
This depolant Sworne Saith that Joseph Backer lying one his death bed at his house he desird him to Set his busines in order for he was in a very Sicke Condishon & the Said Backer anserd him he had done that allredie for Edward Beale should take all & pay all if he died for he was most In debt to him & further saith not

Taken upon oath ye 10th of July 1673 by mre peter Twisden
before me

Elias Stileman Com’is

The deposition of John Windsland aged about 41 years
This depolant sworne Saith that he was in the house of Peter Twisden Watching wth Joseph Backer when the Said Backer lay one his death bed & Edward Bale being their wth him he hard the Said Backer Say that Edward Beale should take his house & pay himselfe & further saith not.

10: July 1673 taken upon oath by Jn Winsland before me
Elias Stileman Comis
WILLIAM HAM 1672 PORTSMOUTH

The Last Will and Testament of Willyam Ham Sen of Portsmouth in The River of piscatque *

I give to my Grandchild Willyam Ham all That My now dwelling House & houseing with all The Lands Thereto belonging fensed and unfensced Soe far as The Spring That wee use To fetch water att In The Som’er Time Commonly Called The furthe Spring and Soe to th North weste ward as my bounds doth Runn with all my whole estate both of household Goods of w’ kind Soever with all my Cattell of w’ sorte soever xcepting one red Cow—

I give to my other too Grand Children Thomas Ham And John Ham To be divided equally betwenee Them All The Reste of my Lands to me belonging begining at The further spring where my Grand Child willyam Ham endeth and so To Take it as it is Laid out and Recorded In The Towns Records In portsmouth with all The priviledges theire unto belonging—

I give to my daughter Elizabeth Cotten my Red Cow and all her Children Liveing twellpense apeese In The Name of a Legasy—

And further I doe hereby Make my said Grand Child willym Ham my full and whole Executor and To se This my Will performed :: and doe appointe John Hunkinge and Richard Jackson to be my overseers of This my Will accordin to The true intente Thereof In witnees hereof i have here unto sett my hand and Seale This twenty one day of December Annoe Dominy 1672—

Sealed Singned And Delivered william ham [seal]

In The presense of us

Richard Cutt
The marke of
Willyam X king
John Stanley
[Proved June 27, 1673.]

[Inventory of the estate of William Ham, who died Jan. 26, 1672/3; taken Jan. 27, 1672/3: amount, £122.17.0; signed by John Hunking and Richard Jackson.]
WILLIAM MARSTON 1672

the last will & testament of william marston senr of hampton
who being through the mercy of god of perfitt & sound memory
& understanding as followeth I bequeath my soull to him that
gave it & my boddi to the earthe I give to my Eldest Sonn
Thomas marston five shillines & to my son william marston five
shillinges & to my sohn John marston five shillinges & to my
dawt' preudenc Coxes five shillinges to be paid with . . twelfth
month after my deces all the Reast of my estat goodes Chattelles
Debtes moveables & what elses is any maner of wayes appertaining
or belonging unto me I give unto my Dawter Trifana & I dooe
make my beloved wife Sabina my Sole Excekketor unto this my
last will & Teastament for the Confirmation hear of I have here
unto sett my hand & seall the 25 of Jauen on thousand six hun-
dred seventy & twoe

witness Nathanell Drak

Jane Drak

John X lock

his marke

[Proved Oct. 8, 1672.]

2, p. 263.]

[Inventory of the estate; personal, taken by Nathaniel Drake
and Thomas Marston, 1672; amount, £73.10.0; real, taken
by Nathaniel Drake and John Locke; amount, £50.0.0; total
amount, £123.10.0.]

2, p. 263.]

STEPHEN BATCHELDER 1673

[Administration on the estate of Stephen Batchelder granted to
William Richards, husband of Mary Richards, daughter of the
deceased, March 26, 1673.]

[Court Records, March 26, 1673, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 194.]
GILES FULLER       1673     HAMPTON
[Administration on the estate of Giles Fuller of Hampton granted to Thomas Ward of Hampton and Richard Currier of Amesbury, Mass., April 8, 1673.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Deeds, vol. 4, p. 13.]

[Inventory, taken by Thomas Marston, Abraham Perkins, and William Marston April 8, 1673; amount, £153.5.3.]

--- TRUEWORTHY     1673
[Guardianship of James Trueworthy was granted to Nicholas Shapleigh June 24, 1673, this choice being made by the ward.]
[Court Records, June 24, 1673, in Deeds, vol. 2, p. 199.]

JASPER BLAKE       1673     HAMPTON

In the Name of God Amen—
I Jasper Blake of Hampton in the County of Norfolke in the Collony of the Massachusits being sicke & weake and Languishing under a sore Desease which in the Judgment of man will bring my fraile body to the Dust from whence itt was taken, doe make this my Last will as followeth • • •
And for whatt Estate God Hath Given mee in this world my will is that my Just Debts being payd my whole Estate (Excepting whatt is otherways disposed of) shall bee & Remaine in the Hands of Deborah my Beloved wife Dureing the terme of Her life for her subsistans & the Releife of those Children which are yett to bee Brought up
And my further will is that my sone Timothie shall Injoy of my third partt of the farme for his p'sentt Improvementt twenty
Acres of upland & fower Acres of medow for the which he shall Afford such Helpe & Assistance to my wife as they shall Agree upon, and att my wives Decease the sd ½t of the farme being one Hundred Acres as Appears by a deed of Gift from m' Timothy Dalton of Hampton Deceased thatt my sones Timothie & Israel shall Injoy the sd Hundred Acres of land betwixt them to bee Equally Devide both upland & medow and when my wife shall appoint they the sd Timothie & Israel and to pay legacies to my other Children which Have no land so as itt Exceed nott ten pound for Either of them

Item I doe Give unto my Daughter Deborah Blake one of my Cowes to be Delivered to Her by my Exequetor att Her marriag or att the Age of twenty two yers: and five pound more to bee payd within a year after Her mothers Decease if she bee then living

It I Give & Bequeth unto my son John Blake my lott wher I now live Containing aboutt Eigh[t] Acres more or less as itt is and one share of the Cowes Comon and Six Acres of Salt marsh the which he is to Enter upon and possesse att my wives Decease, paying to my other Children such legacies as my wife shall appoind nott Exceeding ten pound

Item I Give unto my sone Jasper Blake my Grant of land at the west end of Hampton bounds Called Hampton New plantation being Eighty Acres as Appears by the towne Records the which he is to Enter upon and possesse after my wives Decease

and my will is that all the land & moveables shall Remaine att my wives Dispose the land for Improvementt & the Movables to Her dispose to Her & Her Heires for Ever, and for whatt land my sons Timothie Israel or John shall Improve in the life time of my wife I leave itt to Her & my overseere to treatt with them & Conclude whatt allowanc they or Either of them shall make to my wife for her subsistans & for the Releise of my small Children; and I doe Apoint Deborah my Beloved wife to bee my Sole Exceqatrex this my last will and testamentt, and I doe Desire & Request my Cossen m' Sam" Dalton to bee as an oveseere and to
Have the desiring of any Differanc that any time may Arise betwixt my wife and any other who Conserned in this my last will and for the Confermation of this as my last will and testamentt I have Herunto sett my Hand & Seale this Eighteenth Day of July in the year of o' lord one thousand Six Hundred & Seaventy and three

Signed Sealed and Confermed
in the presents of us
Christopher Hussey
Samuell Dalton

[Proved April 14, 1674.]

[Inventory, taken by Samuel Dalton and Christopher Hussey Jan. 21, 1673/4; amount, £265.10.0; sworn to by Deborah Blake, executrix, April 14, 1674.]


It is agreed Between Timothie Blake & John Blake administators to the Estate of Jasper Blake and the six Children of the sayd Jasper Blake as followeth viz thatt Deborah the wife of Elieazor Elkins hath her part as appears by a Receit under the Hand of the sd Eliaazor Elkins, and for the other five Children itt is agreed by the sd Timothie & John Blake thatt they shall Receive the some of fiftie pounds thatt is to say ten pound a peece as they Come to age and for the paymentt of the sd fifty pound to the sd five Children we the sd Timothie and John Blake Doe hereby Ingage thatt the Land of the sd Jasper Blake shall ly Responsible for the paymentt of the sd legacies and Hereto wee sett our Hands this tenth Day of november 1679

wittnes
mehetabel Dalton
Elizabeth Dalton

Jasper X Blake [Seal]
His marke & Seale

timothy blake
John X Blake his mark
Timothie Blake and John Blake signed and owned this wrighting the 10th 9 mo 1679 Before mee
Samuell Dalton Comissoner
[Allowed Nov. 11, 1679.]
[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

THOMAS ROBERTS 1673 DOVER

In the name of God Amen

I Thomas Robarts Sen' of the Towne of Dover in Piscattauqua River, in New England yeoman beeing weake of Body • • •

Item I give and bequeath unto my Sone John Robarts, of Dover, aforesaid, the sume of Twenty shill' in Currant money of New England, to be paid, by my Executo' three monethes, after my disease.

Item I give and bequeath, unto my Sone, Thomas Robarts, the sum'e of five shillings, in money to be paid at or within the Space of three monethes, after my disease, by my Executo'

Item I give, and bequeath, unto my Daughter, Hester (now the wife of John Martyn, of New Jarze) the sume of five shillings in money, to be paid, by my Executo', three monethes, after my disease, if demanded,—

Item I give, and bequeath unto my Daughter Anne (now the wife of James Philbrooke, of Hampton) the sum'e of five shill', in money to be paid, by my Executo', at or within the Space, of three monethes, after my disease, as is above men'coned.—

Item I give, and bequeath, unto my daughter Elizabeth, now the wife, of Benjamin Heard, of Cochechock, the sume of five shillings, in money to be paid, at, or within, the Space, of three monethes, after my disease by my Executo'.

Item I give, and bequeath, unto my Sone, in Law Richard Rich, the husband, of my dearly beloved daughter Sarah, and to his heires, Lawfully begotten (or to bee begotten) on the Body of my said Daughter (be it Either Males, or females) the Males, to bee Ever p'ferred, before the females, and the elder, before
the younger, and to his, and their assignes forever, my dwelling
house, where in, I now dwell, Lieing and Scituate, in Dover
aforesaid, to gether also, with all, and Singular, the Out house-
ing, Orchards, planting Land, and pastures, within fence, or Lay-
ing, in Common priviledge, of Commons, proffitts, of Commodi-
ties, Advantages, hereditam*; and appurtenances, whatsoever,
thereunto belonging, or in any wise, appertaining, and now in my
owne Tenure, and occupac'ion, and also, a Lott of fouer Acres,
of planting Land, lieing and Scituate, in Dover aforesaid, neare
my Said dwelling house, and Likewise three Acres, of marsh,
by Estimac'ion, bee it more or Lesse, Lieing, and Scituate, at
the mouth of Winnycott River, neare Greenland, in Piscattauqua
River, aforesaid, which I doe now possess, and Enjoy, and also,
I doe nomminate, make choice of, and appoint, my sd Sone in
Law Rich'd Rich to bee my whole and Sole Executo', (& in Case
of Mortallity, my Daught Sarah above menc'oned) to Execute,
or see Executed, this my Last will, and Testament, according to
the purport, true Intent, and meaning thereof, and in Testimony,
that this is my Last will, and Testament, Irrevocably, I have
hereunto, putt my hand and seale Dated in Dover, aforemenc'oned,
this Twenty Seaventh day of Septemb', One Thousand Six hun-
dred Seaventy & three. 1673.
Signed Sealed and Deliv'd
in the p'sents of us.
Job Clements Sener
Job Clements Ju witnesseth
Richard Allexander
[Proved June 30, 1674.]

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NICHOLAS SMITH 1673

EXETER

[Administration on the estate of Nicholas Smith of Exeter was
granted to his widow, Mary Smith, Oct. 14, 1673.]

[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records, Oct. 14, 1673, and Deeds, vol. 4,
p. 22.]
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

[Inventory of the estate of Nicholas Smith, "died June 22\textsuperscript{th}, 1673"; taken by John Clark and Jonathan Thing July 1, 1673; amount, £129.5.6.]

[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

JOHN CASS 1674 HAMPTON

In the Name of God Amen

The last will and Testament of John Cass of Hampton in the County of Norfolk in New England being sick & weake of Body

Imp: I Give and Bequeath unto Martha Cass my Beloved Wife all my whole stock of Cattle Both of one kind and other and all my other moveables both within dores and without to hir heires and Assignes for Ever. Also I Give unto Martha Cass my wife all my Houseing and Lands in Hampton Both Upland and medows Dureing the time of hir widdowhood And at her Deceas or Day of marriage

itt I Give and Bequeath unto my two sons Joseph and Samuell all my upland Belonging to the farme with all my Housses orchard and the Lot which my House standeth upon and the Comonage belonging to my part of the farme as also all my medow and marsh of the upper Devison downe to the Great Crick Below the Dame (my meaning is that Part of the Crick Below the Dam wher the water Ebbeth Northerly shall be their easterly bonds so far as that Part of the Crick Runs in my marsh the said Houses, Barne, Lands, medows to be equally devided Between them my intent is that Samuell shall devide the Land and medows and Joseph shall Chuse which Part he will have and likewise that Samuell shall sett the price of houseing and Barne and if Joseph shall have his Choyce to take the houses and Barne and to pay unto samuell one halfe of the price so set upon them and if Joseph shall Refuse the Houses and Barne Samuell shall have them Paying unto Joseph one halfe of the price so set by samuell all which Land and medows & Houses they shall Enter upon and
injoy mediately after my wives Deceas or at the Day of her Marriage alwaies provided that they shall have no power to make sale of any of their Land till they shall arise to the age of twenty and eight yeares if they should enter upon it before

itt I Give unto my Daughter Abigall the sum of twenty pounds to be paid to hir by my Wife

itt I Give unto my Daughter Elizabeth twenty pounds to be paid by my two sons Joseph and Samuell in Corne & neat Cattle ten pounds to be paid within one yeare after they enter upon their Lands and the other ten pounds the Next year after to be payd in the same specie

itt I give unto my Daughter Mercy twenty pounds to be paid to her by Joseph and Samuell in Corne and neat Cattle ten pounds to be paid within three yeares after they enter upon their Lands and the other ten pounds within one yeare after my intent is that Joseph and Samuell shall pay equall shares of the forty pounds to Elizabeth & Mercy

itt I Give unto my two sons Jonathan And Ebenezer all the Rest of my marsh from the abovesd Great Crick to the Maine River by sandy point all my land at the New plantation and my out Land of the North Devision and one share of the Cow Comon all to be equally devided: between them accor[d]ing to the Goodnes or Worth of itt and they shall enter upon the said Lands and marshes imediately after my wives Deceas or at the day of her Mariage but my intent and meaning is that if any of my Children be under age when their inheritance is due to them by this my will that it shalbe improved by my executors for their Benifitt till they are of age neither shall my two yongest sons Jonathan and Ebenezer have power to make sale of any Land given them by this my will till they shall arise at the age of twenty eight years if they shall enter upon it before: and I do apoint my beloved Wife martha Cass and my Loveing Brothers Philip Lews and Thomas Philbrick executrix & executors to this my will and testiment which I doe confirme by seting to my hand and scale

itt I ad before the signeing and sealeing that My Daughter Mar-
tha hath alReady had thirty pounds and My Daughter Mary Hath had Cows & other things which my intent is shall be their Portions. In Confirmation of all the Abovesd premisses I have set my hand & seale this fourth of the third month in the yeare of our Lord 1674.

Read Signed & sealed in the
preassents of

Thomas Philbrick
Joseph Dow
Samuel philbrick
[Proved April 13, 1675.]


[Inventory of the estate of John Cass who died April 7, 1675; taken by Edward Gove and Joseph Dow; amount, £1,037.8.6.]


Wheras by the Last will and Testament of my Honoured father John Cass Late of hampton Deceased the Land Given to his two Eldest sons Viz Joseph Cass and Samuell Cass, as by the sd will is more att large to bee seen and Understood, and the sd Samuell Cass Being appointed to Divide the said Land into two parts Both Upland and medow and then Joseph Case to make Choyce of his partt, these p'sents wittneseth thatt the sayd Land hath been Divided by my Brother Samuell Cass Acording to my fathers Last will and the Dividing bounds hath Been shewed to mee the sd Joseph Cass this 26 Day of July 1680 and I the sd Joseph Cass have this Day made Choyce of the north Division of all the Upland and medows on the East side of the Country way According to the Bounds fixed by my Brother Samuell and on the westerly side of the Country way I the sd Joseph have made Choyce of the south Division bounded with the land of Thomas Chase towards the south and the Country way East: Com'on land west and a way into the Com'ons towards the north and my partt as is above
mentioned I Doe by these p'sents owne my selfe fully Satiesfied & Contented with and to this Choyce and Agreement I have Subscribed my hand and Seale, and my Brother Samuell Cass is to have the other partt, and all the houses and Buildings standing there Upon: for the which I Have taken bill Under his hand for my partt & portion of all the houses which my father Left as they are now in being: witnness my hand & seale this 5 of November 1680

Signed Sealed & Delivered in
the p'sents of Us
Samuell Sherburn
Philemon Dalton


whereas by the Last will and testament of my Honoured father John Cass Late of Hampton Deceased the Lands Given by the sd will Unto His two Eldest sons Viz Joseph Cass and Samuell Cass was by the sd Samuell Cass to be Divided into two parts and after Division the sayd Joseph Cass was to make Choyce of his partt of both Upland and medow

These p'sents witnesseth that the sd Land Haveing Been Divided according to the sd will and the Dividing Bounds shewed Unto the sd Joseph Cass the 26 Day of July in the year of our Lord 1680 and the sd Joseph haveing made Choyce of his partt as appears by a wrighting Under his hand & Seale Bearing Even Date with these p'sents & I the sd Samuell Case Doe by these p'sents Declare my selfe well Satiesfied with his Choyce and Doe Accept of the other partt of the Land Vize the South partt of all the Upland & medow that lyeth on the East side of the Country way and with the north Division on the west side of the Country way and have taken into my partt all the houseing thatt are now in being into my partt: and have Given to my brother Joseph security Under my hand for his partt of all the houses as they are now in being and thatt my Brother Joseph Shall peacably Injoy his partt & thatt I Doe Rest Satiesfied with the other partt: I
have hereunto sett my hand and Seale this 5 of November 1680: with this viso thatt my Brother Joseph Cass shall have the use of all the Houseing both Dwelling house & out houses this winter and the Easterly End of the house Untill the 24 Day of June next Insueing

Signed Sealed & Delivered in the p'sents of Us
Samuell Sherburn
Philemon Dalton

THOMAS SIMONDS 1674

The Last will and Testament of Thomas Simons as followeth

Inpris I aforesaid do Comemend my Soule in to the hands of Almighty God my Maker & Christ Jesus my Saviour & Redeemer, and my Body to Christian Buriall.

It I doe Constute & ordaine My wife to bee my True & Lawfull Executrix to demand & Receive all such moneyes as is due to mee & alsoe to pay all such debts as is lawfully due from mee as shall appeare

It. I doe in my Executrix place & steed Constute & ordaine my trusty and well beloved freind & Neighbour to bee my Executor intrust to demaund lawfully what money is due to mee & to pay w't is due from mee here in New England, that is to say Henry Maine; here of the Isles of Sholes and this I doe make as my Last will as aforesd this seaventh day of May Anno Domini 1674

Sealed & signed in y* p'sents of

Michael Endell
Arthur Clapham.

[Proved June 16, 1674. Allowed July 2, 1674.]
JOHN DEW 1674

In ye name of God Amen: I John Dew of Piscataway river seaman being: sick In body: yet In Perfect memory Praysed: be God I doe: as my Last will & Testament. Constitute ordayne & apointe my well beloved frind Robart: Rowsley: to be my hole & Sole Exceutor & administratr: of all ye Goods & money yt ye sayed John Dew: hath: Lefte according to Inventory Tacken: at ye macking of this my Last will & Testement. & w't I shall have Left: after: my departur all things discharged: I doe bequeth unto ye Above sayed Robart: Rowsley. & for ye Performance of this my Last: acte & deed I doe desire my Loving frind Samuell Keais as one to se ye Above sayed Premises Esecetted: as witness my hand this thirtieth of May 1674

Seald & Delivered in the p'sence of us:

The marke of

John E Fletcher
ffran. Morgan

[Presented in court June 30, 1674. See Court Records.]

JOSEPH POMEROY 1674

[Administration on the estate of Joseph Pomeroy granted to his widow, Elizabeth Pomeroy, June 30, 1674, who presented an inventory of £82.7.0.]

[Courrt Records, June 30, 1674, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 6.]

[Administration on the estates of Joseph Pomeroy and his wife, Elizabeth Pomeroy, granted to John Hunking Dec. 30, 1674, and he was ordered to care for the children until the meeting of the county court.]

[Court Records, Dec. 30, 1674, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 6.]

[Inventory of the estate of Joseph Pomeroy, "taken after his wiff's desec october the Last 1674"; amount, £77.15.0; signed by John Barsham and William Cotton; attested by John Pickering Jan. 27, 1674/5.]
[Administration granted to John Pickering June 29, 1675, and the court ordered "that he doe not dispose of any of y° estate without y° consent & approbacion of m° John Hunking & Elias Stileman wth whose consent the whole estate shalbe disposed & Sold to pay his debts & maintaine that child of his putt to goodm: Bawmans of portsm° to Nurse & Keepe, & if there be any thing to spare to be for the other child wth m° Jn° Hunking hath taken to Keepe as his owne."]  
[Court Records, June 29, 1675, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 9.]

[John Hunking petitioning the court for compensation for main- ing John Pomeroy, son of Joseph Pomeroy, the court, June 27, 1676, bound the child to John Hunking as an apprentice until he should reach the age of twenty-two years, being aged five years Jan. 20, 1675/6.]

[Court Records, June 27, 1676, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 16.]

[John Bowman, having taken Abigail Pomeroy, a young child of Joseph Pomeroy, and asking the court for her apprenticeship, the court, June 27, 1676, binds her to him until she is nineteen years old.]  
[Court Records, June 27, 1676, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 16.]

[Inventory of the estate was presented to the court June 27, 1676, by John Pickering, administrator, and the court ordered that John Bowman have £12 out of the movables.]  
[Court Records, June 27, 1676, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 18.]

JOHN LINES 1674 ISLES OF SHOALS

The Last Will, and Testament of John Lines now resident upon y° Ile of Shoales fisherman, and being of perfect memory, made this 29th day of Septemb° 1674:

Imprimis: I do give, and bequeath unto my loyeing Sister Mary Johns, threescore pounds

2: I do give, and bequeath unto my loyeing sister Wilmot Williams, threescore pounds:—
3: I do also give, and bequeath unto my brother in law Nicholas Johns, ten pounds, if liveing, if not, I give it to my Sister, mary Johns;

4: I do also give unto my Brother in law, Edward Williams, ten pounds, if liveing, if not, I give it to my Sister, Wilmot Williams:—

5: I give, and bequeath unto my necce Ebbet Parsons, Daughter to my Sister, mary Johns, Twenty pounds:—

6 What shall, (after the payment, of the abovesaid Legacies) remaine of my Estate, I doe give unto the godly poor, and needy, Non-Conformists ministers, or others, and the Disposeal of the same, I leave to the wisedome, and discretion, of the Reverend m' John ffavel, and m' Robert Bake merchant, of Dartmouth, whom I do hereby appoint to be the Executors, and Administrators of this my will:

And because my Estate now lieth in New England, where I now reside, I do hereby appoint my loveing friends, m' Samuel Belcher and m' John ffletcher, residents in New England, Overseers of this my will, In my name, to demand, and receive into their Custody, all my Estate, whether at present in my hands, or others; and due to me by Bill, Bond, or otherwise, and to Convey the same, to the abovesaid Executors, they calling for it, and Convenient opportunities presenting for the sending of it, that this my will may be fulfilled:—

7: And I do hereby give unto the above named, overseers, m' Samuel Belcher minister of the Ile of shoales and m' John ffletcher chirurgion, in Portsmouth in New England, Ten pounds apeice, for the labour, and paines they shall take in the premises:—This is my last will, and Testament, witnesse my hand, and Seal, the day and year above written;—

Signed and sealed, John X Lines [seal]
in the presence of his marke;
Peter Twisden &
John ffabes
[Proved June 29, 1675.]
[Inventory, June 16, 1675; amount, £729.13.0; signed by John Fabes and Christopher Joce.]

JONATHAN THING 1674

[Inventory of the estate of "Jonathan Thing senior Late deceased the 29 of April anno 1674"; taken by John Gilman and William Moore; amount, £444.17.7; attested by Joanna Thing and Jonathan Thing, administrators, Oct. 13, 1674; addition to inventory of £137.10.0, Nov. 17, 1676.]


[List of debts due from the estate; amount, £534.7.8.]

[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

An agreement Made and Concluded by and betweene Johanna Thing Administratrix And Jonathan Thing Administrator to ye estate of Jonathan Thing of Exetor in the County of norfolke deceased

Impr: It is agreed by us to Manage ye estate togather Joynly as Copartners untill either or both of us doe Chang our Conditions by Marage; and Improve the estate for our owne Lively hod and bringing up of ye Children and wee Indeaveing to give them education to our abillity and when they Come of age samuell Thing to receive: 25 pounds for his portion: and Elizabeth Thing and Marey Thing to receive: 20 pounds apeece those portions to be payed out of ye estate part in Land and part in Moveable goods out of ye estate at such prices as it is Aprized in the Inventory: and we ingage to pay all Just debts; and desire to receive all due Debts: this is our agreemt in Case ye honoured Courtt please to Aprove of it as witnes our hands this: 9th day of octob: 1676

Johana Thing
Jonathan Thing

Johannah Thing & Jonathing presenting to this Court an agree-ment betw: them w'th relation to a settlement of ye Estate of Jona-
than Thing deceased & to y* bringing up of his Children; & their portions to be paid them w^n they come of age & this Court haveing seene y* Inventorir of Debt & Credit of y* s^d Estate This Court doe approve & allow of the said agreement dated October y* 9th: 1676, & order y* said portions to y* children mentioned, and doe farther order that y* house & land mentioned in y* Inventorir & valued at 8th w^th y* six acres & half of Salt marsh valued at 19th 10*: shall lyse responeseble for y* Childrens portions: And doe judge meet to release the administrators fro their bonds given upon taking Letters of Administration

Tho: Bradbury rec'


JOHN SCRIBNER 1674 DOVER

The 27th of Novemb 1674 I Jno Scriven of Dover being Sick & weak in body * * *

It I doe give unto my Wife Mary Scriven the one third part of my house & land dureing her Naturall life as also two Cowes two Swine one featherbed & bolster & the bed clothes belonging to it & two sheep

It I give unto my Eldest Son John when he Comes to be of y* Age of twenty one years my house & all my land w^th all the priviledges therunto belonging onely reserveing the third thereof to my Wife dureing her Naturall life as alsoe he paying unto my two younger sons Edward & Thomas five pounds a peece w^n they come to be twenty one years of Age & five pound to my daugh-ter Elizabeth when she comes to be of the Age of Eighteen Years to be paid in the Currant Pay of the place

Item I Give all the Remainder of my estate in Moveables or any debts in y* hands of any son into the hands of my Over-seers hereafter Mentioned to be Improved for y* Education & bringing up of my Children in whose hands I likewise leave my Children to be disposed of w^th the Advise of my Wife & doe her-by Apoint my Son Jn° to be y* sole Execut° of this my last Will
& Testament & ff or my Overseers to Manage him & the estate till he Comes to be of the Age of twenty one years And lastly I doe desire & Apoint my loveing friends & Neighbours Elder Wm Wentworth L Peter Coffin to be my trustees & Overseers to See this my last will & Testament performed As Wittnesse my hand & seal the day & year beforewrittren

Signed & Sealed the mark of
in p'sence of John X Scriven [seal]
Richard Waldron Jun'
Stephen Otis
[Proved June 27, 1676.]

[Inventory of the estate of John Scribner, who died Oct. 2, 1675; taken Oct. 8, 1675; amount, £79.16.0; signed by John Heard, Edward Colcord, and Nathaniel Stevens.]

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PETER JOHNSON 1674 HAMPTON

[Inventory of the estate of Peter Johnson of Hampton, taken by William Sanborn and John Moulton Dec. 7, 1674; amount, £184.4.0. Some of the land (valued at £16) was claimed by James Johnson.

Ruth Johnson was appointed administratrix of the estate April 13, 1675. Sureties on her bond were William Sanborn and John Moulton.]


[Order of court, Oct. 9, 1677, that the lands belonging to the estate of Peter Johnson of Hampton be responsible for the maintenance of his four children.]

[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records, Oct. 9, 1677, and Deeds, vol. 4, p. 55.]

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HATEVIL NUTTER 1674 DOVER

I Hatevill Nutter of Dover in New England Aged about seventy one yeares at p'sent weake in body but havinge in some good measchure (by gods blessinge) the use of my understandinge and
memory, Do make this my last will and testament in maner and forme as followeth, hereby abrogatinge all former and other wills by me made, whatsoever.

Com'endinge my soule to my blessed god & saviour, my body to the Dust by christian burial in hopes of a glorious resurrection, I appoint and will my outward estate to be had and held as followeth viz: To my p'sent wife Anne I will & bequeath (after my Debts payed and funerall expenses defrayed) the use and improvement of my p'sent Dwellinge house barne orchard & land thereunto adjoininge, with all com'ons pastures priviledges and appurtenances thereunto belonginge, as also the use & benefit of that marsh which belongs to me in the great Bay, at Harwoods cove, the other halfe whereof I have formerly given to my son Anthony, this also descendinge to him at his mothers Decease, To her also I bequeath the use of two other marshes, the one of them lyinge on the easterne, the other on the western side of the back river, which both fall from her to my Daughter mary Wingo. To her also my said wife I bequeath the use of my household stuff cattle Debtes goodes & all other movables whatsoever; that is to say the above bequeathed partes of my estate I bequeath to her use Durieng her widdowhood, but if she shall see meet to marry I appoint that at or before her Marriage, halfe the movables be equally Devided amongst my three children now livinge viz: Anthony, Mary & Abigaile their heires executors administtrators or assignes and that then my Daughter Mary receive the marsh on the eastern side of the back river. The other halfe of the movables, and the house & land & other marshes to continue in her handes and use duringe her life, and at her Decease to descend as followeth—

To my sonne Anthony Nutter his heires and assignes I Bequeath (besides what I have formerly made over to him) my mill-graunt at Lamprill River with all dues and Demands priviledges and appurtenances thereunto belonginge to be had and held by him or them forever after my Decease. To him also I bequeath one third part of my movables as they fall from his mother at her
marriage or Decease as above-said. To him I also bequeath my p’sent dwelling house barne orchard and land on dover neck with my right in the ox pasture calve pasture sheep pasture on the said neck as also one quarter part of my land granted to be in the woodes above Cuchecha, with the priviledges and appurtenances belonginge to any and every of them, to be had and held by him or them his said heires or assignes forever after the Decease of his mother. To my Daughter Abigail Roberts I Bequeath one halfe of my two hundred acres of Land granted to be in the woodes above cuchecha to be had & held by her her heires and assignes for ever after my Decease. Also to her I give one third part of my movables to be received as above-said when they fall fro her mother at marriage or Decease. To my Daughter Mary Winget her heires or assignes I bequeath the other quarter of the above-said Land graunted to be above cuchecha to be had & held by her or them for ever after my Decease. To her also I Give my marsh on the eastern side of the back river to be had & held by her her heires or assignes forever after the marriage, or Decease of her mother. To her also I give the other third part of the movables as they fall from her mother by mariage or decease as above-said. Lastly I Do by these p’sents Constitute and appoint, my wife Anne above-said and my said sonne Anthony, joint executor and executrix of this my will, duringe their lives, and the longer liver of them solely after the Decease of either of them. In wittnes of the p’mises I doe hereunto set my hand & seale this 28th day of Decemb’ Anno. D. 1674

The word (mother) interlined Hatevill Nutter [seal] betwene the 40th & 41st Line,

before signing & sealinge

Wittness

Jnº Reynº

John Robearts

[Proved June 29, 1675. See Court Records.]

[Inventory, June 25, 1675; amount, £398.7.4; signed by Henry Langstaff and Peter Coffin.]
JAMES DREW 1674

[Administration on the estate of James Drew granted to his widow, Mary Drew, Dec. 30, 1674; she and John Moses gave bonds of £300.]

[Inventory, June 25, 1675; amount, £151.13.0; signed by John Sherburne and John Moses; attested by John Sherburne June 26, 1675.]

[Endorsed] the wid drew brought in an Inventory of ye estate Unto wth she tooke oath
& ye Court ord that ye widow have all the moveables to her selve for ever & the whole estate for bringing up the children during ye Courts pleasure

Elias Stileman Cleric

THOMAS START 1674

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Start granted to Capt. Richard Cutt Dec. 30, 1674.]

[Court Records, Dec. 30, 1674, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 6.]

TOBIAS BURNELL 1674/5

[Administration on the estate of Tobias Burnell granted to John Clark, William Lux, and Edward Cater Jan. 16, 1674/5, who gave bond in the sum of £200.]

[Court Records, Jan. 16, 1674/5, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 6.]

[Inventory, Jan. 21, 1674/5; amount, £70.14.9; signed by John Clark, Elias Stileman, and John Harvey; list of claims against the estate, amounting to £21.0.0; John Clark and Edward Cater bind themselves in £100 to account for the estate when called for by the court.]

[Administration on the estate having been granted to Abel Porter by the court in Boston, and the administrators not agreeing, the
court, June 29, 1675, "doth Judge it is most meete & according to Law, that those persons that had administracion granted by authority here should have their power Continewed, & for y' the estate being wholly with in this County."

[ Court Records, June 29, 1675, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 10. ]

[ Inventory was presented June 29, 1675, and attested by the administrators, who gave bond in the sum of £100. ]

[ Court Records, June 29, 1675, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 11. ]

[Humphrey Wills of Devon, England, appearing with power of attorney from Agnes Burnell of the county of Devon, for the receipt of the estate of Tobias Burnell, who died intestate in the county of Dover and Portsmouth, the court, Oct. 31, 1677, ordered that the balance of the estate be delivered to said Wills.]

[ Court Records, June–Oct., 1677, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 20. ]

RICHARD CUTT 1675 PORTSMOUTH

The Last Will & Testament of Richard Cutt

I Richard Cutt of Portsmouth in Pascatteque being in perfect Memory & good health, • • • •

1 I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Eleanor Cutt my Now dwelinge house with y' Bake house Brewhouse Barne & all housinge therunto belonginge withe Lodge warehouse & wharvinge (my stone warehouse only excepted) together with my garden orchard & all the Land in fence in the home field adjoyninge to my house, as also my Corne mill with my house & Barnes Up at the creek with all the Upland & Meadow ther Unto belonginge so far as home Unto that Land which I bought of Hubertus Mattoon (exceptinge y' Tanyard & the buildings ther Unto belonginge & the Land on that side of the flume) All which • mises before mentioned (except what is excepted) I will shalbe in the hands & to the Use and behoofe of my dearly beloved wife abovesaid dureinge her Naturall Life, And after her decease I give & be-
queth the hole Estate abovesaid Unto my Grandson Cutt Vahan with all the priveledges & Appurtanances ther Unto belonginge to be to him & his Heires for Ever, & it shall com into his hands at the age of twenty one yeares, but if hee Die before that age, then I give it to the next Heire Male, & if ther be no Heire Male, then to ye next Heire ye shall survive further more I give Unto my sd wife all my plate Brase pewter Iron Bedinge Utensells belonginge to the house together wth all my stocke of Cattell to be absolutely at her Disposall when and to home or wher shee pleases, & the five neger servants

2 I give to my Beloved Dafter Margerett Vahan my stone ware-house & that WM of the wood fild joyning to that wth was John Pickerings & reaching home to william Hearles on the west, with my Bro: Jo— Cutt also on ye west the way that goes to the Creek on the North & Christopher Josse on ye Est togather withe Tanyard housinge & stock therin, & the Litell fild on the south of the flume (All wayes exceptinge & reserveinge the high way as it is now to the farme & to the other mill which is to be keept free for the Use of ye mill & the houses by it) All which I give to my Daughter Margerett & her Children, if they faile then to my Daughter Bridgett & hers, after the decease of my Daughter Margerett

3 Unto my beloved Daughter Bridgett & her Heires forever, I give the remainder of that fild Comonly called the Great fild, to say all besids what is alreadly given to her & her Husband, & alreadly sould to severall sons, to bee to her & her Heirs for ever. with all the priviledge & Apurtanences ther Unto belonging I give also to my Daughter Bridgett that WT of the wood fild on the south of the High way Up to the Creeke as it is now fensed, the other WT betwene the High way & the Creeke her mother shall have Liberty to Use Duringe her naturall Life, & that WT also shalbe Bridgett after her mothers Decease, Likwise I give to Bridgett my Land in the Longe Reach next to that wth was Cap Pendletons beinge thirty three poles brod front on the River, & so backe the hole depth: wth Land abovesaid shalbe to Bridgett & her
Heires for ever, if shee Die without Heires then it shall fall to the Heires of her sister Margerett, after the Decease of my sd Daughter Bridgett.

4 I give to my sonn William Vahan my Land on the great Iland bought of Jn. Mason & y Acre given mee by the Towne which was Laid out with an Acre of Mr fryers, I give him also two hundred pounds out of my Estate, & also my housinge at the Iles of shoules on Star Ileland together with that Estate boath in stocke & depts that is in Partnershhip with him ther, evied he rest sattisfied therwith Upon the acco of Partnershhip in tradinge betwixt Us ther, if hee be not sattisfied so then that at y Iland to be sould & the Estat ther Valued & the ballance to be given him out of my other Estat when accs are made Up. And I doe by thes presence oblige my son will Vahan not to exspect any more out of my Estat for salery or for any thinge donn for mee at home or abrod besides what hee hath alredy recd, & is above expressend.

5 I give to welbeloved son Tho: Daniell two hundred pounds out of my Estat

6 further more I doe give to my Grandson Cutt Vahan one hundred pounds

7 I give to my Grandchild Elenor Vahan that house & Land I bought of M Matone with that part of my Land that comes from the Pulpit the hole breath of Matones Land till it com to my Bro: Jo Cutt Land on the North, together with two hundred pounds, the Legacis to be pd in mony or aquivilent:

8 I give to my Grandchild Mary Vahan two hundred pounds in mony and the hundred & fivety acres of Land & the medow belonginge to it as I bought of Edward Hilton, as appeare by a bill of sale of John wedgets.

9 further I will that what remainse of my twenty pounds anum subscribed as a gift to the Colledge for my selfe & sons be carfully Discharged by my executors

10 I give to my Bro: John Cutt ten pounds to buy him morninge & tenn pounds to his wife & five pounds to ech of his Children.
I give to my sister Ann shipway ten pounds to buy morninge & five pounds to my Bro: shipway, & five pounds to his sonn Jo—shipway

I give to my Bro: Rob: Cutt Widow five pounds & to ech of her Children five pounds, as also I doe forgive the dept due on my Booke:

I give to Mr: Joshua Moudy thirty pounds & to his five Children ten pounds to say fortye shillings to ech of them./

I give to my Cozen John Hole & his wife five pounds ech of them

I give to the Church of Porthmouth ten pounds to buy a peece of plate for the Use of the Church./

I make my wife Elenor and my two Daughters Margertt & Bridgett my Executors to whome I give the rest of my Estate as well shipinge or what else due to mee in any ₣t of the world, my depts & Legacies given paid, & what remains to be Divided in aqual thirds betwene my wife & daughters

I make my Bro: John Cutt, Mr Joshua Moudy, my sonn william Vahan & my sonn Tho: Daniell my over seears to . . .

. . . my will ₣formed, to the truth of this I have heare Unto . . . hand & seale this 10th of May 1675 @ Porthmouth in Pascatteke

wee whose names are Underwritten ₣ mee Richard Cutt
doe attest that Richard Cutt did owne this to Us to bee his owne voluntary.
act and Deede./

John Wincoll
John ffletcher

[Proved June 27, 1676.]

Portsm° 10:10:1677—We whose names are under written being Chosen & Desired to hear judge & Determine al matters of Controversy Between m° Elan° Cutt Widow m° Margret Vaughan & m° Bridget Daniel Executrix° unto y° Will of Cap° Rich° Cutt Ded° late of Portsm° In Piscataqua River & Cap° Tho° Daniel &
Maj. Wm. Vaughan. Husbands unto ye aforesd. two Gentlewomen. Respecting both ye Will & Estate of ye sd. Cap't Richd. Cutt. touching al Accnts & Demands from ye Same & and the above named parties having firmly Bound themselves their heirs Exeqrs. & Admrs. In a Bond of two thousand lawful Money of ye Massa. Colony. Bearing Date ye 7th Instant to rest Satisfy'd in & abide by our Determination, therein we having accordingly heard & Consider'd al Accnts & Demands present'd to us by al & Every ye abovesd. party's. do Award as followeth—1st. ye ye Leanto & Wharfe before ye Stone Warehouse & Adjoyning thereto shall be im'diately to ye use of mrs. Vaughan & ye Leanto at ye North End of sd. Warehouse to be used by mrs. Elen Cutt dureing her Natural life & then to be In ye. Same Capacity with ye Warehouse wth being Mutually Agreed upon by al parties we Confirm & Ratifie—2nd. By ye Stock In ye Tanyard Mention'd In the Will (Article 2d) we say is Intend'd al ye utensils. Belonging to ye Tanyard wth whatever Hydes were there unfinish'd at ye time of ye Deceas. of ye Testator—3rd. it Being a Question whose shall be ye Improvmt of ye Estate Given to Cutt Vaughan after ye Decease of mrs. Elen Cutt In Case she Dye Before he Arrive to ye Age of 21 years we Say ye not knowing whether Ever there will be need of such a Question it is Sufficient to Refer it until ye Solution of it Appears Necessary—4th. ye sent Improvmt of ye hundred pound Given Cutt Vaughan & ye Legacies of Money & lands Given to ye Children of mrs. Vaughan Belongs to ye legatees til both principle & Improvmt do fall into their hands when they Come to Age—

5th. ye legacies to ye Children aforesd. to be forthwith. Provided According to ye Will by the Exeqrs. viz. five hundred pound in Money to be Reserv'd In mrs. Hubbards hands In Boston for ye End & Application to be by them made to ye next County Court that they Appoint Guardians for ye Children & take Security of them for their Responding of sd. Estate Respecting both money & lands Given them by Will wth ye Improvmt thereof to ye Children when legally Demand'd Except In ye mean time ye Exeqrs. shall mutually agree about it so as to Secure ye Estate to ye Children—
6th. we Determine ye lands In ye Great field & wood field are Given by ye Will to m's Daniel Absolutely w.thout any Intail ye other lands in the long Reach is Entail'd on ye heirs of m's Vaughan if m's Daniel hath no Child.

7th. we Award ye Seven hundred & thirty Pounds be pd by ye Executrixes out of ye whole Estate unto m's Wm Vaughan in Such pay as may be Equivalent unto Money & ye ye land upon ye great Island both ye Bought of m's Mason as also ye Acre of land given Cap's Cutt by ye Town both w.th are Mention'd In ye Will to be to him & his heirs forever & m's Vaughan to Rest Satisfy'd therewith In full of al Demands from ye Estate so far as it Refers to himselfe distinct from ye legacies given to his Wife & Children—

8th. we Order ye two hundred & Sixty pounds be pd to Cap's Tho's Daniel besides ye legacie given him by ye Will of ye Dec'd w.th is also to be pd as ye Will Declares In pay Equivalent to money & ye s'd Cap's Daniel to Rest Satisfy'd therewith In full of al Demands from ye Estate Respecting himselfe personally distinct from ye legacy given to his Wife & ye Sums above Mention'd Due to m's Vaughan & Cap's Daniel are to be pd out of ye Estate already Divided—

9th. that al lands or other Estate not named In ye Will w.th ye housing & land &c: at ye Isle of Shoals shall be Equally Divided Between[n] ye Executrixes only ye whole cell of marsh at little harbour & al ye land near or about ye Spring by m's Martyns to be Solely to ye use of m's Elen Cutt during her Natural life afterward ye Same to be divided as aforesaid this we Confirm we being Consent'd to by al—

10th. ye paym't aforesaid of both of Debts & legacies being made & Reserved as aforesaid we do farther Award ye Shiping being forthwa' priz'd by Indifferent men as Money ye Same to be Equally Divided Between ye Executrixes: m's Cutt having liberty to make ye first Choice Except they shall mutually Agree to Continue In Partnership in them or any of them—

11th. And we do further award ye aforesaid partyes viz'd Cap's Daniel m's Vaughan & their Wives upon ye paym't of such Sums
as are before Expressed to Sign & seal legal Discharges to y° Execut° In full for all Debts & Demands from y° Estate by Will or by any Acc° Depending before y° Deth of y° Testator & y° this is our Award & final Determination & Issue of all matters of Difference Respecting al Acc° & Demands Between y° afores° P@sies Refering to y° Will & Estate of Cap° Rich° Cutt Dec° we Testifie by Setting to our hands & Seals this roth of Dec° 1677

Rich° Waldron [seal]
Rob° Pike [seal]
Laur° Hammond [seal]
Peter Coffin [seal]

[Deeds, vol. 19, p. 492.]

[Guardianship of Eleanor Vaughan, Mary Vaughan, and Cutt Vaughan granted to their father, William Vaughan, and Eleanor Cutt June 24, 1679.]

[Court Records, June 24, 1679, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 30.]

[Administration de bonis non of the estate of Richard Cutt of Portsmouth, merchant, granted to his son-in-law, William Vaughan of Portsmouth, merchant, Oct. 12, 1700.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 220]

[Bond of William Vaughan, with Samuel Penhallow and George Vaughan as sureties, in the sum of £500, Oct. 12, 1700, for the administration of the estate; witness, Richard Partridge.]

EDWARD CLARK 1675

[Inventory of the estate of Edward Clark, June 17, 1675; amount, £257.15.6; signed by William Fernald, John Shortridge, and Elias Stileman; brought into court, March 28, 1676.]

[Administration on the estate of Edward Clark, “lately drown-ed,” was granted to his widow, Mary Clark, and John Partridge]
June 29, 1675; the widow was ordered not to dispose of any of the estate without the consent of Partridge, and bond was fixed at £200. The court ordered that John Clark, oldest son of the deceased by his first wife, be made an apprentice by Capt. Cutt and Elias Stileman, and that the oldest daughter, Sarah Clark, be bound out to her aunt, Sarah Waterhouse, until she was eighteen years old or married.

[Courts Records, June 29, 1675, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 10.]

For the settling of ye estate of Edward Clarke deceased This Court ord're ye the house barn & Island whereon he Lived called Docters Island, that his widow Mary Clarke shall have ye use of untill Jn Clarke & Sarah Clarke w'h he had by his first wife shall com to age ye son at 21 yeares & ye daughter at 18 yeares, the Son to have a double portion & as either of them com to age to receive their parts thereof & after both are com to age the widow to have her thirds of ye whold during her Life & her thirds to be devided to ye foresd children in such proportion as above after her decease And ye rest of ye estate mentioned in the Inventory to be to ye widow for ye bringing up the three Children she has by sd Clark she receiving all ye debts due to ye estate and pay all debts due from ye estate. / the Inventory put on file of this Courts records:

[Courts Records, June 27, 1676, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 16.]

CALEB STEVENS 1675

[Administration on the estate of Caleb Stevens granted to his widow, Ruth Stevens, and Peter Glanfield June 29, 1675, who were bound in the sum of £150; "& whereas there is some debt or debts owing to m'r Martyn and m'r Hunking aboute his fishing voyage this winter past, & to prevent the Spoiling of his share of fish ord'r that ye Administrato'r pay his share of fish and portledge to sd persons & make the estate deb' & Credit for it."

[Courts Records, June 29, 1675, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 10.]
WALTER ABBOTT 1675

[Administration on the estate of Walter Abbott, who died in Jamaica, granted to his brother, Thomas Abbott, June 29, 1675.]

[Court Records, June 29, 1675, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 11.]

JOHN ROBINSON 1675 EXETER

[Inventory of the estate of John Robinson of Exeter, "deceased this 10th of y* 9th m* 1675"; amount, £180.11.6: appraised by John Gilman and Robert Wadleigh.]


[Administration on the estate granted to Elizabeth Robinson and David Robinson May 30, 1676.]

[Norfolk County, Mass., Deeds, vol. 4, p. 42.]

[Account of debts due from the estate; signed by Elizabeth Robinson and David Robinson; dated April 6, 1677. Disbursements made by David Robinson since his father's death.]


[Order of court, April 10, 1677, directing David Robinson, joint administrator with his mother, of the estate of John Robinson of Exeter, to divide the estate, after her death, among the surviving children.]

[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records, April 10, 1677, and Deeds, vol. 4, p. 51.]

THOMAS TRICKEY 1675

[Inventory of the estate of Thomas Trickey, Dec. 3, 1675; amount, £308.0.0; signed by William Furber and Henry Langstaff; attested by the widow.]

"for y* p'sent settlement of this estate This Court Leaves the whole estate in the hand of y* administratrix to be Improved &
manned for her comfort & Livelyhood & this untill this Court take other order.”]

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Trickey granted to his widow, Elizabeth Trickey, June 27, 1676.]

[Court Records, June 27, 1676, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 16.]

[Inventory of the estate was presented by the widow June 25, 1678.]

[Court Records, June 25, 1678, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 26.]

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WILLIAM ROBERTS 1676 DOVER

[Administration on the estate of William Roberts granted to William Follett, Richard Otis, William Williams, William Williams, Jr., and James Bunker March 29, 1676.]

[Court Records, March 29, 1676, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 243.]

[All except Richard Otis declining administration, the court, June 27, appointed him sole administrator and fixed his bond at £200. The personal property not being sufficient to pay the debts, he was authorized to sell real estate, and Job Clements, one of the selectmen of Dover, was joined with him “for ye ordering & disposing of the widow & w't estate shall remaine after ye debts be paid, & for the putting out of the children in places suitable.”]}

[Court Records, June 27, 1676, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 19.]

[Order of court, March 27, 1677, that the selectmen of Dover bring in a list of the debts of William Roberts.]

[Richard Otis’s account of the estate of William Roberts, Aug. 27, 1677; assets, £132.1.9; liabilities and expenditures, £82.0.0; allowed by the selectmen of Dover Dec. 20, 1677; signed by Richard Waldron, Job Clements, John Davis, and Anthony Nutter; brought into court Dec. 25, 1677; mentions widow and a girl.]
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

PHILIP BINMORE 1676 DOVER

In the Name of God amen. the Two & twentie day of May in ye Yeare of o Lord God one thousand Six Hundred Seaventie Six I Phillip Binmore of ye Township of Dover in ye Count of Dover & Postmoth. * * *

I doe of Love & affection wth I doe owe & bare to Rebecca my wife give Unto her the best beast which I shall be possesed of when it shall please god to call me by death & also a Rugg the beding as we doe now make Use of: and the Cubbord stoole: & ye Lamerie Cubbord: It I doe give Unto my daughter Temporaiace ye greate brass Cittle: & to my daughter Hester my brass pan: & also for there better mentenance & education I doe make, & ordaine them to be Equall & Coequall Heires & Executrixes of all my Lands goods & Chattels wth is not formerly disposed & given: & to be equallie divided betweene them & I doe desire & Request my Kinsman John Evens & Mr Richard Rich to be my Executors in Trust to see the perfection of this my will as wittness my hand & seale.—

Joseph Canny { witnesses
silvanus nocke }

[Proved June 27, 1676.]

[Inventroy, June 23, 1676; amount, £81.8.3; signed by Job Clements and John Roberts.]

JAMES PHILBRICK 1676 HAMPTON

[Administration on the estate of James Philbrick of Hampton granted to the widow, Ann Philbrick, and Timothy Hilliard May 30, 1676.]


[Order of court, Nov. 14, 1676, joining James Philbrick, Jr., son of James Philbrick, with his mother in the administration of the estate, he having returned from sea, and discharging Timothy Hilliard, son-in-law of the deceased.]

[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records, Nov. 14, 1676, and Deeds, vol. 4, p. 49.]

**CATHERINE HILTON 1676 EXETER**

The will & Testament of mr Katheraine Hilton as Followeth:

mr Kathanarine Hilton, being of her perfect senses and understanding doeth order and dispose of her goods and effects as followeth

Impus: shee doth comit and commend her soule to god that gave it her, shee doth comit her body to the dust from whence it was framed with a decent burial of the same.

For her estate and goods as followeth.

To James Tryworthy the son of Sam: Tryworthy a silver beaker to be kept in the hands of her Daughter Elizabeth Gilman, till he come to age.

To James Triworth the son of John Triwrorthy a silver cup with a fork

To Edward Hilton junior, a silver cup with two ears.

To Sam: Gilman her Grandchild a silver spoone.

To mr Sam: Dudly towards his ministry to be paid out of her Estate to the valew of money, to the sume of forty shillings.

To her Daughter mr meridith named by Joanna, one yron great Kettle, and a cloth gowne, and a cloth petticoat, and a greene apron.

To mr Lucy wells, one stone ring, one mor Hayre petticoate
To her Daughter Elizabeth Gilman, her wedding ring, her serge gowne, her serge petticoat, and her stuffe petticoat, and alsoe her hat.

To Johanna Meridith, her grandchilde a paire of holland sheets
To mary Gilman her Grand child, a table cloth and napkins
and a Holland pillow beare and a towel, and a great pewter platter
To Betty Gilman, one Holland sheet & a paire of stockings.
To Abigail Gilman the wife of Edward Gilman one feather pillow and wistead rug, and pillion and pillion cloth, and hood and safeguard.
To Katharaine Paul, her best skarth, and serge petticoat, being of a gray colour.
To Katharine Gilman, a black handkerchief and a black sk—
To Sarah Gilman, a black hood,
To Lydye Gilman a black hood
To Abigail Gilman, her white mantle.
To goodwife Robinson, her cloth petticoat, & her cloth wais-coate, and a paire of bodyes & a paire of stockings, and a suite of linnen.
To Remainder of her linnen, what is not disposed of above wrytten to be divided among all her grand Daughters.
To Jane Hilton her silver bodkin, and a new shift.
To all these p'misses above wrytten mrs Katharaine Hilton, hath given, her ful consent and approbation, as appears vereyled by these witnesses have subscribed
memoranda: This the will of the said Kathairine Hilton that when all her debts are discharged, in reference to her son in law Capt. John Gilman, & mrs wells, & what shalbe layd out and expended about her funerall, the remainder to be divided among her Grand children.
And furthermore, that all the p'misses aboveasaid, may be put in act and exequition I doe choose and appoint my son John Gil- man, Capt: for my Executor.
To the p'misses aboveasaid in testeification of the truth of the same. I doe subscribe my name.

Sam: Dudley
Rebeccah Sweat

[Proved May 30, 1676.]

ALEXANDER WALDRON 1676 NEwCASTLE

In the Name of God Amen; I Alexander Walden Sojourner On the Great Island near piscataqua River of Sound and perfect mind but weak in Body make and Ordaine this my Last Will and Testament in Manner following

first. I commend my Soul into the hands of God hoping Through Christ my Savio'r to have pardon of Sinn and Life Eternall—and I make and Ordaine my executor hereafter Named to Dispose my Temporall Things as followeth—

1. I make Isaack Walden of Boston my beeloved Brother my executor and Overseer of all my Concernements and for his paines I give to him and his wife in Money The Summ of Twenty pounds

2. My Temporall Estate I dispose of and Bequeath as followeth I give to Joan Barker of Coventry in the Kingdom of Old England If shee bee yet at making this my will Unmarried The Summ of One hundred pounds

3. I give my house and Land Scituate in Boston in Newe England unto the use and occupation of Abisha wife of Robert Tapereell marriner during her Life and after her Decease I give and bequeath the Same hous and Land Unto my Brother william walden and my Brother George Walden equally to bee Beetwen them both to have and dispose

4. All the Remaineing part of my Temporall Estate which God hath given mee. I give and bequeath To my Brother Edward Walden in the Kingdom of Old England, and To my Sister Mary and To my Brother Sammuell Walden to bee equally divided among them

5. I will that all my funerall Chardges and all the Debts that I owe to any person Bee first Dischardged and paid:
6. I give and Beequeath Two Gould Rings in my Chest in a
purs to Abisha Wife of Robert Taprell above Sayd
7 I give to Alce; Eldest Daughter of Sayd Taprell in money
the Summ of Ten pounds, to bee paid to her mother and in meane
time to bee improved and with the improvement to bee paid to Alce
at the Time of Mariadg or at the Age of eighteen yeares Onely if
my executor first above mentioned Sees fit not otherwise That the
sayd Abisha the Mother of Sayd Alce may Secure the Sayd Tenn
pounds with improvement.
8 I give Scarfs to all my Barers to the grave. Money I have in
my Chest Is about sixty pounds, my executor above Said is to Take
it with all the moveable Things to Dispose according to this my
Last will and Testament witness my hand & seal ye 7th June 1676
Signed Sealed

Alexander Waldren [seal]

& d’d in p’sents of us
Elias Stileman
Nath ffryer—
[Proved June 27, 1676. See Court Records.]

[Inventory, June 14, 1676; amount, £383.13.7; signed by Fran-
cis Tucker and William Henderson; attested by Isaac Waldron
June 27, 1676.]

AMBROSE SHERBURNEM 1676
[Administration on the estate of Ambrose Sherburne granted
to his father, Henry Sherburne, June 27, 1676.]

[ Court Records, June 27, 1676, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 14.]

JOHN PIERCE 1676 DOVER
[Administration on the estate of John Pierce of Dover granted
to Robert Burnham and Stephen Jones June 27, 1676.]

[ Court Records, June 27, 1676, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 14.]
WILLIAM BEARD 1676

[Administration on the estate of William Beard granted to his widow, Elizabeth Beard, June 27, 1676, who presented an inventory of £262.11.0.]

[Court Records, June 27, 1676, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 18.]

[Inventory of the estate of William Beard, who died about the first of November, 1675; amount, £262.——; signed by William Follett, Robert Burnham, and Stephen Jones; attested by the widow, Elizabeth Beard, June 27, 1676; administration granted to Elizabeth Beard, Robert Burnham, and Stephen Jones.]

For the settlement of the Estate contayned in this Inventory it is ordered that all the moveable estate shall belong to the widdow & also the one half of the Housing & Lands to hir & Heyres for ever, the full use & improvement of the whole estate of land to be hirs during hir life And at hir decease the other half of the House & Land not setled upon the widdow & hir heyres to come to Edward Leathers & to remain to him & his Heyres; unlesse the case of the widdow shall at any tyme be such as to require further supply & sale be made of any part thereof by order and approbation of the Court; And as for what Edward Leathers doth at present possesse It is confirmed to him & his Heyres for ever:

Elias Stileman Cleric

ROBERT WILLIAMS 1676

[Administration on the estate of Robert Williams, “that was murdered,” granted to Elias Stileman, June 27, 1676.]

[Court Records, June 27, 1676, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 15.]

[Inventory of the estate of Robert Williams, “y’ was murdered in Spruce Creeke”; dated July 25, 1676; amount, £36.2.9; liabilities, £25.5.6; signed by Nathaniel Fryer and Richard Stileman.]
GILBERT WILFORD 1676

[Inventory of the estate of Gilbert Wilford, taken July 28, 1676, by Henry Palmer and Robert Ford; amount, £75.6.6; attested by Capt. John Whipple April 10, 1677.]

To 6th w's widdow had for her necessarie maintenance for her selfe & children before y's Administrato' entered.

To y's 3d part of y's lands w'ch y's widdow challengeth w'ch y's Administrato' is not charged w'th:

Tho: Bradbury rec.

[Debts due from the estate, £68.15.0; to Mr. Wainwright, Capt. Saltonstall, Mr. Walker, Josiah Gage, Nathaniel Clark of Newbury, Mass., Ensign Chandler, Robert Ayers, Henry Palmer, Richard Swan, John Light, John Simonds, Deacon Goodhue, Joseph Plummer, Goodman Hazeltine, John Hazeltine, James Kingsbury, Cornet Whipple.]


CHRISTOPHER JOCE 1676 PORTSMOUTH

The Last Will & Testament of Christopher Joce of Portsm° made this 14th Septemb° 1676

Being weak in Body but in perfect Memory I doe ordain this to bee my last Will & Testament

I give unto my beloved Sonn Richard Joce all my houseing & stage, my shallops & moaring place at y's Isles of Shoales w'ch y's Chains belonging thereto, y's new moaring Cable, with what soever I have belonging to my said place of fishing at sa Island, & all y's Appurtenances belonging to y's Boates—

2. Unto my son Thomas Joce I give my now dwelling house w'th all y's houseing belonging thereunto, as also all y's land about & belonging to y's House (excepting y's mort-fiel'd) together w'th my Ware house & wharfing & 30. foot of Land lying next to y's ware-house of Jno Hunkins, w'th all y's Preveledges thereunto—
belonging. Provided ye his mother shall have ye use of ye whole during her widowhood, & if shee marry then when Thomas comes to Age shee shall have ye third both of ye houseing & land dureing her naturall life, & after her decease then ye whole shall return to my said son Thomas, he paying to my Daught' Margaret thirty pound.

3 Unto my Daught' Joanna I give my House & land on ye Great Island w'th all ye Priviledges and Appurtenances thereunto belonging togeth' w'th three Acres of Marsh at ye little Harb' joyn' to Tho: Sevy's Corn-field, as also a feather-bed w'th bolster, Pillowes, sheets, Blankets & Rugg.

4. I give to my Daughter Margaret eight Acres of land at bowling Rock on ye South-side of ye River, & ye small field com'only called ye fort-field near to my own House-lott, being five Acres more or lesse, w'th a feather bed, Bolster Pillowes, sheets, blankets & Rugg, & thirty Pounds before ment' fro her Bro. Thomas.

5. Unto my Daughter Mary I give my House & land w'ch I bought of Jn' Tucker w'th all ye Priviledges thereunto belonging, togeth' w'th ye shop & wharffing w'th all ye Priviledges thereunto belonging, as also a feather-bed w'th like furniture as unto her sisters forementioned, further obliging my Son Thomas to give to his sister Mary pasturing for one Cow dureing the naturall Life of his said sister.

6. Unto my sons John & Samuel togeth' w'th my Daughter Jane I give my three Hundred Acres of land lying in ye long reach next to James Rawlins to be equally divided betwixt them three, & a feather-bed unto Jane w'th like furni' as to ye other above mentioned, And unto Samuel I also give my other three Acres of Marsh at little Harb' joyning to ye w'th I have given to his sister Joanna, & two Cowes unto my son John.

7 I give unto my Couzen Tho: Joce my twelve Acres of land lying in Tho' Spinnyes Creek next adjoyning to ye w'th was Wm Palm' land, he to possesse it p'sently on my decease.

8 All my stock & Household Goods (except w't is before given away) I give to my beloved wife Jane Joce, together w'th ye Use
& Improvem't of my whole Estate forementioned for ye brengeng up of my children tell they come to Age, & as each child comes to Age (to say ye sons at 21 yeares, ye Daughters at 18, or at ye day of marriage if before 18.) he or shee shall have ye possession of what I have here given. And at ye decease of my wife, all ye Remain'd of my stock & household Goods with all ye rest of my Estate whatsoever ye is not expended for her own maintenance & ye bringing up of my children shalbe equally divided amongst my children. If one or more of my children dye before they come to Age, or if any of my Daught're dye without Issue, ye portion ye I have given to ye—— shalbe equally divided among ye Survivers. I give also a Cow to my servant Jone Knight.

9 Furthermore I give & bequeath unto my Beloved wife fifty pounds to bee absolutely her own & at her disposeall to whom & when she pleases, thirty pounds whereof shalbe paid her by my son Richard, ye other twenty she shall have out of ye Household Goods or stock with shee pleases.

10 finally I make my Beloved wife afores'd my sole Executrix willing her as to receive is due to mee so carefully to pay all my Debts & funerall charges, together with three pounds with I give to ye church in Portsm' & three pound more with I give to ye Colledge.

And I request & appoint Mr Joshua Moodey Mr Rich Martyn together with my father-in law Ric' Cum'ins to bee my overseers for ye bett' performance of ye my last Will & Testament.—In witnes to all ye premises I set to my hand & seale ye day & year abovewritten

Signed & Sealed in presence of

John Fletcher
Dorothy Jarman

[In margin] I dispose of my three quarters of ye Ketch Providence as followeth, One quarter I give unto my wife, the remainder to my children, to each of them one Sixteenth.

[Proved June 25, 1678.]
ABRAHAM CHASE 1676

[Thomas Chase, administrator of the estate of Abraham Chase, moved that the estate might be divided among the brothers of the deceased, Thomas Chase, Joseph Chase, James Chase, and Isaac Chase. The court at Salisbury ordered, Nov. 14, 1676, that Samuel Dalton and Ensign John Sanborn account with the administrator relative to the debts.]

[Norfolk County, Mass., Deeds, vol. 4, p. 49.]

HENRY HATHERLY 1676

[Inventory of the estate of Henry Hatherly, Dec. 2, 1676; amount, £23.9.6; amount of liabilities, £19.18.10; one item is funeral charges of himself and wife; signed by Jeffry Currier and Richard Manson; attested by John Purrington March 27, 1677.]

THOMAS NOCK 1676/7 DOVER

In the Name of God amen the fifteenth day of February in ye Yeare of our Lord God one thousand six hundred Seaventy Six I Thomas Nock of ye township of Dover in ye County of Dover & Portsmouth being sick & weake of body * * *

It I give to my Brother Silvanus Nock twentie Acars of Land being 1/3 of the Land wch was granted to my father tho Nock & to Joyne Next to ye Land of Thomas Beard betwenee Cochecha & the marsh com'only Called Nockes marsh—

It I give to my Sister Rebecca Nock twentie acars of Land being 1/3 of the foresaid 1/3 cell of Land, and to Joyne to my Brother Silvanus twentie acars before mentioned (divided) it doe not reach to ye marsh called Nocks marsh nor to ye plaines adjoyning to ye sd marsh

It I make my Brother Henrie Nock my Lawfull Heire of all my Lands (vidd*) the twentie acars of Land at Cochecha adjoyning
by Thomas Downes his Lott & also all the Lands Lying at Nocks marsh which was my fathers except the fourtie accars before given to my Brother & Sister—

It I give to my Brother Silvanus Nock my two steeares & plow chaine & my Chest & all my bedding & my wareing apfell

It I give to my Sister Rebecca Nock my white faced hiffer being two yeare old—

It I give to my Unckle Jerimre Tibbits one ewe sheep—

It I give to my Bther Henrie Nock my Muskuet & my bible

It I doe make my deare & tender Mother Rebecca Binmore to be my sole Executorix of all my estate not formerly expressed & I desire my veri good frind John Roberts to be my over seer & wth my mother to see this my will §formed

In witnes whereof I have hereunto sett my hand & seale the day & yeare abovesd—

John Robearts
John Evens

signe of
Thomas X Nock [seal]

[Proved Oct. 31, 1677.]

[Inventory Feb. 26, 1676/7; amount, £81.17.0; signed by John Evans and John Wingate.]

[Sylvanus Nock made choice of Lieut. Peter Coffin to be his guardian June 27, 1676.]

[Court Records, June 27, 1676, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 14.]

[Bond of Rebecca Binmore of Dover, widow, to John Roberts of Dover, in the sum of £27.0.0, to pay to Henry Nock £13.4.0 in cattle, sheep, or swine when he shall become 21 years of age.

"The Condition of this p'sent obligation is such that where as the bove s'd John Roberts was by the desire of Henrie Tibbits of Dover deceased & also by order of Court chosen & appointed overseer of Henrie Nock Son' of Thomas Nock deceased & where as Rebecca Binmore afore said Mother to the s'd henrie Nock is contented to take the Care & tuition of the s'd Henrie Nock Untill he accom-
plish the age of one & twentie yeares & hath Rec’d of the s’d John Roberts soe much Cattle sheep & Swine as doth amount to the sum of thirteene pounds & flower shilling.”

“John Roberts came into Court held in Dovr 1 June 1680 and rendred up to y’s Court this bond & estate menconed w’th y’s court have put into y’s hands of w’n willy & have taken security fro’ him to respond y’s same when s’d Hen: Nock coms to 21 years of age
Elias Stileman Sec’r”]

[Guardianship of Henry Nock was granted to William Willey June 1, 1680, he being chosen by the ward. The court binds the ward to his guardian for seven years, to learn the trade of shoemaker, and at the end of that time he is to receive his legacy of £13.4.0, for which his mother is bound by bond.]

[Court Records, June 1, 1680, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 34.]

MATTHEW MARTYN 1677

[Administration on the estate of Matthew Martyn granted to William Deamont March 28, 1677, who gave bond in the sum of £50.]

[Court Records, March 28, 1677, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 243.]

JEREMIAH TIBBETTS 1677 DOVER

In the name of God Amen: I, Jeremiah Tippetts of Dover Upon puscatuqua: now Lyeinge Upon my sick bed but of my perfect minde & memory doe Com’ite & bequeath my soule & spirite to God that gave it & my outward estate as followeth—

first I desire that my body be decently buried & that my funerall Charges with all Lawfull debts due from me be honestly discharged & satisfied Next I ordaine & Appoint to my Sonn Jeremiah that y’s Remainer of that ten Acres of land which I bought of y’s towne which Lyeth now without fence with two yearlinge steeres Already
in his possession bee to him & his for ever for & on ye accompt of thirteen pounds given to my s Sonn by his Grandfather Thomas Canny which I made use of for my owne behoofe. Thirdly I doe Appoint & ordaine to be in the hands of mary my wife for ye bringing up of our smale Children all my present Estate: Except what shall be heereafter nominated: & ye one halfe of my now dwelling house & barne to be for her owne proper use dureing her life time but the former dureing her widdowhood or as my Executors shall see Cause: it is to be understood ye I Assigne to my wife the new end of the house: 4ly I doe heerby bequeath to my Sonn Jeremiah to be delivered into his own Custody at one and twenty yeres of his age & to be for him & his for ever the other halfe of my house & barne with the one halfe of that fenced ground which is of the ten Acres I bought of the towne: 5ly I doe bequeath to my Sonn Thomas at his one & twentieth yeare of age to bee for him & his for ever, the other halfe of the fenced ground which is of that tenn Acres which I bought of the towne and also the halfe of my dwelling house & barne now left in the Custody of my wife to be his for ever after my wifes decease: 6ly I doe heerby bequeath to my daughter mary Rawlines one Cow: 7ly I ordaine & Appoint that my Execo heereafter named shall pay or Cause to be paide to my daught hanah tenn pounds for & on ye behalfe of ten pounds given to her by her Grandfather Canny & made use of by myselfe for my owne use: & behoofe: 8ly I doe heerby Apoint & ordaine that whatsoever part of my Estate shall Remaine unspent after the Raisinge & bringinge up of my Children whether moveable or unmoveable it be Just & Equally Devided Amongst my Children now following: namely Han’ah. Joseph. Sam: Benjamin: Ephraim: martha, Elizabeth Nathaniell & henery: & for the Execution of this my Will & Testament: I doe by these presents Appoint & ordaine mary my Wife & Jeremiah my Eldest sonn to be my true & Lawfull Execor: & to be overseers for the Right man’agement of all & every the misses Afordd I doe heerby Apoint & ordaine my Brother Joseph Canny & my trusty & Loveing freind serjant John Roberts: to All Which I signe & seale this 5th day of may
one Thousand sixe hundred seaventy & seaven as Wittnes my hand: 1677

Teste The X Signe of Jeremiah Tippett [seal]
Job Clements
John Robearts
[Proved Oct. 31, 1677.]

[Inventory, June 20, 1677; amount, £272.0.0.]

[Summons, Oct. 27, 1709, to Jeremiah Tibbetts and his son, John Tibbetts, to appear before the court on the first Monday in November to administer the estate of Jeremiah Tibbetts of Dover; service signed by Edward Evans, constable of Dover.]

JOHN MOORE, JR. 1677

[Inventory of the estate of John Moore, Jr., May 10, 1677; amount, £70.10.0; attested by the widow, Agnes Moore, Nov. 2, 1677.]

[Administration on the estate of John Moore was granted to his widow, Agnes Moore, and Capt. Thomas Daniell June 23, 1677, and they were required to give bonds in the sum of £100.]

[Court Records, June 23, 1677, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 243.]

LAWRENCE CARPENTER 1677

In the name of god amen
the will and Testament of Larance Carpenter on his Sicke beade
this Seventh Day of may 1677—
Itom first and formest I doe bequeth my Solle to god that gave
it and Secondly my body to the Earth from whence it came—
Itom therdly I doe bequeath all my temprall Estate Ether move-
able ore Unmveable with my Sheare and portlighe which is now
in the constitey of Pette—wallish my Portligh is to be sixe Pound
and the ministr Rate I to be free of to my yonge and tende daughte grace—
4thly I doe heare ordayne My true and well beloved frinds boath thomas Jackson of Portmouth and Richard Tope of Iles of Shoules to take the Care and Charge of my afore Said doughte and Estate for her Uese to deale with it for her according to the best that the for I Shall inabel them my Just debts to be paid as wittnis my hand this 11th of May 1677
wittnes
the marke of
Ane X Harvey
Rogr Kelly
[Proved July 6, 1677.]

[Inventory of the estate of Lawrence Carpenter, who died July 4, 1677; amount, £68.0.0; attested by Thomas Jackson.]

[Order of court, Oct. 31, 1677, binding Grace Carpenter, aged three years and a half, daughter of Lawrence Carpenter, to Thomas Jackson and his wife, Hannah Jackson, until she be eighteen years old, Thomas Jackson being executor of her fath-er's will.]

[Court Records, Oct 31, 1677, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 21.]

ROBERT MANSON 1677 ISLES OF SHOALS

[Administration on the estate of Robert Manson of the Isles of Shoals granted to Henry Putt June 23, 1677, who gave bond in the sum of £40, with Roger Kelly as surety.]

[Court Records, June 23, 1677, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 243.]

[Inventory of the estate of Robert Manson, who died May 10, 1677; amount, £24.6.0; signed by Roger Kelly and Richard Manson; sworn to by Elizabeth Putt June 26, 1677.]
TEAGUE ROYALL 1677

[Administration on the estate of Teague Royall granted to John Woodman and Stephen Jones June 23, 1677.]

[Court Records, June 23, 1677, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 243.]

HECTOR DEMASHAW 1677 ISLES OF SHOALS

[Administration on the estate of Hector Demashaw, a Frenchman who died on the Isles of Shoals, was granted to Peter Shaw June 23, 1677, who gave bond in the sum of £20, with Nathaniel Fryer as surety.]

[Court Records, June 23, 1677, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 243.]

THOMAS CANNEY, JR. 1677

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Canney granted to his widow, Sarah Canney; June 23, 1677.]

[Court Records, June 23, 1677, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 243.]

[Inventory of the estate of Thomas Canney, Jr., who died May 15, 1677: amount, £311.8.0; attested by —— Wingate, relict of Thomas Canney, June 25, 1678. Mentions

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for the settling of this estate This court doth order y\textsuperscript{t} y\textsuperscript{e} admistra-
trix & Jn\textsuperscript{e} Winget her p\textsuperscript{s}ent husband paying y\textsuperscript{e} debts of her above-
named dec\textsuperscript{e}d husband and bringing up y\textsuperscript{e} children untill of age to
choose their Guardians respectively, shee shall have all the move-
able estate besides y\textsuperscript{e} thirds of y\textsuperscript{e} Lands during her life, & y\textsuperscript{e}——
of ye whole, while ye children come of age as above, & ye ye Lands to be divided among ye children as ye law hath divided, in ye mean time, not to suffer any strip or waste on ye houses & Lands

Elia Stileman Cleric

ABRAHAM PERKINS, JR. 1677

[Inventory of the estate of Abraham Perkins, Jr., "who was slayne by ye Indians upon ye 13 of June 1677;" taken June 28, 1677, by Samuel Dalton and Henry Roby; amount £166.2.6.]


[Administration on the estate granted to Elizabeth Perkins Oct. 9, 1677, her father, Thomas Sleeper, being her surety.]

[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files; Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records, Oct. 2, 1677, and Deeds, vol. 4, p. 56.]

[Elizabeth Perkins, administratrix, was ordered to attend court to divide the estate Oct. 8, 1678, but, being near her time of travail, could not appear.]

[Norfolk County, Mass., Deeds, vol. 4, p. 64, and Court Records, Oct. 8, 1678.]

Itt is agreed by the Administratorex and Abraham perkins and Thomas Sleeper the Grandfathers of the Children of Abraham perkins Ju Deceased that Considering the three Children are young and to bee Brought up the which their mother and Alexander Dennum her p'sentt Husband Doth Ingage to bring up the Children and to Cause them to be taught to Read English and as they shall a Rive to the age of twenty one years or att their Days of marriage which shall falle outt first they shall be payd vize to mercie perkins twentie pound to bee payd as is above sayd

Itt to mary perkins twentie pound to be payd as above sparcified

Itt to Elizabeth perkins twentie pound to be payd to her at the age or time above mentioned and wee Doe Ingage our selves
our Heires Executers & Administrators thatt all the lands of the
sd Abraham perkins Ju' shall ly Responsible for the Education
of the Children and the payment of their portions as is above
mentioned Desireing the Hono'd County Courtt to Conferme the
same

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Elizabeth Dennum
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Confirmed by court at Salisbury April 8, 1679.
Thomas Sleeper is discharged from his bond of £200.

[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files; Norfolk County, Mass., Deeds, vol. 4,
p. 75, and Court Records, April 8, 1679.]

JOHN HEARD
JAMES HEARD 1677

KITTERY, ME.

[Richard Otis gives bond in the sum of £500.o.o July 3, 1677,
as guardian to John Heard, heir to John and James Heard.]

Articles of agreement made concluded and fully agreed upon,
between Maj' Nicholas Shapleigh John Shapleigh Joseph Ham-
'ond and William Spencer of y* one ¶artie And Richard Otis
and James Chadborn on y* other ¶tie Witnesseth, that whereas y*
above named Nicholas Shapleigh John Shapleigh Joseph Ham-
'ond & William Spencer were by y* last will and Testament of
John Heard of Kittery on Piscataqua River in New England
Deceased bearing Date y* 3d day of March in y* year of our Lord
God one thousand Six hundred Seventy & five, Nominated chosen
and appointed with y* above named James Chadborn to be his
overseers in trust to See y* s'd Will ¶formed/ Now we y* s'd Nicho-
las Shapleigh, John Shapleigh Joseph Hamond & William Spencer
above named, being y* Major part of y* overseers of y* s'd Will And
Considering y* Introcacie & Mixture of y* Estate of s'd John Heard,
it being Mixed with and amongst ye Estate of James Heard the Son of John Heard, who Deceased without making any Will, And Considering that many Inconveniencies might arise in ye Deviding of ye sd Estate doe by these presents Assign and make over all ye Right and overseership of ye last will and Testament of ye sd John Heard Deceased unto ye above named Richard Otis, who being ye now husband of Shuah the Relict or Widdow of James Heard, And to ye above named James Chadborn And to both of them Joyntly And have fully for our parts have authorized Lycenced and Assigned ye sd Richd Otis and James Chadborn to Act and doe all and every thing or things concerning ye Execution of the Said Will & Testament, And not Intermeddle with ye Administration of any part of ye Goods & Chattells money Debts or other Estate of ye Said Testament without ye consent of ye sd Richd Otis and James Chadborn their heires or Executrs, but Shall at all times hereafter And from time to time Permit and suffer ye sd Richd Otis and James Chadborn their heires Executrs or Assigns to Administer all Such Goods Chattells moneys Debts and Estate, As at ye day of ye Date hereof be in ye Custodie of ye said Nicholas Shapleigh and the rest of ye overseers or in ye hand of any other son or sons which are to be Administred According to ye Tenour and Intent of ye sd Will and Testament, And ye sd Richd Otis & James Chadborn doe for themselves their heires Executrs Administrators And Assigns promise and engage that out of ye Moveables ye Estate of ye sd John Heard and James Heard his Son, that they will Administer And pay all ye Just and due Debts which ye sd John Heard and James his Son did owe to any son or sons And alssoe to Satisfie All Such Legacies as is by ye will and Testament Expressed And alssoe to take Care for ye Comfortable Subsistance of Isbell Heard ye Relict of ye sd John Heard During her Naturall life And alssoe for ye Children of James Heard According to ye Intent of ye sd will and Testament, And alssoe to yeeld up ye Estate of Lands and housing unto John Heard ye Grand Child of ye sd John Heard Deceased when he Shall Accomplish & Attain to ye Age of twenty one years, Tenantable and Sufficiently
SIGNED SEALED AND DELIVERED IN THE PRESENCE OF
WILLIAM BRICKHAM
ALICE CHADBORN

[Allowed Nov. 5, 1677.]

EDWARD COLCORD, JR. 1677

[Administration on the estate of Edward Colcord, Jr., granted to his father, Edward Colcord, July 7, 1677.]

[Norfolk County, Mass., Deeds, vol. 4, p. 55.]

[Relatives moving for a settlement of the estate, the court, Nov. 11, 1679, ordered Capt. John Gilman, John Sanborn, and Sergeant Joseph Dow to call the administrator to account.]

[Norfolk County, Mass., Deeds, vol. 4, p. 74, and Court Records, Nov. 11, 1679.]

[Order of court, Sept. 7, 1680, that the administrator bring in an account of the estate.]

[Court Records, Sept. 7, 1680, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 39.]

[Order of court, Dec. 7, 1680, settling the estate of Edward Colcord, Jr., on his brother, Samuel Colcord.]

[Court Records, Dec. 7, 1680, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 44.]
JOHN KENNISTON 1677

[Administration on the estate of John Kenniston granted to his widow, Agnes Kenniston, Aug. 1, 1677.]

[Court Records, Aug. 1, 1677, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 242.]

[Inventory of the estate of John Kenniston "who was lately slain by y° Indians," Aug. 1, 1677; amount, £65.3.o; signed by Samuel Haines and Philip Lewis.]

BRYAN PENDLETON 1677 PORTSMOUTH

Portsmouth 9th of August (1677)

I Bryan Pendleton sometyme of Sacoe In y° County of yorke, Now resident in Portsmouth, on Pishataq° River in N° E° do make & ordaine this to bee my last will & testament, hereby re-voakeing all former wills by mee made /

1: I give unto my beloved wife Ellner Pendleton (besides what I have reserved for her in a Deed of Gyft to my Grandchild Pendleton Fletcher) all my household goods, togeather with all that peece of Land belonging to mee liing between my son James & Mr Dereings, upon y° great Island which I have excepted, & reserved out of my deed of Gyft of all to my son James / Furthermore, I give unto my wife, all my houseing & land at Cape Porpus, which Richd Palmers wife hath the use of dureing her life, togeather with my six hundred & fourty Acres of Land more or less liing on the East side of Wests brooke, near Saco ffalls, which I bought of John West, & Majo° William Phillips as by Deed will appeare & also Tymber Island at the little River, all which I give to my wife absolutely to bee at her disposall /

2ly unto my grandchild James Pendleton Junio°, I give my hundred acres of upland, & Tenn Acres of Meddow which I bought of Jo° Bush & lyeth with in the Towneshipp of Cape Porpus ad-joyneing to princes Rocke,
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all my houseing & Land at Wells with all the priviledges
& app'tenances I give unto my two grandchildren Mary, & Han-
nah Pendleton with my son had by his former wife to bee æqually
divided between them /
4: I give to my wife all my weareing Cloaths to bee disposed
off as shee shall see meeete, desireing her to remember some
poore /
5: Finally I make my wife my executrix & Joyne my beloved
son James Pendleton executrix togeather with his Mother, willing
my executrix to disburse what is meete for my funerall Charges
& my executrix to pay all my debts, And I request Mr Josua Moodey,
& Mr Ric: Martyne, to bee overseers to this my last will & testa-
ment /
In witnese to all & singular the 7 misses, I have set to my hand
& seale, this 9th day of August 1677:

witness
Josua Moodey, Bryan Pendleton [his seale]
Ann Moodey

As a Sedule to this my last will & testament, I give unto my
beloved son James Pendleton, all my land on the East of Wests
brooke butting on the great River of Saco, six hundred Acres more
or less, my farme & all my land at Cape Porpus, in all three hun-
dred acres in the occupation of Ric: Palmer, all my severall Islands
in or neare Cape Porpus, y one halfe of my stock of Cattle of w'
sort so ever upon my farme at Winter Harbour, found after mine
and my wives decease, with all my weareing apparell & one third
of my household goods (except my utilensills of husbandry /
And to Mary & Hannah Pendleton daughters to my sayd son
James all y My lands In Wells, being those Plantations or Lotts
bought of Mr ffletcher, Ham'ond, & West Improved by Joseph
Cross, & to each of them one third part of my househould goods,
after mine & my wives decease. Item to Bryan Pendleton my
Grandson, ye remain'd of my land on Great Island, w' is Con-
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...tayned there in & addition to my will, any thing in the sd will not withstanding,
   This Scedule signed                               Bryan Pendleton [his seale]
& sealed In y° presence  
of us,
   Joseph Dudley
   [Proved April 5, 1681.]
   [York County, Me., Deeds, vol. 5.]

   [Inventory, June 23, 1681; amount, £787.12.0. "Capt Pendleton was not free in giving his Attest to this Inventory because hee Conceived several goods were disposed of, before hee could have oportunity to come to looke after y°."]
   [York County, Me., Deeds, vol. 5.]

EDWARD TYNG 1677 BOSTON, MASS.

I Edward Tyng Senior of Boston in New England being by the Gracious alwise Disposeing Providence of God preserved unto Old Age & accompanied with many infirmities attending the Same & feeling Sensible decays in my Self Which Bespeak my approaching dissolution * * *

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my son Edward Tyng the Sum of one hundred Pounds to Be paid out of my Estate having Given him a Considerable Estate already Item I give & Bequeath unto my Daughter Eunice the Sum of Five hundred Pounds to be Paid her out of my Estate in Good Pay. Item I Give & Bequeath unto my Son in Law Mr Joseph Dudley about Twenty Pounds which he is indebted to me by Book. Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Present grand Children Viz To Thomas Hannah & Mary Savage. To Thomas Edward Joseph & Paul Dudley to Samuel Searl & John Tyng to Each of my Said Grand Children the Sum
of one hundred Pounds to be Paid unto them out of my Estate at the Disease of my Wife & my Will is that in Case any of my Said Grand Children should Depart this Life before my Said Wife then the Legacy or Legacies hereby Given unto him her or them so Dying Shall be at the dispose of my Sd Wife to Give it as She Seeth meete Item my Will is that none of my Estate be Spent or Laid out in Farmeing more than to the value of £10.0.0 in Building to Prevent the Looseing or Forfeiting of any Lots of Land and if the Providence of God by Fire or otherwise Should Lessen or Take away any Part of my Estate then my Will is that my Legatees aforesaid Shall make an abatement proportionable to Such Loss out of their Severall Legacies hereby Bequeathed unto them Proportionably Item all my Just Debts funeral Expences & the aforesaid Legacies being paid & Ordained to be Paid I Give & Bequeath the Whole Remainder of my Estate Both Real & Personal unto my Beloved Wife Mary Tyng to Dispose of the Same as She Pleaseth and in Case my Said Wife Should Want for any Comfortable Supply during her Widdowhood I do hereby Licence & fully Impower her (with the Consent of my Overseers) to make Sail of any of my Lands or other Estate for her Supply Item I do hereby appoint & Constitute my Beloved Wife Mary Tyng to be Sole Executrix of this my Last Will, and do intreat my Hon'd Friend John Leveret Esq Mr Anthony Stodderd & Capt Thomas Brattle to be Overseers of the Same requesting their Advice & Counsell to my Said Executrix in the Due Performance thereof. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal this Twenty fifth day of August in the Year of our Lord God. one thousand Six hundred & Seventy & seven 1677—

Signed Seal'd & published by Edward Tyng [& a Seal]
the Worpp Edw Tyng Esq to be his Last Will & Testament in Presence of us—

George Monk, Is Addington
Memorandum, the Words (Proportionable to Such Loss) was Interlined by M' Tyngs order upon the 7 Jan'y 1680 at Which time he Declared that, whereas there is a Legacy of Five hundred pounds Given to his Daughter Eunice She being Since Married to M' Samuel Willard he hath Paid her the Said Sum of five hundred pounds & so the Said Legacy is Void Read to & owned by M' Tyng in Presence of us.

John Conny Is't Addington—
[Proved Jan. 19, 1681/2.]

JOHN HALL 1677 GREENLAND

Greenland in ye The last Will & Testam't of John Hall of Townshp of Dover Greenland.

29. Aug: 1677 I John Hall being of perfect Memory doe make & Constitute this to bee my last Will & Testament, hereby revokeing all Wills by me formerly made. After my Debts and funerall Expences defrayed out of my Estate, I dispose of ye remain'd as followeth.

1o Unto my dearly beloved wife Elizabeth I give all ye Mony ye I leave together with ye one halfe of ye Household stuffe belonging to or in either of ye Two houses vz: either my old house or ye new one com'only called Josephs House, ye mony to be at her absolute Disposall, ye Household goods to bee for her use during her life, & my Daughter Sarah to have them after or of her mother w'th her mother pleases. I give her also twenty pounds £20. annu— to bee paid by my son Joseph yearly during her Naturall Life ye one halfe in Provisions, ye other halfe at any Merchants in Pascataque River ye she shall chuse. Furthermore I will ye my wife shall have her liberty to live in & make use of as her own during her natural life either one of ye big tow Rooms in ye New house or ye whole old House w'th shee pleases as also ye Use of all ye Orchard belonging to ye old House while she lives, & likewise she shall have my Negro while she lives—
2° To my son Joseph Hall I give (upon Condition ye he doe pay as by these p'sents I order him) All my Houseing new & old wth all ye out houseing Orchard joyning thereunto & all my Lands wthin fence & without on ye Eastern & western side of ye Road wth my Grant of land to bee laid out at Cochecho to have & to hold to him & his Heires for ever, provided ye if he dye wthout Heires the whole Estate before mentioned ye I have given to him shalbe equally divided between my Daught Sarah and my Grand child Abigail Dam'e. Alwaies excepting and reserving ye use of ye part of them above & hereafter mentioned to my wife & Daughtter, as also excepting ye propriety of that wth I have hereafter given my Daughter. I also give to my son Joseph ye one halfe of my moveables, to say my Household Goods, stock & utensills of all sorts wthin doores & without, & all my wearing clothes, except wth is hereafter excepted.

3° To my Daughter Sarah I give my thirty sixe Acres of Land more or lesse lying at Harwoods Point & sixe Acres of Marsh more or lesse adjoyning thereto, to bee had & held by her & her Heires for ever, & if shee dyes without Heires I give it unto my Grandchild Abigail Dam'e. Furthermore I give my s't Daughter Sarah ye one Half of all my Stock willing ye she shall possesse s't Land & stock im'diatly upon my decease, only ye use of her Hay-Ground together wth all ye Hay-Ground & pasture-land upon ye Farm to bee in com'on between her & her Brother Joseph together wth ye use of ye Barns & outhouseing betwxt ye for ye maintaining of her stock while shee lives unmarried upon ye ffarm, allowing her to keep (if shee pleases) as much stock upon ye ffarm as Joseph, both of ye to agree ye the Farm be not over-burdened. Also I give her ye use of ye field at red-oak hill as long as she lives unmarried, & so long also ye use of ye Houseing & Orchard assigned to her Mother when her mother shall leave it by Death or otherwise, & one year after her Marriage if shee pleases. Further I give to my daught' Sara ye best Bed in ye Porch-chamb wth ye Hangings & all Furniture, 2 p' of sheets, Bolster, pillowes & ye 2 New woollen Blankets & ye Rug belonging to it wth ye best
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Bedstead. Also I will y' Joseph shall pay her twenty pounds more within three years after her Marriage, & y' shee shall have my best Cloak, Great Coat, Sarge Jacket, best red wastcoat, & Joseph shall have y' rest of my wearing clothes. And both my wife & Daughter shall have free use of fireing upon y' ffarme, dureing theyr being there. And Sarah is to bear her proportion of getting ffodder for her Cattle.

4° Unto my Grandchild Abigail Dam'e I give sixty pounds to be paid her by my Son Joseph in currant pay of y' River, y' one halfe when shee shalbee eighteen yeares of Age, y' other halfe foure yeares after. Also I give to s' Abigail y' bed which is next to y' best with all Appurtenances suitable for it; as also y' Heifer & hee sheep w' shee calleth hers or y' like & as good if they bee otherwise disposed of before my decease. And to prevent trouble thro misunderstandg', I will y' it bee taken notice of by my Execut's y' I acc' all y' Goods moveables & stock upon y' ffarm to bee mine & y' neither shall challenge a propriety in any of them, but they shall all goe into y' division as is above exprest.

5° To y' church of Dover I give fifty shill: to bee laid out by Joseph for the Com'union Table.

Furthermore I make my Beloved wife, son Joseph & Daughter Sarah Joynt Execut's of y' my last Will & Testam't willing y' they all three while they al live act as one in all matt's strongly referring to Execut'p: (excepting what is before appropriated to one or other of them,) & that if there bee any Question or matter referring to y' Execution of this my Will wherein they doe not all concurr, they shall consult w' y' Overseers by whom such matter shalbe decided by theyr best Light according to y' true Intent & meaning of y' p'mises.

Finally I request & appoint my Trusty f'friends m' Josh: Moodey m' Rich'd Martyn & m' Job Clemens sen't to bee Overseers to see to y' performance of y' my last Will & Testam't willing & appointing y' they shalbee fully satisfied by my Executo's Joyntly for what expence of Time they may bee at thereabout.
In witness to all ye premises both on the other side & this I set to my hand & seale this 29th August 1677

Signed & Sealed in presence of us those words [ & all my lands] between 2d & 3d Line in 2d stylic on ye other side, being interlined before Sealing

Joshua Moodey
John Fletcher
William ffurbur senior

[Proved Oct. 31, 1677.]

[Joseph Hall and Sarah Hall, joint executors, give bonds of £200 for the execution of the will.]

EDWARD WEST 1677 NEWCASTLE

[Inventory of the estate of Edward West, Great Island, Sept. 1, 1677; amount, £540.14.6; signed by Elias Stileman and John Harvey.]

[Administration on the estate of Edward West granted to Martha West and George Walton Oct. 31, 1677, who presented an inventory of £540.14.6.]

[Court Records, Oct. 31, 1677, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 21.]

[Martha West having died, administration was granted to George Walton, in behalf of the children, June 24, 1679, who presented an inventory, and pledged his homestead and all his land on Great bay for the division of the estate according to order of court.]

[Court Records, June 24, 1679, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 29.]

[Guardianship of John West granted to William Partridge June 24, 1679, he being chosen by the ward.]

[Court Records, June 24, 1679, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 31.]
[Guardianship of Edward West, Jr., infant son of Edward West, granted to Capt. Thomas Daniell Sept. 7, 1681.]
[Council Records, Sept. 7, 1681.]

BENJAMIN SWETT 1677 HAMPTON
[Administration on the estate of Capt. Benjamin Swett of Hampton granted to Hester Swett Oct. 9, 1677.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records, Oct. 9, 1677, and Deeds, vol. 4, p. 56.]

[Inventory of the estate of Capt. Benjamin Swett, "who was Slayn att Black point by yᵉ Barberas Indians the 29ᵗʰ of June 1677"; taken by Seaborn Cotton, Samuel Dalton, Anthony Stanyan, and Stephen Greenleaf, but signed by Anthony Stanyan and Samuel Dalton only; amount, £558.19.0.]

[Seaborn Cotton and Anthony Stanyan testified that in discourse with Capt. Benjamin Swett the day before he went to Black Point, where he was slain, he manifested himself to be very solicitous concerning the settlement of his temporal estate, and declared that it was his desire that his wife should be so left that she might live comfortably and have opportunity to do good to her children for their encouragement; attested March 29, 1678. The widow of the deceased, Hester Swett, moved that Benjamin Swett, the eldest son have that part of the land upon the order of the last court, and a young horse; and he said that he was satisfied with that for his double portion. The other eight children are to have £30 apiece, as they come of age.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Deeds, vol. 4, p. 67, and Court Records, April 9, 1678.]

BENJAMIN HILLIARD 1677 HAMPTON
[Administration on the estate of Benjamin Hilliard granted to his brother, Timothy Hilliard, at his request, Oct. 9, 1677.]
[Norfolk County, Mass., Court Records, Oct. 9, 1677, and Deeds, vol. 4, p. 56.]
THOMAS LEIGHTON 1677

[Inventory of the estate of Thomas Leighton, Oct. 29, 1677; amount, £515.10.0; signed by Philip Cromwell and John Tuttle; attested by Elizabeth Leighton and Philip Cromwell Oct. 31, 1677.]

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Leighton granted to Elizabeth Leighton, Philip Cromwell, and John Tuttle Oct. 31, 1677.]

[Court Records, Oct. 31, 1677, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 20.]

[Lieut. Anthony Nutter petitioning the court for a larger allowance for the support of the oldest son of Thomas Leighton of Dover, then in his care, the court, Oct. 31, 1677, referred the matter to Major Richard Waldron.]

[Court Records, Oct. 31, 1677, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 22.]

[Mr. Fryer and Lieut. Peter Coffin were appointed additional administrators June 25, 1678, on petition of Elizabeth Leighton, the widow.]

[Court Records, June 25, 1678, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 26.]

JOHN REYNER 1677

[Administration on the estate of John Reyner granted to Mrs. Frances Reyner Oct. 31, 1677, the executors of his will having declined to serve.]

[Court Records, Oct. 31, 1677, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 21.]

[Mrs. Frances Reyner petitioning the court "for the procureing of ye meanes of sd m° Jn° Reyner's maintainance due from ye"
towne of Dover," the court, Oct. 31, 1677, ordered the selectmen of Dover to pay the amount to the administratrix within six months.]

[Court Records, Oct. 31, 1677, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 21.]

[Lieut. Peter Coffin is joined with Mrs. Frances Reyner to assist her in administering the estate of her son, Rev. John Reyner.]

[Council Records, April 1, 1680.]

ROBERT BRADDOCK 1677

[Administration on the estate of Robert Braddock granted to John Fletcher and Israel Phillips Oct. 31, 1677.]

[Court Records, Oct. 31, 1677, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 21.]

[Inventory of the estate of Robert Braddock, who died Aug. 29, 1676; taken Nov. 2, 1677; amount, £10.12.11; signed by John Hoddy and John Tucker.]

JAMES CATE 1677 PORTSMOUTH

[Inventory of the estate of James Cate, who died May 15, 1677; amount, £62.15.0; signed by Richard Cummings and George ——; attested by Alice Cate Oct. 31, 1677.]

[Citation, May 28, 1702, to Alice Cate, widow and administratrix of James Cate of Portsmouth, carpenter, to appear and give an account of the estate, which amounts to $62.15.0; signed by William Partridge.]

Ports<sup>mo</sup> may: 30<sup>th</sup>: 1702

The deposition of mary Partridge aged fifty nine yers or there abouts Testifieth that Edward Catt Comonly so Called was borne about forty seven years agee and brott up and sockled by his mother wife to James Catt decedest and the sd Edward was the first Child that she Ever had as I Ever hered of and was born in wedlock: and forther saith not by me Mary Partridge

Capt et Jurat 8<sup>o</sup> June 1702:

Coram me

Wm Partridge Lt Govr<sup>sr</sup>
Mary Walker about Seaventy two years deposeth to the full contents of the above Deposicon to her best Remembrance.

her

Mary X Walker

mark

Capt et Jurat Octavio die Junii 1702
Coram me

Wm Partridge L' Govr

[Court records:—Alice Cate, widow, appeared June 1, 1702, and asked for more time, which was granted.

June 8, 1702, Alice Cate and Edward Cate, her son, appeared and asked that the estate be settled according to law. Samuel Penhallow and Dr. Thomas Packer, both of Portsmouth, were appointed commissioners to receive claims.

Alice and Edward Cate asked for time to perfect an agreement for the settlement of the estate, which was granted.

The agreement follows in full.]

Alice Cate appears and Releases all her Right and title of Dowry unto the Estate of her form' husband James Cate dec'd unto her said sonn Edward Cate; aforesaid. In Considerac'on of which the Said Edward Cate doth Obleidge & promise for himselfe his heires Exec'^ & Adm'^ to pay or Cause to be paid to his Said Mother Alice Cate Seaventeen shill. and Six pence in Mony: and Seaventeen shillings and Six Pence in Provisions or what else either Goods or Mony, as she shall have occasion for: to Said value dureing her Naturall Life yearely and every yeare: to Commence and beginn from y* day: the Provisions or Goods to be paid the Eight day of Nov' in every yeare and the Mony to be paid the Eight day of June every yeare: for performance of which Said Edw'd Cate bindes himselfe to his Said Mother Alice Cate his heires Exec'^ & Adm'^ in the Sume or penaltye of one hundred pounds, Curr'd mony of New England./

Acknowledged the Said 8th day of June 1702 Coram

Wm Partridge L' Govr

Cha: Story Secretary
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John Cate Sonn of Said Alice Cate; John Urin husband to Rebecca Cate daughter alsoe of Said Alice Cate; Peter Babb husband to Sarah Cate Sister to Said Rebecca; appears and Releases all ye Right and Title to any part or portion of Said Estate of James Cates dec'd unto Edward Cate sonn of the said James Cate dec'd aforesaid And Alice Cate and the said John Cate John Urin and Peter Babb doth obleidge themselves in the Sum'e of one hundred pounds Joynly and Severally their heires Exec't and Adm't unto the Said Edw'd Cate his Exec't Adm't or Assignes neither they or any of them or Sam'l Whidden or Mary his wife; or Elizabeth Cate (which Said Mary and Elizabeth are alsoe daughters to Said James Cate dec'd) or the heires Exec't Adm't or Assignes of the said Sam'l Whidden and Mary his wife, or the Said Eliz'a Cate shall or will for the future ever Claime or bring any Acc'on Suite in Law or Equitye ag't the Said Edw'd Cate his heires Exec't or Adm't for any part or portion of Said James Cate dec'd ye fathers Estate as aforesaid/

Acknowledged the Said 8th day of June Coram

Wm Partridge Lt Govr

[Court Records, June 1, 1702.]

EDWARD COWELL 1677

[Administration on the estate of Edward Cowell granted to his widow, Agnes Cowell, in behalf of herself and children, Oct. 31, 1677, and she presented an inventory.]

[Inventories of the estate; amount, £167.2.0; signed by John Hunking, Thomas Harvey, and Israel Phillips; attested Oct. 31, 1677.]

Whereas Adm'nstr't of ye Estate of Edward Cowel deceased, at a County Court held at Dover in June 1677, & adjourn'd to ye 31st of Octob' was granted to Agnes Cowel Relict of ye sd Edw'd Cowel; And an Inventory of the sd Estate upon oath brought into Court; And there being no further proceeding in ye management
of ye parent's misses by reason of ye death of ye sd Agnes: The Council Grants Adm'nstr of ye sd Edw Cowels unadministred Estate to Jethro ffurber, who Married Annie ye sd Edward & Agnes Cowels daughter. Who is hereby Ordered (& doth ingage) to make further Adm'nstr according to Law of ye sd Intestate Edw Cowel sd unadministred Estate.

The Council do assign ye sd Jethro ffurber Gardian to Samuel Cowel yongest son of ye sd Intestate Edw Cowel; And allows him for ye maintenance & education of ye sd Samuel til his age of 14 years, after ye rate of 6l 9s an 45l, to which by computation it amounts to. Out of which the sd Adm'nstr Jethro ffurber shall be abated proportionally to ye years and time ye sd Samuel shall want of the sd 14 years, if he shall happen to dye before; And one moity of ye sd Estate, after deduction of the sd 45l shall remain to Edw the eldest son of ye sd Edw yer Intestate; and ye other moity to ye sd wife of ye sd Jethro & ye younger son ye yer Samuel, to be equally devided between them. And ye sd Adm'nstr is to have the management of ye sd Estate til further Order. And ye wearing cloathes rings, & other things shall go as disposed of by ye sd Agnes.

[Council Records, May 2, 1682.]

WILLIAM TAYLOR 1677/8

[Inventory of the estate of William Taylor, who died Dec. 30, 1677; taken Jan. 2, 1677/8; amount, £7.6.8; signed by Peter Twisden and James Blagdon.]

[Administration on the estate of William Taylor granted to John Hunking June 25, 1678, who presented an inventory of £7.5.8.]

[Court Records, June 25, 1678, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 26.]

TOBIAS LEAR 1677/8

The last will & testament of Tobias Leare being very sick and weake in body but through Gods mercy, in perfect memory—
Inprimis, I bequeath my soule into the hands of Almighty God from whom I Receavd it, & my body to the earth after my decease to be buried in a decent & Christian Maner—

It: I give & bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth all that my dwelling house erected & finished soe far as it is with all the Lands, & privilidges whatsoever to it belonging, lying & being nere & next adjoyning to my father in Law Mr Henry Shirburn, to be all at hir ordering & disposing, & to act & doe as she shall see meet, & doe alsoe make hir my sole executor or executrix of all my whole estate, both of housing, Lands, debts, goods, Chattells, or what soever to me belonging in any Just right or claireme whatsoever. And to pay unto my two daughters Elizabeth & Joane Leare & to my son Tobias Lear such proporsionable portions & leagases, when they come to age, as the estate will then bear, still reserving a sufficient maintenance to hir self, I referring to hir discression all the legasies that I herin bequeath to doe therein what she shall see meet & convenient & as the estate will bear it.—

And soe having herin fully declared my mind & will, I doe Comend my self to the disposing of my gracious Lord God to doe with me as he shall see good in his good pleasure for my dissolution or recovery, & my wife & children to his guidance; And for confirmation of this my will to be my act & deed I doe hereunto set my hand & seale this five & twentieth day of January Anno Domi, one thousand six hundred seventy & seaven. 1677.—

Sealed signed & delivered & subscribed as it was taken from his own—Tobias X Lear [seal] by his mark & seale.—mouth in presents of us.

Hugh Leer
samuell sshurburne
John Davies—
Richard Tucker./
John : X : Peverly
by his mark.

[Proved Dec. 5 and 6, 1681.]
[Inventory, Dec. 28, 1681; amount, £196.19.0; signed by Elias Stileman and Samuel Sherburne.]

RICHARD HILL 1677/8

[Inventory of the goods of Richard Hill, who died Jan. 30, 1677/8; taken Feb. 12, 1677/8; amount, £5.13.0; signed by James Blagdon, Richard Wilcomb, and Edward Gould.]

[Administration on the estate of Richard Hill, "lost at sea in ye late storme," was granted to Richard Wilcomb of the Isles of Shoals March 2, 1677/8.]

[Court Records, March 2, 1677/8, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 244.]

[Inventory of the estate, amounting to £5.13.0, was presented by the administrator June 25, 1678.]

[Court Records, June 25, 1678, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 27.]

NOAH GRESHAM 1677/8

[Inventory of the estate of Noah Gresham, who died Jan. 30, 1677/8; taken Feb. 12, 1677/8; amount, £6.0.0; signed by James Blagdon, Edward Gould, and Richard Wilcomb.]

[Administration on the estate of Noah Gresham, "Lost at sea in ye Late Storme," was granted to Richard Wilcomb of the Isles of Shoals March 2, 1677/8.]

[Court Records, March 2, 1677/8, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 244.]

[Inventory of the estate, amounting to £6.0.0, was presented by the administrator June 25, 1678.]

[Court Records, June 25, 1678, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 27.]

RICHARD BOYES 1677/8

[Inventory of the estate of Richard Boyes, who died Jan. 30, 1677/8; taken Feb. 12, 1677/8; amount, £8.11.2; signed by James Blagdon, Edward Gould, and Richard Wilcomb.]
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[Administration on the estate of Richard Boyes, "Lost at sea in ye Late Storme," was granted to Richard Wilcomb of the Isles of Shoals March 2, 1677/8.]

[Court Records, March 2, 1677/8, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 244.]

HENRY LIGHT 1677/8

[Inventory of the estate of Henry Light, who died Jan. 30, 1677/8; taken Feb. 15, 1677/8; amount, £11.17.0; signed by John Fabes and James Blagdon.]

[Administration on the estate of Henry Light, "Lost in ye Late Storme," was granted to Henry Main March 15, 1677/8.]

[Court Records, March 15, 1677/8, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 244.]

[Inventory of the estate was presented by the administrator June 25, 1678.]

[Court Records, June 25, 1678, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 27.]

ROGER HOLLAND 1677/8

[Inventory of the estate of Roger Holland, who died Jan. 30, 1677/8; taken Feb. 15, 1677/8; amount, £57.9.3; signed by James Blagdon and John Fabes.]

[Administration on the estate of Roger Holland, "Lost in ye Late Storme," granted to his brother, Edward Holland, March 5, 1677/8.]

[Court Records, March 5, 1677/8, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 244.]

[Inventory of the estate was presented by the administrator June 25, 1678.]

[Court Records, June 25, 1678, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 26.]

EDWARD PERRYMAN 1677/8

[Inventory of the estate of Edward Perryman, who died Jan. 30, 1677/8; taken Feb. 16, 1677/8; amount, £13.9.6; signed by John Fabes, James Blagdon, and Henry Main.]
[Administration on the estate of Edward Perryman, "Lost in ye Late storme at Sea," granted to Henry Main March 15, 1677/8.]
[Court Records, March 15, 1677/8, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 244.]

NATHAN QUICK 1677/8

[Inventory of the estate of Nathan Quick, Feb. 25, 1677/8; amount, £2.8.0; signed by John Hunking and John Fabes.]

[Administration on the estate of Nathan Quick, "Lost at sea in a storme the Last winter," was granted to Roger Kelly June 25, 1678, who presented an inventory of £2.8.0.]
[Court Records, June 25, 1678, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 24.]

ROBERT GOODWIN 1677/8

[Inventory of the estate of Robert Goodwin, Feb. 25, 1677/8; amount, £2.1.0; signed by John Hunking and John Fabes.]

[Administration on the estate of Robert Goodwin, "Lost at sea in a storme the Last winter," was granted to Roger Kelly June 25, 1678, who presented an inventory of £2.1.0.]
[Court Records, June 25, 1678, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 24.]

GABRIEL GRUBB 1677/8

[Inventory of the estate of Gabriel Grubb, Feb. 28, 1677/8; amount, £21.13.6; signed by John Fabes and John Moore; attested by Roger Kelly June 26, 1678. Frances Grubb, widow, asks that Mr. Kelly may administer the estate of her husband, Gabriel Grubb, "lost in The late Storme"; dated March 19, 1677/8.]

[Administration on the estate of Gabriel Grubb, "Lost at sea in a storme the Last winter," was granted to Roger Kelly June 25, 1678, who presented an inventory of £21.13.6.]
[Court Records, June 25, 1678, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 24.]
WILLIAM BROAD  1677/8

[Inventory of the estate of William Broad, March 2, 1677/8; amount, £161.1.0; signed by Elias Stileman and Robert Elliot. List of liabilities annexed; amount, £39.1.0.]

[Administration on the estate of William Broad, "Lost at Sea in y° Late Storme," was granted to his widow, Judith Broad, in behalf of herself and children, March 5, 1677/8.]

[Court Records, March 5, 1677/8, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 244.]

[Inventory of the estate amounting to £161.1.0 was presented by Judith Broad, alias Webster, June 25, 1678, and the court joined her husband, Stephen Webster, with her in the administration.]

for the settleing of y° estate of Wm Broad deceased This Court doth ord' that Judeth his relict widdow the now wife of Steven Webster shall have ¾ % of y° reall profitt of y° house & land during her life & all y° movable estate to her owne use when all Just debts are p'd together w'th y° benefit of y° reall estate during y° childrens minoritie the s'd Judeth & Steven standing bound to pay to y° Children of y° s'd Broad, To his son Wm 20° sterl & to Abigail Broad 10° Sterl & to take care for y° educac'on & dispose of the s'd Children to service, the Boy untill 21 yeares of age & y° girle till 18, w'th y° consent of any two of the associates of this Court. /

[Court Records, June 25, 1678, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 26.]

JAMES WEYMOUTH  1678  ISLES OF SHOALS

The last Will & testament of James Waymoth now one the Ile of shoales very sick and weake but yet of %fet memory this roth of Aperell 1678 I give and bequeath my soule to Almighty god and my bodie to be buried one Star Iland:

1 I give to my son William Waymoth thirty pounds in Silver to be payd by Mary waymoth my wife whom I make my soale ejecutres: when my son cometh in age of 21 yeares
2nd I give to my son George Waymoth thirty pounds in Silver to be payd when he comes to age of 21 yeare
3rd I give to my son James Waymoth thirty pounds to be payd in Silver when he comes to age of 21 years
4th I give to my Daughter Elizabeth waymoth thirty pounds in Silver to be payd one her Marriage day
last I give the rest of my whol estate to mary my wife after my legaces above written be payd by her according to this my will for the discharge of my debts & my Childrens and her maintain-ance In witnes wheare unto I have heare Unto Interchangably set my hand this tenth day of Aperell one thoasian Six hundered Seaventy eight:
Sealed & delivered in the p'sents of us Peter Twisden & John fabes
[Proved June 25, 1678.]

[Inventory, July 30, 1678; amount, £597.17.6; signed by Peter Twisden and John Fabes.]

Newcastle Aprill ye 28th 1703 /
My father James Weymouth deceased gave me on his last will and Testament thirty pounds Currant Mony of New England to be paid when I was In age the receipt of which Mony I doe ac-
knowledge that I have received of m' Thomas Diamond who Mar-
rried my father Weymouths widdow for which this my receipt is a sufficient discharge I doe alsoe acknowledge to have received of the Said Diamond tenn pounds of Currant Mony of New England being his free Gift to me In Wittnesse whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand

Eliz X Leden her Mark
Wm Kelly

[Probate Records, vol. 5, p. 86.]
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Isles Shoales May the 11th 1703 /

My father James weymouth deceased gave me on his Last will and Testament thirty pounds Currant Mony of New England to be paid at my Marriage day the Receipt of which Mony I do acknowledge that I have received of m'r Thomas Diamond who married my father Weymouths widow for which this my receipt is a sufficient discharge I doe alseoe acknowledge to have Received of the Said m'r Diamond ten thousand pounds Currant Mony of New England being his free Gift to me In witnesse whereof I hear to sett my hand /

Witnesse

Amey X Downe
her mark
Richard Gumer

[Probate Records, vol. 5, p. 87.]

WALTER MATTHEWS 1678

The last will, and Testament of Walter Matthews revokeing all other, made this 15th of April: 1678:—

Inprinus: I: I doe hereby give, and bequeath unto my dearly beloved wife, mary matthews, all my houses, lands, goods, and Chattles, moveables, and Immoveables, To have, hould, and possess, dureing the terme of hir life, and after hir decease I doe give, and bequeath To my Son Samuel matthews: All my houses, lands, neck of land lying, and being upon oyster river, and upon or near the little Bay, which was formerly, my fathers m'r francis matthews, with all my right Title, Interest Therein, as also all other Tracts, or parcels, of uplands, and marshes, lying, or bordering upon the s'd oyster river, or elswhere belongeing unto me;

farther I doe give unto my Son Samuel Matthews, my now new dwelling house w'th the garden on Smuttinose Iland, One of the Ilands of Shoales; my storehouse, oyle house, and all my part of my Stages mooreing places, and mooreings, my new boat, with
the furniture, and tackleing, thereunto belonging; also Eleaven long flakes, with the laying roome, lying between my dwelling house, and my Storehouse, Towards the south;—

2: I doe give unto my nephew; matthews Young, my old dwelling house wth the leantoe, my old boat, if in being, wth a mainsaile, and other furniture, after the aforesaid and mentioned boat is furnished; with fowre flakes, lying att the End of the former mentioned wth the priviledge of spreading fish, thereunto belongeing; the Second best feather bed, with the furniture, if not sould by my wife; the Second best gun; the Second best peice of plate, att my wives discretion; One best Chest;

3: I doe give to my daughter Susanna young, Ten pounds, to be paid my son Sam' matthews, in Currant pay, within Twelve months after the abovesaid Estate is Come into his hands, if demanded;—

4: I doe give to my daughter mary Senter, Ten pounds to be paid by my son Sam' matthews, in Currant pay within twelve months after the abovesaid Estate is come into his hands, if demanded;

5: I doe give to my niece, Susanna Senter, the Eldest daughter of mary senter, to be paid by my son Sam' matthews, in Currant pay, within twelve months, after the above mentioned Estate is come into his hands, if demanded, five pounds;—

6: I doe give to my daughter Susanna's youngs, Eldest Son by name Joseph young, five shillings, to hir daughter mary young, five shillings; To my daughter mary Senter's Son, nicholas Senter, five shillings, to be paid by my Son Sam' matthews, in Currant pay, within twelve months after the abovesaid Estate is come into his hands, if demanded;

7: In Case my Son Sam' matthews dy without Issue my will is, that the aforesaid Estate given him, be divided in manner following, viz: two parts to my Eldest daughter Susanna young, and hir heires, and the third part to my daughter mary Senter, and hir heires;—

8: In Consideration of the aforesaid Legacies to be paid
by my son Sam'l matthews, I doe give him all my houshold stuff, furniture, plate, Clothing, whatsoever;

9: I doe give, and bequeath unto Thomas Snell, The Son of my Sister Martha Browne, The dwelling house, she now lives in, and after foure years to have the rent due for The Same To be Improved to his use, and behoofe

10: It is to be understood my will is, That In Case my Estate be found, and Continue, in like Condition, as it is att The making hereof, Then The aforesaid articles, and legacies, be faithfully, and punctually performed, and paid, but In Case it be any waies diminished, Then It is to be understood, they are To be paid according To proportion of the Estate remaining,—

11: I doe Constitute, and appoint my beloved wife, mary matthews, my Executrix, and Administratrix, and my loveing friends, Samuel Belcher, and Andrew Deamont Overseers, whose advice, and Counsil she is To Take in all the premises, and not To act, or doe any thing, without the Consent of one, or both of them;
This is my last will, and Testament made the day and year abovesaid, witnes my hand, and Seal;—

Signed, Sealed, in presence of us;—

Walter Mathews
[seal]

Michael Endell
Martha X Browne
hir Signe;—
Samuel Belcher
The X Signe of Andrew Deamont
[Proved June 25, 1678.]

[Inventory, May 29, 1678; amount, £310.18.6; signed by Samuel Belcher and Andrew Deamont.]

JAMES JOHNSON 1678 NEWCASTLE

[Inventory of the estate of James Johnson, Great Island, June 8, 1678; amount, £265.6.0; signed by James Robertson, John Lock, and Nicholas Haskins; attested by the widow, Mary
Johnson, June 25, 1678; "for the settlement of the estate with in mencioned the Court Leaves the whole estate in her hand to Improve & Live upon during her life or untill this Court shall take further ordre:"

[Administration on the estate of James Johnson granted to his widow, Mary Johnson, June 25, 1678.]

[Court Records, June 25, 1678, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 26.]

To all Christian People to whom these presents Shall Come; Know ye that whereas James Jn'son & Mary his Wife both of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshir deceased Leaving only two Daughters leiving (Viz) Mary the wife of Jn Odiorn, & Han'ah the Wife of Tho Jackson all of the Same place, and Whereas their deceased father & Mother died Intestate, the debts & funerall Charges being alreadly Defrayd: the 3d Mary & Hannah by & with the consent & approbation & allowance of their aforesaid Husbands, have finaly agreed, Concluded & devided all our deceased parents Estate in manner & formes as followeth: All the movebles each parte hath her Equall proportion, & for the Housing Land, Orchard & marish devided as followeth: Mary Odiorns part of all the Land housing marish & orchard, is of the housing land & orchard, is the West End of the dwelling house wth half of the Leantoo belonging to the whole house, togeather wth the west part of the Orchard Land & flats thereto adjoyning; and bounded as Followeth beginning at a Stake drove down by the fence side on the S side of the way that goes between the house & orchard into the Island; wth sth highway is continually to be to the use of both Parties to pass & repass without Interruption of each Other and that for ever and from the sth Stake through the Orchard right over to the Land now in the posession of one James Leach Sowthwads as Sth Leaches land now Runneth down into the Water and flats as also the Southermost Barne, wth the Land from a Stake & heap of Stones Northerly of yth Other Barne and so to the high way aforesaid: that Same breadth down to the water & flats thereunto belonging & adjoynes to an Acre of Land gieven to Jn Odiorn
by the Town of Portsmo wth s\textsuperscript{d} acre is Eight Rods in breadth & Runs Esterly twentie Rods or more on the North of s\textsuperscript{d} Acre & Adjoyning to it is a third divission for s\textsuperscript{d} Mary: & is twenty rods in breadth from s\textsuperscript{d} Acre Northerly & carries the same breadth through the land to the Outside Fence Easterly; togeather wth the Esterly half of three Acres of Salt Marish in Little Harbour, as alsoe the Westerly half of the Seventy three Acres of Land in the plains, beginning at a Small wth Oak Tree Standing by Benj\textsuperscript{a} Cottens line & thence wth to the Old bound Tree being a Pine also; thence S S E: a little South\textsuperscript{ly} to y\textsuperscript{e} old bound tree being a pine alsoe, thence Esterly to meet wth the Other S S E: line that comes from y\textsuperscript{e} s\textsuperscript{d} Oake where it first begun, Every of the before Me\textsuperscript{c}cyoned & Bownded House, Barn, Orchard, Lands, & Marish is the s\textsuperscript{d} Odiornes proportion and so accepted: Secondly the s\textsuperscript{d} Hannah Jacksons proportion is the East End of the House & Orchard wth the Nothermost Barne, wth the Est part of both parcells of Land from s\textsuperscript{d} Marys: bounds afors\textsuperscript{d} to the outmost Bounds E wth the W: halfe of the three Acres of Salt Marsh as alsoe all that part of Land being about twenty rods in breadth adjoyning on the N of s\textsuperscript{d} Marys twentie Rods, & so Runns Notherly towards that house where Mr Bickam now liveth, and Run's as S\textsuperscript{d} Marys Line now Runneth & Contains all the Land N of s\textsuperscript{d} Marys, within Fence or without of any that belongeth to the s\textsuperscript{d} Jackson togeather wth that half, the seventy three acres of Land in the plains lying next & Adjoyning to Jn\textsuperscript{v} & Hen: Sherbournes on the Est, & s\textsuperscript{d} Odiorns on the West this Second Devision is Hannah Jacksons Proportion: It is Farther Agreed & Concluded upon between both parties that there Shall be & is now allotted Out a conveniency of Land both about the barns and alsoe at the Est end of the Dwelling house of ten foot in breadth at least from s\textsuperscript{d} house at the Est End thereof to the path, & So much round Each barne wth shall continualy ly Common for both parties use, Either for layein of Wood or Improveing & houseing their Cattle and that for ever wthout the least Interuption of either Partie or any person by their ord\textsuperscript{f} means or procurem\textsuperscript{t}: It is also farther
agreed that the Oven & the Celler Shall be for the use of both parties till there shall be another Oven & Celler built in the West End of s'd house, & till that is done the oven & Celler that now is Shall be to the use of Both: Lastly it is mutually agreed that if Either party their Heires, Exect*a Administ*a &c. Shall at any time be disposed to sell all or any part of any of each proportion he or she shall give the Other the Refusall thereof, without w*ch it shall not be sould, set or let for term of Years, for Confirmation of w*ch we the above named Jn* Odiorn, & Th* Jackson doe, hereby acknowledge our Selfes to be fully Satisfied w*th the above Divisions & Agreements, and doe binde our Selves our Heires, Execut*a & Administ*a & Every of them each to the other firmly by these presents to allow of & for ever to hold good & Vallid to Each other every perticular proportion in this Instrument mentioned & made, & that according to the bounds there sett, & that without the least let or molestation of Either of us, or Either of Ours as Aforesd and that for ever according to the tennure & true meaning of all above written, In Confirmation whereof we the S'd John Odiorn, & Th* Jackson togeather w*th Each of our Wifes above Named have hereunto Sett our hands & Seals this 16th Novemb'r 1694

Sign'd: Seald & d'd
in presence of
Jn* Pickring Sen'r
John Pickring Jun'r
John Odiorn Jun'r

[Deeds, vol. 6, p. 59.]

RICHARD HARVEY 1678

[Administration on the estate of Richard Harvey granted to Robert Ellett June 14, 1678.]

[Court Records, June 14, 1678, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 242.]

[Inventory, June 14, 1678; amount, £18.1.9; signed by John Phillips, William Partridge, Francis Tucker, and James Robertson.]
THOMAS WARD

HAMPTON

In the name of God Amen

I Thomas ward of Hampton in the County of norfolke in New England being sick and weak of Body butt sound in Understanding and of a Disposeing mind Doe make this my last will & Testament as followeth

first I Com’itt my soule Unto Almighty God the father of spirits who Gave mee life and being: and my weak body to the Earth from whence itt was taken thatt after my Desolution to be buried in Hampton Burleing place in a Christian and Deacent maner as my Executour shall appoint, and for whatt worldly Goods God hath Given mee my will is as followeth

first I Give and bequeath Unto margritt my Beloved wife my house and Barne and outt Houseing and all my land and medows about home with my Salt Marsh Untill my son Thomas Ward shall Come to the Age of twenty one years: and my wife is to have all my stock of Cattle not otherways Disposed of and the Movables within Dores and without for her subsistanc and for the maintainanc of my son Thomas and my Daughter Hannah so long as she liveth with Her, and my wife is to Doe her Indeavour to p’serve the stock and keepe things in Repayer for Her Comfortable subsistanc & for the Bringing Up of her son, and when my son Thomas Comes to Age Hee is to Injoy the one halfe Unless his mother & he Doe agree to Improve together

Itt I Doe Give Unto my son Thomas ward all my housing and land and medows att home and my Salt Marsh wch he is to posesse Intire after his mothers Decease and att my wives Decease the Stock and moveables to Returme to my son Thomas: all that I Doe nott other wayses Dispose of: I Doe Give my son Thomas my Carved Cubbord & one Joyned Chaire & one pot and one kittle and my Horse: and m’ Calvens Great Book

Itt I Doe Give Unto my Daughter Elizabeth the wife of John mason thatt twentie Acres of land whereon she now Dwelleth and the Rest of my Land on thatt side of y’e medow to Remaine in the
hands of my Executor for the use and Releif of my Daughter Elizabeth & her Children only Reserveing wood and timber of thatt other land for my selfe and my Heires as wee shall have occasion

Itt I Give Unto my Daughter Elizabeth thatt nooke of fresh medow which was Goodman Robeys the River beyond the way to bee the south Bounds of itt and so to Extend northward so far as itt may bee Cleared provided thatt John mason shall nott have liberty to fall or Dispose of one stick of timber on thatt other land thatt will serve Either for Building or fenceing or any other Use

Itt I Doe Give Unto my Daughter mary the wife of John Dearborne thatt peece of land of my north Division Containing about fowerscore Acres more or Less as itt is lying northward from ashe Brook

Itt I Doe Give Unto my sone in law John Dearbarn & my Daughter Hanah ward all my land in the north plaine Containing twelve Acres which I Bought of John Casse

Itt I Doe Give Unto my Daughter hanah ward two Good Cowes to bee Delivered to her att her Day of Mariag or when she shall Come to the Age of twenty one years which shall fall outt first: also to my Daughter Hannah all my land att the falles River being about twenty Acres and is bounded with the land of John Sanborn west, and the land of m' Stanyen in partt and the land of william Swaine in partt towards the East, also I Give her a peece of Salt marsh Joyning the s^4 land and bounded with the falls River towards the south

Itt to my Daughter Hannah Six sheepe: and one Brasse pott and two puter Dishes and the Bed which she Useth and all the Beding belonging to itt

Itt I Doe Give Unto margritt my wife my best bed as itt stands During the terme of her life & then to Returne to my son Thomas and my wife to have the Disposeing of thatt Bed which my son Thomas now lieth Upon

Itt I Doe Give to my Daughter hannah ward one Chest and one Joyned Chayer

Itt I Doe Give Unto my sone Thomas ward all my Implements
of Husbandry and my weaveing Gears to my wife and my sone Thomas

Itt I Doe Give Unto my sone Thomas all my land att the new plantation and my three shares of the Cow Com'on I lay to my house and homeseat

Itt I Doe Give Unto my sone Thomas all my Armes and Ammunition

Itt I Doe Give to my Daughter Elizabeth one share of the ox Com'on and to my Daughter Mary one share

And I Doe Constitute and Appoint John Dearbarn and margritt my wife to bee Executur & Execquetrex to this my last will and Testament

the which I Conferme with my hand & seale Affixed Here Unto this Eighteenth Day of June in the year of our lord one thousand six Hundred and Seventy Eight

Signed and sealed Thomas ward [seal]

in the p'sents of

Samuell Dalton sen't
Benjamin Shaw

[Proved Sept. 7, 1680.]

[Inventory, July 27, 1680; amount, £533.14.0; signed by Samuel Dalton, John Sanborn, and Abraham Perkins.]

RICHARD CUMMINGS 1678 PORTSMOUTH

The last Will & Testament of Richard Cum'ins of Portsmo made this 19. June 1678

I Richard Cum'ins being aged & infirm in Body but in perfect Memory doe make & constitute this for my last Will & Testament, hereby revoking all former Wills whatsoever by mee made.

Imp'/ I will that my beloved Daughter Jane Joce shall have y' use of halfe my housing & land belonging to it, dureing her
naturall life, or else such a sum'e yearly as [y*]1 Overseers & shee & Richard Joce shall agree, which s'd Rich'd Joce shall pay her such yearly sum'e as shalbe determined among them.

2. I make my beloved Gran-son Richard Joce mine Heire, & give & bequeath to [him] in Fee-Simple my dwelling House, Barn & all my out-houses with all my uplands & Meadow belonging thereunto, together w'th all my Fresh-Marsh, & all y* [fencing] Timber, Wood or Under-wood, Gardens, Orchard, & all y* Priviledges, Im'unities [&] Appurtenances y* either now doe, or hereafter any way may belong the[reunto] to bee to him y* s'd Rich. Joce his Heires & Assignes for ever. Except what is aft[er excepted] Furthermore I give to y* s'd Rich'd Joce y* best bed in y* House with all [y*] Furniture thereto belonging, with y* Table-Board & Joyn-stoole in y* new house with y* Chaires & what else is there, Sixe Silver spoones, one Silver wine cup, y* Silver Bowle, Sixe Pewter dishes one w'th another, Sixe pottingers, three Plates, y* best Brasse Kettle, one Iron Kettle & Iron pott & two brasse skillelts, two oxen, [three] Cowes, Sixe Ewes & a Ram'e, One Horse & Mare, my Fouling-piece, Musket, Bandeleers & backsword & best Cuttleaxe, with all my wearing Clothes li[nen] & woollen whatsoever. Also I give him my Plough, yoakes, Bowes, Harrow, [dung] pott, new Cart & steades w'th all my chains. All y* Debs y* are lying out [I] will y* Ric: Joce shall gather in & have for himselfe y* one halfe of what is ga[thered] in by him, & y* other halfe shalbe equally divided between my Daughter & [her] children. Also I will y* all y* rest of my stock, household Goods, linen & woollen shalbe equally divided between my Daughter & her children, & Richard Joce [to have] only his share of y* linnen, Saveing y* Sam: Joce & my Gran-child Jane Joce [shall] have each of y'm a Bed, & my Daughter y* other Bed with [furneture to] each of them. And that twenty pounds in Silver & so [much in fish that my] Daughter Jane had lately of mee, I will shee shall have [y* use of it dureing] her naturall life,

1 Sections in brackets are worn from the margin of the original, and are supplied from a copy on file, dated Aug. 21, 1690, and attested by John Pickering, recorder.
& at her decease, both s'd sum'es shalbe [payed to Rich: Joce &]
hee shall give to his Brother Sam" & his Sister Jane ten pounds
[apeice of it]

3 Unto my Gran-son Tho: Joce I give my Acre of land upon
y° [great Iland,]
To John Joce I give my land up in y° plaines w'th wood &
Timber [& all that] belongs thereunto.

To Samuel Joce I give all my land lying by that w'ch is com'only
called Walfords [path] And I will y' Richard Joce shall erect &
finish for y° s'd Sam: an house upon w'ch he shall lay out Seventy
pounds in good, currant pay, & shall set it up either upon y' land
aforesaid, or if Sam: shall desire it hee shall [set up] said house
upon my land somewhere between y° School-house and y° Corn-
field [buting] upon y° street, & I will y' he shall have one full
Acre land adjoyning thereunto to bee laid out as y° two Brothers
shall agree or y° Overseers order.

Unto Joanna Joce I give two Cowes, foure sheep & a sow &
tenn pounds Silver

Unto Margaret, Jane & Mary Joce the other three Sisters I
give tenn pounds apiece in money to bee paid by my Executo" w'n
they come to age or Marry & to each of my foure Granddaughters
I give a gold ring apiece

4 Unto y° Town for y° Use of y° School-house I give that parcel
of land w'ch y° house stands on, w'ch I have left out of my field.

Finally I make my Daughter & Rich'd Joce my Executo" & re-
quest & [appoint] my beloved fiends Capt Elias Stileman & mr
Joshua Moodey Overseers, giving to my s'd Overseers that two
Thousand of w't oak Pipestaves in y° [hands] of C. Elias Stileman
to bee equally divided between y'. And I doe hereby desire &
impower my said Overseers y' if anything be forgotten in my will
or not [fully] exprest they shall explain & determine it, & to pre-
vent any Difference between any y' are concerned in my Will
aboveaid, I will y' in any Case of Difficulty they shall repair
to y° Overseers for Advice, & if theyr Advice please them not
[they'] shall have liberty to chuse each of y° a man to joyn w'n
yº Overseers by whose determination they shall Sitt down in all such matters.

In Testimony to all & singular yº pºmises I set to my hand & seale

Signed & Sealed before us Richard X Cumin
Mark of Philip Jourdan X his Mark
Mark of Jone Knight. X

[Proved June 24, 1679.]

[Inventory, Jan. 29, 1678/9; amount, £1227.6.2; signed by Richard Martyn, William Vaughan, and John Hunking.]

THOMAS WALFord 1678

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Walford was granted to John Amazeen, guardian of Jeremiah Walford, brother of the deceased, June 25, 1678.]

There being comºended to this Court by the Court of Associates the petition of Jnº Amenseem as being out of their capacity vizº the disposing or ordering of yº estate of Tho: Walford deceased given by his Last will unto Tho: & Jer: Walford his grandchilde:n now in yº hands of mº Henry Sherburne & mº Richard Tucker executoª to said will, This Court advised party: concerned to chuse either of them a friend & yº Court to ad a third to Audit the accoª of the execuª & to make such propositions as they should think fitt referring to a settlemº of the same, & pºsent wº they should doe herein to yº next County Court

Mº Martyn Capº Daniel & Lº Vaughan are yº Æties agreed on, who are to appoynt time & place & all persons concerned are then to attend./

[Court Records, June 25, 1678, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 25.]

There being Exhibited to this Court yº case of Old Walfords estate given to his grand children which hath much difficulty in it concerning yº right heireship to a person dying intestate desending by gift from yº Grandfather unto two grandsons yº are brothers,
the Eldr of wth dying without will the bror of ye Intestate claiming heireship to his intestate brothers estate the sisters to both these brors they clame a 10th of s estates brors estate, & the children of the doner ye first gave it they clame a 10th—— This Court therefore untill a decition of this case can be resolved (wth they will as Speedily doe as may be) Grants Administrac'on To John Am enseen: and Jeremiah Walford bror to ye Intestate Tho: Walford deceased upon ye s Tho: estate they giveing bond to administer according to Law & bring in an Inventory of the estate (with all rents received & due) unto the Court of Adjornm held in portsmo ye first wensday in Sep' next—The court accepts ye own bond, & they acknowledged themselves to stand bownd in a bond of 200l so to doe

[Court Records, June 7, 1681, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 47.]

John Amanzeene & Jeremy Walford as administratrs to the estate of Thomas Walford deceased (grand child to Thomas Walford of Saggmore Creeke deceased) by Vertue of an order of this honore court bearing date the seaventh day of June last doe give in this acp this seaventh day of September 1681

1 That ye said Jn Amanzeene and Jeremy Walford have demanded of m Jn Sherbourne Jun as heire to m Henery Sherbourne deceased one of the Executors of ye last will & testament of Thomas Walford Grandfather deceased what papers, wrightings, or other thinges belonged to the estate of Walford deceased, but the said m Sherbourne refused to deliver any without order of court

2 The said Jn Amanzeene & Jeremy Walford have recd possession of a parcell of land & Meddow that was given by Will to Thomas Walford deceased by his Grandfather Thomas Walford as aforesaid

3 m Jn Sherbourne Jun & Jn Westbrooke doe acknowledge to be due and have promised payment of eightenee pounds four shil & three pence whereof two thirds belong to the estate of Thomas Walford Jun deceased wth is 12l. 2s. 10d. the other third being 6l. 1s. 5d is the proper estate of ye said Jeremy Walford
4 The said Jn° & Jeremy have recd of Thomas Walford Junr deceased his estate one old stuffe suit & a small box vallued at 25s.

5 The said Jn° & Jeremy have recd one third part of twenty acres of land and one acre of Mash being on the great Island being that part of the estate of Thomas Walford deceased wth was given him by his father Jeremy Walford deceased.

6 The said Jn° & Jeremy have paid to Capt Wm Vaughan five pounds nine shils for a debt wth was due to the said Capt Vaughan from Thomas Walford deceased and for the funerall charges.

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John X Amazeen
his
Jeremy X Walford
marke

Upon full Hearing & Debate of ye Cause depending between ye Daughters of Thomas Walford Senr dec'd, and his Grandson Jeremy Walford; And upon considerac'on had of ye Last wil & testam't of ye sd Tho: Walford Senr ye Grandfather; & especially of ye p't wherein he bequeaths a certain house & land, whereof he was seised in fee, to his Grandson Tho: Walford (since deceas'd) in general words only, without words of inheritance, or any intent appearing to give him more then a freehold (or estate for life:) It was agreed by ye Council, That ye reversion of ye sd particular estate rev'ts to ye Right heirs of ye Devisor (or donor,) which falls out to be ye said Daughters of ye sd Grandfather Tho: Walford: And They do Give Judgment for them to enter, & have possession of ye land & p'tmisses in Question: And that ye sd Estate be equally devided among ye sd Daughters, viz: Jane Goss, Hanna Jones, Mary Brooking & Elizabeth Savage. And do likewise Order, five pound to be paid (for costs in mony, or ye value) by ye sd Daughters to ye Treas'r of ye Province, for defraying ye charge of ye several Hearings of ye Cause.

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ARThUR CLAPHAM 1678

[Inventory of the estate of Arthur Clapham, who died in May, 1676; amount, £23.3.6; signed by John Clark and Andrew Dea-
mont; presented in court June 25, 1678, by John Hunking.]

THOMAS DUSTON 1678

The Deposition of Luce Wills & Sarah Lidden y° foremenc’ond
Wills aged aboute forty Six yeares or thereabouts & y° s° Litten
thirty eight yeares or thereabouts Testifieth & saith

The Depon’s being Sworne saith that y° Relict of Thomas Dus-
ton by name Elizabeth being in Company w° y° depon’s said that
after the said Thomas Dustons house was burned that her husband
& she were forced to take up Twenty poundes for theire Necessitie
in beding & goods of m° John Cutt senr° of piscattaq for w° they
mortgaged their house & Land Now in y° possession of John
Amerideth, & farther added that after y° decease of her husband
Thomas Durston she was Inforced to comply w° m° Cutts afores°
to pay to Nathaniel ffryer ten poundes w° her husband was In-
depted to said ffryer before deceased, & then she also declared y°
being by Necessity constraine for herselfe & children, did make
sale of y° afore menc’oned house & Land unto y° s° m° Cutt w° was
mortgaged to s° Cutt as abovesaid, & also said y° her second hus-
band by Name Button at his decease bequeathed to her selfe one
hundred acres of Land, whereof Thirty acres she gave to her son
Thomas Durston for quietness sake that he might not trouble the s°
Amerideth afterward aboute y° house & Land above menconed
w° she said that y° said Cutt honestly paid her for & that concern-
ing y° abovesaid Land she Knew how things were better than any
body, & therefore gave him the abovesaid Thirty acres of Land &
further saith not

Date° June y° 25th June 1678 In porstm°

[Deeds, vol. 3, p. 137.]
ANTIPAS MAVERICK 1678 EXETER

[Administration on the estate of Antipas Maverick of Exeter granted to Edward Gilman and his wife, Abigail Gilman, daughter of the deceased, July 15, 1678.]


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ISRAEL PHILLIPS 1678

[Administration on the estate of Israel Phillips granted to his widow, Elizabeth Phillips, Sept. 24, 1678.]

[Court Records, Sept. 24, 1678, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 242.]

[Inventory of the estate; amount, £156.15.6; signed by Samuel Keais and Obadiah Morse; attested by the administratrix June 24, 1679.]

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JOACHIM HARVEY 1678

[Administration on the estate of Joachim Harvey was granted to Mrs. Elea Harvey and Benjamin Dole, in behalf of his wife, Elizabeth Dole, daughter of the deceased, Sept. 24, 1678.]

[Court Records, Sept. 24, 1678, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 242.]

[Inventory, Sept. 26, 1678; amount, £529.12.0; signed by Elias Stileman.]

for a Settlement & Division of the Estate of Joachim Harvey between Elear his relict widow & Elizabeth Dole his only Daughter & heir the Court doth order that the sd widow & Administratrix pay to her sd Daughter one Hundred pounds out of the Moveable estate Indifferently as the Judgm't of Cap't Stileman & Mr. ffryer & that ye sd widow then possess the remaynder paying the Debts & Maintayning the house & warehouse in repayr during Her Life & then that the sd Houses & Land revert to sd Elizabeth & her heirs for ever.

Elias Stileman Cleric
JOSEPH ATKINSON 1678

[Administration on the estate of Joseph Atkinson was granted to Philip Lewis and Lieut. Neal Sept. 24, 1678, administration not having been before granted "whereby ye estate is Like to be Imbezled & his children & Creditors wronged," and the administrators were ordered to secure the estate for the benefit of the children and creditors.]

[Court Records, Sept. 24, 1678, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 242.]

HENRY MANSFIELD 1678

[Administration on the estate of Henry Mansfield granted to his father-in-law, James Leach, Oct. 9, 1678.]

[Court Records, Oct. 9, 1678, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 242.]

JAMES LIBBY 1678

[Administration on the estate of James Libby granted to his brother, Anthony Libby, Nov. 14, 1678.]

[Court Records, Nov. 14, 1678, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 242.]

THOMAS BEARD 1678

In the name of God amen, the Sixteene day of Decemb' in ye Yeare of o' Lord God one Thousand Six hundred Seaventy Eaight I Thomas Beard of the towne ship of Dover in ye County of Dovr & Postmouth being sick & weake of body * * *

It my will is that all my debts wth I doe in Conscience & equitie Justly owe Unto any o' son or o' sons be honestly & truely paid & satisfied out of two thirds of my whole estate Excepting the hundred acars of Land wth was granted me by the towne Scituate & Lying Neare Cochecha shall be wholely to my Executor towards the payment of the debt & after my debts being paid & my ffunarull Charges being defraied my will is—
It that for Naturall Love & affection wth I doe owe & beare to Marie Beard my wife that shee shall enjoy the third ™ of all my Lands excepting the hundred acars at or neare Cochecha (before excepted) for & Dureng her naturall life & the third ™ of all my moveable estate to be to her disposing after my decease & all such monies as I shall be possed of at my decease: & such debts as is dew from Major Walden for service done on publick occasions wch is not upon my book.

It I give to my daughter Marie Beard Thirteene pounds to be paid wth in two Years after my decease.

It I give to my daughter Martha Brimhor ffourty shillings to be paid wth in two years after my decease.

It I give to my daughter Elizabeth Watson Ten' pounds to be paid wth in two years after my decease.

It I give to my Son' Thomas Beard the three Acor Lott Situate & Lying neare Deacon John Dams house on Dover neck & the halfe of the ten' acars wth I bought of the townne Lying & being neare Littell Johns Creeke & the sheather bed wth blanckets sheets bolster & pilloes & Rugg there unto belonging wth is in the parlor & my Little muskuet & my Cloake & my best sute of aparel & ffive pounds to be paid wth in two yeares after my decease (& a mare colt, which he is to have when he doth attaine to the age of one & twentie yeares).

It for the Confidence wth I have & doe put in my Son' Joseph Beard to see this my will to be Justly & truely ™formed & for his better Liveing I doe make him my Lawfull heire & Executor of all my Lands goods & Chattles moveable & Unmoveable not formerly given wth all debts owing & dew to me either by bils bonds or specailties or books of account from any ™son or ™sons whatsoever) And also doe by this my Last will Ratise & Conferme Unto him all & every act & thing mentiond & expressed in one paire of writings Indented made & Don by & betweene me & my said son beareing Date the Twentie day of Septemb' in ye yeare of o' Lord God one thousand Six hundred Seaventy & Eight In
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witness whereof I have set my hand & seale the day and yeare abovesaid

Seald Signd
& Delivd in Presence
Job Clements
John Evens
[Proved March 25, 1679.]

[Inventory, Dec. 24, 1678; amount, £222.3.0; signed by Job Clements and John Tuttle; attested by Joseph Beard June 24, 1679.]

WILLIAM COTTON

[Inventory of the estate of William Cotton, Dec. 19, 1678; amount, £998.5.6½; signed by Anthony Nutter and Philip Sea-vey.]

[Administration on the estate of William Cotton granted to Elizabeth Cotton, John Cotton, and William Cotton Dec. 31, 1678.]

[Court Records, Dec. 31, 1678, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 242.]

[Administration on the estate of William Cotton granted to his widow, Elizabeth Cotton, and John Cotton, June 24, 1679, his son, William Cotton, declining to act.

[Court Records, June 24, 1679, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 30.]

Leiu ¹ Antho: Nutter is appointed guardian to Thomas Cotton
Leiu ¹ Neall Guardian for Joseph ³ Cotton.
Mr John Hunkins for Benjamin ³ Cotton.
Sayd Guardians taking Care to dispose the s¹ Children to good services.

for a Settle ¹ of the estate of Wm Cotton this Court doth order that the widow have the Money & plate of the value of two Hundred pounds and so much of yº Household goods as are necessary at the Judgm ¹ of Mr Martin, for her Comfortable Subsistance with
liberty to use such part of the House as She pleaseth the remaynder of sd Money if any at her death to be proportioned amongst the surviving children

that John Have a Double portion of the whole remayneng estate in Such Lands or goods, as he shall chose except the Homestead.

that w^m have the House & Homestead & Marsh at Little Harbour amounting to Somthing more then two Hundred pounds paying thereout to his brother Joseph one Hundred pounds with two per Cent untill it be paid.

The other three Children Thomas Benjamin & Sarah to have one Hundred pounds in Lands goods & Chattells equally as it will arise out of the remaynder M^t Richard Martin & Cp^t Thomas Daniell are entreated & Impoured to see this division performed.

there is further provided & reserved for John one Acre out of the Homestead convenient for building paying w^m y^o Inventory price

if the estate fall short to pay the several proportions mentioned the eldest is ordered to Compleat it, not exceeding five pounds a peice

Elias Stileman Clerk

ABISHA TAPRILL 1678/9

The testimony of W^m Bickham & Rich: paine conserning y^o estate of Abisha Taprill

These depon^w testifie & say that they both being at y^o house of aforesaide Abisha & seing her very Ill of body & unlikely long to Live did propose to her to make her will. The said Abisha Answered that she had no will to make, for the house & household stuff was her ffathers & the goods he was obleiged, for the debts, therefore he must take them into his Custodie to make money & if anything remained as overpluss it was his ¶ ¶ Stock, & as for y^o goods coming aboute from Boston ¶ ¶ fox she desired her father to receive & to pay M^t Tappin what she owed for them, as for her children she desired her ffather that as shee had ev^r been a true
ROBERT JORDAN 1678/9 NEWCASTLE

In the name of god Amen, I Robert Jordan Senior Gentlem* formerly of Spurwinke, & now resident on the Great Island in the Townshipe of Portsmouth, In New England, being weake of body * * *

Item I do hereby ratify allow, & Confirme two deeds or write-ings which formerly I made & gave under my hand & Seale, one to my Eldest sonn John Jordan, & another to my second sonn Robert Jordan, according to the Contents y'in exprest

Item I give & grant to my wife Saraih Jordan now Liveing, the ould Plantation at Spurwinke, Contayneing one thousand Acres bee It more or less, begining w' the Grant belonging to my sonn John Jordan doth end, & ending where the Lott bequeathed by this my will to my 3d sonn Dominicus Jordan doth begine, & soe along the high way untill you come to the greate pond, for & dure-ing the Tearme of her naturall life The reversion & Inheritance y' of, to bee & remayne unto my youngest sonn Jeremiah Jordan, his heyres & successors for ever; as his part & portion /

Item I give & bequeath unto my sayd wife Saraih Jordan, one other farme Called Nonsuch, Contayneing two thousand Acres bee It more or less, for & dureing her naturall life, & for y' more strict obleighing my childrens duty to her, my will is that shee wholly & absolutely dispose the succession thereof, to either or any of my sons they, or their or any of their heyres or Issew Lawfully by them or any of them begotten for ever /

Item I give & bequeath unto my sonn Dominicus Jordan one
thousand Acres of Land, at Spurwinke to begin where the above sd ould Plantation Endeth, as hee shall make Choyce of, to bee layd out by the overseers hereafter Nominated /

Item  I Give & bequeath unto my sonn Jedediah Jordan, one thousand Acres of my Land at Spurwinke aforesayd, to bee chosen by him out of my Land not disposed before, to bee to the use of him & his heyres for ever /

Item  I give & bequeath unto my sonn Samuell Jordan by Reason of his posterity, Choyse of Eleaven hundred Acres of Land of my sayd Land at Spurwinke, to bee to the use of him, & his heyres for ever, & whatsoever part or ¶cell of Land remaines not bequeathed nor given of my sayd Lands, at Spurwinke by any or all of the above rescited & expressed articles, I do hereby give, & bequeath the same, being upland, unto my sons above named, to bee devided & æqually allotted amongst them /

Item  My will is that my Meddow bordering along by the River Spurwinke bee æqually devided to each portion of the above given Land nearest & most Conveniently Adjoyneing, to each ¶cell or portion as is above disposed /

Item  I give & bequeath unto my foure youngest sons, Namly Dominicus Jedediah Samuell & Jeremiah Jordan to each of them one feather bedd, & boulsters /

Item  I make & ordayne my sayd wife Saraih, & my two sons, John & Robert Jordan, to bee my Joynt executors

Item  I make & hereby ordayne Major Nicho: Shapleigh of Kittery Mr Nathľ fryer, & Mr William Bickham Merchants to bee overseers & to end all differences in any matters arising, by means of my not fully expressing my selfe in this my last will & testament between My Legatees, & the executors hereof, & to settle all things according to theire best Judgments, & nearest Intent of this my will, that noe further or future differences may arise /

Lastly,  My will & Intent is, that each & ever of my afore mentioned sonns, there heyres & Successors, shall have & Injoy, all & Singular the aforesayd specifyd Grants, Gyfts, & Legacys,
& If any or either of them want Naturall Isew, that then that Legacy shall redown & bee equally devided amongst the rest /

[Acknowledged at Great Island Jan. 28, 1678/9; exhibited in court and allowed July 1, 1679.]

[York County, Me., Deeds, vol. 3, p. 44.]

MARTHA WEST 1678/9 NEWCASTLE

[Inventory of the estate of Martha West, Great Island, Jan. 29, 1678/9; amount, £762.19.0; signed by Henry Roby, Francis Tucker, and William Roby.

"Gran' Administr' to ye' esta of Ed West & Martha his wife deceased to George Walton in behalfe of ye' children of ye' sd West."

SAMUEL WILLEY 1679

[Order, May 21, 1679, to Deacon John Hall, clerk of the writs, to return an inventory of the estate of Samuel Willey; signed by Richard Waldron and Elias Stileman, commissioners.

Endorsed, "I John Hall having been ordered by Authority as may appeare by ye' order within writen to goe to oyster River to look after ye' estate of Samuel willey who dyed Itestate and in obedience to ye' aforesd order I went to ye' house of the father of ye' sd Deceaed samuel willey in order to ye' service specifye in ye' within writen order and received answer from Thomas willey ye' father of the Deceaced person aforesd named in whos hand ye' estate of ye' deceacd person aforesd was left remaining when sd Deceaced person dyed as apearred by information of Neighbors and what I hard from them and having Told him my business his answer was ye' he would Administer and pay ye' debts

John Hall Clerk of ye' writs for dover"]

[Inventory, May 23, 1679; amount, £54.2.0; signed by Benjamin Matthews and Thomas Edgerly.]
[Administration on the estate of Samuel Willey granted to his father, Thomas Willey, June 24, 1679, who presented an inventory and his bond. Deacon John Hall was allowed five shillings for caring for the estate until administration was granted.]

[Court Records, June 24, 1679, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 29.]

[Bond of Thomas Willey and William Willey of Dover to satisfy the creditors of Samuel Willey; amount, £100; dated June 30, 1679; witnesses, Peter Duncan and John Barsham.]

RICHARD STILEMAN 1679

[Inventory of the estate of Richard Stileman, June 23, 1679; amount, £672.3.0; signed by Nathaniel Fryer, Francis Tucker, and George Jaffrey.]

[Administration on the estate of Richard Stileman granted to his widow, Mary Stileman, in behalf of herself and four children, June 24, 1679.]

[Court Records, June 24, 1679, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 30.]

BISHOP 1679

[Guardianship of Job Bishop of Ipswich, Mass., was granted to Major Robert Pike June 24, 1679, he being chosen by the ward.]

[Court Records, June 24, 1679, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 31.]

BRIDGET CLIFFORD 1679

The last will & Testament of Bridgett Clifford Relict to Jnº Huggings sen: of Hampton deceased, being made & signed Septemбр yº 1: 1679

In yº name of god Amen: I Bridget Cleford yº Relict of Jnº Huggings sen: of Hampton deceased, being by yº providence of god & last will of my sd Husband left Executrix to yº sd will;
being at p'sent sound in body & minde but knowing I must shortly depart hence & not knowing how soone; doe herby comend my Soule to god y't made & redeemed it, my body to y' earth to bee decently buried in hope of a blessed resurrecon as also my debts (if any appeare) being pay'd: I doe in faithfullnes to my former husbands will give & bequeath unto my sone nathaniel all y't Tenem't or messuage wheron wee some times lived neare y' landing place in Hampton To have & to hold to him & his heires for ever viz: all y't land upland & meadow, Arable or pasture ground, together w't one share of cow com'onage & one share of y' Oxe com'ons, together w't all y' privilidges y't doe or may belong hereunto; all ways & divided y't with in three years after my decease the sd Nath'l shall pay or cause to be pay'd in Hampton to my sone Jn' Huggins thirty pound in corne & cattle att y' currant prices they shall usually then goe for between man & man in Hampton, & also y' sd Nath'l: after my decease is requiered to pay five pound in specye as abovsd to my daughter Bridgitt at y' time of her mariage; as also to pay or cause to bee payd to my grand-child mary mattoone three pound at her mariage or when shee shalbe of ye age of twenty one years we shall first happen after my death. I also requier my sd sone to pay to my use, duering y' terme of my naturall life three pound yearly if I see cause in any yeare to demand it wthin y' yeare for my necessary releise; & my will is y't all my moveables that I shall leave at death be equally divided among my daughters then surviveing: And I do hereby appoint my sone nathaniel sole Executo' to this my last will & Testam't & do request my good freinds Ensigne Jn' Samborn, & John Smith Cooper both now of Hampton to be, overseers to my sons true & formance, And have accordingly sett to my hand & seale y' yeare & day above written

Signed & sealed in y' p'sence of us Bridgit Clifford
Philemon Dalton her X mark & Seale
Elizabeth Dalton
[Recorded Aug. 26, 1680.]
ROBERT PAGE 1679 HAMPTON

In the name and fear of God Amen

I Rober Page of Hampton in the County of Norfolke in New England being aged and weak of Body butt sound of understanding and of a Disposeing mind doe make this my last will as followeth Having Committed my selfe unto the almighty and shortly to lay of this Earthly tabernacle do Comitt my fraile body to the Earth to bee buried in Hampton burying place in a Cristian and Decent manner as my Children shall order & Appoynt And for whatt Estate God Hath bestowed upon mee in this world my will is that all my Just Debts bee first satisfiesd and payd and my Estate to bee Disposed of as followeth

1st I Give unto ffrancis page my Eldest son all my pastuer & upland which I bought of Leiut will Howard Containing Sixty Acres more or less besides a Certaine tracte which I Reserve for my Grand Child Robertt page the which is bounded with the land of Abr Drake and natt Boulter to a payer of barres Going into the Comons and from thence aboutt ten Rod in breddth to a bridg Going over the Swamp next Ed Colcords medow with two Acres Adjoining to boulters which parte of land so bounded I Doe Reserve to Robertt page and all the Rest I Doe Give and Conferme to my son ffrancis page being aboutt sixty Rod more or lesse

2ly I Doe Give unto my sone ffrancis page one share of the Cowes Comon According to the vallue thereof

3ly I Doe Give unto m' Seaborn Cotton our Reverend pastor the some of five pound to be payd to him in Good merchantable pay as it Comanly Goeth att Strabrey Bank within Halfe a year after my Decease if he Continow an officer in this Church till then

4ly I Doe Give unto my Daughter mary fogs two yongest Children the some of ten pound vizd to James fog five pound and to Hannah fog five pound to bee payd to them by my son ffrancis page when they shall Attaine to the Age of Sixteen years

5ly I Doe Give unto my Daughter Margritt Samborn and to Her Seaven Children the some of fortie pounds to Bee payd by
my son Thomas page viz to my Daughter margritt five pound to Josuph moulton five pound to Benjim moulton five pound to Hannah moulton five pound to bee payd within a year after my Decease and to the Rest viz to Sarah moulton now Sarah Haines the some of five pound to Ruth moulton now Ruth Samborn the sume of five pound to william moulton five pound, and to Jonathan Samborn five pound which is also to bee payd by my son Thomas page the fist year after my Decease & to william moulton my best weaning Calfe of this year

6ly. I Doe Give unto the Children of my Daughter Rebecah and of my son in law william marston the some of fortie pound whereof ten pound is already payd the Rest to bee payd as followeth, five pound to Rebecah now the wife of John Smith and five pound to Hannah now the wife of Samuell foge, and five pound to Samuell Marston to bee payd by my Son Thomas page within two years after my Decease

Itt I Doe Give to my Grand Daughter Lucie marston the some of ten pound to bee payd to Her by my son francis page within six years after my Decease: and five pounds to Meriah Marston the same year to bee payd by my son Thomas

7ly. I Doe Give and bequeth unto my Daughter Hannah the wife of Henry Dow and to Her three Children the some of fortie pound viz to my Daughter Hannah the some of twentie five pound to bee payd to Her by my son Thomas page within three years after my Decease

Ittem I Doe Give unto Joseph Dow my Daughter Hannahs Eldest son the some of five pound

Itt to Symon Dow Her third son the some of five pound

Itt to Jabez Dow fourth son the some of five pound to bee payd to them by my son Thomas page the fourth year after my Decease

8ly: I Doe Give unto Samuell Dow my Daughter Hannahs second son my planting lott in the north plaine Containing thirteeen Acres according as it is Granted and layd outt

9ly I Doe Give unto my Daughter mary flog: the Houses
which I have built upon my House lott whear she now Dwelleth Sixty Rod of Ground Adjacentt as it is now layd outt mor or lesse Duering the terme of her naturall life

Itt I Doe Give unto my Daughter mary fogy five Acres of planting land more or less Adjoy[n]ing to the land of mr Sam[l] Dalton towards the north west & the land of william Marston towards the south East, & two Swine & 3 of ye biggest shots & that wch is up a fatting

Itt I Doe Give unto my Daughter mary fogy three Acres and halfe of pastur land which I Bought of Nathaniel Bachelder Adjoyning to william fullers Swamp ; and one share of the ox Comon, and thatt Island of Salt marsh by the landing place all Duering Her naturall life and then to bee and Remaine to Her Eldest son Seath fogy after his mother Decease and my Daughters boyes to Helpe to Carrie the Dung outt this year & to have 12 load to lay on ye 5 acres bought of John Smith

10ly : I Doe Give and Bequeath unto my Grand Child Robert moulton one share of the Cowes Comon and three Acres and Halfe more or less of Salt marsh which I bought of James philbrick which is bounded with marsh of William Samborn on the one side and the marsh of Robert Smith on the other side

Itt I Doe Give unto the sd Robert moulton my Iland of fresh medow that lieth above my planting land or pa[s]tuer by taylors River being by Estimation one Acre more or less as itt is with free Egres and Regres through my land to the same, and in Case the sd Robert moulton Die without Issue then the sd lands and Commonage to bee and Remaine to his Brother Benjamin moulton

11 Itt i Doe Give unto my Son sfrancis page the one Halfe of all my fresh medow which I Bought of Lei[n] Howard the whole being by Estimation Sixteen Acres Adjoy[n]ing to my Great lott, the which Sixteen Acres is to be Equally Devided betwixt my two sons my son sfrancis to Devide and my son Thomas to Choose after Devision the Stock yard to bee for both their use and thatt both of them their Heires and Assignes shall have free
Egres and Regres to the sd stok yard and to their land According to their Devision from time to time for Ever

12ly: I Doe Give and Bequeth unto my Grand Child Robertt page my Son Thomas Eldest sonne thatt tract of land Reserved from my son francies his land Adjoyni[n]g to the land of Abra Drake and nath boulter and so to the Barrs thatt Goeth into the Comons towards John Garlands land with the two Acres Adjoin-[in]g to Boulters fence and ten Rod more in breth to the Bridg thatt Goeth over the Swamp by Ed Colcords medow

Itt I Doe Give unto my Grand son Robertt page Eightt Acres of fresh medow by my son francies his medow the which he is to Enter upon and posesse att the Age of twenti fower years and his father to posesse and Injoy the same in the mean time

13 I Doe Give and Bequeth unto my two Grand Children Robertt page and Samuell page twentie Acres of upland att the Saw mill the which is to bee Equally Devided betwixt them, and they are to Enter upon itt att their fathers Decease and their fathers to Have the use of itt Duering the terme of their lives

14ly: I Doe Give unto my Grand Child John page one Hundred Acres of land Granted to mee in the west partt of Hampton bound, Called the new plantation

15 I Doe Give unto my two sones ffrancis page & Thomas page my Quarter partt of the old Saw mill built upon taylors River, with all the priveledge and appertinances thereunto belonging: and my son francis page is to pay unto my Grand Child mary page the some of five pound: and to m't Samuell Dalton the some of twentye shillings as a Gratuity for his paines which is to bee payd by my sone francis page

16ly: I Doe Give unto my Grand Child Lucie page the Daughter of my son francis page the some of ten pound to bee payd by my son Thomas page within seaven years after my Decease

17 I Doe Give unto my Grand son Benjamin Moulton After my Decease one young Bull of two year old and upwards

18 I Doe Give unto my Daughter mary fog one fether bed with all the beden bedstead and furnituer thereunto belonging and also
my Greatt Brass Kittle and my Daughter mary fog is to Have all the Crop of y^4 Ground Given to her both English and Indian Exept Halfe the oats, and to Have barne Rome for Corne and Hay Duering her life if she Remaine a widow and for such Cattle as are Robertt moultons and my Daughter fogs Childrens they are to Have a meett portion of the Hay that is made for the year following untill winter be over and my Daughter fog to Have Comonag to keep two Cows Duering the terme of her life and my Cloaths I Give to Her Children and one steer of a yer & vantag

19: I Doe Give unto my Grandson Robertt moulton one fether bed with the bolster Coverlett and Appertinances thereunto belonging and my Sarg Coatt

20: I Doe Give unto my Grand Daughter mary page my son Thomas Daughter five pound as is mentioned in y^9 15 Article and to my Daughter fog thatt bed which her Children lies upon

21: I Doe Give to my Gran son Robertt page that Chest which I brought out of old England and my Copper Kittle

22: finally I Give and Bequeath unto my son Thomas page my Dwelling House barnes Stables and all other buildings being and standing upon my land not otherwayes Dispos'd of with all my land marsh and medow Comonage and all Rights priveledges and Appertinances to mee belonging in the towne of Hampton with all my tooles and Implements of Husbandry my stock of Cattle and all moveables both within Dores and withoutt that are nott other wayes Dispos'd of by this my last will

And I Doe make Constitute and Appointt my Son Thomas page to bee my sole Exectuer to this my last will and testementt and my son in law Henry Dow to bee my overseer to see thatt the same bee performed in Evry part thereof as itt is Declared and if my Execters faile in the performance of any parte thereof itt shall bee in the power of my over seers to pay any part or Legacy out of the stock or other Estate and I Doe by these p'sents Nullifie and make voyd all former wills made by mee and for the Conferma- tion of this my last will and testament I have Hereunto sett my
Hand and Seale the Ninth Day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand Six hundred and Seaventy nine Enterlined in the fifteenth Article and one line Rased in the 17th and one in the twentieth before the Sealing Herof Deacon page Signed Sealed and Declared this to bee His last will in the p'sents of us

Samuell Dalton
John Smborne
Jonathan Wedgwood
[Proved Nov. 11, 1679.]


[Inventory of the estate of Deacon Robert Page, taken by Thomas Marston, Nathaniel Weare, and Samuel Dalton Oct. 10, 1679; amount, £579.4.0.]


RICHARD TUCKER 1679

[Administration on the estate of Richard Tucker granted to Mrs. Margaret Tucker Sept. 30, 1679.]

[Inventory, Sept. 19, 1679; amount, £28.2.3; signed by Nathaniel Drake and William Seavey; attested by the widow Sept. 30, 1679.]

REBECCA BINMORE 1680

[Inventory of the estate of Rebecca Binmore, widow, April 2, 1680: amount, £33.2.0. A female child is mentioned, whom Silvanus Roake takes as an apprentice until she is eighteen years of age or married.]
[Administration granted to William Willey June 1, 1680, who presented an inventory of £33.2.0, out of which he was ordered to pay £13.4.0 to Henry Nock at the age of twenty-one, and the balance of the estate, after payment of debts, to Henry Nock, Temperance Binmore, and Hester Binmore in equal parts when they are of age.]

[Court Records, June 1, 1680, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 34.]

JOSEPH AUSTIN 1680

[Administration on the estate of Joseph Austin granted to Lieut. Peter Coffin June 1, 1680, who gave a bond in the sum of £40.]

MOSES SLEEPER 1680

[Administration on the estate of Moses Sleeper granted to his father, Thomas Sleeper, Sept. 7, 1680.]

[Court Records, Sept. 7, 1680, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 39.]

JAMES HOBBS 1680

[Administration on the estate of James Hobbs granted to William Fifield and Sarah Hobbs Sept. 7, 1680.]

[Court Records, Sept. 7, 1680, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 40.]

JOHN BOONE 1680

[Administration on the estate of John Boone granted to Peter Twisden of the Isles of Shoals Oct. 12, 1680.]

GODFREY DEARBORN 1680

HAMPTON

I Godfrey Dearbarne of Hampton in the Province of New Hampshire in New England Being aged and Inferme of Body

I Give and Bequeath Unto Dorothy Dearbarn my loveing wife for the terme of her life my Dwelling House & Barne & orchyard and the Use and Improvementt of all my land both Areable land pastuer & marsh land for her Comfortable subsistenc Duering the terme of Her life, and the use and Improvementt of all my moveables within Dores and withoutt Duering the terme of her life

Itt I Doe Give and bequeath Unto my Grand Child Ann Shatredg that now liveth with mee one two year old Heffer which she is to Receive att the End of Her time y' she is to live with mee

Itt I Doe Give Unto my sone Thomas Dearbarne my Dark Browne horse which I Use to Rid on

Itt I Doe Give Unto my son Thomas and Henry Dearbarn all the Rest of my Cattle thatt shall Remaine att the Decease of the longest liver of mee or my wife Exepting Sheep and swine which are other wayes Disposed of

Itt my will and pleasure is thatt all the Sheepe and swine that shall Remaine att my wives Decease shall bee Equally Divided betwixt all my Grand Children y' shall bee then living: and the Division to be made by my Executors & over seers

Itt I Doe Give and Bequeath Unto my Son John Dearbarn my House barne and house lott and all my land both Areable land pastuers medows & marshes and all Towne Rights and priveledges thereunto belonging and all my tooles and Carts & other Implements of Husbandry: and I Doe appointt my son John Dearbarne to bee my Executer to this my will and the Estate the which he is to Enter Upon and possesse att my wives Decease and to bee and Remaine to him and his Heires for Ever

Itt I Doe ordaine and Appointt my two Eldest sons Thomas Dearbarne & henry Dearbarne to bee my over seers to this my last will and testament whom I appointt to see to the managmentt
of my Estate thatt my wife may have a Comfortable living out of itt Duering the terme of her life.

And for whatt Houshold stuff I shall leave thatt my wife shall have the use and Improvement thereof Duering the terme of her life, and then to bee Equally Devided Between my three Daughters only leaving itt to my wives liberty to Dispose of whatt was her owne before I maried Her viz one fether Bed & boulster & Rug & Coverlett and her Greatt Bible & her Red flannell petti-coate to y^o wife of John morse.

And this my last will and testament I Conferme with my Hand & Seale Affixed thereto this fourteenth Day of December in the year of our lord one thousand Six hundred & Eighty

Signed Sealed & Declared to bee y^o last will of Godfrey Dearbarn X [seale]
Godfrey Dearbarn in p'sents of
Samuell Dalton sen^r
Mehetable Dalton

This was sworn to y^o. 26 of agust: 86 by mehetable Dalton alice [alias] Simins befor mee

Henry green Justis Peace

Province of New Hampshire June 7th 1711

Philemon Dalton @sonally appearing before the Honourable Richard Waldron Esq^r Judge of probate of Wills and Granting Letters of Administration within the said province made oath that he was present when his Mother Mehitabell appeared before Justice Green, and made oath as a Witnesse to this Will as is incerted in the Margin thereof.

Rich^d Waldron

And further by the Compareing of Several hand writeings of m^r Samuel Dalton a witnesse to this will I am Satisfied that the Said Will is Legally Signed & Sealed And therefor it is proved Approved and Allowed off

@ Rich^d Waldron
NEW HAMPShIRE WILLS

[Inventory, Feb. 13, 1685/6; amount, £138.12.0; signed by Henry Dow and John Smith.]

To his Excellency ye Governor & Councill sitting at Portsmouth May 10th 1711 the petition of John Dearborn of Hampton in said province humbly sheweth—

that your pitioners father Godfree Dearborn of Hampton Deceased about 26 years since, the witnesses to his Will & testament the one of them Dyed before ye testater by Reason of which the Will above said Will not be accounted well proved before the Judge of probats, your pitioner humbly prays your Excellency & Councill Would Receive the testimoneys to prove, the deceased Witnesses hand, which is Generell known he being for many years a Justice of peace, & Clerke of ye town and so to order that ye said testament may be Executed, by the Executor otherwise there will be a foundation for Controversy here after

Which your pitioner humbly prays

John Dearborn

philemon Dalton was p'sent when his Mother Mehitabell appeared before m'r Justice Green made oath as a Wittness to this will as incerted in the Margin

And further by the Compareing of Several hand writeings of m'r Sam'l Dalton a witnesst to this will, the Judge of the Probaates is Satisfied that the Said will is Legall signed & sealed and therefore Allows and Approves


JOHN CUTT

1680/1

PORTSMOUTH

. . . . . last will & testament of Jn r Cutt Sen of . . . . sm r in Piscataq river in the Province of New . . . . m pshire in N: E made this 6th of May 1680

. . . . . ing in perfect memory but Crazy and Infirm in

. . . . . weaknesses by reason of age & otherwise do ordain
this to be my last will & Testament hereby revoking all other Wills by me formerly Made—

1st—I Com’itt my Soul into the hands of God in Christ Jesus trusting that it shall be kept by him untill that day & my body unto a decent burial in my Orchard Where I buried my wife & Children that are deceased & I will that there be a wall of lime & Stone made about my Grave & the rest there already buried wth room Convenient for a burying place for the residue of my family relations

2nd—I Give unto my beloved Son John Cutt my house & land where I now live wth the orchard Gardens wharfeing windmill Warehouses & other houseing (except what is hereafter Excepted wth I Give unto my daughter Hannah) wth all the priviledges & appurtenances thereunto belonging together wth my wood & field lying upon the Creek behind my house & adjoyning to the land of Jn Hunkin & all my fresh Marsh at the head of the Creek next to Rich: Cum’ings marsh wth my share of that Land bought of Maj Waldron and Cap Lake near Greenland as alsoe all the land I bought of Mr Andrew Wiggan being 16o pole by the Water Side more or lesse according to Bill of Sale & three mile back into the woods together wth ye Marsh or meadow abrest of it & my ten acres of land on the great Iland Excepting out of it what is hereafter Excepted for my daughter Mary & my Warehouse on Starr Iland

3rd—I Give unto my beloved Son Samuel Cutt my house com’only called the great house wth the Orchard & field adjoyning (Except what is hereafter given to his Sister Mary) wth all the priviledges thereunto belonging together wth my land near the Pulpit being 7o pole in breadth by the water Side & run’ing up the whole Length into the Woods according to agreemt between mee & Br Richd Cutt together wth that halfe of wm William’s Plantation in Oysteriver wth I bought of him & the farm lying near it wth I bought of Tho: Doughty wth the fresh & Salt Marsh belonging to it & all my land at Spruce Creek bought of Mr Morgain & his wife & Ephraim Lynn being 16o acres more or lesse & that
part wth is mine of the house & land y^t was Mr Corbet's lying at Kittery Point & my one acre of land Lying on the great Iland wth my Warehouse upon Smutty nose Iland as also a ycell of land purchased of Richard Abbott lying near Mr Wills's at Nechowonoq

4°—I give unto my beloved daughter Hannah Cutt my New warehouse wth the wharfing belonging to it the land & wharfe soe farr as the Smith's Shop wth the Smith's Shop & Soe farr as the high way wth halfe an acre of Land out of the windmill feild at the Corner next Br° Richards Barn Fronting upon the high way between that & . . . . . between Br° Richards land & mine for the . . . . . Soe wide as that the double of the ffront . . . . . the Said halfe acre & the little feild by . . . . . beyond Wm Hearl's bounded by the land of .

. . . . land in the long reach to Say fifty pole . . . . . addition afterward laid to it & the land I had . . . . Execution & the land I had in dover of Phillip Crom . . . . wth was Sometime belonging to Joseph Austen to Say eleven acres wth the freehold or Com' onage belonging to it as alsoe my farm at Wells both upland & Meadow wth the houseing & all priviledges belonging thereunto & that hundred acres of land wth I had of Joseph Beard of Dover lying in or near Cochecho—

5°—I give to my beloved daughter Mary Cutt the little feild being part of that Com' only called the great feild lying next to y^t high way going to the meeting house wth halfe an acre of land butting upon y^t River on the one Side & the Creek that goes up by the great house on the other to take in the point Over & above & Soe up toward the great house wth free passage to it Between the great house & the river & a parcel of land out of y^t ten acres I gave to my Son Jn° upon the great Iland to Say that where my frame now lies or formerly did lie from the house that was Cap't Pendleton's to that wth was Otho Tuckerman's & all below the rock & Soe down to y^t River & the land I bought of Jn° Alt & the land I bought of Wm Williams lying in the woods at the head of Oysteriver & the 13 acres at boyling rock bought of Jeffery Cur-
rier & further I will that her Brother John shall sum' er two Cowes for her in his pasture at home freely dureing her Natural life & because her proportion of land is Smaller yⁿ what the rest of my Children have I will that She pay nothing towards what I hereafter give to her mother out of her proportion of moveables

6ⁿ—As to yⁿ remainder of my estate lying in Moneys plate household goods wares of any Sort Stock Shipping debts or any estate whatsoever any wise of right appertaining to mee & not already disposed of I doe dispose of it as followeth Vizᵗ one third part of the whole to my Eldest Son Jnⁿ Cutt the other two thirds shall be divided into ffour parts of wⁿ my Son Samˡ Cutt shall have the one halfe the other halfe to be equally divided Betwixt my two daughters Hanna & Mary Cutt unto each of wⁿ daughters I give besides their portion a Silver plate Marked T S

7ⁿ Provided alwaies that I give & bequeath unto my beloved wife Ursula Cutt the full Sumⁿ of five hundred pounds to be taken out of yⁿ portion wⁿ I have given to my Son's Jnⁿ & Samˡ & to my daughter Hanna each of them to pay their proportion of the Said five hundred pounds according to yⁿ Quantity of Goods that fall's to their Share when the whole is Summ'd up & divided to them & they shall pay it in each Species that they receive their portion in whether money Goods Shipping or otherwise according to yⁿ Value of what they Receive, the Moveables to be Apprized at price Currⁿ Moreover I will that my beloved wife shall have liberty to dwell in my house till my Son John come to age or Marry if She continue a widdow whome I request to have respect to my Children & be a mother to them, if my Son Jnⁿ Marry while my wife Continues a Widdow She shall have the use of a Couple of rooms in the house such as shall be Judged most convenient by my Executⁿ & Overseers together & may be comfortable for her accommodation Or she shall have liberty to build an house upon that peice of land wⁿ she hath lately taken in as an addition to yⁿ Orchard & may therein dwel dureing her Widdowhood & when she leaves it my Son John shall have it wⁿ wⁿ is built upon it Or she shall have liberty to Dwell in the New Warehouse wⁿ shall
be fitted up for her till my daughter Hanna comes to make use of it. Moreover she shall have the use of that land at the Pulpitt wth I have given to my Son Samuel till he Come to age & may Improve Soe much of of it as she See's meet & build upon it if She pleases & Shall have the benefit of it dureing her natural life & then both the land & all the Improvemt & building Shall return unto my Son Samuell Cutt

8o Furthermore I will that if any of my Children die before they come to age or marry the portion I have given them shall be equally divided between those of them that Survive & if any of my Children die wthout Issue after marriage I will that the houseing & Lands I have given them shall goe to the next heir & wth these proviso's it is to be understood that I give the abovemention'd houses & lands to my Children & their heires for ever, Provided also y' if it be Judged meet for the Peopling of the place to Sell any part of the great house feild into house lot's & my Overseers & Execut's approve of it it may be done & y's money for y's land so Sold to redound to y's behoof of the person to whome I have given the land & if it may be done for the good of the whole I advise that by the Consent of my Execut's & Overseers y's Shipping or part of them may be sold assoon as may be

9o For the good of the Town where I dwell I give & bequeath one hundred pounds towards the erecting of a free school provided the town shall Set it up wthin Seven Years after my decease & nto y's Church in Portsm't to wth I belong I give fifteen pounds and thirty pounds to y's poor of the Town wth S'd 30' shall be disposed of at y's discretion of my Overseers, unto y's Children of my Br Robert Cutt I give what was Oweing to mee from their father to be equally divided among y'm unto my Cozn Jn's Shipway I give ten pounds & to my Servant Bathiah Furbur fifty Shillings

10o Finally I make my beloved Son John & my daughter Hanna Execut's to this my last will & testam't & I request & appoint my good freinds Mr Joshua Moodey Mr Richard Martin & Mr Reuben Hull of Portsm't & Cap't Tho: Brattle of Boston to be my Overseers & unto y's Said Moodey I give as a legacy fifty Pounds
& to the other three Overseers thirty pounds a piece whome I doe earnestly desire to be carefull for ye Concern of my Children & to order matters Soe for ye as may be to their best behooffe & for the mantaining & promoteing Love between ye & if there happen any difference among my wife & Children about the Interpretation of the will or about any matter referring to their Concernment therein in my will is that the party or party's concern'd shall chuse each of ye a man to Joyn wth the Overseers for the decision of any Such Controversy & what they or the Major part of them shall determine I will shall be the final Issue of any Such matter.

The managem't of my burial I leave to ye prudence of my beloved wife & my Overseers & doe obleige my Execut'm w'th ye advice of my Overseers to See to ye paying of the legacies abovemention'd & discharging of all my Just debts & funerall Charges out of my estate.

In testimony to all & Singular the premisses I Set to my hand & Seal this sixth day of May in the year of our Lord 1680 by the premisses I mean w't is written on the side above & on the other side.

Wee whose names are underwritten saw m'r Jno Cutt Sen' sett his hand & Seal to this Instrum't & heard him declare it to be his last will & Testam't this 6 May 1680

John Fletcher
Samuel Keais

Vera Copia of the originall Will on file of ye quart' Court of portsmo in N— Hampsh': attests—

Elias Stileman Record'

Portsmo Jan'y 3d 1680/81

As an explication w'th Some alteration of the Seventh article in my aforementioned last will & Testament in the foregoing folio bearing date the 6th of May 1680 I annexe what hereafter followes
to Say that whereas I have in s^t article given five hundred pounds to my beloved wife Ursula Cutt upon Consideration of the great wasting of my Estate by reason of long Sickness & other late providences attending mee I doe hereby will that the Sum'e wth I bequeath unto her my wife afores^tt shall be but four hundred pounds payable in manner as is in Said Article Express'd & wthall I give this as my meaning in S^d article that the said Sum'e of four hundred pounds is in lieu of w^t She my Said wife would or might have expected on the Acc^o of writt of Dowry or thirds of my Estate or any other way by vertue of any law in Old England or New & She shall renounce all other her intrest in or claim to any part of my estate or else shall not receive any part or whole of this four hundred Pounds that I have here bequeathed her leaving her to her choice w'th of the two she will take either the thirds of my house & land dureing her life time or this four hundred pounds & I do hereby will & declare that this schedule here an'exed is & shal bee my last will & testament any thing in my will afores^t to y^e Contrary Notwithstanding as Wtinesse my hand & seal this third day of Jan'y one thousand six hundred & Eighty

this writeing above was signed

John Cutt— [a seal]

& Sealed by Jn^t Cutt esq' President of New Hampshire & declared to be his last will & Testament in p'sense of us this 3^d Jan'y 1680

Rich^t Waldron
Joshua Moodey

Vera Copia of the originall Explication & addition as it is on file of y^t quart^t Court of portsm^t in N. Hampsh attests

Elias Stileman Record^t

[Proved April 9, 1681.]

[Inventory of the estate was presented June 7, 1681.]

[Court Records, June 7, 1681, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 47.]
[John Cutt, son of President John Cutt, being a minor, desires that his guardian, Reuben Hull, may fit out and send to sea certain vessels belonging to his estate, the overseers approving.]


[Administration de bonis non of the estate of John Cutt of Portsmouth granted to Samuel Penhallow of Portsmouth, merchant, July 24, 1700, who married Mary Cutt, daughter of the deceased, the executors of the will, John Cutt and Hannah Cutt, son and daughter of the deceased, having died.]


[Bond of Samuel Penhallow, gentleman, with Thomas Parker, chirurgeon, and Charles Story, gentleman, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £500, July 24, 1700, for the administration de bonis non of the estate of John Cutt of Portsmouth; witnesses, Sarah Hall and Mary Hall.]

HENRY SHERBURNES 1681

[Inventory of the estate of Henry Sherburne, March 26, 1681; amount, £126.12.0; signed by Peter Coffin; attested by Samuel Sherburne and John Sherburne Sept. 8, 1681; goods delivered to Mrs. Sherburne out of the estate, £19.1.6.]

[Order of court, June 7, 1681, appointing John Hunking, John Shipway, and John Pickering a committee to set off to Sarah Sherburne, widow, her third of the real estate of her husband, Henry Sherburne, she stating to the court that she was receiving no means of support either from his estate or that of her former husband, Walter Abbott.]

[Court Records, June 7, 1681, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 47.]

[Inventory was presented Sept. 7, 1681, and attested by Samuel Sherburne and John Sherburne; amount not stated.]

PHINEAS RIDER 1681 NEWCASTLE

[Inventory of the estate of Phineas Rider, Great Island, April 30, 1681, “According To the desire of his widdow”; amount, £12.16.0; signed by Nathaniel Fryer and Samuel Wentworth.

Administration granted to Alice Rider June 7, 1681, who made oath to the inventory. The court gives her all the estate.]

[Administration on the estate of “old Rider” granted to his widow June 7, 1681.]

[Court Records, June 7, 1681, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 46.]

AGNES COWELL 1681 PORTSMOUTH

Know all men by presents that I Agnes Cowll of the town of Porthmouth in new Hampshire doe After my desexas make Over and give the theird part of my Estate which was left by my husband Cowll which is fiftiy pound as it was prise and I doe give the said ffty pound to my Children at my desexas as I think fitt or to any or all them in my last will and testament as witnes my hand & seal this 30th Aprell 1681

tested by

the mark X of Agnes Cowll [seal]

Thomas Harvey
Nicholas Walden

[Proved Jan. 3, 1681/2.]

ANTHONY ELLINS 1681

[Inventory of the estate of Anthony Ellins, Portsmouth. Aug. 7, 1681; amount, £375.5.11; signed by John Shipway, Anthony Nutter, and Nehemiah Partridge.]

[Administration on the estate of Anthony Ellins granted to his widow, Abigail Ellins, Sept. 8, 1681.]

[Council Records, Sept. 8, 1681, in State Papers, vol. 19, p 678.]
[Inventory of the estate of Abigail Ellins, widow of Anthony Ellins, "wch she brought with her when she married said Anthony"; taken Sept. 8, 1681; amount, £39.18.0; signed by John Shurburne and Nehemiah Partridge; attested Sept. 8, 1681.]

JOHN HUNKING 1681 PORTSMOUTH

The last Will & Testament of John Hunkins of Portsm° in y° Province of New-Hampshire made this twenty fifth of August 1681.

I John Hunkins being under great weaknes of Body, and apprehensions of approaching Death, • • •

1. Unto my Beloved Wife I give all that shee brought with her, fifteen pounds of hers In Mony I made use of, & I will shalbe returned her in kind. I give her also one hundred pounds out of my Moveables according as they are prized, & I will y° all my Moveables bee prized as Mony, Further I will y° my Wife shall have liberty to dwell either in this house or that wherein John Light now lives, so much of either of y° being allotted to her as shalbe judged convenient for her accom’odation by my Execut° & Overseers, & shee to have liberty of dwell° there while shee lives. Provided alwaies y° my wife accept of what is above-said in liew of her Thirds of my house & land, & renounce her Interest in any part of my Estate any further than as above expressed.

2. Unto my Beloved son John Hunkin I give y° House & land where I now dwell wth y° Barn, outhouseing Orchards & all y° Priviledges thereunto belonging, to him also I give y° Field newly fenced in by y° High Way next to m° R. Martyns, being thirty Acres more or lesse, together with my Warehouse & wharfing at strawberry-Bank, as also my Houses, Warehouses & stage on star-Island with all other Appurtenances thereto belonging (my Boats only excepted) & my Best cloak & silver hafted Rapiere & my seal-ring wth J H upon it, willing him my son John to pay unto my Daughters out of his own proper Estate fifty pounds apiece in Mony, upon theyr Day of Marriage or when they come
to Age, & if either of them dye before ye Time limited then her fivety pounds to bee paid unto my surviveing Daughter.

3 Unto my Beloved son Peter Hunkins I give ye House & land where John Light dwells with all ye Priviledges thereto belonging, excepting ye cell of land between Gate & Gate on ye N. West side of ye House (reserving ye forementioned Liberty to my wife) Also a cell of Land next Wm Cottons being about twenty Acres more or lesse, unfenced, with four Acres of Marsh with lies at Little Harbour

4 I give to my Beloved son William my eight-Acre Lott near ye Boyling Rock with sixty sixe Acres at ye Head of said Lott in ye Plains.

5 I bequeath to my Beloved son Mark my sixe-score Acres of Land near Salmon-falls being all that cell of Land with I bought of Ralph Hall, as Deed appeares

6 To my Beloved Daughter Agnes I give all my land upon ye Great Island with ye lettle house upon it lying next to John fiabens House by ye Water-side. And a seal Ring marked A H. besides that fivety pound payable by her Bro. John.

7 Unto my Beloved Daughter Elizabeth I give that little house by ye Well near ye house where Mr Light lives with ye cell of land lying between Peter Glandefeld’s & ye Gate of ye house where Mr Light now lives, & so backward to ye Gate ye Opens to ye High way. As also another cell of land about seven Acres, fenc’d, bounded by Wm Cottons Rich: Joce’s land & ye High-way. I give also to my Sister Daughter Eliz: besides ye fivety pounds payable by her Bro: John, all ye rest of my Gold Rings, togeth with a piece of black silk ye is in ye House for a Gown, & a piece of Red silk for a Petticoat.

Further I will ye my son John shalbe sole Execut of this my last Will & Testament Only if my son John dye before hee come home then my son Peter shalbee Execut in his Room, & have his portion & be obliged to pay ye same Legacies as John should have done. And if any of my other children dye before they come to Age or marry ye portion of ye deceased shalbe equally divided among ye
Survivors, excepting y° fivety pounds ap° to my Daught° w° I will shalbe as above ordered.

I doe also hereby desire & appoint my Hon° frinds Rich: Martyn & W° Vaughan Esq° to bee overseers to this my last Will & Testament, requesting them to see to y° Pformance thereof according to y° true intent hereof, as also to y° Division of all y° rest of my Estate not above Picularly disposed of whether in shipping or stock or any moveables within doores or without unto each of my children an equall share, after y° my Legacies Debts & funerall charges are defraied out of my said moveables. And because my Execut° is from home I desire & impower my Overseers afores° to look after my Estate & use theyr best discretion for preserving it, & to pay out of it what Debts are needfull to bee speedily paid.

And my Will is y° y° Houses & lands given above to my children shalbe to them, theyr Heires & Assignes for ever. In Testimony to all y° p°mises I set to mine hand & seal this twenty fifth of August 1681 If Peter come to bee Execut° & have John°s Portion, then Peters portion shalbe divided among y° survivors & to y° also set my hand & seal I also impower my Overseers afores° to Receive Debts as well as pay Debts till my Executor comes Home—

Witness

Joshua Moodey
John ffletcher

[Endorsed] m° Jn° Hunkings will brought into Court of Adjornm° y° 1° Tuesday in decemb° 1681 & is put on file on y° records of y° Court of Dover June 7th: 1681 being proved.¥ m° Jos: Moodey & m° Jn° ffletcher who tooke oath y°unto

E: S: Record°

THOMAS AVERY 1681

[Inventory of the estate of Thomas Avery, Sept., 1681; taken by Walter Neal Leavitt and Samuel Haines, Jr.; amount in real estate and live stock, £112.12.0; other articles not valued; attested by Joan Avery Nov. 1, 1681.]
THOMAS WILLEY 1681

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Willey granted to Margaret Willey, his wife, and John Willey, his son, Sept. 7, 1681.]

JOHN WHIDDEN 1681

[Administration on the estate of John Whidden granted to his widow, Elizabeth Whidden, Sept. 7, 1681, and an inventory was presented.]

SAMUEL DALTON 1681 HAMPTON

[Inventory of the estate of Samuel Dalton of Hampton, who died Aug. 22, 1681; taken Sept. 15, 1681; amount, £868.5.0; signed by John Sanborn and Henry Dow; attested by his widow, Mehitable Dalton, Dec. 6, 1681. Mentions estate in Haverhill, Mass., given him by his father-in-law, Henry Palmer.]

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Dalton granted to his widow, Mehitable Dalton, Dec. 6, 1681, who presented an inventory of £868.5.0.]
[Court Records, Dec. 6, 1681, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 50.]

SEWARD 1681

[Richard Seward made choice of his master, William Vaughan, as his guardian, who was appointed Nov. 22, 1681.]

AGNES SNELL 1681

[Inventory of the estate of Agnes Snell, wife of George Snell, Dec. 5, 1681; amount, £172.10.9; signed by John Shipway, Jr.,
and Samuel Keais; endorsed "This Inventory Lefte in Courte by m' George Snell Xber 1681"; attested by Jethro Furber May 3, 1682."

GODFREY BROOKING 1682 ISLES OF SHOALS

To The honorable: His Majesties Councill now sittinge at Ports-
m°— The peticon of William sfollet of Oyster River in behalfe of his Daughter In Law, Hannah Brookine of Isle of Sholes;

Humbly Sheweth, Whereas Godfrey Brookinge was unfortu-
nately drowned ye 10th day of Xber 1681: at Isle of Sholes; and
dyinge Insolvent: not leavinge estate neither to pay one halfe ye
debts contracted by him in his life time nor any competency for his Relict and foure smal Children left behind him;

Knowing no Authority there established at Star Island; nor any
way wherby ye petition may be put In a way to satisfye ye Credit-
ors—It is the humble petition of ye s Relict; ye ye honours would
be pleased; to use or direct some way or means; ye the Creditors
may Receive accordinge to proportion of ye small estate Left ac-
cording to ye Inventory here presented to you and ye petitioner
shall ever pray &c

[Misc. Provincial Papers, mss., vol. 1, p. 18.]

PETER VITTERY 1682 LONDON ENG.

[Administration on the estate of Peter Vittery of London, Eng.,
"who died out of ye Ketch ffriends Endeavo' of piscattaq River
on a voyage to the Madara from 8d River," was granted to Reuben
Hull June 6, 1682.]

[Court Records, June 6, 1682, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 54.]

DODEVAH HULL 1682

[Administration on the estate of Dodevah Hull granted to his
widow, Mary Hull, June 6, 1682, his will being imperfect.]

[Court Records, June 6, 1682, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 54.]
JOB CLEMENT 1682

Dover. 4. 7th 1682

The last will & Testam[t] of Job Clement Esq['].

I Job Clement being weak in Body but in [s]fect memory doe dispose of my Estate as followeth

I make my Son Job Clement my sole heir & give to him all my houseing & lands Bills & Bonds with stock in tradeing & all my other Estate whatsoever except what is hereafter excepted

I give to my beloved wife Joanna Clement y° choice of my Houses for her to live in dureing her life time, together with what so ever Estate she brought with her whether in Cattell or houshold goods, & shee shall with y° House have y° use of y° Accom'odations of land belonging to it, & y° use of a ffether bed dureing her life

I give to my Granchild Jane Kenney the residue of my Six Acre lott more or lesse y° one halfe of w[ch] was formerly by mee given to her ffather, lying near y° Watch house on Dover Neck. Also I give to y° said Jane that bed w[th] my wife has y° use of dureing her life to come into her hands after my wives decease. I give thirty shill[.] to y° poor of y° Town & thirty shill[.] to y° church.

finally I make my son Job to my sole Execut[t] willing him to pay my Debts & funerall charges And request y° Hon[e] Rich[a] Waldron p'sident & y° Rev'd m'r John Pike to bee overseers to this my last Will & Testam[t]

In witnes to y° p'mises I have set to my hand & seal

The instrument above was signed Job Clements [seal]
& sealed by y° within mentioned Job Clements Esq'['] & declared to bee his last Will & Testament y° day & year above written 4 (7) 1682. In p'sence of us

Richard Walderne
Joshua Moodey

[Proved Nov. 9, 1683. See recorded copy.]
WILLIAM PITMAN 1682 DURHAM

October the last, in the year of our Lord God one thousand six hundred eighty & two, I William Pitman of Oister river in the Province of New Hampshire being weak in body and being perfect in memory & mind; willing to settle my estate for the future, committing my soul unto him that gave it, & my body to the dust and Christian burial. My Will is, that my son John Pitman be my sole Executor of all my estate houses lands goods & chattels debts monies whatever. All my legal debts being paid.

My Will is, that my Wife shall have two Cows, a bed and bedding and accomodation in the house And provisions for her this winter until they may be placed out, And one third of the income of my unmoveables during her natural life, or until she marry.

My Will is, that my son Francis Pitman have & injoy as a gift of mine All that Place or tenement which I bought of Richard Knight, commonly called Giles's place, he paying my Executor four pound.

Item I give unto my sons Ezekiel Pitman & Nathaniel Pitman, that parcel of marsh that I bought of Richard Knight lying near the Meeting house equally betwixt y'm.

Item I give unto my son Joseph Pitman all my part of land near the valley of twenty five acres at Colley's marsh, as appears more large by Records.

I give unto my daughter Elizabeth Jenkins fifteen shillings.
I give unto my daughter Abigail Willy, Sara Thrisco, Ezekiel Pitman, Ann Pitman, Zacharias Pitman, Hanna Pitman, Judith Pitman, each of them aforenamed three shillings a peece.

My Will is that Edward Leathers & Stephen Jenkins should be the Overseers of my Wife & children, & of my executors, to see this my Will performed.

Witness
John Woodman
Stephen Otis

[Proved Nov. 16, 1682.]

Deeds, vol. 4, p. 64.]

William Pitman his X mark
& seal [seal]
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

[Inventory, Nov. 15, 1682; amount, £173.6.0.; signed by Robert Burnham and Joseph Smith.]

MOSES COX 1682 HAMPTON

In ye name of God Amen I Moses Coxe of Hampton in ye province of new Hampshire in new England being very Aged and weake of body

Item I give and bequeath unto prudence my welbeloved wife if she doe outlive me the one half of all my land medow & marsh & Com'ongages and the use of the moveablels (Excepting what shall be here after disposed of in this my last will) All during the Tearme of hir Naturall Life And after hir decease then to Returne unto my son in law Jeames Perkins & my Daughter Leah his now wife

Item I give and bequeath unto my son in law Jeames Perkins and to Leah his wife The other Half of all my Lands both upland meadow marsh & Com'ongages

Item I give unto my Daughter Mary Godfree & my Daughter Sarrah Norris five shillings apec to be payd by my Exequetours in marchble pay att prize Current

Item I give unto my Daughter Rachell Rawlings the some of twentye pound five pounds to be payd the first yeare after mine & my wifes decease and five pounds to be payd within two years after my & my wifes decease and five pounds more to be payd within three years after my & my wifes decease and five pounds more to be payd within fourer years after mine & my wifs decease to be payd by my Exequetour in good marchble pay att Current prize as it shall then pase from man to man Also I give unto my Daugter Rachell Rawlings one feather Bed & bolster after mine & my wifs decease—

And I doe by these pressent make Constitute and Appoint my Trustie and Welbeloved son in law Jeames Perkins to be my sole Exequetour to this my last Will & Teastiment In Wittnes Here unto I have put too my Hand and Sealld it with my seall this
first day of november in y^e yeare of our Lord Sixteen Hundred & Eightie two & in the thirtie forth yeare of the Raigne of our soveraigne Lord Charls the second by the grace of God king of England scotland sfrance & Ireland defender of the faith

signed sealed and Confermed Moses Cox [seal]
in the presence of uss.
Henry Dow
Samuell Dow
[Proved July 18, 1687.]

[Inventory of the estate of Moses Cox, who died May 28, 1687; taken June 10, 1687; amount. £124.14.0; signed by Henry Dow, Abraham Cole, and John Moulton.]

SAMUEL DUDLEY 1682/3

[Inventory of the estate of Samuel Dudley, Feb. 10, 1682/3; amount, £641.12.0; signed by William Morse and Robert Smart; witnesses, Edward Smith, John Folsom, and Bartholomew Tipping; attested by Theophilus Dudley, administrator, March 3, 1682/3.]

To the Right honerabell Edward Cranfeld Equir & governer of new hampshire Sir theses are to aquaint your honner that I Elizabath dudley Laite wife of m^e Samuell dudley deceased have agreed with the Children of the Said dudly for my dowery allso to aquaint your honner that I doe Refuse to Administer and thersfore I doe Leave it to my sonn in Lawe theophilus dudley

Sir yours honoreres to serve to my power
witness my hand and seale Elizabeth Dudy [seal]
merch : 1th : 1683

m^e Elisabeth dudly owned: this above to be her acte and deed this 2d of march 1683 Before me

John Gillman of the Counsell
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

ARTHUR BENNICK  1683

[Inventory of the estate of Arthur Bennick, who died Jan. 20, 1682/3; taken April 2, 1683; signed by James Thomas and Benjamin York; attested by Mary Bennick, administratrix, April 11, 1683.]

ABRAHAM PERKINS  1683  HAMPTON

In the name of God Amen. I Abraham Perkins of Hampton in the Province of New Hampshire in New England being weak in body but sound in understanding and of a disposing mind do make this my last Will & Testament, as followeth.

First, I commit my soul to Almighty God y' father of Spirits, who gave me life and being, and my body to the earth from whence it was taken, that after my dissolution to be buried in Hampton burying place in a Christian & decent manner as my Executors shall appoint. And for what worldly goods God hath given me, my Will is as follows.

Item, I give unto my beloved Wife during her life the new end of my house, with the chamber above: And give her hereby liberty to make use of y' other back house as she shall have need. And I give unto her two cows & their increase wholly to dispose of them as she shall please. And for as much as I do by this my Will give unto my sons Jonathan & Humphry all my land & cattell excepting them two above menc'oned deviding all things equally betwixt them as hereafter shall be declared. And my Will is, that they do both of them carefully provide comfortable relief for their mother, & to provide three lods of hay & to put it into the barn for to winter her two cows, except they do agree otherwise. And further my two sons Jonathan & Humphry shall provide for their mother sufficient fire wood so much as she shall need making it fit for her use, And to give her yearly sixteen bushel of corn Twelv of Indian Two of wheat & Two of barley or rye. And they shall provide for her a well fatted hog or shot to kill, & half a hundred of good beef yearly. And I do give unto my Wife all my
houshold stuff to be at her disposing excepting carpentars tools & military implements & husbandry. And I give unto her 4 sheep & my sons to maintain them for her & the thirds of ye apples in ye orchard. And in case my two sons Jonathan & Humphry do neglect their duty to their mother in providing things necessary for her comfortable being & not attending to my Will, then this is my Will; She shall have ye thirds of all I have And furthermore this is my Will, That I give unto my two sons (Jonathan Perkins and Humphry Perkins all my lands I have in Hampton, both meadow and Upland, viz; My house Lots & planting Lot North hill Lot and Asbrook Lot and the North deivation towards Greenland And the New plantac' on with three shares of the Cow commons and one in ye Ox com'on. With all my tools for Carpentars, All implements for husbandry, as Ploughs, carts, harrows, yokes, chains. And likewise all implements belonging to military discipline; Guns, swords, pikes, am'unition, & what els. And my Will is, That my son Jonathan shall have ye whole Lot that I bought of Isack Cole w'ch is about four or five acres, lying between my old house Lot & ye street way which he hath now built upon. All these particulars above menc'oned I do give to him & his heirs for ever, paying out such legacies as hereafter shall be expressed. And I do give unto my son Humphry my House ye I how live in, With all ye building belonging to it, With ye Orchards belonging & being that this Lot is bigger than Jonathans, the Lot being about ten acres & much building, my son Humphry shall pay to my daughter Sarah twenty pounds for a legacy, Shall pay it in four years after my decease, To pay it in currant merchantable pay at currant price. And I do give unto my Granddaughter Mary fifield now dwelling with me, fifive pound. And I give unto my daughter Abigail fifive pound. And I give unto my son James Perkins fifive pound. And I give unto my Grandson John Perkins fifive pound. And I give unto my son David fifive shillings. And I give unto my son Luke fifive shillings; for these two sons have had their share already, These six last legacies which is twenty pound ten shillings shall be paid by both my
sons Jonathan & Humphry equally alike every year five pound to them abovenamed after one another as they are set down to be paid in currant marchantable pay at curra't price: And my son Jonathan & Humphry shall equally devide all my cattel excepting that cow he had with his wife. And to all these abovementioned I set my hand & seal

Hampton August 22. 1683. Abraham Perkins [seal]

Signed & Sealed in ye presence of us Witnesses

Seaborn Cotton
John Tucke
[Proved Sept. 18, 1683.]
[Deeds, vol. 4, p. 63.]

[Inventory of the estate of Abraham Perkins of Hampton, who died Aug. 31, 1683; taken Oct. 4, 1683; amount, £361.2.6; attested before Edward Cranfield by Jonathan Perkins and Humphrey Perkins Oct. 5, 1683.]

ISAAC HANSON 1683

[Inventory of the estate of Isaac Hanson, Sept. 17, 1683; amount, £115.18.7; signed by John Evans and Nathaniel Stevens; attested by Mary Hanson Oct. 15, 1683.]

[Additional inventory, Sept. 8, 1684; amount, £5.10.0; signed by John Evans.]

SYLVESTER HERBERT 1683  NEWCASTLE

[Bond of Robert Mason and Walter Barefoote, Oct. 1, 1683, in the sum of £100, for the administration, by Thaddeus McCarty, of the estate of Sylvester Herbert of Great Island; signed by Edward Cranfield.]
JOHN SHIPWAY 1683 PORTSMOUTH

By theGovr
Henry Tippet & ursila Tucker this day appeared before me & made oath that John Shipway Deceased declared that all his Est-

tate both personall & Real should goe to his son John Shipway :

Given und'r my hand this 9th day of Nov'r 1683

Edw Cranfield

[Inventory, Portsmouth, Nov. 29, 1683; amount, £440.0.0;
signed by Henry Crowne and John Lewis; attested by the son,
John Shipway, Dec. 13, 1683.]

[Bond of John Shipway of Portsmouth, merchant, Dec. 13, 1683,
in the sum of £100, for the administration of the estate.]

THOMAS DANIEL 1683 PORTSMOUTH

I Thomas Daniel of Portsmouth, in the Province of New-Hamp-
shire, being Through ye goodness of God in ye fect memory though
much Indisposed, * * *

My Worldly Estate I dispose as followeth—

Imprim'r I give & Bequeath to my dearly beloved Bridg'd Dan-
el all my whole Estate in goods, Chattles, debts & Elce, whatso-
ever my Just debts being first paid & ye Legasies hereafter men-
tion'd

2d I give to my hon'd Mother m'r Elianor Cutt Tenn. pounds in
money to buy her mourning —& moreover I doe order & oblige
my Executrix to reimburse my Hono'd Mother for what she laid
out to ransome my Couzen Graffort

3— I give to my Kinsman Thomas Graffort, one hund: pounds
Starl's money of Old England & my Intrest in ye debt of Sr John
ffredricks due to ye Estate of my Hon'd ffather Cap'n Rich'd Cutt in
Order to his ransome, I also forgive him what is due to mee on
his accomp' in my books—

4— I give my Coz: John Daniel Twenty pound S'd Starl's money

5— I give my Coz: Bridget vaughan Ten pound, in money

here
6— I give my good friend Henry Dering 20s to buy a ring—
7— I make my dear wife my Executrix. And my lo. Brother
William vaughan Cozin Richd Waldron Junr with my good freind
m'r Joshua Moodey & John fletcher my over Seers to See this my
will & form giving unto Each five pounds specè in money. my
debts & Legasies to be paid as Soon as my Executrix Conven-
iently may— Dated this twelvth of Novemb. 1683. In witnesse
to all the premises I set to my hand & seal (the line & half in y*
2d @ticular wth is written in another character being inserted by
my order before sealing).

12th Nov. 1683. This Instrument was signed & sealed by
Capt Thomas Daniel [seal]
tho: Daniel and declared
to be his last Will & Testament
before us
Jn fletcher
Geo. Snell
John Buss

[Proved Nov. 19, 1683.]

HENRY TIBBETTS 1683

[Inventory of the estate of Henry Tibbetts, Dec. 10, 1683; amount, £2.6.6; claims against the estate, £3.4.9; signed by
John Tucker, Nicholas Walden, and John Shipway; attested by
Nicholas Walden and John Shipway Dec. 13, 1683.]

JOSEPH WALKER 1683

[Inventory of the estate of Joseph Walker, who died Nov. 7,
1683; items not valued; attested before Edward Cranefield by
Walter Neal Dec. 10, 1683.]

[Bond of Hannah Walker of Portsmouth, widow of Joseph
Walker, and Walter Neal of Greenland, Dec. 10, 1683, in the
sum of £100, for the administration of the estate by Hannah
Walker and George Walker.]
GEORGE LAVERS 1683/4 PORTSMOUTH

Portsm° in New hampshire ye° 30th of January 1683

I George Lavers of the Town of Portsmouth in the Province of New hampshire being under great weaknesse of body, • • • •

1 Unto my beloved wife I give all my now dwelling house both the olde & new parts thereof together w° my land & Orchard thereunto adjoyning, as also all my money, w° all my household goods of every kinde, together w° all the provision that is now in my house, moreover I further give unto my said wife five pounds A yeare in provision Such as is needfull for her at the Same prices as they are to be bought for money, to be paid her from yeare to yeare (by my son Jacob) so long as shee liveth: all the above mentioned premises to be wholly, & solely at the disposall of my said wife during all the time of her naturall life

2 I give & bequeath to my beloved Sonn Jacob Lavers my shop w° is neare unto my house; and all my stock, and all the Lether, & all the shoos, & all the hides, as also all the debts due to me from any person or persons whatsoever & I doe also give unto my sd Son A peice of Land of fifty foots front, adjoyning to the land of m° George Snell in the Town of Portsm° afford, w° land runs up towards m° Richard Martyns Orchard so farr as the fence of sd Snell runs w° Joynes to sd land, All w° the premises above mentioned I will that my said Son shall have possessio of at the time of my decease he paying all my debts & funerall charges, And also paying my wife five pounds A yeare in provision as abovesd every yeare during her Naturall life.

Moreover I doe will & bequeath unto my said sonne after the death of my said wife all my above dwelling house & land, & orchard thereunto belonging, together w° what household goods of mine shall be left at his Mothers departure out of this world to be to him, his heires Execut° & Assignes for ever.

Further I will that my wife shall be sole Executrix of this my last will & Testament. & doe hereby desire & appoint my beloved friends m° Richard Martyn & m° Richard Waldron to be Overseers to this my last will & testam° requesting them to se to the
true performance thereof according to the true intent of the same,
In testimony to all the premises I set to my hand & seal.
George Lavers declared the George Lavers [seal]
above written instrum't to be his
last will & testam't in presence of
us

Test—Samuel Keais
Obadiah Mors:

[Proved May 24, 1684.]

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DANIEL GILMAN 1683/4 EXETER

[Inventory of the estate of Daniel Gilman of Exeter, Feb 2,
1683/4; amount, £119.10; signed by John Gilman, Sr., and
Samuel Leavitt; attested by Alice Gilman Feb. 7, 1683/4.]

[Bond of Alice Gilman, widow of Daniel Gilman, Feb. 7,
1683/4, in the sum of £100, for the administration of the estate;
signature of Edward Cranfield.]

[Citation to Nehemiah Leavitt of Exeter and Alice Leavitt, his
wife, Oct. 25, 1705, to appear before the court and administer the
estate of Daniel Gilman, Elisha Hutchinson of Boston applying for
letters of administration as principal creditor; signed by Joseph
Smith; return signed by Thomas Webster, constable of Exeter.]

[Administration granted to Samuel Thing of Exeter, smith,
March 5, 1705/6, the widow having been cited and declining to
act.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 304.]

[Bond of Samuel Thing, smith, with Thomas Webster and
Bradstreet Wiggin as sureties, all of Exeter, March 5, 1705/6,
in the sum of £200, for the administration of the estate; witnesses,
John Walker and Charles Story.]

[Warrant to Thomas Webster and Nicholas Gilman, March 5,
1705/6, to appraise the estate; signed by Joseph Smith and Charles
Story.]
[Warrant to Thomas Webster and Nicholas Gilman, March 5, 1705/6, to receive claims against the estate; signed by Joseph Smith and Charles Story.]

[Inventory, March 26, 1706; amount, £83.0.0; signed by Thomas Webster and Nicholas Gilman.]

[Claim of Elisha Hutchinson; amount, £74.4.6; attested before John Foster, councillor in Massachusetts, Sept. 27, 1706.]

[Account of Samuel Thing, administrator, against the estate; amount, £5.10.0; allowed by Joseph Smith Oct. 5, 1706.]

[License, Nov. 5, 1706, to Samuel Thing of Exeter, smith, administrator, to sell real estate.]

[Probate Records, vol. 5, p. 38.]

[Account of the settlement of the estate; amount of estate, less charges and widow's third, £29.16.8; claims against the estate, £136.4.0; allowed the first Tuesday in June, 1707.]

[Probate Records, vol. 5, p. 43.]

JOHN WINGATE       1683/4       DOVER

In the name of God the twelve day of March in the Yeare of o' Lord God one thousand Six hundred Eightie $^{\text{three}}_{\text{four}}$ I John Windictt of the townehip of Dover in the Province of Newhamsheare being of a sound & perfect memorie blessed be the Almightye god for it doe heare make my last will & testament in manner & forme as folloeth

Imp'mis  I Commit my Soule to god who gave it & my bodie to be decently buried in some Convenient place where my Executor hereaftter named shall appoint

It is my will that all such debts as I doe by reason & consience owe to any $\varphi$son be honestly & truely satisfied & paid in some Convenient time after my decease — My debts being paide & my funerall charges being Defraied I doe order & dispose of the
estate which it hath pleased god to bestow upon me in manner as

(1) It I give to Sarah my beloved wife for Love I doe owe &
beare to her & for her comfortable living the Lodging roome
wherein we lie & the chamber over it with the bed & furniture
belonging to it dureing her naturall life if she doe soe long re-
maine a widdoe & after to returne to them whome I shall here-
after dispose of it, & alsoe two Cows, & the halfe of the Orchard,
& the two Acars of Land adjoyneing to it, next towards Dover
dureing her widdoewhod & no longer

(2) It I give to my Son John Windiet my house & land with
the marsh & flatts with all ap^tenances thereunto belonging one
the side of the back river where my house now is, And alsoe the
sixtie Acars of Land which I had of my fatherlaw Nutter accord-
ing to deed scituate & lieing at or neare A place commonly Called
Rayners brooke: & the halfe of my plow gears; with halfe the
Chaines, & if all other Impelments blong there too, And the
fleather bed & furniture in the new roome—

(3) It I give to my Son Mosses Windiet the ffourtie Acars of
land which I had of my fatherlaw Nutter lying on the west side
of the back River buting on the sd River wth the marsh & flatts
belonging there unto, And also the twentie acars of land which I
had by the towne grant as by Records may appeare scituate &
lying on the south east side of Zacharie fields Land, & also the
other one halfe of the plow gears Chains & Implements as before
menciened, And the fleatherbed & furniture belonging to it whereon
I have Laide in my sickness

(4) It I give to my daughter Ann Windiet, All the goods
which I bought of Edward Allin both beding & Bedsteads,
Curtains Vallance Carpets Cubbords Chairs stools, Tables, brass,
pewter Andirons & two Cows

(5) It I give my Son Joshua Windiet twentie Acars of Land
which I bought of Leistentant Hull scituate & lying Joyneing to
the twentie acars of land which I gave to my son Mosses Windiet
on the southeast side of it
(6) It I give to my son Caleb Windiet twenty acars of Land which I bought of Thomas Lehiton lying on the southeast sid of the fourtie acars of Land which I gave to my Son Mosses Windiet buting on the back River with the marsh & flatts belonging to it, And the sfeather bed where on John, and Moses my sons doe usuallie lie on

(7) It I give to my daughter Marie Windiet the sfeather bed & furniture, before mencioned to her mother after her mothers decease, or doe marrie againe

(8) It my will is that all the remaing of my moveable which are not before mencioned & given away be equallie divided betweene: John Windied, Moses Windiet, Joshua Windiet Caleb Windiet & Marie Windiet my sons & daughter, (Excepting my moveables which I have at the plantation which was Thomas Cannes, being two oxen, two Cows, & one younger beast, with plow stuff household goods & what besids is there I give to the five Children of Thomas Can'ie which are not now married to be equallie divided betweene them

As for the household goods which was Thomas Can'ies I leave it to Sarah Windiet my wife to dispose of it amongst them five of her Children which are not married of Thomas Can'ies

I desire Mr John Gerish and my brotherlaw Anthonie Nutter to be my Executors in trust to see this my will to be performed

sealed signed in presence of John X [seal] Windiet

Richard Waldern
Joseph Canne
Test John Evens

[Proved March 23, 1687/8.]

In the Name of God the first day of December in the Yeare of our Lord God one thousand Six hundred Eightie Seaven

A Codicell made by me John Windiet: being at present of per- fect memorie blessed be god for it, Doe hereby alter som things of my Last will & testament, which doth bare date the Twelve
day of March in the yeare of our Lord God one thousand Six hundred Eightie \frac{three}{four} \text{ as doth folloe,}

Whereas I did will that all my debts are to be paid I doe now order them to be paid out of my whole estate of moveables debts and accounts which are dew to me—

(2) Article, I doe there unto ad, & give to my Son John Windiet two oxen & the two Cowes which In the (4th) article I did give to my Daughter Ann Windiet

(3) Article, I doe thereunto ad, & give to my Son Moses Windiet two oxen

Whereas Abigall Windiet my daughter which was not bourne when my will was made I doe give Unto her mother one bed ticking which is in the house and one Cow to buy feathers to fill a bed & my daughter Abigall to have it when her mother shall see it fitt with bouster to it,

Whereas I did by my will appoint Mr John Gerrish & my Brother Anthonie Nutter to be my Executors in trust to see my will performed : And now my brother Nutter being dead I doe alter it & doe appoiind my Verie good freinds & kinsmen: John Hall Junr: and Mr Jobe Clements and Zacharie feeild to be my Executtr in trust to see my will performed, And Alsoe doe desire Mr John Gerrish to be assisting to them in accompunts or otherwise

It I doe give Mr John Gerrsh & Mr Job. Clements power to bind my sons John Windiet & Moses Windiet out as prinitces r otherwaies to dispose them as they shall see meet untill the be of age—

{sealed & signed}

in p'sence of

Richard Walden
Joseph Canne
John Evens

[Proved March 23, 1687/8.]

[Suffolk County, Mass., Probate Files; N. H. Province Deeds, vol. 4, p. 71.]
[Bond of Sarah Wingate of Dover, widow, with Richard Otis of Cochecho, yeoman, and Richard Paine of Newichwannock, shipwright, as sureties, April 5, 1688, in the sum of £1400, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Robert Mason and Richard Chamberlain.]

[Suffolk County, Mass., Probate Files.]

[Inventory, Sept. 20, 1688; amount, £182.10.3; signed by John Tuttle, Job Clements, and Joseph Canney; appraised by John Hill and Edward Sargent.]

[Suffolk County, Mass., Probate Files.]

__SEABORN COTTON 1684 HAMPTON__

The Last Will, & Testament of Seaborne Cotton, Minister of the Word of God, at Hampton, in His Majestyes Province of New Hampshire, made, & signed May 20, 1684. In the 36th yeare of His Majestyes Reigne, is, as followeth.

In the Name of God Amen, & of His Son Christ Jesus, Who is Lord both of Quicke, & Dead, Who hath taught us by Precept, & Example, not to doe our owne Will, but the Will of our Heavenly Father: yet in His Word hath ratified the Will of a Testator, when He is dead. I Seaborne Cotton of Hampton, in His Majestyes Province of New Hampshire, in New England, doe Make, & declare this my Last Will, & Testament, & (I trust) according to the Will of God, in manner following. First, My Soule, which Hee hath chosen, & Redeemed, & (I hope) called out of the Power of darkenesse, I doe (according to His Appointment) resigne It, into his Hand, at His Call, as Into the Hand of a gracious, & Faithfull Creator, Redeemer, & Comforter: My Body after my decease, I leave to bee decently Committted to the Earth, till ye day of ye Resurrection of ye Just. And as to the Outward estate, which God hath given mee; As It is ye will of God, So my Will is, That out of It, My Debts bee first payed, & then my Wife, & children Live of ye Rest, as is after mentioned: My Debts are only at Portsmouth, & Boston, my Debts at Portsmouth are few, & small, & will easily bee paid by debts due to mee in Hampton, which
debts from Hampton, I Appoint my deare Wife Prudence, with my after named Exequitors, to see Improved for that end; & the remaining part of those debts from Hampton, If they bee found, I bestow upon my s't Wife Towards the maintenance of Her Selfe, & my Son Rowland. My Debt at Boston is only to my Honored, & good Freind Captaine Sewall Administrator to my Honored, & good Benefactor Captaine Hull deceased, who hath promised mee to bee satisfied with part of the Rent of my Farme at Muddy River yearely, untill the Principall bee paid; for which end, I Appoint a convenient part yearely to bee paid, as may best Content, except only some part of the Rent hereafter Excepted, unlessse my selfe before my decease shall pay Him, or my Exequitors shall find an easier, & nearer way not contradicting any other part of my will. Furthermore, in Consideration of the Christian Com'union of my selfe, & present deare Wife, about the space of Eleven yeares, as also having received for the good of the whole Family, hers & mine, the sum'e of about an hundred, & twenty pounds in Countrey pay, by reason of some Land of her owne, (not inventoryed, as her Husband Crosbeys Estate being made over to Feoffees in trust, for Her use before) & by mutuall Consent sold at Topsfeild: my selfe having paid about an hundred pounds in silver, & as silver, to satisfy her former Husbands debts, as will appeare by bills taken up, & accounts now in my hand, not at all accounting my Time, paines, or expences, nor the charge I have bestowed upon Her Three Sons in theyre Education to this day: Out of my Hearty Love, & good will towards Her (the former Sale at Topsfeild standing good, & firme) I truly give, & hereby Assigne all Bills, & Bonds whatsoever, relating to Her Husband Crosbey in my keeping; (all which I have satisfied) to my said wife, & doe hereby acquit & exonerate her from making satisfaction to any children, or Heyres of mine, for any such disbursesments, strictly charging all mine, to forbeare demanding any payment for the same: yet advising my said deare Wife, as sole Administratrix to M'r Crosbeyes Estate, to keepe the staffe in her owne Hand, that neither Forreigne, nor domestick claimers may
recover any thing of Her, that I have payed, Her Bowells being more likely to yerne towards Her children, then theyrs towards theyre mother: Likewise I freely returne to her the Estate, that was Mr Crosbeys, to which shee is Administratrix, not at all Expended by mee (as shee well knowes) but as I found It, so I leave It, except one small parcell thereof disposed by herselfe, to one Pearty, for the advantage of the whole: Also whatsoever Household goods sometimes Mr Crosbeyes, which my wife at any time brought to Hampton & are not wore out in the use of the whole, I returne them to her, in the Condition, they shall be in, at my decease, desiring Her, & charging her, to Bee Kind to, & Prudent for, Her, & my son Rowland—& for her Encouragement To Remember mee, & to endeavours to Her Utmost, with others hereafter mentioned, the good Education of Rowland Her son, & mine, I doe give unto my said wife ten pounds yearely out of the Rent of my Farme at Muddy River during the terme of Her widowhood to Her Selfe, but after Her Marriage, or if shee dye before, the said sum'e of ten pounds to bee disposed towards Rowlands subsisting, not exceeding the terme of twenty yeares ensuing the date of my decease: I also give unto Her two milch Cowes, such as shee shall chuse, out of my stocke, for Her use, only if Rowland live to bee one & twenty yeares of Age I require them, or the Value of them to bee returned to Rowland, by His mother, or Her Heires, if He dye before that time, let her keep of them, what shee doth not bestow, on His decent Funerall. I also give unto her, & Rowland Joynly, whatsoever estate shall bee due to mee, by the decease of my Honord Father Wade, which property is at my disposall: I also give her the Iron tongs, and Andirons Com‘only used in the Parlour, as also for Her further Encouragement to due care of Rowland for this life, & a Better, I give to my sd wife, the time I have in Joseph Elkins, whome I require to serve Her faithfully that shee may the better looke to her selfe, & son as also I require my sd wife to fulfill my part of the Indenture to sd Joseph.

As for my Deare Children, which god hath graciously given
mee, my sons are two, John, & Rowland, the former already brought up to Learning, & through gods goodnesse, as able to live as my selfe, therefore I doe for the space of twenty yeares after my decease Appoint the s\textsuperscript{d} son John, his heires, to pay to my son Rowland (if living) the full sum'e of ten pounds yearly out of the Rent of my farme at Muddy River, for His use. with His mother during her widowhood, but to his only use after her marriage; for twenty yeares after my decease & considering that dividing such a Farme might spoile it, I therefore, for the fulfilling of the Legacy aforesd, doe bequeath unto Him my Farme at Muddy River with all Buildings thereupon, all Fences, Orchards, Meadowes, Marsh, Pastures, and Arable Grounds, with timber, Privileges, & Appurtenances thereunto belonging, the Same to Have, & to Hold to Him, & His Heires for ever, Hee paying to His mother, & Rowland as abovesd, but in case my son John dye without Lawfull Issue, my son Rowland shall Inherit the said Farme, Hee paying such Legacies to His Sisters, as shall be herein Appointed: & if both dye without Issue as Aforesaid, it shall bee divided among my daughters, & theyre Heires, that shall be living: & if Rowland should dye before twenty yeares expired after my Decease, the ten pounds remaining of what should be paid of those twenty yeares, shall bee Equally divided among my daughters, or theyre heirs living. Item, I give to my two sons my Library to bee equally divided between them, for theyre use & benefit, only excepted, what English Books I may give to my Daughters for theyre Instruction: Item I give to my son John a guilt silver Tankard; as also my Red Curtaines Lined with silke, red coverlid, Carpett, & Cupboard cloaths but if my son John dye without Lawfull Issue, I will them all, if not wore Out, to fall to Rowland, & if Rowland dye without Lawfull Issue, They shall descend to the next Heire male, borne among my Daughters.

Item to Rowland I give my biggest silver Beere Bowle, for ever at His dispose As for my Remaining estate, which is in plate, Household goods, Horses, Cattle, etc: I doe will It bee divided betwixt Rowland, & my sixe daughters, as is after expressed, my
Three Eldest Daughters, Dorothy, Anne, & Sarah, to have my three silver Beere Cups remaining, they chusing each of them one, according to theyre Ages: My three Younger Daughters, Elizabeth, Mercy, & Maryah, to Have my silver wine cups, & spoones Among them to make up, what they want of the value of theyre sisters cups, as farre as It will reach: all other Household goods whatsoever (not already disposed) whether of Woollen, Linnen, Pewter, or Brasse, or Iron, Feather beds, wooden ware, chayres, stooles Cushions etc: & catile, Mares, & Horses, to be Equally divided among Rowland, & his sixe Sisters, only what any Daughter hath received upon marriage, before that time, to bee deducted out of the above'd Division; excepting the plate mentioned, which I would have each enjoy, as It is written: only there is a chest, that was formerly bought of Dr Groth which I give to Rowland, together with a Birding Peice.

Besides, & above the Division mentioned, I give my first Wives Trunke to Maryah that shee may have some Remembrance of Her Mother. As also besides the Division forenamed, I give to Elizabeth, a Table Cloath, & six Napkins marked R. O. said to bee given her by Mr Richard Oliver, at my decease, or her marriage; I also acknowledge my pocket Pistoll to bee given my Son John long agoe:

Furthermore if my wife Prudence shall not accept of my foregoing Legacies to Her, but require her Thirds according to custome of Law, then I doe hereby make void my foregoing gifts bequeathed to Her, both of bonds, & bills satisfied by mee & of ten pounds per Annum, as relating to Her Selfe, or what ever else mentioned out of my Estate.

And to this my Last Will, & Testament, I doe Constitute, & Appoint my Beloved Sons, John, & Rowland Joint Exequetors, & in case of ye death of ye One the Survivour to bee Sole Exequitor, & by reason of Rowlands Nonage, I Appoint, & Earnestly desire my Deare Couzen Mr Cotton Mather, & my Dear Brother Mr Nathaniell Wade to bee tender Guardians to Rowland, and Overseers to the Accomplishment of this my Will, for which the
Lord will Reward them, & my sons will thanke them, whome I fervently begge to doe theyre Utmost, to assist my Deare wife in Educating Rowland to Learning, & if that bee not attainable, to some worthy, & Noble Employment.

Further, my Daughter Elizabeth being Single, I beseech my Honored Uncle Mr. Joseph Dudley, to take the Care of Her.

My Daughter Mercy is of age to chuse a Guardian, I pray God to direct her to doe It wisely; My Daughter Maryah being Youngest, I Com'end her to the Lord, & to my son, & daughter Smith praying them to take care of Her for Her best good, till shee bee of Age to chuse a Guardian, or provide for her selfe; Item, what Estate the Honorable Governour Bradstreet shall by his last will bequeath to mee, or my Children by his Daughter, according to Promise, if Hee Himselse doe not divide It by name, my Will is, It bee divided among them Equally. I can in no wise worthily Gratify my Deare Brother, & Couzen, Overseers of this my Will, but only request them to chuse for themselves, what Authors a peice, they please, in my study, as a poore token of unfeigned Love, & Gratitude. / Thus Com'ending my selfe your selves, my Deare Wife, Sons, & Daughters to the Infinite Grace of God Allsufficient I doe in the presence of God, & man revoke all former wills & signe This, as my Last Will, & Testament with my Hand, & seale, May the Twentieth, one thousand, sixe hundred Eighty & Foure, while I am well, & in good Health.

This Instrument was signed, & Seaborne Cotton [seal] sealed by Seaborne Cotton, & Affirmed by Him to bee His last will, & Testament, Before us Witnesses: sold) in the first page, of my decease) in the 2d page inter-lined before signing, & sealing. Live) also interlined in page 2d

Memorandum, if my son John dye, so as Rowland live to possesse that Farne, Hee shall pay sixty pounds, to my sixe daughters, or to theyre Heires living, by paying ten pounds yearly, for
sixe yeares, paying the first yeare to y° eldest Daughter, & so Successively yeare, by yeare to the Rest, according to theyre Age; except the persons concerned, doe otherwise mutually Agree; this also I signe the day, & yeare above written

M° Cotton of Hampton owned this Seaborne Cotton Instrument to bee His last will & Testament, as above exprest, June 2.
1684. before us witnesses
Samuell Shuerburne
James Carr
[Proved October 7, 1686.]

[Inventory of the estate of Rev. Seaborn Cotton, who died April 20, 1686; taken April 26, 1686; amount, £309.13.6; amount of goods given to Mrs. Prudence Cotton which belonged to her former husband, Mr. Crosby, £68.2.0; signed by John Sanborn, Henry Dow, Samuel Sherburne, and John Tuck.]

WILLIAM LUX 1684 NEWCASTLE

[Inventory of the estate of William Lux of Great Island, June 16, 1684; amount, £50.7.0; signed by Elias Stileman and Nathaniel Fryer.]

[Probate Records, vol. 1, p. 286.]

[Bond of Audrey Lux, widow of William Lux, with James Robinson of Great Island, cooper, as surety, June 17, 1684, in the sum of £100, for the administration of the estate; signed by Edward Cranfield.]

JOHN HODDY 1684 PORTSMOUTH

I John Hody of the Town of portsm° in the Province of Newhampshire being very ill & weake in body, • • •

1° I will & bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary my house & land in the Town of Portsm° Aforesd, and all the rest of my estate both reall & personall, during her Naturall life, upon condition that she take all due care for the bringing up of my children according to the best of her abillity
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

2\textsuperscript{37} My will is that after the decease of my said wife my Eldest Sonn John shall have present possessoin of my said house & land, w\textsuperscript{th} sd house & land shall be to him & his Heires and Assignes for ever, upon condition ye he Shall pay unto my other three Children Viz: My Daughter Mary, & my son's Arthur & Samuell twenty pounds A piece in currant mony of New England, at the age of Eighteen yeares My sd Daughter Mary, or when she marries. & to my sons when they shall be One & Twenty yeares olde, & my sd house & land shall stand engaged for the payment of the same.

3\textsuperscript{37} I will ye if my sd Son John shall dye before he comes to the Age of One & Twenty years, or dye w\textsuperscript{th} out Heires, That then my Son Arthur shall have my sd house & Land to him & his Heires & Assignes for ever, he paying his other brother Samuell thirty pounds in mony, & his sister Mary also thirty pounds in mony when they come to Age as abovesd: & if my sd Son Arthur shall dye before he comes to Age or have no Heires then sd house & land shall be to the proper use & behoofe of my youngest Son Samuell his Heires & Assignes for ever, he paying his sister Mary fowaty pounds in currant mony.

4\textsuperscript{37} I will ye my wife shall pay all my just Debts & funerall charges, & the remainder of my whole estate as above mentioned shee shall Improve & dispose of if occasion be for the comfortable meantenance of her selfe & my children, & my said Children shall have no Advantage in Law against my sd wife for her so doing.

5\textsuperscript{37} I will ye if my wife shall dye before my sd Children come to Age as above said, that then my Children shall have my whole estate both personall & reall Equally Devided among them, my Eldest Son only shall have A duble portion of ye same

6\textsuperscript{37} I will ye my sons, when they shall grow up & be fit to goe to service, that they shall be bound Apprentices to honest & Godly men, to be brought up in such calings as the lads shall like best.

7\textsuperscript{37} I doe hereby make & Appoint my Beloved wife to be my sole & only Executrix to this my last will & Testament, and doe
request & Impower my well beloved friends Mr Richard Martyn, & Samuell Keais to be my Over seers, for to see to the punctual performance of this my will, & to assist my wife w't they can in the management of the above mentioned premises. In witnesse of the truth of All the above mentioned perticulers I doe hereunto set my hand & seale June 16th 1684

Mr John Hody declared the above Instrument to be his last will & Testam't in presence of us.

John Tucker
Sam'n Wentworth
Obadiah : Mors :

[Proved July 30, 1684.]

ELEANOR CUTT 1684

I Eleanor Cutt being weak in body, but in perfect memory, Do make & ordain this hereunder written to be my Last Will & Testament; hereby revoking all other Wills by me formerly made.

I Will That if there be any debts due from my late Husbands Estate, or any Legacies due by his Will, which are yet unpaid; they shall be discharged out of the remainder of my said Husbands Estate, which is yet in Partnership, or undivided, between me & the other Executors of my Husbands Will, & the residue of ye' Debs belonging to sd Estate, to say, my share of them as Executrix I give to my Son Vaughan & Daughter Daniel, to be equally devided between them.

My Stock that is at ye' ffarm, I give unto my Grandchild Cutt Vaughan; together with my Clock; my Salt marsh shall be equally devided between my two Daughters, Margaret Vaughan, & Bridget Daniel. And the ffresh marsh belonging to me (being not menc'oned in my Husbands Will) I bequeath to Eleanor Vaughan; (Which was my Husbands mind, tho not expressed in his Will.

My Plate, I give Twenty pounds worth of it to my Daughter Daniel, & the remainder of [t'o my Daughter Vaughan & her
Children; to each of them an equal portion; my Daughter to use it till ye Children come to age; & each Child to have their share as they are of age. The forty pound of money which I received of Mr Hubbard for the interest of the Childrens money which is in his hands, I have given to their Mother, to be reserved for their use.

All my Bedding and Linnen, with my Brass, Iron & Pewter I will shall be devided between my Daughter Daniel & my three Grandchildren, Eleanor, Mary, & Margaret Vaughan, to each of them an equal share.

All my Sheep (except what hereafter express'd) shall be equally devided between my two Daughters. My best Chest of drawers in the Shop chamber, I give to Eleanor Vaughan; and ye other Chest of drawers in my Chamber, to my Daughter Daniel. My two Negros, Harry, & his Wife, I give to my Son Vaughan. My half Pink fitted & victualled, to set together with my half of the goods & merchandize now loaden & to be loaden on board her, according to ye discretion of my Executrixes, with the advice of my Overseers, for ye voyage insuing, I give unto Cutt Vaughan. My half Ketch fitted & victualled to Sea, together with one half of a convenient Loading for her, according to the discretions of my Executrixes, with the advice of my Overseers, for ye insuing voyage, I give unto George Vaughan; the sd Vessels to be improved for them by the advice of the Overseers, till they come to age.

Unto my Brother John Alderseys Children, I give one hundred pound in money, to be devided among them, if any of them come, or send within three years after my decease; & if they come not, then Eleanor Vaughan shall have that hundred pound.

Unto my Cousin Elizabeth Hole, I give five pounds; & as much to my Cousin Ann Clark, in such goods as they have occasion for, & Twenty pounds among ye Children of my Cousin Ann Clark, to be paid by my Executors, when they come to age. Unto each of my Servants (Negros excepted) that live with me when I dye, I give a Cow & a Sheep; and to Amy Harvy two
Cows & Six sheep. The rest of my Stock I give to my two Daughters. I give my servant Andrew Rankins his time unto my Daughter Daniel; willing her to send him to sea; & he shall have five pounds out of mine Estate, when his time is out.

More, I give unto my Grandchild Eleanor Vaughan, one hundred pounds sterling, to be paid in England out of my Third of ye money received of Sir John ffrederick & Comp.; And the remainder of my Third of sd money, being Twenty pound more or less, I give unto my Grandchild Mary Vaughan.

Unto Mr Joshua Moody I give Twenty pounds; and to Capt. Elias Stileman I give Ten pounds. All the rest of my Estate in Debts, or otherwise not particularly disposed of, I give in equall shares to my two Daughters; And make them, viz: Margaret Vaughan & Bridget Daniel, the Executrixes of this my Last Will & Testament: Willing them to pay all my Debts, Legacies, & funeral charges.

Furthermore I will, that this place in which I now live, shall immediately after my decease, be let out to rent, by ye advice of my Overseers; and the improvement thereof be reserved for ye use of Cutt Vaughan, untill he comes to age; unto whom his Grand father hath given the said Estate.

Finally I make Capt Elias Stileman & Mr Joshua Moody Overseers of this my Last Will & Testament. In testimony to all and singular ye p'resides I have set to my hand & seal this Twelfth day of July 1684

M' Eleanor Cutt did sign & seal this Instrum' above written, and declare it to be her last Will and Testam' this 12th of July 1684, in p'sence of us

John ffletcher
John Barsham
John Shipway

[Proved July 29, 1684.]
[Deeds, vol. 4, p. 68.]
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[Administration de bonis non of the estate of Eleanor Cutt of Portsmouth, widow, granted to her son-in-law, William Vaughan of Portsmouth, merchant Oct. 12, 1700.]
[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 221.]

[Bond of William Vaughan of Portsmouth, merchant, with Samuel Penhallow of Portsmouth, merchant, and George Vaughan of Portsmouth, gentleman, as sureties, Oct. 12, 1700, in the sum of £500 for the administration de bonis non of the estate of Eleanor Cutt of Portsmouth, widow of Richard Cutt; witness, Richard Partridge.]

EDWARD SEWALL 1684 EXETER
[Inventory of the estate of Edward Sewall of Exeter, who died in 1683; amount, £92.6.6; attested by the widow, Sarah Sewall, Aug. 7, 1684.]

[Bond of Sarah Sewall, widow of Edward Sewall, cordwainer, with William Hilton of Exeter as surety, Aug. 7, 1684, in the sum of £100 for the administration of the estate.]

THOMAS LADBROOK 1684 PORTSMOUTH
[Bond of John Pickering and William Richards, both of Portsmouth, in the sum of £100, Sept. 29, 1684, for the administration of the estate of Thomas Ladbroke of Portsmouth, cordwainer.]
[Probate Records, vol. 1, p. 287.]

[Inventory, Sept. 30, 1684; amount, £17.18.4; signed by Nehemiah Partridge and James Leavitt.
List of accounts; attested before Edward Cranfield by John Pickering and William Richards Oct. 20, 1684.]
EDWARD HOLLAND 1684 STAR ISLAND

[Inventory of the estate of Edward Holland of Star Island Nov. 24, 1684; amount, £66.19.0; signed by Peter Twisden, John Fabes, and James Blagdon.]

[Deeds, vol. 3, p. 176 b.]

RALPH TWOMBLY 1684/5

In the name off God Amen

I Ralfe Twamly now Ling uppon my Secke and weacke Bed but in perfect memory it being my Last will and testement do furst Commit my Sole to God that Gave it in hopes y° Lord will Grai-couesly be pleased to reseve it and my body to y° Earth to be desentLy bured—

and after my funerall Chardegess desraied and my Just and onnest debts deschardged I will and bequethe as folleth—furst I will that my wife Elerzebeth twamly and my Sone John Twamly shall be sole Exetores of my hole Esestate Joynt Ly togathare and also I will that if my son John will not Live with my wife Eleczebeth JoyntLy togather and is minded to Goo frome his mother that then my wife shall have y° houes and Land to Live uppon and to improve during hir naturall Life and also y° stocke of Cattle and swine or any other moveebles Goodes and I will that after my wife Eleeezabeths desces and departure outt of thes Life that my Son John Twamly shall have y° one halfe of all my hole Esstatt and y° other halfe to be at my wifes desposing amongst my Children nextly I will that my son Joseph Twamly shall have a hauser of two yeares ould and also I Give to my daftar Mary Tibbets five shillens in Goods and also I will that if my Sone Ralfe Twomly Live with his mother tell y° time that he is one and twenti yeares of adges that then he shall have ten pound in Goodes Equfleleant to mony and Lastly I will and bequeth to all y° rest of my Children namly Eleeezabeth hope Sarah Esther william that at the adge of Aigthen yeares they shall reseve Each of them a Good
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

Cowe of ye Exetores A bove menched and this I delever to be my Last will and testement and also do ingaidge my Exetores above Ritten to pay the Ledgeses according to time and adges and heare I have seat my hand and seale datted ye twenti Aight day of feb-
erary 1684

Singed Sealed in the Asine
ye pressents of us of Ralfe X Twamly [seal]
Edward Allen
John Tuttle

[Proved Oct. 7, 1686.]

CHRISTOPHER HUSSEY 1684/5

The Last will & testament of Capt christopher Husy made the twenty eighth Day of feb— Anno : Dom 1684

I Christopher Husy being through the mercy of god in health of body & of a sound memmory & Disposing capacity for wth I bless the Lord: & yet being strkn in years * * *

Imp'mis I give my 2 Sons steeven Husy & John Husy my farm with all the priviliges thereof namly the hundred & fifty ackers of medow & up land granted me by ye towne as also fifty ackers more of marsh which I bought ajasent to it I say I give it by equal parts that is to say the on full half it to my son steeven his hairs & asigns in fee simpl & the other half to my son John in Lik maner only thay paying to my Dafter mary as hearafter in my will expressed

It I give to my Dafter mary Husy now wife of Thomas page my 7: ackers of medow Lying near benjamin shaws: & that peec of medow through which the high way Lyeth And also 2: shars in the ox Comman And also too shars of Cows Comman And also I Do order that my son John Smith shall pay her thirty pound And my 2 sons John & steeven shall pay her forty pounds a peec in good
It I give & bequeath to my Dafter hulda in the Lik maner all
the rest of my lands & housing & Coman Rights in the towne of
hampton and all the housold stuff & goods & stok then remaing
that is to say: my house & all in it or with it with all the Land
ajasent And the planting Lot & 3 ackers medow lot towerd the
spring 2 shars in the ox Coman & 2 shars in the cow Coman &
Do order & appoint that he shall pay to my Dafter mary thirty
pound towerd her pension

It my will is that the Legases that I have bequethed to my
Dafter mary that part of it wth is in Land that shee shall enjoy it
Imediatly after my Deaseas: & the thirty pound that shee shall
have of my Son John smith the husband of my Dafter hulda I Do
will it to be payd her in too years after my Desease that is to say
the on half the first year & the other half the second year in good
pay of Country

It my will is also that the forty ponds a peec that I have
willed my too sons steeven Husy & John Husy to pay her that it
be payd her also within or by the end of 2 years next after my
Desease in som good pay of the Country

and in Case of fayler shee my sd Dafter shall have in Lue ther
of thirty ackers of the farm part whearof shalbe the old feild lying
on the other sid of the way on end whear of buts upon my old
hous & the other end toward the mil River by the bridg & the
rest to be made up of the farme wth sd Lands shall be ingadged
hearby & shall Ly responsibl for the payment of the aforesayd
som: ten or twelve ackers whearof shalbe medow

It my will is that the sd som being payd my sayd sons steven
and John shall have the farme First bequeathed by even & equal
§porsion only my son John shal not be ——— or hindered of
what he have built on nor his bulding accompted in the valuing
of the farme: because they ar his owne the Land on wth they
stand be rekond or valud

I Do upon further considerasion will & Declare that it shalbe in
my sd Dafter marys choyc whether shee will have the Land for-
mension in the farme or the 80 pounds of my : 2 : sons steeven & John Husy

Lastly I make & ordaine my son John Husy & my son John smith to be Joint executers of this my will: & in case either of them shoold Dy before thay have executed the same then the Sole power to be in the surviver & in case thay shoold both Dy before as abovesd then I Do apoint my Dafter mary & in case shee shoold also in Lik maner fayle then I apoint my son stephen to be my executor in that steed

and my trusty ffreinds majr Richard waldron & majr Robt Pike to be overseers of this my will

In wittnes of all wch I have hear unto sett my hand & seal the Day & year aforesd mensiond
signed sealed & Declared to his Christopher Hussey [seal]
Last will & testament before us
Moses Pike
Robt Pike
Steeven Tong X his mark

Salsbury octobr y° 28 1685 upon a considering of som Dubioustes in the expresion of som things in this my will Respecting Coman Rights or priviliges I Do by these present for the avoyding of any contraversy or mistaks about it in time to Com Declare that by the priviliges mensiond belonging to my farm by it I Do plainly intend w'soever woods woodland or feeding right or coman Lands to be Devided that Do belong to ye sd farm it shall remaine & be to the sd farme & so porsionally to be Devided to my too sons that have the farme & Lands ajasent or Lands not yet posest that Ly in coman

And in Lik manner the Coman Rights that Do belong to the Lands that is givn to my too Dafters mary & hulda my Towne it shall belong to each of them according to thayr severall portions of Land I meane any Coman rights therto belonging Devided or undevided & this I Do Declare to be my plaine intent & meaning
in that case as witnes my hand & seale ye Day & yeare above writtn

signed sealed & Declard in Christopher Hussy [seal]
y° presnt of us
The mark of X steevn Tong
Robt Pike
Martha Pike

[Proved Oct. 7, 1686.]

[Inventory, March 25, 1687; amount, £651.13.0; signed by Joseph Dow and John Tuck.]

JOHN DAVIS 1685 DURHAM

In the name of God Amen the first day of Aprill in the yeare of our Lord God one thousand Six hundred Eightie five I John Davis of Oyster River in the Province of New hampshire • • •

It I doe give to my Sonn John Davis the Sixcore Acars of Land which I had by a towne grant Scituate & lying & being at Turtel pond in Oyster River, and my best ffeather bed, the tick- ing & ffeathers after the decease of my wife—

It I doe give to my Sons Moyses Davis & Joseph Davis that tract of Land Scituate & lying at mount Spickert falls in the township of Haverell which was willed to me by the Last will & testament of my ffather being by estimation two hundred acars be it more or less to be equallie divided betweene them

It I doe give to my Son Moyses davis Pollishie Meadoe which my ffather did will to me Lying in haverell township

It I doe give to my Son Joseph Davis the one half of the marsh which I bought of Mr Valintine Hill Scituate & lying at Greeneland—

It I doe give to my three elder daughters Marie Hearth, Scarah Smith, & Hanna Kezar, each of them five shillings

It I doe give to my three younger Daughters Jane Davis, and Jemina Davis, & Judeth Davis fifteene pounds each of them, And at or before the first day of Aprill in the yeare of o° Lord God one
thousand Six hundred Eightie Six (to be delivered) to each of them one Cow & one Ew sheep in p' of the said fifteen pounds at such a price as my overseers shall Judge of, or as my Executor & they can agree, And the one half of what shall be dew to them of the said fifteene pounds apecce to be paid to each of them at or before that day twelve moneths Next folloing, And the remainder of the said fifteeene pounds to be paid to each of them at or before that day twelvemoneths then next folloing after, And If it doe happen that if either one of them or two of them doe die before & not being married; that then their said porsions shall remaine to the Survivers, or Surviver of the three but If providence of god rouled it sall occur that they coulde not pay thes ligeis but with dam-age to the estate then my will is to stay a yeare or too longer

It whereas John Hearth my grandchild which I have kept & brought up ever since he was two yeares of age, Now if the said John Hearth doe remaine & dwell with my Executers Untill he shall accomplish the age of one & twentie years that then my will is that my Executor doe give the said John Hearth twentie pounds—

It I doe give to my fourer Sons, my Cloths, & my gun's, & all my tools as I shall order them to be divided in a Coddicell, or a peice of writing—

It alsoe for my household goods which I shall not dispose of by a Coddicell or a peice of writing I doe leave them to my wife to dispose of to my daughters as shee shall see meet

It I doe give Unto my Son James Davis my estate of houses & Lands with all the p'vilidges there unto belonging where in I now dwell after the decease of my wife & alsoe the one halfe of the marsh at greenland, & doe also make my beloved wife Jane Davis, & my said son James Davis, to be Joynt Executors dureing my wifes life or Widdoe whod, dureing which time, I give my wife the Linto & the linto garret to her use

It I doe bind my Executor James Davis not to trouble my Brother James Davis nor his Executors Concerning the land which I had when I did live at Haverell
It I desire Mr. John Gerish of Dover & Mr. Thomas Edgerlie of oyster River to be my overseers in trust to see this my will performed.

Witnesse John Evens
John meeder
Joseph meeder

John Davis

The 7th day April 1685
This Codicell or peice of Writing which is the true Meaning & intent of my Last Will and testament Dated ye first Day of April 1685 that is to Devide my Cloths my tools & Guns among my fouer Sons viz: my Son John Davis to have my Cosslet & my best Cloak and one Sute of my Coopers tooles, & my Son Joseph Davis is to have my best hatt and my Cane and ye Other Sett of my Coopers tooles and my Son Moses Davis is to have all ye Rest of my waring Clothes & my Brass pistol and my Guns to be devided to Each one as my Exect* shall see meet; and my Son James Davis is to have the Rest of my working tools with all ye Land that I have or ought to have that which is not mentioned in my Will or disposed of to Enabell him my Executor to pay my Honest Debts and this is the true Intent & maining of my Last will and testament In testimony hereof I have set my hand

John Davis

John X Meader
mark

John Evens
Joseph Meader:

[Proved May 25, 1686.]
[Codicil is in Deeds, vol. 4, p. 99.]

WILLIAM PALMER 1685

[Administration on the estate of William Palmer granted to his widow, Abishag Palmer, Aug. 6, 1685.]
JOSEPH HALL 1685 GREENLAND

[Bond of Elizabeth Hall, with Anthony Nutter, and Thomas Wiggin as sureties, Dec. 30, 1685, in the sum of £100, for the administration of the estate of Joseph Hall of Greenland; signed by Walter Barefoote.]

[Inventory, Feb. 25, 1685/6; amount, £846.3.0; signed by Thomas Litchfield and Nathaniel Green.]

JAMES ROLLINS 1685 DOVER

In the name of god Amen

to all christian people to whom these presents shall com greett-
ing, know yea whome it may Concern that I James Rawlins of
dover in ye province of Newhampshir in New England: by ye
good grace of god: now at this present time in my useall & Right
sences & understanding: though in body very sick & weak: have
don & hereby doe make my Last will & testament: as foloeth in
ye distribution, ordering deviding & Rightly to part I have humbly
beged the deriction of allmighty god to whome be prais & glory
for ever amen

In ye first place: In Consideration of the Love favour & Affec-
tion which I have & ought to have for my well beloved Loveing
& dear respective wiff hannah: I do bequeath bestow & give:
the whole use profitt & privildg of all my hous goods Chattis
& Lands: dewring hur Naturall Lif: only Exsepted: Iff shee
my S4 wiff shall Affer my deces see good to marry: Espouse:
or Live with an other man as a husband that then shall hur part
profitt & privildge be only on third parte of the goods Lands or
chatles afore Sd: & the other two parts: com in ye posestion of
my well beloved obediant & duettyfull son Benjamin: to whom In
Consideration of many good causes moveing mee thereunto: I doe
bequeath give grant: & bestow all ye Land or Lands goods & chat-
tles whatsoever: I have in on or belonging in way or condition
whatsoever on in & the tract of Land or ground whereon my
now dewling hous standeth the same to him his heirs Executors administrous & assigns to possese In as Larg & ample maner: & by the same power as Ever I did, but that after ye deseac of mee & my afore Sd wiff, & what is said is to be understood only to be of my Lands & concerns in Long Reach in dover aforesd & Lickwise If my afore Sd wiff continue unmarried: it is to be understood that my will is that shee shall at hur one descretion dispose of all the moveabls to whome shee shall think good, and whereas I have appertaining unto me a parcile or tract of Land Lying & being as is Exspressed in a deed I have of ye & for ye Same I doe in Like maner as afore Sd bequeh the marsh on ye west of . . . pond & an hundred acers ther unto most Convenant, to dispose of as in ye aforesd moveables if containeng unmarried & further my will is that my well beloved Eldest son Icabod shall have, only Excepted ye aforesaid on hundred acers & marsh, two hundred acers, in his chois place of all ye aforesd tract of Land, & to have it all in on place Lest damage thereby might be don to ye Remainder part thereof, which my will is be Equally devided betwene all my Children Every one sones & daughters their heirs & Assignes to possese for Ever, it is further to be understood, that within two years after ye deseas of ye Longest Liver of Ether me or my Sd wiff it is my will that my son benjamin his heirs Executors administrous or assigns, shall pay unto my son Joseph twelve pounds valuable to twelve pounds of good mony, In witnes to ye trew meaning of what is within wretten, I ye within named James Rawlings have hereunto put my hand and seale the 16th day of desember Anno dominy 1685

being present

Ja: Rawlings [seal]

henry Langstaff Junr

Joseph Allexander

I the within mentioned & above named James Rawlings do hereby Constitut ordain & apoint my well beloved trusty & trew frends m' henry Langstaff senr & obediah mors & phillip Chesly to be overseers & according to their or Ether of their will & pleshuer to see every of ye within wretten matters deuly Executed Espe-
shall ye that my within named wiff Receave no wrong for want of observeing y° trew mening of what is within wretten not alltreing y° substanc whereof I have here unto set my hand the day & year above wretten

[Proved July 25, 1691.]
[Deeds, vol. 5, p. 82.]

GEORGE WALLIS 1685/6 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of George Wallis of Portsmouth, yeoman, granted to Eleanor Wallis, Jan. 2, 1685/6.]

[Inventory of the estate of George Wallis of Little Harbor, who died Dec. 14, 1685; amount, £183.0.0; signed by Abraham Drake and James Randall; attested before Walter Barefoote by William Wallis and George Wallis Feb. 4, 1685/6.]

[William Wallis and George Wallis, April 7, 1686, choose Robert Elliott and John Pickering, both of Portsmouth, to divide the estate of their father.]

[Deeds, vol. 6, p. 77.]

To all Christian People to whome this Writeing shall come

Know yea that whereas Wm Wallis & George Wallis have made Choice of us whose names are hereunder Written to make a de-vision of the Lands & Marshes fformerly theire ffatheres, and by agreement said Wm & George have bound themselves in one Thousand pound Bond Curt money to Stand to and abide by the deision Which we shall make Which Bond bares date the 7th day of this Inst Aprill and whereas we underwritten haveing beene ben upon the Lands & Marshes & according to o° Best Skill & Judgm° Well Veiwed the Same & thereupon have Concluded & Doe Give in this as o° ffinall Determinacion & End Between said Wm Wallis & George Wallis and is as ffolloweth that said Wm His Heirs Exec° & Administra° ff for his & theire part & Portion is to hold & for
ever Enjoy all y° Upland adjoyning to Said W™ now dwelling House & formerly theire s° ffathers Excepting onely Six Acres Adjoyning Near to Cold pond With all Timber Trees & Woods Wich to Belong to George Wallis togeather w° five Acres of Salt Marsh at the South End of theire Marsh at Sandey Beach & all the Rest of Said Marsh to Belong to Said W™ as afores° & Said George Wallis & his Heirs for Ev°; to have hold & Enjoy all the Houseings Orchards Lands & Marshes therunto Belonging and formerly theire ffathers With y° Marsh at the North End of the Great Pond, S° George is also to allowe Said W™ three Barrills of Syder a year & Every Year for & dureing Seven Year from the season Next following the Date hereof and also Said George is to allowe Said W™ Liberty to plant y° North half of y° fields Next James Randalls Orchard for his Said W™ Use & Benefitt for four years next following & then to be Said Georges, also Said W™ is to find Barrills to put said Syder in & help make it and this We Give in as o° finall End and determinacion of all, Whereunto We have Set o° hands & affixed o° Seals this 8° of Aprill 1686—

Robert Elliot [seal]
John Pickerin [seal]

[Deeds, vol. 6, p. 78.]

JOHN BICKFORD 1685/6 DURHAM

Know all men by these presents that I John Bickford Sen° of Oyster River Yeoman for and in consideration of the Love and Good will that I bare unto my beloved wife Temperance Bickford I give unto her and bequeath all my Movuablells without Doares which Doe appeare to be mine, as Cattell horses, sheep hogs &c as all so I give unt her all my moveabells within Doares which Doe appeare to be mine, as Beding pott Kettells and puter &c, only out of it I give unto my Dafter Joana one feather Bed and Bed Cloaths to it and I give unto my wife the Lower fire roome at the west end of my house, During her Life time all the above
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mentioned I give unto my beloved wife. In witness here off I have hereunto sett my hand and Seale the 12th of Feburary Ann° Dominy 1685

Signed Sealed Delivered John X Bickford his Marke
in presents of us
Reu: Hull
Joseph Smith
John Norris


To the Honorable the President and Counsell in the Province of new Hampsheire now sitting att New Castell this first day of September 1697

The Humble petition of John Redman of Hampton in Province above sayd Juner Humbly Shewith

That your pore petitioner haveing lately married with one Johannah Bickford Daughter of John Bickford and Temperance his wife of oyster River late deceased and the said John Bickford made a will and in the same gave severall things to his wife Temperance Bickford and left them to be att Hir disposing of I am informed The s" Temperance Bickford also made a will although through some mistake ther was no Exequetour appointed but in Sayd will of Hers as may more fully appeare by the Same did dispose of Severall moveables among her children and to my wife Johannah Redman formerly Johannah Bickford Daughter of the above s" John and Temperance Bickford she gave Severall things among the rest But her Brother Thomas Bickford (under pretence of looking on it and giveing it to hir againe) have gitten her fathers will from Hir she haveing it in hir keeping; And also detaine the goods given to hir by hir mother Temperance Bickford in hir will and refuse to deliver them but under what pretence I know not And not knowing any other way for the ffatherles to come by there undoubted Right but to come to your Honours for releife We Humbly pray that your Honours would be pleased to take the same into consideration and so order that hir ffathers will and
mothers will may be brought forth and that the goods may be
Returned to the right owners as in your Wisdome shall be thought
most just and Right and that the presence of Almightye God may
be with your Honours in your undertakings It is the desire and
shall be the prayer of him who is And shall remaine your Hon-
ours most humble and Dutifull Servant

John Redman

[Misc. Provincial Papers, mss., vol. 1, p. 188.]

[Citation, Sept. 28, 1697, to Thomas Bickford of Oyster River,
planter, to appear and answer the complaint of John Redman,
Jr., of Hampton, planter, for not proving the will of his father,
John Bickford.]

[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 139.]

The Depossion of Johanah Rudman aged about 28 yeares
Maketh oath that my father Jnº Beckfords Last will & Testi-
ment was Left with my Mother Temprance Beckford to keepe;
And when God was pleased to take away her speech I gave the
aforesaid will to my Brother Thomas Beckford about 11 or 12
month agoe and further Sayth not

Johanah Redman appeared this 27 day of September 1697 and
made oath to the truth of all above written Before me

Henry Dow
Justice of peace in New Hampshire

[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 139.]

[Will proved, Oct. 7, 1697, and administration granted to his
son, Thomas Bickford, the oldest son consenting.]


[Inventory, Nov. 2, 1697; amount, £32.8.0; signed by Francis
Mathes, John Willey, John Bickford, and Richard Waterhouse;
mentions property in the hands of Jeremiah Burnham, John
Bickford, Benjamin Bickford, and John Redman.]

GEORGE WALTON 1685/6

The last Will & Testament of George Walton Sen' being of sound judgment & perfect memory; in man'er & form following.

Imprimis I do appoint & constitute Alice my now Wife, my Executrix of all my Estate (after my debts are satisfied, funeral charges paid & legacies hereby given & bequeathed discharged) to be $ her disposed ordered & given as she sees good & meet.

Item I give & bequeath unto my Son Sidrach Walton the Nine acres of Meadow (be it more or less) which I have formerly pos'sessed, to him & his heirs for ever.

Item I give & bequeath unto Alice Taprell & Priscilla Taprell each Eight acres of Land on ye Great Island, to be laid and appointed unto them out of my Out-land between the Highway going to ye ferry & Little harbour $ Mathew Estes & his brother Rich'd.

Item I give & bequeath to Grace Taprell the House her Mother died in to her & her heirs for ever.

Item I give & bequeath to Sam: Walton the Remainder of said Out-land next Little harbour not laid out, to Alice & Priscilla Taprell, And Seven acres of Marsh, part of the 20 acres granted me $ Mr Mason, the remaining 4 acres not before disposed I give also to my Son Sidrach & his heirs for ever.

Item I give & bequeath unto Thomas Roby.10 acres of ye Land I have a Deed for from Mr Mason of 40 acres in the Long reach, & 20 acres of sd 40 I give & bequeath unto Walton Roby, the Remaining being 10 acres I give & bequeath unto Elizabeth Tre-worthy; each Legacy being to remain to ye heirs & successors of each Legatee for ever not to be possessd $ either or any of them untill either or any of them come to age, or my Exect's shall see convenient & fit.

Lastly, for a final & full conclusion of this my last Will, I do declare, That my mind & full intent is, That my sd Exect's shall injoy & possess the whole during her life, or till she see cause
otherwise to deliver it up to any or either sd Legatess now under age, shall be and come to full age, & not before.

The fourteenth day of February
1685 George Walton did declare ye above written to be his Last Will, in ye presence of
Robert Mason—
William Bickham
[Proved March 9, 1685/6.]
[Deeds, vol. 4, p. 69.]

JOHN LIGHT

1685/6

The last will and Testament of John Light in ye Province of New hampshier in New England

I John Light being bound on a voyage to sea; * * *

All my worldly Estate; whether Personall or Reall of what kind soever; I bequeath unto my three Children Namely; John Light: Mary Light: & Dorothy Light; to be Equaly divided between them unles my now wife; should be now with child; & if soe; then that to have an equal proportion; with the three others; and if any of them dye before they come to age; ye to fall to the survivors or survivor all which estat; I leave in ye hands of my Beloved wife; Dorothy Light; to be improved for her own maintenance; and the bringing up of the Children; dureing ye widowhood of my said wife; but if she marry againe; the said Estate to be secured for the use of my Children; & I further Will: that my son John if ye liveth to ye age of fourteen or fifeteen years that he be bound out an apprentice to some honest calling such as he may most like and of ability to undertake

As for that estate which belonged to Joshua Peirce deceased whether at New Jersy or at Amsbury I leave it to ye Children ye my wife had by ye sd Joshua Peirce Provided they allowe for their maintenance what is just and equal; which I cannot Judge less then Ten pounds apecise yearly; If that be not thought so faire;
then I will; ye both their estate and mine be equaly divided between them and my Children, so ye each may have alike; accounting it very Irregular ye their estate should be reserved intire to them; and ye with my children else might have had; to be expended in maintaining them namely Joshua & Sarah Peirce—

further I make my beloved wife sole executrix: & desire and apoynt my Brother Mr John Pike of Dover & Samuel Keies of Portsm* to be my overseers of this my last will and Testament: in Testimony of all; & Singular ye * promises I set to my hand and seale; this twenty fourth day of February one thousand six hundred eighty and five

Signed Sealed & delivered in ye * presence of us
Jn* Peck
Edw* Martyn
Jn* Jacob

John Light Acknowledged this Instrument declareing it to be his last will & testament as his act and deed Boston: 24: February: 1685

before Hum: Davie Assisstt:

[Inventory, March 18, 1690/1; amount, £258.17.½; taken by John Pickering and John Tucker.]

EBENEZER EVANS 1686 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Ebenezer Evans of Portsmouth, mariner, granted to his widow, Patience Evans, and Thomas Fernald April 20, 1686.]

[Deeds, vol. 3, p. 184.]

[Bond of Patience Evans and Thomas Fernald, with Samuel Keais and Thomas Wakeham as sureties, in the sum of £100, April 20, 1686, for the administration of the estate.]
ISAAC WALDRON 1686 BOSTON MASS.

[Bond of Charles Lidget of Boston, merchant, April 22, 1686, in the sum of £100, for the administration of the estate of Isaac Waldron of Boston, physician; signed by Walter Barefoote.

Acknowledgment by Charles Lidget, April 23, 1686, of the receipt of £130.0.0 due from Thomas Paine of Dover, planter, to the estate of Isaac Waldron, intestate; signed by Walter Barefoote.]

HENRY BECK 1686 NEWCASTLE

[Bond of Elizabeth Beck of Great Island in the sum of £100, April 26, 1686, for the administration of the estate of her husband, Henry Beck of Great Island, mariner.]

[Probate Records, vol. 1, p. 296.]

[Inventory, taken by William Bickham and Henry Trefethen; amount, £51.14.0.]

[Probate Records, Oct. 8, 1686, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 64.]

JAMES JONES 1686

[Inventory of the estate of James Jones, May 4, 1686; amount, £60.14.3; signed by Nehemiah Partridge and Thomas Pickering; attested by the widow, Elizabeth Jones, May 6, 1686.]

[Probate Records, vol. 1, p. 296.]

Citation to be sent to ——— Bartlet formerly y° wife of James Jones decd & to Jn° Jones her son to come & admin' &c & if not Cap° Pickering to have administration

[Probate Minutes, Sept. 3, 1718.]

[Administration granted to John Pickering Dec. 3, 1718, John Jones not appearing.]

[Probate Minutes, Dec. 3, 1718.]
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[Citation, Dec. 2, 1718, to John Jones of Portsmouth to appear and take administration on the estate of his father, James Jones, and on his default administration to be granted to John Pickering, principal creditor; return signed by Samuel Clark, constable.]

[Bond, in blank, signed by John Jones, Edward Carver, and Amos Fernald; witnesses, Samuel Hart and Benjamin Gambling.]

[Warrant, Feb. 3, 1719/20, authorizing Samuel Manson and Edward Cate, both of Portsmouth, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory of the estate of James Jones, who died in 1685; amount, £25.12.0; signed by Edward Cate and Samuel Manson; attested by John Jones March 2, 1719/20.]

John Jones adm' to the estate of James Jones Dec'd Rep'senting to his Hon' the Judge that the s'd Estate is Insolvent it is ordered that Com'issioners be appointed to receive the claims &c viz; Cap' Tho' Peirce & m'r Clement Hughes

[Probate Minutes, March 8, 1720/1.]

[List of claims against the estate, June 20, 1722; amount, £64.10.7½; signed by Thomas Peirce and Clement Hughes.]

[Various notes, receipts, etc., containing signatures of John Plaisted, Daniel Duggan, James Jones, John Pickering, Henry Crowne, and John Partridge.]

SAMUEL CLARK 1686 PORTSMOUTH

1 Sam'd Clarke of y° Towne of Portsm° In y° Province of New hampshire beinge very Sicke, and weeke in Body  *  *  *

2dly I give and bequeath Unto my well beloved wife An Clarke all my Estate booth Personall and Reall as my House and lands, my Stocke of Cattell, horses, Sheipe and Swine, My Houssold goods of Every Kind, all Movable & Imovables w'thin Dores and
wthout to be Improved by her for y\textsuperscript{e} bringing Up of my Three youngest Children all wth\textsuperscript{e} Estate Shee Shall have y\textsuperscript{e} Soole Use and benefitte of During her Naturall life, and when Shee Dyes shee Shall give to my Children what Shall be lefte of y\textsuperscript{e} Said Estate, hooping & Desiring that my Dere wife will take all y\textsuperscript{e} Care that possibly Shee Can, that my Said Children May be Brought Up in y\textsuperscript{e} fere of God—

3\textsuperscript{rd} I Doe hereby Appoynt and ordaine my well beloved wife to be my Executrix to this my Laste will and Testam\textsuperscript{i} and Doe allso Requeste and Appoynte my well beloved Kinsman W\textsuperscript{m} Vaughan Esq\textsuperscript{r} and my Dere Brother Nath\textsuperscript{i} Clarke to be over Seers of this my Laste will to See y\textsuperscript{e} Same fullfilled and to Advize my wife how to manidge her Consners, as they may be Capable of Doeing y\textsuperscript{e} same in witnes of y\textsuperscript{e} truth of all y\textsuperscript{e} above written I Doe here Unto Seat my hand & seale, y\textsuperscript{e} 21\textsuperscript{st} Daye of June 1686 and in y\textsuperscript{e} 2\textsuperscript{nd} yere of y\textsuperscript{e} Raigne of our Soveraigne lord James y\textsuperscript{e} 2\textsuperscript{nd} by y\textsuperscript{e} Grace of God of England, Scotland, france & Ireland Kinge &c

Signed, Sealed, & Delevered

Sa\textsuperscript{m} Clarke [seal]

in psents of us

Ritch\textsuperscript{t} Martin Sen\textsuperscript{r}

Jn\textsuperscript{o} Fletcher

Jn\textsuperscript{o} Cotton

[Proved Oct. 8, 1691.]

JETHRO FURBER 1686 PORTSMOUTH

[Inventory of the estate of Jethro Furber, Portsmouth, June 29, 1686; amount, £582.12.2; signed by Richard Martyn; attested by Mrs. Furber Oct. 7, 1686.]

[Administration on the estate of Jethro Furber granted to Nathaniel Ayers and his wife, Amy Ayers, formerly widow of the deceased, Dec. 26, 1692.]

[Deeds, vol. 6, p. 92.]
THOMAS PAGE 1686 HAMPTON

In the name of God Amen

I Thomas page of Hampton in ye province of new Hampsheire in new England being Sick and weak of Body

Item I give and bequeath unto Mary my loving Wife all my Cattell of all sorts whatsoever (Excepting two young oxen that were my son Roberts in his life time and one young mare which oxen and mare I have hereafter disposed of in this my last will, I also give unto Mary my loving wife all my Household goods and Impliments of Husbandry to be all att Her disposing for the bringing up my children

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Christopher page all my Houssing my Dwelling House barns stable and all my out houses with orchard yards and all my lott wher the sayd Houses stand be the same more or less that was given to me by my father Excepting: the two acres & a half that I bought of John Marston which I have otherways disposed of I also give unto the sayd Christopher page my pece of meadow Com'only Called my littell Meadow with all the land adjoyning to it that was some times fenced in for a pasture be the same more or less as it was fenced as also my salt marsh lieng over the landing place rever be the same more or less as it is: as also a small pece of marsh about three acres more or less lieng by william fullers marsh as also one shear of the great oxe Com'on that lieth part over the great neck by Sergens Island and two shears of the Cow Com'ons with all Rights privilidges and appurtinances belonging to the sd shears as also my part of the Sawmill all which the sayd Christopher is to Enter upon and Injoy when he shall Come to the age of twentie flower years but no sooner Except his mother pleasith: my wife to have the use and improvement of all the above mentioned houses and lands untill my son Christopher arrive to the age of twentie flower years for Her Comfortable livelyhood and bringing up my children and upon Christophers possesing the forementioned Houses and lands Hee is to take Care to main-taing His mother Comfortably and Honorably during her naturall
Life or to Her day of marriage or if he faile my wife shall have libertie to make use of my Houssing and so much of my lands as will mainetaing Her Honorably So long as she live or to Her day of marriage And in case it shall please God to take my son Christopher out of this life before he have any children then the above mentioned Houses and lands is to goe to my son John page upon the Conditions above sayd that His Mother be Honorably maintained as above sd:

Item I give and bequeath unto my son John page about two acres and a half of land bee the same more or less that lieth att the lots end that I bought of John Marston: as also my Right of that land which is one Half of the land granted to My father by Jacob garlands be the same more or less as it is as also the one Half of that pece of meadow or marsh that was my father Hussys nere ben: shaws lieng betwen the marsh of the Towne of Hampton and Isaac godfree the sayd John to have his Half att this end next the upland as also all the meadow and upland one both sids the way on this sids John massons that was my father Hussys and by him given to my wife be the same more or less and one half of my Beach Meadow be the same more or less John to devide and stiven to choose and also one sheare of the Cow Com'ons with all Rights privillidges and appurtinances thereunto belonging: He to Enter upon the Same att the age of twentie one years and his mother to have the use and improvement of it the meen whill for the bringing up my children

Item I Give unto my Daughter Mary Roby one sheare of the great oxe Com' on with all Rights thereunto belonging: lieng partt next Hen: moultens sheare and those two young oxen that were my son Roberts pages in his life Time:

Item I give unto my son stevent page all the upland swamp and meadow ground that was given to my son Robart page by his grandfather Robert page in his will that lieth att the Lott: be the same more or less: as it is as also the one half of my beach meadow he to choose after John have devided it: as also the sotherly end of the meadow or marsh by Ben: shaws that was some
times my father Hussys steven to have one Half: of that as also one sheare of the Cow Com’ons of Hampton he to Enter upon the same att the age of twentie one years and his mother to have the use and improvment of it till that time for the bringing up of my children

Item I give unto my Daughter Bethiah page the some of fforty pounds to be payd to Her by my sons John page and Steven page in marchentable pay att priz Current twentie pound apec the one Half to be payd when she shall arive to the age of Eighteen years and the other att twentie five years ould:

Also my will is that my three sons and young Daughter be att my wifes dispossing untill thay Come to the age above sd Except thay shall dispose of themselfs by marriage before that time.

Item I give my young Bay Mare goeing of two yeare ould to my Cossen Samuell Marston My sister Rebeckas son.

And I doe appoint Constitute and make my loving wife mary page to be my sooll Exequetrix to this my last will and testament: In witnes here unto I the above sayd Thomas page have hereunto put my hand and seall this thirtie first day of August sixteen Hundred and Eightie sixe and in the second yeare of the Reigne of our Soveraigne Lord James the second by the grace of God of England scotland sffrance and Ireland King &c:

Witness

Thomas page
Samuell Marston
Seth fog
James fog
Henry Dow:

[Proved Oct. 7, 1686.]

[Inventory of the estate of Thomas Page, who died Sept. 8, 1686; taken Oct. 1, 1686; amount, £728.o.o; signed by John Sanborn, Thomas Marston, and Henry Dow.]
WILLIAM GORE 1686

[Sale, Nov. 16, 1686, by John Wallingford, James Wallingford, and Joseph Poore in right of his wife, Mary Poore, children of Nicholas Wallingford of Newbury, Mass., to William Longfellow of Newbury, Mass., of their legacies of £40.0.0 each left them by their great-uncle, William Gore, by his will dated Jan. 22, 1655/6; witnesses, Joseph Bailey and Isaac Addington.]

HENRY ROBY 1686/7

In the name of God Amen

I Henry Robey of Hampton in the province of new Hampsheire in new England being aged and Weake of Body but of Sound and perfect memory prayse be given to God for the Same. And knowing the uncertaintie of this life on Earth and being desiruse to Settel things in order, Doe make this my last Will & Teastiment in manner and forme ffolowing That is to Say first and principally I Commend my Soule to Almightye God that gave it And my body to the Earth ffrom whence it was Taken Hopeing of A Joyfull resurection att the last day: my body to be Buried in Such decent and christian mannor as to my Exequetours here after named shall be thought meet and conveniant And as touching such worldly estate as the Lord in mercy hath lent me my will and meaning is the same shall be imployd and bestowed as here after by this my will is expressed And first I doe revoke renounce ffrrustate and make voyd all Wills by me formerly made and doe leve and appoint this my last Will and Teastiment first my will is that all my Just and Honnist Debts be payd by my Exequetours and the Rest of my Estate to be disposed of as folowith

I give and bequeath unto Sarah my now wife all the goods that She Brought with Her that yett Remainith att Her disposing in the Same Condition thay shall be in att my decease if any of them shall chance to be yª worse for the ussing of them in the ffamily While we have lived togethier it is not to be made good but
she is to take them as thay shall then be and to have the disposing of them ffor Ever

3º I give and bequeath unto Sarah my now Wife So long as She Shall remaine a widow that end of my Dwelling house next phelemon Daltons, chamber and lower Roome and the use of one Celler to put in what She have need off, I also will that She the Sayd Sarah shall have the use and Benifitt of Half the orchard and half the lott belonging to the house and thre acres of meadow lieng att the Beach Caseway and two Cows and two Swine all which she is to have and injoy So long as She Remaine a Widow but no longer also my Will is that my Exequetours Shall yearly and Every yeare Bring Her Home to the House (which I Have appointed for Her to live in) Sixe load of good Wood So long as She Remaine a widow but no longer

4º I give and bequeath unto Thomas Robey my Eldest Son The lott that I bought of Isaac perkins & Sixe acres more or less of pausture lieng att the easterly end of sayd lott as also the land where my Barne Stand and the land where he have builded his house wher he now liveith and my ould Barne ther standing near his house and my thirteene acres more or less of marsh in the spring marshes that I bought of Isaac perkins and fower acres more or less of ffresh meadow lieng near the beach between the medow of Timothy Hilyard and meadow Somtimes Robert pages and one shear of the Cow Com'ons of Hampton and one Half of my Sheare of the oxe Com'on as also one ffeather Bed with all the Bed cloths there unto belonging and other furniture all to Him and his Heiers ffor Ever and five acres more or less of upland that was Sometimes ould William Coles:

5º I give and bequeath unto my Son Samuel Robey Seaven acres more or less of fresh meadow which I have in the great meadow and fower acres more or less of Salt Marsh in the Spring marshes which was Sometimes Edward Colcords and half my shear in the great oxe Com'on, as also all the land the which I have fformerly given him a deed of gift off I now Confeirm the sd gift by this my Last Will: to him & his Heier for ever
6th I give and bequeath unto my Son Icabode Robey my Dwelling Houses I now live in and the house lott there and all my out houses there unto belonging with the orchard The one Half Emedately after my decease and the other Half att my Wifes departure from it as also three acres of meadow att the beach Caseway and all the Sixe acres when His mother is to leave it

7th I give unto my Daughter Judeth Robey onesheather Bed with all furniture therunto belonging I also give unto ye Sayd Judith ten pounds to be payd by my Exequetours and Hir liveing in my House So long as she live Single unmarried and libertie to eat what appells She Stand in need of out of ye orchards :

8th I give unto my Son John Robey and to my Daughter Ruth and to my Daughter Mary two shillings each to be payd by my Exequetours

and I doe make Constitute and appoint my Son Thomas Robey and my Son Samuel Robey to be my Sole Exequetours to this my last will and Testament and my will is that thay shall injoy all my outward Estate both within dors and without that is not other ways disposed of in this my last will also my will is that if one of my Exequetours should Happen to Dye His Heiers shall performe what hee is to doe by this my last will and that Son that Shall Serve Shall be Exequetour alone and for the Confermation of all above written I the above Sayd Henry Robey have hereunto put my Hand and affixt my Seale this tenth day of January Sixteen Hundred and Eightie Sixe and in the Second yeare of the Reign of our Soveraigne Lord James the Second by the grace of God of England Scotland ffrance and Ireland king &c.

witnes

william marston

James foog

John Dalton

Henry Dow

As an addition to this my former will in this pages Contained my will fother is that my Daughter Judath have a cow and calf and that cow and calf to be part of the ten pound formaly given
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Her in this my last will and twentie pound of porke and two Busells of mault and three bushells of Endien Corne and my will is that all my penutter and Brass Iron Kittells Scillitts pots and Iron Housalstuff be equally devided betwen fower of my Children (viz) Thomas Samuel Icabod and Jüdeth Judaths part being part of y* above Sayd ten pounds

And fother I give unto Sarah my wife one looking glass that was bought in England And what woods She Shall want for her fire over and above besides what is given her in this my last will my Exequetours are to sech it Hom with y* help of Her Son John after she have got it cutt I allso give her the use of the Sixe acres of meadow by the casway to the beach for the keeping of her catell So long as she have them I also give unto my grand child Byall a Cow and calf & a Ewe and lamb to be in his mothers keeping or one of my Exequetors untill he is twentie one yeears of age and the Sayd Byall to have his libertie to choose Him a good master and a Trade, and my will is that my wife have Her libertie to Choose Her two Cows and the calves with them and her two Swine and my Son Thomas to have libertie to chose the great Kittell and my will is that my wife have three bushell of mault and all the Rest of the meat and Endien Corne and for the Confirmation of all above written I the Sayd Henry Robey have hereunto put my Hand and Seall this third day of aprill Anno: Sixteen Hundred and Eightie eight and in the forth yeare of His Majestis Raigne James y* Second by y* grace of God King &c

witnes

william marston
Henry Dow

[Proved June 5, 1688.]

[Inventory of the estate of Henry Roby, who died April 27, 1688; taken May 15, 1688; amount, £371.15.8; accounts due the estate, £14.4.4; signed by Abraham Drake, William Marston, and Henry Dow.]

[Suffolk County, Mass., Probate Files.]
JOHN HEARD 1687

DOVER

In the name of god amen, the second day of Aprill in ye year of our Lord one thousand six hundred Eighty Seaven: I John heard of dover in ye provinc of Newhampshir *

3 I doe give unto my son Benjamen heard: the forty acers of Land where he Liveth and Is posessed of to him his heirs Executors Administrators & Assigns according to the Right & title I have to the Sd Land by vertue of the towne grant or otherwaies

4: I doe give to my three daughters Mary ham, & Abigall Jons & Elizabeth Newte: to each one of them: a heiffer of two years old or upward to be delivered to each of them or their order within ten daies after my deseace—

5: I give to my son trustrom heard the one half of ye hundred acers of Land which was granted me by ye towne & Layed out by william wintworth Ralfe hall & John hall to him & his heirs Executors administrators, & assignes for ever & one Lott of the two Lotts which I have in Cochecha marshes—

6: I doe give to my son Samuel heard two steers betwen on & two years old to be delivered to him or his order within ten days After my deseac—

7: I give to my daughter dorcas heard ye thirty acers of Land which I bought of Joseph saunders as by his bill of saill dated the twenty fourth of october 1669 situate neare Cochecho: to her, her heieres Executors administrators or Assignes for ever — & allsoe I give hur the fether bed & bedsteed with the bolsters & pillers Rugg blankets & what doth belong to it which is now Called by the name of dorcase bed — & two Cowes to be delivered to her or to her order: in ten days After my decease, & ye decease of hur mother

8: I give unto my prentice John walldron, Iff hee doe faithfully serve his time according to his Indenture: one Cow to be delivered him—

9: I give to my well beloved wiff Elizabeth heard for Love & Efection I doe owe & bear to hur, & for her Comfortable maintenance ye use & profit of ye one halff of my plantation
(Joyntly with my Executor) as it is now Improved duering her naturall Liff & allso ye halfe of ye Stock both without dors & with in dores duering her Life, & ye Liberty to despose of ye one halfe of ye Increase Leveing the Stock of quick stuff as shee shall find it, & as for ye on halfe of the wollen Linen bedding brass & puter shee to have ye Liberty to despose as shee shall see good

10 I doe make & ordain my son Nathaniel heard to by my heire, & Executor of all my Estatt which is not formerly by this my will ordered & disposed of; to him his heirs Executors admin-estators & assignes for ever (all was provided any thing in this my will to ye Contrary notwithstanding) that is If my S Executor Nathaniel heard, doe hapen to dy & not being married that then my will is that Lands shall returne to my sons Samuel & trustrom heard Equally betwen them & to their heirs & or assignes for ever, & the moveables to be Equally devided betwen my four daughters mary ham Abigail Jon s Elizabeth Nute & dorcas heard but If my son Nathaniel doe hapen to mary and have no Issue Lawfully begotten, but shall Leave A widoe or Relique behind him, my will is that his s wedoe shall Enjoy ye whole Estat which he shall be possesed of: duering her widdohud but If shee hapen to mary shee shall have but ye on third part of ye Lands, & the other two thirds to Return to my saied sons samuel & trustrom; & After her deseace her one third part shall be to them allsoe

Signed Sealed & delivered the mark of

In ye presence of us

Richard waldron
Abraham Lee
John Evens

[Recorded 1692.]
[Deeds, vol. 5, p. 86.]

[Release by Samuel Heard of Dover of all claim against the estate, Jan. 24, 1688/9, for two steers left to him in the will; witnessses, Thomas Downs and John Davis.]

[Deeds, vol. 5, p. 88.]
[Release by John Ham of Dover, in behalf of his wife, Mary Ham, of all claim against the estate of her father, John Heard, Jan. 24, 1688/9, for one heifer left to her in his will; witnesses, John Davis and John Hayes.]
[Deeds, vol. 5, p. 88.]

[Release by Jenkin Jones of Dover, in behalf of his wife, Abigail Jones, of all claim against the estate of her father, John Heard, Jan. 24, 1688/9, for one heifer left to her in the will; witnesses, John Davis and Thomas Downs.]
[Deeds, vol. 5, p. 89.]

[Release by James Nute, Jr., of Dover, in behalf of his wife, Elizabeth Nute, of all claim against the estate of her father, John Heard, Jan. 24, 1688/9, for one heifer left to her in the will; witnesses, Richard Otis and John Evans.]
[Deeds, vol. 5, p. 89.]

[Release by Benjamin Heard of Dover of all claim against the estate, March 12, 1688/9, in consideration of the receipt of all his father’s clothes, both woolen and linen; witnesses, Samuel Heard and John Ham.]
[Deeds, vol. 5, p. 88.]

Att a Court of Probate * * * 28th October 1701
Tristram Hird appeared and desired that the Estate of John Hird his father dec’d might be Settled according to Law, his said father dying Intestate as he thinks /

Elizabeth Hird [widow] and Relict of John Hird aforesaid appeared and Leaves all her Right of Said Estate to the Management of the Honourable the Lieu’t Governour
Sarah Hird daughter in Law to the Said dec’d alsoe appeared and desired that the Lieu’t Govern’r would be pleased to Settle the Said Estate amongst those to whome it properly belonged to.

Lieu’t Governour told them he would Consider of what had been Said and desired;

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 28.]
Att a Court of Probate * * * 4th Sept 1702

Tristram Hird moved to His Hon' the Lieu' Govern' by his Attornyes m' Jabiz Ring and m' Thomas Manning that the Said Hird might have Letters of Administration Granted to him Of his late father John Hird dec'd his Estate /

The Lieu' Govern' was please to Answer that as there was a will formerly made by the Said John Hird, and was Endeavoured to be proved in St' Edmund Andrews time, but all the Witnisses being Suddenly cutt off by the Indians Said Will was never legally proved, and the Exec' mentioned in Said will had taken the Estate into his hands, and he being Sometime since deceased the widow of Said Executor mentioned in Said will, hath possext the Estate and Enjoy'd the same to this time. therefor he thinks it Not proper to Grant Letters of Administration to Said Tristram Hird in any other manner, but as de Bonis Non Cum Testamento Annexo:

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 39.]

[Petition of Tristram Heard, March 7, 1703/4, for administration on the estate of his father, John Heard of Cocheco, he being the only son living, and his mother having renounced administration.

Ordered that Sarah Heard, formerly widow of John Heard, be cited.]

As to Tristram Heard or his mother's praying Administration upon the estate of Jn's Heard Dec'd—

I Sarah Fors late wife of Nath' Heard Dec'd, Say that y' Estate of Jn's Heard is already Distributed according to his Will w'ch will is allowed by the Last Hon'table Judge of probate of Wills as appears on Record, Soe y't there's noe need of Administration, if any part of y's S'd Estate, belonging to the S'd Tristram Heard or his mother is withheld from y'm the Law is open for their Recovery of it out of those hands in whose tis Found—

William Foste
Sarah fors
[Endorsed] Wm sfoost and Sarah his wife their reasons why Tristram Hird ought not to Administer 1705

Att a Court of probate * * * the Second day of October 1705

Elizabeth Hird widow of John Hird formerly of Cochecha yeoman deceased, and Tristram Hird, Sonn of the Said John Hird; appeared at this Court, and Moved to the Judge to have Letters of Administration granted him of the Estate of the Said John Hird. /

William sfoos and Sarah his wife, formerly the widow of Nathaniel Hird, Brother to the Said Tristram Hird, Sonn of the Said John Hird, and gave in their Reasons in writing why Elizabeth Hird, and Tristram Hird ought not to Administer which Reasons are as followeth in haec Verba Sequen. /

As to Tristram Hird or his mother praying Administration Upon the Estate of John Hird dec'd Sarah sfoos late wife of Nathaniel Hird deceased Say; that the Estate of John Hird, is already distributed according to his will, which will is Allowed by the last Honrble Judge of probates of Wills as appears on Record Soe that there is noe need of Administration; if any part of the Said Estate belonging to the Said Tristram Hird, or his mother is with held from them, the Law is open for their Recovery of it out of those hands in whose it is found

[Administration not granted.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 69.]

[Bond of Tristram Heard of Cocheo, yeoman, July 2, 1706, in the sum of £200, for the guardianship of John Heard, son of Samuel Heard of Cocheo; witnesses, N. Follett and John Tuttle.]
down the Marsh & to goe to the little Pond and a trench running
the other S'd of the marsh & allso I give to my Son Jnº Dam fortie
Shillings in goods at prizes Curr't and I will & bequeath unto my
Son W'n Dam fortie Shillings in Goods at prices Curr't

thirdly I will to my three daughters namely Elizb'th Whi-
house first I give to her three pounds fourthly I will & bequeath
unto my Daughter Mary Cane three pounds

Fifthly I will & bequeath unto my daughter Judy Tibbets
her heires all my Moveable goods wthin dores or wthoute dores
Namely all my Cattle Sheep horskind & Swine Plowes, Carts
chains harrow, Cunnooes or any thing Elce that is property
my Estate & allsoe I doe Signifie that I have gieven a deed of
Sale to my daughter Tibbetts her Heires for all her houses lands
Marsh that is properly mine Except what is above written & allsoe
I will that my daughter Judy Tibbetts be the sole Execut'x of this
my will & I will that my daughter Judy Tibbetts or her heires pay
the Legacies above written wthin one year & half after my deceas
in goods at prices curr't & lastly I give to my Grand Daughter
Abig'l Dam a Cow & a Calfe & that my daughter doe pay it in
time above s'd and to Signifie that is my Will, I have hereunto Set
my hand & Seal the nineteenth day of May 1687:

Signed Sealed & delivered Jnº Dam Senº [Seal]
presentia nostrum
Joseph Beard
Edwº Allen

[Proved, no date. Recorded March 23, 1693/4.]
[Deeds, vol. 5, p. 90.]

CLAUDE CHAMPION 1687 ISLES OF SHOALS

[Bond of William Button of Jersey, merchant, with Robert
Elliott of Great Island as surety, in the sum of £50, Sept. 15,
1687, for the administration of the estate of Claude Champion
of the Isles of Shoals.]
MICHAEL MANN 1687 PORTSMOUTH

pascadaway desember ye 16th 1687—

In the name of god the 16th day of December 1687/8 third yeare of ye Reigne of our Soveraign Lord ye king James, I michaell man of ye province of New hamphir, well of body * * *

Item to my sister Mary man ten pounds and to my sister sarah white ten pound, and too each of their Children ten shilings to my Cosen Ana man one gold Ring, & to mary man the younger one gold Ring & one silver bodkin, & to my sister sarah young-est daughter all that shall appere to be oweing to me in England, secondly I doe give to my Cosen sarah Cutt five pounds, & to Cosen Elizabeth kennerd five pounds & to my Cosen hannah Jose five pounds, to my Cosen susana martyn five pounds: and doe ordain my Cosen peter man all such sumes of mony as shall appere to be mine and all my Cloaths, & all other things as shall appere from any person or persons whatsoever and doe ordain him my Lawfull Executor, & doe desier my unkle Richard mar-tyrn to be his overseer tell hee shall Com in full age—

Witnes

John tucker
John snell
Elizabeth hopely

[Proved Sept. 14, 1691.]

[Deeds, vol. 5, p. 77.]
JOHN GALE

1687

PORTSMOUTH

In the name of God Amen The twentieth Day of Decem one thousand six hundred Eightey seaven I John Galle, of Portsm° in the pr° of Newhampshire Taylour beeing sick of Bodey * * * *

Imp I Give and beequeath to my well beloved Wife sarah Galle: the halfe of the house that I now Dwell in: which I and ffrancis Tucker Bought beetweene us of Will: Love situat and beeing on y° Great Island in portsm° afforsaid my §te beeing the notherend and Containe one Garett; one Chamber one Lower Room: the poarch Chamber, and halfe the seller under y° said Lower Roome aforsaid; and halfe the Land beeloning to the said houss; as allso all other Lands goods; and Chattells what so Ever beeloning to me; in New England

And I doe allso make my Wife Sarah Galle my soale Executrex; Givieing her all my Estat Reall and §sonall—

In witness Whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seale y° Day and yeare above Wrighten

Signed Sealed And Delivered John X Galle [seal]

In the §sence of us—

Robt Elliot
Jos: Rayn
Francis Tucker
Nichol Heskins

[Proved March 7, 1687/8.]

SAMUEL WINDSOR 1687

[Inventory of the § Goods belonging, To Sam§ Winsor, deceased, found In a Chest In Edw: Martins house, One smitti
noise Iland,” Dec. 28, 1687; amount, £39.4.9; signed by Andrew Deamont and Philip Odiorne.]

The Deposition of William Bennett, aged Thirty One years, or Thereabout, Taken and Sworne This 29th day of february; 1687:
This Deponent Saith, That being In discourse wth Samuel Windsor about a month before his death, he heard him declare, That In Case he should decease before Edward Martin, of Smuttinose Iland, That he would give unto him, and his wife, all the Estate he had In New England for his friends In England, had Enough of his already In Their hands.

William Benot Came and Made othe att this entant bee fore mee that this was ye troth.

Andro Demont
Jestous of pese

The Deposition of Thomas Alexander, aged Twenty Seaven years, or ye'abouts; Taken This: 28th day, of february: 1683;
This deponent saith; That he hath ofte Timès heard Samuel Windsor declare before his death That In Case he died In New England, a single man; he would give all his Estate, In This Country, To Gillin Martin, ye' wife of Edward Martin, of smuttinose Iland;

Thomas Alexander Came and Mad oath att this entant bee fore me that this wase ye troth

Androw Damont
Jestous of Pese

[Bond of Edward Martin of the Isles of Shoals, fisherman, March 6, 1687/8, in the sum of £20, for the administration of the estate.]

JAMES GOSS 1688

[Inventory of the estate of James Goss, "now in the hands of John ffoste who Married the Relick of s' Gosse," taken May 7, 1688; amount, £28.19.4; signed by Richard Paine and Humphrey Chadbourne; attested by John Foss, administrator, Sept. 4, 1688.]
AUDREY LUX 1688 PORTSMOUTH

In the name of God Amen I Audery Lux of Portsm° upon grete Iland on Piscatequa River Widdo * * *

Item I give and bequeath Unto Jn° Crainch and Elizabeth Cranch my Grand children and Children of Andrew Crainch of Grete Island Aforesaid all that my parsell of Land wth the Appurtenancess Lyinge and beinge in Kittery nere the fales in Brabets Harbor to them the said Jn° and Elizabeth there Haires and Assignes for Ever. Item I give and bequeath to the said Jn° and Elizabeth Cranch on parsell of Land Called and Knowne by the Name of Lux his feld Lyinge at the Beetch In Grete Island Aforesaid Containeinge by Estymayyon foure Akers or there aboute to him the said Jn° and Elizabeth there Heires and Assignes for Ever wth wth the Land in Kittery, before bequeathed to them is Equally to be Devided betwene them, and In Case ether the said Jn° or Elizabeth Should happen to Depart this Life before hee or shee shall have Attained to the Aidge of one & twenty yeres and shall have No Heire Lawfully begotten of his or her Body So Dyinge my Will and Meninge is that the Equall parte of the Two parsells of Land given to him or her So Dyinge, shall be and Remaine to the surviver of the said Jn° and Elizabeth and his or her Haires or Assignes for Ever, and if it shall happen that both the said Jn° and Elizabeth shall Dye as aforesaid before the Aidge of one and Twenty yeres and Leve No Haires Lawfully begotten Then I give and bequeath the said two parsells of Land Unto Abysdag Marshall my Daughter the wife of Tho° Marshall of Grete Iland Aforesaid and to her Heires and assigns for Ever. Item I give and bequeath Unto my son in Law Andrew Crantch ye sum of ffive shill’s as a Token of my Love to be paid him wth in three Monthes next after my Desease. Item I give & bequeath Unto my Daughter Abysdag Marshall Aforesaid all my Houses Lands tenements warehouses orchards Gardens and wharves wth there Appurtenancess Not alredy Disposed of in this will Lyinge and beinge In Grete Iland Aforesaid or Else whare to her the said Abysdag Her Haires & Assignes for Ever, and
I further give to the said Abyshage all my personall estate, for and towards the payme of my debts legacies funerall charges and probate of this my said last will of which I make ordaine and appoynt the said Abyshage soole executrix and to which I have set my hand and this ninth daye of June in the fourth yere of the reign of our lord James the second by the grace of God of England &c King defender of ye faith &c Annoque Domine 1688

The words (not already disposed of in this will) were entered before ye publishing hereof

Sealed, signed & published

In the presents of—

George Person
James Booth
George Payn
Portsm 13th 7ber 1700

A true copia taken from ye record & compard.

Wm Vaughan Recorder

[Proved Feb. 1, 1691/2.]

WALTER BAREFOOTE 1688

NEWCASTLE

In the name of God Amen

I Walter Barefoot of Great Island in ye Province of New Hampshire in New England Esq, being of sound perfect & disposing memory, tho weak in body, * * *

I the said Walter Barefoot do hereby devise & bequeath to Thomas Wiggin my Brother in law, and to my Sister Sarah his wife, my house & land with the appurtenances, situate & lying at Strawberry bank in Portsmouth in said Province (now in ye possession of John Pickering Sen') And also my house & land situate & lying at Greenland, containing about two hundred acres: And also my land lying & being at Merrimack river, containing about Thirteen hundred acres: To have and to hold all the said
Lands & p'misses to the said Thomas Wiggin and Sarah his Wife & her heirs for ever; they paying and discharging all my just Debts & Legacies by me hereafter given & bequeathed.

I devise and bequeath to Joseph Clark Son of John Clark of Great Island aforesaid Mariner five Hundred acres of my Land in the Province of Main: which I purchased of Capt* francis Champernoon, adjoining to his Island, begin'ing at y* Stepstones & running to Brarboard harbour: To have and to hold to the said Joseph Clark his heirs & assigns for ever, excepting forty acres by me disposed of.

And I likewise devise & bequeath to Thomas Wiggin aforesaid & Sarah his Wife, five hundred acres of my Land in y* said Province of Main which I purchased of Colonel John Archdale, lying on the backside of the said five hundred acres purchased of the said francis Champernoon (as aforesaid;) To have and to hold to the said Thomas Wiggin and Sarah his Wife their heirs and assigns for ever.

I devise and bequeath to my said Beloved Sister Sarah Wife of Thomas Wiggin aforesaid, All that my Land with the Sawmill & appurtenances lying & being at Lamprill river, formerly in the possession of Robert Wadleigh; To have and to hold to her the said Sarah, during her natural life; and after her decease I devise & bequeath the same to her Daughters, Sarah & Susanna, To have and to hold to them their heirs & assigns for ever equally to be devided.

I devise & bequeath to my Cousin Thomas Wiggin Son of the said Thomas Wiggin my Brother in law, All that my Land with the appurtenances lying & being at Lampril river, containing about Three hundred acres, which I purchased of William Hilton Charles Hilton, & Samuel Hilton; And one hundred acres of marsh (or thereabouts;) the moiety or half part whereof I purchased of the said William Hilton, Charles Hilton, & Samuel Hilton; and the other moiety or half part I purchased of Robert Mason Esq'; As by the Deeds of Sale may more fully appear; To have and to hold to him the said Thomas Wiggin Junr his heirs and assigns for ever.
I devise and bequeath to Edward Hilton Son of Edward Hilton of Exeter in the said Province, the Debt due & owing to me from ye aforesaid Edward Hilton, his father, being Nine pounds, together with ye Bill by which it is due.

I devise and bequeath to John Clark aforesaid, All that my Land lying and Being at Saco in ye Province of Main aforesaid; To have and to hold to him, his heirs & assigns for ever.

I devise & bequeath to Joseph Clark Son of the said John Clark, All that my Dwelling house (with the appurtenances) and Land containing half an acre, situate & lying on Great Island aforesaid, near the House of John Clark aforesaid, To have and to hold to him ye sd Joseph Clark his heirs & assigns for ever. But I will that Elizabeth Clark his Mother, shall have the use of the said House & p'misses during her natural life.

I devise and bequeath to the other Children of the said John Clark viz: Love, Isaac, & Jacob, all that my Land containing about Seven acres, lying & being on Great Island aforesaid: And also One acre of Land adjoining to the said Land, and to John Lewis his House and Land, & which I formerly purchased of him To have and to hold to them their heirs & assigns for ever: to be equally devided between them.

I devise and bequeath All that my Land at Spruce Creek in the said Province of Main, containing about One thousand acres, which I formerly purchased of Doct' Henry Greenland, I devise it to him ye said Henry Greenland; To have and to hold to him his heirs & assigns for ever.

I give and bequeath to John Tufton Esq' Ten pounds, to be paid in Currant Pay.

I give and bequeath to Richard Chamberlain Esq' Ten pounds in Currant Pay.

I give & bequeath to Robert Tufton & Catherine his Wife One hundred pounds in Currant Pay—

I give and bequeath to Joseph Rayn five pounds in Currant Pay.

I give and bequeath to John Lee (my Cousin) fifty pounds in Currant Pay.
I give and bequeath to my Beloved Sister Sarah before named, my Great Bible.

I give and bequeath to Elizabeth Clark aforesaid my two Chests which are at my House aforesaid, together with all that is therein contained (except ye writings, and so many yards of Dowlas as will make half a dozen Shirts; which quantity of Dowlas I do hereby give & bequeath to Richard Chamberlain abovesd) And all the Money Goods Chattels & Moveables which I have at this House of John Clark where I am at p'sent, I give & bequeath to her ye said Elizabeth Clark.

I give & bequeath to Nathan Bedford Ten pounds to be paid in Currant Pay; and also one feather bed, with ye Boulster Rug & Blanket

I give & bequeath to Thomas Swaffer Ten pounds in mony.

I give & bequeath to Robert Tufton afores'd my best Bever hat.

I give & bequeath to John Clark afores'd my Cow, to be killd & spent in his family.

I give & bequeath to ye Poor of Great Island afores'd, five pounds, to be paid in Mony, Corn, or Provision.

I do hereby constitute & appoint my sd Brother in Law Thomas Wiggin Sen', my full & sole Executor of this my Last Will & Testament. And I desire my good friends, sd Richard Chamberlain & Capt a Samuel Wentworth to be Overseers of ye same, & do hereby empower them to see the same, & every thing therein contained, to be duly performed.

In testimony that this is my Last Will & Testament I have hereto set my hand & seal the Third day of October in ye y' fourth Year of ye Reign of Our Souverai Lord James ye Second King of England &c. An'oq D'ni 1688.

Signed Sealed delivered & published (after ye rasure of ye 17th & 18th lines) in p'sence of

Shadrach Walton
W'nm Godsoe—
Henry Trevethan

Walter Barefoot his X Mark [seal]
We, John Lee & Thomas Swaffer heard the herein named Walter Barefoot Esq' declare that this Writing being his Last Will & Testament was read all unto him ins' as it is herein set down: And did agen publish y' same. Octob' 8th 1688.

John Lee
Thomas Swaffer

[Proved Feb. 21, 1688/9.]
[Suffolk County, Mass., Probate Files.]

JONATHAN PERKINS 1688/9 HAMPTON

[Inventory of the estate of Jonathan Perkins of Hampton, who died Jan. 20, 1688/9; amount, £140.0.0; signed by John Moulton and John Leavitt. On the back is written “Josias Sanbourne: Sarah his wife Rich— Sanbourne Stephen Sanbourne all of Hampton Planters.”]

ANTHONY STANYAN 1688/9 HAMPTON

[Inventory of the estate of Anthony Stanyan of Hampton, Feb. 21, 1688/9; amount, £45.18.2; signed by Nathaniel Weare and Joseph Smith; attested by Nathaniel Weare, Feb. 24, 1692/3.]

THOMAS COTTON 1689/90 PORTSMOUTH

1689/90 march the 6th

I Thomas Cotton of portsm' being sick of body * * *
my five & twenty acers of Land Lying & being In portsmouth I will & bequeath to my brother Edward beal, & the remainder of my goods & Estat be it in debts dues bills bonds or what thing or way so ever I give & bequeath to my brother benjamin Cotton: I also make my S' brother Edword beal & benjamin Cotton Executors of this my Last will & testament: desiering them propor- tionally to pay my Lawfull debts I also bequeath my wearing
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

Close to brother Edward beal, & my above Sd Executors to be at the Cost & Charges of my desent beuring in witness whereof I have set to my hand
test
John flecher
John barsham

[Proved March 30, 1691.]
[Deeds, vol. 5, p. 71.]

WILLIAM HEARLE 1689 PORTSMOUTH

the Last will & testament of willeam hearle of the town of portsm° In the province of new hampshir made the 17th day of may 1689—

I willeam hearl being sick & weake in body °°°

2° I give & bequeath unto my son In law John Cotton & his wiff my daughter sarah, all my now dewling hous, together with my barne & all out houses & all my Lands garden orchards now in my possesion, Laying & being in the town of portsm° aforesd together with all the previlidges & appurtenances thereunto belonging; as alsoo all my stock of Cattle & swine, & all my household goods & moveables both within dors & without, which houseing Lands goods & moveables shall be to the sole use & behuff of the Sd John Cotton & his wiff sarah dewring the time of their naturall Lif—

3° I will that After the death of the above Sd John & sarah that all my above Sd houses and Lands with the previlidges thereunto belonging, shall be to the use & behoofe of the eldest son of the Sd John & sarah whose nam is willeam Cotton & Iff the Sd willeam should hapen to dye before he comes to Lawfull age or mary then it shall desend to the next heir male of the Sd John & sarah, & I will that all the above mentioned houses & Lands shall be Intailed uppon the Sd John Cotton & sarah his wiff & their heirs for ever

4° I doe hereby make & ordain my Sd son John Cotton to be my sole & only Executor to this my Last will & testament In wit-
nes whereof I doe hereunto set my hand and seall the day & yeare above wretten 1689—

    william hearle did own & de-
    clar the above wretten to be his willeam X hearle [Seal]

Last will & testament in ye presence of us

    Richard martyn
    John fflecher—
    [Proved March 30, 1691.]
    [Deeds, vol. 5, p. 71.]

ISABEL HOLDRIDGE 1689 EXETER

[Inventory of the estate of Isabel Holdridge, widow, June 16, 1689; amount, £29.17.1; signed by Jonathan Thing, Peter Folsom, and Benjamin Jones; attested before John Hinckes by Richard Morgan Feb. 20, 1692/3.]

[Administration on the estate of Isabel Holdridge, widow of William Holdridge of Exeter, planter, granted to Richard Morgan, of Ipswich, Mass., planter, "haveing married Elizabeth the eldest daughter of the sd Isabell"; dated Feb. 20, 1692/3.

Bond of Richard Morgan, with Richard Morgan, Jr., and Edward Dyer as sureties, all of Ipswich, Mass., planters, Feb. 20, 1692/3, in the sum of £60, for the administration of the estate.]

NATHANIEL BOULTER JR. 1689 HAMPTON

[Inventory of the estate of Nathaniel Boulter, Jr., of Hampton, yeoman, who died June 1, 1689; taken June 28, 1689; amount, £206.6.3; signed by Richard Sanborn and John Leavitt.]

PHILIP SEVERETT 1689 PORTSMOUTH

In the name of god Amen ye tenth day of sept 1689—

    the Last will & testament of phillip Siverit of portsmo in ye province of New hampshir in New england
whereas god allmighty have moved mee now to goe to sea in a
Lawfull voiage & being not certin how Long god will be pleased
to spare my Liff, my will is that my Estat shall be settled as fol-
loeth—

Impr. I give to my beloved wiff Joanna all my Estate in New
England viz: houses and Lands, & my two ketches Called the
america & prosperos now at home with all debts dew to me here
or any other place or places whatso ever with the cargoes on board
the Sª vesels & the Return thereof In gen'rall all whatsoever Is
mine In any place or places off the world or may bee hereaftter
due to mee by bond bill book or any other way or means what-
soever shall or may be dew to me in any place or places of the
world shee paying wª small debts I may now owe here, & to pay
the town of portsmº twenty pounds for the pore in itt

2: I give all my Estate now falling or belonging to me upon the
Island of Jersy unto my brother thomas siverit viz houses &
Lands, all & every part of them with the orchards & Rents that
are or may be dew to me there, he paying forty Crowns to the
pore of the Island of Jerzey to be destrributed in the same forme as
mº James Corbit did before yº Last one hundred peaces of eight
given by mee

3 I doe hereby nomenclate & apoynt my well beloved wiff Joanna
to be my sole Executrix of this my Last will & testament, all former
will & testaments being made void In witnes whereof I have
here unto set my hand & seal dated In portsmº in the province of
new hampshir new England the tenth day of september one thou-
sand six hundred Eighty & nine

Signed & sealed in

Ph: siverit [seal]

presenc of us

William pitman
Elisha brier
Edward melcher

[Proved Jan. 19, 1690/1.]
[Deeds, vol. 5, p. 76.]
JANE JOCE

1689

PORTSMOUTH


Imp: To my Eldest Son Richard I Give y o great Copper kettle, his Fathers Clock, & a Gold-Ring & a silver porringer To my Daughter Johanna Sivert; My Negro Woman, and a Gold-Ring

To My Daughter Margaret White, One Silver platter, A silver whistle & Chain, My silken Quilt, my great brass kettle—A Gold-Ring, & a Cow. togather with twenty pounds money, to be paid out of mr Eliots Bill

To My son John Joce, My Seal-Ring. my silver Tumbler, & three silver spoons—also two Cows to be paid out of y o Stock now in Will Richards hands, with twenty pounds money to be paid out of y o Bills due from mr Vahan & mr Eliot

To My two younger Daughters Jane & Mary I bequeath all my wearing Cloaths linnen & wollen, to be divided equally betwixt ym—And ten pounds English money, to be divided in like manner—Item—To each of ym a Gold-Ring Item To each of ym a piece of Gold, Containing twenty shillings per piece, more or less—Item Twenty pounds apiece in money to be paid out of y o aforesd Bills, And ten pound apiece money, as a gift from y o Grandfather

To My Son Sam I give my best feather-bed & all belonging to it,—A Seal-Ring, & Twenty pounds money to be paid out of y o aforesaid Bills

To My Daugh: Mary I give my Silver Tankard—

To my little Grandson Tho: Joce I order ten pounds money to be paid out of mr Will Vaughans Bill, but s d money to Remain in mr Vaughans hands & keeping, till y o Childe Come of age: And if he dies bef: that time, It shall fall to his two sisters (already
born) by equal Division, to whom I also give Twenty Shillings a piece more

Finally—As for ye Rest of mine Estate viz' in shop-goods, house-
hold stuffe Cloaths, &c. wth is not already particularly disposed of
in this Deed or Will—I leave it to be equally divided amongst my
children. Excepting that I give to my two younger Daughters
Jane & Mary, (who have had no former portion of this kind) five
pounds a piece of this Division more than the Rest.

Before signing I do recall & Reverse the exception or Last
Gift of five pounds a piece to my two younger daughters—in the
Division of ye shop-goods, household stuff, &c. & do order it to
be equally divided amongst y'n all—but if it should so please God,
y't either of ye two younger brothers die without Heirs & leave any
thing of my Gift, it shall Return to the younger sisters upon equal
Division

This I declare to be my Last Will & Testament, as Witness my
hand y's Day & yeer above-written

Testes
John Pike
Elizabeth X Clark her mark

Jane Joce X her mark

REUBEN HULL 1689 PORTSMOUTH

I Reuben Hull of Portsmouth in New England being sick and
weak in body but of sound & perfect mind and memory do make
this my last will and Testament in manner & form following Viz'
Impr' I bequeath my Soule to God who gave it, & my Body
to the Earth to be decently Interred according to the direction of
my Executrix with the Advice of my Overseers hereafter men-
tioned

I' I will that all my Just Debts & funeral charges being payed
the residue of my Estate be disposed as foll—

I' I give unto my well beloved wife Hannah Hull the full &
free use of my dwelling house lande Wharfe and Warehouse dur-
ing her Natural life

I' I give unto my Son Joseph Hull after the Death of his mother
my said house Land wharfe & warehouse but provided the same should be appraised at more y^n will make him a dubble portion w^th the rest of my Children y^n to respond to the rest w^t the s^d house wharfe Land & Ware house shall be aprised more than will make a Double Portion

I^t I give unto my Sister Sarah Fermiside Ten Pounds

I^t I will that my Iland houses Stages Boates & concernes at the Ile of Shoales be Sold

I^t I will that the remainder of my whole Estate Shall go to the maintanance of my wife & bring up of my Children till they come to Age & to be Equalie Devided among them in Such forme & manner for the Intrest of each ^s^on concernd as my Overseers hereafter menc^oned shall advise

I^t I make my well beloved Wife Hannah Hull the Sole Execut^e of this my last Will & Testament, to Act therein according to the Advice of my Overseers /

And finally I nominate & Request my good friends M^r Rich^d Martin: M^r W^m Vaughan: M^r Sam^l Keas & M^r Rich^d Waldron to be my Overseer^s to give unto my Execut^s there Best advice aboute the executing of this my Will—

Richard Martin W^m Vaughan John s^l^t^ther Geo Jaffrye & Rich^d Waldron all of Portsm^o in the Province of new Hampshire make Oath that they were Present with M^r Ruben Hull of the same place Merchant on the Three & twentieth day of December 1689 & heard him that which is written before on this Sheet of Paper to be his last will & testament & that he was then of a Sound Disposing mind & memorie but died before he had Opportunity to signe and Seal the same

Rich^d Martin
Jn^o Fletcher
Geo. Jaffery
W^m Vaughan
Rich^d Waldron

Jurat 30th die October 1693

[Proved Oct. 30, 1693.]

[Probate Records, vol. 2, p. 8.]
FRANCIS RAND

1689

The Last will & testament of francis Rand being weak in body but Sound in senses do make this my Last will as followeth Imprimis I bequeath my Soule to god that Created it & my body to be burried decently their to ly in hopes of the Sure and certain Resurrection Item and do appoint my son thomas Rand and Samuell to be my Execut* I give and bequeath to my Son Thomas Rand halfe my upland within fence & without only that rockey hill which is twelve acres more or less with the house & barn & orchard i do keep and reserve to my disposing and do Give to my Son thomas half the Marsh too acres to be taken out of it after my decease and my wife Christian Rand provided that the S^d thomas Rand doth mannage that half of the Land and Marsh for his father francis Rand and his mother Rand during their life and Thomas Rand is to have on third part of ye corn and hay that Shall be produced of s^d Land and Marsh and to moe the Grase & Make the hay & Stack it and after my decease to pay five pounds to my Son John Rand and the s^d thomas Rand is to have that part of ye upland that Ajoins to his one plantation and ye part of the marsh lying to ye South west and s^d Thomas Rand is to repair the fences of his part of the upland and Marsh

Item I Give to my Son Samuell Rand halfe my marsh two acres to be taken out of his half and I Give to my Son Samuell Rand the on half of the upland within fence and without, after his decease to fall to his Children that he have by his now wife mary Rand Excepting that that Land & Marsh house and Orchard that is above written provided that the s^d Samuell Rand doth mannage the half the upland and Marsh as his brother Thomas Rand doth for his father francis Rand and his mother Christian Rand Liveth and after their decease to fall to him & his Children and the s^d Samuell Rand is to pay to my son John Rand after my decease five pounds
& y° s° Samuell Rand is to have on third part of y° Corn, and hay that is produced of the land and Marsh the part of his upland adjoining to Anthony Brackets & that part of y° marsh Called the long point for him after his father Rand & his Mother Rand decease to have possese and peaceably to injoy if this is not performed by Thomas Rand & Samuell Rand to mannage y° land & Marsh Soe long as their father Rand and Mother Rand liveth this part of this instrument to be void and of none effect Item I Give unto my daughter Sarah herick the Pasture where my house Standeth uppon w' th the Dwelling house & halfe the orchard and too acres of Marsh after my decease & my wives Christian Rands the Pasture is twelve acres more or lesse and for her to Give it after her decease to her near relalations and on acre of land within my now planting feild, her Marsh to begin at the hay Stacks, by Brackits fence Item I Give to my Daughter Mary Barns and after her decease to her Children half my orchard and two acres of Marsh after my decease and my wife Christian Rand the two acres of Marsh to ajoin to my Daughter herick Marsh Item I Give to my Son Nathaniell Rand five Shilling Item I Give and bequeath unto my Sons thomas Rand & Samuell Rand my barn after my decease and my wife Christian Ran decease and I doe farther Ingage to help you in fencing and Planting so far as I am able & Soe doe make this my last will and testament as witness my hand and Seal this thirty first day of December Anno Domini 1689

Signed Sealed In y° presents

his

frances X Rand [Seal]

mark—

of us witnes

georg tibbs

thomas Leachfeld

[Proved Feb. 19, 1691/2.]

[Deeds, vol. 5, p. 85.]
EDWARD GILMAN 1690 EXETER

In the name of God Amen I Edward Gilman of Exeter in the Province of New Hampshire in New England, Yeoman being very weake in Body.

Item I give and Will that all my Estate both Houses Lands Cattle debts and alsoe all moveables & to be improved & made use for & towards the bringing up of what Children God was pleased to bestowe upon me according to the discretion of my Overseers hereafter menc’oned Item my Will is that the Overseers of this my Last Will & Testam1 doe pay or cause to pay to my Son Edward Gillman one shill of all my Estate in consideracon of his being my Eldest Sonn my Will is that hath the one Tenth part as addition to the former Legacy of all my Estate after the Children are brought up and the said Edward must obtained to the age of Twenty one yeares before that he is to have the s’d Legacie paid him which he is to be paid In the Houses & Land at Exeter and provided it be valued to more than his parte then he muste retourne the overplus of the pay to the Overseers And likewise my Will is that my Son Maverick shall have the one shill part of all my Estate and that in my House & Land at Kittery & provided it be valued more than his shill part he is to retourne the Overplus to the Overseers and the s’d Maverick is to be possest of the p’mises by the Overseers when he obtaines to the age of Twenty One yeares Item I give to my Daughter Abigall Gillman the shill part of my Estate and that when shee comes to the age of 18 yeares or at the day of Marriage And likewise the same part I give to my Daughter Cuttering to be paid at the age of 18 or at the day of Marriage Item I give to my Daughter Elizabeth one shill part of my Estate payable by the Overseers when shee of the age of 18 yeares or at the day of her Marriage Item my Will is that if any of my Children dyes before that they receive their Legacy it must and my Will is that it be divided betwixt the Survivors equally, and alsoe it is further to be Explained that the Tenth part which my Son Edward hath is to be taken out of each ones shill part & that by the Overseers Now knowe yee That I
doe Null and make voyd all former Wills whatsoever and that
this p'sent Will I doe acknowledg to be my last Will and alsoe
I doe nominate and appoynt my Honrd Unckle Capn John Gill-
man Jonathan Thinge Moses Levit & John Fulsham Overseers of
this my Last Will & Testam In witnesse thereof I have here-
unto Sett my hand & Seale June 2d 1690

Signed sealed & deliv-
ered in the p'sence of us
Edward Gillman [seale]
Byly Dudley
John Beane
Henry Williams

[Proved April 12, 1692.]

[Administration granted to Jonathan Thing and Moses Leavitt
March 30, 1692, no executor being named in the will; bond in
the sum of £800 was given, with Biley Dudley and John Folsom
as sureties.]

[Inventory, June 26, 1690 [1692]; amount, £270.10.9; signed
by Biley Dudley and Kinsley Hall.]

SAMUEL HALL 1690

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Hall granted to his
brother, Kinsley Hall, Aug. 11, 1690, who presented an inven-
tory.]

[Court Records, Aug. 11, 1690, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 68.]

[Inventory of the estate of Samuel Hall, "of whot: Come to
Knowledge: Since: Adminstration was: granted unto Kinsley:
hall: to ye: first: Invitory: &: magor william: vayghan: and
m' Rich: martin and: to be aed at ye: foot of ye: Invitory put on
fill: baring date august 11th 1690"; dated March 28, 1692;
amount, £35.12.6; signed by James Sinclair and Charles Rund-
lett.]
THOMAS MARSTON  1690  HAMPTON

[Inventory of the estate of Thomas Marston of Hampton, who
died Sept. 28, 1690; amount, £182.18.6; taken Oct. 6, 1690, by
William Marston, John Smith, and Henry Dow; attested by Henry
Dow Feb. 22, 1692/3.]

ELISHA PLAISTED  1690  PORTSMOUTH

Boston in New England

In the Name of God Amen  I Elisha Playsted of Piscataway
in New England Marriner Being very Sick and weake in Body
But of a Sound Disposeing mind doe make Ordaine and Appointe
This to bee my last will and Testament Revoakeing all others
formerly made—Imprimis I Bequeath my Soule into the hands
of God who gave it hopeng Through the preious Merrits of my
Savoire to have Pardon and Remission of all my Sines, And my
Body Unto Christian Burrial—

1st I give unto my well belloved wife Ellizabeth Playstead One
hundred Acres of Land more or Lesse Lyeng and being in Piscat-
away River in the Towne of Nitchawan and one horse and one
Cowe and a part of the Ship called the Frinds Adventure wth is
belonging unto mee, be it more or Lesse, And two hundred gal-
lons of Rum two hundred weight of Cotton wooll and a tunn of
Mallasses with a parcell of Joyners tooles all wth beinge on board
the Sth Ship and what wages maye bee due to mee on The account
of this voyage made from Barbados This first of October 1690 with
what Beddinge and household goodes maye bellonge or in any
wise appertaining unto mee

2nd my will is that my wearing Cloathes bee Equally distributed
amongst my Bretheren

Item I doe will ordaine and make my well Belloved Wife abovenamed my Sole Executrix of this my will and Testament and that
she have and Enjoye whatsoever Else maye bellonge or in any
wise bee Sayed to Appertaine Unto mee, In Witnes of This being

22
my last will and Testament I have hereunto Sett to my hand and seale This twenty Sixth of October in the yeare One thousand Six hundred and ninty

Signed Sealed and Declared to be his last will and testament in Presence of us

Thomas Baker
Dan: Vernon

[Proved Dec. 6, 1690.]

[Suffolk County, Mass., Probate Files.]

JOSEPH FIELD 1690 DOVER

[Administration on the estate of Joseph Field was granted to his brother, Zacharias Field, Nov. 14, 1690, who gave bond in the sum of £100, with Samuel Burnham as surety.]

[Court Records, Nov. 14, 1690, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 68.]

[Inventory of part of the estate, taken by Zacharias Field March 28, 1692; items not valued.]

[Bond of Zacharias Field of Dover, yeoman, with John Tuttle and Thomas Potts, yeoman, both of Dover, as sureties, Sept. 5, 1704, in the sum of £200, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Martha Bates and Charles Story.]

[Warrant, Sept. 5, 1704, authorizing Capt. John Tuttle and Thomas Roberts to appraise the estate.]

[Warrant, Sept. 5, 1704, authorizing Capt. John Tuttle and Thomas Roberts of Dover to receive claims against the estate of Joseph Field of Dover.]

[Inventory, Sept. 28, 1704; amount, £74.10.0; signed by John Tuttle and Thomas Roberts; an addition of £18.0.0 is made April 3, 1705.]
[List of claims; amount, £104.7.2; signed by John Tuttle and Thomas Roberts; allowed April 3, 1705.]

[Division of the estate as insolvent, at eighteen shillings, nine pence, half penny in the pound; allowed April 2, 1706.]

[Various notes, bonds, etc., containing signatures of Joseph Field, Joseph Davis, Salathiel Denbo, William Williams, Mary Martyn, Joseph Meader, Elias Stileman, and Daniel Gookin.]

JOSEPH CANNEY 1690

[Administration on the estate of Joseph Canney granted to his widow, Mary Canney, Nov. 17, 1690, who presented an inventory, and gave bond in the sum of £400, with Edward Allen and Thomas Tibbetts as sureties.]

[Court Records, Nov. 17, 1690, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 68.]

WILLIAM FOLLETT 1690 DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of William Follett granted to his widow, Elizabeth Follett, Nov. 17, 1690, who presented an inventory, and gave bond in the sum of £700, with Samuel Drew as surety.]

[Court Records, Nov. 17, 1690, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 68.]

[Administration on the estate of William Follett of Oyster River granted to his widow, Elizabeth Follett, Aug. 7, 1705.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 68.]

[Inventory, not dated; amount, £174.2.0; signed by Joseph Smith and James Bunker; endorsed "not perfected therefore not Recorded."

[Warrant, Aug. 7, 1705, authorizing Joseph Smith and James Bunker, both of Oyster River, to receive claims against the estate.]
[Claim of William Dam of Dover for £2.8.3, as heir to his grandfather, Lieut. William Pomfret.]

Abigail Nason of oyster River aged about Eighty yeares or thereabouts Testifieth and Sayth that Nicholas floollett now of portsmouth in the province of New Hampshire Tailor, is the Reputed & eldest sonn of Nicholas floollett late of portsmouth aforesaid marriner deceased which said Nicholas floollett deceased was Second Cosin to William floollett Late of oyer River aforesaid Cooper deceased who dyed without Issue leaveing behinde him a Competent Estate in Lands; which as this Deponent is Informed Letters of Administration is granted to Elizabeth floollett widdow of the said Wm floollett deceased And she farther Sayth that Nicholas floollett Tailor abovesaid is the next and nearest of Kindred to the Said Wm floollett deceased now liveing, that she Knows of

June 29th 1706

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abigail X nason

Geo: Vaughan Jus' Quorm

Sarah Meader of y° Same place Aged fivetie two or thereabouts testifieth & saith y° y° above is y° Truth to y° best of her Knowledge this 29th June 1706

sarah medar

Geo: Vaughan Jus. pce

Coram

Att a Court of probates &c held at portsmouth for the province of New Hampshire on the first Tuesday in August 1706 Coram Joseph Smith Esq. /

Elizabeth floollett Adm'x of the Goods and Chattells and Estate of Wm floollett her husband decd and Nicholas floollett heire at Law to the said Wm floollett decd both appeared at this Board and It was Mutually Agreed between them as foll to wit that the said Elizabeth floollett upon or before the tenth day of october next shall deliver possession to the said Nicholas floollett of all the Lands mentioned in an Inventory Exhibited into this Court by the said Adm'x being the Lands of the said deceased and that she doe alsoe signe a Release of all her Right & interest thereto to the
said Nicholas follett at which time & upon signeing of such Release he the said Nicholas follett is to give his bond to the said Elizabeth follett to pay her the said Elizabeth 11th of Annum during her Natural life for her Maintenance, And that he the said Nicholas follett doe alsoe enter into a bond to the Judge of the probates at the same time for the payment of all Debts due from the said Wm follett decd his Estate and doe then likewise pay unto the said Elizabeth follett all her Charges and Expences in Mony that she hath been at for Administring upon said Estate the aforesaid Charges and Expences to be taxed and sum’ed upp by the Judge of probates or the Register of the said Court: This Agreement is humbly desired to be Allowed and Approved off by the Honble Joseph Smith Esq Judge of probates &c: as witnesse our hands the day and year above said./

her

Elizabeth X follett
Mark
N follett

1st Tuesday in Augst 1706
I Allow and Approve of the above Agreement

p’re me Joseph Smith
Judge of probate &c

[Bond of Nicholas Follett of Portsmouth, tailor, Jan. 1, 1706/7, in the sum of £600, for the payment of all debts due from the estate; witnesses, Elizabeth Fernald and Charles Story.]
mee be it of ye Estate wch I now posses, or be it any other my Estate what Soe Ever; I doe order will Give & dispose my Sd Estate to my well beloved wife Mary Sherbourn Dureing the time She liveth un married & no longer, And then to fall to my well beloved Son Joseph Sherbourn & ye Haier of his owne body Allways Excepting (ten) pounds apecie out of Said Estate at price Currant which I bequeath to ye rest of my Children, And of this my last will & Testament I make my Said beloved wife Mary Sherbourne my Sole Executrix as Witness my hand & Seal hereunto Set this: 25: day of November One thousand Six hundred & Ninety

Signed Sealed in presence of us
John Sherburn [seal]
John Davies
Splan X Lovell
his Marke

[Proved Oct. 10, 1718.]

[Inventory of the estate of John Sherburne of Little Harbor, Newcastle, who died in 1698; amount, £475.13.0; signed by William Seavey and Tobias Lear; attested by Mary Sherburne, executrix, March 4, 1718/19.]

JOHN SHIPWAY 1690 PORTSMOUTH

I John Shipway of the town of portsmo being under the present destemper of ye small pox but yett in perfect memory & understanding not knowing how god may despose of me thought meet as A Christian man to set my house in order before I dye & therefore I doe make & ordaine this to be my Last will & testament in maner & forme foloing—

Imp I give unto my well beloved wiff Sarah the one halff of my dewlling house & halff of my shop: & the one halff of my garden & orchard & of all my moveable estate both within dore & without, & that my Sd wiff shall have the use of my whole Estat
both personall & reall untell my dafter mary shall Come to yᵉ age of eighteen years or mary: & that my wiff shall have the use of all my other Land untell my daughter mary shall Come of age:
&c: as above, & I will that my sd wiff shall have the use of the one halff of sd Estate of Every kind both houses Lands & all kind of moveables dewring her natuerall Liff

2½ I will that my daughter mary shall when shee Coms to the age of eighteen years, or at the day of hur marriage, have the one halff of my houses & Lands, & the one half of all my moveables both within dores & without delivered into her present posession, & that after the death of hur mother, shee shall have all the Rest of my Estat my debts & funerall Charges being payed out of the same

3½ I doe make & Apoynct my sᵈ wiff to be my Executrix to this my Last will & testament

4 I request my honred ffather major Charls ffrost, & major william vaughan whome I also apoynct to be my overseeres, to see that this my will be performed

In witness whereof I here unto set my-hand & seall desember 15ᵗʰ 1690

Signed & declared to be the Last will & testament of John shipway In presenc of us—
Richard Martyn
Necolas Bennett

[Proved Jan. 12, 1690/1.]
[Deeds, vol. 5, p. 69.]

[Inventory of the estate of John Shipway of Portsmouth, shopkeeper, Jan. 29, 1690/1; amount, £330.3.7; signed by George Jaffrey and Samuel Keais.]

[Guardianship of Mary Shipway, aged more than thirteen, daughter of John Shipway of Portsmouth, merchant, granted to Joshua Fryer of Newcastle, mariner, Dec. 8, 1701.]
WILLIAM HILTON 1690 EXETER

[Inventory of the estate of Capt. William Hilton, Exeter, Dec. 29, 1690; amount, £112.7.9; signed by William Perkins, John Wedgwood, and James Godfrey.]

[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 5.]

[Administration granted to Richard Hilton of Exeter, eldest son, April 9, 1694.]


[Administration on the estate of William Hilton granted to his son, Richard Hilton of Exeter, Jan. 9, 1696/7.]

[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 89.]

[List of claims against the estate, March 19, 1699/1700, to be paid by Richard Hilton, administrator; amount, £70.6.10.]

[Division of the estate, Nov. 14, 1701, at seven shillings, six pence, to the pound, the estate being insolvent; mentions a widow.]

[Order of court to the administrator to pay the amount due to Samuel Wentworth to his widow, Mrs. Martin, Dec. 15, 1701.]


[Various bills against the estate, containing signatures of William Ardell, Samuel Penhallow, Henry Deering, Nathaniel Wright, and Alexander Jones.]
JOANNA SEVERETT  1690/1  PORTSMOUTH

In ye name of god Amen, I Joanna siverit in the town of portsmo in the province of New hampshir widdoe, being weak of body...

Item. I give & bequeath unto my brother Richard Jose one hundred pounds in mony together with my fishing Catch

Item: I give & bequeath unto my Loveing sister margarat whit fiffty pounds in mony and the Largest brass kettle with oneuther bed the best & all furnituer there unto belonging

Item: I give & bequeath unto my Loveing brother John Jose my wearhous & wharff my second brass kettle halff a duson putter dishes halff a dosen turkey work chairs halff a dosen pare of sheets together with eight hh of Rum with two hh of suger

Item I doe give & bequeath unto my Loving sister Jane Jose this my house & gardin with shop & brew hous, which I now Live in, together with the furnis, halff a dosen Lether Chaiers halff a dosen pare of sheets two doson of napkins & all the furnituer in ye great Chamber Excepting the bed & furnituer before given to margrat whit halff a dosen silver spoones

Item: I doe give & bequeath unto my Loveing sister mary Jose fiffty pounds in mony, halff a dosen pare of sheets two dosen of napkins two hh of suger or sutt of whit curtins

Item. I doe give & bequeath all wearing Cloths whatsoever to be Equally devided betwen my three sisters & my sister hannah Jose—

Itim I doe give & bequeath unto my Loveing sister margarat whit my negro woman Elisabeth, & Iff my 3d sister should dy shee shall Return unto my sister Jane

Itim I doe give & bequeath twenty pounds in mony to my Cosen Joanna Jose & unto my Cosen thomas Jose my hous & Land at Crucked Lain or on kittry side and unto my Cosen hanah Jose ten pounds in mony—

Itim I doe give & bequeath unto my good frend Ester Lee my small silver tankard and my best Laest pettecot—

Itim as to the Rest of my Estate not before given I doe give
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

& bequeath unto my two brothers & three sisters to be Equally devided betwen them Excepting my great silver tankerd I give unto my brother John Jose—

I doe give & bequeath too my good frends hanah purmet & sary Estweck each of them a morning sutt

I doe Consetut and apoynt my too brothers Richard & John Jose to sea that this my Last will & testament be fully performed & in witnes to the premisis I have hereunto set my hand & seal this second day of January 1690—

Annexed
I doe give & bequeath my two servant boys unto my brother John Jose—
I give & bequeath my silver basson & Joyned Ring unto Cap't william whit I doe order & apoynt that my negro woman shall serve my sister whit or Jane twenty years & then to be free 1690—
In presenc of us Joannah siverit [seal]
hannah purmet
X mark
sarah Estwick
hur X mark
tho: SCOTTOW—
[Proved Jan. 19, 1690/1.]
[Deeds, vol. 5, p. 76.]

JOHN JACKSON 1690/1 PORTSMOUTH

I John Jackson of portsm° in New england Marener being sick & week in body • • •

Imprimis I doe Leve & bequeath unto my only son John Jackson & his Ayeris for ever my deweling hous & Land formerly belonging to my father Richard Jackson being thirty & nine acres of Land more or Les together with five acres of salt marsh at Littel harbor, all which hous Land marsh with all & singlular the appertenance there unto belongs I had by deed of gift of my father above sqd my son to enter In possision of one moety or on half thereof when hee Comes to Lawfull age of twenty one years then to Injoy one
halff of all the profits bennifits & advantidges that may be made of y° one halff of s° hous orchard Land marsh & appertienances & to enjoy all the aforesaid Aftter my wiffs deceas: & I doe will allso that my son shall have his maintenance & suitabule education untill he be Capable of putting to a trade or maintaing him self out of the remainder of my estat

Item I doe give will & bequeath to my beloved wiff margaret Jackson whom I nomenat & appoynt my sole Executrix A parsel of Land by me purchased from Richard soward being fourten acers more or Les Adjoyning to my one hous & Land as by deed of sale more fully apperers & allso I doe bequeath unto my wiff the use of all my hous & Lands marsh & appurtenances untell my son com of Lawfull age & on halff thereof dewring hur natuerall Life

Allso I doe give unto my beloved wiff too ackers of Land upon the Letill Island Com'only Called Jacksons Island mentioned in a deed of gift granted to me by my father aforesd which too acers & y° foreten acers before mentioned to be for the sole use behoff of hur my s° wiff hur heirs or Asignes for ever as allso I doe give unto hur my s° wiff in consideration that shee is to be at the Charg of maintaing & educating my Child as aforesd all my other personall Estat in goods or Chattels whatsoever in any ways belonging to me

finally I Request & desier my honred frends Major william vaughan & m° Richard martyn to be Assistant to my wiff & son & to see this my Last will and testament put in execuction according to the plainest sence the words will Admeett In testimony of all & singular y° primysies I have here unto set my hand & seal & declare this to be my Last will & testament this twenty fourth day of January Anno dom 1690/91

Signed & delivered In present of

James Conners
John Backer
georg Jaffres
[Proved Feb. 28, 1690/1.]
[Deeds, vol. 5, p. 69.]
NEHEMIAH PARTRIDGE 1690/1

In the name of god Amen I Nehemiah partridge being Sick & weake but of Sound mind & memory to the praise of god doe make this my Last will & testament, Revokeing all former, dated at my house in portsmº on pascataway River in New england the ninth day of february 169º—

Impº I give & bequeath my Soul to god that gave it & my body to the dust from whence it came, to be deasently buried by my Overseers, in sure and Certin hope of a glorious Resurection at the second Coming of my savior Jesus Christ to glory amen/

Itime I give unto my beloved wiff Sarah all my Estate both reall & personall duering hur widohood, but Iff shee see Cause to Chaigne hur Condition & marry : then I give the one half of all my Estate to my sonn will: partridge, & the other half at her deseace to him allso, & Iff my son be Resolved to travel beyond seas: then I give unto him eight pounds deu to me from Roger dearing Shipwright but Iff hee stay at home & Assist his mother In Caring the trade on I Leve it to her discrision, to give him further Incorridgment, & In cas my beloved wiff see Caus to alter hur Condition, then as above Expresed: In ye mene time I make her my Executrix & my brother John & william partridge my overseers to see this my will performed

    test henry Crown
    John partridge
    Elias Broded

[Proved Feb. 18, 1690/1.]

[Deeds, vol. 5, p. 86.]
SAMUEL WENTWORTH 1690/1 PORTSMOUTH

the Last will & testimony of Samuel wintworth Seen of portsm° in the province of New hampshir in New england made the 13th of march 1690/91

I Samuel wintworth being of perfect memory & remembrance but not knowing the providenc of god Concering mee (beacaus of the small pox) with which am now vesited) doe make, ordain, constutute, & declare this to be my Last will & testament in maner & form folloing—revokeing & anulling by this presents all & every testement & will heretofore made & declared Ether by word or Righten

Imprimis being hertely sory for all my trancegretions I bequeath my sole & body into the hands of god by the blesed oblation of my saviour; the on at the time of my desolution the other at ye time of my Resurrection—

2d I give & Conferm unto my beloved Son Samuel wintworth that hous & Land wherein he now Lives with all the previlidges & appertenances thereunto belonging for ever together with all those household goods of any sort of which he is posest—

3d I give unto my beloved wiff mary wintworth one halff of my dewling house out houses & garden with all prevelidges appertaining to it deuring hur natural Life, & when shee dys it shall be absolutly and freely given or destributed to my Children, or other of them as shee shall see most meet more over shee shall have one third part of all my moveable Estate, whether In debts household goods or other wise to hur own free use & deposall, out of what shall else arise of my Estate not yet despsoe of, whether Lands, houseing debts, plat Linen household goods of any sort, or whatsoever also appertains to mee I will that my beloved Children videlesit son John son Ebenezar, daughter mary & daughter dorothy wintworth shall have fouer score pounds per each, provided it will amount to so much, otherwise to have an Equall dividend of ye whole that else remains; and if it amounts to more than eighty pounds $ each, I will that my son samuell wintworth shall have an Equall proportion with my Sd Children of ye remainder,
further more I will that If any of my Sd Children viz' John Eben-
ezar, mary or dorothy, dye, before they Com to age or mary, that ye portion I have given, them shall be Equally destrebuted amoung the rest of them that survive: finally I make my beloved wiff Executrix to this my Last will & testement, I request nomen-
at, and apoynt my good frends m' Richard martyn & Samuel penhallow to be my overseeres and Injoyn my Executrix honorably to sattisy them for all their paines whom I desier to be Carfull for the Concerns of my Children, & soe to order matters for them as may tend to their best advantidge & for the maintaining and pro-
moting Love between them

and If their happen any deverance amoung my wiff & Children or ether of them about the Interpretation of my will, or any matter referring to their Concerns theirin, my will is, that the party or partys Concerned, shall Chues each of them a man to Joyn with the oversers, for ye decision of any such Controversye, & what thay or the major part determine I will shall be the final Issue of any such matter the manegment of my bureall I Leve to ye pru-
denc of my beloved wiff & overseers, & Doe oblige my Executrix with the advice of my overseers to see to the Right devition of my Childrens portion as mentioned on the other sid & descharg of all my Jest debts & funerall Charges out of my Estat In testemony to all & singuler the premissies I Set to my hand & affix my Seal this thirteenth day of march in the year of our Lord 1690/91

Samuel wintworth signed sealed Sam: wintworth [Seal]
& declared this to be his Last will
and testement in the presents of us
Richard gearish
Edword melcher
Elisha briard
[Proved April 4, 1691.]
[Deeds, vol. 5, p. 72]
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WILLIAM FULLER   1690/1   HAMPTON

In the name of God Amen this Eighteenth day of March in the year of our Lord Sixteen hundred and Ninetie or Ninetie one I William Fuller of Hampton in the Province of New Hampshire in New England (Seinor) being ill and weak of Body

Imprimis I give and bequeath to my Cozens Josiah Moulton the Son of Henry Moulton of Hampton and Elizabeth his wife my Dwelling house barne Orcharde out houses and all my right of & Land meadowe marsh com’onages lying and being either in this Towne of Hampton or else where to him and his heirs for ever likewise all my Cattell of all Sorts whatsoever and all my Imple- m’ of Husbandry and all my Household Goods of all sorts whatsoever and wheresoever any of them Shall be He or they performing what I shall hereafter order them, and pay such Legacies I shall appoint him or them to pay

Item I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Dow the now wife of Daniel Dow the sume of forty shillings to be payed within one year after my and my wifes decease to be payed by my Executor in Marchantable pay att prise current

Item I give and bequeath unto Mary fog that was the Daughter of Samuel fog of Hampton late deceased the sume of Twenty shillings to be payed by my Executor in Marshantable & pay att prise current within two years after my and my wifes decease.

Item I give and bequeath unto Martha Marston the now wife of John Marston of Andover (seinor) the sum of forty shillings to be payed by my Executor in Marchantable pay at price currant within three years after my and my wifes decease.

Item I give unto the Church in Hampton my Pewter flagon

Also my will and meaning is that the said Josiah Moulton and Elizabeth his wife and family shall come and live with me in the House and bring all their Cattel and make improvem’ of all my Estate both Cattell and Lands meadow and Marsh Grounds and that they take such care and be helpefull to us for the comfortable livelyhood of me and my wife during our natural lives with the use and improvem’ of all my Estate and debts, as a Son and
Daughter ought to take of their father and mother Also my Will and meaning is that if it shall please God that if my wife out live me she is to have the com'and and use of all my household Goods if she please for her comfortable livelyhood, but not to sell or dispose of any of them but to my Execut' Except he faile in his Duty to her, and see my Overseers see a necessity to sell some thing for her comfortable livelyhood, which if they see there be & rather then shee should suffer, they or either of them may Sell any part of my household goods or Cattell as they see a neede of but noe Lands to be Sold from my Execut' Alsoe my will and meaning is that my Execut' take speciall care that my wife be maintained honourably and comfortably as abovesaid if she out live me during her natural life with the improvem' of this my Estate and Debts and after her decease to be decently and Christianlike buried or if he faile it shall be in the power of my Overseers them or either of them to make improvem' of so much of the said Estate & Debts as there shall be necessitie of to make her life comfortable during her life and after for her decent burial all And then what remaines to be to the Sole and proper use of the said Josiah Moulton and his Heirs forever And I do by these presents make constitute & appoint the abovesd Josiah Moulton to be my Sole Executor to this my Last Will and Testam' And my Trustie and well beloved sfriends Nathaniel Bachelder Senior and Henry Dow them or either of them to be my Overseers to see that this my Last Will & Testament be performed and every part thereof in confirmacon hereof I the abovesd William fuller have hereunto put my hand and affixt my seale

Signed Sealed & Confirmed Willm fuller [seale] in the p'sence of us

John Samborne Sen'
Joseph Moulton
John Samborne Jun'

[Proved Aug. 5, 1693.]
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[Inventory of the estate of William Fuller of Hampton, who
died May 26, 1693; taken June 1, 1693; amount, £213.11.0;
signed by Henry Dow, William Marston, and John Moulton.]

RICHARD MARTYN JR. 1691

[Administration on the estate of Richard Martyn, Jr., granted
to his father, Richard Martyn, April 3, 1691, who gave bond in
the sum of £30.]

[Court Records, April 3, 1691, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 68.]

THOMAS JACKSON 1691

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Jackson granted to his
father, Richard Jackson, April 8, 1691, who presented an inven-
tory of £6.7.5, and gave bond in the sum of £10, with John Pick-
ering as surety.]

[Court Records, April 8, 1691, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 72.]

EDWARD CATOR 1691

[Inventory of the estate of Edward Cator of Great Island, ship-
wright, May 29, 1691; amount, £103.12.0; attested by James
Blagdon and Joan Blagdon, his wife, April 25, 1693.]

RICHARD STILEMAN 1691

To all Christin People to home these Shall or may come
Know Ye that I Richard Stileman Beeing Bound one a voyag
to Barbados;
Not Knowing how Almightye God may Dispose of me, whether
to Returne me Hether In saftey or By death take me to him Seelife;
I doe Make this my Last Will and tastement
I Give and bequeath to my Sister Mary Fox widdow my best Beed and bedsteed wth greene Curtains and a vailants a Rugg a pare of blancotes a pare of sheetes and a truckle beed wth ye furneture and a Sivler Bole wth a foot marked R S M

I Give to my Cosen Richd: Jordan the Son of my Sister Elizabeth Jordan my Dwelling howse ware howse and Lands wth two Beeds and ferneture he leting his ant Mary Fox live there During hir widdhood or teel he Comes of age I give him halfe a dsen of silver spoones and my Ringe

I Give and bequeath to my Cosen Mary Jordan teen pounds in Such Housel goods as I Left in my house or whare house wth a Silver Candlistick

I give and bequeath to my Cosen John Jordan teen pounds In good houshold goods with a Silver wine Cup

I Give to my Cosen Robart Jordan teen pounds wth a Silver wrought Cup

I Give to my Cosen Ruth Bussell a Sivler Tumbler in Rememeberance of me

I Give to Hannah Pormort widdo of Joseph Pormort five pounds Curant pay with a Sivler dram Cup

I Give to my good freind m'r francis Tucker teen pounds Currant pay

I Give to my friend m'r Nathaniel Frier forty Shillings
And I doe Leave my Trustey and well beloved friends Nathaniell Fryere Esqur and m'r Francis Tucker, My trustes to se this my will formed—

In witness heareof I have heareunto seet my hand and seale this first day of June: 1691 —

Witnesses
Francis Tucker
Stephen Hardison
James Booth
Joseph Allcock

[Proved April 19, 1703, and administration granted to Francis Tucker of Newcastle, no executor being named in the will.]
[Bond of Francis Tucker of Newcastle, gentleman, with William Kelly of Newcastle, mariner, and James Booth of Portsmouth, tailor, as sureties, April 19, 1703, in the sum of £500, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, John Chevalier and Charles Story.]

[Warrant, Dec. 1, 1703, authorizing John Hinckes and William Kelly, both of Newcastle, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Jan. 4, 1703/4; amount £180.8.0; signed by John Hinckes and William Kelly.]

[Warrant, Feb. 1, 1703/4, authorizing Theodore Atkinson and William Kelly, mariner, both of Newcastle, to receive claims against the estate.]

[List of claims, July 31, 1704; amount, £59.15.6; signed by Theodore Atkinson and William Kelly.]

[Warrant, Dec. 5, 1704, authorizing the administrator to sell certain lands.]

[Various notes, accounts, etc., containing signatures of Richard Stileman, Richard Chamberlain, and Francis Tucker.]

NICHOLAS DOE 1691

[Administration on the estate of Nicholas Doe granted to his son, John Doe, June 6, 1691, who presented an inventory, and gave bond in the sum of £100, with Richard Clark and John Bennett as sureties.]

[Courts Records, June 6, 1691, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 73.]

At a Court of probates * * * the 6th day of November 1705

Sampson Doe moved to have his Brother John Doe to take Letters of Administration of the Estate of Nicholas Doe his father deceased; which if he refused to doe, he would take letters of Administration himself./
John Doe being present desired to have Letters of Administration granted to him, which the Judge Allowed he giving in Sufficient Security for the performance of his Administration/

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 70.]

[Administration granted to John Doe Jan. 1, 1705/6.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 70.]

[Inventory of the real estate of Nicholas Doe, who died in 1691; taken March 30, 1706; amount, £225.0.0; signed by Richard Hilton, Winthrop Hilton, and Abraham Bennick.]

It is Agreed this fourth day of June 1706 Between John Doe Admr* of the Goods Chattells and Estate &c: of Nicholas Doe his father And Sampson Doe Brother of the Said John Doe as followeth; viz whereas the Said John Doe hath a Right to the one halfe of said dec'd Estate; and Sampson Doe having purchased his Sister Mary* part to the Said Estate hath alsoe a Right to the other halfe part It is agreed between the Said parties that John Doe shall have & Enjoy all the Lands mentioned in the Inventory hereunto Annexed (Excepting the Home place at Lubberland being forty six Acres of Upland more or Less and the Houses Barns & Orchards belonging to the Said forty two Acres or homestead) And that the said Sampson Doe pay to the Said John Doe fifty pounds in Curry* Mony of New England and all the Charge of what two indifferent men to be Chosen between them shall Value and Say that the Said John Doe hath Laid out and Disbursed in makiing the said Homestead better than it was when the Said Nicholas Doe dyed; the said fifty pounds and the remainder what shall be Said to be soe laid out and Disbursed by such persons as they shall Choose is to be paid at fifteen pounds ☛ Annum till the whole be fully satisfied and paid. And likewise that the Said Sampson Doe shall have and peaceably Enjoy the Said homestead being forty six Acres of Upland together with the Houses Barns and Orchards mentioned in said Inventerye. And both parties desires that the Hon*ble the Judge of Probates will accept and Confirme this Agreement and Order the same to be Recorded by the Register. In witt-
ANTHONY BRACKETT 1691

In the name of god amen ye 11th day of September 1691—

I Anthony Brackett say being in perfect memory doe make this my Last will and testament, Comitting my soul into the hands of my Redeemer the Lord Jesus Christ, & my body to the earth—

Item I give & bequeath to my daughter Jane hains fouer acors, in part of marsh being more or less, which shee formerly made use of & so upward to ye head of ye cove & to young oxsen Affter my desece

Item I give & bequeath that three acers of marsh mor or less being at black poynt to my daughter Ellener Johnson, which marsh I have a deed for, which deed I doe assign over to my daughter Ellenor, & shee to take it into her possession Affter my desece

Item: I give & bequeath unto my grand daughter kasia bracket three Cqws to be payed at age of Eighteenn yeares or day of marred

I give to my grand daughter Roose Johnson on heffer

I give to my grand son samuel bracket one heffer, all the Rest of my cattle & sheep I doe give to be Equally devided amongst the Rest of my gran Children of what is Leftt Affter my wiffs deseac, I doo here ordain & make my sonn John Brackett Executor of this my Last will & testament, and him to pay all Just debts & to gather
all debts which is Justly dew unto mee, my housall goods I Leve with my wiff for hur one use to this I set my hand

Witnesses
Nathaniel drack
John Lock:

[Proved July 11, 1692.]
[Deeds, vol. 5, p. 82.]

RICHARD SNELL 1691 BOSTON MASS.

In the Name of God Amen the twenty fourth day of September, in the Year of our Lord One thousand six hundred Ninety and one, and in the third Yeare of the Reign of our Soveraign Lord and Lady William and Mary, by the Grace of God, of England, Scotland, France and Ireland King and Queen, Defend* of the faith &c. I Richord Snell, now Resident in Boston, wife of George Snell of Portsmouth, in the Province of New Hampshire, New-england, * * *

Item My Dwelling House and Land adjoyning, and all the appur*ss therunto belonging, situate and being in Black-Horse-Lane in Boston, I do give and bequeath unto my Husband, George Snell abovenameed, and to his Heires and Assigns forever. Item. I do give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Hunking, Daughter of my former Husband, John Hunking, dec'd the Sum* of Ten pounds. Item. I do give unto Grace Vittery, Daughter of my Sister Margery Vittery of Kings ward in the County of Devon in the Kingdom of England Deces'd five pounds—Item I do give unto my Grandson George Little-John, son of my Son George Littlejohn of Halwel in the County of Devon aforesaid, One piece of Spanish Gold, Valued at four pounds, and a silver Drinking dish scalloped. Item, I do give unto my Granddaughter, the Daughter of my son George Littlejohn, (whose name I Remem-ber not) five pounds. And I do ordaine, Constitute and appoint my beloved son George Littlejohn aforesnamed to be the Executor of this my Will, to whom I do give and bequeath all the Remainder...
of my; Estate of what nature and kind soever, and whersoever Lying and beeing. And forasmuch as my said son hath his abode in England, and therefore cannot take care either of my funeral or Estate, I do therefore Request, Authorize and Impower my Loving friends Mr Daniel Smith of Charlestown, Gunsmith, and Mrs Katherine Gutteridge of Boston, Widow, to be Overseers, and to take order for my funeral, and to take into their hands all my Estate in Newengland, and after funeral Charges, with other Necessary incident Expences, their own Legacies, and the Legacy of ten pounds abovesaid to Elizabeth Hunkin are deducted and Reserved, the Remainder to Remit home to my said son George Littlejohn in England, by the best and safest Way and means; to which end I do hereby Impower my said Overseers to Convert my said Estate into such speties as may, with the most advantage, be Returnable home. And I do give unto them my said overseers Six pounds between them. In witness wherof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal, the day and Yeare first abovewritten./

Signed, Sealed & published by the mark of the abovenamed Richard Snell, Richard X Snell [seal] to be her Last Will & Testam't in p'sence of us./

Edward Brattle
John Foster:
Lawr Hammond

I George Snell late husband of the abovenamed Testator Richard Snell dec'd do allow and approve of the above written Will made by my s'd wife, it being done with my free consent and knowledge And I request the same may be admitted to a Probate, and the persons therein nominated for the Execution thereof may be fully impowred and Authorized thereunto. Witness my hand this 20th of April. 1695.

Geo: Snell

[Proved April 23, 1695.]

[Suffolk County, Mass., Probate Files.]
ROBERT BURNHAM 1691 DURHAM

The Last will & Testament of Robert Burnam

I give & bequeath to my son Samuell Burnam a cell of Land with Lyeth at Lampereele River which is above Two hundred Acres be it more or Less as it is granted & bounded, & with him to his heires of his body Lawfully begotten y' shall live to age or marriage, & in falure of such to y' Rest of my children and their heires: to have & to hold to him & them for Ever: also all the appurtenances & viledges belonging thereunto: Also I give my said son all my Carpenter Tools which I have at chebacco.

I give & bequeath to my son Jeremiah Burnam a peice of marsh Lying at y' place Called pitmans poynt at Oyster River as it is bounded & to his heires to have & to hold to him & them for Ever: also I give him all the Stock y' doth belong unto y' Liveing at Oyster River where he dwels: & all my Carpenter Tools there & all my utensels of husbandry upon the Consideration & Condition y' he pay all my Just debts & funerall charges, & afford sufficient mentainance to his mother my wife Francis Burnam as long as she lives, & his or his heires executo's or Administo's failure in not affording sufficient mentainance for her I give her full power to Sell Aleniate & Convey soe much of sd Estate bequeathed to him for y' End

Also I give & bequeath unto sd Jeremiah all my debts due unto me from any son or sons by bill bond or otherwayse

Further I will & freely give to my wife Francis Burnam full power for to dispose of all my moveable goods y' are mine, or in my house at Oyster River as she shall see meet: & other things at Ipswich bedding & houshold stuff & moveable estate.

[Witnessses:]

Lt. Thomas Burnum, sr.
Francis Burnam
James Burnam
John Newmarch, jr.

[This was a nuncupative will, made by the testator the night before he died, his death occurring June 12, 1691. It was proved]
Sept. 29, 1691. No executor was named in the will; and the testator's widow, Frances Burnham, was appointed administratrix Sept. 29, 1691. The sureties on her official bond were Lt. Thomas Burnham, James Burnham and Jeremiah Burnham.

[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

[Inventory, March 28, 1691/2, by Jacob Foster and Nathaniel Knowlton. Amount, £121. 7.6.]

[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

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JAMES NUTE JR. 1691 DOVER

[Inventory of the estate of James Nute, Jr., Dover, Oct. 24, 1691; amount, £278.17.4; taken by John Tuttle, John Knight, and John Pinkham; attested before John Hinckes by Mary Nute, widow and administratrix, July 22, 1693.

"How the Estate is to be Devided

"Imp' That James Nute the Eldest Sonn to have two thirds of all the house and Land and one Cow two stears of three years old—when comes to age

"2" The 3 other Children to hav an equal Share of all the Moveables

"The Widdow to have the Childrens Estate till bound out to prentice and untill she Marrieth again which if in Case the widdow marrye then the Estate to be secured into the hands of ye Sureties for the good of the Children if she should marry before the Children Come of age, yet not soe to hinder or prevent the Executrix of her thirds."

[Administration granted to the widow, Mary Nute, July 22, 1693, and John Knight and Samuel Heard, both of Dover, recognize as sureties in the sum of £570.7.4; signed by John Hinckes.]

[James Nute, aged about thirteen years, son of James Nute of Dover, husbandman, deceased, makes choice of John Leighton of Dover, husbandman, as his guardian, Dec. 16, 1699.]

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[Guardianship of Samuel Nute, aged about eighteen years, son of James Nute, granted to Jethro Furber, son of William Furber, deceased, Jan. 6, 1707/8.]

SAMUEL SHERBURN 1691

[Administration on the estate of Capt. Samuel Sherburne was granted to his widow, Love Sherburne, Oct. 28, 1691, who presented an inventory and gave bond in the sum of £100, with Mark Hunging and John Pickering as sureties.]

[Court Records, Oct. 28, 1691, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 78.]

JOHN SHERBUNE 1691 PORTSMOUTH

In ye name of god Amen; John Sherbourn Senr of Portsmouth in ye Province of Newhamshire Yeoman.

And as for ye temporall estate that god hath been pleased to Spare me I order & bequeath as followeth, To my loving wife Elizabeth Sherbourn I bequeath ye one half of what Son Henry Sherbourn is bound to pay to me during life, to be paid to her during her natural life in matter, form & Species as is expressed in a deed from Sr son Henry Sherbourn. To my son John Sherbourn I Will & bequeath all Debts dues & demands whatsoever now due or at any time hereafter to be due by bill bond or other way what Soever from my Cuzen Samuel Sherbourn deceased of Hampton; As also my share of a parcel of land being between my Self M' Moodey, Philip, Lewis and others belonging to Greenland. As also my Share in a parcel of Land lying and being on long point near goodman Furburbs between me, John Pickerin and others. As Also three fat hogs that are fatting at my Son Henry Sherbourns. As also a Cow and heifer three years Old next Spring; A mare; three ews which are with my Son Henry Sherbourn, a bushel of wheat lent Thomas Lewis, his father promised to pay it; And one thousand of boards from Joatham Lewis, a bushel & half of barly due from m' Howell
now in Barbados. As also my two Steers about four years old. My cupboard also standing in yo' house. Also my Chest & Cloak and all my writings & w' is it except my daught' Mary hath any thing there, Iron Andirons; and all other things whatsoever not disposed of before these; And farther out of my S' estate I ord' my Son John Sherbourn to pay to daught' Elizabeth or deliv' her my Iron pot & skillet and my Cupboard formerly father Tucks, y' half of y' Pewter excepting one dish to my daughter John Sherbourns wife, and a feather bed aft' my wifes decease; And to my daught' Mary Sherbourn an Iron pot & a Kittle a brass Skillet and y' half of y' pewter except a pewter dish to my Daught' afores' as also a feath' bed & bedding; and a Cow. To Abraham Bartlet a Mare Colt, And do order and appoint my Son John Sherbourn to be executor to this my last Will and testament As witness my hand and Seal this twelfth of November one thousand Six hundred & ninety one—

memorandum interlined before Signing these words [barly] and [my wife] as also to be noted y' my wife shall have y' east end of my house during life—

Signd Seald & delivered. John X Sherbourn [seal] his mark

in p'sence of us.

Richard Jackson
Thomas Jackson
John Barsham

[Proved Nov. 29, 1693.]

[Summons, Oct. 11, 1700, to John Sherburne to appear in the matter of the will of his father, John Sherburne, "who Dyed within this Province about Nine years agoe." He appeared and renounced the executorship.]

[John Sherburne renounces executorship Oct. 12, 1700, and desires that administration be granted to Major William Vaughan, principal creditor.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 228.]
[Administration granted to Major William Vaughan of Portsmouth April 22, 1701.]
[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 229.]

[Summons, May 1, 1701, to John Sherburne and Henry Sherburne to appear and "give an Acc' of what you Know relateing to yo' fathers Estate"; signed by William Partridge.]

JOHN BREWSTER 1691 PORTSMOUTH

I John Brewster of the Town of Portsm¹ in the Province of Newhampsh¹, Yeoman; being ancient and infirm of body * * * 2do I give and bequeath unto my beloved Wife mary all my Farm wherein I now live; To say, housing, land, gardens, Orchards &c with all the priviledges and appurtenances thereunto belonging during her Naturall life Together with all my moveable Estate; consisting Either in Cattle, houshold goods of any Sort, money, debts, or any thing else whatsoever to her own free use and proper disposall Excepting what is hereafter Excepted, which I give unto my beloved Children viz Sarah Elizabeth martha mary Jane Rachel; I do give unto each of them the Equal value of five pounds apiece, and to my beloved Son I give the value of ten pounds; I also give unto my beloved Son John Brewster that End of the house wherein he now lives, together with what other Accomodations he now Enjoys belonging thereto moreover all that land that is before my door, to say the road way field comonly so called, Swamp, and Orchard (comonly called y¹ Orchard on the Swamp side) as long as he lives, and if my said Son outlives his mother, and demeans himself in all duty and Obedience towards her my Will is, that y¹ whole farm shall be to him during his natural life, and after his decease I give it to my grandson John Brewster with two Cows and a calf a sword a gun and a drum and a halbert and a pike, I Will also that my whole farm be intalld upon my said grand son John Brewster and his heirs. &c.

3do I make my beloved Wife Sole Executrix to this my last Will and Testam¹ and I request and appoint my good freinds
Sam[h] Penhallow and John Dennett to bee my Overseers, whom I beseech to bee carefull in advising, and doing what in them may about the concers of my Wife and children, and for the maintaing and promoting of love between them. Moreover, if any misunderstanding or Contest be occasioned among my Wife and Children about the right interpretation of my Will, or any matter relating to any of their concerns herin; my Will is that the party or parties concernd shall choose each of them a man to joine with the Overseers, for ye* decision of any Such Controversie, and what they, or ye* maj^ part of them shall determine I Will, shall bee the finall issue of any such matter.

The managem^ of my buriall I leave to the discretion of my beloved Wife and Overseers obliging her to see to the paying of all my just debts and defraying my funeral charges out of my Estate.

In Testimony to all and Singular the p'mises (on this, and the other side) I sett to my hand, and affix my Seale this Sixteenth day of Decbr, in ye* year of our Lord, 1691.

Signed, Sealed, and declared in ye* p'sence of us as Witnesses

his
John Brewster X [seal]
mark
Sam[h] Penhallow
John Tucker
Thomas Harvey

WILLIAM HORNE 1691/2

[Inventory of the estate of William Horne of Dover, Feb. 27, 1691/2; amount, £189.8.0; signed by Samuel Heard and Thomas Downes; attested by Elizabeth Horne, the widow, July 15, 1699.]


John Horne Moved to Administer upon The Estate of his father Wm Horn dec'd but the widdow & Relict of the Said dec'd being liveing and Since Married with . . .

It is Ordered by the Judge that the Register Cite the Said . . . to shew Cause why letters of Administration should not be Granted
to the Said John Horn upon his Motion, the Said . . . having Neglected to Administer upon the Same this
[Probate Minutes, April 4, 1708.]

JOHN WAKEHAM    1691/2

[Administration on the estate of John Wakeham granted to his widow, Martha Wakeham, March 15, 1691/2, who presented an inventory.]  
[Court Records, March 15, 1691/2, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 80.]

WILLIAM SWAIN 1692 HAMPTON

[Inventory of the estate of William Swaine of Hampton; taken by Daniel Tilton and Joseph Swett April 9, 1692; amount, £279.7.6.]

[Ante-nuptial contract, June 12, 1694, between Joseph Emmons of Hampton, cordwainer, and Mary Swaine of Hampton, widow, whereby Emmons agrees to care for her children, disclaiming any title to their inheritances from their father, William Swaine, but having the use of their property until they are of age; signed by Joseph Emmons and witnesses, Nathaniel Weare and Jacob Green.]

[Petition of William Swaine for a division of the estate of his father, William Swaine, June 18, 1702; citation granted.]

[Citation, July 1, 1702, to Joseph Emmons and Mary Emmons, his wife, to show cause for not having settled the estate of William Swaine.]

[Power of attorney, William Swaine of Hampton to Dr. Humphrey Bradstreet of Newbury, Mass., July 3, 1702; witnesses, George Peirce and Robert Pike.]

[Order of court, July 6, 1702, that Joseph Emmons and Mary Emmons, his wife, appear again July 13 with an account of the estate.]
[Account of Mary Emmons against the estate, July 22, 1702; amount, £149.11.3. Mentions Mary Swaine, oldest child, William Swaine, oldest son, Mehitable Swaine, John Swaine, Caleb Swaine, and Sarah Swaine. This is a rough draft.]

[Account of Mary Emmons against the estate of William Swaine, July 22, 1702; amount, £32.17.3; widow’s third, £82.4.9. “there being Six Children; to wit Mary Swaine Wm Swaine Mahitabell Swaine John Swaine Caleb Swaine & Sarah Swaine; the Said Sume of 164\l/2:9\l/6 is divided into Seaven parts the eldest Sonn haveing two shares each share Am\n to 23\l/10\l/6. The widdow haveing maintained and brought upp three of the Children for two years and three Months to wit John Swaine, Caleb Swaine and Sarah Swaine. It is thought meet to Order that the Said widdow have Satisfacc’on in Reason made her out of the shares and proportions due to the Said three Children for such their Maintenance and bringing up when they come to full age/”]

[Order, July 27, 1702, that Capt. Henry Dow and Lieut. Joseph Swett have a commission to settle the estate.]

Wee Whose Names are here unto subscribed being Appointed to make An Equall Devition of the Estate of William Swaine of Hampton late Deceased as it is mentioned in the Inventory here unto Annexed We have this 31 day of July 1702 veiwed the mash ground that we did not well know and according to our best scill and Judgment and Considering How things are Circumstanced as Concerning the moveable and how it have bin owned to us that they are not many of them now in being We think it very unreasonable that any of the Children should be ordred to take their portions Where they are never like to Have any thing Therefore We are Humbly of the opinion that it is A Just and Equall thing that the Children Have there Portions alloted to them as followeth: the land and mash to be devided according to proportion to Every one be the grant more or less as it is layd out
To William Swaine the grant of land att new plantation so called ........................................... 02-00-00
To a trackt of land by Salisbury line prized att ......................................................... 15-00-00
To five acres of the mash att 6th 4/5 acre part of the 9 acres ........................................... 30-00-00
......................................................................................................................................... 47-00-00
To Mary and Mehetable Swaine to be Equally Devided between them two: as foll
The Seaven acres of land more or less by John Stanyens prized ....................................... 14-00-00
To foure acres of mash part of the nine acres att 6th 4/5 acre ........................................... 24-00-00
To two acres of mash want twentieth shilling worth att 5th as acres lieing by Gougis Wigwam Com’only so called ................................................................. 09-00-00
......................................................................................................................................... 47-00-00
To John Caleb and Sarah Swaine to be Equally Devided among them three when they Com’e of age
The House and Homestead be the same more or less prized att ........................................... 42-10-00
The shear of the Cow Com’on prized att ........................................................................... 02-00-06
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NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

This is that Which we have Considered about the s\textsuperscript{d} Estate and according to our Best scill and Judgment we can think of no other way of making a more Equall Devition.

Dated att Hampton this 31 July 1702

By us Henry Dow
Joseph Swett

I W\textsuperscript{m} Partridge Esq' L\textsuperscript{1} Govern' of the Province of New Hampshire doe allow and Approve off the within mentioned Division (Excepting as foll that is to Say where it is said House & Homestead prized at 42\textsuperscript{d} 10\textsuperscript{s} shall be divided between John Caleb and Sarah Swaine) I Order the said House and Homestead to be to Joseph Emmins & his wife for the bringing upp the said John Caleb and Sarah; they giveing first securitye to the Court of probate of wills to pay seaven pounds a peice to the said John & Caleb when they come to the Age of twenty one years, and the Said Sarah when she attaines to the age of Eighteen years. Given Under my hand the fourteenth day of August Anno Domini 1702

W\textsuperscript{m} Partridge

Cha: Story Secretary

[Warrant, July 29, 1703, from William Partridge to Capt. Henry Dow to lay out certain portions of the estate.]

[Warrant, July 29, 1703, authorizing Capt. Henry Dow of Hampton to lay out to William Swaine, Mary Swaine, and Mehitabel Swaine their portions of nine acres of marsh.]

21 Aug\textsuperscript{t} 1703

According to the within written Commission I have laid out to W\textsuperscript{m} Swaine his part of the Nine Acres of Marsh that was his fathers, his part being the Southerly Side being about ten Rodd three Quarters & one foot wide at each end/

And I have laid out to Mary and Mehitable Swaine their part of the Said Nine Acres, it being the Northerly Side and is at each end about Eight Rodd, one halfe and two foot wide/
I have made a Just and Equal division Allowing to each of them there due proportion as I could or would have done If I had been to have part of it my Selfe.

By me Henry Dow

EDWARD COWELL 1692

[Administration on the estate of Edward Cowell was granted to Nathaniel Ayers, in behalf of his wife, Amy Ayers, sister of Edward Cowell, June 8, 1692. He gave bond in the sum of £150.]

[Court Records, June 8, 1692, in Deeds, vol. 5, p. 80.]

THOMAS LEAVITT 1692 HAMPTON

In the name of God Amen the ninth Day of July in the Year of our Lord god 1692 I Thomas Levet in the Town of Hampton in y* province off New Hampsh* in New England Yeoman * * *

Item I give my goods I give and bequeath as followeth. To my lovinge wife I give and bequeath the thirds of all my Lands meaddows Marshes and houeing Convenient dureing her life time and then to Retourne to my Sons Aretas and John Levet: to my wife I give and bequeath two Cows two Swine three Sheep my brass and puter the thirds of all my Corne at her owne Disposeing the rest of my Estate I give and bequeath as followeth—

Item To my Son Hezron, Levet one Hundred ackers of land at the new plantation as it is granted to me and twenty pounds formerly given to him and five Shillings in merchantable pay after my Decease—

Item To Hezrons Son Thomas Levet tenn pounds to be paid to him at the age of one and Twenty years of age, in Merchant- abell pay by my Sons Aretas and John Levet:

Item All the Rest of my houseing : Lands Meaddows marshes ;
Shares of Commons out lands what soever I give and bequeath to my two Sons Aretas and John Levet Equally: John Levet to Devid and Aretas to make his Choice after my decease—

Item All in Aretas house and my ffether bed and ffurneture, one paire off betell rings and halfe the wedges and half the Cross Cut Saw and half the tooles about Husbandre, with his house that he now lives in, I give and bequeath unto Aretas Levet—

Item The other halfe of the tooles above mentioned I give to my Son Levet with all his Carpenters tooles and his house and ground where it now Standeth; and to my son John Levet I give & bequeath a new ffether bed and ffurniture thereunto belonging;

Item To my son James Levet I give and bequeath tenn pounds—

Item To my three Dafters, Isabella Towle, Jemina Knowles Kezia Tucker Each off them five shillings a peic;

Further My Will is that my wife shall have her comfortable houseing for her selfe and her Cattell. The rest of my Cattell to be Equaly devided as abovesaid Excepting my wives two Cowes two Swine three Sheep, My Leageses to be payed three years after my decease, in mercht& pay Excep Tobacco—

Item I Doe ordaine and constitute my Loveing wife and my Son John Levet to be my Sole Execoutours to this my last will and Testament.

Witness hereoff I have here unto sett my hand and affixed my Seale the day and year above writen; and in the third or fourth yeare his Majes* Reigne King will* and Queen Mary King off England Scot: & Irenland King defender off the faith—

Signed Sealed in the presents of us

Thomas X Levet (seal)
Abraham Drake Sen'
Abraham Drake Jun'
Robert Drake—

[Proved May 25, 1697.]
ROBERT TUFTON MASON 1692 PORTSMOUTH

In the name of God amen—
I Robert Tufton Mason of the Town of Portsm° in the Prov: of New Hamp’s in New England being in health of body and sound in mind do make and appoint this my last will and testament in manner & form as follows, revoking all other Wills made heretofore.

Imprimis I Com’end my soul into the hands of Almighty God my Creator in full hope and assurance of a Pardon for all my sins committed in my life past. My body I com’it to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executrix hereafter named—

Item—I Give and bequeath to my dearly beloved Wife Katherine Tufton Mason, the one half of all my Estate whatsoever that I have, or hereafter might have during her natural life, and after her decease three fourths of her part, to fall unto my son John Tufton, to him & his heirs forever, & the other fourth part to go to my daughter Eliz° Tufton and to her heirs forever—

Item—I Give and bequeath to my son John Tufton one fourth part of all my estate whatsoever to be paid him when he Shall arrive at the age of twenty-one years, and that if it Should please God, that he should dye before he comes of age, or without lawful Issue, then his part to fall to my daughter Eliz° Tufton and to her heirs forever—

Item—I Give and bequeath to my daughter Eliz° Tufton one fourth part of all my Estate whatsoever to be paid her when she Shall Arrive at the age of eighteen years, or upon the day of her Marriage if she marries with her mother's consent: But if it should please God that she should dye before she comes of the age of eighteen or Marry then her part to fall unto my son John Tufton and to his heirs forever.—But if it should please God that my son
John Tufton, and My daughter Eliza Tufton should both dye before they come of age or before they marry, then the one half of both their parts, I Give unto my wife Katharine Tufton and the other half I give unto my sister Eliza Tufton, and if it should so please God, that my wife should out-live both my son John Tufton, and my daughter Eliza Tufton, or that they dye without lawfull Issue then I Give and bequeath all my wife Katherine Tufton her part unto my sister Eliza Tufton.—

Item—I Do appoint my dearly beloved Wife Katharine Tufton to be my sole and onely Executrix of this my last will, and to see my will performed, and to take care of both my Children, and to see that they are bro't up as they ought to be, and that when they Shall arrive at the age of receiving their portions To pay them justly.—

And I do strictly charge and Com'and both my Children to carry themselves dutiful and obedient unto their mother, so long as she shall live, and that they live in love and unity one with another, so long as it please God they both shall live, and that they carry it respectively to their Grandfather and Grandmother with all their Uncles and Aunts, and behave themselves justly to all persons, fearing God, & honouring the King In Witness hereof I have hèreunto set my hand and seal the twenty first day of October one thousand six hundred ninety two—

Signed & Sealed Robert Tufton Mason [seal]

In presence of
Henry Sherburn
Sarah Sherburn
Susanna Wiggin

[Proved May 27, 1738, by Henry Sherburne, aged 72, Sarah Sherburne, aged 69, and Susanna Johnson, formerly Susanna Wiggin, aged 67.]

This will is not yet approved and allowed; the same (together with the testimony of the Witnesses,) being under the Judge's consideration—

[Masonian Papers, mss., vol. i, p. 25.]
JOHN SANBORN 1692 HAMPTON


WILLIAM SANBORN 1692 HAMPTON

In the name of God Amen The Last Will & Testament of William Sanborn of Hampton in the Province of New Hampshire in New England being sick and weak of Body * * *.

Imprimis I give unto Mary my beloved Wife all my house hold stuffe, or Goods of all sorts (Excepting what is hereafter Excepted) for ever, Alsoe I give unto her yearely and every yeare dureing the time of her naturall life foureteen Bushells of Indian Corne, two bushells of Wheat, foure bushells of Malt one hundred & Sixty weight of Pork and One hundred pounds of Beef all good and Marchantable the Milcke of two good Cows . . . & ten Load of good wood cutt fitt for hir fire Roome, this to be payed yearely by my Son Stephen; Also I give unto her during the time of her naturall life one half of my dwelling house and Li—the Easterly end, to be kept in good repaire by my son Stephen and in case he shall neglect to performe the same according to the true intent and meaning hereof, then it shall be Lawfull for Mary my beloved wife to enter upon all these Lands Meadows Cattel and other things hereafter mentioned to be given to my son Stephen, and to improve the same to her owne use dureing her life and after to returne to my son Stephen again

Item I give unto my son Josiah one half of my Land in the Plaine towards Exeter the whole containing one hundred acres more or less neere a place sometimes called . . . nes Mephibosheth, and Stephen to devide the same into two pieces and Josiah to-
Chuse which part he please Alsoe I give to my son Josiah the Marsh and Thatch belonging to one share ... great Oxe Com'on Alsoe the Eastermost stack of Salt ... the Severals (soe called) soe farr as we usually made ... stack and soe Easterly to the River Alwayes Providing Josiah is not to improve this Stack of Salt Marsh untill after ... decease.

Item I give unto my son William the upland of the abovs'd Share of the great Oxe Com'on and one Cowe he haveing the rest of ... already

Item I g ... Son Mephesheth my nine Acres of ... in the East ... house now standeth alsoe halfe a share of Cowe com ... ty eight Acres of Land more or less the north ... ed and one Quarter of my Land towards Exe-ter ... the Indian Graves And after my Wifes decease I give to my Son Mephiboshoth the westermost Stack of Salt marsh in the Severals soe called, and half my ffresh meadow on the west side of the River towards the Beach being that side next Samuel Foggs meadow ...

Item I give unto my son Stephen my Hor ... Barne Orchard Also ten acres of Salt Marsh ... the hopp ground halfe a Share of Cowe com ... Acres of Land in the East ffield near the Beach, ... my ffresh meadow on the west side of the River being the northerly side ... half an acre of Pasture neere William sfullers gate abutting neer the meeting house green, Alsoe one Share of the Great Cowe Com'on alsoe the other halfe of my ffresh meadow on the west side of the River and the two Stacks of Salt Marsh ... to be given to Josiah and Mephiboshoth, to remaine ... of my son Stephen untill my wifes Decease ... Alsoe understood my wife during her life shall have ... make use of the ffruit of the orchard for her owne ... shall have occasion from time to time Also I give ... Stephen all my Stock of Cattle of all sorts whatsoe ... my Implements of husbandry Alsoe one Bed one ... ugg all above menconed given to my son

RICHARD MARTYN 1692/3 PORTSMOUTH

I Richard Martyn of the Town of Portsma\textsuperscript{o} in the Province of New Hampshire, being in perfect health * * *

My worldly Estate I dispose off as followeth.

2\textsuperscript{nd} I give unto my well beloved Wife Mary all the household goods w\textsuperscript{th} shee brought to mee and my best feather bead & boulster & the Curtains & vallens with the coverlid belonging to them, which she made Since she was my Wife, and that third part of . . . . out which belongeth to her former Husbands Estate: Also I give her one third part of all my houses & lands now in my possession in the Town of portsma\textsuperscript{o} & one third part of my wharves & all the priviledges belonging to a third part of the whole (Excepting that Sixty Acres of land laying in or by the long reach in this Town) I also give her the Choice of one of my Cows now at home, and all my stock of Swine, & all the provission now in . . . . house, (Excepting the wheat & biscet) I also give her my right in the negro called Thomas Hall: and two thirds of what I have received of debts due to her Children by their fathers will I put into her hands for the use of said Children when the debts due from that Estate & funerall charges are paid; she allowing me two shillings & Six pence in the pound for my trouble in getting said debts; provided alwaies that my s\textsuperscript{d} Wife shall be at the third part of the charge for keeping the houses wharves in repair & fencing the land, & I will that the third part of the above houses & Lands shall bee my s\textsuperscript{d} wives during her Natural life, & then shall the whole return to my other Executor to be his & his Heires for ever I also give her that web of cloth wch: is now Spining in the house & Hannah Harriss her time till s\textsuperscript{d} web be Spun, & then said Hannah shall be free:

3\textsuperscript{rd} I give & bequeath to my son Michaell all my houses &
lands & wharves with all the priviledges & appurtenances thereunto belonging (Excepting the Sixty Acres near the long reach as above: Excepting also the one third part thereof given to my Wife as above which also I give to him after my wifes death, all which houses & lands shall bee to him & his Heires for Ever: provided he come home & settle on my said Estate & bear up my name in my House I also give him all my household goods Excepting what is hereafter Excepted, he paying all my debts & funerall charges; and also If he shall possesse my a bovesd Estate he shall pay his Brother Nathaniel fifty pounds in Money when he Comes to the age of Twenty one years, besides what I shall give him of my household goods: but if my said Son Michael shall settle in England or Else where & not come & settle upon my Estate as abovesaid

4th Then I give to my said Son Nathaniel all my above-mentioned houses & . . . as beforementioned to his brother . . . mentioned to his Brother Nathaniell, & two pair of sheets, and my Changable Taffita Childs mantle or Blanket

5th I give to my daughter Cutt one cow called Cherry & one pair of the best sheets & to her Husband I give my Cutlash & black belt

6th I give unto my Daughter Kennerd one Cow that is now at my farme & one pair of the best sheets, & to her husband I give all my wearing cloaths, & also my Servant Samuell Duggin all the time he hath yet to serve me.

7th I give unto my daughter Jose one cow that is now at my farm: & one pair of my best wearing sheets: & to her husband I give my horse & sadle

8 I Give to Tobias Lear all that house & barn with all the land & Marsh thereto belonging laying near Sagomore Creek, Wth is . . . mothers & all the priviledges thereunto belonging for Ever to him & his Heires: I give him also that pair of Oxen Wth are now upon the said plantation: wth are in the hands of John Churchwill:

My rings & plate I dispose of as followeth
To my beloved Wife I give the silver Tankard she brought with her & the new Silver potteries.

To my son Michaell I give my watch, my seal ring the silver tankerd two of the best Silver Spoons & a pair of plate hafted knives.

To my son Nathaniel I give my silver Tumbler & two of the best silver spoons & my silver seal: & stone gold ring.

To my Daughter Cutt I give her Mothers hoop ring & my greatest wine cup.

To my Daughter Kennerd I give one of my mourning rings & the little silver Tumbler:

To my daughter Jose I give the other of my mourning rings & my silver salt: but if Charles Gledon shall redeem said salt paying twenty five shillings in money he shall have it:

I also will that my son Cutts children shall have each of them a silver spoon of them thare in my house.

I will that my son Kenerd by each of his Children now living with part of the Money he owes me A silver Spoon of ten or Eleaven shillings price, & the rest due to me to be paid to my Executors.

[The remainder of the will, following, is taken from Probate Records, vol. 2, p. 11.—Ed.]

I will that my son Jose shall what he owes me buy each of his children now living a Silver spoon & put my name upon them.

I will ye my Daughter in law Dorothy Wentworth shall have my Smallest wine cup; & ye Silver dram Cup.

I will ye my Son Michael shall have my First volume of Carrill upon Job, & ye my son Nath shall have the second volume, & ye his Sister shall have ye use of ye till my Son Nath shall come of Age & all ye rest of my Books shall be disposed equally of among my three daughters, excepting my great bible wch I give ye use of to my wife as long as she liveth, & ye it shall be after her death ye Sons of mine wch shall inheritt my Estate.

I will ye all my Books ye my wife brought wth her to my house
be returned to her I will y't there be a mourning ring given to Each of bearers, & one to my wife, & one to my Sister Martyn, & one to her Son Edward & one to her Daughter Susannah

I will that my wife shall make use of my Pewter, Brass & Iron, (of w'th She hath not of her own) as she shall need untill my Son comes to take Possession of it who shall injoye my Estate: Provided she make good whatever thereof Shall be demnified.

I will that my wife, w'th my Overseers shall so divide my dwelling house as y't may be comfortable for her & for another Family y't shall live in the other two thirds thereof

I desire & a'point my trusty & well beloved friends Master Sam' Keaise Mr Sam' Penhallow, & my son in Law Mr Rich'd Jose to be my overseers to see to the performance of this my will & testament, & do hereby impower y'm w'th my wife to improve my s'd Estate so as may be to y's best advantage of y's son of myne who shall enjoye my estate & to be acc'table unto him when by him called thereunto, who shall reward y'm for their care & paines, & do give them w'th my wife full power to dispose of my Sixty acres of Land laying y's long Reach for y's payment of Sixty pounds in goods at price Curr't or Forty Pounds in money or goods as money w'th I owe to Edw'd Melcher; I also give them full power w'th my wife to recover all my debts & to pay out of my money or moveables all my Just Debts; & to see all my Legacies y't I have above given be delivered quickly after my decease—

I will y't if my Son Nath'll Injoye my Estate as before mentioned Should dye w'th out Heirs y't y'n y'e sd Estate shall revert to his brother mick'l & if my son Mich'll dye w'th o't Heirs it shall be his Brother Nathan'll and if they both shall dye w'th o't Heirs, then I give all my Houses & Land to Richard the Son of my Son in Law John Cutt, to be to him & his Heires forever & my moveables to be divided among my three daughters:

I do hereby appoint & ordain my well beloved wife Mary & my Son Michaell or Nath'll w'th of y'm shall enjoy my Estate before mentioned to be my Executors of this my last will & testament. Requiring my s'd Son to see that all my Just debts & Funerall
charges be paid if they be not payd before by my overseeres & to y* son my Execut* I give All my debts & what incomes my Estate shall bring untill he comes to posses it—

In witnesse whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and affixed my Seal y* twentie Seventh day of Jan' 1692/3

Mr Rich'd Martyn Signed Sealed Rich'd Martyn (seal)
& declared the above instrument to be his last Will & testament in presence of
Edw'd Melcher
Obediah Mors
Wm Williams

[Proved April 17, 1694.]

[Inventory, April 10, 1694; amount, £644.9.4; signed by George Snell and George Jaffrey; mentions “500 ackers of Land lying betwixt wells & cape porpus w*th wee know not how to valvue In respecte of our not knowing the quality nor rights to it Being Sold by Harlackan: Simmonds to Nathaniel his mother Late the wife of m* Richard Martyn.”]


JOHN FOLSOM 1692/3 EXETER

[Administration on the estate of John Folsom of Exeter, “dyed Intestate leaveing Mary his widdow & Relict whoe alsoe is since deceased intestate,” granted to his son Samuel Folsom of Exeter, Jan. 7, 1692/3.

Bond of Samuel Folsom, with John Pickering of Portsmouth, and Richard Rogers of Maine, shipwright, as sureties, in the sum of £50, Jan. 7, 1692/3, for the administration of the estate.]

[Inventory of the estate of John Folsom and Mary Folsom, his wife, Jan. 17, 1692/3; amount, £11.12.0; signed by Moses Leavitt.]
GEORGE FABYAN 1692/3 PORTSMOUTH

In the name of God Amen To All Xtian pepple to whom these ¥sents shall come greeting. In the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Know ye that I Georg Faben of Portsm° in the Province of New hamp° in N. England weaver, being by y° gratious Will of God at this present time in my right sences knowledge & understanding though in Boddy sick weak Have made this my Last will & Testament as followeth, first my Soule to God my boddy to y° Earth & all my temporal and worldly Estate whether Lands & tenem° Goods or Chattles right or Rights Interestes all & Singular in what form nature kinde or manner whatsoever is or of right ought to be mine, I will & bequeath unto my dearly beloved wife Elizabeth whom I doe make & Apoint to be my Soule Executricks of this my Last Will & to her at her will & pleasure all & Singular my Estate as abovesd to have hold & despose of for Ever, only Excepted twenty shillings in money or Equivolen thereto, I will & bequeath unto y° poor of Portsm° aforesd according to y° disscretion of my abovesd Executx: & any one or two of y° townsmen Selected for the time y° being

In Witness whereof I the Aforesd Geo: Faben have hereunto put my hand & Affixed my Sele the Nineteenth day of February 1693

Jno Lewis present to y° s° George Ffaben [seal]

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Joseph Alexande

[Proved Dec. 11, 1693.]

[Inventory, April 11, 1693; amount, £78.15.8; signed by John Pickering and Joseph Alexander.]

to y° honrable y° President & Council of y° Province of New-
hampshire—
the humble petition of Elizabeth fabins wedoe humbly seweth: that whereas shee is Lefft a wedo, & non to Releve hur (but god & your honers) in the Condition shee now is in: doth therefor suplycat your honers faver in this mater—I was Informed that Cap* Tho: Packer was impowered to take the probat of wills: but before I did aply my self to him I went to my nabor Pickerins had descors with him hee told mee he beleved the probat of my husbands will would Cost me twenty shilens Iff not more: so I went to Cap* Packer to have my husbands will proved but Could not have it don under three pounds I told him I had not the mony about mee & that I thought it was very hard but it availed nothing for said Lefft. Radford wee must have so much forty shillens Cap* Packer must have & twenty shilens I must have which I was forced to pay them Afterwards I told my nabor Pickerin of it & he said he never knew such fees before & that he would inform ye* govener & Council of it & he ded beleve I should be Righted in that matter. Lest hee should faill doe therefor humbly present this my petition to your honer praying your honers favorable construction hereof & granting relieff therein in such maner as shall in your wisdoms & power seem most Request & your petitioner shall ever pray—as in duty bound

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Elizabeth X fabins

Dated this 8th of Jan' 1693—

[Misc. Provincial Papers, mss. vol. i. p. 73.]

WILLIAM PITMAN 1693 PORTSMOUTH

I William Pitman of the Town of Portsmouth in the Province of Newhampshire being sick & weak in body * * *

my Worldly Estate I dispose of as foloweth.

2* I give unto my beloved Wife Elizabeth all my now dwelling house & land thereto adjoyning laying & being in the Town of Portsm° aforesaid with all the Priviledges & appurtenances there
unto belonging, as also all my household goods of every kind, & all my shop goods & whatsoever Else is or may be due unto me upon any account whatsoever; All which she shall have the Use & Improvement off during her Naturall life for the bringing up of my Children which God hath given us:

3\textsuperscript{r} I give & bequeath unto my son Jabesh (after the death of my wife) all my abovesaid house & land with all the priviledges there unto belonging to be to him & his Heirs for Ever. he paying such Legaces to his three Brothers as are hereafter mentioned. but if my son Jabesh should happen to dye without Issue, all the above mentioned house & land shall be to the use of his Brother Samuell & his Heirs for Ever. And if the said Samuel should happen to dye without Issue, then the said house & land shall be to the Use of his Brother my son William & if the said William should happen to dye without Issue, then the said House & Land shall be to the Use of my son Joseph & his Heirs for Ever:

4\textsuperscript{r} I give unto my son samuel ten pounds in mony which my said son Jabesh shall pay him in one yeare after said Jabesh shall be of the age of Twenty one years, & have the Possesion of the above said House & Land.

5\textsuperscript{r} I give unto my son William ten pounds in money which my son Jabesh shall pay him in two years after said Jabesh shall be of the age of Twenty One years, & have the Possesion of the said House & Land.

6\textsuperscript{r} I give unto my son Joseph ten pounds in money which my son Jabesh shall pay him in three years after said Jabesh shall be of the age of Twenty one years & have the Posession of the said house & Land.

7\textsuperscript{r} I will that all the rest of my Estate besides the abovesaid House & Land shall be disposed of by my Wife among my Children as she shall think most meet:

8\textsuperscript{r} I doe hereby appoint & Constitute My Wife abovesaid to be my sole Executexrix to this my last Will & Testament.

9\textsuperscript{r} I appoint & desire my well beloved friends m\textsuperscript{r} Jn\textsuperscript{r} Tucker & m\textsuperscript{r} Samuell Keais to be my Overseers to se to the fulfilling of
this my Will & Testament: In witness hereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal: the 19th day of May 1693
Mr. William Pitman signed sealed William Pitman [seal]
& declared the above Instrument to be his last Will & Testament in presence of
Richard Martyn
John Fletcher
John Tucker
[Proved Jan. —, 1699.]

[Inventory, Feb. 28, 1699/1700; amount, £328.12.0; signed by Nathaniel Ayers and James Leavitt.]

[Consent of Thomas Edgerly, Jan. 7, 1707/8, to the appointment of Jeremiah Bursham as guardian to William Pitman, his apprentice.]

Joshua Moody 1693 Portsmouth

I Joshua Moody of Portsmouth in the province of New Hampshire in New England doe ordain this to be my last will and Testament hereby revoking and disanulling all wills by me formerly made.

I impety I leave my precious soule in his hands that gave it unto me I have oft and oftentimes committed it looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto Eternal life, and my body to a decent funeral by my executor hereafter named willing that if I die in Portsmouth my body shall be layd in the burying place there under that great stone by the side of the oake where I buried my first wife and the deceased children which I had by her hereby strictly inhibiting those profuse expences in mourning or otherwise: so frequently wasted at funerals:—

Item I give to my beloved wife Ann Moody what ever remains of household goods that she brought with her, togethether with all that estate wth upon marriage with me. She did leave in Ipswitch
by my consent and ordered in the hands of the Relations of her former Husband togethether with what remaines Due to me of y° Annuity which I should have had but have not Received: Also I Give her that fffifty pounds in mony that is in the hands of Mr Tim° Thornton of Boston. Further I will that my Heire Either pay her fffifty shillings a yeare in mony or let her have the use of my littell house and land that I have in Portsm° which he the s° Heire shall choose; as also she shall have the Improvement, of that Hundreds which is in the hands of Caleb Hubbard both these Later legaseys dureing the time of her remaining my widow and no longer.

I will allso that mine heire shall require nothing for the main-taneance of Lydia Jacobs my Dafter in Law [step-daughter] whom I have now kept so many years: always provided that the portion which her mother was to pay her be made good; by her mother out of what was left in Ipswitch and her mothers husbands goods (which is much more than will doe without my estates being liabell to contribute towards it ought) which would be most Unreasonabell consideringe, how littell of her mothers Estate I had; and how I have maintained her ever since.

Item I give, to my Deare and only son Sam° Moodey all my Lands with that Littell house, I have at Portsm°, my orchard also to be to him and his heairs s° for ever, also my books and wright-ings (Except unto each of my daughters some books y° I have given in a small scheule in Cloased in my will) with some other things which paper I charge mine Heire to show to his sisters and give to each of them what I have there exprest and I Doubt not off his obediance there in)

I give also unto my s° son Samuel all my wearing cloathes both Linin and wollen with my bridell and Sadell and gunns and watch with my seale Ring and that Bed which I Usualley ly on with all the furniture belonging to it of whitch the great Rugg and one of the best quilts to be part, as allso what soever is due to me fffrom any person.—

Item Unto my beloved daughter Martha Russell I give the
Downe Bed Boulster and Pillows that were her mothers and twenty pounds in mony for the Improvem' of something given her when a child and If any thing remaine Due Either to her husband or son winslow of the hundred pounds a pece I promised them at Maryage it shall be paid as also the Twenty pounds above mentioned to Martha which she shall have at her owne Disposall out the remaind' of what mony I lent to Elieazer Russell deseased and is payabell by y° Heirs of my Brother Russell Deceased so far as it will goe y° rest by my Executor—

Item Farther I will that all my hous hould of what kind soever (except What is before disposed off') be Equalley divided between My four children If my wife shall returne to Portsm° And be desirous or desposed there to live after me she shall have the sole use of my two acres of land with the Littell house and Orchard upon it aney thing to the contrary in the premises not with standing; saveing that if she rent it out my Son shall have the refusall of it he paying the same rent as another will and this to be dureing her widdohood; More over my son shall pay her five pounds yearely in mony for three years next after my Desease and when my wife cease to improve y' hundred pounds which she is to use Dureing her widdohood my Daughters shall have twenty pounds a pece of it or theire children if Either of them dey before, If my son Samu'' dey before marryage what I have given him shall be Equally divided amonc his sisters; if he marrie and die without Issue then the land house orchard Books and bed before mentioned shall goe to his sisters or theire children If any of them dey before him to be Equally divided between them.

Item, Moreover I give to my daughters Martha and Hanna tenn pounds apec e to my daughter Sarah twenty pounds in mony payabell within Eighten months after my decease I make this difference because my daughter Sarah needs more than the others,—

Finally I make my only son Samu'' Moodey sole Executor of this my last will and Testament willing him to defray my ffuneral charges and pay my debts and also legases also I Request my
Good friends Cap' Pen. Townsend Mr Willm Thornton of Boston with Mr Ric'd Waldron and m' Samu' Keis of Portsmo with my deare and only Brother Caleb Moodey to be my over seeres and to give the best advice and help they may to those I leave behind in any thing to the premises refering; I doe all so lay the solemn off a tender and deying father upon all my children that they love one another dearely and that there be noe diffrence between them; about any thing that I shall leave them and in order to the preventing any difference, I advise them to meete as Soone as they may after my decease and discourse and share matters between them while the remembrance off a dead Father is fresh and warme upon their Souls; and if they cannot agree between themselves thro any misunderstanding of any clause in my will (which God forbid) I will that the major parte off the overseers determine the Controversie and they shall sitt Downe by it—

For the Confirmation off the premises on this and the other side I sett to my hand and seale this Eighteenth off September 1693.  
The testatour above mentioned Joshua Moodey [seal] did signe seale and deliver this Instrument to be his last will and Testament the day and yeare above wrighten in presents off us (one interlineing on each side being before sealing

John Fletcher
Samu' Keis
George Jaffray

[Proved July 12, 1697.]
[Probate Records, vol. 2, p. 31.]

WILLIAM BUTTON 1693

[List of William Button's papers.
Inventory of the estate of William Button, Portsmouth, Oct. 26, 1693; amount, £1490.10.2; signed by Richard Martyn, Clement Lempriere, and Thomas Button.
Account of his clothes and books; amount, £14.0.0; signed by William Partridge and John Chevalier, Nov. 17, 1693; attested by William Partridge and John Chevalier Nov. 22, 1693.]

WILLIAM HAM' 1693 PORTSMOUTH

I William Ham of the Town of Portsm' in the Province of New Hampsh' being very ill & weak in Bodie but of perfect and Sound Memory & understanding but not Knowing w't the Lord will do with me or how soon he may take me out of this world thought meet to sett my house in Order, as a Christian man ought to doe. I Therefore make Apoint this to be my last will & Testament in manner & forme followeing, viz I comitt my precious Soul into y' hands of God in X' Jesus and my bodie to a decent burieing place in hopes of a Glorious Resurrection at the last day: my worldly Estate I dispose of as followeth.

1st I will & bequeath unto my well beloved wife Sarah my Houseing & Lands in the town of Portsm' aforesd and all the rest of my Estate both personall & real during her naturall life, upon Condic'on she Shall take all due care for the bringing up my Children according to the best of her ability:

2nd My Will is y' after y' deceas of my Sd wife, my Eldest Sonn Sam'll Shall have present Possession of my Houseing & Lands: wch s' House & Lands Shall be to him and his Heirs & assigns for Ever, upon Condic'on he shall pay unto my Other five Children, Vz my Daughter Sarah, my Daughter Elizabeth my Daughter Mary my daughter Hannah & my Daughter Abigail Eight Pounds a piece in Currsd money of New Engld att the Age of Eighteen Years, and my House & land shall stand ingaged for paym't of the same; but if Pleas God my Sonn Sam'll should Die wth o't Isshue or before he comes of Age then the whole Estate to be Equally devided amongst the rest of my Children Surviveing and if it should pleas God that any of my five Daughters above named should die before they come of age, then her Porc'on shall be divided among the other Surviveing.
3rdly I will that if my wife should die before my Children be of Age you Revenues of my whole Estate shall be Lay'd out for the bringing up of my children:

4thly I doe hereby apoint my well beloved wife to be my hole & Sole Executrix of this my last will and Testam't, and doe Request & Require my well beloved Friends Sam'll Keise & John Cotton to be my Overseers to see to the true perforemance of this my Will & to asist my Wife in the managemnt of the abovesd Premises: In Wittness of the above menc'oned: Particulars I doe hereunto Set my hand & Seal this 28th Decemr 1693:

Wm Ham declared the above

Instrum't to be his last Will & Testament before us underwritten

Sam'll Keise
John Dennett
Rich'd Cater

[Proved Sept. 7, 1695.]

[Inventory, March 17, 1694/5; amount, £135.20; signed by John Dennett and John Downing.]
[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 3.]

JOHN PAINE 1693/4 BOSTON MASS.

[Appraisal of land of John Paine in Exeter, "lying and being neer unto m'r hilltons ould saw mille," Feb. 14, 1693/4; signed by Jonathan Thing, Kinsley Hall, and Robert Smart, Jr. This is land sold by Edward Hilton to William Paine.]

[Appraisal of land in Dover, "bing & Leying at Toaline Granted by ye Town of Dover to Capt. Thomas Wigings & by ye said Wigings sould unto m'r Jn' Paine of Boston Marchant," Feb. 21, 1693/4; signed by John Church, John Ham, and Robert Evans.]
[Inventory of the estate of John Paine "som time of Boston"; amount, £110.0.0; signed by Thomas Wiggin; attested by Thomas Wiggin March 19, 1693/4.]

JOHN KNOWLES 1693/4 HAMPTON

In the name of God Amen

I John knowles of Hampton in the province of New Hampshire in New England Senior being weak of Body by Reason of my age

Imprimis I give unto my two sons John knowls & simon knowls all my house lott without my orchard Excepting the land within the fort to be Equally devided betwen them Simon to devide and John to chouse which he will have: I give the land within y* fort to John wher his house stand & two thirds of my orchard And to John my ffresh meadow towards the beach and All my mash by Browns Rivers mouth but two acres and my grant of land att y* north devition and one sheare of the Cow Com'ons and half a sheare of the oxe com'on and half my barne & leantooes and half the yard before y* barne

I give unto Simon knowls two acres of my mash att browns Rivers mouth below the great Creek & my mash att the litell River and my Dwelling house and yard before & wher the well is and half my Barne & yard before it and half a sheare of the great oxe com'on and one sheare of the Cow Com'ons and my grant of land att the new plantation and my will is that thay two my son John knowls & simon knowls to take speaciall care to mainteaine there mother my now wife Comfortably and Honorablelly dureing hir naturall life or to hir day of marriag and if them or Either of them ffaile my will is that she shall have the use of my House and land so much as will maintaine hir comfortably and honorably: and all my Catell and houshould goods I give to my wife for hir to dispose of among my children according to her descreation

I give to my Daughter Sarah five pounds to be payd to her by my son John within one yeare after my deceas in marchbles pay as it pass from man to man
I give to my Daughter Hannah five pounds in marchh pay as it pass from man to man to be payd by my son Simon within two yeare after my deceas.

And I doe make Constitute and Apoint my son John knowls to be my sole Exequetore to this my last will and Testiment in Con-fermation here of I the above sayd John knowls Senior have here- unto put my hand and affixt my sealle this Sixtenth day of march in the yeare of our Lord sixteen Hundred and ninetie three ninetie flower and in the Sixt yeare of the Reigne of our Soveraigne Lord & Lady William the third and May y° second by the grace of God king & Queen of England Scotland france and Ireland defenders of the faith.

two words in the 28 line dasht out before y° signeing and sealling therof

signed sealled & confermed
in prescence of us:

Samuel Dow
Simon Dow
Jabez Dow
Henry Dow

[Proved Dec. 31, 1705.]

TEMPERANCE BICKFORD 1694 (?)

[List of expenses on account of the estate of Temperance Bick- ford; amount, £7.17.3; mentions "brother Smithe brother bur- name and brother Bickforde."]


JOHN CLARK 1694 PORTSMOUTH

[Inventory of the estate of John Clark, May 18, 1694; amount, £180.10.3; signed by Nathaniel Ayers and James Leavitt; attested by Mary Clark, widow and administratrix, April 13, 1695.]

[Administration on the estate of John Clark of Portsmouth
 granted to his widow, Mary Clark, April 13, 1695, she declining
to act as executor as named in the will.]
[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 79.]

[Bond of Mary Clark, with Edward Ayers and George Jaffrey
as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £360, April 13, 1695,
for the administration of the estate; witness, William Redford.]
[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 79.]

JOHN JOCE 1694 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Capt. John Joce of Portsmouth,
gentleman, granted to his widow, Esther Joce, May 21, 1694.]
[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 69.]

[Guardianship of Ann Joce, aged fifteen, daughter of John Joce
of Portsmouth, granted to Capt. Richard Gerrish of Portsmouth
July 1, 1707.]
[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 92.]

RICHARD TUCKER 1694 NEWCASTLE

In the name of God amen; The fiftenth Day of June 1694 I
Richard Tucker being Bound on a Voyage to sea beeing in good
health of Bodey; and good and perfect Memmorey (God bee
praised) Doe Mak and ordaine this my Last Will and testament
in Manour and forme as followeth— Imprimus I Give Unto
my onley Daughter Sarah Tucker My Dwelling house neare the
Meeting house at Straburey Banck in the province of Newhamp-
shire with all the Land and privelidges there Unto belonging to
her and to her heirs flor Ever

Item I Give Unto my Said Daughter Sarah Tucker My Dwel-
ing house in Spruce Creek wth Twelve akers of Land there Unto
belonging with all the privelidges there unto bee Longing to her
and her heirs for Ever,—
Item I Give Unto my Said Dafter Sarah Tucker my Dwelling house on the Great Island in the Towne of New Castell in the province of Newhampshire with all the Land and privelidges there unto bee Longing to her and her heirs for Ever, provided my Brother William Broad Doeth not Retourne againe to new-england; If he doeth then it is his house and Land

Item I Give unto my Said Daughter Sarah Tucker; all my Goods Chatells and Estate Reall and personall; all my Just Debts beeing paid And If it should So happen that my Said Dafter Sarah Tucker Should (Dey or Decease) without Issue, or heire; then I Give all my houses Lands Goods and Chatells, Unto Richard Tucker the Sone of Lewis Tucker; and Richard Tucker the Sone of William Tucker To be Equalley Devided beetweene them and theire heirs for Ever and if Either of them Shall hapen to Dey then he that Survives to have all the above mentioned Estate, and I Leave my Said Dafter Sarah Tucker my soale Executrex and my Loveing freinds John Clark and Francis Tucker over sears of this my Last Will and testament Gardians to my Said Dafter Sarah Tucker, and In Confirmation of this my Last Will I have hereunto Sett my hand and seale this 15th Day of June 1694.

Signed sealed and Delivered Richbeard toucker [seal]
in presents of Us
John X Lewis his Mark
Luce X Stileman her Marke
Francis Tucker

[Proved April 2 and May 13, 1707.]

[Warrant, April 1, 1707, authorizing George Walton and John Holden, both of Newcastle, to appraise the estate of Richard Tucker of Newcastle, fisherman.]

[Inventory, April 2, 1707; amount, £52.3.9; signed by John Holden and George Walton.]

[Warrant, June 1, 1707, authorizing Capt. John Pickering and Charles Story, both of Portsmouth, to receive claims against the estate.]
[List of disbursements from the estate; amount, £7.16.6; allowed June 2, 1707.]

[Various accounts, etc., containing signatures of Job Alcock and George Jaffrey.]

STEPHEN JENKINS 1694 DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of Stephen Jenkins of Oyster River, who was killed by the Indians, and left several small children, granted to his brother, Jabez Jenkins of Kittery, Me., July 26, 1694.]


[Inventory of the estate of Stephen Jenkins, July 18, 1694; real estate not valued; signed by John Roberts and Thomas Roberts; an additional inventory was made by Nathaniel Field and Silvanus Nock Dec. 18, 1694.]


[Rough draft of a division of the estate, Oct. 22, 1695, which mentions the widow, Ann Jenkins, and brother, Jabez Jenkins; contains signatures of James Emery, Joseph Smith, and Ann Jenkins.]


[Various receipts, containing signatures of Benjamin Parker (who mentions his father Thomas Parker), Francis Tucker, and Stephen Willey.]


THOMAS DREW 1694 DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Drew of Oyster River, who was killed by Indians and left no will, granted to his widow, Mary Drew, July 30, 1694.]

[Inventory, Aug. 26, 1694; amount, £125.9.10; signed by Nathaniel Follett and Samuel Penhallow.]

URSULA CUTT 1694 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Mrs. Ursula Cutt of Portsmouth granted to Samuel Cutt of Portsmouth Aug. 4, 1694.]

[Bond of Samuel Cutt, with Richard Waldron and Samuel Penhallow as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £200, Aug. 4, 1694, for the administration of the estate.]
[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 41.]

[Inventory, Aug. 7, 1694; amount, £220.14.10; signed by Henry Penny and Richard Joce.]

THOMAS STEVENSON 1694 DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Stevenson of Oyster River granted to his brother, Bartholomew Stevenson, Aug. 4, 1694.]

[Bond of Bartholomew Stevenson, with John Meader and Joseph Meader as sureties, all of Oyster River, in the sum of £100, Aug. 4, 1694, for the administration of the estate; witness, William Redford.]

[Inventory, Oct. 4, 1694, taken by John Meader and Joseph Meader; amount, £18.8.6.]
JOSEPH STEVENSON 1694 DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of Joseph Stevenson of Oyster River granted to his brother, Bartholomew Stevenson, Aug. 4, 1694.]


[Bond of Bartholomew Stevenson, with John Meader, Jr., and Joseph Meader as sureties, all of Oyster River, in the sum of £100, Aug. 4, 1694, for the administration of the estate; witness, William Redford.]

[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 43.]

[Inventory, Oct. 4, 1694, taken by John Meader and Joseph Meader; amount, £66.15.6.]


[Additional inventory, March 1, 1694/5; amount, £44.15.0; signed by John Meader and Joseph Meader.]

[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 75.]

THOMAS PAINE 1694 NEWCASTLE

In the Name of God amen. I Thomas Paine now inhabitant in New Castle on the Great Island In the Province of New Hampsheir In New England Trader being weak in Body But of Sound and perfect Memory do make this my Last Will and Testament

Imprimis I make and Ordaine my wife Elizabeth Paine my Sole Executrix of and in all my Estate Scituate or being in or on this place Called New Castle both Moveables and Immoveables and of all things within dores or without during her Naturall Life being sfor and towards her particular support and Comfortable
being and also for the support and Education of my Son Thomas Paine and my Daughter Daughters Namely Jane Elizabeth Catherine and Ann Paine—

Item I give and Bequeath unto my said Son Thomas Paine when he comes to Age all my Land and Estate Scituate and being at Cachecha Barwick Sammon Falls. To be possessed by him.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my abovesaid daugh'ter Jane Paine, Twenty pounds in Money when she is Come to Age to be paid out of my Estate by my Sayd Son Thomas Paine—

Item My will is That m' Robert Elliot and m' Richard Waldren Be my Overseer to See that this My last will will be executed and performed hereby Revaking and disanulling all former wills Dated this twenty seaventh Day of October in the year of our Lord One Thousand Six hundred Ninety and fower. witness my hand and Seal

Signed Sealed and Delivered Thomas Pain [seal]

in presence of
Robt Elliot
Nicho Heskins

[Proved Aug. 22, 1700.]

[Inventory, Jan. 17, 1700/1; amount, £311.14.7; signed by Francis Tucker and John Holden.]

JOHN KNIGHT 1694 DOVER

John Bunker, Sarah Bunker, & Mary Hanson being at the house of John Knight of Dover upon the 11th day of Novemb' 1694 to vissitt him in his sickness—

he being weak of Bodie but of perfect memory and a Sound disposeing mind Calling his wife to him did Publish & declare his Last will & Testament in ord' to the settlement of his outw'd Estate In manner & forme: Vz: Im': he did give and bequeath to Zack: Pittman £5: to be payd this fall out of his Estate: 2½ he did give & bequeath ten' pounds apiece to his two prentices Vz
Wm & Henry Hill five pounds apiece of it in money if they faithfully serve their time out with their dame. 3dly he did give & bequeath to his Cozen Leah Nute five Pound: 4thly he did give and bequeath five pounds to the Meeting house in money to be disposed of by the Friends for the use and Benefitt of those that belong to them: 5thly ye Remainder of his Estate personal and Reall after his Debts payd And his funerall Charge Defrayd, he did give and bequeath to Leah his beloved wife and Sister Jone if his wife were willing & her Sister willing to Improve wth her to be joyntly managed by them togethether, and if any of his name should after apear that his Sister Should own to be akin to him, he should have the Lands after their decease, the Mooveables to be theires, and at their dispose for Ever: Lastly he did Constitute & appoint his beloved Wife Leah his Sole Executrix, in trust to see this his Will performed—

Testes
Sarah Bunker
Mary Hanson
John Bunker:

[Proved Dec. 3, 1694, and administration granted to his widow, Leah Knight, and his sister, Joan Knight.]


[Inventory, Dec. 19, 1694; amount, £486.5.0; taken by John Tuttle, Thomas Roberts, and Zacharias Field.]

[Citation to the widow, Leah Knight, March 13, 1700/1, to appear and answer a complaint of Joan Knight, sister of John Knight, that the estate is not divided according to the will.]

[Agreement between Leah Knight and Joan Knight, April 21, 1702, appointing Charles Story and John Pickering referees to settle the estate; witnesses, John Bampton, Samuel Tibbetts, and William Dam.]
Province of New Hampshire. There are severances between Leah Newhamshire & Joan knight of John knight descended & Joan knight All of Dover, relating to ye devition of Sr John knights Aforesaid Estate, for ye final Esheving thereof, the Sr Leah knight and Joan knight did make choice of us Charl's Story & John Pickenin both of portsmouth, & bound themselves: each to ye other in ye full sum of one hundred pounds current money: too stand to Abid by & perform our Awards, as will at Large Appere by bond under their hands & seals bareing date ye 21st day of April 1702 now for ye final ending thereof—

be it known unto all persons whom it doth or may concern, that wee Charl's Story & John Pickenin afore mentioned having heard what both parties could allege against each other & well wayed All testimonies: & rightens to us presented in Sr Cas have & doe Award & determin as follooth—

first that ye twenty acres of Land purchased of major Waldron by Sr knight deceased, Ajoying to the dwelling house, half an Acer only Excepted to Lyn as comons: for both parties Improveing ye houseing as herein After Express All ye Rest of ye twenty acres to be & remain too ye only sole use benefit & behoff of her ye Sr Leah knight her heirs Executors administrators & Assigns for ever this being ye first devition, & that part of ye orchard within ye Sr Lands: too belong to her & her heirs: &c. for ever—

2dly. the Land from ye afore Sr bounds, to say from A small whitoke tree by ye path on ye north sid ye great barn thence A Long the path westerly. to ye westward corner of ye fence as it now standeth, & thence on A sow sow west poynpt through the Land to ye south Corner of ye first devition abovesd, thence on A straight Line through ye orchard, too ye first bound tree being A small whit oake as Allso All that feild planting or pastur Land Lying without ye bound afore Sr: at ye sowwest Corner, thes too parsel of Land to be & remain (together with that part of ye orchard within Sr boundry :) to ye only sole use benefit & behoff of Joan knight her heirs Executors administrators & Assigns for ever—

3dly the ten acres of Land on ye north side of ye way not being
all clear ground, too be Improved Equally betwen both partys: untell All s'd ten Acers be cleared and fenced then too be Equally devided betwen them or their order, northerly & southerly: to say y's east end to belong too Leah knight, & y's west end unto s'd Joan knight & their heirs for ever

4'y as to all y's other Lands unfenced to be Equally devided the one to have the one halff: & y's other the other halff to them & their heirs for ever—

5'y the great house to say y's Lower Room chamber & garrit with y's chimney & half y's seller together with y's East end of y's great barn to be & belong unto Leah knight her heirs &c: for ever together with halff y's halff acer of Land which is to Ly in comons as afore menshioned & y's other halff of y's great barn to Joan knight Her heires &c for ever—

6ly: the end Lentoo chimney & sid Lentoo of Said Great House Above & beloo as also y's Little barn together with y's old house (betwen them) allso halff y's halff acer of Land Aloted to s'd houseing to be & remain unto y's s'd sol use benifit & behuff of her the s'd Joan knight her heires Executors: &c: for ever with halff s'd seler it is our meaning y's old house to be for Leah knight holly: & y's Little barn Joan knights

7ly all y's Cattle & hors kind being all Redy devided to boath their sattesfacktions together with y's housall stuff & all other things: saveing the mony: which is twenty eight pounds, & is to be forth with devided at halffs:

8ly: wee doe further Award & Agree that as to all the Rest of y's personall Estat mentioned in y's Inventory relating to John knight deseced afor. S'd, be refered to y's Juditious oppenyon of the honrable: will: partridge Esq'r Leff'r govener of the province of Newhampshire, or his Successor as Judge of probate to settle & devid the same according to his prudent wisdom, given under oure hands & seals the first of June 1702—

John Pickerin—[seal]
Cha: Story [seal]
3rd October 1704

Leah Carr wife of Benedictus Carr formerly the widdow and Relict of John Knight Within mentioned and; Joan Knight Sister to said John Knight personally appeared before me the Subscriber hereof; and prayed that this Award & Agreement before Specified might be Confirmed allowed and Approved off by me Joseph Smith Judge of probate of wills &c: and Accordingly I the said Joseph Smith doe Confrirme Allow and Approve of the same/ And doe Order and decree that the personal Estate mentioned in the Inventory not yet_divided; be forthwith Divided between the said Leah and Joan; and further that Said Benedictus Carr who married the said Leah Knight is hereby Ordered to pay Unto the said Joan Knight ten pounds in Current pay of the Country in Bills or species in a Months time in full Satisfaction of Joan Knights share & proportion of all Debts due to the said John Knight in his life time/ And farther by the Consent of all Parties aforementioned I doe Order that the Said Benedictus Carr; build a Seller for the Said Joan Knight as good as her share of the seller mentioned in the Award, and build the same Under one of the Leanetous aforesaid which when done shall be to the sole use of said Joan Knight her heires & Assignes for ever and the said Joan Knight to acquit & Release her Right & halfe the seller given her by Said Award.

Cha. Story Reg't & secretary

FRANCIS DREW 1694 DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of Francis Drew of Oyster River, who was killed by the Indians, and left no will, granted to his brother, John Drew, Nov. 16, 1694.]
[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 65.]

[Inventory, Nov. 19, 1694; amount, £55.5.6; signed by John Tuttle and Thomas Roberts; attested by John Drew of Dover, brother, March 6, 1694/5.]
[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 93.]
[Additional inventory, March 4, 1695/6; amount, £4.15.0; signed by John Tuttle and Nicholas Otis.]
[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 93.]

[Administration on the estate granted to Thomas Drew, oldest son, Nov. 16, 1696, he having returned from captivity among the Indians.]

[Bond of Thomas Drew, with Thomas Edgerly and John Daniell as sureties, all of Oyster River, in the sum of £100, Nov. 16, 1696, for the administration of the estate.]

[Account of John Drew against the estate for expenses of administration; amount, £8.7.8; signed by John Drew; allowed Nov. 23, 1696; mentions Mary Drew, daughter of Francis Drew.]
[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 103.]

[Various receipts, etc., containing signatures of Joseph Smith, John Smith, Thomas Drew, Thomas Edgerly, and John Tuttle.]
[Probate Records, vol. 3, pp. 91, 93.]

SAMUEL ROLLINS 1694 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Rollins of Portsmouth granted to his widow, Rebecca Rollins, Nov. 23, 1694.]

[Bond of Rebecca Rollins, with John Pickering and William Cotton as sureties, all of Portsmouth, Nov. 23, 1694, in the sum £150, for the administration of the estate; witness, William Redford.]

[Inventory of the estate of Samuel Rollins, who died Oct. 29, 1694; taken Jan. 21, 1694/5; amount, £71.15.0; signed by John Pickering and William Cotton.]
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[Division of the insolvent estate, at £0.7.6 in the pound; allowed Dec. 3, 1706.]


Mention is found of George Snell who married the Widow Hull; Rebecca Rollins, mother of Joseph Rollins; Obadiah Morse, brother of Rebecca Rollins; Hannah Hull of Portsmouth, widow, March 3, 1689/90.]

WILLIAM BROOKING 1694 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of William Brooking of Sagamore creek, Portsmouth, granted to his widow, Mary Brooking, Nov. 26, 1694.]


[Bond of Mary Brooking, with John Savage and John Lang as sureties, all of Portsmouth, Nov. 26, 1694, in the sum of £200, for the administration of the estate; witness, William Redford.]

[Inventory, Nov. 28, 1694; amount, £186.16.6; signed by John Savage and John Lang.]

Province New-Hampshire

Mary Lewsy

The Bounds of Your Divityonall Parte of your fathers Land wher your house stands Is as ffoloeth viz' begines at the North end Levinge out Eight Rods for the Three Acres of Land Sould
by your father to John Presson wch is to Run Este the Hoole Length of your fathers Land. You begin in the South Line & Rods from the Burch Stumpe and Run about ten Rods Este (as Said Pressones Land Runneth) to a Stake, and from Said Stake South to your feld, thence Round the Esterly Side of Said feld to the South Este parte of your fence, and from that parte of the fence to the Apple (or other frute) tree Standinge in the Little garden on the Hill, and from that tree Downe to ye Marsh to a stake there Drove. Your Parte of Marsh Joyninge to your Land, and is Staked oute this Beinge your Bounds on the Este Side of your Land and Marsh, So that all the Land Westward of this Line, and formerly Belonginge to your father Brooken, Now belongeth to you for your Share, as wee have Bounded it oute. Dated this eighteenth Daye of February 1702/3. You are Also to paye, Twenty foure Shillinges & yere and Every yere Unto William Walker and Mary his Wife Duringe her Naturall Life, and the foure Shills: to be paid in Monny Every yere, the Twenty Shillings in good paye Every Yere Duringe her Naturall Life—

George Snell [& sele]
George Walker [& sele]
John Pickering [& sele]

Your propertyon for the Labor in this Divition is Six Shillings

[Deeds, vol. 7, p. 213.]

WILLIAM RICHARDS 1694 PORTSMOUTH

[Inventory of the estate of William Richards of Portsmouth, who died Nov. 4, 1694; taken Nov. 28, 1694; amount, £119.9.0; signed by Christian Remick, Peter Dixon, and Isaac Remick.]

[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 49.]

[Administration on the estate of William Richards granted to his widow, Mary Richards, Dec. 10, 1694.]

CHARLES ADAMS 1694/5 DURHAM

[Bond of Charles Adams, with Nicholas Harris and Thomas Bickford as sureties, in the sum of £150, Jan. 9, 1694/5, for the administration of the estate of Charles Adams; witness, William Redford.]


[Inventory, signed by Nicholas Harrison and Thomas Bickford; amount, £98.8.6; attested by Charles Adams, son of the deceased, April 1, 1695.]

[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 87.]

CALEB BECK 1694/5 PORTSMOUTH

[Inventory of the estate of Caleb Beck, March 5, 1694/5; amount, £77.15.9; signed by Job Alcock and John Tuck; attested by the widow, Hannah Beck, March 11, 1694/5.]


[Bond of Hannah Beck, with Samuel Keais and Splan Lovell as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £100, Feb. 21, 1694/5, for the administration of the estate of her husband, Caleb Beck; witness, William Redford.]


JOHN RAND REMEMBRANCE RAND 1694/5

[Bond of John Rand, with Thomas Edgerly and Edward Leathers as sureties, March 5, 1694/5, in the sum of £200, for the administration of the estate of John Rand and Remembrance Rand; witness, William Redford.]
GEORGE JONES 1694/5 EXETER

In the name of God Amen I Georg Jones of Exeter in the Province of New Hampshire in New England planter; being of a sound & perfect mind & memorie, but very weak of Bodie, * * *

It After all my due debts payd, I do give unto my Wife Marie Jones all my Estate of what Nature soever, Lands Houses and Household Stuff's; & Chattles during her natural life and after her decease I doe give what she has not spent, unto my Daughter Sarah Speed and to her Children after her; and I do by these presents nominate and apoint my well beloved wife Mary Jones to be my Lawful Executrix to this my last Will & Testament, and I the s'd George Jones have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 14th day of March in the year of our Lord God 1694

Signed Sealed & Delivered George Jones [seal]
in presence of us
Edward Cloutman
Trustram Coffin

[Proved Sept. 23 and Oct. 22, 1695.]

[Inventory of the estate of George Jones, who died Sept. 27, 1695; taken by Lieut. — Leavitt, Moses Leavitt, and James Kidd; amount, £68.8.6.]

Eliz Jones Daughter of mary Allen desiring her father Jacob Allen may be her Guardian &c allow'd
[Probate Minutes, Sept. 1, 1724.]

NATHANIEL BOULTER 1695 HAMPTON

[Inventory of the estate of Nathaniel Boulter of Hampton, yeoman, who died March 14, 1694/5; taken April 16, 1695; amount, £235.2.6; signed by Richard Sanborn and John Garland.]
JONATHAN THING 1695 EXETER

[Inventory of the estate of Capt. Jonathan Thing, May 3, 1695; amount, £549.7.7; signed by Peter Coffin and Moses Leavitt; attested by Nicholas Gilman, brother-in-law to Jonathan Thing, Feb. 21, 1695/6, and by Peter Coffin and Moses Leavitt Sept. 23, 1700.]

[Administration on the estate of Capt. Jonathan Thing of Exeter granted to Nicholas Gilman of Exeter Feb. 22, 1695/6, the widow, Martha Thing, renouncing administration, and the oldest son, Jonathan Thing, being a minor. Martha Thing was step-mother of the son, Jonathan Thing.]


[List of debts due from the estate, March 29, 1700; amount, £98.3.8; debts due to the estate, £35.18.10.]

[Petition of Jonathan Thing, administrator of the estate of his father, Jonathan Thing, that the court make a division of the estate among the rest of the children; mentions Matthew Whipple of Ipswich, Mass., "who hath my youngest Brother in his care."

Province of New Hampshire. The Division or Distribution of Capt. Jonathan Thing Late of Exeter dec'd his Estate Now Under the Administrac'on of Jonathan Thing of Exeter yeaman the eldest son of said Jonathan Thing dec'd Settled this 24th Sep' 1700/

Whereas the said Jonathan Thing Ad'mr &c. hath Exhibited an Inventory into the office of the Registry of probate of wills, and Granting of Administrac'ons Amounting to the sum'e of ffour hundred and fifty one pounds three shillings and Eleaven pence, as Valued and Apprized Upon Oath by Peter Coffin and Moses Levett of Exeter Esq.'

I William Partridge Esq' L' Govern' of the province aforesaid doe make this Division, Distribuc'on or Settlement of Said Estate in Manner and forme foll' being as the Law in such Cases directs./
Imprimis to Martha the late widow of Capt. Jonathan Thing dec'd during her life; one third part of two hundred Sixty five pounds ten shillings; which third part amounts to 88:10:00.

2ndly To Martha the late widow of Capt. Jonathan Thing dec'd as aforesaid one Third of one hundred Eighty five pounds, fourteen shillings being the 7th sonall Estate which amounts to 61:18:00.

The Remainder of the Estate, being three hundred pounds Sixteen shillings; I divide into Eight parts as follow among ye Children of the said dec'd.

Imprimis to Jonathan Thing the Eldest sonn & Adm'r &c. of Capt. Jonathan; Thing his father dec'd. to John Thing, Brother of the said Jonathan Thing, Adm'r &c: 75:04:00

to Bartholemew Thing ditto 37:12:00
to Joseph Thing ditto 37:12:00
to Benjamin Thing ditto 37:12:00
to Dan'l Thing ditto 37:12:00
to Eliz'a Thing, Sister &c 37:12:00

451:04:00

And Lastly I doe hereby Settle divide or distribute ye the Said Eighty Eight pounds ten shillings given to the widow of the dec'd during her life. (after she dyes be equally divided into Eight parts being 11th: 1st: 34th: an Eight part & distributed amongst the Said Children; or to soe many shares or Parts, as there shall be Children above Named Liveing or their heires after the decease of the said widow—

Wm Partridge L's Gov'r

Cha. Story Secretary


PHILIP TUCKER 1695 PORTSMOUTH

[Inventory of the estate of Philip Tucker, June 18, 1695; amount, £60.0.0; signed by Matthew Nelson and Richard Joce.]

[Administration on the estate of Philip Tucker of Portsmouth, fisherman, granted to Edward Cate of Portsmouth, house-carpen-
ter, and his wife, Elizabeth Cate, daughter of the deceased, Sept. 6, 1699.]
[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 196.]

[Account of Edward Cate, administrator, against the estate; not dated; amount, £59.3.8; amount of estate, £60.0.0; men-
tions his wife and a widow of the deceased.]

[Account, by Edward Cate, administrator, of the settlement of
the estate; amount of estate, £60.0.0; expenditures, £63.12.6; allowed Aug. 9, 1701; mentions a widow in Boston, Mass.]

[Various bills and notes containing signatures of Edward Rand-
dall, tailor, Daniel Wescott, Philip Tucker of Portsmouth, fisher-
man, Richard Chamberlain, Shadrack Walton, and Elizabeth Clark.]

EDWARD MELCHER 1695 PORTSMOUTH

The Last will and Testament of Edward Melcher of Portsm°
this 5th of August 1695// I Edward Melcher of Portsm° in the
Provence of N Hampsh' being of Perfect memorie but weak of
body * * *

I will that my land be Equally Devided between my three Chil-
dren Nathn' Sam'l & Mary, and if either of my Sons die before they come to Posses their Share that his portion shall be Equally Divided between the Survivors: my son Nathaniel shall have my Dwelling House wth his Share of Land where the house Stands: the next to it where my Barne and Shop stands to be my Son Samuells and the other to my Daughter Mary where her house now Stands: Only I will that my Sister in Law Sara Acreman & Walter Windsor shall have the Liberty to dwell where they now dwell during their Natural Lives:

I will farther that my wife shall Live with my Daughter Mary and that She shall have all my moveables in order there unto that she may be maintained comfortably by her while she lives att least so farr as her own Estate will not doe it:

Finally I make my beloved Son in Law Samuell Jackson my Sole Execut' of this my last Will and Testament; In Testimony to all the Premises I sett to my hand and Seale this 5th of Aug't 1695

Signed Sealed & published as his Last Will and Testament [seal] Edw'd X Melcher

by Edward Melcher in presence of us the day and Year above writtin

Obediah Mors
Nicholas Bennitt
Jacob Lavers
[Proved Aug. 24, 1695.]

JOHN FLETCHER 1695 PORTSMOUTH

The last Will & Testament of John Fletcher of Portsmouth in the Prov. Of New Hamp's. in New England Chirurgeon—In the Name of God Amen I John Fletcher being very Crazy in body But of perfect Memory do ordain This to be my last Will & Testament hereby Revoking & Disannulling all form' Wills by me
heretofore made— Imprim* I Commit my Soul unto the hands of the Father of Spirits Hoping in the Mercy of my Lord Jesus Christ unto Everlasting Life— My Worldly Estate I Dispose of as followeth

I give unto my only & well beloved Son Nicholas Fletcher my house & Land with Gardens & Orchard & outhouses here in Portsmouth with all the Privileges & Appurten* there There unto belonging Together with my part of my Mothers House & Land in Plymo*th given me by her Will & Entailed upon him as my heir both which Houses & Land I give unto my Said Son & his heirs forever— I also Give to my Son Nich*o Fletcher all the rest of my· Estate in household Goods wearing Clothes Drugs Instrum* Debts Money & whatsoever Else belongs to me or Shall hereafter be Due appertain or belong to me And Farther I will that it Shall not be in the power of my Son Nich*o Fletcher to Alienate any part of·the Housing & Land I have given him unless his Circumstances Should be Such as that the Over Seers of my Will Should See Meet to advise the Sale of a Small parcel of the Land in the Front for an House Lot and if my Said Son Dye without heirs or heirs of his body Lawfully begotten the House & Land shall go to my Daughter Mary & her heirs but if he have heirs of his own & he or they be Disposed to Sell the part or whole I do not forbid them only my Daughter Mary or her heirs shall have the refusal of it she or they paying So much as another will nor Shall he Dispose of any other Goods I have Given him without the advice of the Over Seers Farther I make my Son Nich*o Fletcher the Sole Exec* of this my last Will & Testam* & willing him to Defray all my just Debts & funeral Charges willing him always to Consult my good friends & Brethren Sam* Kiese & John Dennet whom I request to be my Over Seers both about my Funeral and also other matters of Concernn* whom I have desired to be Good friends to & Careful of him and make no Scruple of·their Fidelity therein and as a Token of my Love I give to Mr Joshua Moody a piece of Spanish Gold and an English piece of Gold to m* Sam* Keise & a Silver Spoon to John
Dennet. In Testimony to all the premisses I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal Portsmouth the third Day of Novemb' One thousand Six hundred ninety & four—

John Fletcher did Sign & Seal this Instrum^t and Declared it to be his Last Will & Testament the Day & Year above written in presence of

John Tucker
Obadiah Mors
William Pitman

Portsmouth in New Hamp' August the 27th 1695—

I John Fletcher being weak in body but of perfect Memory & Sound Judgment to think meet to make this Addition as a Codicel to this my above written Last Will & Testament viz I do give unto my Daughter Mary Bennet besides what I have formerly given to her husband Nicholas Bennet & besides the bedding & Linen now in their possession as also an Iron Kettle She Carried from my house I also do give her a Small Silver Cup with a foot no in my posseion I also do give unto my Grand Child Mary Bennet one Silver Spoon Marked M H which I do appoint my Exec^t before named to deliver to my Daughter to Say the Cup & the Spoon after my Decease In Witness whereof I hereunto Set my hand & Seal this 27th Day of Aug't 1695

Witness
John Tucker
Obadiah Mors
William Pitman

[Proved Sept. 21, 1695.]

CHARLES ADAMS 1695 DURHAM

[Inventory of the estate of Charles Adams of Oyster River, son and heir of Charles Adams of the same place, Nov. 9, 1695;
amount, £53.10.0; signed by John Pender and Jeremiah Burnham; attested by Temperance Adams Jan. 9, 1695/6.]

PHILIP CHESLEY 1695

Province of \\s desember the 18th 1695
Newhamshare \\

The will and Testament of Phillip I Being Sick and weak in body but in perfect understanding and Meameary not knowing how long god will Lengthen my Life in this world I doue dispose of my worldly goods in manner As folloeath After a desent buriell and all Lawfull debts paid I give unto my Eldest Son Samuell Chastly tue therds of all my possead Lands At the Plase Comingly Callead Newtowne and fresh Marish thereunto belonging . . . with all Rights Grants and Priviliges I like wise give unto my Sone Samell Chastly Toue oxon and Toue Cowes I Like wise give unto my Son James Chastly the other theard of all my Land and Meadows at the Place Comingly Called Newtoun I Like wise give unto my Son Phillip Chasely all my Rights title and in trust of all the Lands that I have in oyster River I all so give unto my Son Ebinzear Chastly the Grant that I have of therty Eackers of Land I like wise give unto my wife Sarah Chastly all the Rest of my moveables within dores and with out dores Exsept towe oxon and towe Cous that I have given unto my Eldest Son Samell Chastly the Reyst of my Estate I Leave with my wife for the benifit of the Children which I leave behinde me to dispose of It as she See good witness my hand and Seale the day and yeare Above writen

Witness Us
Edward Wakeham
Joseph Davis
Joseph Smith

his Mark
Philip X Chastly
JOHN WEST 1695 NEWCASTLE

[Inventory of the estate of John West, Dec. 27, 1695, taken at the request of the widow, Elizabeth West; amount, £445.18.6; signed by Pheasant Eastwick and Thomas Cobbett.]

[Probate Records, vol. 3, pp. 73, 74.]

[Administration on the estate of John West of Newcastle granted to his widow, Elizabeth West, Dec. 30, 1695.]


ELIAS STILEMAN 1695

The Last will and Testament of Maj’r Elias Stileman
New Castle Decemb’r 18th 1695.

In the name of God Amen, I Elias Stileman being Sick of Bodie but of good & Perfect Memory (blessed be God for itt) do make and ordain this my last Will & Testament in manner & fforme as followeth hereby revoking all former Wills

Impres: I Give and bequeath my Soule to God that Gave itt to me hopeing in & through the merrits of our Lord & blessed Saviour to inberritt Everlasteing life:

Item I give & bequeath my Bodie to the Earth, whereof it was made there to be decently buried

Item I give unto my Grandaughter Ruth Tarlington all my bookes excepting two or three Bookes that my wife shall chuse for her own use

Item I Give unto my s^d Grandafter the Gould Ring I had att the burieing of Mr Rich^d Martin deceased.—

Item I give unto my Said Grandafter the Silvere Salt celler I had of my last wife

Item I give unto my Daughter In Law Elizabeth Allcutt my gold Ring I had of James Trueworthy

Item I give unto my s^d Daughter in Law Elizabeth Allcutt all that peice of Land on the other side of the highway beyond the house that was James Waymouths and adjoyns to the Land of
In Fabes or the land that lyeth below the house of the s\textsuperscript{d} James Waymouth of w\textsuperscript{th} two pieces She hath her Choyce.

Item I give unto my Daughter in Law Johanna Cutt the Gold Ring I had at Mrs Vaughans burial:

Item I give unto my three Daughters in Law Each of y\textsuperscript{m} a Gold Ring of the like valew of the Ring given unto Johannah Cutt.

Item I give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved wife Luce Stileman all my household Stuff both w\textsuperscript{th}in dures & without of what kind soever as also all my Stock of Goods, moneys & plate (excepting w\textsuperscript{t} already given away) to her & her heirs forever:

Item I give to my s\textsuperscript{d} Wife Luce Stileman all my Stock of Cattle att her ffarme att Sturgeon Creeke: to her and her Heires for Ever:

Item I Give to my Wife Luce Stileman, During her natural Life all the house & Land we now live in

Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Elias Tarlington Sone of my Grandafter Ruth Tarlington all the house Houseing & Land that I now live in to him & his Heirs forever after the Deceas of my Wife Luce Stillman my s\textsuperscript{d} Grandson payeing to whom my s\textsuperscript{d} Wife shall will it to be payed; that is to say ten pounds a year, untill the fortie pounds is Compleated: the s\textsuperscript{t} fortie pounds to be payd after my Wifes Deceas:

Item I give unto my Grandson W\textsuperscript{m} Tarlington Son of my Grandafter Ruth Tarlington the Sum of five pounds to be payd by my Grandson Elias Tarlington, to be payd within one year after he is Possest of the above house given him by me:

Item I make my Beloved Wife Luce Stileman my whole & Sole Executrix to this my Last Will & Testament

Item I doe make my beloved ffriends Mr Sam\textsuperscript{d} Daniell of Yorke & Mr John Shapleigh of Kittery overseers of this my Will:

Witness

Rob\textsuperscript{t} Elliot

Jn\textsuperscript{o} Hinks

Fran: Tucker

[Proved Dec. 30, 1695.]

ROBERT WATSON  1695/6  DURHAM

[Inventory of the estate of Robert Watson, who died in 1694; amount, £111.13.6; taken Jan. 9, 1695/6; signed by Thomas Edgerly and James Davis; attested by Joseph Kent Feb. 4, 1695/6.]

[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 77.]

[Administration on the estate of Robert Watson of Oyster River granted to John Ambler of Oyster River, weaver, and his wife, Hannah Ambler, formerly widow of the deceased, March 2, 1702/3. Jacob Kent appeared Feb. 27, 1702/3, and renounced administration formerly granted to him.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 255.]

[Warrant, March 2, 1702/3, authorizing Thomas Edgerly and Joseph Meader, both of Oyster River, to appraise the estate.]

[Bond of John Ambler of Oyster River, weaver, with Thomas Edgerly, weaver, and Francis Matthews, yeoman, both of Oyster River, as sureties, March 2, 1702/3, in the sum of £500, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, John Church and Charles Story.]

[Inventory, May 4, 1703; amount, £88.1.6; signed by Thomas Edgerly and Joseph Meader. The following is added:—

"Sir I have hear given an Invitatory of my Estate that now Remaineth but I must further acquaint you that I have Laid out

for my Ransom          . . . . . .  20l—00s—00d

to a french man who promised to redeem my

son therwith             . . . . . .  02l—10s—00d

to bro Kent for his administration and Care .  05l—00s—00d:

for Rates Laid while I was in Captivity          . . . . . .  01l—01s—00d.

28l  11s  00d]

besides Cloathing my self when I Came naked out of Captivity & besides Repairing and fencing the hous and Lands this was dispursed out of the Estate by me

hannah X ambler"
MOSES WINGATE 1695/6

DOVER

In the Name of God Amen the four and Twentieth day of January Anno Dni 1695 And in the Seveth year of the reign of our Soveraign Lord King William the third by the grace of God of England Scotland France and Ireland Defender of the faith &c I Moses Winget of New Hampshire in New England Mariner now att London being Sick and weak in body but of Sound and Composed minde and memory praise and thanks be therefor Asscribed to Almighty God, Doe make publish and declare this my last Will and testament in manner and forme following (That is to Say. Imprimis I Give and bequeath unto Mr Nicholas ffollett of New Hampshire in New England Mariner now att London All my wearing apparrell and Clothes of all Sorts to his use and disposall Item I Give Devise and bequeath unto my welbeloved Sister Ann Wingett of Newhampshire in New England Spister All and Singular my Messuages lands tenements and hereditament monies debts wages goods Chatles and Estate whatsoever Not herein before Given and which Shall Remaine Cleare after payment of all my Just Debts and funerall Chargs And I Doe name appoint and make my trusty freind Mr Nicholas ffollett and my Said loveing Sister Ann Wingett Executor and Executrix of this my last Will and testament In Witnesse whereof I the Said Moses Wingett to this my last Will and testament have put my hand and Seale the day month and Years abovewritten."

Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the Testator In the presence of.

John Sherburn
Samuel Allcock
Theo Pomeroy No vy Publ
Jullpper Shadwell

[Proved March 10, 1697/8; allowed Aug. 7, and administration granted to "Elizabeth" Hodgdon, wife of Israel Hodgdon, formerly Elizabeth Wingate, sister of the deceased.]
[Warrant, Aug. 7, 1705, authorizing Capt. John Tuttle and
Zacharias Field, both of Dover, to appraise the estate of Moses
Wingate of Cochecho, mariner, Nicholas Follett being dead, and
administration granted to "Ann Wingett as Executrix in the
will Named now the wife of Israell Hodsdon."]

[Inventory, Sept. 29, 1705; amount, £55.10.0; signed by John
Tuttle and Zacharias Field.]

THOMAS WIGGIN 1695/6 EXETER

[Inventory of the estate of Thomas Wiggin of Squamscott,
Feb. 18, 1695/6; amount, £268.12.0; signed by Samuel Thing
and Daniel Bean.]

[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 91.]

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Wiggin of Exeter
granted to Martha Thing, wife of Capt. Jonathan Thing of Exeter,
formerly widow of the deceased, Feb. 22, 1695/6.]


[Account of Mrs. Martha Whipple, administratrix to the estate
of her late husband, Thomas Wiggin of Squamscott, Oct. 19,
1704; mentions a daughter, Hannah Wiggin; allowed, Nov. 3,
1704.]

JOHN FABES 1696 NEWCASTLE

New Castell May the 14th 1696

In the Name off God Amen May the ffourteenth one thousand
Six hundred ninetey and Six To all Christian Peopel Gretinge
Know Yee that I John Fabes Doe make this My Last Will and
Testament in Maner as followeth I being Very Sick off Body

I Give unto my dearely beloved Wife Elizabeth Fabes all my
Estate Both Reall and Personall; Sittuate Leying in America or
aney other parte of ye World Dureing her Naturall life; she pay-
ing all my Just Debts and Charges as aforesaid paying To my Naturall Dafter Debora Fabes as her portion fiftey Pound In Sutch things As her Mother Shall bee best abell to pay her in at Said Debora Fabes Day off Marriag; And I Doe allso give unto my Said Dafter, one ffether Bed and ffurniture and My ould house on the Great Iland Situate on and lieing next to the Land off Cap' Elias Stileman Deceased with all the Land thereunto belonginge on the heighway, over against my Grate ware house, To her the Said Debora and to her Heirs ffor Ever; And I Doe make my Dearley beloved Wife Elizabeth Fabes my whole and Soale Executrex off this my Last Will and Testament; witness My hand and Seale the year and Day above Said

Robt Elliot
Jacob Rendell
Francis Tucker
[Proved Aug. 1, 1698.]

HENRY BROWN 1696 PORTSMOUTH

[Inventory of the estate of Henry Brown of Portsmouth, June 24, 1696; amount, £48.13.7; signed by John Pickering and John Snell; attested by Alice Brown July 6, 1696.]

[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 95.]

JOHN EDMUNDS 1696

[Inventory of the estate of John Edmunds, who was killed by the Indians June 26, 1696; taken June 27, 1696; amount, £32.1.5; signed by Henry Sherburne and Benjamin Cotton; attested by John Westbrook and John Sherburne Aug. 24, 1696.]


THOMAS EDMUNDS 1696

[Inventory of the estate of Thomas Edmunds, who was killed by Indians June 26, 1696; taken June 27, 1696; amount, £168.
STEPHEN WILLEY 1696 DURHAM

To all persons to whome this Deed of Gift will or Instrument in writing comes, Stephen Willy of Oyster River in the province of New Hampshire in New England Sendeth Greeting. Know yee that whereas I the Said Stephen Willy being now bound to Sea on a voyage in the Shipp Unity Thomas Cobbett Commander for Barbadoes, do if death should Seize me or in Case of my never Returne to New England, Give Grant and Bequeath unto my Sonn Thomas Willy all that my dwelling House and fifty Acres of Land more or less neare it. And alseoe tenn Acres of Land, that lyes between Thomas Bicksford, and Joseph Kents Land And alseoe Six Acres of Marsh Land and thirty Acres of Upland which lyes at Greenland be it more or less together with all the Thach Banks beds and priviledges thereof. And alseoe I hereby give & bequeath unto my Said Sonn Thomas willy two Oxen, one Cow one Calfe, and all my sheep wherever they may be found. And I Stephen Willy doe alseoe hereby give and bequeath unto my daughter Abigail Willy all that parcell or Tract of Land which I bought and purchased of Bernard Squire lying at little Bay Together with one Cow and a Calfe and two Sheep To have and possess take and Enjoy all the above demised Lands and Estate Moveables and Immovable to him and her and they & their heires Exec* and Assignes for ever (my owne Mortality as above Expresst Excepted) Given under my hand and seale this fourth day of July in the yeare of our Lord one thousand Six hundred Ninety and Six.

Signed Sealed & Delivrd

In presence of
Tho: Cobbitt
Theodore Atkinson

Signum
Stephen X Willy [seal]
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

Stephen Willy appeared this 4th July 1696 and acknowledged the above to be his Act and Deed before me

Shadrach Walton Just: Peace

Entred and Recorded by the Original the 27th day of January Anno Domini 1700

♂ Cha: Story Secretary

[Probate Records, vol. 5, p. 405.]

PHILIP TOWLE 1696 HAMPTON

In the name of God Amen; I Phillip Towle of Hampton in the Province of New Hampshire in New England Senior, being Sick and weake off Body * * *

Imp' I give and bequeath unto Esabell my well beloved wife all my Stock of Cattell of all soarts what soever and all my Move-abell Goods within dors and without to be all at her disposeing off for her Comfortabell livelyhood And for her to dispose off among my Children according to her Discretion: I also give unto her three Cows to be kept, and four Sheep and Two Swine to be kept and Maintained yearly and every yeare by my Executours Dureing her natural life or her day off mariage as also twelve bushells of Indian Corne Dureing the terme above said to be paid by my Executours

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Son Phillip Towle all that Land in his possesion where his house; Standeth allso one Share of the Cow Com'ons in Hampton and one Aker of Meadow or Marsh att the North East of my Meadow by the great Boars head I also give unto him my grant of Land in the north Division Comonly so called—

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Son Joshu Towle all that Land that he have in his possesion where his house Standeth

It I give and bequeath unt Benjemen Towle my well beloved Son all that Land he have In his possession where his house Standeth Allso one Share off the Cow Com'on off the towne off
Hampton as Allso my Marsh and that ground that belong to my share off the great ox Com’on in Hampton.

Item I give unto my well beloved Sons Joseph and Caleb Towle, my Dwelling house Baren; orchard and all my lott where Sayd House Standeth to be Eualey devided betwen them Joseph to have his halfe nex John Blaks Lott where sayd Josephs house stands I Also give unto them Joseph and Caleb one Share off the Cow Com’ons in Hampton I allso give unto them my Tenn akers of Marsh be it more or less towards the Clam Bancke or beyond the landing place, as allso my Share of upland on the great ox Co’mone and all my Marsh by the great Boares head Excepting Phillips acker all to be Eaualy Divided betwen them; with this proviso that they performe to theire Mother what I have ordered them as Executours in y*e Artickell of this my Will; Reserveing to my wife Dureing her natureall Life or to hir Day of Marryage the use off one off my fier Roomes She to have her choyce, and to be kept in Repaire by my Executors.

I Doe Make Constitute and appoint my Well beloved sons Joseph Towle and Caleb Towle, to bee my Soale Executors to this my Last Will and Testament them or Either of them If one day or Renownce his Executour Shipp then the other to be Executour a Lone; and ffor the perfformance and Declareing this to be my last Will and Testament I the said Phillip Towle Senr have here unto put my hand and fluxed my Seale this Eighteenth day of December in the yeare off our Lord Sixtenn Hundred nintey and Six in the Eigth yeare off the Reigne off our Sovereigne Lord William the third by the Grace of God King off Great Britaine offrance, and Ireland Defender off the Faith &c:

Witnesses
John Smith Senr
Samuell Smith
Henry Dow

[Proved May 25, 1697.]

[Probate Records, vol. 2, p. 27.]
[Inventory of the estate of Philip Towle, who died Dec. 20, 1696; taken Jan. 14, 1696/7; amount £240.5.0; signed by Henry Dow, John Smith, and John Dearborn.]

[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 113.]

JAMES LEACH 1696/7 PORTSMOUTH

In the name of God amen this 14th Day of January 1696/7 James Leach Senr off Portsm. In the Province of New Hampshire In New England: Beeing very weake of Body *

2nd My will is that all my Just debts bee paid as soone as my Ex- ecutrex Can my debts being payed and fflunurall charges defrayed what Remaineth I dispose off in maner and fforme ffollowing—

3dr I give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved Wife Jane Leach all my moveabells boath within doares and without of what Soart or kind soever Together with all the land housing and Marsh which I had with her For her Comfortable Subsistance dureing her Life; Leaveing it wholy to her selfe to give and dispose of what shall be left at her Death Amongst my Children or so many of them as She shall see good Reserveing out of all my Estate to be disposed of as herein after mentioned

Viz: I give and bequeath unto my Son John Leach all my Lands in the great bay being thirty fflouer ackers more or less givin me by the towne off Portsm.: to him and his heires ffforever always provided and it is to be plainly to be understood That if my 3d Son John Leach doe by what I have all ready given him and what shall be given him by my wife Jane, have hold an injoye the houseing and Land on whith I now live togeather with the marsh at Littell harbor, which I desire my beloved wife Jane to bestow upon him In case She Spends it not for her Comfortable Subsistance: That then my will is If my s'd Son John so be invested: I do in those considerations: Reserve, and give the one halfe of the said thirty fflouer akers to my Son James Leach his heirs &c for ever the other halfe to my s'd Son John Leach and his heirs &c: —
4thly My Will is that Each of my dafters be paid five Shilling A peese as theire portions
5thly And Lastly I doe make my beloved wife, my Sole Executrix of this my Last will giveing unto her my whole power as before mentioned for confirmation here off I have here unto Sett my hand and Seale the day and yeare above said.
in presents
John Pickerin Sen' James X Leach [seal]
Richard Endell and Seale

[Proved June 30, 1697.]
[Probate Records, vol. 2, p. 29.]

[Inventory; amount, £44.18.3; signed by John Pickering and Hubartus Mattoon; attested by the widow, Jane Leach, June 30, 1697.]


ROBERT EVANS 1696/7 DOVER

In the name of God Amen The nintenth day of February in the yeare of our Lord God 1696 I, Robert Evins sen' off Dover in the province off New Hampshire plant. being weake in body • • •

Imp' I doe give and bequeath to my three sons viz Robert Evins, Jonathan Evins and Joseph Evins; all that my three score ackers of land in the Ash swamp to be Equally divided amongst them to be had and held by them theire heirs and assigns for Ever—

Itm I doe give unto my other six children viz Elizabeth; Mary Hannah, Sarah Patience and Benjemen; five pounds apece to be paid by my Executors out of my Estate to my above named Children as they shall com to the age of Eighteen years and Benjemens to be paid at one and twenty—

Itm As to the remainder of my Estate after my Just and honest Debts paid and funerall charges defrayed I Doe give and bequeath
the one halfe part of all and singular the halfe of my deweling house barne orchard Lands meddow quick stock household goods and other goods mooveabell within doares and without to Ann my beloved wife to be had held and injoyned by her widdowhood or till my children arive at Lawfull age and then she is to have only one third parte of my estate and her third of a fether bed and furnu- ture belonging to it to be at her owne dissposeing the lands returning to my Executour at he[r] Marriage and death

Itm I give to my well beloved son Edward Evins whome I lickwise Constetute make and ordaine my only and sole Executor of this my last will and testament all and Singular my lands mesuage and Tenements with all other of my Estate personall reall where so ever it may be found the one halfe in actuall possesion the other half as it shall decend from his mother by mariage or death to be had and held by him and his Heires Lawfully begotten of his body and for want thereof to my son Joseph Evins to be had and held by them and theire heires as it shall desend from one generation too another for Ever And I doe hereby utterly disalow Revoke and make voyde all other wills and Testamentsformerly by me made Ratifying and Confirming this to bee my last will and testament in witness hereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seale the day and yeare above wrighten

Signed sealed and published in the presents of

John Tuttell Sen'r
Tho X Roberts sen'r his Mark
John Church

[Proved Nov. 5, 1697.]

[Inventory, Nov. 4, 1697; amount, £226.10.0; signed by Richard Scammon, Thomas Roberts, and John Tuttle.]
WILLIAM DAVIS 1697

The last will and testement of william davis now being weak and eal but in perfect memory I comit my sole to god who gave it my body to be buryed my estat as folloeth that is to say my whol estat lands and other gods to be at the proper sole youst bene fet and riett of my well beloveed wif elesabath daves dureing the time of her widdo hod my lands to be disposed of to owne of my sones whome mi wif shall see most worthi but not before he shall arive to the foll age of twenty one years he sone whome my estat shall be plast upon shall pay to the rest of his brothers and sisters as thay shall come in age five pownds apeas as mony in cattel or shuch things as the plase shall produse
I in trust and impour my brothers Sammuel and Joseph hill as overseers of my estat and children dated and sealed ye second day of aprel in presense of us

philip lewis yε mark of X williaum daves [seal]
Samuel Weeks

[Proved June 2, 1707, and the same day Daniel Allen makes oath that the will was signed and sealed in the year 1697.]

[Elizabeth Davis, widow, renounces administration on the estate in favor of her son, Samuel Davis, June 3, 1707.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 348.]

WILLIAM WENTWORTH 1697

[Inventory of the estate of William Wentworth of Dover, who died March 15, 1696/7; amount, £97.16.4; signed by Nathaniel Heard, Tristram Heard, and Thomas Downes; attested by the widow, Elizabeth Wentworth, April 4, 1697.]


JOHN GODFREY 1697

[Inventory of the estate of John Godfrey of Hampton, who died March 19, 1696/7; amount, £73.16.0; dated April 17, 1697;
signed by Henry Dow, Thomas Roby, and Isaac Marston; attested June 20, 1706.]

[Administration on the estate of John Godfrey granted to his son John Godfrey, June 4, 1706.]
[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 309.]

[Bond of John Godfrey of Hampton, with John Blake and Samuel Dearborn, son of Thomas Dearborn, as sureties, June 4, 1706, in the sum of £150, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Deborah Godfrey and Zacharias Brackett.]

NICHOLAS OTIS 1697 DOVER

[Inventory of the estate of Nicholas Otis of Dover; amount, £30.8.6; signed by Nathaniel Heard and George Ricard; filed May 18, 1697.]

JOHN DERRY 1697 DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of John Derry of Oyster River granted to his widow, Deliverance Derry, May 18, 1697.]

by the desier and order of m' Nathanel Fryer as quir baring deat the 8 of november 1697 for the devideng of the estate of John derry desesed in to thre pearts all the percens not Apering we the persens that Have Herunto subcribed Heve devided said Astet in maner as sollouth out of the movebely to nathenell pitman Husband to the dLeverens Derye twenty seven pound toe shilens and six pence and the other toe pearts Left in the Hands of the toe bonds mean: the Lands being in crottyversy we thought it not convenent to conseren our selves Aboutet

november the 13: 1697

John woodman
John smith
sfrances X Pitman
his mark

[Allowed Nov. 17, 1697.]
To the Right Honble Samll Allen Esq[ue]r Governor & Command[er] in Cheife; of his Maj[esty]s Province of New Hampshire; and Counciell Assembled Jan'y 7th 1698

The humble petition; of Deliverence Pittman; formerly the wife; of John Derry; and now the wife of Nathaniel Pittman.

Humbly Sheweth.—That in the yeare; 1694: yo'r petition's House; was Burnt by the Indians; and our Cattle Killed; as alsoe most of our Children; my husband, one Child, and yo'r Petition's taken Captives; in wch Captivitye my husband dyed; none but your Petition's Returned; hoping to enjoy what Estate was Left by yo'r Petition's husband; in due method of Law: In Pursuance to wch yo'r Petition's took out Letts of Administrac'on; gave in Securitye one Joseph Smith; and Jeremiah Burnam, which Securitye have since; violently; and Contrary to Law Seized; upon yo'r Petition's Cows; and Estate; the whole Amounting to Ninety Pounds, forty five of wch are in Lands; all there Pretence being for soe doing; that it is for the Good of my Children, which I had to my first husband; Derry; But in truth yo'r Petition's Knows of noe; Such Children; being now Liveing: and if yo'r Petition's have not the Cows; & Land againe; she & family must needs perish.—May it therefore Please yo' Hon'r and you Gentlemen of his Maj[esty]s Counciell; Seriously to Inspect into the illegall method of the Said Joseph Smith; and Jeremiah Burnam; and Comiserate the Condic'on of yo'r Petition's and Grant an order that the said Cows, & Estate may be Restored to yo'r Petition's or that the Said Joseph Smith and Jeremiah Burnam may Enter into Sufficient Securitye for the Keeping or withholding the said Cows: and Estate.

And yo'r Petition's shall pray &c—

Nath: Pitman

on behalfe of his wife Deliverence


[Inventory of the estate of John Derry; amount, £98.1.10; not dated or signed.]
[Agreement by Nathaniel Pitman and Deliverance Pitman, Sept. 22, 1701, for the release of Joseph Smith and Jeremiah Burnham, sureties on their bond for the administration of the estate.]

[Account of Joseph Smith and Jeremiah Burnham against the estate; allowed Sept. 22, 1701, and sureties discharged.]

[Bond of Nathaniel Pitman, Dover, yeoman, John Downing of Dover, butcher, and John Cotton of Portsmouth, butcher, Sept. 22, 1701, in the sum of £200, for the settlement, by Nathaniel Pitman, of any lawful claims against the estate.]

[Various documents, summonses, warrants, lists, etc., containing signatures of Joseph Smith, Jeremiah Burnham, Francis Tucker, Nathaniel Fryer, and Nathaniel Meader.]


ELIZABETH MASON 1697 HAMPTON

[Inventory of the estate of Elizabeth Mason of Hampton, who died May 21, 1697; taken by Isaac Godfrey and Josiah Sanborn May 24, 1697; amount, £122.10.0; attested by John Mason, administrator, July 28, 1698.]

[Administration on the estate of Elizabeth Mason of Exeter granted to her son, John Mason, May 18, 1698.]


[Warrant, Dec. 30, 1702, authorizing Henry Dow and Henry Williams, both of Hampton, to receive claims against the estate; signed by William Partridge.]

[List of claims against the estate; amount, £44.7.5; signed by Henry Dow and Henry Williams; mentions John Mason of Hampton, husband of Elizabeth Mason, and Mary Poore of Newbury, Mass., administratrix to her husband's, George Hardy's, estate.]
[Division of the estate, approved by William Partridge Oct. 18, 1703; mentions following children: John, oldest son, Francis, Joseph, Benjamin, Elizabeth, wife of James Johnson, Mary, Hannah, Catherine, and Esther.]

ALEXANDER GORDON 1697 EXETER

[Inventory of the estate of Alexander Gordon, Aug. 7, 1697; amount, £29.1.0; signed by Theophilus Dudley and Samuel Thing; attested by John Gordon of Exeter, a son, Aug. 15, 1697.]


provence of new hamshear
Samuel Thinge aged about thirty year’s testifieth that som time in this month of August he heard mary Gourden widow of Ellexander gordinge Seay that shee would not admenister upon her Lat husband estate:
Samuell Thinge made oth to the above evedence August 23: 1697

Peter Coffin Justis: P:

william gravs aged about twent tow years testifieth to the truth of the above written sworn Befor mee the deay above written
Peter Coffin J P


[Administration on the estate of Alexander Gordon of Exeter granted to his son, John Gordon, Aug. 25, 1697, the widow, Mary Gordon, and the oldest son, Nicholas Gordon, renouncing administration.]

[Probate Records, vol. 2, p. 34.]

mem'd that Jn° Gordon son of alex: Gordon dec'd to be cited to appear & give acc' of his admin: m° Smith Sister to s° Jn° Gordon to be notified to appear at s° time
& Nich: Gordon to be cited to give acc' of his guardianship to Sewals children

[Probate Minutes, Sept. 6, 1718.]

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JOHN WESTBROOK  1697  PORTSMOUTH

[Alice Westbrook renounces administration on the estate of her husband, John Westbrook, Aug. 11, 1697; witnesses, John Pickering and Nathan Knight.]


[Administration on the estate of John Westbrook of Portsmouth granted to his oldest son, Thomas Westbrook, Aug. 11, 1697.]


[Inventory, Aug. 12, 1697; amount, £255.16.3; signed by John Sherburne and Benjamin Cotton.]

[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 131.]

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SAMUEL HEARD  1697  DOVER

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Heard of Cocheco granted to his widow, Experience Heard, Aug. 31, 1697.]


[Inventory of the estate of Samuel Heard, who died Feb. 20, 1696/7; amount, £162.3.6; signed by Nathaniel Heard, Thomas Downes, and Ezekiel Wentworth; attested by the widow, Experience Heard, Aug. 31, 1697.]


Province of New Hampshire, An Act a Court of Probates of wills and Granting Letters of Administrations, within the said province &c this second day of July 1706

John Hird Sonn of Samuel Hird late of Cocheca in the Township of Dover deceased aged about fourteen years, personally
appeared before the Honourable Joseph Smith Esq' Judge of the probates aforesaid and desired that Tristram Hird his Uncle might be admitted as his Guardian or Tutor./

I doe therefor Allow Approve & Admitt of the Said Tristram Hird as Guardian to the said John Hird Untill he come to the Age of twenty one years.
Cha: Story Regr

Joseph Smith

JOHN YOUNG 1697 EXETER

[Administration on the estate of John Young of Exeter granted to Peter Coffin of Exeter, a créditoir, Sept. 28, 1697, the widow, Sarah Young, not appearing.]

[Inventory, Oct. 1, 1697; amount, £125.15.0; signed by Nicholas Gordon and Samuel Thing.]

JAMES BUNKER 1697 DURHAM

In the name of God Amen The 14th of October I the year of . . . God 1697 In the ninth yeare of the Reigne of our Lord King William the third King of England Scotland France and Ireland Defender of the ffaith

James Bunker of oyster River (Planter) In the Province of New Hampshire Being well strucken in Adge and weak in body*

I imprimus I give and bequeath to my well beloved son Jams Bunker Jun' from this day forward one halfe of the Plantation he now lives upon that is to say the house and land after my decease and my wife Sarah Bunker I doe give to my son James Bunker whom I lickwise Constetute make and ordaine my only & Sole Executor of this my last will and Testament all and singu-lor my lands, & Meseagments and Tenaments by him to be freely possesed and Injoyed after I and my wif Sarah decease:
Item I give to my well beloved son Joseph Buncker ten shillings I give to my well beloved son John Bucker five shillings and as touching any other Estat as Moveabell which shall be left after ye Decease of my selfe and my wife Sarah I Doe give it to be Equalley Devided Amongst all our Children and I doe here by utterly disalow, Revoake & Disanull all and Every other former Testaments, wills, Legeses, requests, Executors by me in any wise by me before this tim named willed and bequeathed; Retifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereoff I have hereunto set my hand and Seale ye Day and year above wrighten

Signed Sealed, Published pronounced and Declared by 3d James Buncker [Seal] James X Buncker [Seal] as his last will and testament in ye presents of us the Subscribers

Andrew Pepperell Sen'r
Andrew Pepperell
Willm Pepperell

[Proved June 24, 1698.]


[Inventory, June 22, 1698; amount, £86.0.0; signed by John Woodman and Joseph Smith.]

[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 149.]

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JOHN BAKER 1697 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration, with will annexed, of the estate of John Baker of Portsmouth granted to his only son, Benjamin Baker, Nov. 30, 1697, the widow, Sarah Baker, named as executrix, having died before the proving of the will.]

NICHOLAS MORRILL 1697 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Nicholas Morrill of Portsmouth, mariner, granted to Capt. Tobias Langdon Nov. 23, 1697. Nicholas Morrill is mentioned, in a fragment of another document, as having left two daughters only, "Margreate the wife of " The rest of the document is missing.]


[Inventory of the estate of Nicholas Morrill, "Left in the hands of margreat his wife tell her death and then taken and apprised by y" Subscribers here of Desember 28 1697"; amount, £128.0.6; signed by George Dam and Andrew Sampson, both of Portsmouth.]


[Receipt from Jethro Furber, in behalf of his wife, Elizabeth Furber, to Capt. Tobias Langdon, administrator, Jan. 28, 1719/20, for her share of the estate of her father, Nicholas Morrill; witnesses, W. Fellows and John Fellows.]

THOMAS CHESLEY 1697/8 DURHAM

[Inventory of the estate of Thomas Chesley, Oyster River, Jan. 17, 1697/8; amount, £195.10.0; signed by John Woodman and Joseph Smith.]


[Administration on the estate of Thomas Chesley of Oyster River granted to his widow, Elizabeth Chesley, March 14, 1697/8.]

[Probate Records, vol. 2, p. 44.]

Whereas thomas Chesly of oister River desest Inteste’d and His wiffe Elisebeth Chesly widow and Relate of st thomas chesly Heve tecken Administratoin of Her husbens esteat According to bonde In paying porshens and Lagesis unto my children unto thair Satis-
faction as it Apers undr thair Hands whish ar thes sums foulling had Resaived by us Hoe Heve subscribe Her unto
Reccd by me thomas chesly forty five pounds aight shilenes and aight pence
by me Jorge chesly twenty two pounds fortnen shilens
by me Joseph chesly twenty two pounds fortnen shelens five pence
by me Elesebeth davies twenty tow pounds fourten shilens and five pence
by me Sarah chesly twenty tow pounds fourten shilenes and five pence
by me Sewsenne Smith twanty tow pounds fourten shilens five pence
by me mary chesly twenty tow pounds fourten shilenes and five pence

witness
John woodman
Stephen Jones
Joseph Jones

thomas Chesle
georg Chesle
Elizebeth X Davis
Sarah X Chesle
Susanna X Smith
mary X Chesly

Entered and Recorded in the Regesters ofice ffor the province of New hampshire May the 9th 1698

Francis Tucker Regest


know all men by thses present Riting that I Elesebath Chesly Administretres to my Husbands Asteat Heve A greed with my children In devideng what Estete He Left when desest which is in maner as folloeth
to my Soon thomas chesly all the Land Seatatid Liiying and being betwixt stephen Jonses and philep Cheslys land AJoyneng to the salt River
to my Soon gorg chesly all the Land and Houseng and ochet that was my Husbands at the plece comamly caled new towen and
Half the march that was my Husbands Laying by belemans Banck Rever and the branches ther of
to my Soon Joseph chesley forty Ackers of Land and A houce situatid Lieang and being on the wast side of oister River frechet and the other Half of Said mairch that Lise by belemans banck River and the branches ther of
Reserving only the thards ther of for my yous so Long as I shall Leve
wetness
Phillip X Chesle
James X Chesle

Entered and Recorded in the Regesters office for the provinc of new Hamp Shire May the 9th 1698

Francis Tucker Regest


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PETER RANDALL 1697/8 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Peter Randall of Portsmouth granted to his oldest brother, James Randall, Feb. 21, 1697/8.]

[Probate Records, vol. 2, p. 44.]

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WALTER JACKSON 1697/8 DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of Walter Jackson of Oyster River granted to his oldest son, William Jackson, March 18, 1697/8.]


[Inventory of the estate of Walter Jackson of Oyster River, who died in 1683; amount, £46.0.0; signed by Thomas Chesley and Stephen Jones; attested by William Jackson, oldest son, March 18, 1697/8.]

HENRY HOBBES 1698

[Administration on the estate of Henry Hobbs of Dover granted to his widow, Hannah Hobbs, May 25, 1698.]


ALEXANDER DENNETT 1698

[Inventory of the estate of Alexander Dennett, July 6, 1698; amount, £50.6.6; signed by Samuel Keais and Obadiah Morse, attested by John Dennett Aug. 27, 1698.]


JOHN PARTRIDGE JR. 1698

[Administration on the estate of John Partridge, Jr., of Portsmouth granted to his widow, Abigail Partridge, July 20, 1698.]


[Inventory, July 19, 1698; amount, £27.3.0; signed by William Cotton and James Leavitt.]

JOHN RAND 1698 DURHAM

[Inventory of the estate of John Rand of Oyster River, July 26, 1698; amount, £83.18.0; signed by Edward Leathers and John Smith; attested by Elizabeth Rand, the widow, Aug. 1, 1698.]


[Administration on the estate of John Rand of Oyster River, planter, granted to his widow, Elizabeth Rand, Aug. 1, 1698.]


[John Rand of Oyster River, minor, son of John Rand of Oyster River, yeoman, deceased, makes choice of his friend, Francis Matthews of Oyster River, as his guardian March 9, 1710/11.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 185.]

SAMUEL CUTC 1698 PORTSMOUTH

In The Name of God Amen I Samuel Cutt of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire in New England Gent being in good health of body *. * *

Itm) I give unto my Eldest Son John Cutt my house & Land where I Now live with the orchards Gardens wharfing warehouses & other houseings with all the Prevelidges and appurtenances thereunto belonging togeather with my wood fields lying on the Creek behind my house and all my Frish Marsh at the head of the Creek next Richard Cunims his marsh also my Great Silver Salt & a Seal gold Ring—

I Give and bequeath to my beloved Son Sam ll Cutt all my Land & farm near the Pulpit on Piscataqua River which was in the Possition of my mother Law M* Uersilla Cutt Deceased also a Silver Tankard & one gold Ring togeather wi* my Plantation on Oyster river & the farm lying near it which was bo* of Tho* Douty with the frish marsh & Salt marsh all the before mentioned primses shall be & Remain in the Possistion & Custody of my beloved
wife whome I make my Sole Execeturix & to Improve it to the best advantage for the well maintaining and bring up of my S'th Children and when Either of them comes in age or marry then the Same to be Delivered to him or them as their own and if either of my Said Sons Should Die unmarried & with out Lawfull Issue then the Said Land &c to Remain to be to the Son Surviveing & if both Die unmarried & without Law Issue then the whole & all to return to my beloved wife Elinnor Cutt to be at her own Dispose but if they or either of them marry & have Lawfull Issue to Remain to them and their Heirs forever— I'tm I Give & bequeath to my Frind Henry Penny for the Love I bare him So much money Money to buy himself a Compleat Suit of mourning thro' out all the Rest & Ressdue of my Estate in Money Debts lands Good & chattles whatsoever I do give & bequeath to my Loveing wife Elianor Cutt whom I will make & appoint to be my Sole Executerix of This my Last will & Testament & I Request and appoint my Good frinds Mr Nath'l Rogers Mr George Jaffrey Mr Rich'd Jose and Mr Jn° Dennet to be my over Seers & Desire them to advise & assist my wife & Children wherein they may be usefull to them & for their best behoof & to see the paying of the Legaces above mentioned & the Discharge of my Just Debts and funeral Charge

In testimony to all and Singular of the Primisses I Sot to my hand & Seal this Sixth Day of august in the Tenth Year of his majestys Reign Annoq° Domini 1698—

We whose names are under writ-ten Saw Mr Sam'll Cutt Set his hand & Seal to the above Instrument & heard Declare it to be his Last will & Testament ye° 6th Day of augt anno Domini 1698

Henry Penny
John Wentworth

[Proved Oct. 25, 1698.]

[John Cutt and Samuel Cutt, minors, children of Samuel Cutt of Portsmouth, gentleman, deceased, make choice of Samuel Penhallow, George Vaughan, and Thomas Phipps, all of Portsmouth, to be their guardians, April 11, 1712; witnesses, William Vaughan and Charles Story.]


JOHN MARDEN 1698

Agust the 11th day in the year of our Lord: 1698—
The Will of John Mardin Sen’ being in perfite Memory By the Grace and Will of God Amen—
Itame: Give unto my son James Mardin: my rite in the woods that I bought and paide for:—
Itam give and bequeath unto my Wife Rachel Mardin After my Deseas the Remainder of my whole Esteat unto here self and to be att her Desposing:—
the X Mark of
Judeth Webster
Joshua foss
John Lock

[Proved Feb. 12, 1706/7.]
[Deeds, vol. 13, p. 93.]

HUMPHREY WILSON 1698 EXETER

[Inventory of the estate of Humphrey Wilson of Exeter, Aug. 26, 1698; amount, £641.12.0; signed by Samuel Leavitt and Moses Leavitt; attested by Judith Wilson, widow and executrix, Oct. 13, 1698.]


[Will of Humphrey Wilson proved by John Folsom and Peter Coffin Oct. 13, 1698. The will is missing. Administration granted to Judith Wilson, named as executrix in the will.]

THOMAS WAKEHAM 1698 PORTSMOUTH

In the name of God amen, I Thomas Wacom of Portsm° in the Province of Newhamp' New England, beeing but weake in body...

Itim I give unto my beloved wife mary Wacom, (whome I make my full & Sole Exicutrix of this my last will & Testam't) my hole Estate. boath Real & personall during her Natural life Save what is heerin Excepted.

3 I will that my kinswoman Jane Haskings who now lives with me, when shee shall attaine to the age of Eighteen years shall have, One feather bed, with all furniture Suitable therto and after the decease of my wife I will she shall have one third part of all my movables & Thirty pound In silver.

4. I will & bequeath unto my Kinswoman Eliz: Alkings, (after the decease of my beloved wife, my dwelling howse, Orchard & Shop, with all the p'vilidges & appurtenances belonging therto to be hers & her hieris and assigns for ever, but if said Eliz. Alkings dye without Issue, then I will, that the s'd howse, orchard Shop &c. Shall retturne & be to the proper use & behoofe of my Kinswoman Jane Haskins & her hieris.

5 I will & bequeath to my Kinswoman Mary Adams a Coker Nutt Cupp Tipt with Siliver.

6 I will & bequeath to my kinswoman Patience alkings, after my wifes decease, Tenn pounds in mony out of what remains of my Estate, In Testmony wherof I have heerunto Sett my hand & Seale dated the 27th of Septemb' 1698 in ye 10th yeare of his maj'ty.

Signed Sealed & deliverd Thomas wacamb [seal]
in p'sence—
Hen: Penny
Elisha Briard

[Proved Dec. 15, 1709.]
WILLIAM RACKLEY 1699 PORTSMOUTH

I william Rackly of Porthm° In Piscataqua River : beinge in perfect Memory & Good health.

1st: I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Jean Rackly my Dwelling howse : And howsell Goods and all y° Land belonging to s° howse and out howse with all my Just Debts and Dews belonging or in any ways Apertaying to me allsoe all my tools y° I now work with all my Estate personall and reall : I give to my s° wife to her and her Ayers for Ever : only Exepting two bras Candill sticks which I give to my Dauffer Nellson : and one Shilling A pese to Every one of my grand Children.

2d° I mack my wife Jean Rackly my hole and Sole Executrix : of this my Last will & Testament And to y° truth of all y° Above premises : I hear unto Set my hand and Afixed my Seall: This Twenty fifth Day of March In y° yeare of ouer Lord one Thousand six hundred nintey and nine

Job Alcock  
John Dennet  
Samuel Keais  

The X Mark of William Rackly [seal]

[Endorsed "not proved y° witnesses being Dead—y° Admin—was granted to Benj° Rackley his Son."]

[Administration on the estate of William Rackley granted to his son, Benjamin Rackley, March 4, 1723/4, the widow, Jane Rackley, named as executor of the will, having declined to act.]


[Warrant, March 4, 1723/4, authorizing Capt. Thomas Peirce and William Parker, both of Portsmouth, to appraise the estate.]

[Jane Libby, formerly widow of William Rackley, renounces executorship on the estate, March 25, 1723/4, in favor of her son, Benjamin Rackley.]

[Inventory, June 3, 1724; amount, £49.13.0; signed by Thomas Peirce and William Parker.]
JOHN SWAIANE           1699           NEWCASTLE

[Inventory of the estate of John Swaine, May 17, 1699; amount, £71.19.6; signed by William Seaey and John Batson; attested by Mrs. Mary Swaine May 17, 1699.]

[Guardianship, June 25, 1703; John Odiorne appointed guardian to his grandsons, John Swaine and Richard Swaine, sons of John Swaine of Newcastle, mariner, deceased.]

[Administration granted to John Odiorne of Newcastle, guardian of Richard Swaine and John Swaine, sons of the deceased, June 25, 1703, the widow, Mary Swaine, to whom administration was granted April 21, 1699, being dead.]
[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 267.]

[Bond of John Odiorne of Newcastle, with Capt. John Pickering of Portsmouth and George Wallis of Newcastle, yeoman, as sureties, June 25, 1703, in the sum of £200, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Thomas Packer and Charles Story.]

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EDWARD HILTON           1699           EXETER

[Inventory of the estate of Edward Hilton of Exeter, who died April 28, 1699, taken May 29, 1699; amount, £1146.6.0; signed by Theophilus Dudley, Biley Dudley, and John Wedgwood; attested by Winthrop Hilton July, 1699.]

Artikells of Agrem't Indented, Made and Agred upon, By and between Wintroope Hilto, Dudley Hilton and Joseph Hilton all of Exeter In the Province of New-Hampshire In New-England Yeomen In Manner & forme ffollowing that is to saye whereas Our Honered ffather Edward Hilton Late of Exeter Deseased, hath Given and bequethed unto us Lands, Meddowes, and Interesse in Mills, wee the said Wintrope Hilton Dudly Hilton and Joseph
Hilton have Unanimously Agreed, To Divide and Alott and do hereby own, Acknowledge and Declare, That wee have Unanimously Divided and Allotted to each other our Sowle and Hoole Right Tittle and Interest of or Unto all The Land's meddowes, or Mills given as Abovesaid to Eatch and Every of our Satisfactyon and Content, Which Divityon and perticuler allottment as follows To Wintrop Hilton, The Dwelling House, Barne, Oarchar, and all the Land and Marsh Lyringe betwene, The Partinge Brooke and a Ded Red oak tree at the North Este Corner of the oarchar and from Said Red oake to Run on a North Weste Line to the Hed of said Hilton (Deseased) Land and the one halfe of the fifty Acres of Land at Pickpocket and Allso the Grist Mill and Saw Mill upon the Partinge Brooke to be to ye Soole and Propper use Benefitt and Beehoose of him the Said Wintrop Hilton, his Heires, Execn' Adm*n and Assignes for Ever, To have Hoold Posses and Injoye wth out ye Leste mollestatyon or Disturbans by or from us, or of Ether of us, Dudley Hilton and Joseph, or Anny Person or persons by from or under us, Claiminge Legall Rite thereunto. To Dudly Hilton all the Land betwene the abovesaid Red Oake, and a Rock in the ground and an other upon that Rock nere over Agains' Listenant Wiggens Poynte, and So to Run that Breth viz aboute forty Eight Rods on a North Weste Line to the Hed of Said Hilton Deceased Land and Six Acres of Marsh and flats, bee it Moore or Less, Comonly Caled the upper End of the first Marsh and Allso one Sixth parte of a Saw-Mill on Piscassock River wth was his fathers and allso one quarter parte of the fivety Acres of Land at Pickpocket To have and to hoold to him the Said Dudly Hilton his Heires, Execn' Adm*n and Assignes for Ever wth out Lett Mollestatyon or Disturbans by or from us, or ether of us, The Said wintrop and Joseph Hilton or Anny Person or Persons by from or under us Clameing Legall Rite thereunto. To Joseph Hilton all the Land that was his fathers at his Desease, betwene the Line Laste Mentyoned, and John wedgewoods Land Up to the Hed of Said Land and one quarter parte of the fivety Acres of Land At Pickpockett and the Marsh that was our fathers at the
upper and Lower End of the first Cricke and Allso the Sixth part of a Saw-mill on Piscassock River wth was there fathers to have and to Hoold, to him the said Joseph Hilton his Heires, Exec Adm and Assigns for Ever wth out Lett Mollestatyon or Disturbans by or from us or ether of us the Said Wintrop and Dudly Hilton or Anny Person or Personies, By from or under us, Claimeinge Legall Rite thereunto wth wth Divityons wee Acknowldge our Selves sufficiently Satisfied Contented and Paid as the Hoole Proportyon of the Estate, given unto us by our father Edward Hilton Above said, In Housses, Lands, Meddowes or Mills In Confermatyon whareof wee the said Wintrop Hilton Dudly Hilton and Joseph Hilton have Enterchaingeably Sett our Hands & seles The seventh Daye of June Ann Dom: one thousand & Seven Hundred Annoq Desemo R Regis Gulyelmy Tershey Angly &c—

Signed Seled & Delevered Wintrop Hilton

In The p'sents of us Dudley Hilton

Kinsly Halle Ann Hilton Gardian

Bilye Dudley to Joseph Hilton

[Deeds, vol. 5; p. 181.]

BENJAMIN BACKWAY 1699

[Inventory of the estate of Benjamin Backway, Newcastle, July 25, 1699; amount, £87.15.11; signed by Mark Humking and John Holden; attested by John Endicott July 25, 1699.]


ELEANOR WILCOMB 1699

ISLES OF SHOALS

Sptr 19: 1699

This is the Last will and Testeament of Ellinore Wellcom one hur Sick bead being in perfitt memorey

1st my will is that I commit my Soule to god that gave it and my Body to the dust: amen
2\textsuperscript{v} my will is that I doue bequeath unto my son John Muchemore my new boat which now John Currier is master and all hur apponinances

3\textsuperscript{v} my will is that after my funeral Chargis are defraided that the remainder of my Eestate Shall be equaly devided to my five Children

4\textsuperscript{v} my will is that my son John Michemor shall tatte Care of Joseph Yurrimg to bring him up in the feare of God and to such Larning as is Conveneant for one of his degree

5\textsuperscript{v} my will is that John Muchemore Shall have the twenty hds of salt that I bought of goyv Partrige to help defray the Childs Charg

6\textsuperscript{v} my will is that Mr Roger Kelley and my Kinsman Richard gooss shall tatte care to see this my will preformed as over seears. This being my Last will and Testament as witness my hand and Seale

in presance of us mark
Nath\textsuperscript{i} Tuckerman Elinor X [seal] welcom
mark
John X Currier her

[Inventory, Oct. 12, 1699; amount, £383.13.5; signed by James Blagdon and Richard Goss.]

Province of New hampshire

to the honrable willeam partridge his mags\textsuperscript{t} Leff\textsuperscript{t} govener & comander in Cheff in & over S\textsuperscript{d} province: as alalso Judg of probat of will & granting adminestrations:

may it pleas yourer honer my selff subscriber hero being the son & heir of Ellenor willcom of IIs of shols Lat deseced: shee Leveing A will which as I am informed is in the Custezy of my brother in Law John muchemor who has said he would have s\textsuperscript{d} will proved & adminestration there to granted my humbl request that yourer honer would tak it into consideration & so order that my selff being surcomstanced as afore S\textsuperscript{d} Iff Law will Alow it that
administration may be granted unto my selfn unles my s" brother in Law & I should otherways Agree So prays youer honers humble Addressor; my humbl request allso Iff my s" mothers will coms into your hands that it may be secuerdo
desember 21st 1699

John Urin


Province of }
New Hampshire 25th Xbr 1699

John Urin; Sonn to Ellinor Wilcome Late of the Isle of Shoales widdow dec'd personally appeared before me Wm Partridge Esq L's Govern'r of province aforesaid, and requested that Administrac'on of all the Estate of Said Ellinor Wilcome might bee Granted to his Brother in Law John Muchemore of Said Isle of shoales fisherman; who intermarried Said Urins Sister by the Mother Side

Granted Accordingly

Wm Partridge

Test Cha: Story Secretary

[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 163.]

[Administration on the estate of Eleanor Wilcomb of the Isles of Shoals, widow, granted to John Muchmore of the Isles of Shoals, fisherman, Feb. 1, 1699/1700.]


[Bond of John Muchmore of the Isles of Shoals, fisherman, with James Blagdon of the same place, fisherman, as surety, Feb. 1, 1699/1700, in the sum of £1000, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Samuel Penhallow and Charles Story.]

To The Honor'ble William Partridge Esq' Leiu' Gover'r & Judge of probates of ye province of Newhampshire

The Humble petition of Henry Spiller Guardian to ye Three Children Minors of Zacheus Wilcome late of ye Isles of Shoales Dec'd—

Humbly sheweth that whearas your Hon'r of late granted Ad-minist: to Jn' Muchemore of ye goods Chattells &ct of Elenor
Wilcome Widdow late of Sd Isles: which Widdow was formerly ye wife of Willim Yorine who dyed Intestate with an Estate Insolvent upon which ye Creditors Administred & Soold ye Sd Estate to Richard Wilcome which Sd Wilcome allsoe dyed Intestate & noe administracion Taken of his Estate Untill ye Decease of Sd Elenor during which Inter Marriage betweeen Sd Wilcome & Elenor besides other Children now Surviving their first born was ye Sd Zacheus who left Three Children Vizt William Deborah & Richard whom I humbly conceive are Legall representatives of their Sd father Zacheus Tharefore Crave your Honr upon due Consideration of ye p'mises in ye Settleing of Sd Wilcoms Estate would grant Unto Sd Minors that which in Justice & Equity may bee appertaining & I shall remaine as in Duty bound yo' Honr Humb Servant

Henry Spiller

Ipsb ye 6th May 1700

[Account of disbursements by the administrator; attested by John Muchmore Feb. 3, 1700/1.]

Ipsb ye 26th Feby 1700/1

Honored Sr

Beeing Informed that Jn° Muchemore hath given accot of administration of ye Estate of m° Willcome & having left with yo' Honr (ye last Sumer) an accot of ye Minors children of Zacheus Wilcome Decd Eldest Sonn of Richard Wilcome, Crave ye favour when yo' Honr will bee pleased to appoint a Time for ye Settlement of Sd Estate that Soe I may acquaint ye persons concerned who requested me to move it to yo' Honr & I shall bee greatly obliged as in duty bound &c remaine yo' Honr Humb Serf

J Staniford

[On the back is written]

Allen Lloyd & ffrances Lloyd Children of Allen Lloyd of portsm° decd Marrin' Edw' Toogood & Gartrite ux Job Alcott Jame Levitt
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ISABEL LEAVITT 1698/9 HAMPTON

In the name of god Amen the 8 of februwarye in the yeare of our Lord one thousand six hundred and ninty and nine I Isball Levet towne of Hampton In the province of new Hamshire in new England beinge of good and perfect memorye Although weake of bodye: * * *

1ly: Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Isball towle one cowe and one boxe of Linnen and my wearinge cloaths

2dly I give to my daughter Jemima knowls one cowe and one Sheep: and to my grand childe Sarah knowls I give one Sheep: And to my daughter keziah: tucker I give twelve Shilings In good marchantabel paye

3dly And my puter and bras I give to my three dafters above named ad to be equally devided Amongst them

4th I give and bequeath to my Sonne John Levet my warmeinge pan with all the rest of my moveables whatsoever And my Legaseys to be payde with In one yeare after my desease upon demande And to be delivered att the Howse where my Sonne John Levet now dweleth And I doe ordayne and constitute my Loveinge Sonne John Levet to be my Sole executer to this my Laste will and testament: In witnes Hereof I Have hereunto Sete my hande and Afixed my Seale the daye and yeare Above writen And In the tenth yeare of His majestys raigne Kinge william kinge of england Scotland france ad Ireland defender of the faith

Signed and Sealed: Isball X Levet [seal]

In the presenc of us
John Smith: Senior
John: Smith: Junr

[Proved July 9, 1700.]

[Inventory of the estate of Isabel Leavitt, who died Feb. 9, 1698/9, taken May 12, 1699; amount, £76.11.9; signed by Thomas Roby and John Tuck.]

JOHN FOSS 1699 DOVER

In the Name of god Amen
I John fost of dover being week and in expectaion of my chainge * * *
I will and bequeath to my loveing wife ye one half of my hous-
ing and homested for hur maitainece and bringing up of my two youngest Children
I will and bequeath to my S Humphry half of my housing and lands for his one use and benefit requesting and appointing my Son in law James warrin to be his over sar counseler lest he be ronged of a comfortabel maintainenc—
I will and bequeath to my Son william one Shilling and also fourty acers of land that was granted me by the towne of dover
I will and bequeath unto my daughter mary one Shilling
I will and bequeath unto my daughter Jeminah one shilling
I will and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth one Shilling
I will and bequath unto my Son Samuel the half of this which i left with my wif when he comes of age
I will and constitute my wife Sole Executrix of this my last will and testament and for considertion of all the above Saide I have heare unto seat my hand and seale this seventeenth day of desember one thousand six hundred ninty and nine

Signed sealed and delivered as John ffost [seal]

his' last will and testament In
presence of us
John Wade
James Emery
Alse Abbott

[Inventory Jan. 8, 1699/1700; as exhibited by the widow, Eliza-
beth Foss; amount, £52.15.0; signed by Silvanus Nock and Hatevil Roberts, both of Dover.]

[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 163.]
ABRAHAM HOWELL 1699 PORTSMOUTH

In the Name of God Amen this 29 day of Decemb' 1699: Abram Howell Late of London being bound to Sea from this Place and knowing not when I may return do make and Ordain this my last will and Testament.

thats to Say if in Case I do not return heather again I do give and bequeath unto Mary Clark Widdow all my goods Chattells and moveables which are now in her possession whom I do make and Ordain my only and Sole Executrix. but if it pleas God I do return heather again, It is agreed that the Sd Widdow Clark do return the Goods to me again which I do now leave with her. and I do hereby utterly revoke and Disannull all other or former Gifts Grants or Wills by me any ways made— In witnesse whereof I have here unto Sett my hand and Seale Dated in Potsmouth New England the Day & Year abovesaid—

Signed, Sealed and Delivered Abraham Howell [seal]
in the presents of
Richard Partridge
william Sallwood

[Proved Oct. 17, 1700.]

WILLIAM FURBER 1699 DOVER

to y^e honrable william partridg Esq' Judg of y^e probat of wills & granting Administration & settling of intestants Estats; within the province of Newhampsh' may it ples yourer honer: for as much as william ffurbur of welch Cove desecket dyed intesteted as is reported, Leveing A considerabl Estat behind him which s^d Estat Lyes in the hands of his son will: furbur who keeps the sam Contrary to Law from his sisters & will not Render there porshons: to them though often there to desiered:

wee the subscribers y^e husbands of s^d furbur sisters in their behalff being informed that by Law the whol settlemen of intested Estats Lys in yourer honers hands doe therfore pray that our s^d
brother may be Compelled to deliver unto each of his sisters their portion in s'd Estat & that all such meshuers as the Law directs too may be useed for those ends so prayes youer hon's most humbl Addressors
desembr the 30th 1699

John Dam
John bickford
Thomas bickford

[Probate Records, vol. 3. p. 185.]

LUCY STILEMAN 1699/1700 NEWCASTLE

In the name of god Amen The Eighth Day of January In The Eleventh year of The Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord William The Third by The Grace of god of England Scotland France and Ireland King Defender of the faith &c Anno: Dom: one Thousand Six hundred ninety & nine. I Lucy Stileman of New Castle being In Perfect health both In Body and mind

That Is To Say first. I Give and bequeath To my grandson James Chadborn Son of My late Son James Chadborn one half part of all my land and Meddow which Is lying and being Att or ny Sturgeon Creek In the Province of main which was granted me by A Deed of gift or Joynter from My former Husband Humphry Chadborn Duering My Natural Life and Then Att my disposeal Among our Children And The S'd James Chadborn Is To Pay his sister Lucy Chadborn twenty Pounds out of The Incoms or Rent Of The S'd Land And If the S'd James Shuld Dy without Issue Then The S'd Land Is to goe to his S'd Sister Lucy— I give and bequeath To my Daughter Elizabeth Alcock The other half of my S'd land and Meaddow Asors'd To be Equally divided betwext her and my grandson Asors'd Shee Paying To her Sister Katharine Wamouth Twenty Pounds out of the Rent or Income. and If my Daughter Elizabeth Alcock Shuld Dy without Issue and Leave A husband then s'd Land and Mash Shall remain to her husband Duuring his Natural life and then Decend To my Daughter Katharine Waymouth or her heirs: or If She Dy without husband or
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Issue Imediately to goe As Aforesd To my Daughter Waymouth or her heirs she or they Paying To my other Two Daughters Viz Lucy Lewis & Alice Dunnel Each Ten Pounds being the mony Recd of her Sister Alcock or If Not Recd by Reason of The Shortness of The Time being In My daughters Alcock's hands &c Then Nevertheless To Pay Them The Ten Pounds Each— And That whereas my late husband Mr Elias Stileman Did give me forty Pounds To be Disposed by me out of his Estate I give and bequeath That Equally betwenn my five Daughters Viz: Eight pounds To Each Lucy Lewis Alice Dunnel Katharine Waymouth Eliz Alcock & Joana Cutt Each Eight Pounds Whereas I Now have An obligation from Rich: Stileman for Ten Pounds If I Receve That Ten Pounds Then I give my Grand son Thomas Landel Ten Pounds mony If I dy before I Recover That Then my Sd Grand son Shall have that Bill I heereby Assigning It over to him I Give to my Granddaughter Lucy Chadborn Daughter to my Son James Chadborn A Cow Whearas There Is A Dl Due from my late Son Humpry Chadborn I Give that To my four grandchildren My Son Humpry's Children Viz Mary Wm Eliz & Joseph Chadborn And what Ever Estate I Leave Else Not heer mentioned I order It to be Equally Divided between my Sd five Daughters Viz: Lucy Lewis Kath: Waymouth Eliz Alcock Alice Dunell & Joanah Cutt And I Doe heereby Appoint My Two Daughters Kath: Waymouth & Eliz Alcock To be my Executrixes of this my last will and Testament I Desire My good frends John Hincks & Robt Eliot Esq To be Overseours heer of to See this My Will fulfiled In witnesse whereof I have heerunto Sett my hand And Seal the Day and year Above writen 1699

In Presents of
Lemuel Smith
mary tetherly
Theodore Atkinson

signum
Lucy X Stileman Alis
Wells Alis Chadborn [seal]

[Proved April 13, 1708.]

[Bond of Samuel Dunnel of York, Me., gentleman, Samuel Alcock of Portsmouth, merchant and mariner, Richard Cutt and
Peter Lewis, both of Kittery, Me., and Catherine Weymouth of Newcastle, widow, April 27, 1708, in the sum of £300, for the payment of all debts due from the estate; witnesses, Nicholas Morrill and Charles Story. Mentions Elizabeth Alcock, wife of Capt. Samuel Alcock.

DAVID DAVIS 1699/1700

[Citation to Susanna Durgin, Jan. 16, 1699/1700, to appear and show cause for not having administered the estate of her former husband, David Davis.]


JOHN SINCLAIR 1699/1700

EXETER

province of newhampsheare

In the name of God: Amen: I John Sinkler of Exetter: being sick of body

* * *

First I will that my Debts and funeral Charges shall be paid and discharged and all my Contracts mad with my wife before marriage be performed by my Executor

I give unto my Son James Sinkler ten pound in marchentable pay to be paid within one year after my Death: and a feather: Bead and twenty: akers of Land which I Bought of David Robeson

I give unto my Daughter mary wheller tow pound in: marchentable pay to be paid within tow year after my Death

I give unto my Daughter Meribah Loll fife pound in: marchentable pay to be paid within to year after my Death

I give unto my tow grand sons John Jons and Bengemen Jons tow pound in marchentable pay when thay Com to the age of twenty one years: I give unto my well Beloved wife Debroah Sinkler the: one third of all my Lands and: orchard within fence
During her Life and the new Room During her; wedow hood and noe Longer: and all the Rest and Residue of my personal Estate goods and Chattalls: whot so ever I Do; give and bequefe unto my Loving: son John Sinkler who I Do make: full: and soul Executor of this my Last will and testament and I Do hereby Revoke: disanul and make void all formor wills and: testemeny by: me: heretofor made Exscepte: the Contrack made: with my wife befor marradge in witness: hearof I ye Sad John: Sinkler to this my Last will: and testament have: hear: unto satt my hand and seal: the twenty seveneth: day of January in the year of Lord 1699/700
witness the mark of John X sinkler sean* [seal]
Kinsley Hall
henry wadleigh

[Proved Sept. 14, 1700.]

MARY TASKER 1699/1700 DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of Mary Tasker of Oyster River, widow, granted to Henry Nock of Oyster River, Feb. 2, 1699/1700, "who intermarried with Sarah Adams Sister to Mary Tasker."

[Bond of Henry Nock, weaver, with Thomas Bickford and Francis Matthews, both of Oyster River, yeomen, as sureties, Feb. 2, 1699/1700, in the sum of £100, for the administration of the estate of Mary Tasker, widow of William Tasker of Oyster River; witnesses, Richard Partridge and Charles Story.]

[Inventory, April 16, 1700; amount, £52.13.3; signed by John Woodman and Thomas Edgerly.]

[Warrant, April 20, 1700, authorizing Thomas Edgerly, weaver, and Thomas Bickford, husbandman, both of Dover, to receive claims against the estate.]
[Administrator's account against the estate; amount, £18.2.0; allowed Oct. 19, 1703.]

[Settlement of the estate as insolvent, at two shillings, three pence, in the pound; allowed Oct. 18, 1703.]

[Deed of 50 acres of land from Charles Adams to his daughter, Mary Tasker, wife of William Tasker, and her children, March 1, 1693/4.]

[Various bills, accounts, etc., containing signatures of Thomas Phipps, Samuel Cutt, Nicholas Haskins, Nicholas Harrison, John Gerrish, Jeremiah Burnham, and Obadiah Morse.]

JOHN WILSON 1699/1700 EXETER

[Administration on the estate of John Wilson of Exeter, husbandman, granted to George Veasey of Exeter, husbandman, and his wife, Martha Veasey, formerly widow of the deceased, Feb. 13, 1699/1700.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 201.]

[Bond of George Veasey of Exeter, husbandman, with William Ardell of Exeter, gentleman, and Nathaniel Ayers of Portsmouth, blacksmith, as sureties, Feb. 13, 1699/1700, in the sum of £80, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, John Chevalier and Charles Story.]

WILLIAM TASKER 1699/1700 DOVER

[Inventory of the estate of William Tasker of Dover, Feb. 14, 1699/1700; amount, £44.13.3; signed by Thomas Bickford and Francis Mathes.]

JOHN MARSTON 1699/1700 HAMPTON

[Administration on the estate of John Marston of Hampton, husbandman, granted to his widow, Mary Marston, Feb. 15, 1699/1700.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 203.]

[Bond of Mary Marston, widow, with John Tuck, millwright, and Ephraim Marston, husbandman, as sureties, all of Hampton, Feb. 15, 1699/1700, in the sum of £800, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Peter Coffin and Charles Story.]

[Inventory of the estate of Sergt. John Marston, who died Oct. 24, 1699; taken March 27, 1700; amount, £282.1.0; signed by Henry Dow, John Moulton, and Samuel Dow.]

[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 159.]

ROBERT SMITH 1699/1700 HAMPTON

In ye name of God. Amen ye 22nd day of March. Anno Domini 1699 or 1700 in ye 12th year of ye Reign of our Sovereign Lord King William ye third over England &c— I Robart Smith of Hampton in ye Province of New Hampshier in New England—

Item I give to my Son John five acres of Salt marsh be it more or less as it is laid out & bounded with land & marsh formerly in ye possession of John Hugins with all ye fences, previleges & appurtenances there unto belonging unto him & his Heirs for ever as also one half of ye land & marsh given me by Robart Mason Esq' with one half of my money and utensils, and one quartr of my household goods with a legacy of five pounds; and one fifth part of my cattell—

Item I give unto my Son Jonathan for pounds and one fifth part of my Cattell—
Item I give unto my Son Asahel forty acres of land lying at y* new plantation, with a legacy of four pounds and one fifth part of my cattell—

Item I give unto my Son Joseph one share of y* Cow Common, as also four acres of fresh medow lying towards y* Beach anjoyning to medow Somtimes Thomas Sleepers, and four acres of Salt mars at y* clambankes be it more or less bounded East ward ly with march at y* wedgoods, and Southwardly with a creeke, & westwardly with marsh formerly Tho: marstons— as also my house and land at home be it three acres more or less with y* orcherd and all y* appurtan unto my homestead as also one half of y* land & marsh given me by Robart Mason Esq{ with all y* previledges and appurtinances belonging to y* share of y* cow Common, medow marsh, and home stead with fences & buildings standing thereon unto him & his Heirs for Ever—also I give to my Son Joseph one half of my money & one half of my utensels one quarter of my household goods, and one fifth part of my Cattell & stocke my son Joseph to pay out of my Estate to my son John five pounds, to my son Jonathan four pound, to my son Asahell four pounds—

Item I give unto my Daughter Maribah one half of my household goods and to have in her part the best bed and bedding, the Cubard, and table, & warming pan, and one fifth part of my Cattell—

Item I give my Right to y* land purchased of y* Indian Sechem to my children to be equally devided and any other thing or things not here mentioned I leave to y* disposall of my after named Executors— And to this my last Will and Testament I doe Constitute & appoint my beloved sons John & Joseph Joynt Executors & in case of y* death of y* one the other to be Sole Executor—

Thus commending my self, your Selves, my Sons & daughter to y* Infinate grace of God alsoisient I doe in y* presence of God & man Revolve all former Wills, and sign this as my last Will & Testament with my hand & Seal this twenty Second day of March
Anno: Dom: 1699 in ye twelfty year of ye Reign of King William
ye 3d over England &c—

This Instrewnent was signed
& Sealed by Robart Smith and
afermed by him to be his last
Will & Testament— Witnes

Edmund Johnson
John moulton
nathaniel Lock

[Proved Sept. 3, 1706.]

[Inventory, Sept. 10, 1706; amount, £118.0.2; signed by James
Philbrick and Ephraim Marston.]

JOHN HALL 1700

[Inventory of the estate of John Hall of Dover, April 13, 1700;
amount, £104.18.0; signed by John Tuttle and Ralph Hall.]

[Abigail Downes, formerly widow of John Hall, renounces ad-
ministration on the estate Nov. 26, 1700, in favor of her two sons,
Thomas Hall and Joseph Hall; witnesses, Ichabod Plaisted and
Ezekiel Wentworth.]

[Inventory of the Widow hall A Steate that She brought with
hur at the Time of hur maig,” Dec. 1, 1700; amount, £9.13.0; signed
by Ephraim Wentworth and Thomas Potts.]

[Admistration on the estate of John Hall, yeoman, granted to
his sons, Thomas Hall and Joseph Hall of Dover, yeomen. Dec.
3, 1700, the widow, Abigail Downes, wife of Thomas Downes of
Cocheco, yeoman, having renounced administration.]

[Probate Records, vol 4, p. 226.]

[Bond of Thomas Hall and Joseph Hall, both of Dover, yeo-
men, with Thomas Tibbetts and Joseph Roberts both of Dover, yeo-
men, as sureties, Dec. 3, 1700, in the sum of £200, for the admini-
iration of the estate; witnesses, George Vaughan and Charles Story.]

[Warrant, July 12, 1727, authorizing Capt. Thomas Tibbetts and Lt. Joseph Roberts to appraise 100 acres of land not included in the inventory.]

[Return of the valuation of the abovesaid land at £65.0.0, July 14, 1727; signed by Thomas Tibbetts and Joseph Roberts.]

JOHN CLARK 1700 NEWCASTLE

In The Name of God Amen the 25th of Aprill 1700 and in the 12th year of his majestys Reigne King william the third I John Clark of Great Island in the Province of New hampshire yeoman Being aged and weak in Body. * * *

Imprimis I Give And Bequeath unto Elizabeth my Beloved wife all my whol Estate Both houseing and Lands and moveable Goods Dureing her Naturall Life and also full and free power To sell any part thereof Either houseing or Lands or moveabi Estate whatsoever for the Nessesary Support of her Life and what Remains un Disposed of att her Decease my minde and will is that it shall Be Equally Devided Between my Two Sons viz Jacob and Joseph To Have and To Hold all the sd Estate above mentioned unto Elizabeth my well Beloved wife as it is above Specifyed and the Remainder thereof after her Decéase To my Two sons Jacob and Joseph and their heirs Lawfully Begotten of their Bodies for Ever And Last of all I Doe appoint Elizabeth my well Beloved wife To Be Sole Executrix of this my Last will and Testament witnes my hand and seal the Date above written

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Edward X Bealle
Wm Godsoe

[Proved July 20, 1700.]
NICHOLAS FOLLETT 1700 PORTSMOUTH

In the Name of God Amen I Nicholass follet being Sick and Week but in perfect memory and right Sences doe first Bequeath my Soul to God that Gave it me Hopeing to Receive mercy by the Merritts of Jesus Christ my Saviour Next my Body to the Ground

1st And First for all Earthly Things I Bequeath as followeth all Lawfull due debts To be forthwith paid

2 And Secondly, I bequeath To my Wife Hanah Follet the House Shee now Liveth in and my Land at Oyester River and one Third of the Moveables Dureing her Life; after her decaese the Land at Oyester River To fall To my Eldest Son; the House She now Lives in after her deceace to fall to the Youngest Son:

3rd And Thirdly I Bequeath: To Phillip follet that Part of Land Joyning to Nicholas follet being the Same Quanitytie that Nicholass follet hath:

4th And fourthly I Bequeath To Caleb follet that cell of Land Joyning To my house Goeing as far as the High way and So into the Creek as far as my Privalidge is but not to come within four foot of the House Square from head To foot.

5th And Fifthly my Will is that the Land I have in Exeter Bounds Be Sold if Possible.

6th And Sixthly, all Things not disposed of Before To Be Devided Equally amongst all my Children in Equall Sheares Those that are of Age to Receive it as Soon as Convenient those that are under age there Part to be Left in my Wifes hands and when they Come of Age to Receive it

7th And Seventhly my Negroe Man Cæzer if Please God he Lives I Bequeath To my Wife during her Life and if She dies before the Youngest Child is Sixteene Yeares old Then he is to be for the Youngest Childs Maintenance Till he is Sixteene yeares old and Then he is to be free if he Seas Cause if not To Rema the Youngest Childs,

This Being my Last Will and Testament written at Treace in
the Bay of Campeach Aprill the Twenty Ninth Anno Domini one
Thousand Seven Hundred—

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Nicholas Rollett [seal]

Peter X Coffin

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Wm. Chadder

Isaac Hanson

[Proved Aug. 19, 1700.]

[Warrant, Oct. 29, 1700, authorizing Job Alcock, gentleman, and Edward Toogood, mason, both of Portsmouth, to appraise the the estate of Nicholas Follett of Portsmouth, mariner, administra-
tion being granted to the widow, Hannah Follett, and her son, Nicholas Follett; signed by William Partridge.]

[Inventory, Oct. 29, 1700; amount, £394.17.0; signed by Job Alcock and Edward Toogood.]

[Bond of Hannah Follett and Nicholas Follett, tailor, with Samuel Keais, feltmaker, and Obadiah Morse, smith, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, Feb. 13, 1700/1, in the sum of £500, for the administra-
tion of the estate; witnesses, Patience Elkins and Charles Story.]

[Guardianship of Benjamin Follett, aged about eight years, granted to his brother, Nicholas Follett, Oct. 2, 1705.]

[Probate Records, vol. 5, fol. 32.]

JOHN GILMAN

1700

EXETER

I, John Gilman, Sen'r of Exeter in the Province of Newhampshir in New England; being of sound mind and memory; but ancient and infirm • • •

2: I give and bequeath unto my beloved Son Nicholas Gilman, immediately after his Mothers decease one half of my Six hundred acres of land lying at Wachuck, and one half of all my lands, meadows and flats lying at Lamprey eal river; moreover one
half of my hundred acres of land lying at grassy swamp, and one half of all my salt meadows lying within the bounds of Exeter; to bee to him and his heirs forever; Provided, that out of the same, he doth pay unto his mother or order in one year after my decease the sum of twenty pounds money; and that he doth also pay to each of his Sisters hereafter named Eight pounds within three years after my decease in money or in merchantable good pay equivalent thereto.

3. I do give unto my beloved Son John Gilman imediately after his Mothers decease all my interest in the upper saw-mill, with all the priviledges thereunto belonging; also all my land in y° Comon feild. I do also give him my Temple Meadow and One half of my six hundred acres of land at Wachuck, with half my lands, meadows and flattts at Lamprey eale river. moreover one half of my hundred acres of land lying at Grassy swamp, and the half of all my salt meadows lying within the bounds of Exeter; to bee to him and his heirs forever. Provided, that out of the Same he doth pay unto his mother, or her Order, within one year after my decease the sum of twenty pounds money; and that he doth also pay unto each of his Sisters hereafter named twelve pounds within three years after my decease, in mony or merchantable good pay of the Province, equivalent thereunto.

4. Unto my beloved Daughter Elizabeth Wadleigh I give five p° money, which I will shalbe payd her within one year after my decease, by my Son° John & Nicklas Gilman, each of them one half.

5. Unto my beloved Daughters, vizt Sarah Dudly, Lydia White, Abigail Thing, Joanna Coffin, Alce Gilman, and Katherine Gilman I give twenty pounds each, to bee payd them and each of them as is already mentioned on this and the other side by my two sons Nicholas and John Gilman. and whereas my two Youngest Daughters, Alce and Katherine Gilman, have not as yet had in pro-portion with the rest of my Daughters; I will that my Wife out of what I have given her, shall pay to each of them thirty pounds; within three years after my decease or sooner if she can.
Finally, I give unto my beloved Wife all my other estate of any kind or nature whatsoever, whether real or personal not already willed or disposed off; to be to her own proper use and disposal, without any manner of lett or impediment from any person or persons whatsoever.

And if in case that my said Sons, Nicholas and John Gilman refuse to pay the severall Legacies unto their Mother and Sisters; my will then is, that whatsoever I have given them or their heirs herein, shall wholly revert unto the proper use benefit, and disposall of my wife for ever, for answering of the same; she paying unto Each of them five pounds.

Unto this my Last Will and Testament I make my Beloved Wife Elizabeth Gilman, my sole Executrix, obliging her to pay all my just debts, and to defray my funerall charges.

In testimony to all and Singular the premises, mentioned, on this, and the two preceding pages, I hereunto sett my hand, and affix my Seal this sixteenth day of July, 1700.

Signed, Sealed and declared John Gillman Senor [seal] in the presence of
Joseph Smith
John fullsam
Sam" Penhallow

[Presented March 31, 1709, and, the widow declining to act, administration was granted to the two sons, Nicholas Gilman and John Gilman.]

[Bond of Nicholas Gilman and John Gilman of Exeter, with Peter Coffin of Exeter and Nathaniel Weare of Hampton as sureties, in the sum of £1,000, March 31, 1709; witnesses, Benjamin Gambling and Charles Story.]


[Warrant, May 2, 1709, authorizing Lieut. James Dudley and Lieut. Jonathan Wadleigh to receive claims against the estate.]
HENRY GREEN 1700 HAMPTON

The Last Will and Testament of Henry Green of Hampton Esq' living in the Province of New Hampshire in new England Being very aged and Weake of body . . .

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my Welbeloved son Abraham Greene my grant of land at a place Com'only Called the new plantation As also one sheare of the Cow Com'ons of Hampton and my grant of land at The north Devition as also the Remainder of my pece of Salt mash Where my son Jacob Have his thirtie Acres all in that place above thirtie acres I give to my son Abraham Greene As also the Remainder of my Pausture land Over the ffalls River that is not layd out to my son Jacob already I give to my son Abraham Greene.

2\textsuperscript{nd} I give and bequeath unto my Welbeloved son Isaac Green All the Right of upland that I Have in a place Com'only Called Halls ffarme within the Township of Salisbury as formerly accounted I also give unto my son Isaac Green a pece of mash adjoyning to his Owne mash in the above Sayd Hals ffarme that I have not yitt disposed of:

3\textsuperscript{rd} I give and bequeath unto my Welbeloved son Jacob Green: my pece of ffresh meadow be it more or less With a small pece of upland that I lately Bought of Left: Joseph swett. As also thirtie acres of Salt mash as it is mentioned in a Writting already given him under my Hand I also give him al my upland on this side the ffalls River where my Houses stand with my Houses grist mill and saw mill and the Privillidg of the River and a small pece of land granted to me on the southerly side of the ffalls River adjoyning to my Damm And one sheare of the Cow com'ons of Hampton and also twenty acres over the ffalls River already layd out to him and in his possesion I also give unto my son Jacob Green All my stock of Cattell of all sorts Whatsoever With all my Houshold
goods and implemints of Husbandrey of all sorts What So Ever Within. dors and With out not other Ways disposed of The first mentioned pece of ffrish meadow and small pece of upland that I bought of Joseph swett if my son Jacob Dye Without an Heire male my will is that it shall goe to my son Abram Green or his Heiers.

4th I give unto my Daughter Elizabeth Cases three Children that she Had by James Chase sixe shillings in mony to Each of them to be payd by my Exequetour:

5th I Haveing satisfied my welbeloved Wife according to Agre- ment with Hir I doe also give Hir libertie to live in my House one yeare after my deceas if she desire it

6th I give unto my Daughter Mary Green the Wife of peter Green the Sum of sixe shillings mony she Haveing Had Hir por- tion Before

7th I give unto my Daughter Hannah sometime the Wife of John Asy the some of sixe shillings mony she Haveing Had Hir por- tion Before:

8th I give unto my Daughter Elizabeth Cass ye wife of Joseph Cass sixe shillings mony she haveing had Hir portion before

And I doe by thes presents make Constitute and Appoint my trustie and Welbeloved son Jacob Green to be my soale Exequetour to this my last Will and Teastiment to se that it be performed in Every particular and to take speaciall Care for my decent and Christian like Buriall and for the Confermation of All above Writ- ten I the above sayd Henry Green Have Here unto putt my Hand and sealle it with my seal this 2nd day of August 1700 and in the r2th yeare of the Reigne of our soveraigne lord William the third by the grace of God king of great Brittaine ffrance and Ireland defender of ye faith &

Witness

John Smith
Hannah X Dow
Hir Mark:

Henry Dow:

[Proved Aug. 20 and 23, 1700.]
[Inventory of the estate of Henry Green, who died Aug. 5, 1700; taken Aug. 30, 1700; amount, £884.9.5; signed by Henry Dow and John Tuck.]

[Court record: caveat, Aug. 19, 1700, by Abraham Green, oldest son, against the probating of the will until he could be present.

He was notified to appear Aug. 22, when the will was offered by his brother, Jacob Green, and admitted to probate.

Aug. 26, 1700, Abraham Green asks for letters of administration de bonis non; not granted.]

JOHN AMAZEEN

NEWCASTLE

1700

In the Name of God Amen this thirteenth day of August Anno Dom Severent hundred I John Amazeen Senr of New Castle In the Province of New Hampshire In New Eng[land] being Sick and Weak In body; ** *

1st I bequeath My Soul To Almighty god that gave It Trusting To be Redeemed by The Merrits of Jesus Christ—

2 My body to A Decent burial As It Shall Please my Executors heerafter mentioned

3 I bequeath All my Estate housing land Cattle goods D'st Mony and whatsoever I now Injoy or Ought to have and Injoy unto My Son Christopher Amazeen And out of the Same to Pay his Brother John Amazeen forty Pounds Money

Lastly I Apont my Son Xtopher and Theodore Attkinson to be My Executors of this My last Will and Testament In Wittness whereof I have heerunto sett my hand and seal Att New Castle

y° Day Above Mentioned

In ₣ents of
Aaron Moses
Noah Parker
Theodore Attkinson

[Proved Feb. 6, 1705/6.]

[Theodore Atkinson renounced executorship, Feb. 5, 1705/6.]
JAMES ROLLINS 1700 PORTSMOUTH

[Inventory of the estate of James Rollins Aug. 16, 1700; amount, £16.15.2; signed by John Chevalier.]

[Thomas Ash and Mary Ash, his wife, renounce administration on the estate Oct. 25, 1700, and consent to the appointment of Samuel Keais.]

[Administration on the estate of James Rollins of Portsmouth, mariner, granted to Samuel Keais of Portsmouth, felt-maker, Oct. 26, 1700, Mary Ash, wife of Thomas Ash, and mother of the deceased, having renounced administration.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 224.]

[Bond of Samuel Keais of Portsmouth, felt-maker, with William Partridge, Jr., innholder, and John Hoddy, mariner, both of Portsmouth, as sureties, Oct. 6, 1700, in the sum of £50, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Richard Partridge and Charles Story.]

WILLIAM FERRYMAN 1700

[Account of John Woodman, dated Oyster River, Sept. 4, 1700, for expenses in connection with the funeral of William Ferryman, who was drowned; amount, £o.11.0.]

PHILIP LEWIS 1700 GREENLAND

In the name of God Amen: I Philip Lewis of Greenland in ye province of N: Hampshire in New England ** *

Item Where as in a former will I did give & bequeath unto my Son Abraham Lewis a certain tract of Land & meadow ground & salt marsh lieng on ye northerly side of ye brooke, on ye northly side of my dwelling houses, I doe in this my last will order it for my Son Abrahams portion; & whereas my son Abraham hath sold
y° S° tract of Land to my s° Son John Johnson, I doe in this my will consento y° sd sale therof to my S° Son John Johnson the bounds & limits thereof as is mentioned in sd deed of sale notwithstanding what I have formerly given my son Abraham I now further give Give him five pounds mo° to be payd in current pay :

Item I doe Give & bequeath unto my 3 Grand children John Lewis & James Lewis and Philip Lewis my Son Jotham Lewis his chaildren, all my rights of Land of whatsoever sort on y° Easterly Side of y° Roadway where their fathers house standeth as also a pece of land on y° westerly side of sd roade according to y° grants of sd lands as also Six acres of salt marsh lieng in y° Town of Hampton, As likewise I do give them my sd Grand chaildren two eights of my saw mill with all privilidges thereunto belonging on y° same tearms and condition as Sam® Heyns hath his part, which sd lands & marsh is to be devided betwen my sd Grand children as my Exsecutors shall see meet as they arive at y° age of 21 years

Item I doe Give and bequeath unto my Son John Johnson and my daughter Hannah my dwelling house & out houses with y° land where y° stand with all rights of land & meado grounds or marsh whatever is mine not, disposed of already to y°m & their Heyrs for ever as also my corn mill & saw mill with all rights and privilidges thereunto belonging And further more I Give unto my sd Son John Johnson & my Daughter Hanah all my moveable Estate of what sort or kind both within door & without moveable & Im°oveable of what sort so ever, And further my will is y° my Son John Johnson shall pay unto my Grand Daughter Hannah Lewis y° daughter of my Son Jotham y° sum of tenn pounds in current pay equivalent to mony within a years time after my discease

And further my will is And it is to be understood y° if my wife continue after my decease my Estate which I have in this my will Given to my Son John Johnson & Hannah his wife shall be so ordered & Improved so as may be for y° confortable mainte- nance and support of there mother above sd during her naturall life, to be att y° orderm° of my cousens John Tucke and James
philbrooke whome I apoint as overseers concerning y^e ordering of y^e sd Estate for my wife^s maintenance as abovesd

And furthe my will is & I doe hereby appoint my Son John Johnson and my Daughter Hannah his wife to be sole Executore & Exsecurtrix to this my last will & Testament, And for y^e confirmation of this my last will and Testament I doe hereunto set my hand & Seale this first day of november Anno Dom: 1700

witness
John Cate
Isaac Cole
John Tucke

[Proved July 8, 1701.]

[Inventory, Sept. 23, 1701; amount, £161.3.0; signed by Peter Coffin, Walter Neal, and John Pickering.]

WILLIAM HILTON 1700

[Administration on the estate of William Hilton, mariner, "lately belonging to his Maj^s good shipp or vessell called the Deptford ffrigott Cap^ Carr Comander," granted to his brother, Richard Hilton, Nov. 25, 1700.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 225.]

THOMAS WIGGIN 1700 EXETER

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Wiggin of Exeter, husbandman, granted to his widow, Sarah Wiggin, Dec. 19, 1700.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 230.]

[Bond of Sarah Wiggin of Exeter, widow, with Thomas Wiggin of Exeter, yeoman, and John Pickering of Portsmouth, gentleman, as sureties, Dec. 19, 1700, in the sum of £800, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Catherine Tufton and Charles Story.]
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

[Inventory of the estate of Thomas Wiggin of Sandy Point, March 14, 1700/1; amount, £243.13.3; signed by John Pickering, Isaac Cole, and Nathaniel Wright.]

WILLIAM MOORE 1700 EXETER

I William More Sen'r of Exeter in the province of Newhampshire in New England being weak of body but of sound perfect mind & memory, praised be God, do make and ordain this my present last will and testament, as followeth, I commit my spirit into the hands of God that gave it, and I dispose of all such temporal estate as it hath pleased God to bestow upon me, as followeth

Imp'r I will that my debts and funeral charges be all paid and discharged.

Item. I give unto my daughter Mary More the one halfe of my three hundred acres of land which lyeth at the head of Mr Hiltons land, and a peice of marsh and flats lying by Jeremy Gilmans land to be to her use & profit untill marriage and then to return to my son William he paying her fifteen pounds, and also I give her my great cupbord, and priviledge convenient for her in my dwelling house & two acres of land in my planting feild for her while she lives unmarried.

Item. I give to my son William More my dwelling house, barn, out houses and all the land I bought of my brother Andrew Wiggins that is undisposed of, he allowing his sister priviledge in the house and land as above-expressed, also I give him the one halfe of my three hundred acres of land lying at the head of Mr Hiltons land, and about eleven acres of land, above Henry Magoon's deceased meadow, & my peice of land and swamp above Mr Moses Gilmans, as also a small peice of marsh on the north side of Exeter river a little below my house; also I give him two oxen and two steers, & all my carpenters tooles, arms & ammunition, & my flats lying over against Moses Gilman Jun'r house, also Jon' th Clark's time.

Item. All the rest & residue of my personal estate goods &
chattels whatsoever I do give and bequeath unto my son & daughter William More and Mary More to be equally devided between them; finally my will is and I do hereby appoint and make my son William More full and sole executor of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I the s[d] William More have her- unto set my hand and seal the twenty fifth day of December Anno Domini, seaventeen hundred, Annoq duodecimo R Regis Guilielmi tertii Anglice &c.

Signed sealed and owned [seal] william moore
in the presence of us
Benjamin Palmer
John Clark
Elizabeth Clark
[Proved May 2, 1704.]

JOHN LEWIS 1700/1 NEWCASTLE

To all Christian People to whome These Presents Shall Come know yee That I John Lewis of new Castle In New Eng[land] Cooper being Very Sick and weak of Body • • •

2. I give to my wife Eliz[a] My Dweling house Shop Store house Wharfe Garden with All the Priviledges and Apurtentions there unto belonging or Appertaining; With my servants time, only Duering her natural Life or Widdowhood; And out of the Same Att the Marriage day of my Daughter hanah Lewis I give her the Estermost End or Room In My house and half the Garden from thence forth forever and one feather Bed and furniture and the Rest to remain My S[econd] Wife[a] As before Duering her life or Widowhood And Att Either of them My Estate to be Equally Divided between My two Daughters Mary Cobbet and Hanah Lewis and there heirs but In Case they or Either of them Dy without Lawfull Issue then the whole Or the part; to Remain from thence forever to My Daughter Eliz[a] Eborn and her heirs but If She Dy without Issue I bequeath the Same to Theodore Attkinson And his Heirs forever
3 I Leave my Wife Eliza My Executrix of this my last will and Testament and Desire Rob't Eliot Esq and Theodore Atkinson To Over See the Same performed
  Witnes my Hand and seal this 22d Jan'y 1700/1
  In ☺ sents of his
  John Houlden . John X Lewis [seal]
  Israel Leevit mark
  Theodore Atkinson
  [Proved May 27, 1701.]

BRIDGET GRAFFORT 1701 PORTSMOUTH

In the name of God Amen. I Bridget Graffort of Portsmouth in New Hampshire, in New England being in a Languishing Estate of Body, & Apprehending my Change drawing nigh * * *

Item I Will & bequeath to my Kinsman Mr George Vaughan my Sixteenth Part in the Ship which Mr Samuel Rimes is Master of and Also that field Scituated on the South side of the Road Leading to the Creek (where Maj'r Vaughan's Mills are) Now Lett out to & Improved by Maj'r Vaughan, to the s'd George, his heires & Assigns for Ever.

Itm I Will & bequeath to Mr Samuel Keais the Use & Improvement of my dwelling house & the Orchard adjoyning, and also the fish-warehouse (so Called) & the wharf thereto belonging, together w'th all advantages Redounding from the Premises or Appurtenances to wit fences out houses & Grass belonging to the Dwelling house & Orchard to him his heires & Assignes for Seven Years. Moreover I Will & bequeath to s'd Mr Keais all the Land Lying between the Land joyning to the house where he now dwelleth & the Broad Street Running East & west Next to s'd Keais's Northward the whole breadth of s'd Keais Land which he dwelleth on, to him I Also bequeath the one half of my Right & Title to Weather's Island (so Called) & my Cow, & Sow & the Sword, belt, Cartridge-Box & Silver-headed Cane which were m'r Graffort's (my Last husband.) to him his heires & Assignes for Ever.
I will & bequeath to my Cousin Mr Samuel Penhallow the 
One half of my Right & Title to s° Weathers's Island (So Called) 
as also a house lot Adjoyning to the wesward side of that I Lately 
gave to my Cousin Mary King fronting Northwardly on the broad 
street, in Breadth fifty feet & Runing Southward in Length One 
hundred feet; to him s° Penhallow, his heires & Assignes for 
Ever.

I will and bequeath to Ruth Kirk & her daughter my Maid 
Each of them a feather bed & to Ruth the Younger what Soever 
She hath received of me besides her wages, to them their heirs & 
Assignes for Ever.

I will and bequeath to my Man servant Thomas Mathews 
Thirty Shillings more than his wages.

I will & Bequeath to Samuel Keais Junior my great Bell- 
mettal-mortar and Pestill

I will and Bequeath to my Cousin John Daniel my husbands 
Brothers Son his heires & Assignes the Picture of Captain Thomas 
Daniel my husband, deceased and his Seal-Ring, & those Rings 
that were Sent to me out of England as Tokens, and my best- 
Stoned-Ring as also three Silver Spoons Guilded wth Gold

I will and bequeath to My Cousin Hoell & my Cousin Clark 
her Sister the Sum of three Pounds a peice

I will & Bequeath to my Cousin Bridget Vaughan the Sum' 
of Twenty pounds provided She Renounce her Claim of A Ten 
pond Legacie Given in Captain Daniel's Will.

I will that the Legacies abovementioned, mentioning a Cer- 
tain Sum Shall be paid in money or that which is Equivalent as 
Soon as the Moveables or Land may procure it by Sale thereof

I will & bequeath All my Brass & Pewter ware to my Cous- 
sins Bridget Vaughan, Margaret Vaughan, Abigail Vaughan & 
Elizabeth Vaughan, To be Equally divided between them, to them 
their heires and Assignes Severally their Equal Part.

I will and bequeath All my moveables & Debts to me, Re- 
maining after the payment of the aboves° Legacies funeral Charges 
& Debts, to be Equally divided between my Cousin Ms° Mary
Penhallow, Mary King, Bridget Vaughan, Margaret Vaughan, Abigail Vaughan & Elizabeth Vaughan.

Itm I Will and Bequeath to my Cousins John Daniel aforesd Bridget Vaughan, Abigail Vaughan Margaret Vaughan & Elizabeth Vaughan All my Housen Lands & all my fixed & Real Estate Not Allready in this my will or in the Execution thereof disposed of Excepting & Reserving to Mr Keais the use of the house, Warehouse, Wharf & Orchard for Seven Years as Abovesd before it be actually At their dispose, to be Equally divided between them: To them their heires & Assignes for Ever.

Itm I Will & Appoint & Authorize Mr Samuel Penhallow & Mr Samuel Keais to be the Sole Executours of this my Last will & Testament—

Finally. I Appoint & Request Mr Job Alcock & m' George Snell my Loving friends as Overseers to See to the Carefull Performance of the Premises

And in witness of This being my Last Will & Testament I have hereto Set my hand & Seal this first day of April In the year of our Lord One Thousand, Seven hundred & One.

Signed, Sealed & Declared to Bredget Graffort [seal] be her Last Will & Testament,

In presence of us.

Obadiah Mors

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Splan X Lovell

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John Wade

[Proved July 15, 1701.]

[Caveat, June 6, 1701, by William Vaughan, in behalf of his children, against the probating of the will of his sister, Bridget Graffort.]

[Court record, June 6, 1701: Samuel Penhallow and Samuel Keais offer the will for probate; probate deferred and hearing ordered.]
July 9, the parties not being prepared, another hearing was ordered.

June 6, John Wade and Obadiah Morse testify as to Mrs. Graffort's condition.

[Warrant, June 6, 1701, authorizing Samuel Penhallow and Samuel Keais to take the personal property into their custody and return an inventory.]


"To ye hon'ble William Partridge Esq,

whereas ye Hon' hath been pleased hitherto to deferr ye Probate of My Sist' Grafforts will upon my motion, for time to make it appear that ye same ought not to be proved, but made Null, in ord' thereto I now humbly offer

That my Sist' Graffort by ye Generality of Those that have of late Conversed wth her has been thought Whollie incapable of making a legall will, for that She has been neither of a Composed mind nor sound Memorie & understanding, but w' She hath said one Day She hath com'onlie forgot and Contradicted ye' Next.

I am also informed that this will was made by ye' Instigation of Mr Keise one of ye' Nominated Execut' & a Considerable Legatee, whose Interest Obliged him to promote ye' Making Such a Will & that it was not done at ye' Leer Motion of M' Graffort, but upon Mr Kease's putting her upon it and advising her to Mr Wade then p'sent to be Penman thereof, In ord' to ye' Proof hereof I pray that ye Severall Witnesses to s' Will may upon Oath give answer to such Questions as may be asked them in ord' to a full Discoverie of ye' truth in this Matter, all w' is humbly Submitted to ye' Hon' by ye' most humble Servant

Portsm' in New-Hampshire 15th Julie 1701

Wm Vaughan
Province of New Hampshire. On Tuesday the 15th of July 1701 3 a Clock in the afternoon: at the dwelling House of Wm Partridge Esq.

m° Sam° penhallow and m° Sam° Keais appeared according to appoint° in order to the probate of m° Bridgett Graffords Will as alsoe Major Wm Vaughan appeared in Order to make defence ag° proveing of the Same; the will was read And then Major Vaughan putt in a petic°on with reasons why said will should not be proved and requested that the witnesses to Said will might be asked Sever° Questions as is menc°oned in Said petic°on/

m° John Wade being asked who requested him to make m° Graffords will. /

Answered she her Selfe desired him to make it/

being likewise asked who moved first to him about the makeing m° Graffords will

Answered m° Kais asked him whether he was willing to make m° Graffords will; after having had some discourse with Said Wade. And that Said Keais went upp to m° Graffords Chamber with Said Wade; and told m° Grafford that m° Wade was willing to make her will; upon which m° Grafford made a Bow to Said Wade and Gave him thanks. And in takeing the Minuitts of her Will was directed by Said m° Grafford out of her owne Mouth. and by noe body else

m° John Wade being asked whether m° Keais proposed any thing to m° Grafford dureing the time of makeing her will. /

Answered; that he did desire m° Grafford to Leave him out of the will as being Exec° and proposed to her to putt in her Brother Major Wm Vaughan as one of the Exec° accordingly at that time after Some Little considerac°on she Ordered S° Wade to sett it Down soe; But to the Best of Said Wades remembrance before he had wrote any Article of the will after Said Proposeall Said m° Grafford told Said Wade she could not be Satisfied till m° Vaughtans Name was putt out as Exec° and Said Keais Name putt in, (all this being in the time of takeing the Minuitts of the will.)

And ffarther Said Wade Sayth that he heard Said Keais make
some reasonable proposealls to advance mrs Bridgett Vaughan's Portion over & above some of the rest./ to mrs Grafford

mrs John Wade being further Asked, whether he could Apprehend Said mrs Grafford to be of a Sound Disposeing Minde and Memory at the makeing of the will and that he could Rightly Undestand what she said to him./

Answered that altho it was with much Difficultye yett he perfectly Understood her Meaneing in Reference to every Article in her Will./

Being likewise asked who Said mrs Grafford Ordered Or Named as a Legatee in the Minuitts of the Will, first:

Answered that he cannott perfectly remember it haveing not the Minuitts; but believes it Might be Mr Keais./

mrs John Wade being likewise asked if he Rightly Understood mrs Grafford in the Giveing mrs Bridgett Vaughan a Legacye of Twenty Pounds, provided she Renounced a Legacye formerly Given her by Captn Daniells Will./

Answered that he Rightly Understood her to the Giveing that Legacye & wording it accordingly./

mrs Obediah Moss being asked how he came to be Witnesse to mrs Graffords Will.

Answered that Mr Keais came to him and desired him to goo to mrs Grafford which accordingly he went; and then Mrr Grafford Signed her Will and he sett his Name as a Witnesse thereto.

mrs Splann Lovell being asked the Same Question:

Answered mrs Keais desired him to Stay at mrs Graffords Some Little time and was then afterwards called up to the Chamber after a Little while mrs Br Grafford Signed her Will and he Sett his Name as a Witnesse who desired him to take Notice that it was her Last will and Testam'r. And that he plainly Understood her Soe to Speak/

after haveing Considered upon the Questions & Answ'r his Hon'r was pleased to prove the Will

mrs Pickering Moved for an Appeale but the L. Gov'r hath Ordered till ye day Seavennight at 10: of the Clock to Consider of it/
Tuesday 22d July 1701

Mr Sam'l Penhallow and Mr Keais appeared at the House of Wm Partridge Esq'r Lt Gov'r in Order Know the Opinion of his Hon'r whither he would Allow an Appeale as aforeremenc'oned or would Grant a probate of m's Graffords Will to pass under his hand and Seale Ordered a probate to pass &c.
C: S: Secretary

[Caveat, July 22, 1701, by William Vaughan against the probating of the will.]

[Account of Samuel Penhallow and Samuel Keais as executors; approved July 11, 1703.]

[Inventory of the personal property, and division among Margaret Vaughan, Mary King, Mrs. Bridget Vaughan, Mrs. Elizabeth Vaughan, Mrs. Abigail Vaughan, and Mrs. Mary Penhallow; amount, £392.14.3; attested July 11, 1703.]

[Account of Samuel Penhallow as executor, Sept. 4, 1705; attested Sept. 4, 1705.]

[Additional inventory, real estate, Feb. 3, 1707/8; amount, £980.0.0; signed by Job Alcock and John Pickering; attested Feb. 2, 1707/8.]

[Petition of Samuel Penhallow, Samuel Keais, and John Pickering, March 31, 1708, for the appointment of disinterested parties to divide the real estate; allowed March 31, 1708, and Mark Hunking, Thomas Phipps, John Dennett, Theodore Atkinson, Thomas Packer, and Samuel Alcock appointed.]

[Commission to the above appointees, April 1, 1708.]

Province of , Whereas the Honourable Joseph Smith, Esq'r Judge of Probate of Wills, and granting letters of Administration, within her Majesties province of New Hampshire in New England, did by Commission Under his
hand and the Seale of the Office of probates, dated the first day of April instant, Authorize and appointe us the Subscribers hereunto, to make a Just Right and Equal Division, of all the Houses Land and Real Estate; Given by the last Will and Testament of Mr Bridgett Graffort deceased, Unto her Cosins John Daniel, Bridgett Vaughan; Margaret Vaughan, Abigail Vaughan, and Elizabeth Vaughan, as nigh as possible among them in equal proportion according to the best of our Skils and Knowledge without favrour to any person and to make Returne of Such Division &c: as by the Said Commission Reference being thereunto had will more at large appeare.

Pursueant to which Commission above Recited, wee the Subscribers Mark Hunkin, Thomas Phipps, John Dennett, Theodore Atkinson, Thomas Packer, and Samuel Alcock; haveing taken upon us, to make a Just Right and Equal Division of the above-said Houses, Lands and Estate among the Legatees, and haveing well Considered of the Same without favrour or Affection to any person, Have Unanimously Agreed to the best of our Skils and Knowledge to lay out to every Legatee their Equal proportion in Value of the Said Estate as nigh as possible; And wee make our Returne as followeth, viz/

Imprimis. Wee have Divided the Lands and Houses into Seaventy Eight Lotts, and for the Benefitt and Advantage of the Legatees, and for the more Convenient coming to the Said Lotts, have made Streets through the Same, as are plainely Sett forth in a Mapp hereunto Annexed; in which Mapp, wee have alsoe Named each Street, and Sett down the breadth thereof; And have incerted the first Letter of each Legatees Name in the Said Mapp or platt within the Several Lotts belong to them Viz where the Letter D: is Sett in any Lott Such Lott belongs to the abovesaid John Daniel, with all Houses and buildings thereupon and Soe consequently: N: G: to Nathaniel Gerrish who Married Bridgett Vaughan a Legatee; M: to Mr Margaret Vaughan aforesd A: to Abigail Vaughan a Legatee, and: E: to Elizabeth Vaughan another Legatee; which is for the more plainer distinguishing
Each Legatees perticuler Lott. And there being two Lotts Valued at forty pounds, which were to be divided among Bridgett Vaughan Margaret Vaughan, Abigail Vaughan and Elizabeth Vaughan, wee See cause that the Said Nathaniel Gerrish have and Enjoy the Said two Lotts he paying to the Said Margaret Vaughan; Abigail Vaughan and Elizabeth Vaughan tenn pounds a peice each within Seaven years from the day of the date hereof.

Item Wee alsoe Divided a Pasture lying Neare the Creek into five Lotts with the Numbers and Names of the Legatees in the Said Lotts, A Mapp of which is likewise hereunto Annexed. All which wee have done impartially and ready to make oath of the Same— Given Under our hands at portsmouth the thirtyeth day of April Anno R Reginæ Annae nune Angliæ &c: Septimo Annoq Domini 1708.

M Hunking
Thomä Phipps
John Dennet
Theodore Atkinson
Tho: Packer
Samu Allcock

[Allowed May 4, 1708.]

JOHN HATCH 1701 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of John Hatch of Portsmouth, mariner, granted to his widow, Sarah Hatch, May 2, 1701.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 231.]

[Bond of Sarah Hatch of Portsmouth, widow, with William Vaughan and Jacob Lavers, cordwainer, both of Portsmouth, as sureties, May 2, 1701, in the sum of £500, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Patience Elkins and Charles Story.]

[Inventory, July 29, 1701; amount, £296.16.8; liabilities, £31.5.0; signed by George Jaffrey and John Dennett.]
EPHRAIM TRICKEY  1701  DOVER

Province of New Hampshire of probat of wills & granting of Administra-
tions in this province—

may it ples your honer for as much as Ephram treckey of bloody
poyn dyed Intestated: & no administration hether to granted to
his Estat as we know of: my self haveing prentice the Eldest
son & heir to s'd Intested Estat: pray Cauetion may be entered that
If Any person Espeshally will: Wittum shold pray for adminis-
tration to s'd Estat: that I may in behalf of s'd heir together with
Izak treckey on onkle to ye S'd heir may have Libert to shew Reson
why it ought not to be granted unto s'd Wittum & that all persons
conserned may have timly notes & Liberty Likwis: which is the
humbl request of yourer most humbl & obedant subscribers

dated sep 1: 1701  
John Pickerin
Izack X treckey
his mark

[William Wittum and Mary Wittum, his wife, formerly widow
of Ephraim Trickey, renounce administration on the estate Sept.
22, 1701.]

[Administration on the estate of Ephraim Trickey of Dover,
yeoman, granted to John Pickering, gentleman, and Isaac Trickey
of Dover, yeoman, Sept. 24, 1701, the widow, Mary Wittum, now
wife of William Wittum of Dover, yeoman, having renounced
administration.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 242.]

[Bond of John Pickering of Portsmouth, gentleman, and Isaac
Trickey of Dover, yeoman, with Richard Wibird of Portsmouth,
mariner, and Benjamin Bickford of Dover, yeoman, as sureties,
Sept. 24, 1701, in the sum of £40, for the administration of the
estate; witnesses, John Edgerly and Charles Story.]

[Inventory, April 26, 1702; amount, £14.12.0; signed by Nich-
olas Harrison and Benjamin Bickford.]
HENRY MOULTON 1701 HAMPTON

Artikells of Agrem't made and Concluded Uppon this Thurtenth Daye of September in ye yere of our Lord Seventene Hundred and one and in ye thurtene yere of his Maj'® Reigne Kinge William the Thurd over England &ca betwene us hoose Names are here Unto Subscribed viz' Jn° Molton, Josiah Molton Jonathan Molton, & Abygall Lecock are as ffoloeth—That whereas our Hon'd father Hen'y Molton Late Deased in Hampton in the province of New Hampshere in New: England Died Intestate w't out Declareing his Mind in writeinge, allthough he Did Declare what his Mind was ffomerly in y° time of his helth as to makeinge of a Divitoryn of his Estate Amoungst us his Children. Now to p'tvent Anny Contetion y° May Afterward Arise betwene Anny of us, wee have So nere as wee can Remember was our Said fathers mind and will in his Life time Made this ffoloing Divitoryn of his Estate as a finall Settlem't thereof viz'

1st That Jn° Moulton Shall have to him and his Heires for Ever ye Dwelling House, barne and Houses and House Loat beinge ffooure Acres More or Lese, w't y° treeies thereon growinge, ye ffresh meddo at y° Beetch beinge Ten Acres More or Lese as it is and allso y° parte of y° Loat in y° Este feld y° was som time William fffields and Lyeth next Sam° Dows Loat all y° was y° Said fffields, as allso one Share in the grete ox Comon, Comonly So Called Mash grownd Thatch Ground and upland as allso one Share of y° Cow Comon w't y° Right of North Divitoryn and Share of Marsh belonginge to one share and allso y° one halfe of y° Grant of Land at Bride hill, and allso one oxe and Jn° to be at Three-quarters of y° Charge, of Maintaineinge of our Mother Comfortably, and Honorably Duringe her Naturall Life

2d'y Agreid y° Josiah Moulton Shall have besids what hee have had of his father already the one halfe of the Grant of Land at Bride Hill and a steere goinge of ffooure yere Ould and a Haifer goinge of Three yere ould and a this yeres Calfe that is Now at Pasture at his owne House

3d'y Agreid That Jonathan Molton Shall Have all the Land in
the Estefeld be the Same More or Lese as it is that is Not All Redy Disposed of to John, and to Josiah Molton formerly by our ffather, As allso the Acre of ffresh Meddow wth the upland Adjoyninge be the Same More or Lese as it is, As allso all the Mash in the place Comonlly Called ye Springe Mash, all in that place more or Lese ye is not given to Josiah by a Deid of Gift, and one Share of the Cow Com'on wth ye Right of north Divityon and Share of Meddow belonginge and a grant of Land at North hill be the Same More or lese as it is, to him and his Heires for Ever As Allso ffower neate Cattell, And Jonathan to be at one quarter of the Charge of Mainetaininge of our Mother Comfortably & Honerably Duringe her Naturall Life

4th Agred that Abygall Lecok Shall Have two Cowes and to have prvelidge and the Benefitt of Livinge in the House for her Comfttable Livelyhood So longe as Shee her selfe Shall plese to Live there but no Longer and for the trethew of all above written wee Doe Bind our Selves our Heires Executors and Administrators ffirmy by these p'sents eatch to the other as witnes our hands and Seales the Daye and yere ffirst Above written

   Witnes:                      John Molton [sele]
   The Marke of               Josiah Molton [sele]
Hannah X Dow                Jonathan Molton [sele]
Jabes Dow                   Abygall Leacok [sele]

[Deeds, vol. 6, p. 295.]

JOSEPH ELWELL       1701       NEWCASTLE

[Administration on the estate of Joseph Elwell of Newcastle granted to his widow, Margaret Elwell, Sept. 15, 1701.]
[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 241.]

[Bond of Margaret Elwell of Newcastle, with Joseph Elwell of Newcastle, fisherman, and Francis Tucker of Newcastle, merchant, as sureties, Sept. 15, 1701, in the sum of £50, for the administration of the estate of her husband, Joseph Elwell of Newcastle, fisherman; witnesses, Richard Joce and Charles Story.]
WILLIAM MARSTON  1701  HAMPTON

In the Name of God Amen

I William Marston of Hampton in the Province of New Hampshire in new England being aged and Weake of Body * * *

1st My Will is that all my Just and Honist Debts and funerall Expencis be all payd

2nd I give and bequeath unto my welbeloved Son Samuel marston My Dwelling House Barn and out Houses With all my lands hereafter mentioned ten acres where my Houses stand be the same more or less and three acres more or less by Thomas Robeys and Seaventeen acres more or less lieng next to Samuel Dows in the north plaine Com'only so called and two shears in the north devition be the same more or less and two shears of the Cow Com'ons of Hampton with all Rights therunto belonging and two small lotts of mash lately layd out in the littell River mash And sixe acres of upland adjoyning to Henry Moultons on North hill And Sixe acres more or less of meadow or mash ground adjoyning to frances pages in the Spring mashes Com'only so called and five acres more or less of Salt mash lieng by Benjamin Moultons between the landing place River and the fals River com'only so called and fower acres more or less lieng by John Cliffsords Cornfeild as also two shears in the great oxe Com'on Com'only so alled both upland mash ground and thatch ground belonging to two shears in sd Com'on I also give unto my son Samuel Marston all my Cattell of all Sorts Whatso Ever and Wherso Ever any of them bee I also give unto the sayd Samuel Marston all my moveables Both within dors and Without and all my Tools and implements of Husbandrey not other ways disposed of in this my last Will and Testiment

I give and bequeath unto Ann my welbeloved Wiffe the use of the west End of my Dwelling House So long as she Remaine a Widow or live in the House but if she Remove out of the House and lett the Sayd House to my son then my sayd son Samuel shall pay Hir one Hundred pound of meat and two bushells of Corn and two bushells of Mault A yeare And my sayd wife shall make
use of one Iron pott and a Scillitt and one Cow And my son Samuell Marston Sixe load of wood a yeare shall bring Home to the House for Hir and Cause it to be Cutt fitt for hir fire

I Give and bequeath unto my Welbeloved Daughter Rebecka smith now the wife of John smith twelve pound in pay but if my son pay in mony then it is to be but Eight pound to be payd by my Executour as hereafter Mentioned

I give and bequeath unto my Welbeloved Daughter Hannah sfoog the wife of Samuell sfoog the sum of twelve pound to be payd by my Executoure but if he pay it in mony then but Eight pound but if in pay then twelve to be payd as folowith if it be payd in pay then fower pound to Rebecka Smith the first yeare after my decease and fower pound to Hannah sfoog the Second yeare after my decease and fower pound to Rebecka Smith the third yeare after my decease and fower pound to Hannah sfoog the forth yeare after my decease and fower pound to Rebecka smith the fift yeare after my decease and fower pound to Hannah sfoog the sixt yeare after my deceas And so after the same Mannor if it be payd in mony according to proportion

I give and bequeath unto my Welbeloved Daughter Maria prescott now the Wife of James Prescott the one Half of my ffortie acre lott lieng at Bride Hill Com’only so Called

I give and bequeath unto my Welbeloved grandchild Josiah Moulten the other half of my ffortie acre lott att Bride hill as above

I give unto my grand child William marston one gun and one puter platter and to my grand child Samuel Marston one puter platter And What so Ever land or Estate that I Have that is not disposed of in this my Will and Teastiment other Ways I doe give it unto my son Samuell Marston

And I doe make Constitute and Appoint my Welbeloved son Samuell Marston to be my Soale Executor to this my last Will and Teastiment and for the Confermation of this my last Will and Teastiment I the before Mentioned William Marston have hereunto put my Hand and affixt my seale this nineteen day of November
in the yeare of our lord Seaventeen Hundred and one And in the thirteen yeare of the Reigne of our Soveraigne Lord William the third by the grace of God King of England Scotland France and Ireland defender of ye faith &e

Witness
James fog
Christopher Page
Simon Marston
Henry Dow

[Proved March 7, 1703/4.]

[Inventory of the estate of Capt. William Marston, who died Jan. 22, 1703/4; taken Jan. 28, 1703/4; amount, £240.5.0; signed by John Moulton and Ephraim Marston.]

[Warrant, March 27, 1704, authorizing Lt. John Moulton and Ephraim Marston, both of Hampton, to appraise the estate.]

THOMAS MORRIS 1701

December ye 1701:
In the Name of god Amen
The Last will and testament of Thomas Morriss—
I do give my soule to god that gave it: and my body to be decently buried In ye earth and after my funiral expences are discharged
I doe give unto my frinds James and william Durgen my house and land to be equilly devid betwen them
I do give unto debro merrow fifteen shillings mony
I do give to John footman one Cowe and my maire Colt—
I do give unto elisabeth pinder fifteen shillings mony
I do give to James durgen one Cowe and my maire— and one of my Calves and one pig
I do give to william durgen one Cowe and one of my pigs
I doe give to benjemen york my stear now Coming too yeare old—
I do give to sarah pinder sener my Iron Cittle
I do give unto david davis one calfe
I do give unto John Crummall my Bool [bull]
I do give unto Abigail davis one Calfe
I do give unto James durgen and william durgen all ye Rest of my moveable estate to be aquilly to be devided betwen them
I do Apoint my friends Jame durgen and william durgen to be Joynt exeketers to this my last will and testament
I do apoint my trusty friends frances matthewes and John Doe to be my overseers to this my Last will and testament:
I the above st Thomas morres do atest this to be my last will and testement and In witnes hearof I have set to my hand and affixed my seal. This first day of december: 1701——
signed sealed and delivered
Thomas morres
In Presenes of——
John Pindar
Sarah Pinder X her mark
Edward Polly

[Proved June 5, 1710.]

RICHARD OTIS JR. 1701

[Warrant, Dec. 15, 1701, authorizing John Gerrish and Capt. John Tuttle, both of Dover, to appraise the estate of Richard Otis, Jr., of Dover.]

[Inventory, Dec. 19, 1701; amount, £32.8.6; signed by John Gerrish and John Tuttle.]

[Notice by Susanna Otis, administratrix, Dec. 25, 1701, to the creditors to bring in their claims.]

[Administration on the estate granted to the widow, Susanna Otis, Jan. 1, 1701/2.]

[Settlement of the estate as insolvent, Dec. 11, 1702, at nine shillings and five pence in the pound; allowed Dec. 11, 1702.]
[Petition of Susanna Otis, asking for the guardianship of her children, Richard Otis, Stephen Otis, Nicholas Otis, Rebecca Otis, and Rose Otis.]

[Guardianship of Richard Otis, Stephen Otis, Nicholas Otis, Rebecca Otis, and Rose Otis, the five children of Richard Otis, granted to their mother, Susanna Otis, Jan. 2, 1704/5.]
[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 60.]

[Various accounts, bills, etc., containing the signature of Nicholas Haskins.]

MOSES GILMAN 1701/2 EXETER

The last will and testament of Moses Gilman Sen'r of Exeter in the province of Newhampshire in New England.

I Moses Gilman being of sound memory and understanding but ancient and infirm, * * *

1. I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Moses Gilman, all that dwelling house, out houses and land, which he is now possessed of adjoyning unto mine; Also the one half of my meadow where my son John's mill now stands and the one third part of my two hundred acres of land lying by my fresh meadow immediately at my decease, Also I give him one peice of meadow lying opposite to Cap't More's which I formerly bought of my brother Edward Gilman, also one third part of my fresh meadow after his mother's decease.

2. I give & bequeath unto my beloved son Jeremiah Gilman all that house, out houses, and land which liyes between that of Bray's & Welch's which he is possessed of, together with a peice of meadow joyning to that of my brother Gilman's.

3. I give and bequeath unto my beloved son James Gilman the one half of all that land which liyes between Welch's and Cornelius Laryes, also a peice of meadow about three acres lying between two peices of meadow which were my brother Wilson's; also I give him my flats in the great cove.
4. I give unto my beloved son John Gilman all my right, title & interest in that land where his house and mill now stands, together with the land therunto adjoyning, And fifty acres of land lying in the grassie swamp; also sixty acres lying on the other side of King's falls, and the one half of my meadow near where my son's mill stands.

5. I give unto my beloved son David Gilman the other half of that land lying between Welches and Cornelius Layres, viz, My will is that the whole tract of land between Welches & Cornelius's be equally devided between my two sons James and David as above-given, but David to have the meadow he mowed near to his brother James's.

6 I give unto my beloved son Joshua Gilman the new house by the fort together with the one half of all the land joyning to my dwelling house lying next to Samuel Pipers to be in his possession at his mothers decease; Also the one third part of my two hundred acres of land lying by my fresh meadow; and the one third part of my sd fresh meadow after his mothers decease: Also I give him the one half of my lying between my house & Thomas Dudley's, and the one half of my flats lying on the other side of the river.

7. I give unto my beloved son Caleb Gilman my dwelling house and out housing which I now possess, together with the other half of my home lands, lying next to his brother Moses's; which I will shall be wholly to his own proper use im'diately after his mothers decease, but not before; Also I give him the one third part of my fresh meadow, and the one third of my two hundred acres of land lying by it; after his mothers decease; Also I give him the one half of all my flats lying between my house & Thomas Dudleys with the one half of my flats lying on the other side of the river.

8. I give unto my four sons, viz, John, David, Joshua & Caleb my peice of meadow lying between that which was brother Wilsons meadow, and Richard Matoon's meadow, to be equally devided between them after their mother's decease.

9. Farthermore I give and bequeath unto my beloved sons, viz,
Moses, Jeremiah, James, John, David, Joshua and Caleb Gilman all my land lying at Lamprel-river, also my sixteen shares of the priviledges of the town commons, purchased by Mr Wheelwright; And all that tract of land given me by Ben: Huntaway which I will shall be equally devided among the above seaven sons.

10. I give unto my beloved daughter Dudley ten pounds mony or goods equivalent therto, which shall be paid at her mothers decease, if not before.

11. I give unto my beloved daughter, ten pounds, Viz, to my daughter Lyford, in mony or goods equivalent therto.

12. I give unto my beloved daughter Conner twenty pounds mony or goods equivalent therto; and my will is that each of my daughters be paid the above-mentioned viz, to my daughter Dudley ten pounds, to Lyford ten pounds & to Conner twenty pounds, at my wives decease, or sooner if she be well capable of doing it.

13. I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife, all my dwelling house out housing land and flats adjoyning during her natural life or widowhood and at her marriage or decease, that then it shall be to the sole use and benifit of my two sons, viz, Joshua and Caleb as is mentioned in the sixth and seventh articles; I also give her my land lying by Mr Scammons, and all my share in the saw mill, with the priviledges therto belonging, and all that land of Welches and fifty acres above it, also my will is that it shall all be to her proper use and disposal, together with all my moveable estate, or any other estate of what kind soever not already willed: Finally my will is that my s\(^{d}\) wife shall have the use And improve-ment of all my meadows which are now in my possession during her natural life: And I do hereby appoint and constitute her my s\(^{d}\) wife the full and sole executrix of this my last will and testa-ment, Obliging her to pay all my just debts and legacies and to defray my funeral charges; And in all things justly to perform what I have here engaged her, for the benefit of my children, and for the maintaing of love and unity among them. In testimony wherof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the twelvth day of
January Anno Domini one thousand seaven-hundred and one. Annoq decimo tertio R Regis Guilielmi tertii Angliæ &c.
Signed Sealed and declared Moses Gilman [seal] in the presence of us—
William Gillman
Cartee Gillman
John Clark.
[Proved Aug. 6, 1702.]

ALLEN LLOYD 1701/2 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Allen Lloyd of Portsmouth, mariner, granted to Edward Toogood of Portsmouth, bricklayer, and his wife, Gartrite Toogood, Feb. 7, 1701/2, they being guardians of Allen Lloyd and Frances Lloyd, son and daughter of the deceased.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 244.]

[Bond of Edward Toogood and his wife, Gartrite Toogood, for administering the estate; dated Feb. 7, 1701/2; amount, £300; signed by Edward Toogood, bricklayer, Job Alcock, gentleman, and James Leavitt, cordwainer, all of Portsmouth.]

[Guardianship of Allen Lloyd and Frances Lloyd, son and daughter of Allen Lloyd of Portsmouth, mariner, granted to Edward Toogood of Portsmouth, their grandfather-in-law, and Gartrite, his wife, their own grandmother, Feb. 16, 1701/2.]

[Warrant, Feb. 20, 1701/2, to James Leavitt and William Hunking, both of Portsmouth, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Feb 23, 1701/2; amount, £135.19.3; signed by James Leavitt and William Hunking; mentions Allen Lloyd, first husband of Sarah Fernald, and "second decesed Allen Lloyd."

[Return of claims against the estate, Oct. 15, 1702; amount, £24.19.9; allowed March 8, 1702/3.]
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[Account of the administrator against the estate, Feb. 21, 1702/3; amount, £3.16.0.]

[Order for the settlement of the accounts against the estate, March 8, 1702/3.]

[Division of the estate; "Goods and Chattels mentioned in the Inventory of both old and young Lloyd dec'd," £19.19.0; balance for creditors, £6.3.9; claims against the estate, £11.3.6; allowed March 8, 1702/3.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 41.]

[Order for the sale of certain land to settle the claim of Richard Waterhouse, March 20, 1702/3.]

[Account of the administrator against the estate, April 20, 1703; amount, £3.1.0.]

SAML. FOLSOM 1701/2 EXETER

[Mary Folsom of Exeter, widow of Samuel Folsom, and Eben-ezer Folsom, oldest son, renounce administration on the estate, Feb. 27, 1701/2, and request that a younger son, Samuel Folsom, may be appointed; witnesses, Moses Leavitt, Jr., and Dorothy Leavitt.]

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Folsom of Exeter, yeoman, granted to his son, Samuel Folsom of Exeter, yeoman, Feb. 28, 1701/2.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 245.]

[Inventory, May 27, 1702; amount, £36.16.6; signed by Benjamin Jones and Charles Rundlett, Jr.]

JOHN DAVIS 1702 DURHAM

[Guardianship, Oct. 14, 1702; Jeremiah Burnham of Oyster River, husbandman, appointed guardian of Sarah Davis, daughter]
of John Davis of Oyster River, yeoman; signed by William Partridge.]

[Administration on the estate of John Davis of Oyster River, yeoman, granted to Jeremiah Burnham of Oyster River, yeoman, Oct. 16, 1702, as guardian of Sarah Davis, daughter of the deceased.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 250.]

[Bond of Jeremiah Burnham, with John Smith, of Oyster River, yeoman, and Samuel Shackford of Portsmouth, block-maker, as sureties, Oct. 16, 1702, in the sum of £150, for the administration of the estate.]

[Inventory, Jan. 11, 1702/3; amount, £72.9.5; signed by John Woodman and Stephen Jones.]

[Various receipts and accounts, containing signatures of John Cutt, John Davis, Nathaniel Rogers, and Joshua Peirce.]

WILLIAM DURGIN 1702

[Caption, Nov. 28, 1702, to Catherine Durgin, widow of William Durgin, to appear and take administration on the estate of her husband, her son, James Durgin, having applied.]

[Administration on the estate of William Durgin of Dover, yeoman, granted to his widow, Catherine Durgin, Nov. 30, 1702.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 251.]

[Warrant, Dec. 30, 1702, authorizing Elias Crockett and Samuel Doe, both of Dover, to appraise the estate; signed by William Partridge and Charles Story.]

[Inventory, Feb. 16, 1702/3; amount, £40.15.0; signed by Sampson Doe and Elias Crockett.]
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[Citation, April 12, 1703, to James Durgin of Oyster River to appear and answer to the complaint of his stepmother, Catherine Durgin, administratrix, for retaining part of the estate.]
[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 364.]

[Acknowledgment of indebtedness, April 20, 1703, James Durgin to the estate.
Order that James Durgin deliver all the goods which he owned in the inventory to Thomas Footman.]

[Petition of John Pickering, attorney for James Durgin, for a postponement of a hearing in regard to the estate.]

RICHARD MANSON 1702 PORTSMOUTH

[Inventory of the estate of Richard Manson of Portsmouth, Nov. 30, 1702; amount, £329.2.0; signed by George Snell and John Abbott.]
[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 252.]

[Administration on the estate of Richard Manson of Portsmouth, fisherman, granted to his widow, Esther Manson, Dec. 14, 1702.]

[Bond of Esther Manson of Portsmouth, widow, with John Manson and Samuel Manson, both of Portsmouth, mariners, as sureties, Dec. 14, 1702, in the sum of £650, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Thomas Packer and Charles Story.]

JACOB RANDALL 1702

In the name of god Amen The twenty third Day of December one Thousand Seven hundred and two: I Jacob Rendell Being Sick and weake off of bodey . . .

Imp' I give and bequeath To my Dearely Beloved wife Katherine Rendell all my now dwelling house with the Garding land and outhouseing to me belonginge for and Dureing the tim that She
Remaines A widow, with all my houshold goods and all my other
Estate Dutreing her widowood; and at her marriage or (her my
Said wifes Death) what Shall be lefte of my moveabell estate
Shall be and Remaine to my wife at her death or mariage to be
Disposed of by her amongs my Children as She Shall see fitt;

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Eldest Son Jacob Rendell
the two third partes of my now Dwelling house and the two thirds
of my Gardin Land out housing after the mariage or the Death
of my wife his Mother Kathrine Rendell: to him and his heires
and asignes for Ever; more over I give unto him my Said Son
Jacob my gun and my Sword and three Silver Spoons—

Itm I give unto my Son Stephen Rendell one third parte of my
now Dwelling house one third parte of my Garding land and out
houseing after the mariage or the Death of my wife his mother
Kathren Rendell to him his heires and asignes for ever more over
I give to my Son Stephen two Gould Rings my great gould Ring
and one Small one

Itm I give and bequeath to my daughter Susana Rendell five
pounds to be paid unt her in mony or in good pay Equivlent to
mony to be paid unto her By my Son Jacob Rendell within two
yeares after he hath the two third partes of my now Dwelling
house in his owne possesion—

Itm I Give and bequeath to my Daughter Kathrine Rendell
Three pounds to be paid unto her in mony or in good pay Equivo-
lent to mony to be paid unto her By my Son Stephen Rendell
with in two years after he hath the one third parte of my now
dwelling house in his possesion—

Itm my will is that If Either of my two Sons Jacob or Stephen
Rendell Shall hapen to Dey before they attayne to the adge of
twenty one yeares of Adge then the Sone that Survives Shall In
Joy the whole house I now live in and the garden Land and out-
houseing; after the Mariage or death of his mother to him and to
his heires and asigns for Ever he paying his Sisters their portions
according to my above will, and if Either of the Sisters Should
hapen to Dey before She attaines to the adge of Eighten years
then the Surviver of ye Sistrs to have the deceaseds portion; and If it Should So happen that the two Sons Jacob and Stephen Rendell Should hapen to Dey before Either of them com to the full adge of twenty one years of adge then the house and land to be qually devided betwene the two Sisters Susana and Kathrine; and If they Should hapen all four to dey in theire non age then the whole Estat of House land Gardin and outhousing, to be my wife Kathrins and her heirs fforever—

I Doe make my Dearely Beloved wife Kathrine Rendell my Sole Eecutrex to this my Last will and testament witness my hand and Seale

Witness
John Hollicom
John Card
Francis Tucker

[Proved June 30, 1703.]

MARY WALL
1702/3
HAMPTON

[Administration on the estate of Mary Wall, widow, granted to her son, John Tuck of Hampton, Feb. 9, 1702/3.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 253.]

Articles of agreement made & Concluded upon the 12th day of February 1703, Betwene John Tuck of ye Town of Hampton in ye Province of Newhamps in New England Mill-wright, on the one part: And Mary Marston formerly Mary Wall & Benjamin Moulton in behalf of his Wife formerly Hannah Wall, all of ye above said Town & Province on ye other part Witnesseth (as followeth)

Impr These that where as our Honorable Mother Mary Wall of Hampton in ye above said province late deceased did leave some Estate in lands, goods Chattels & debts; & Administration being Granted unto s'd John Tuck &c. ye s'd Mary Marston & s'd Benjamin Moulton in Right of his wife Hannah Claims part of s'd Estate
and in order to ye setting s'd estate, & finall ending anyy difference that hath, or here after may arise &c The above named John Tuck doth hereby for him self his Heirs, Executors & Admin* Covinant & agree to & with ye s'd Mary Marston & Benjamin Moulton their, or either of their Heirs, Executors, & Admin* that the meadow which ye above named mary wall their Hon'd mother late deceased bought of Richard Swain be the same nine acres more or less, being scituate & lying within ye limits of Hampton aboves'd, and lying on ye westwardly side of ye Causey beyond Benjamin Shaws house, &c— Be equally devided in to two parts, and ye ye s'd John Tuck have the one half, and ye the s'd mary Marston, & Benjamin Moulton have the other moiety; and that in deviding s'd meadow regard be had to quantity onely; and that s'd John Tuck have his half on ye west side next his own meadow, & his two sisters (viz) Mary & Hannah to have the other half betwene them— &c—

Item It is farther agreed betwene ye above named partyys that the s'd John Tuck pay all the charge of Administration & fees due there for: and ye the above s'd Mary Marston & Benjamin Moulton shall defray ye funerall expences—

Itm. It is also agreed by the above named partyys that ye s'd John Tuck shall have & possess all ye moveable goods that he had in his actuall possession at ye decease of his mother, together with one half of the debts due to her, and also shall pay one half of her debts which she ye s'd Mary wall owed at her decease—

and that ye ye s'd Mary Marston, & Benjamin Moulton shall have & possess all the moveable goods & chattells (of their s'd mother) which was in their or either of their custody, or possession at their s'd mothers decease: together with one half of her debts due to her &c— and likewise to pay the other half of all ye debts which their s'd mother owed at ye time of her death &c— And In Wintnes that this is a full & finall settlement and agreement made and Concluded the year & day above mentioned: Wee ye s'd John Tuck, Mary Marston, & Benjamin Moulton have mutually sett to our hands & seals this sixth day of march Anno Dom one thousand
seaven hundred & three or four: in the second year of y° Reign of our soveraign Lady Anne Queen of England &c—
signed sealed & owned  
Jn° Tucke [seal]
in presence of us  
the marke & Seal  
Peter Johson [seal]  
the marke & seall of  
Dorothy Smith  
Benjn X moulton [seal]

[Acknowledged March 7, 1703/4.]

[Inventory of the estate of Mary Wall of Hampton, widow, who died in Oct., 1702; taken May 5, 1703; amount, £77.17.0; signed by Thomas Roby and John Leavitt.]

MARY RICHARDS 1702/3 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Mary Richards of Portsmouth, widow, granted to her son, Samuel Richards, and his brother-in-law, Samuel Shackford of Portsmouth, block-maker, Feb. 10, 1702/3.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 254.]

[Bond of Samuel Shackford, block-maker, and Samuel Richards, both of Portsmouth, with William Cotton of Portsmouth and Theodore Atkinson of Newcastle as sureties, Feb. 10, 1702/3, in the sum of £300, for the administration of the estate of Mary Richards, their mother; witnesses, Nehemiah Partridge and Charles Story.]

[Warrant, Feb. 11, 1702/3, authorizing Samuel Keais and Edward Toogood, both of Portsmouth, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Feb. 15, 1702/3; amount, £143.7.11; signed by Samuel Keais and Edward Toogood.]

HEZRON LEAVITT 1702/3 HAMPTON

Artickels of agreement made this fifteenth day of febeuary 1702: three between Hezron Levvitt of Hampton in New Hampsh
New England of ye one partie & his Son Thomas Leavvett of ye Other partie Wittneseth ye i ye Sd Hizron Levvitt do Covenant Promise & engage to & with ye Sd Thomas Levvitt ye i he shall have ye use & improvement of all my Dwelling House out houses Tanyard & all ye is therein as also all my Lands Meadow & Mashes (Excepting only ye on half of my lott in ye North plaine adjoyning to Isaac Marstons Lott) as also all my Cattell Horses & : Swine, as also on bed with all ye bed Clothes thereunto belonging as also all ye Moveable & Houshold Stuff Now in ye House & all Moveables both Within Dors & : without all during my Naturall life but Reserve to my Self ye Disposing of ye Moveables ye i is now in ye house at my decease I ye Sd Thomas Levvett Do Covenant promise & Agree to & : with my Sd father Hezrom Levvett ye i I will faithfully & Carefully allow unto my Sd father & Mother therein Living in ye Said House in which roome they please as also to Maintaine them with A Honourable & Comfortable Maintainance as to meat Drink Clothing & after allways provided for them & Every thing Suitable to make there lives Comfortable with what they Shall be pleased to doe themselves over & above besides what my father Doth Geet by his practiz & my Mother by Stilling which they are to Have for there own use: I also Promis & Ingage ye i if it Should please god that my father Should Happen to Die within one yeare after ye date hereof that I will pay unto Every on of my fower Sisters five pounds apecce but if he Live above a yeare after ye Date hereof I am to pay Nothing to my Sister Lidia Sambron nor to my Mary Thomas: & if my father Dye within two years after hereof then I am to pay five pound to my sister Abbigall Levvett & five pound to my sister Sarah Levvett but if my father live above two years after ye Date hereof then I am to pay them Nothing, but they are to have ye Houshold Stufe devided amongst them according as my father & Mother please & if it Shall pleas god ye i I Happen to dye before my Sd father then all his Estate ye i Shall be then in being in my hands at ye time of my Decease Shall all Return into ye Hands of my father againe as formerly but if it Should Happen that I Should Leave a wife & Child
or Children at my Decease then my Wife is to Have all that is Hers that She bring with her to me. She is also to Have all ye is mine ye I doe produce & bring into ye house by my Labour & industry. And my father is to give my Child or Children an Equall proportion of his Estate with his own Children I ye Sd Thomas Levvitt am to pay all Depts ye my father owe & to Receive all debts Due unto him to free him from any truble thereabout: And if it shall at any time fall out ye my father or Mother Shall think ye I neglect my Duty in not providing for them ye which Shall make there lives Comfortable according to all above Written It Shall be Ajudged by two or three Indiferant Men Chosen by us who if they shall adjudge ye I have not performed this above Written agree- ment Relating to ye Honourable & Comfortable Maintaining of my sd father & Mother in Every Respect as Above mentioned ye then it shall be in ye power of my Sd father to ReEnter upon all ye sd Houses & lands and Estate ye was his without any Suitt att Law for ye Same & peaceably to injoy ye Same as formerly: but if it shall so fall out ye their shall be no Re Entry upon ye Same as aboves Then I ye above Mentioned Hizrom Levvitt doe Give Grant & Confrime unto ye Sd Thomas Levvitt all and singular my Dweling house out houses Tan House tanyeard with all therein & thereunto belonging with all my Right Title & intrust ye I have in any Lands Meadowes or Mash ground in what place so Ever or where so Ever ye same Shall lay or bee Excepting only ye on halfe of my lott in ye North plaine Commonly so Caled Adjoyning to Isaac Marstons: ye above mentioned Thomas Levvitt To Have & to Hold and Peaceably to injoy all ye above Mentioned Houses & lands Excepting what before Excepted) to him ye Sd Thomas Levvett his heirs Execut* & assigns to his & their owne proper uses & behoofes for Ever freely & Quietly without ye least lett Henderance or Molistation of me ye Sd Hizrom Leavitt my heirs Execut* Administr* or assignes or any other person or persons what so Ever: from by or under me ye Sd Hezrom Levvitt Moreover it is to be understood ye whereas it is Said above ye Thomas Levvitt is to have ye use of ye Moveabls the intent is
y* Moveables without Doars but not y* housshold stuff Nor Moveables within doars: Now & it is to be understood y* y* Sd Thomas is to Maintaine his father & Mother as above Sd both during there Naturall lifes & y* Said Hizrom Livvitt or his Wife to have y* Milk of on Cow if he or shee desierit during y* time to be improved ffor there Maintainance & if y* Sd Hizron Levvett Dye before his Wife & y* s*d Thomas Levvett neglect his Dutey in Providing for his Mother & it be so adjudged as abovesd then shee is to have y* use of So much of y* land & Estate as will make Her life Comfortable during hir Naturall Life & if it Should happen y* y* Sd Thomas Levvett pay any of y* above Written Legecys he is to pay but five pound a year beginning att y* Eldist first & So as they are of age And for y* Conformation of all above Written wee y* s*d Hezrom Levvett & Thomas Leavett Have hereunto put our Hands & Seales this fifteen day of february on thousand Seven Hundred: and two three & in y* first yeare of Her Maj* Reigne Queen Anne Over England &c: —

Witness:

Hezron Leavit (seael)
John Tayler
Samuell Smith
Thomas Leavit (seale)


JOSEPH DOW 1703

HAMPTON

In the Name of God Amen

I Joseph Dow of Hampton, in y* Province of New Hampshire in New England haveing through Gods goodness, still my understand & Memory, in some good measure, * * * *

2ly: I give unto Mary my Beloved Wife, my best Bed with all things therunto belonging my best Iron Pot, Iron Kettle, tramell, Bible, warming Pan thre Cyder Barrels and such other of my Household goods as she shall have occation of for hir own use (not heerafter otherwayes Disposed of) for Ever.

Also, I give unto my wife so long as shee shall Remain a Widdo, yearly and Every year hir liveing in the House y* I now
live in, with so much Cham’ber Room, & Cellar Room as shee shall have occasion of for her own use, and also yearly, & Ever year so long as shee Remain a widdo’ten bushels of Indian Corn, one bushel of Wheat, one bushel of Rye, two bushels of Malt, one hundred & twenty pound of Pork neat weight Eighty pound of Beef, thirty pound of Mutton, (all good & marchantable) also the milk of two Cows, three Barrels of Cyder, twelve Bushels of Apples for Winter, and what Apples shee shall have occasion for in the sum’er, ten load of wood Cut fit for the fire, also ten pound of Cotten Wool & flax, twelve pound of sheeps wool, all to be payd Annually (so long as my wife Remain a widdo) by my son Josiah.

3ly: I give to my beloved son Joseph, beside what I have already given him, Emediately after my Deceass, my part of a Lott of Land neer grape Hill (so Called) layd out to the name of Cobham, my Com’onage in Salisbury, and after my wives Deceass, or marriage one half of my piece of marsh bought of Richard Hubbard, y’ is one half of that which layeth to the westward of the Iland of upland Joyning to his own Marsh, to him his heirs & Assignes for Ever.

4ly: I give to my beloved son John beside what he hath alreedy had, Emediately after my Deceass, my Lot of Land in the North Division (so Called) being in Hampton, and a Quarter of my share of Cow Com’on in Hampton.

And after my Wives Deceass, or marriage, the other half of my piece of marsh bought of Richard Hubbard, from the westerly End of the Lott, to the Iland of upland; to him and his heirs & Assignes for Ever.

5ly: I give to my beloved Son Henery Emediately after my Deceass; My House, & Barn & orchard at Salisbury, & about Eleven Acres of Land as it is alreedy bounded and in his posse-sion. And after my Wifes Deceass, or Marriage my piece of marsh Laying neer the westerly End of the Cross Beach so Called. to him his heirs & Assignes for Ever he paying such Lege-cyes as Hereafter mentioned, to be payd by him.
6ly: I give to my beloved Son Jeremiah, Emediately after my Deceas, about thirteen Acres of Land at Salisbury, as it is alredy bounded on which his House, & Barn standeth, & is alredy in his Possession; and my Cross Cutt Saw. And after my wives Deceas, or Marriage, my Pecce of marsh on the southerly side of the Cross Beach Joyning in part to his own marsh to him his heirs and Assignes for Ever.

7ly: I give to my beloved Son Josiah, Emediately after my Deceas my House & Land I now live upon, Barn, orchard, out houses being in Hampton, Cellars Cyder mill, press, Also my six Acres of marsh bought of Thomas Philbrick, one half of my part of flats at the Beach that is undivided, four Acres of my Lott in Halls farm at that End of my Lott next to Thomas Crams, a small peece of marsh in that Lott I bought of Richard Hubbard, between the Iland and the River, also my Lott of Land in the west Division, my peece of Land bought of Wymond Bradbury, one Quarter of my share of Cow Com'on in Hampton. also all my stock of Cattle, sheep, & swine, all my Implements of Husbandry, & Hay Boate. Also my Broadest Loom, with one half of all the tackleing belonging to weaveing, my Books, and Box of wrightings my Chest Dated . . . with what is in it, my biggest Iron Pott, tow Comb, Beding and Bed Cloathes not otherways disposed of in this my will, Cyder Cask and such other things belonging to the House as my wife hath not occasion of for hir own use all abovesd to him, his heirs, & Assignes for Ever, alwayes Reserving House Room & Cellar Room for my wife as aforesd.

Also I give unto him all Debts Due unto me of one sort or other.

Also, I give unto my son Josiah, the use & Improvement of all my other marsh, & mowing ground, flats, and the Rest of my Lott in Halls farm within fence, so long as my wife shall Remain a Widdo. Alwayes provided, that he doth perform what I have ordered him to do.

8ly I give unto my beloved Son Thomas, Emediately after my Deceas, about thirteen Acres of Land in Salisbury as it is alredy
bounded Joyning to the Land given to my son Jeremiah, also my Peece of Land in the great Plain (so Called) if I have not occa-
tion to sell that peece in my Life time. also I give unto him one Quarter of my share of Cow Com' on in Hampton. Also I give
unto him after my Wifes Deceas, or Marriage my Ditch medow so Called, to him his heirs, & Assignes for Ever.

gly I give to my beloved son Samuel, at the age of twenty one years about fower acres of Land at the south End of my Lott
in Hallsarme which is not fenc'd, my grant of Land at the New Plantation, and one Quarter of my share of Cow Com'on in
Hampton, also my Narrowest Loom, & one half of my tackleing belonging to weaiving. And after my Wifes Deceas, or marriage,
I give unto him the Rest of my Lott in Halls farm (Excepting fower Acres given to Josiah.) and also my Peece of mowing ground
on the North side of the Cross Beach which is already Divided to Me, to him, his heirs & Assignes for Ever.

Item, I give to my beloved Daughter Mary, the Bed shee useth to lay upon with all things therunto belonging; also ten pounds in
marchantable Pay at mony price, to be payd as followeth: forty shillings in the month of October that shall happen to be six compleat Kallender months after my Deceas: and so Annually in october forty shillings a year untill the ten pounds be payd. this to be payd by my son Josiah.

Itt: I give to my Beloved Daughter Han'ah ffowler, twelve pounds in marchantable pay at mony price, to be payd as follow-
eth: fower pounds in the month of October, that shall happen to be six Compleat Kallender months after my Deceas, and so fower
pounds in the month october yearly untill the twelve pounds be payd. this twelve pounds to be payd by my Son Henery.

Item, I give to my Beloved Daughter Charity, twelve Pounds in Marchantable pay at mony price, to be payd as followeth: forty
Shillings in the month october, that shall happen to be six Kall-
lender months after my Deceas, and so forty shillings every year in the month october untill the twelve pounds be payd. this
twelve pounds to be payd by my Son Josiah. Also it is to be un-
derstood that if it be not six Kallander months from the time of my Deceas, to the next following october, then the first payment to Every one of my Daughters is to be the next october following. and no horse Kind to be payd to any of my Daughters without their Consent.

It: After my wives Deceas or marriage, I give unto my sons, Henery, Jeremiah, Thomas, & Samuel the other half of my part of the flats at the Beach that is not yet Divided, (between my sons Joseph & John and my self.) to them their heirs & Assignes for Ever.

It: My Will and Desire is, that my son Samuel should Live with my son Josiah, untill such time as he is twenty one years of Age, my son Josiah finding him Convenient Meat, Drink, Cloathes, washing & Lodging, and Teaching him the trade of Weaveing to the utmost of his Abillity, Also to be helpfull to him in his Wrighting & Arithmatick. And for my grandchild Philip that now liveth with me I leave to his father, & my son Josiah to agree Concerning him.

Lastly I Do Constitute, & Appoint my son Josiah, my sole Ex-ecutor to this my will, & Testament, written with my own hand. And for the further Confirmation therof I have hereunto sett my hand, & Seal, this twenty & ninth day of the first month in the year of our Lord, one Thousand seven hundred & three

Signed, & Sealed in the presence of us as Witnesses
Joseph Dow [seal]
Jonathan Philbrick
John ffrench
William Brown
Joseph meeres

[Proved April 19, 1703.]

[Inventory of the estate of Joseph Dow, who died April 4, 1703; amount, £369.12.0; signed by Benjamin Brown and Moses Swett.]
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JOSHUA FRYER 1703 NEWCASTLE

In the name of God Amen. I Joshua Fryer of Great Island otherwise called the Town of Newcastle in the province of New Hampshire in New England Master and Marriner

Item I give and bequeath Unto my deare & well beloved wife Abigail Fryer (Except what is hereafter bequeathed) All my Estate both Reall and personal (that is to Say) all Houses Out Houses wharfs Lands Tenements and Appurtenances thereunto belonging As alsoe all my Goods Chattells & Debts whatsoever; wheresoever they or any of them are Standing being remaineing or to be found; or which may at any time hereafter become due or owing Unto me. And I doe hereby Nominate And appointe my Said wife Abigail Fryer my Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament—

Item I doe Nominate and appointe Theodore Attkinson of Newcastle aforesaid Esq' and Charles Story of the Town of Portsmouth in Said Province Gentleman to be my true and trusty friends; as Assitants to my Said wife to see and take faithfull Care that this my will be dulye proved and performed according to Law. And for the Care and trouble that my Said friends Theodore Attkinson and Charles Story may have about the premises, I give and bequeath Unto Each of them Severally the Sume five pounds Currant Mony of New England. In Wittnesse whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seale the Nineteenth day of Aprill In the first yeare of the Reigne of our Soveraigne Lady Queen Anne that Now is over England &c, Annoq Domini 1703

Signed Sealed Published and Joshua Fryer [seal]

Declared In the p'sence of
Elizbeth harvey
Wm Kelly
John Chivallir

[Proved March 7, 1703/4.]
WILLIAM WEYMOUTH 1703  STAR ISLAND

[Richard Currier and his wife, Elizabeth Currier, renounce administration on the estate of his brother-in-law, William Weymouth, April 22, 1703.

James Weymouth consents that his father-in-law, Thomas Dimond, shall administer on the estate of his brother, William Weymouth, April 27, 1703.]

[Inventory of the estate of William Weymouth, who died March 31, 1703; amount, £76.7.0; signed by John Frost and Richard Gummer.]

[Inventory of the estate of William Weymouth of the Isles of Shoals, April 27, 1703; amount, £108.10.4; signed by Theodore Atkinson and Francis Tucker. Endorsed “Not perfected therefore not Recorded.”]

[Administration on the estate of William Weymouth of Star Island, cooper, granted to Thomas Dimond of Star Island, fisherman, and his wife, Mary Dimond, April 28, 1703.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 263.]

[Bond of Thomas Dimond of the Isles of Shoals, fisherman, and Mary Dimond, his wife, with George Jaffrey and John Knight, both of Portsmouth, gentlemen, as sureties, April 28, 1703, in the sum of £500, for the administration of the estate.]

[James Weymouth of Newcastle and his wife, Catherine Weymouth, and Richard Currier of the Isles of Shoals and his wife, Elizabeth Currier, release all claim to the estate June 23, 1703, to Capt. Thomas Dimond, administrator of the estate.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 117.]

ROBERT SMART 1703  EXETER

[Inventory of the estate of Robert Smart of Exeter, July 1, 1703; amount, £333.17.0; signed by Isaac Cole and Andrew Wiggan.]
[Rebecca Smart renounces administration on the estate of her husband Dec. 11, 1703, and asks that Robert Smart, her step-son, be appointed; witnesses, Richard Hilton and Josiah Hilton.]

[Administration on the estate of Robert Smart of Exeter granted to his son, Robert Smart, Dec. 13, 1703, the widow, Rebecca Smart, having renounced administration.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 271.]

[Bond of Robert Smart of Exeter, yeoman, with Winthrop Hilton, gentleman, and Jonathan Hilton, yeoman, both of Exeter, as sureties, Dec. 13, 1703, in the sum of £300, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Matthew Nelson and Charles Story.]

JOHN BOULTER 1703 HAMPTON

[Inventory of the estate of John Boulter of Hampton, Oct. 2, 1703; amount, £156.17.0; liabilities, £25.0.0; signed by John Smith, Abraham Drake, and John Garland; attested by John Garland and Abraham Drake, April 27, 1704.]

[Administration on the estate of John Boulter of Hampton granted to Bryan Door and his wife, Martha Door, formerly widow of the deceased, Dec. 14, 1703.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 270.]

[Warrant, Dec. 14, 1703, authorizing Abraham Drake and John Garland, both of Hampton, to appraise the estate.]

[Bond of Bryan Door of Hampton, yeoman, with Richard Door of Portsmouth, yeoman, and Edward Cate of Portsmouth, house-carpenter, as sureties, Dec. 14, 1703, in the sum of £300, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Charles Story and Hannah Almary.]

[Warrant, May 1, 1704, authorizing Ephraim Marston, John Leavitt, and Samuel Chapman, Jr., all of Hampton, to receive claims against the estate.]
[Report of claims against the estate, Oct. 31, 1704; signed by Samuel Chapman, Jr., and Ephraim Marston.]

[Petition of Bryan Door and Martha Door, his wife, administrators, Jan. 12, 1705/6, for license to sell some of the real estate.]

[Account of the distribution of the personal property, Jan. 22, 1705/6; mentions children.]

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RICHARD ROWE  1703  DOVER

[Susanna Rowe, "being weak and Antient," renounces administration on the estate of her husband, Richard Rowe, and requests the appointment of her son, Thomas Rowe; witnesses, Nathaniel Hill and John Nutter.]

[Administration on the estate of Richard Rowe of Dover granted to his son, Thomas Rowe, Dec. 6, 1703.]
[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 268.]

[Bond of Thomas Rowe of Portsmouth, yeoman, with John Brewster of Portsmouth and Nathaniel Hill of Dover, yeomen, as sureties, Dec. 6, 1703, in the sum of £200, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Thomas Webster and Charles Story.]

[Warrant, Dec. 12, 1703, authorizing Nathaniel Hill and John Nutter, both of Dover, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Jan. 10, 1703/4; amount, £81.18.0; signed by Nathaniel Hill and John Nutter.]

[Warrant, Feb. 1, 1703/4, authorizing Nathaniel Hill and John Nutter to receive claims against the estate.]

[List of claims; amount, £37.9.1; signed by Nathaniel Hill and John Nutter.]

[Citation, May 2, 1704, to Edward Rowe, John Dam, Jr., and
his wife, Jane Dam, to appear and make agreement for the settlement of the estate.

Province of New Hampshire} Judge of probate of wills and Granting Letters of Administration within said province.

Whereas Thomas Row is Adm' to the Estate of Richard Row late of Dover his father dec'd and Edward Row and Jane the wife of John Damm being brother and Sister to the Said Thomas Row Adm' as aforesaid; hauing a Right to Some part of Said Estate after all Debts funeral Expences and other Charges are paid, wee whose Names are hereunto Subscribed Have Unanimously consented & Agreed to the Settling or Distribution of said Estate as followeth (And pray yo' Honour to Conanje the Same and Order the Divideing or Distributeing the same by such persons as you shall see meet.)

Imprimis It is mutually Agreed that the funeral Charges and Administrators Disbursements be first paid out of said Estate

Item that the Said Thomas Row have then the one halfe of all the Houses Lands Messuages Cottages Barns Orchards Gardens and other Real Estate that belonged to his father Rich'd Row dec'd and one third part of all his personal Estate as Goods Chattells &c: and he to pay the one halfe of all such Debts as are owing to any person from said Estate.

Item that Edward Row; and John Damm; (on the behalf and for the proper share of his wife Jane) have the other halfe of the dec'd Real Estate and two thirds of the personal; after such funeral Charges and Adm' Disbursements are first paid. And that the said Edward Row and John Damm enter into a bond of two hundred pounds with Sufficient Securitye to the Judge of the probate &c: to pay one halfe of all the Debts that shall be made to appeare to be due to any person from Said Estate as alsoe if any other Sonn or daughter of the said dec'd shall afterwards appeare and Claime ye' proportion to said Estate that then Such proportion as the Law Allows him or her shall be paid the one halfe by the said Tho: Row and the other by the said Jn' Damm and Edward Row
&c: In witnesse whereof wee have hereunto sett our hands and Seales the sixth day of June 1704

witnesse
francis Mathes
Cha: Story Reglus

Thomas X Rows mark
Edward X Rows mark
John Dam
Jane X Damm

[Allowed June 6, 1704, and Capt. John Woodman of Oyster River and Capt. John Tuttle of Dover were appointed commisioners to divide the estate.]

[Bond of Edward Rowe and John Dam, with William Furber of Dover, yeoman, as surety, June 6, 1704, in the sum of £200, for the fulfilling of the agreement; witnesses, Francis Mathes and Charles Story.]

[Appointment of John Lowe as commissioner, Nov. 21, 1704, in place of Capt. John Woodman, who declines to serve.]

New hampsh'

Persuant to the Power and Authority granted Us by the Honourable Joseph Smith Esq' Judg of Probats of Wills and granting Administration &c—

According to our best skill and Judgment wee the subscribers have made a devetion of the Estate of Richard Roe Late of dover deceased where of Tho: Roe is Administrator, as followeth that is to say

1st we doe order and determin that the dwelling house with the same bredth of Land at the East End there of to the high way going to m'n Nutters as allso ten foots bredth on the south side of s'd house be Joynly Improved by the Partners accordin to their Proportions so Long as the house shall stand in s'd place and after the house is downe the Land to be Eaually devided to the other devitions of Land—

2 we doe order and determin that the high way going a Cross the Land at the East End of the dwelling house shall be the de-videing Line between the two dividants of Land and doe allot
fewer Rods in breadth and Eight Rods in Length with the orchard
there on standing on the north side of the house to belong to the
dividant on the East side of s\textsuperscript{4} high way—we do further order that
Tho. Roe shall have five Acres of that Tenn acres granted to his
father and to be Laid out on that side of sd Land that is next
Adjacent to his owne Land

3\textsuperscript{r} as to y\textsuperscript{o} Personall Estate it is agreed Upon by and betwen
Thomas Roe the administrator to s\textsuperscript{d} Estate and Jn\textsuperscript{o} dam and Edw\textsuperscript{d}
Roe the other Parties Concerned that the s\textsuperscript{d} administrator shall
Pay to Each of them seven Pounds a Pees as theire full Right and
Just Proportion out of the moveable Part of s\textsuperscript{d} Estate as p' his bills
given Under his hand and sealll Referance being had itt may
appear

May y\textsuperscript{o} 23\textsuperscript{d} 1705

Jn\textsuperscript{o} Tuttle sen\textsuperscript{r}

Jn\textsuperscript{o} Low

[Various accounts, notes, bills, etc., containing signatures of
Edward Toogood, Richard Rowe, Richard Martyn, William
Vaughan, Nathaniel Hill, John Nutter, John Nelson, John Wood-
man, Joseph Hull. and Dodavah Hull.]

PHILIP ODIORNE 1703 ISLES OF SHOALS

[Administration on the estate of Philip Odiorne of the Isles
of Shoals granted to his son, Nathaniel Odiorne of the Isles of
Shoals, Dec. 11, 1703.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 269.]

[Bond of Nathaniel Odiorne of the Isles of Shoals, with George
Jaffrey and Mark Hunking, mariner, both of Portsmouth, as sure-
ties, Dec. 11, 1703, in the sum of £200, for the administration of
the estate; witnesses, George Jaffrey, Jr., and Charles Story.]

[Inventory, March 6, 1703/4; amount, £64.16.6; signed by
George Snell, Thomas Wakeham, Richard Leaver, and John
Frost.]
ANDREW WIGGIN       1703/4       EXETER

The last Will and Testament of Andrew Wiggin Sen'r of Quams- scut of Exeter, in the province of Newhampshire.

I Andrew Wiggin of Quamscurt in the province of Newhamp- shire in New England, being in years, & infirm as to bodily health, and waiting for my change, * * *

1. I give and bequeath unto my beloved Son Simon Wiggins all my far neck, viz, all the upland and the marsh on each side of the mill creek, except what I hereafter, particularly dispose of, and all my land on the south-west side of the mill brook up as far as the southern hills, viz as far as, to but against Andrews head line, he paying to his sister Sarah More thirty pounds in money or in goods at mony price within three years after my decease.

2. I give unto my beloved Son Andrew Wiggins my land begining at the upper end of Exeter feild, at a little swamp there, and to run along by forty acres of land, which I otherwise dispose of, which forty acres layes on the south-west side of the wolfe trap brook, butting against the little brook that comes out of the southern hills ponds and so to run by s'd little brook; & to run upon the west side of the pond, and at the end of that side of the pond, to run south east to the edge of a swamp and south west to the mill brook, reserving to my heirs as much land as may be convenient for laying of logs, & transporting of timber to & from my saw mill as long as she is improved, And I give him also twenty rods of marsh and flats lying by his new mill to make staging and half an acre of upland laying between the marsh & Sagamores hill, & a tract of marsh lying on the south east side of the far creek, from the head of s'd creek down to a little turn, of the same where there is a little branch goes out into a parcel of bulrushes, from thence on a south east line to the upland and a small tract of marsh lying by the creek near Exeter feild, and the randevo marsh, & the marsh near the cornfeild, (except what is hereafter otherwise given) he defraying a quarter part of the charge in maintaining the causeway and bridge, that goes into the old feild ; and paying to his sister Sarah More twenty pounds, in mony or merchantable
corn, cattle or boards as money within three years after my decease.

3. I give unto my two sons Simon & Andrew equally between them the whole priviledge of the mill creek & brook, excepting what belongs to my saw mill which stands on s^d brook, they paying their mother forty shillins £ a annum during her natural life if she desires it.

4. I give unto my beloved Son Bradstreet Wiggin all that tract of land laying between the land I formerly gave him, and a little run that comes out of a Swamp and runs into the new bridge brook, the land laying on the north-west side of the southern hills; and all the land between Thomas Reeds line & Elias Chritchets line, and the southern hills up to a little Swamp run'ing into the cedar swamp; I also give him all the marsh on the east side of the home pasture & field called the middle marsh, reserving liberty for a convenient causway, through the marsh; and three acres of marsh near the key on the north west side of the creek and all the flats against it, in the creek, & a point of marsh between my sons mill and the far ware, and I also give him half the bulring marsh from the key down-ward, he paying to his sister Dorothy Gilman twenty pounds in mony or merchantable pay as mony within three years after my decease.

5. I give unto my beloved Son Jonathan Wiggin my dwelling house, barn and out houses and the upland laying along up to the new bridge creek & the pasture, & all the land laying from a little swamp, or low valley, of land at the head of Exeter feild to the randevoou, and all the land that is between a little brook that comes from the southern hills pond & the wolf trap brook & to run up to the southern hills pond, by the hill, on the north west side of the hill, to a little run that goes into s^d wolf trap brook, to meet with the land I formerly gave unto my son Thomas, and my son Bradstreet's land, reserving alwayes a convenient place for cattle to go to water at the pond; Also I give him six acres of swamp, which shall be Darby's swamp & the branch coming into it, to make up six acres, & liberty to go through Andrews land with a cart to s^d
swamp, I do also give him the marsh from the corn feild bridge on the west side of the creek, down to a point called sandy point, & so half way between spt point & the plumb point, & one half of the marsh from the key downward, called the bull ring marsh, & also the watering place marsh, and all the hay creek marsh on this side of the hay creek up to Bradstreets marsh, and all the flats laying upon the house creek; I do also give to Jonathan my grist mill & the southern hills pond, and also the one halfe of all my cattle sheep and swine, he paying to his sister Mary Gilman fifty pounds with what she has already received & to his sister Dorothy Gilman thirty pounds, in money or merchantable boards, cattle or grain, at money price within the space of three years after my decease; but if my son Jonathan die without heir of his body lawfully begotten, my will is that my Simon's eldest son shall have the grist mill, and that Bradstreets son Thomas shall have the southern hills pond; and all the rest of the houses land & marsh that I have given him shall be to the use & benefit of his wife so long as she remains his widow, but if she marry again my will is that at her marriage, my son Andrews son Andrew shall possess & enjoy it he paying to Jonathan’s wife fifty pounds, in marchantable pay, within two years after she marry again, and if my son Andrew hath another son his name shall be Thomas & be bred a schollar. I also give unto Jonathan all the priviledge of the hay creek.

6. I do give unto my two sons Simon & Jonathan two hundred acres of land be it more or less, lying between the southern hills & the cedar swamp up towards Winnicutt river.

7. I do give unto my daughter Abigail French one hundred and ten acres of land at the end of Elias Critches land, to lay the same breadth of his land & to run up into the woods, untill the one hundred & ten acres be made up & compleated.

8. I do give unto my grandson Samuel Wentworth sixscore and ten acres of land laying at the end of Mr Coles land, the same breadth of his land;

9. I do give unto each of my three daughters, viz, Mary Gil-
man, Dorothy Gilman & Sarah More fifty pounds apiece, to be paid as above-mentioned.

10. I do give unto my granddaughter Hannah Wiggin besides what I formerly gave her father Thomas Wiggin a two handle wrought cup.

11. My will is that where any of my Sons marsh lyeth against their brothers land that they shall have ten foot of upland joyning all round to their marsh for the convenient fencing of it, & that there shall be a competency of land at the randevoe, lay common for a landing for all my sons & their heirs for ever with convenient high wayes thither, for each of them from their above granted lands, through each persons land, & that there shall be an high way from Lieut Samuel Leavits land by Simons house to run at the tail of my saw mill, and to the randevoe.

12. My will is that each of my sons viz. Simon, Andrew Bradstreet & Jonathan shall have, possess and enjoy the timber that is on the land that I have given them as their proper own, giving to their mother liberty to cut what she hath occasion for firing or fencing on any part of sd land, and that my land undisposed of shall lay common among my sd sons each to have an equal share of the timber; only my wife shall have liberty to cut what timber she hath occasion for on any part of sd land; And after my wives decease if my sd four sons, do with the advice of some freinds agree to devide sd common land that then it shall be equally divided between them four, by persons chosen by themselves if they cannot agree among themselves.

13. My will is that the land & meadow which I have given to my sons as above be not in their possession or at their dispose untill my wives decease, (that is to say) what of it I do give to my wife to be, to her use during her natural life, my will is that my wife shall have my dwelling house next the way, and my grist mill, and my feild on the South side, & my feild on the north side of the way to the corn feild bridge, & one half of the great & little barn, & the improvement of the marsh from the corn feild bridge to the causeway & halfe the bullring marsh, and all the watering place
marsh down as far as the creek that goes into my daughters Whipples marsh, and the corn field bridge marsh on the field side of the creek, along from the bridge to the middle of plumb point, & so over to the creek, and the marsh up at the far ware and at the bulrushes, and as much use of the pasture and garden as she hath occasion for, all which is to be to her proper use & improvement during her natural life; And further my will is that my wife shall have all the corn both English & Indyan that is growing on my land at my decease, and all the logs, boards, and planks, that shall lay cut at my decease, And that my wife & my son Jonathan shall have the one half of my saw mill during her natural life, and that they do pay the one half of my debts, and that my sons, Simon, Andrew & Bradstreet shall have the other half of my saw mill equally among them and pay the other half of my debts; and after my wives decease, my will is that, my saw mill be equally devided among my four sons, Simon, Andrew, Bradstreet & Jonathan to each of them a quarter part of the mill, and the priviledge thereto belonging; and my will is that my wife doth take of Sarah Indyan during her natural life, and if Sarah survive my wife that my Son Jonathan do take care of her.

14. I do give unto my beloved wife Hannah Wiggin all the rest and residue of my personal estate, goods and chattels to be to her sole use and improvement & at her dispose; except my tankard which I give to my son Andrew, he paying to each of his brothers and sisters, thirty two shillins a piece, & my great bible which I give to my son Simon & after his decease to his son Simon.

15. My will is and I give unto my grandson Simon Wiggins the marsh I gave to his father Simon Wiggins, on the north-west side of the mill creek, and half the neck of upland to be in his possession after his fathers decease.

16. I give unto my grandson Chase Wiggin a yoke of oxen, to be out of my stock before division therof as above expressed be made.

ult. My Will is, and I do hereby, appoint and constitute my
loving wife Hannah Wiggin and my son Jonathan Wiggin to be
my full and joynt executors of this my last will and testament;
and I do hereby revoke, disannull & make void all former wills
and testaments by me heretofore made.
And I do hereby nominate, desire & appoint my trusty & well
beloved freinds Cap' Kinsley Hall & Mr Moses Leavitt to be the
overseers of this my last will & testament In Witness wherof I
the st Andrew Wiggin have to this my last will and testament set
my hand and Seal, the thirteenth day of January, Anno Domini
one thousand seaven hundred and three or four, Annoq Secundo
Rogni Reginæ Annæ Angliæ &c.
Signed Sealed and owned Andrew Wiggin [seal]
in the presence of
Isaac Cole
John ——
The mark of
Jams X Godfrey

April 18; 1707 Mrs Andrew Wigins sen' being senceable that
one of y* wintces to this his within will is Dceased and desierous
y' this his last will might be sufficient proved doth in presence of
us own & declare the within will & Testem*is his Last will & tes-
tament only where as his Dear wife Hannah Wiggins was Joynt
Executrix now y' his son Jonathan be sole Executor—
Peter weare
nathaniel watson

[Proved June 9, 1710.]
1703/4, in the sum of £200, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Mary Rymes and Charles Story.]

[Warrant Feb. 9, 1703/4, authorizing Capt. John Tuttle and Lieut. Thomas Tibbetts, both of Dover, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Feb. 24, 1703/4; amount, £52.9.0; signed by John Tuttle and Thomas Tibbetts; attested by them May 2, 1704; mentions Mary Williams, widow of Thomas Beard.]

[Warrant, March 7, 1703/4, authorizing John Tuttle and Thomas Tibbetts to receive claims against the estate.]

[List of claims against the estate, Sept. 30, 1704; amount, £101.17.3; signed by John Tuttle and Thomas Tibbetts; mentions Mary Hudson, daughter of Thomas Beard.]

[Additional claim of £23.7.3, Oct. 24, 1704.]

[Division of the estate as insolvent, Dec. 5, 1704, at seven shillings and two pence in the pound; allowed Dec. 5, 1704.]

[Account of Esther Beard, administratrix; amount, £7.1.0; allowed Jan., 1704/5.]


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JONATHAN CRAM 1703/4 HAMPTON

[Administration on the estate of Jonathan Cram of Hampton granted to Benjamin Cram of Hampton, March 7, 1703/4.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 273.]

[Warrant, March 7, 1703/4, authorizing Peter Weare and Daniel Tilton, both of Hampton, to appraise the estate of Jonathan]
Cram, administration of which is granted to his brother, Benjamin Cram; bears signatures of Daniel Tilton and Peter Weare.]

[Bond of Benjamin Cram, Jr., of Hampton, yeoman, with Timothy Hilliard of Hampton and Thomas Rollins of Exeter, yeomen, as sureties, March 7, 1703/4, in the sum of £100, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Richard Joce and Charles Story.]

[Inventory, March 18, 1703/4; amount, £32.13.0; an addition of £10.12.0 attested by Benjamin Cram May 2, 1704.]

this agreement made & concludid this 22\textsuperscript{d} day of Decemb 1704. Betwene John Cram, Benjamin Cram Joseph Cram, Sarah Cram, mary Cram, William Fisfield in Right of his wife formerly Hannah Cram, Hester Cram, Samuell Melsher in Right of his Wife, formerly Elizbeth Cram, (as followeth) (viz)

That where as Jonathan Cram late of Hampton in 3\textsuperscript{e} Province of New Hampsh' Deceased (Intestated) And Administration to said Deceased Jonathan Cram Estate is Granted unto Benjamin Cram above named, And for a de vision and full settelment of the Estate which our Dear brother had in his lifetime, Wee the above named persons to this agreement do for our Selves our Heirs & Successers Covenant & agree to and with each other, that after all Debts, Charges, & funerall expences be Justly & honnystly paid, the Remainder of the Estate of the Deceased as it is Inventoried by the Admin\textsuperscript{a} be equally devided betwene us the eight abov named partys to this agreement, And if any Estat which of Right belonged to our said Brother in his life time Shall here after be known, or appear to be, or belong to our s\textsuperscript{d} Brother Jonathan Cram Deceased, It shall also be equaly devided among us the above named partys to this agreement our Lawfull Heirs or Successers; And this Agreement to be a full Settelment of the Estate of our Dear Brother Jonathan Cram deceased made by us the above named partys And we pray the Judg of Probats to allow the Same, And that it be Recorded in the Regesters office In Witnes hereof Wee the above
named persons named in this Agreement have set to our hands & Seals this twenty second day of Decemb' Anno Dom. one thousand seaven hundred and four in the third year of Queen Anne her Reign over England &c—

Signed Sealed & owned
in presence of us—
Peter Weare
Daniell Tilton

John Cram [seal]
Benjamin Cram [seal]
Joseph Cram [seal]
hers mark
sarah X Cram [seal]
hers mark
Mary X Cram [seal]
William fifield [seal]
hers mark
Easta X Cram [seal]
sam melcher [seal]

[Acknowledged Dec. 22, 1704; allowed Jan. 2, 1704/5.]

[Account of Benjamin Cram, administrator, against the estate; amount, £4.19.10; allowed in Jan., 1704/5.]

JAMES CHASE 1703/4
HAMPTON

[Administration on estate of James Chase of Hampton granted to John Chase of Hampton, March 7, 1703/4.]
[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 274.]

[Bond of John Chase of Hampton, yeoman, with Benjamin Cram and David Wedgewood, both of Hampton, yeomen, as sureties, March 7, 1703/4, in the sum of £100, for the administration of the estate of James Chase of Hampton, his father-in-law; witnesses, John Tuttle and Thomas Tibbetts.]

[Warrant, March 7, 1703/4, authorizing Capt. Henry Dow and Ephraim Marston, both of Hampton, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, June 2, 1704; amount, £85.10.0; signed by Henry Dow and Ephraim Marston.]
[Account of the administrator against the estate; amount, £3.18.0; allowed Jan. 1704/5.]

[License, Feb. 6, 1704/5, to the administrator to sell certain lands.]

[Appraisal of certain lands, March 5, 1704/5; signed by Henry Dow and Ephraim Marston.]

This Agreement made & Concluded this forth day of June Anno Dom 1705. Betwene John Chase John Chapman & Mary Chase all of Hampton In Province of N: Hampsh' in New England &c (viz) that where as James Chase of Hampton late deceased left an Estate In Lands & Chattels, and also three daughters (viz) Abigell, Dorothy & Mary Chase: and Administration is Granted unto John Chase above Named of all y' lands, goods, & Chattels which did belong to Said James Chase in his Lifetime, an Inventory of w' is Regestred &c, Now know ye that we the above named partys to this agreemen, have fully agreed that y' sd Estate be devided as followeth (Viz) that John Chapman Shall have for his part (In Right of his wife Dorothy) the home Lott with all orchards building or what so ever doth belong or appertain to y' home Lot be the same six acres more or Less, he the sd Chapman paying unto John Chase Seaven pounds—And that mary Chase Shall have for her part, a piece of salt marsh lying near the great Boars head Containing five Acres more or Less with all y' Rights there unto be Longing, & thirty shillings paid her in money by sd John Chase &c— And that y' Said John Chase shall have for his part one share of y' ox-common and all other overplus of y' Estate which was sd James Chase' his above named late deceased by the same more or Less &c (In Right of his wife Abigell abovenamed) And to this agreement, & settelment of y' estate which was our Hon'd fathers James Chase Deceased wee the above named partys to this agreement have sett to our hands and seals this forth day of June 1705 In the forth year of y' Reign of Queen Anne over England &c And pray that the Hon'ble the Judge of Probates & grateing Letters of Adm'r to approve y' same & y' it may be Re-
corded &c— wee haveing all Redy agreed for y\textsuperscript{e} widdows thirds &c—

signed sealed & owned

in presence of us

Peter weare

Joseph Cass

John Chase [seal]

John Chapman [seal]

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mary X Chase [seal]

Province of New Hampsh\textsuperscript{b} June 4\textsuperscript{th} 1705

John Chase John Chapman & Mary Chase personally appeared before me Joseph Smith one of her Maj\textsuperscript{ue} Justice peace and acknoweldg the above agreement to be their voluntary act & Deed—

Att a Court of probate &c: held at portsm\textsuperscript{o} on Tuesday the 5\textsuperscript{th} June 1705 I Allow and Approve of the within Agreeem\textsuperscript{t} according to the prayer within mentioned

Joseph Smith Judge of probates &c.

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JOHN OWEN 1704 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of John Owen of Portsmouth, mariner, granted to his widow, Margaret Owen, May 2, 1704.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 282.]

Bond of Margaret Owen of Portsmouth, with George Jaffrey and Richard Wibrd, mariner, both of Portsmouth, as sureties, July 6, 1704, in the sum of £40, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Henry Penny and Charles Story.]

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SAMUEL ALCOCK 1704 PORTSMOUTH

In the name of God, Amen— I Sam\textsuperscript{u} Alcock of Portsm\textsuperscript{o}: in the Province of New Hamp\textsuperscript{t} Mariner— being in health, * * *

To my beloved wife I give the improvementt of my house & Land & all my estate moveable 'or immovable Untill my son Sam\textsuperscript{u} comes to the age of twenty one Years, but when my s\textsuperscript{d} son shall attain to that age, then he shall recve as his own proper right the one halfe part of my house & Land & moveables, & the other halfe my wife shall improve during her life & after her
decease it shall all revert to my 4th son, Provided Notwithstanding that if my wife should have Another child by me begotten, then my will is, that after my wifes decease, my house & Land & moveable Estate be all equally apprized by my Overseers or by persons indifferently chosen & that my son Samll shall have a double portion of the Same, & my other child a single share thereof which my son Samll shall pay him in money— or Moveables & Samll: Keep the house as his proper right, & Provided also that if my beloved wife should by the providence of God be reduc'd to indigency & poverty in her widowhood, then I give her full right & power to Sell & dispose off that halfe which I have above given her the improvement off for her naturall life, provided my overseers do Judge that she hath reall occasion so to doe— And if my child or children should dy before they Attain the age of twenty one Years, Then after their decease my will is that my wife have the improvement of the whole of my estate during her natural life & at her decease I give her the one halfe to be at her own disposal to be bequeathed to whom she pleases, & the other halfe I give to my Kinshan Joseph Alcock & if he dy without Issue lawfully by him begotten, then I will that his halfe goe to To my Sister Mary Vaughans children, to be equally divided Amongst them.

Lastly I constitute & appoint my beloved wife Elizabeth Alcock to be my sole Executrix— and my friends Mr Thomsp Phipps & Mr Robt Cutt to be my overseers, desiring them to assist my wife in the execution of my will. In Testimony whereof I have hereto Set my hand And affixed my Seale this 17 day of May in the third Year of the reign of Queen Anne, by the Grace of God over England, Scotland— France, & Ireland Queen &c— Annoq Dom: 1704.

Signed, Sealed & Declared

Samll Allcock [seal]

in presence of us

Robert Coffin
Thomsp Phipps
Elemer phipps

[Proved Feb. 12, 1716/17.]
JOSEPH CHASE 1704 HAMPTON

in the Name of God Amen—

I Joseph Chase of Hampton in ye Province of New Hamshier in New England Being Antient, * * *

2: I Give, & Bequeath, unto my beloved Wife Rachell all that money wth I have formerly Given, & Delivered, unto her for ever at her Dispose as also the use, & Improvement of all my Estate Dureing her natureall Life be the same houses, lands, Stock, hushold Goods, or any thing Within doars or Without With the Intrest of Such money as is, or shall be Lett out to possess & Injoy the Same dureing the time of her Natureall Life as abovesaid

3: I Give & Bequeath unto my Daughter Anne Sinkeler one hundred pounds to be paid by my Executors ten pounds p' annum untill one hundred pounds be paid the one half to be paid in money, or Bills of Creaditt; the other half in goods, or merchantable pay at money price—

4: I Give & Bequeath unto my above named Daughter Annes Children; unto the Eldist Son twenty pounds, And the other of her Children now Born to Each ten pounds to be paid by Execu-
tors the one half in money or Bills of Creaditt the other half in Goods or merchantable pay at money price to be paid unto her Sons When they Come to ye age of twenty four years & to her Daughters at ye age of Eighteen years, or at the day of there marriage Which shall first happen

5:v) I Give, & bequeath, unto my Daughter Elizabeth Hilyard after her Mothers Decease the one half of all my Estate (not other Ways Disposed of) Be the Same houses, Buyldings, orchars Gardings, lands, meadows, marches, pastures, out lands, With all Rights to Lands or Commonages What Soever unto her my Said Daughter during her Natureall Life, and at her Decease unto her Eldist Son of her body Lawfully begotton, And for Want of Such Issue, to be devided among her Daughters, and for Want of Such Daughter, or daughters, unto ye Heir att Law—

I also Give unto my above named Daughter the one half of my household goods excepting what is here after excepted: With ye one half of ye Stocke of what Kind, or sort soever; together with the one half of my Booke debts or servants to to be Equally Devided betwene her my Daughter Elisabeth, & my Daughter Rachell Freese after my Wifes Decease. I farther Give unto my said Daughter Elisabeth peculerly & singelly forever at her own dispose, after the death of her Mother, the one half of my money not other Ways disposed of: be the same in my possession or What I have Bonds for still unpaid: to be equally Devided between her my Daughter Elisabeth, & my Daughter Rachell after my Wifes decease; my Will & meaning is ye my said Daughter shall dispose of ye said money as she sees meet, and if any person Controle her in the Improvement of ye same or goe about to Command it out of her hands, my Will is that in such a case; the Said money shall Revert to my Heir at Law— Whome I here by declare to be Heir to ye said mony

6:v) I Give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Rachel Frees the other half of all my Building, houses, orchards Gardens Lands Wheather meadows & marches pastures out lands— Com'onganages & Rights to lands What soever, or Where so ever to her after her
mothers Deceas: to hold & possess the same Dureing her my said Daughter Rachell her Life: & after her Deceas unto her second son & Want of such Issue Lawfully begett of her body unto her Daughters & for Want of such Issue unto my Heir at Law.

I also Give unto my said Daughter Rachell the one half of my household goods (excepting what is here after Excepted) With the one half of my stocke of What Kind or sort soever, With the one half of my Booke debts & servants to be Equally Devided betwene her my Daughter Rachel & my above named Daughter Elizabeth after my Wifes Deceas

I farther Give unto my Daughter Rachell singelly & peculerly forever at her own dispose after yt Death of my Wife the one half of my Money not other Ways disposed of be the same in my pos- session or money Which I have bonds for Remaining unpaid to be Equally Devided betwene her & my Daughter Elizabeth after their mothers Decease my Will & meaning is yt my said Daughter Rachell Dispose of yt said money as she shall see meet, And that if it so happen yt any person Controle her or take it out of her hands In that Case yt said money shall Revert to my Heir at Law &c—

7th) I give & bequeath unto yt poore among the people Called Quakers fifty pounds in money to be delivered unto my freind Walter Newbury to be by him distributed among the above mentiond poore people according to his prudence & Discretion

8th my Will is that two of my best Beds With yt beding & furniture— and one Silver tankerd, six silver spoons one dozen of leather Chairs & ten turkey-worked Chairs Remain undevided, & that they be reserved in the house Where I now dwell; With any other vesells needfull as I shall here after see Cause to mention out of my household goods all Which I Reserve for ye Entertain ing of Strangers more particularly Quakers and my Will is yt When my Estate is divided; that which so ever of my Daughters Whether Elizabeth or Rachel shall have my dweling house that take Care to Entertain strangers according to the Intent of this my Will as in ther prudence shall be sutable & Convenient
9th) And unto this my last Will & Testament I Constitute &
appoint my Wife Rachel and my sons in law, Benjamin Hilyard,
& Jacob Frees, Executrix, & Executors &c

10th) I Desire my friend Walter Newbury of Boston & Joseph
Smith, & Moses Swett of Hampton to doe What in them lyeth to
Cause this my Will to be Well observed, & performed And in
Case of ye Death of any of them the two surviveing Chuse & ap-
point another in his Rome for ye end abovesaid Thus Revokeing
all Wills by me formerly made I sign & seal this With my hand
this fourteenth day of June in ye thirteenth Year of Queen anne
her Reign over Great Britain &c Annoq: Domini 1704

Joseph Chase Signed Sealed & Joseph Chase [Seal]

Declared this Instrument to be his
last Will & Testament in presence
of us witnesses

Joseph Smith
John Moulton
Jabez Smith
Rachell Lock
Elizabth Smith

[Proved Feb. 12, 1717/18.]

this Codicil to my foregoing Will I pubblishe & declare this nine-
teenth day of may: 1716: in ye Second year of King George his
Reign over Great Britain

Imprist: my meaning: is in my foregoing Will that my Wife
Rachell hold & possess all my Estate Except what is hereafter
Excepted dueing the time of her natureall Life or Widowhood:
be it of what kind or sort whatsoever

I Do also Give her power to dispose of one hundred pounds
among such of her Children or Grand Children as she shall
thinke meet &c——

2nd) I Give unto my son in Law Jacob Freess the one half
of my Sloop with half her tackel for ever at his dispose

3rd) I Give & bequeath unto Rachell Lock now Rachell moul-
ton a Legacy of five pounds in money to be paid within one year
after my Decease
4th) I Give & bequeath unto Elizabeth Swett Daughter of moses Swett five pounds in money to be paid her Within one year after my Decease

5th) I Give & bequeath unto Elizabeth Chase Daughter of John Chase deceased ten pounds in money to be paid Within one year after my decease— if she then be arived to Eighteen years of age my meaning is when she Comes to ye age of 18 years or at her day of marriag which shall first happen &c

6th) I Give & bequeath unto moses swett a Legacy of ten pounds in money to be paid With in one year after my decease

7th) I Doe acquitt & discharg James Stanyon from any debt he Stands Charged in my Booke or may be debted therein at my decease—

I also Give unto the Said James Stanyons Wife Anne a legacy of five pounds in money to be paid within one year after my decease

8th) I Give unto mary Dow Wife of Henry Dow five pounds in money to be paid With in one year after my decease

9th) I Give unto Lidia Norton Wife of Samuel Norton five pounds in money to be paid within one year after my decease

10th) my will is ye above legacys be paid by my wife Rachell at the time appointed but if she should not live so long, or neglect to pay the same then by my my other Executor besor named: and this addition to my will I do make and declare to be Equall with my foregoing will & do sett to my hand & seal the day & year above mentioned

Joseph Chase Signed, Sealed, & Declared the above Written to be an adition unto his Will before Written on the same paper on both sides in presence of us.

Joseph Smith
Elizabeth Smith
Dorothy Lock

[Proved March 5, 1717/18.]
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

[Blank sheet of paper for bond, signed by Jacob Freese, Benjamin Hilliard, Rachel Chase, Joshua Wingate, and Jabez Smith.]

[Inventory of the estate of Joseph Chase, who died Jan. 12, 1717/18; taken Feb. 27, 1717/18; amount, £3430.11.9; signed by Joshua Wingate, John Tuck, and Samuel Shaw.]

[Settlement of the estate by the executors, in which the real estate is divided as follows:]

As to the Division of Land, Houses & March

To Hilliard

The Land bought of Dan' Lamprey As it is Specified in s^d Deed of Sale With all the Buildings thereon And One Hundred & fifty pounds paid by Freese

Hilliard to have the Lot bought of John Smith Lyeing in a Place called the Windmill Lott As it is bounded in said Deed

Hilliard a share in ye Second North Division bought of Joa' Garland As it is bounded in s^d Deed And Two shares in the Third West Division, One as it was bought of Josiah Moulton And the Other as it was drawn by Mr' Chase As they are bounded

To Freese

The Land bought of John & Nathaniel Huggins With the Swamp & Marsh As it is Specified & bounded in s^d Deed With All the Buildings thereon Paying the sum'e of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds to Hilliard—

Freese the Lott bought of Jon: Sanborn Lyeing in a Place called the Windmill Lott As it is bounded in s^d Deed & Two Shares of Upland in the Oxe Com'on.—

Freese the North Hill Pasture w^th was the 86^th share in the Second North Division With the Land Adjoyning bought of the Com'øners.—

To Land in the first North Division The Lot drawn by Mr' Chase Divided in the Middle Length Wayes.

Hilliard the West Side
A Half Share in the Third West Division Drawn for on Right
bought of John Nay
Freese the East Side
And a share in the same Division bought of Timothy Hilliard
Division of Marsh.
The Peice bought of Jon: Sanborn & Wm Fifield divided in the
Middle Length Wayes.
Hilliard the Westerly side and a Share of Marsh in the Ox
Com'on Lyeing by the Little Island—
Freese the Easterly side and the Clam Bank Marsh. As it was
bought of Isaac Chase and Specified in s'd Deed—

A Peice of Marsh & Thatch Ground Lyeing by the Boare's
Head, As it is divided Length Wayes About a Rod Northerly of
the Middle to the Stakes sett up.
Hilliard to have the North Side of the Marsh and the Thatch
Ground from the Bounds mentioned at the North East Corner of
said Marsh And so all the Thatch Ground between the Beach &
Chapman's Marsh So Northward to the End of s'd share

Item a peice of Marsh and Thatch Ground bought of the
Com'oners at a place called Hendrix Cove As it is bounded in
s'd Deed—

A Peice of Marsh on ye South Side of the Falls River as it was
bought of Jacob Basford
Freese to have the South Side between the Marsh & the Beach
till it comes to the Stake at the North East Corner of the Marsh
And then a Strait Line to bound on the Beach A Stake & a Stone
laid by it.

Two Thatch shares in the Ox Com'on One Lyeing on an Island
called Thatch Island and the Other as it was drawn for by Mr
Chase.

A share of Marsh or Thatch Ground lyeing on a place called
the Great Neck drawn by Mr Chase And an Acre of Marsh lyerin
near James Perkins Bounded Northerly on Land of Jacob
Brown—
As to the Vessells equally divided.
Hilliard The Halfe of the Sloop Joseph With all Things belonging to it—
Freese Halfe the Sloop called Anne with all belonging to it

FRANCIS MATTHEWS 1704 DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of Francis Matthews of Oyster River, yeoman, granted to his son, Benjamin Matthews of Oyster River, yeoman, July 10, 1704.]
[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 283.]

[Bond of Benjamin Matthews, with Joseph Meader, yeoman, and Francis Matthews, yeoman, son of Benjamin Matthews, both of Oyster River, as sureties, July 10, 1704, in the sum of £200, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Philip Chesley and Charles Story.]

[Warrant, July 10, 1704, authorizing Capt. James Davis and Thomas Edgerly, both of Oyster River, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory of the estate of Francis Matthews, "deceased at Oyster River about fifty or sixty years past"; amount, £119.0.0; signed by James Davis and Thomas Edgerly; attested by Benjamin Matthews March 6, 1704/5.]

[Warrant, the first Tuesday in March, 1704/5, authorizing Capt. James Davis and Joseph Meader to receive claims against the estate.]

[List of claims; amount, £356.0.0; signed by James Davis and Joseph Meader; allowed Nov. 6, 1705. One claim is that of Benjamin Matthews for "keeping his mother Twenty five years att fouerteen Pounds Juli year."

[Administrator's account against the estate; amount, £4.12.0; allowed Nov. 6, 1705.]
the depision of Debrow shortford aged about Fifty Eight yers of yeag testifieth and saith that the said mrs tamson mathes dilive her son benjamin mathes about forty eyrs pas and that I did Live with the said Benjamin Matheys to tend uppon his mother tamson mathes

6th Novbr 1705 Jurat Coram me

Joseph Smith

the depision of Josep Kent eged about forty five yers of Eage testifieth and saith that i knew the said tamson mathes and that the said tamson mathes did Live with her son Benjamine methes abou thrfty five yers past and I did Live with him and that hee did maintain hur tel the day of hur death Excepting sun few yers and that she dyed with hin about 15 years agoe

6th Novbr 1705 : Jurat Coram/

Joseph Smith

the depision of Thomas Roberts Aged about sevinty yers of Eage testifieth and saith that about forty five yers past I was well aquinted with mrs tamsun methe and that the forsaid Mathes did Live with hur son Benjamin Mathes until the day of her Deth Excepting som few yers

6th Novbr Jurat Coram me

Joseph Smith

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SAMUEL TASKETT 1704 DURHAM

[Bond of Samuel Perkins of Dover, yeoman, with John Grey of Dover and Robert Smart of Exeter, yeomen, as sureties, July 10, 1704, in the sum of £200, for the administration of the estate of Samuel Taskett of Oyster River, yeoman; witnesses, Philip Chesley and Charles Story.]

[Inventory, Aug. 4, 1704; amount, £43.18.0; signed by John Woodman and Joseph Meader.]

[Administrator's account against the estate of Samuel Taskett, his brother-in-law; amount, £4.17.1.]
MARY SWAINNE 1704 NEWCASTLE

["An inventory of what Estat mary swain formerly of New-
castell Lefft when shee went to haverhill, maried & there dyed"; amount, £50.0.0; taken by George Wallis and John Bickford Sept. 3, 1704.]

THOMAS CHESLEY 1704 DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Chesley of Oyster River granted to Joseph Daniell and his wife, Ann Daniell, formerly widow of the deceased, Sept. 5, 1704.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 284.]

[Bond of Joseph Daniell of Dover, yeoman, with John Pickering of Portsmouth, gentleman, and George Vaughan of Portsmouth as sureties, Sept. 5, 1704, in the sum of £300, for the administration of the estate.]

[Warrant, Sept. 5, 1704, authorizing John Woodman and Stephen Jones of Oyster River to appraise the estate of Thomas Chesley of Oyster River.]

[Inventory, Sept. 29, 1704; amount, £100.4.5; signed by John Woodman and Stephen Jones.]

[Guardianship of Thomas Chesley, aged about sixteen years, son of Thomas Chesley, granted to his uncle, Joseph Chesley, Jan. 2, 1704/5.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 60.]

[Account of Joseph Daniell, administrator, against the estate; amount, £37.19.0; signed by Joseph Daniell; allowed in Jan., 1704/5; mentions his wife as dead. One item is "Keeping a Child from the age of Nine Months Until it Came to the age of five years and one halfe."]

[Petition of John Chesley, aged seventeen years, son of Thomas Chesley, that his uncle, George Chesley, may be appointed his guardian; allowed June 1, 1708.]
[Citation, June 29, 1708, to Joseph Daniell, to appear and render an account of the estate.]

[Bond of George Chesley, with Joseph Chesley as surety, Aug. 2, 1708, in the sum of £150, for the guardianship of John Chesley.]

[Court record, Aug. 3, 1708: Joseph Daniell appeared and delivered administration of the estate to George Chesley, brother of the deceased, and guardian to John Chesley, oldest son of the deceased.]

RICHARD OTIS 1704 DOVER

[Bond of Susanna Otis, widow, with Joseph Hanson and John Varney, both of Cochecho, yeomen, as sureties, Dec. 5, 1704, in the sum of £200, for the administration de bonis non of the estate of Richard Otis of Cochecho, father of her husband, Richard Otis, Jr.]

[Administration on the estate of Richard Otis granted to Susanna Otis, widow of his son, Richard Otis of Dover, May 1, 1705, "there being several children of the said Richard Otis the sonn now living of whome the said Susanna Otis is appointed by me as their Guardian And the said Richard Otis the sonn dying possessed of the Estate (in Lands)."

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 291.]

[Warrant, May 1, 1705, authorizing Tristram Heard and Thomas Tibbetts, both of Dover, yeomen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, June 21, 1705; amount, £120.0.0; signed by Thomas Tibbetts and Tristram Heard; attested by them Aug. 7, 1705, and by Susanna Otis, "according to the Custome of Quakers," June 4, 1706.]

[List of claims against the estate, June 5, 1706; signed by John Pickering and Samuel Tibbetts; mentions Elizabeth Chadbourne, widow of James Chadbourne.]
[Division of the estate as insolvent at eight shillings, nine pence, half penny in the pound; allowed Sept. 3, 1706.]

[Order, Sept. 3, 1706, that Peter Coffin, principal creditor, have the first refusal of the land when sold.]


SAMUEL WALKER 1704/5

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Walker granted to his brother, George Walker, farmer, Jan. 8, 1704/5.]


NATHANIEL FRYER 1704/5

NEWCASTLE

In the name of god Amen I nathanell ffrayer siner Inhabitant of the townes shipe of new Castle in the provnce of newhampshear in newengland Beeing weake in Body • • •

I macke ordaine and Constitute my grand Child Abagall Elliot full and sole Executrix of my hole Estate Moveables & Immoveables with in dors and w^t out of this my last will and testament After my Just Debts and ffurneall Charges are paid

Item I give and bequeth & Conforme unto my well beloved wife dorritey ffrey all that pt of the house w^t the Ketchin which I now live in During her naturall life and the best bead and ffurniture belongin to itt in p^t of her therds which I formerly promesed her with the Couch
Itam I give and bequeth and Conforme unto my beloved Dafter sarah Elliot and to her Desposeal all that land that lyth betwne my house and robt Elliot house home to m' John hinckes ware house allowing A foot way for said hinckes to goe to his back house which I gave to my Dafter Elliot In the yeare of o' lord one thousand Sex hundred ninty Eight 1698

Itam I give and bequeth and Conferme unto my grand sone nathanell ffryer Juner and his Ares that house and land that layth betwne Steven grafton major stillman and Edward Rendle and my well beeing the bounds betwne me and grafton and stillman

Itam I doe heareby Constute my sones in law Robt Elliot and John hincks Esq' to be overseers of this my last will and testemt and Desire the may see the same performed and be Assistante to my said Executrix I doe publish and Declare this to be my last will and testement macking voyid all other wills and testements In witne wheare of I have heare... hand and seale this tenth Day ffebery one thousand... hundred and fouer 1704/5

Signed sealed and
Deliverd in ¶snt of us
Andrew Crainch
the marke of John X Cranch
Robert Jordan
[Proved July 2, 1715.]

[Bond of Daniel Greenough, goldsmith, with Daniel Bayley and John Cranch, all of Newcastle, as sureties, in the sum of £40, July 9, 1715, for the administration of the estate, in behalf of his wife, Abigail Greenough, formerly Abigail Elliot, executrix; witnesses, Eleazer Russell and Richard Gerrish, Jr.]

[Warrant, July 9, 1715, authorizing Theodore Atkinson and Sampson Sheafe, both of Newcastle, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, July 20, 1715; amount, £8.0.0; signed by Theodore Atkinson and Sampson Sheafe, Jr.]
JOHN YOUNG 1704/5 EXETER

[Administration on the estate of John Young of Exeter granted to Peter Coffin of Exeter March 6, 1704/5.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 286.]

[Inventory of the estate of John Young of Exeter, who died Aug. 8, 1704; amount, £66.6.4; signed by Alexander Magoon, Clement Moody, and William Graves.]

[Citation, Feb. 14, 1704/5, to Mary Young, widow of John Young, and Robert Young and Joseph Young, his brothers, to appear in answer to the petition of Peter Coffin, principal creditor, for letters of administration; served by Henry Wadleigh, constable.]

[List of claims against the estate, Feb. 1, 1705/6; amount, £124.18.3; signed by Nicholas Gilman and Samuel Thing.]

[Account of Peter Coffin, administrator, against the estate; amount, £8.15.0; allowed March 4, 1706/7.]

[Distribution of the estate, as insolvent, to the creditors, at the rate of six shillings and three pence to the pound; amount of claims, £124.15.5; amount distributed, £38.18.4; approved March 4, 1706/7.]


NATHANIEL MEADER 1705 DURHAM

[Eleanor Meader renounces administration on the estate of her husband, Nathaniel Meader, April 3, 1705, in favor of his brother, Joseph Meader.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 64.]
[Administration on the estate of Nathaniel Meader of Oyster River, granted to his brother, Joseph Meader of Oyster River, April 3, 1705.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 289.]

[Warrant, April 3, 1705, authorizing Capt. John Tuttle and Zacharias Field, both of Dover, to appraise the estate.]

[Warrant, April 3, 1705, authorizing Capt. John Tuttle and Zacharias Field to receive claims against the estate.]

[Inventory, June 19, 1705; amount, £116.9.0; signed by John Tuttle and Zacharias Field.]

[Account of the administrator against the estate; amount, £7.6.0; allowed Nov. 6, 1705.]

[List of claims against the estate; amount, £81.18.8; signed by John Tuttle and Zacharias Field.]

[Division of the estate among the creditors, widow, and children, April 2, 1706. No names of widow or children are given.]

[Various notes, claims, bills, etc., containing signatures of Richard Wibird, Nathaniel Meader, John Buss, Christian Leathers, John Smith, and Joseph Smith.]

JAMES MARSTON 1705

HAMPTON

[DinahBrackett, wife of John Brackett of Newcastle, renounces administration on the estate of her former husband, James Marston, May 1, 1705.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 64.]

[Administration on the estate of James Marston of Hampton granted to Nathaniel Prescott, May 1, 1705.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 290.]
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

[Inventory of the estate of James Marston, who died Sept. 3, 1693; amount, £91.0.0; signed by William Sanborn and Benjamin Moulton; dated July 12, 1705.]

[Account of Nathaniel Prescott, administrator, against the estate; amount, £4.5.0; signed by Nathaniel Prescott; attested May 7, 1706.]

This Agreement made this Seventh day of May Anno Domini 1706 between John Prescott in Right of his wife Abigail, Nathaniel Prescott in Right of his wife Anne, Bethia Marston Mary Marston and Lydia Marston Single women as followeth.

That whereas James Marston late of Hampton in the Province of New Hampshire in New England dec'd and left five daughters (viz) Abigail the wife of John Prescott, Ann the wife of Nathaniel Prescott, and Bethia Marston, Mary Marston, and Lydia Marston; and Administration is Granted unto the abovenamed Nathaniel Prescott. It is mutually Agreed and wee the abovenamed parties, doe for our Selves our heires Executors and Adm'r Covenant and Agree to and with each other that the Adm'r Nathaniel Prescott abovenamed for payment of Debts & Administration Charges doe Sell three Acres of Land be the Same more or less where the above named James Marston did dwell in his life time and where part of his House is now Standing. And the over plus of what it is sold for be Equally divided among us the five above Named Children And alsoe wee Agree that the Six Acres of Marsh lying at the Clamm Banks be Equally divided into three parts and the Share of the Ox Common be divided into two parts And what ever difference there be in the Goodness of each part, the other person or persons to this Agreeem't to be paid soe much Mony by the party receiving as the difference in Goodnesse shall be Judged by indifferent persons to be if the above named partyes cannot Agree; And alsoe that all other Estate either Real or personal which did belong to our father James Marston in his life time to be Equally divided among us the five above named partyes to this Agreement. And further wee the parties to this Agree-
ment doe Covenant and obleidge our Selves and each of us and each of our Successors to Sett out and deliver Unto our Mother formerly Dina Marston the one third of all the Estate that was our father James Marstons when she shall demand it out of each of our parts. And wee humbly request the Judge of probates &c: for this province to Allow of this Agreem'; And that it be Recorded in the Registers office &c: In Witnesse hereof wee the parties to this Agreement have Sett to our hands and Seales this thirtyeth day of September, one thousand seaven hundred and Six in the fifth yeare of the Reigne of our Soveraigne Lady Anne Queen of England &c:

Signed Sealed & owned in the p'sence of us—

the mark and seal of
John X prescott [seal]
the mark & seal of
Nathaniel prescott [seal]
the mark & seal of
Bethiah X Marston [seal]
the mark & seal of
Mary X Marston [seal]
the mark & seal of
Lydia X Marston [seal]

[Attested Sept 30, 1706; allowed, Oct. 1, 1706.]
[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 81.]

 THOMAS DEVERSON 1705 PORTSMOUTH

[Inventory of the estate of Thomas Deverson, May 21, 1705; amount, £177.10.0; signed by John Partridge and James Leavitt.]

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Deverson of Portsmouth, mariner, granted to his widow, Sarah Deverson, Aug. 7, 1705.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 295.]

[Bond of Sarah Deverson, widow of Thomas Deverson of Portsmouth, with John Pickering of Portsmouth, gentleman, as surety,
Aug. 7, 1705, in the sum of £300, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Richard Joce and Charles Story.]

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[Account of disbursements from the estate by “Sarah X Deverson formerly but now Sarah Ward”; not dated; mentions daughters Sarah, Elizabeth, Joanna (a cripple), and Mary, and son John.]

[Division of the estate among widow and children, who were “John Deverson Eldest sonn of the deceased,” “Elizabeth the wife of ——— being a Daughter of the deceased,” “Sarah the wife of Ebenezer Morss being ditto,” “Joanna Deverson another daughter of the dec’d,” “Mary Deverson ditto”; allowed March 4, 1706/7.]

[License to Sarah Ward, formerly Sarah Deverson, administratrix, Nov. 4, 1707, to sell land belonging to the estate of her former husband, Thomas Deverson, “containinge two Rodds in Breadth lying and being Bounded on the East Side by the Land formerly Nehemiah partridges dec’d and on the west by the Land of John Hunkins, and by a Cove on the North End and Running twenty Rodds more or less unto a Cove on the south end Scituate lying and being in the Town of portsm^o Neare Adjacent to the Meeting House.”]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 98.]

ROGER ROSE 1705 PORTSMOUTH

In the name of God Amen

I Roger Rose now of Portsm^o being of a sound and disposing mind but very Infirm and week in body and remembering the certainty of my death, do constitute this to be my Last will and Testament hereby revoking all wills formerly made by me— Humbly commending my spiret into the hands of my Redeemer—

I Will that all my honest and Just Debts be paid and funerall charges defrayed— and then as to what substance it hath pleased God to bestoe upon me I dispose of it as followeth—
Impremise I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Abigail my farme at the mote in Lamperil River as also that Land bought of John Preson in Portsm° together with all my mony wch I have by me or which may be due to me by bill or otherwise—and my will is that she have the same to live upon and if there be acation by Reason of Sicknes or Length of her Life that then she may spend the whole sum and also that she may sell the Land abovesd if her necessities do require it to subsist upon, futher my Exspres will is that she shall not give away either mony or Land to any person whatsoever, And after her decease, my will is that my Executors pay as a Legecies to my brother Joseph Grant of Watertowne ten pounds, and to m° Rogers the minister of Portsm° three pound—

Item I will that after my wif's Decease that my Kinseweoman Elizabeth Aysley In London shall have my whole Estate wth my wife Leaves

finally my will is that my freinds James Levitt and m° Denitt of Portsm° be overseers to my sd wife to whome I give forty shillings apeice praying them to advise her in what may be most proper for her, during her Life In testimony w'th I have hereunto set my hand & seale this thirty day of July 1705—

signed Sealed &

his mark

delivered before us

Roger X Rose [seal]

Joshua Peirce
James Levitt
Thom° Phipps

[Proved Sept. 3, 1705, by Joshua Peirce and James Leavitt, but Thomas Phipps makes oath that he saw Roger Rose make his mark, and does not believe that he was of a sound mind.]

[Inventory of the estate of Roger Rose "sum time of Lubberland in ye township of dover in ye province of New hampshire Latly deseced in portsm°"; taken Sept. 3, 1705; amount, £216. 13.3.; signed by John Pickering, William Cotton, and John Partridge.]

Upon a hearing of the Widdow Rose & the Trustees to the feofment made by Roger Rose
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Ordered that the will be proved. And Administration granted to the widdow, she giveing bond &c And that the sseoffees pay out of the mony twenty pounds ¶ Annum for her Maintenance and give Acc" thereof from time to time before the Govr & Council that there be noe further Complainte./
[Council Records, Oct. 21, 1706.]

ROBERT HUGGINS 1705 DOVER

[Administration on the estate of Robert Huggins, "alias Hokius," of Dover, granted to his grandson, Robert Huggins, "alias Hokins," of Dover, yeoman, Aug. 7, 1705.]
[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 296.]

[Bond of Robert Huggins of Oyster River, yeoman, with John Woodman and Jeremy Burnham, yeoman, both of Oyster River, as sureties, Aug. 7, 1705, in the sum of £100, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, John Knight and Charles Story.]

JOHN WOODMAN 1705 DOVER

In The Name and sfixar off God Amen— the twentie day of decembre in the year of our Lord God one thousand Sevin hundered and five I John Woodman of the Towne of dover in the provance of New hempshir being Aged and well stricken in yeares * * *

first I will Bequeath and Give my Sone Jonathan Woodman the whole of all my Landes Improved and unImproved and the whole part of the mill att oystor river with the whole off all my marsh and middow Grownd all which whole off my Landes milles marshes and middowes I Do Give with all the priveledges and appurti-
nances unto my Son Jonathan woodman his heires and Executors and assigneyes to be had and hold by him and them for Ever from and Immediatlie after my decease— Itt: I doe will bequeath give to my daughter Mary Small six shillinges in money with what I have formerlie Given her to be payed by my Executur within six
month after my decease. Itt I doe will bequeath and Give to my daughter Sarah Tamson six shillings money with what formerlie Given her to be payed by my Executor within Six month after my decease Itt as to the Remainder of my Esteat personall and Reall billes bonds dewes debts and demandes whatsoever or in whos hands soever it may be found I doe will bequeath to my sone and heir Jonathan Woodman whom I doe ordaine Constitut and appoynt my Sole Executor in Trust to sie this my will performed all which Esteat to be had and hold by him the Said Jonathan woodman his heires Executors and assigneyes for Ever Immediatlie from and after my decease he or they paying such sum or sumes of money as I shall see Cawse herafter by a Coddisall to annex my hand and Seall

witness

Stephen Jones
Joseph Jones

[Proved Feb. 4 and 11, 1706/7.]

JOHN CHAPMAN 1705/6 HAMPTON

[Administration on the estate of John Chapman of Hampton, yeoman, granted to his widow, Dorothy Chapman, March 5, 1705/6.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 303.]

[Bond of Dorothy Chapman of Hampton, widow, with Samuel Cass and John Chase as sureties, March 5, 1705/6, in the sum of £100, for the administration of the estate of her husband, John Chapman; witnesses, Thomas Chase and Abigail Chase.]

JOHN SEWARD 1705 PORTSMOUTH

In the Name of God Amen the 21st day of March in the year of our Lord 1705 I John sewer of portsmouth in the province of Newhampsher in Newinglant shiprit * * *
Imprimis I do give all My present Estat or goods to My well beloved wif agnes Sewer during my Nattrall Lif and After her deses I do givf and bequeth to My well beloved son hennery Sewer and his hers forever lafolly be gottton of his on boddy whom I do mak my only and Sole Eayre and Executer and Administra-tor of Lands Goods Monneys Chattalls and moveables whatsoever by him frely to be possed and Injoyed and I do hereby utterly dis-anull all other wills and testamnts before this time any way by me named only Paying to my son sameuell sewer ten pounds and Lik wis to pay to my dafter Jhean ten pounds and Likwis to My dafter agnes ten pounds and Likwis to my dafter Charrety ten pounds and my dafter Lovf twelf pounds Ratifing and Confirm-ing this to be my Last will and tesament In witness wher of I have herunto set my hand and Seale this day and year above written

Signed seled and pronouncd John sewer [seal] and declared by the said John sewer as his Last will and testa-ment in ye present of ours

george Marchall
Reuben Hull

[Proved April 3, 1705.]

JOHN CLARK 1706 EXETER

[Administration on the estate of Rev. John Clark of Exeter granted to his widow, Elizabeth Clark, April 2, 1706.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 305.]

[Bond of Elizabeth Clark of Exeter, widow, with Capt. Robert Coffin and Lieut. Nicholas Gilman, both of Exeter, as sureties, April 2, 1706, in the sum of £1000, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, John Odlin and Martha Sinclair.]

[Warrant, April 2, 1706, authorizing Robert Coffin and Nicholas Gilman to appraise the estate.]
[Inventory, July 2, 1706; amount, £811.14.6; signed by Nicholas Gilman and Robert Coffin.]

[Warrant, Aug. 5, 1706, authorizing Capt. Robert Coffin and Capt. Nicholas Gilman to receive claims against the estate.]

[List of claims against the estate, Sept. 30, 1706; amount, £140.18.1; signed by Robert Coffin and Nicholas Gilman.]

Province of } By the Honourable Joseph Smith Esq’ Judge New Hampshire } of Probate of Wills and Granting Letters of Administr for the said Province./

Whereas the Reverend m'r John Clark late of Exeter dyed intestate Laveing behinde him as % Inventory Eight hundred Eleaven pounds fourteen shillings and Six pence Administration of which is granted unto his widow and Relict m' Elizabeth Clerk who hath Since inter married with the Reverend John Odlin. And there being four Children of the Deceased left behinde to witt Benjamin Clerk Nathaniel Clerk Ward Clerk and Deborah Clerk And the Relations to them in General being willing that they should Remaine and live with the Said John Odlin and by him be brought upp and Educated and provided for with Meat Drink Lodging and Apparrell till they come to age And that their portions out of the Said Estate be & Remaine in the hands of the said John Odlin till they severally attaine the age of twenty one yeares &c:

I doe therefor hereby Order and decree that the Said John Odlin Maintain and Keep or cause to be maintained & Kept the Said four Children with Sufficient Meat Drink Lodging Apparrell &c till they attaine each of them the age of twenty one yeares or be Married; at his owne Cost and Charges without Chargeing the said Children any thing for the same; And that he the said Odlin pay Unto Benjamin Clerk when he attaines the age of Twenty one yeares the Sum’e of two hundred pounds Curr4 mony of New England out of the Species mentioned in the Inventory of the dec'd Estate. And doe likewise pay Unto the said Nathannal Clerk Ward Clerk and Deborah Clerk the sum’e of one hundred pounds
to each of them as they shall attaine to the Age of twenty one yeares or be married in the Species mentioned in the said Inventory. And I doe further Order and decree that the said John Odlin pay all such Debts as the deceased Mr John Clerk owed to any person which is now brought into the Registers office without the least Defalcation to be made of any of the Childrens portions aforesaid. And that the said Elizabeth the Adm'x & the said John Odlin (paying the Childrens portions as aforesaid) Have & Enjoy the Residue and Remainder of the said deceaseds Estate mentioned in the Inventory before Named. And if there shall happen to be any other or more Estate of the said deceaseds be it in Debts or otherwise which is not Inventoried that the same shall be divided, one third thereof to the widdow and Adm'x and the other two thirds among the Children in proportion according to Law. And I doe Lastly Order and Decree that what Debts shall Justly appeare to be due from the said deceaseds Estate and Approved off by the Judge of probates &c: in the province aforesaid at any time after the date hereof. That then such Debts shall be paid one third part thereof by the Administratrix and the other two thirds in proportion out of the Childrens Dividens or shares And in Case any of the Children shall Choose their Guardians after they attaine the age of fourteen yeares and and shall take his or their proportion or Dividend of the said Estate out of the hands of the said John Odlin; that then the said John Odlin shall be Allowed and paid, Such reasonable Sum's of mony £ Annum for the Maintenance of the said Children as shall be approved off by the Judge of probates for the time being (All Casualities of Houses Excepted) Dated at Portsmouth the third day of Decemb' Anno Domini : 1706

[Warrant, Sept. 15, 1707, authorizing Moses Leavitt and Samuel Thing, both of Exeter, to divide the estate according to law.]

[Division of the estate, Oct. 29, 1707; signed by Moses Leavitt and Samuel Thing.]

[Account of estate by the administratrix, no date.]
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[Various bonds, accounts, etc., containing signatures of Benjamin Woodridge, Jr., Nicholas Gilman, and Thomas Webster.]

JOHN WHEELER 1706 DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of John Wheeler of Oyster River, yeoman, granted to William Parkinson of Exeter, yeoman, no date.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 307.]

[Bond of William Parkinson of Exeter, yeoman, with James Burley of Exeter, husbandman, and John Lowe of Portsmouth, house-carpenter, as sureties, May 7, 1706, in the sum of £500, for the administration of the estate; witness, Samuel Thing.]

[Inventory of the estate of John Wheeler, who died April 27, 1706; taken May 15, 1706; amount, £107.6.0; signed by Francis Mathes and Thomas Drew.]


[Account of the administrator against the estate, May 23, 1706; amount, £32.11.6; includes funeral expenses of "y° Child."


[Account of William Wheeler of Concord, Mass., guardian of his nephews, William Wheeler, Richard Wheeler, and Joseph Wheeler; he charges himself with £27.6.0 received in money from William Perkins, administrator, "So that y° Estate of Wm Wheeler Dec'd now remains is 8o Acres land at oyster river," valued at £32; expenses, £6.11.6; account allowed June 8, 1719.]
ISRAEL SMITH 1706 HAMPTON

[Administration on the estate of Israel Smith of Hampton, tailor, granted to his widow, Sarah Smith, no date.]

[Bond of Sarah Smith of Hampton, widow, with John Smith and Abraham Drake, 2d, as sureties, May 7, 1706, in the sum of £80, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Peter Johnson and Deborah Godfrey.]

[Inventory, May 15, 1706; amount, £81.14.0; signed by James Prescott and Joseph Sanborn.]

GEORGE SNELL 1706 PORTSMOUTH

In ye name of God Amen

1706 May. 9 Geo: Snell: not being well in body: but of A perfett me'ory Doe make this to be my Last will and testament in maner and forem foloing—

first I Comit my soule to God that gave it me: and my body to be desently buryed in hoope of A Gloryous Reserication at ye Last day

2. I doe Apoynt my well beloved wife: and my Sonn John Snell to be my Excetors to act in my place and stead—

3. I will that all my just Debts be payd—

4. I will that my oblygation we I gave my wife in maridg: to give to Each child one hundred pound: fier and Enimis only Excepted It is well known what I have Lost sinc by Enimis: but God gives and God takes away. blesed be ye name of God: I have cept Aco of what Debts I have reseved and what I have ben out with which I have Disbusted one ye children as @ theare Aco in my book now if my wif ples to aquit me and to betake hear selfe to hear own Estate it is well: if not ye hole is at my disposeall if my wife dorth take up with hear owne: then I doe Apoynt then my sone John Snell to be my Sole Excector—
5 I doe give to my wellbeloved wife one quater part of ye\'e catch may flower: and one theard of ye\'e rent of my house duering her Life: she paying one theard of ye\'e reparaing ye\'e hous I doe allso give my wife ye\'e use of my Clock, and my Jack and close stoole Dearing hear natriall Life: and to retoren to my sonn John Snell—

6 I doe give to my sonn John snell And to his Eares for Ever my house and Land in portsmouth, and ye\'e use of my Land and marsh in Yorke Latly sold to Richard milbry as his Acot will mak out* in my booke, and I give to my sonn all my moveables: Except what I have geven allredy or may hearafter give: to say my cattell at wells my sheep in piscataqua boote or bootes, fish houses 8 of ye\'e old: and 1 of ye\'e new fishing craft as nets, Limes, hookes and Lead: and all my Debtues by book or bill, and my Clocke

7 my will is that my Sonn John Snell doe pay to this tow sisters hannah Littellfeld: and Abiell hill what may be wanting to make up to Each one hundred pond: thear Acot will make, out what they have had

8 I doe to my Dafter hannah Littellfeld my Silver tancker with hear mayden name one it—

9 I doe give to my Dafter Abiell hill my bead and worsted ruge and my barbadus Coverlett and my Great Ieron pote and brace kettell and bras collender: and six silver spounes: and ye\'e cobberd and 6 Lether cheres in my hous but if She shoud not Live to come home out of captivety then to remaine betwext you and your sister hannah but if hear child doe Live and reteren home my will is to make hear fifty pond with what I have given hear mother before: if she retoren Lett hear have toungs: shovel and other Ieron

10. I doe give to my dafter snell my ring I had at m\'s severets funerall—

11. I doe give to my sonn Dodivah hull my silver tumbler and m\'s pristons book of deventy

*Words in Italics are supplied from a copy, the original being mutilated.
12. I doe give my sonn Joseph hull my sea Arkeles—
13. I doe give to my sonn Ruben hull my seale and compasses:
   and waring Clouths
14. I doe give to my Dafter sarah my sillver scollup dish and
   my white codell pote and cheny basan—
15. I doe give to my Gransone Geo: Snell my sele ring and
   silver head stafe
16. I doe give to my Gransone John whelwright my ring at his
   granfather funerall
17. I doe give to my Grandafter hannah whilright my ring of
   m r Case
18. I doe give to my Grandafter Jane snell my ring of m r
   whites
19. and Lastly I doe give to my sonn John Snell all my books
   of all sorts and Every thing Elce that can be sayd mine Exp r m r
   perkings booke and for y e better performanc of this my will I
   ould Desier my wellbloved freinds m r samuell penhollow and my
   brother Jobe Allcock to be my overseers: to have give Rings and
   Gloves

In testimony to all and singular the premises, I have hereunto
sote my hand, and affixed my seal this 25. febr. 1706

Signed sealed and Declared Geo: Snell [seal]
in p sence of us
Tho: Packer:
Benj* Gambling
Mary Penhallow.

[Proved March, 1707/8.]

[Administration on the estate of George Snell of Portsmouth,
mariner, granted to his son, John Snell, March —, 1707/8.]

JOHN JONES 1706 DOVER

[Bond of Ann Jones, widow, with Richard Pinkham, house-
carpenter, and Hatevil Hall, yeoman, both of Dover, as sureties,
June 4, 1706, in the sum of £200, for the administration of the
estate of her husband, John Jones of Dover, yeoman; witnesses, William Partridge, Jr., John Tuttle, and Charles Story.]

[Inventory, July 2, 1706; amount, £16.0.0; signed by John Tuttle, Jr., and Richard Pinkham.]

[License to the administratrix of the estate of John Jones, Aug. 5, 1707, to sell real estate for the support of his two daughters.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 93.]

JOHN BROUGHTON 1706 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of John Broughton granted to Robert Tapleigh of Portsmouth, mariner, and his wife, Prudence Tapleigh, formerly widow of the deceased, June 4, 1706.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 308.]

[Bond of Prudence Broughton of Portsmouth, widow, with John Pickering, gentleman, and William Partridge, Jr., cordwainer, as sureties, June 4, 1706, in the sum of £300, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, John Tuttle and Charles Story.]

JOHN GERRISH 1706 DOVER

In the Name of God Amen

I John Gerrish of Dover in the Province of New Hampshire being weak of body * * *

It I give to my beloved wife Elizabeth Gerrish For & dureing her natural life the one halfe of all my Estate real & personal Excepting what is in this my will given to my Children. that is to Say the one halfe of all my houses, lands, mills, Rivers & priviledges thereof, Stock of Cattle, Grants of timber Implement of husbandry, houshold Stuff, Negro Slaves white Servants & ought else of right belonging to mee tho not here particularly mention'd all wth I desire & Will that my Son Timothy Improve
wth what I have in this my Will given him in Joynt wth his mother for the Comfortable mantainance of themselves & Family & payment of my Debts & Legacies hereafter mentioned, & what more Shall arise by the yearly Improvemt of my Sd Estate. to be equaly Divided between my Said wife & Son Timothy & moreover I Will that my Said wife have the one halfe of all my household Stuff Vizt Plate, Pewter, brasse, Iron, beds, Wollen, Linnen, Chairs Stools, tables, & ought else that is comonly Accounted household Stuff together wth two of my Young Negro's a male & Female wth I hereby give to her my Said wife her heirs or assigns for ever & to be at her disposal according to her discretion— but in case my Sd wife should at any time hereafter desire to live a more private life & quitt her Selfe of the Care & incumbrance of a great Family my will is that She resign unto my Son Timothy all her right title & Interest hereby given her in my Estate, Excepting onely halfe the house dureing her life & halfe the household Stuff & two negro's given her for ever & that then my Son Timothy shall Allow her an Honourable yearly mantainance as is hereafter in this my Will particularly Express'd & that thenceforward my Sd wife be acquitted from the payment of any of my debts or Legacies hereby Given that shall remain unpaid at the time of her resigning up her interest in the Estate to my Son Timothy as before mentioned

It I give to my Son John Gerrish besides what I have already given him, one hundred Acres of Land out of my tract of land lying on the South Side of Belamy's bank river bounded by Sd river Northerly & Eastwardly by Oyster river path wth hundred Acres of land shall be laid out on the South Side of Sd tract bounded Easwardly by Oyster river path & Westwardly by the land of Jn Knight late deceased

It I Give unto my Son Richard Gerrish besides what I have Already given him Sixty Acres of Land on the South Side of Belamy's bank river Joyning to the fourty Acres I formerly gave him & to run an equal breadth therewth Eastwardly into my land till it Compleat the Sd Sixty acres
It I Give unto my Son Nathanael besides what I have already given him & am Obliged to pay for him a tract of land on Dover Neck containing abt twelve acres Joyning to the land of Ralph Hall & Joseph Beard.

It I give unto my Son Timothy the one halfe of my house & land adjoyning, on the Northerly Side of Belamy's bank river on whch I now live together with one halfe of my Saw mill & Grist mill Standing on Said river with the halfe of all my rights & Privileges of Sd river & grants of timber, together with one halfe of Sixty Acres of Land Granted mee by the Town of Dover & laid out on both Sides of Sd River at a place comonly called the hook, as also One hundred acres of land on the South Side of Belamy's bank river more or lesse it being the one halfe of the remains of my tract of land, three hundred acres of which I have in this my Will given to my Son's Jnº, Richard, & Benjamin, as also one Halfe of My Stock of Cattle Implements of Husbandry, house hold Stuff, Negro Slaves, white Servants, or ought else of right belonging to me tho not here particularly mentioned, all with I Give my Son Timothy with this proviso that he Improve the Same with what I have given his mother in Joyn with her for the Comfortable mantainance of themselves & Family and payment of my debts & Legacies given by this my will & what Further profits shall yearly arise to be equally Divided between my Said wife & Son Provided also that at what time hereafter my wife shall See cause to resign up to him my Son Timothy her interest in the Improved lands adjoyning to the house together with her interest in the Stock of Cattle my Will is that From thence forward my Son Timothy pay his sd mother twenty pounds per annum in Specie as followeth that is to Say five or Six thousand foot of merchantable pine boards at the Currant money price & the remainder in corn & Such provisions or other Goods as she shall have Occasion for at the then money price & this to be paid yearly dureing her Natural life as also that he find her Sufficient firewood, keep her a Cow both winter & Summer & find her a horse to ride when She shall See Occasion dureing her life as afore sd & after her
death all that I have Given her dureing her life onely shall be my Son Timothy's Excepting the halfe of the mills priviledges of y* River & timber w* I give my Son Paul & the Severall parcels of Lands given to him my S* Son Paul & the rest of his brothers

It I Give unto my Son Benjamin one hundred acres of Land on the South Side of Belamy's bank river, Joyning to the hundred acres given my Son John bounded Eastw*d by Oyster river high way & Wastward by y* land givin to my Son Rich*d also twenty pounds to be paid him out of my Estate in Lumber & provisions at Curr* money price w*in two years after my decease

It I give unto my Son Paul Gerrish when he shall come to the age of twenty one years the one halfe of my Saw Mill & grist mill on Belamys bank river w* the rights & priviledges of the river thereto belonging also one halfe of my Grant of timber together w* one halfe of Sixty acres of land, granted mee by the Town of Dover & laid out on both Sides of Belamy's bank river at a place comonly call'd the hook, as also ten acres of Land bought of y* Town Lying on the North East Side of the Way goinge to Cochecho & Joyning to the Land of Edw*d Evans w* ten acres more w* I bought of Peter Mason Joyning to the Same as also one hundred Acres of land on the South Side of Belamy's bank river, more or lesse it being the one halfe of the remains of my tract of Land; three hundred acres of wel I have in this my Will given to my Son's John, Richard, & Benjamin, also one Cow & a yoke of Oxen w* a yoke & Chain Suteable thereto together w* my young Spay'd Mare my Fuzee Gun & my Case of Pistols all w* I give to my Son Paul w* this proviso that he pay three thousand ffoot of Merchable pine boards per Annum tow*d the man- tainance of his mother dureing her natural life

It I give unto my two Daughter Anna & Elizabeth thirty pounds a piece to be p*d out of my Estate in Good merchable pay at the Curr* money price w* in s*our years after my decease

& lastly I nominate & appoint my Welbeloved wife & Son Timothy to be Joynt Execut* of this my last will But if any Difference arise Between my Wife & Sons Timothy & Paul about the under-
standing of this my Will or dissatisfaction in either concerning what I have ordred or given thereby, in such case I desire my Brother in Law Richd Waldron & my two Eldest Sons John & Richard Gerrish to hear the differing or dissatisfied partie or parties & what they or any two of ym (whereof my Brº Waldron to be one) shall determine I hereby confirm to be my last will & testamº July 12th 1796

Signed Sealed & declared by Jnº Gerrish [seal]
Capt Jnº Gerrish to be his last will & Testamº in presence of Richard Waldron
Thomas Roberts
John hayes

[Proved March 1, 1719/20.]

[Inventory of the estate of Capt. John Gerrish of Dover; amount, £2055.5.0; signed by John Tuttle and Tristram Heard.]

NICHOLAS PEARL 1706 DOVER

[Guardianship of John Pearl of Ipswich, Mass., minor, aged more than fourteen years, only son of Nicholas Pearl, formerly of Ipswich, Mass., late of Dover, deceased, granted to his kinsman, William Rogers of Wenham, Mass., Aug. 30, 1706.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 79.]

[Bond of William Rogers of Wenham, Mass., with John Gilbert of Ipswich, Mass., as surety, Aug. 30, 1706, for the guardianship of John Pearl; witnesses, James Merritt, Solomon Trough, and Daniel Rogers.]

[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

[Administration on the estate of Nicholas Pearl of Dover granted to William Rogers of Wenham, Mass., Sept. 3, 1706.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 310.]
[Bond of William Rogers of Wenham, Mass., weaver, with Joseph Meader and William Dam, Jr., both of Dover, yeomen, as sureties, Sept. 3, 1706, in the sum of £300, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, John Tuttle and Charles Story.]

[Warrant, Sept. 3, 1706, authorizing Capt. John Tuttle and Joseph Meader, both of Dover, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Sept. 4, 1706; amount, £14.11.6; signed by John Tuttle and Joseph Meader.]

John Pearle son of Nicholas & Eliz. Pearle— born July 17: 1692
A True Copy as it stands Entered in Ipswich Records for Births—
Attest Daniel Rogers Cler for 4 Ipsw
August 30— 1706

[Warrant, Nov. 5, 1706, authorizing Capt. John Tuttle and William Dam to receive claims against the estate.]

[List of claims, Feb. 28, 1706/7; amount, £19.15.1; signed by John Tuttle and William Dam.]

[Account of the administrator against the estate; amount, £8.17.1.]

[Division of the estate as insolvent at £o.7.2 in the pound; allowed June 2, 1707.]

[Various claims against the estate, containing signatures of William Cotton, William Rogers, Daniel Roos, Mary Perkins, and John Davis.]

MORRIS HOBBS 1706 HAMPTON

[Administration on the estate of Morris Hobbs of Hampton granted to his sons, Nehemiah Hobbs and Morris Hobbs, both]
of Hampton, Sept. 3, 1706, the oldest son, John Hobbs, having renounced administration.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 311.]

[Bond of Nehemiah Hobbs and Morris Hobbs, both of Hampton, yeomen, with Timothy Hilliard of Hampton, yeoman, and Richard Waterhouse of Portsmouth, tanner, as sureties, Sept. 3, 1706, in the sum of £300, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, John Leavitt and Charles Story.]

[Warrant, Oct. 11, 1706, authorizing Ephraim Marston and Ensign Samuel Marston, both of Hampton, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Oct. 12, 1706; amount, £64.2.4; signed by Samuel Marston and Ephraim Marston.]

BENJAMIN FIFIELD 1706 HAMPTON

[Administration on the estate of Benjamin Fifield of Hampton granted to Jonathan Fifield of Hampton Sept. 3, 1706.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 312.]

[Bond of Jonathan Fifield of Hampton, yeoman, with Thomas Cram and John French, both of Hampton, yeomen, as sureties, Aug. 3, 1706, in the sum of £500, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Nicholas Mead and Charles Story.]

Whereas Sarjant Benjamin fifield of hampton in ye province of Newhamsier now desecased, losinge his life by ye hand of ye barbarous Indian Enemy and haveinge made no writtinge under his hand for ye disposall of ye estatt it pleased god to give him wee the widow & relectct of ye s^d Benjamin fifield as also ye Children heirs & suexcators of the s^d fifield beinge mett togather to Consider of matters relatinge to ye estatt left by ye s^d desecased and willinge to doe; and ye it Should bee done as neare as may bee,
accorinde to ye mind and will somtimes declared by ye sd person deseased; have thus unanimously agreed as followeth

ffirst that the eldest son havinge had some upland of his father formerly, he is also to have three acers of march hee ye sd John fifeld useth to mow in ye nine acer lot of march Called the Clam-banke march: on ye south sid of ye falls river, Joseph fifeld is to have three acers of march in ye same lot ajoyninge to his brother Johns three acers lower downe toward Sarjants Iland so Called—Edward fifeld is to have three acers of march in ye Same lot ajoyninge to his brother Josephs three acers lower downe, Benjamen fifeld is to have Sixe acers of upland Joyninge to the land hee bought of his brother John fifeld, as also thirteene pounds in marchantable pay at mony price, but it is to be understood that the thirteen pound and ye Sixe acers of upland that is to ye sd benja- men fifeld; as also the three acers of march to Joseph fifeld and also the three acers of march to Edward fifeld is not to be deliv- ered to them but to be in the possession and for ye use and in ye improvement of their brother Jonathan fifeld for the space of fourer years from ye date hereof, and then to bee delivered to ye accord- inge as above exprest mehitabell fifeld is to have aeighteen pounds and Abigall fifeld is to have aeighteen pounds to bee payd them by their brother Jonathan fifeld in marchanteble pay at mony price nine pounds apece to bee payd them in ye space of time or end of two years from the date heareof and nine pound to each of them at or before ye end of three years: from the date heareof, their mother ye widow fifeld to have the use and disposall of all the houshold goods and utencells whatsoever belonginge to ye house within doars:—Jonathan fifeld to have all ye rest of his desesed father fifelds lands ye is not above mentioned to his brothers; all ye houses lands eareble pastuer; the marches Comages with all apurtinances & priviliges whatsoever belonginge to his sd father desesed, as also the Stoke of Cattell of all sorts whatsoever, and all ye toolls for husbentry worke as also whatsoever is due to ye estatte from any person, ye sd Jonathan to receive hee payinge all honest & Just debts to any man due from ye sd estatt, it is also
agreed & declared that the s^a Jonathan fifeld is and hee doth agree to take Care for the Comfortable and honarable supor and maintainance of y^e widow; their mother duringe her naturell life, and if it Should so hapen y^e the s^a Jonathan should deasese before his mother the revenue and income of y^e lands y^e the s^a Jonathan fifeld has y^e was his fathers shall bee for y^e seport and maintainance of his mother as much of it as is necersary as longe as shee doth remaine a widow, all these pertiqulers herein specified to each pertiquler person as it is by this Instrament declared, to Have and to Hold to them theire heiers execs and asignes forever and to declare our agrement to the true intent & performance of all and every pertiquler in the premeses and Confirmation heareof wee have set to our hands & sealls this 30^th day of agust 1706 and in y^e fifth yeare of y^e reigne of our Sovaraigne y^e Lady Ann of England, france and Iarland quene: & wee y^e Subscribers dizer y^e Judges & probat of wills to Confirm it accordingly

signed and Sealed

in y^e presence of us

John fifeld  [seal]

Joseph fifeld  [seal]

Edward fifeld  [seal]

Benjamen fifeld  [seal]

Jonathan fifeld  [seal]

y^e mark of X mehetabel fifeld  [seal]

y^e mark of X Abigail fifeld  [seal]

The subsribers heareof (viz) mary fifeld & John fifeld Joseph fifeld and Edward fifeld, Benjamin fifeld & Jonathan fifeld, mehitabell fifeld & abigell fifeld personally appeared and acknowledg this above written Instrument to bee theire free & vollintery act & deed this 2^d day of septembr 1706 before mee

Nathl weare Justice of peace

3^rd Aug^t 1706
I allow and Approve of the above Agreement

P^t Joseph Smith
Judge of probats of wills &c—
[Warrant, Sept. 3, 1706, authorizing Capt. Henry Dow and Capt. Jacob Green, both of Hampton, to receive claims against the estate.]

[Warrant, Sept. 3, 1706, authorizing Capt. Jacob Green and Thomas Chase, both of Hampton, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Sept. 3, 1706; amount, £270.2.0; signed by Jacob Green and Thomas Chase.]

[List of claims against the estate, Feb. 28, 1706/7; amount, £18.7.8; signed by Henry Dow and Jacob Green.]

EDWARD BEAL 1706 NEWCASTLE

In the Name of God Amen the twentieth Seven\textsuperscript{th} day of September 1706

I Edward Beal of Newcastle in the province of New Hampshire Mariner Being Sick and weak in Body * * *

Item I Give And Bequeath unto my Son John Beall my house and Land on the Great Island, in the parish of Newcastle To him and his heirs Lawfull Begotten of his Body for ever To Have And To Hould To him and To them the heirs of his Body for ever Alwayses provided that If the sd John Beall Decease without Lawfull Issue then my three Daughters or the survivors of them shall have Liberty To sell or Dispose of the same and make Equall Division of the produce there of any thing above To the Contrary also my will is that my son John or three Daughters that Take possess of my house and Land after my Death shall pay my Grandson will\textsuperscript{th} wain three pounds

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my youngest Daughter Martha on fether Bed with all the furniture therunto Belonging To her and her heirs for ever Also I Give my Daughter Elizabeth on fether Bed and furniture and a Silver Spoon the Two Beds and spoon To Be Equally Devided By Equall value Between the above sd martha and Elizabeth
Item I Give and Bequeath unto my three Daughters viz Sarah and Elizabeth and martha all the Remainder of my estate as household stuff and els not heerein mentioned unto them and their heirs for ever To Be Equally Devided amongst them By Equall portions

And Last of all I Doe nominat and appoint my well Beloved Brothers John Cotton & [erased] To Be Sole Executors of this my Last will and Testament and in Case my said Brother John Cotton see Cause To Chuse any other To Beare part of the Executorship with himself I Doe By these presents allow and Ratefy the Same And Doe By these presents Declare all the above written To Be my Last will and Testament as is above Exprst witness my hand and Seal the Day and yeare above writ'en

Signed and sealed and Declared the Signe of
In the presence of the subscribers Edward X Beall [seal]
Charles Kelly
Solomon Cotton
wmll Godsoe

[Proved Jan. 7 and Feb. 4, 1706/7.]

[Inventory, Feb. 6, 1706/7; amount, £111.16.10; signed by John Pickering and Job Alcock.]

[Report of Job Alcock and John Pickering in regard to claims against the estate, Sept., 1707.]

[Various bills and accounts, containing signatures of Charles Kelly and George Jaffrey.]
[Warrant, Oct. 22, 1706, authorizing Capt. Robert Coffin and Lieut. Jonathan Wadleigh, both of Exeter, to receive claims against the estate.]

[Guardianship of Samuel Rollins, aged sixteen years, granted to his mother, Rachel Rollins, Nov. 5, 1706.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 82.]

[Inventory, Nov. 7, 1706; amount, £419.18.2; signed by Robert Coffin and Jonathan Wadleigh. On the back is a list of
"The Childrens Names
Thomas Rawlins
Moses Rawlins
Joseph Rawlins
Benj Rawlins
John Rawlins
Aaron Rawlins
Sam Rawlins
Mary the wife Steph: page
Alice the wife of Rog' Shaw
Rachel Rawlins"]

[List of claims against the estate, Jan. 28, 1706/7; amount, £72.4.4; signed by Jonathan Wadleigh and Robert Coffin.]

Aug' 28th 1707: An Agreement made and Concluded upon between Rachel Rawlins of Exeter Administratrix to the Estate of Thomas Rawlins Sen' deceased which she hath now made with her sons and daughters in divideing of the Lands and Orchards as sfoloweth.

first I Rachel Rawlins have took my third part of the Land adjoyneing to the House on the North Side of a Lane which Runns into my Land and the Orchard on the North Side of the House.

And Thomas Rawling his Land Sixteen Rodd wide and soe to Runn from the High way which is agreed upon between all my brothers into the Woods to the Extent of the aforesaid Land
And Joseph Rawlings Nine Rodd wide and Soe to Runn to the Extent of the aforesaid Land; And Aaron Rawlings Nine Rodd wide and soe to Runn the wedth to the Extent of the aforesaid Land.

And Samuel Rawlings Nine Rodd wide and Soe to Runn to the Extent of the aforesaid Land.

And Mary page tenn Rodds wide, and Soe to Runn to the Extent of the aforesaid Land.

And Alice Shaw tenn Rodd wide and Soe to Runn to the Extent of the aforesaid Land./

And Rachel Rawlings Tenn Rodds wide and Soe to Runn to the Extent of the aforesaid Land.

And Benjamin Rawlings beginning at Hampton Road tenn Rodds wide and soe to Runn to the Extent of the aforesaid Land.

And John Rawlins adjoyneing to Hampton Rode Eleven Rodds wide and soe to Runn to the Extent of the aforesaid Land the Division of another little field, adjoyneing to Lieu Lorrances Land and an Orchard as followeth divided accordingly and agreed upon by us all whose Names are hereunder written.

her
Rachel X Rawlings
Mark
Thomas Rawlings
Moses Rawlings
Joseph Rawlings
Benj Rawlings
John Rawlings
Aaron Rawlings
Rachel Rawlings

Rachel Rawlings appeared before me Joseph Smith Esq Judge of probates &c: and prayed the above Agreement might be Allowed and Recorded & Thomas Joseph and Aaron Rawlings desired the same on behalfe of the rest of the subscribers and themselves and that all debts due from the Estate be paid in Equal
proportion by the Children of Said decd according to their Divi-
dens

[Allowed Sept. 2, 1707.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 94.]

[Various accounts, notes, bills, receipts, etc., containing signa-
tures of Thomas Rollins, James Sinclair, Richard Dolloff, George
Jeffers, Richard King, Daniel Bean, Benjamin Rollins, John Bad-
ger, Humphrey Wilson, John Dole, Joseph Smith, George Jaffrey,
Christopher Pottle, Peter Coffin, Nathaniel Ladd, Thomas Web-
ster, Benjamin Dole, Samuel Fellows, Nathaniel Weare, Robert
Coffin, Jonathan Wadleigh, John Pickering, Thomas Phipps, and
James Dudley.]

AUGUSTINE BULLARD 1706 PORTSMOUTH

In the Name of God Amen the twenty fourth day of October in
the fifth yeare of the Reigne of our Soveraigne Lady Anne by the
Grace of God of England Scotland France and Ireland Queen de-
defender of the faith &c: Augustin Bullard of portsmouth in the
province of New Hampshire Marriner being Sick in body but of
good and perfect Memory and Sound disposeing minde thanks be
to Almighty God and calling to Remembrance the Uncertaine
Estate of this Transitory life, and that all flesh must yeild Unto
death when it shall please God to call doe make and declare this
my last Will and Testament in Manner and forme following Re-
vokeing and Annulling by these presents all and every Testament
and Testaments, will and wills heretofore by me made and de-
clared either by word or writeing. And this to be taken onely for
my last will and Testament and None other. And now for the
Settling of my Estate both Real and personal as it hath pleased
God farr above my deserts to bestow upon me I doe Order Give
and dispose the Same in manner and forme following (that is to
Say) first I will that all those Debts and duties as I owe in Right
or Conscience to any manner of person or persons whatsoever
shall be well and truely contented and paid within Convenient
time after my decease by my Executrix hereafter Named.

Item I give and bequeath Unto my Deare and loving wife
Hannah my dwelling House; and Land in portsmouth aforesaid
belonging to my Said dwelling House with all Orchards Gardens
and Appurtenances Adjoyneing to the Same, for and dureing her
Natural life.

Item Give Unto my Said wife my Negroe Boy Quash to her
sole proper use and behoofe for ever.

Item I give Unto my Said wife all my personal Estate as
Household Goods Mony plate and all other Moveables and Utensils
to be by her Sold or disposed off If occasion shall be towards
her Maintenance and the bringing upp of my sonn Benjamin Bullerd.

Item My will is that after the decease of my Said wife My
dwelling House Land Orchards and Gardens with all the Appur-
tenances thereunto belonging shall Revert in fee to my Said Sonn
Benjamin Bullerd and his heires for Ever.

Item My further will and minde is that in Case the said Ben-
jamin Bullerd my Sonn shall dye without Issue lawfully begotten
of his body that the said dwelling House Land Orchards & Gar-
dens & Appurtenances thereunto belonging shall be and Remaine
to my Sonn in Law Henry Dyer and his heires for ever./

Item I give and bequeath Unto my Said Sonn in Law Henry
Dyer a certaine Lott of Land Scituate lying and being in port-
smouth aforesaid Bounding by the dwelling House of Roger Swaine
Westward and the land of Ruth Trueworthy Eastward, & sfronting
upon the High way by m' Keais to him and his heires for ever.

Item I doe Order and direct that when my Said Sonn Benja-
min Bullerd shall possesse and Enjoy my said dwelling House
Land Orchards Gardens and Appurtenances thereunto belonging
that from the time he enters into peaceable possession of the same
he shall pay Unto my Said Sonn in Law Henry Dyer twenty
pounds £ Annum for two yeares./
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

Item I give Unto my Brothers Benjamin and Jasper Bullard of Barbadoes five shillings each as a legacye./

Lastly I doe hereby Nominate and appointe my Said Loveing wife to be sole Executrix of this my last will and Testament. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seale the day and yeare first before written Annoq Domini 1706./

Signed Sealed Published and declared In the presence off—

Augustin X Bullard [seal]

Ichabod Plaisted

John Knight

Cha: Story

[Proved Sept. 8, 1709.]

[Warrant, Sept. 8, 1709, authorizing Samuel Keais and Obadiah Morse, both of Portsmouth, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Jan. 10, 1709; amount, £435.18.4; signed by Samuel Keais and Obadiah Morse.]

THOMAS BICKFORD 1706

DOVER

In the name of God amen I thomas Bickford being very sick and weak in body * * *

Imp I will and give to my well beloved wife brigitt all my moveable Estate both within in dors and without Except one Cow and one bead which I bequeath and give to my daughter Johanna and my wife is to discharge all my Just debts and funarall charges and also my wife is to have the hole benfit and Improvement of all my farme and pasture whih belongeth to it Untill my sons John and Eliezer shall be of age—

Itm I will and give to my son John all the plantation on which I now Live with the whome pasture but John is not to have it till he coms of age and my son John shall pay to his brother Joseph twelve Pounds in any Good pay when Joseph shall com of age and for Every year that my wife shall Remaine a widow after
John hath the farme in his possessin John shall pay her tenn pounds per year dureing her widowhood—

Item I will and give to my son Elezer I will and give forty Acors of Land which Lieith at Long marsh with all Priviledges thereto beloning when he shall com to twenty one years dureing that time my wife shall have the whole benefit and when Elezer hath the posession of the Land he shall pay to his mother five pounds ayear dureing her widowhood

signed sealed pronounced and Thomas Bickford [seal]
declared in the presence of Us
decober the thirty first— 1706
William ffurbur
John bickford
John Dam
[Proved March 4, 1706/7.]

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Bickford of Dover granted to his widow, Bridget Bickford, March 4, 1706/7.]

[Warrant, first Tuesday in April, 1707, authorizing Jeremiah Burnham and Francis Matthews, both of Dover, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory of the estate of Thomas Bickford of Oyster River; amount, £253.10.0; signed by Jeremiah Burnham and Francis Matthews; attested Sept. 2, 1707.]

SAMUEL PEASE 1706 EXETER

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Pease of Exeter granted to Richard Hilton of Exeter, yeoman, Nov. 5, 1706, the widow having renounced administration.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 317.]
In the Name of God Amen

The last Will and Testament of Francis Page of Hampton in the Province of New Hampshire in New England Who being aged and Weak of Body * * *

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto Merabah my wellbeloved wife two load of good march\textsuperscript{b}e Hay a yeare to be delivered at Home or twentie shilling of mony a yeare which she please to be payd by my son Francis page during Her Naturall life or to Her day of Marriage: And she is to Have the use of all my pastures att the lott Com'only So called that is now in possestion during her naturall life or to Her day of marriage: Also the use and improvement of my Right of the saw mill hereafter given to my son Joseph page so long as she live: As also the use of one End of my Dwelling House Where I now live which End she please so long as she live: As also the use of that End of my lott where sayd House stand taking the whole Brethd so ffar as Robert Moulten\textsuperscript{s}o long as she live As also the use and improvement of all the land and mash that I give hereafter to my son Joseph page untill sd Joseph arrive to the age of twentie one years And then she is only to Have the use of five acres of mash by goodman Fullers: And I give and bequeath to my sayd wife all my stock of Cattell of all sorts Whatsoever and all my moveable and Household stuff and impliments of Husbandrey all within dors and without Excepting only what I shall hereafter dispose of in this my last will All for Her disposing off according to Her descretion so it be among my Childring:

It I give and bequeath unto Samuel Page my Welbeloved Son all the land meadow and mash ground for the which I Have given Him a Deed of gift under my Hand and Seall already It being for his Portion although sayd gift should not be Recorded according to law yitt I do here Confeirm the sayd Deed of gift by this my last will I also give him half my Right in the sawmill

It I give and bequeath unto Francis page my welbeloved Son my Dwelling House where he now liveth and all that lott where
sayd House standith being ten acres more or lass which was some times William Marstons of Hampton senior With all the out Houses standing there upon and ffrute trees growing upon the same the sayd lott is lieing and being betwene the lott of Christpher page and the lott of Ensga Samuel Marston: I also give unto the sayd ffrancis page five acres of Salt mash adjoyning to Christpher pages part of that I bought of William sfuller: And also five acres of fisfresh meadow that I bought of Nathaniel Boulter lieng westerly of the mill Brook in the West Meadows Commonly so Called: As also two shears of mash ground in the litell River Mashes All which land meadow and mash ground he the Sayd ffrancis Page have now already in his Possesion I also give unto the Sayd ffrancis Page All my Right of land in the north devition And Half a sheare in the Cow Common with all Rights and priv- elidgis belonging to Half a sheare of the sst Common as it lieth now in Common. I Also give and bequeath unto him the sayd ffrancis page A Certaine Parsell of Meadow and upland that was Some times Jefery Mingies lieng over the mill Brook above sayd being in all five acres More or less lieng on the Right Hand of the way going to Abraham Draks lieng between land some times Thomas Wards now in the possession of Abraham: Drake And bounded with the above sayd Mill Brooke on the East or Easterly: all to Him and his Heiers sfor Ever He paying unto his mother all what I Have ordred Him to pay as above sst in this my last will & Teastiment

It I give and bequeath unto Joseph Page my welbeloved son all that land where I Now live that was some times John Redmans And now in my Possesion Reserving only fortie Rod att the Corner next Peter garlands Hous which I dispose of other ways I Also give unto the sayd Joseph page all the Houses there upon standing to Injoy one End att the age of twentie one years and the other after his mothers decease but he the sst Joseph is not to Injoy all the land that was John Redmans untill after his mothers decease as before mentioned I also give unto the sayd Joseph page all that my lott of upland and swamp that was sometimes
William fullers lieng between the land of John fuller on the East or Easterly and West or Westerly the land of Peter Garland in part and the land of Thomas Crosbey in part be the same Eights acres More or less as it is so bounded, I also give unto the sayd Joseph page my ffresh meadow att the springs Commonly so Called being Sixe acres more or less lieng between the meadow of Sam-uel Marston and Thomas Nudd I also give unto the sayd Joseph page five acres of salt mash that I bought of William fuller lieng next ffancis pagis on the westerly side ffancis pages I also give s'd Joseph page the one Half of my Right in the Saw mill upon Taylers River after His mothers decease I also give to s'd Joseph page The one Half of a sheare of Cow Commons in Hampton with all Rights belonging to Half a sheare of s'd Common as it lye in common now to Him & his Heiers:

It: I give and Bequath unto my welbeloved Daughters (viz) Lucy Robey the wife of Icabod Robey : Susanah Bachilder the now wife of Benjamin Bachilder Meribah Tilton the now wife of Samuel Tilton & Rebeckah Page my pece of ffresh meadow lieng near Pine Island to be Equally devided between them And my will is that lucy Robeys part of s'd meadow After Her decease Is to goe to Her now Daughter Lucy Robey If she be liveing if not to the next Eldist Child that she Have liveing att her Darch: And if any of my other Daughters dye without Children there parts of the meadow my will is shall goe to my son Samuel Pagis Eldist son then liveing And my will is ffurther that the acre of meadow that I bought of Nath'l Boulter And the meadow and upland on the left Hand of the way goeing to Abraham Draks that was some times Cap'n Husseys my Executors I give them full power to sell part or all for the paying my Just and Honist Debts and if that be not Enough I give them ffull power to Sell any part of my stock of Cattell to pay what is wanting—

And my will ffurther is that wheras my Son Samuel Page is to pay twentie five pound to me or my order that he build a House for that upon the fortie Rod of land I Reserved by Peter Gar-lands And my two sons ffancis page and Joseph page to build
two Chimlys of Brick in the middle of sayd House and one End of sayd House I Give to my Daughter Rebeckah page the other to my granchild Lucy Robey and the fortie Rod of land wher it stand to be Equally devided between them I also give to my Daughter Rebeckah page one Bed & all the bed cloths there unto belong-
ing—

It I give unto my two daughters Meribah Tilton & Rebecka page one shear of the Cow Commons as it lieth now in Common And to Rebecka ten bushells of Endien corn a yeare after Her mothers decease So long as she live unmarried to be payd by my Son Joseph and francis is to put the chamber att the East End of the House in good Repayre and Rebacka to have it So long as She live unmarried and francis to find Her: sixe cord a wood a yeare after Her mothers decease till she is married I give to my son Joseph page a pece of fresh meadow lieng over the mill Brooke Commonly so Called be the Same more or less lieng on the left Side or Southerly Side the way.—

And I do constitute and appoint my trustie and welbeloved sons Samuel page Samuel Tilton and Benjamin Bachilder to be my Executours them or Either of them to this my last will and teastiment as witnes my Hand and seale this fourteen day of November in the yeare of our Lord: One thousand Seaven Hundred and sixe and in the fift yeare of the Reigne of our Soveraigne lady Anne by the grace of God Queen of Great Brittaine france and Ireland defender of the faith: &c

francis page senior did Signe seale and declared this Before written to be his last will and teastiment in prescence of us witnesses

Samuel Chapman
Tho Crosbie
Susanah X knowls
Her mark:

Henry Dow

[Proved Dec. 2, 1706.]
RICHARD BUCKLEY 1706/7 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Richard Buckley of Portsmouth, merchant, granted to his widow, Sarah Buckley, Jan. 7, 1706/7.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 322.]

[Bond of Sarah Buckley of Portsmouth, widow, with George Jaffrey of Portsmouth as surety, Jan. 7, 1706/7; in the sum of £600, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Robert Armstrong and Charles Story.]

[Warrant, Jan. 7, 1706/7, authorizing Richard Joce and Charles Story to receive claims against the estate.]

[Inventory, Jan. 10, 1706/7; amount, £431.4.8; signed by George Turfrey and Richard Joce.]

EZEKIEL PITMAN 1706/7 DOVER

[William Pitman of Dover, minor, more than fourteen years old, son of Ezekiel Pitman of Dover, deceased, makes choice of Jeremiah Burnham of Oyster River, yeoman, as his guardian, Jan. 7, 1706/7; witnesses, John Cotton and Charles Story.]


[Citation, Feb. 7, 1708/9, to Elizabeth Pitman of Oyster River, widow of Ezekiel Pitman, and Francis Pitman, his brother, to appear on the first Monday in March to administer the estate of Ezekiel Pitman, otherwise administration to be granted to Jeremiah Burnham, guardian of William Pitman, son of the deceased; return signed by John Ambler, constable.]

[Administration granted to Jeremiah Burnham, guardian, April 4, 1709.]

[Inventory, Jan. 2, 1709/10; amount, £81.2.0; signed by Joseph Jones and Francis Mathes.]
JAMES WEYMOUTH 1706/7

NEWCASTLE

In the Name of: God Amen: the ninth day of January in the year of: our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Six Seven I James Waymouth of New Castle in the province of New hampshire in New England: in America., being Sick and weak in body, * * *

Item: I give and bequeath unto my three Children Mary Waymouth Kathrin Waymouth and Luce Waymouth this my Dwelling house and Land belongin now in My own possession Equaly to be devided amongst them but further my intent and Meaning is that my beloved wife Kathrin Waymouth shall have & Injoye the Said house dureing the Terme of: her Natural Life and after her Decease then to my aforesaid three Children Mary: Kathrin & Luce Waymouth

Item I give and bequeath unto my aforesaid three Childrin Mary Waymouth Kathrin Waymouth and Luce Waymouth all that my Shop: with the Land: ajoyning and belonging which I lately bought of George Vaughan being forty foot front by: the highway and one hundred and Ninty foot in lenght and adjoynin to my Now Dwelling house: only: my intent and Meaning is that my aforesaid Wife Kathrin Waymouth Shall have and injoye the same Dureing her Natural Life and if she shall be droven to Straits and Wants the same May be disposed of: for her Soport and releife and. Not Other wayes

Item I give and bequeath unto my aforesaid Child Mary Way-
moue my Gold ring to be delivered unto her by my Executrix. 
when she shall arrive to years of discretion

Item I give and bequeath unto my three Childrin Mary Way- 
mouth Kathrin Waymouth and Luce Waymouth all the platte 
Lately given me by my Mother ——— Dimond deceased Equally 
to be devided between them and to be delivered to Each of: them 
at Each of: their ages of one and Twenty Years or Dayes of 
Maraige, and in Case Either of my Said Children Should Dye 
and Depart this Life before the arrive to their severall ages of one 
and Twenty years then my will and Meaning is that the bequests 
of any of them that shall soe happen to Dye shall redound to the 
survivor or survivors by Equall porc’ion

Item I give and bequeath unto my Dear and Well beloved. wife 
Kathrin Waymouth all my ready Mony platt goods: and Chattles 
and Debts what Soever and Whare soever to me owing and be- 
longing only my True intent and Meaning is that all my just and 
honest Debts and funerall Charges be paid out of the same— 
Item I give and bequeath unto my Two Daughters in Law Eliza- 
beth Lidden & Mary Lidden Each of them a silver spoon to be 
delivered unto them by my: Executrix within one Years time after 
my Decease, if in Case itt should please god that my said wife 
should dye and Depart this Life before my Said three Childrin 
arive of Age of one and Twenty Years if itt should Soe happen 
that my said wife who is my Executrix: should soe dye then my 
desire is that my Two brothers in Law Cap’ Sam’ Alcock of 
Portsm° in ye pro: of Newhamp’ aforesaid and m’ Rich’ Cutts of 
Kittery in the pro: of Main shall be my Executors and over seers 
to see the performance of this my Last will According as itt is 
before Expressed, In Wittness to These presents I have hereunto 
sett my hand Seal the Day and year first above Written

Signed and Sealed in the Mark of 

Presence of James X Waymouth [seal]

William Mansfield
George Walton

[Proved Feb. 4, 1706/7.]
JOHN ODIORNE  1706/7  NEWCASTLE

[Administration on the estate of John Odiorne of Newcastle granted to his widow, Mary Odiorne, Feb. 4, 1706/7.]
[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 330.]

[Bond of Mary Odiorne of Newcastle, widow, with Mark Hunking of Portsmouth, merchant, and William Seavey of Newcastle, yeoman, as sureties, Feb. 4, 1706/7, in the sum of £200, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Henry Penny and Charles Story.]

[Warrant, Feb. 4, 1706/7, authorizing Capt. Mark Hunking and William Seavey to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory; amount, £149.10.6; signed by Mark Hunking and William Seavey; attested June 2, 1707.]

[Warrant, July 1, 1707, authorizing Capt. John Pickering and James Leavitt, both of Portsmouth, to receive claims against the estate. Return signed by Pickering and Leavitt.]

[List of claims against the estate, Feb. 3, 1707/8; amount, £98.4.4; signed by John Pickering and James Leavitt. Mentions James Abbott and his wife Lambert.]

[Account of the administratrix against the estate; amount, £17.2.3; attested Feb. 3, 1707/8.]

[Division of the estate as insolvent at £0.18.3 in the pound; allowed March 2, 1707/8.]

[Petition of Mary Odiorne, administratrix, May 4, 1708, for liberty to sell certain land.]

[Order of court, May 4, 1708, authorizing Mary Odiorne to sell certain land.]

[Various accounts, bills, notes, etc., containing signatures of Richard Wibird, Charles Story, James Abbott, John Pickering,
ISAAC COLE 1706/7 EXETER

I, Isaac Cole of Quamescut in the province of New Hampshire in New Ingland being but weak of body. *

Item I give to my cosen Isac foss an hundred akers of upland at that end of my land that is now improved and twenty akers of land in the nek which I bought of Thomas Reed and all of it to be at the disposeing of his mother til he be twenty one years of age.

Item I give to my cosen John felibroun an hundred and five akers of land at the head of my land and the barberry pond on the south side of the great hill.

Item I give ten pounds of mooney to Thomas felibroun.

Item I give ten pounds mooney to my sister felibroune if she be liveing if dead then to her daughter Mary.

Item I give my brother Jacobs 3 children four pounds apeace mooney.

Item I give my cosen abigail foss and hur sun five pounds apeice.

Item I give my brother Abraham ten pounds.

Item I give to my cosen Thomas felibroun my four oxen and two cows and one steer and a hors.

Item I give to my too cossens John and Thomas felibroun all the rest of my estate.

And my will is & I do here by apoyant my cosens John and Thomas felibroun to be my full and Just executorrs of this my last will and testament to see that my debts be all fully paid and discharged.

And I do here by revoke and disanull and make void all former wils and testaments by me heretofore made. In Witnes where of I the said Isaac Cole have hereunto set my hand and
Seale this tenth day of February Ano dominy one thousand seven hundred and six seven
signed and sealed

Isaac Cole [seal]
in the presence of us
witness
William ffrench
Jonathan wiggin
nathaniel watson

[Proved March 4, 1706/7, and June 2, 1707.]

[Warrant, March 4, 1706/7, authorizing Bradstreet Wiggin and Jonathan Wiggin, both of Exeter, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory of the estate of Isaac Cole, who died Feb. 13, 1706/7; dated March 4, 1706/7; amount, £168.14.3; signed by Bradstreet Wiggin and Jonathan Wiggin.]

RACHEL MARDE 1706/7
Province New Hampsh'

John ffose: Sen': &: Mary his wife made Oath before me y^ Subscriber that they being with Rachale Marden: not Long before her deth And heard her Declare her last will by word of Mouth she being in her Right Mind & Memory— which was as followeth:— (viz") She gave the howse & Land where her Husband John Marden in his life time dwelt unto her Son William Marden—and her bed & beding together with a small Iron po", and her Riding hood unto her Daughter Elizabeth Ran— and likewise a small table to her Daughter Mary Jones: &c—

John ffose & Mary ffose: his wife made Oath to the truth of all above written this: 12th day of February: 1706 before me:—

Joseph Smith: Judge of Probats: &c.

[Deeds, vol. 13, p. 94.]

The Depposision of William Wallis of full eag testifieth and Saith that he was with Rachel Marden the Widow of John Mar-
den Deseced when she lay upon her Death bed then in perfect Sences; And she did Declare to me that as her husbend: John Marden Deceased did leave the hole desposing of there Estat to hir: So she Did Give and bequeath unto hir Son Willeam Marden the Place at Sande beacht which was formerly his fathers: and to her Son John Marden: she gave a shep & to her Daughter Elizabeh Rand She gave the bed she then Lay on with the bedding belonging to it: and further I say not:—

Province of New Hampsheere: Willm Wallis Made Oath to y° truth of all above written this: 12th day of ffebeuary: 1706: before me—

Joseph Smith, Judge of Probats &c—

[Deeds, vol. 13, p. 94.]

GEORGE JAFFREY 1706/7 PORTSMOUTH

[Hannah Jaffrey, widow, renounces administration on the estate of her husband, George Jaffrey, and asks that administration be granted to his son, George Jaffrey; dated Feb. 20, 1706/7.]

[Administration on the estate of George Jaffrey of Portsmouth granted to his son, George Jaffrey of Portsmouth, Feb. 20, 1706/7, the widow, Hannah Jaffrey, having renounced administration.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 331.]

[Bond of George Jaffrey of Portsmouth, merchant, with Mark Hunking and Charles Story, both of Portsmouth, gentlemen, as sureties, Feb. 20, 1706/7, in the sum of £5000, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Henry Penny and William Seavey.]

[Inventory, April 29, 1707; amount, £2425.9.5; signed by Mark Hunking and Richard Joce.]

SAMUEL RAND 1706/7 NEWCASTLE

In the nam of god amen— the Last well and testement of Samuell Rand erst I Bequead my soul to god that gave it me and my
body to the doth from whens I was taken. Secondly I gave and
bequeath unto my wif all my estate both movable and immovable
dowery her life and to her despo to either of our sons hom shee
shall see Case but If shee should see Case to marey agean then
to mannege It tel thes son hom shee doth beqeaed It to Com in
eage and then he to have the plas in his own hand only allowing
his mother the thord part as Long as Shee Leveth and fearther
I order that the son that hath the plas shall peay to each of his
brothers and sesters twenty shilins a peas in sesh pay as the
plas perdueeseth

William Wallis
the mark of X Samuel Rand
The mark of X James Marden
Neklas X hogs mark—weteneses
The 25th febary—1707/6

[Proved July 1, 1707.]

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Rand of Newcastle
granted to his widow, Susanna Rand, July 1, 1707, no executor
being named in the will.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 343.]

[Bond of Susanna Rand of Newcastle, widow, with William
Wallace and James Marden, both of Newcastle, yeomen, as sure-
ties, July 1, 1707, in the sum of £100, for the payment of all debts
due from the estate; witnesses, Robert Armstrong and Charles
Story.]

CHRISTOPHER PALMER 1706/7

[ Citation, March 1, 1706/7, to Samuel Palmer of Hampton to
appear and administer or renounce administration upon the estate
of his father, Christopher Palmer of Hampton, administration hav-
ing been asked for by Theodore Atkinson, principal creditor.
Endorsed “March ye 4th 1706 / non est Inventus Samuell Mars-
ton constabel.”]
RALPH HALL 1706/7 DOVER

[Mary Hall renounces administration on the estate of her husband, Ralph Hall of Dover, March 4, 1706/7.]
[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 86.]

[Administration granted to Joseph Hall and James Hall, sons of the deceased, March 4, 1706/7.]
[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 336.]

[Warrant, March 4, 1706/7, authorizing Capt. John Tuttle and Samuel Tibbetts, both of Dover, to appraise the estate.]

[Warrant, March 4, 1706/7, authorizing Capt. John Tuttle and Samuel Tibbetts to receive claims against the estate.]

[Inventory, April 14, 1707; amount, £161.0.2; signed by John Tuttle and Samuel Tibbetts.]

[List of claims against the estate; amount, £24.6.9; signed by John Tuttle and Samuel Tibbetts; mentions Mrs. Elizabeth Wade, administratrix to the estate of Rev. John Wade, late minister of Berwick.]

[Administrators’ account against the estate; amount, £61.1.2; allowed Dec. 2, 1707.]

[Division of the estate among the widow and children, John Hall (oldest son), James Hall, Jonathan Hall, Isaac Hall, Benjamin Hall, Ralph Hall, and Joseph Hall; amount, £161.0.2; to the widow, £93.14.7; to eldest son, John Hall, £16.6.6, and to each of the other children, £8.8.3.]

I doe Order and decree the above written to be a true Division and distribution of the Estate of Ralph Hall Late of Dover dec’d and doe Order Mr Charles Story Register of the Court of probates to Issue forth Orders to the Adm for the payment of the Creditors widdow and the Childrens proportions to be paid to Such as are
at age and to the Guardians of others that are not at age And to pay the Said Childrens proportions each at two pounds 16s one penny £9 Annum till the whole is paid with lawfull interest for the Same, dated at portsmouth the 2d of March 1707./

Joseph Smith
Judg of probats &c

[Order of court, July 19, 1735, assigning to John Hall forty acres of land not formerly inventoried, he paying to the other children the value of their proportionate shares.]

[Various claims, bills, a blank bond, etc., containing signatures of Edward Ayers, John Hall, James Hall, Joseph Beard, Thomas Ash, (the last four of Dover), Mark Hunking, Charles Story, Job Clements, Joseph Smith, and John Gerrish.]

JOHN LOCKE 1706/7 HAMPTON

[Administration on the estate of John Locke of Hampton granted to his sons, John Locke and Joseph Locke, both of Hampton, March 4, 1706/7.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 335.]

[Bond of John Locke and Joseph Locke of Hampton, yeomen, with Edward Locke and James Locke of Hampton, yeomen, as sureties, March 4, 1706/7, in the sum of £100, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, James Leavitt and Charles Story.]

[Warrant, March 4, 1706/7, authorizing Theodore Atkinson and James Randall, both of Newcastle, to receive claims against the estate. Endorsed

"Pro: N: Hamp:
Notifications Were posted In Each Town in this Province And Att Kittery According to the Within order but Noe Claimers Appeared Given Under our hands the 3d Oct 1707

Æ: Theodore Atkinson
James Rendle"]
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

[Inventory, May 19, 1707; amount, £64.7.0; signed by James Randall and William Seavey.]

[Claim of Robert Elliot against the estate, attested Feb. 3, 1707/8; amount, £55.4.0; signed by Robert Elliot; allowed Feb. 3, 1707/8.]

[Administrators' account against the estate; amount, £60.7.0, in which is a debt of £55.4.0 paid to Robert Elliot; "Inventory Am to 64:7:0: four pounds of which is to be divided Among tenn Children the Eldest sonn to have a double portion the Adm to take care for Maintenance of their Mother." Allowed May 4, 1708.]

[Division of the estate of John Locke of Newcastle, May 4, 1708, among the ten children, John Locke, oldest son, Nathaniel Locke, Edward Locke, William Locke, James Locke, Joseph Locke, Alice Locke, Phenea Locke, Rebecca Locke, and Mary Locke, the administrators to maintain the widow during her natural life.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 107.]

JOHN MOULTON. 1706/7 HAMPTON

[Administration on the estate of Lieut. John Moulton of Hampton granted to his son, John Moulton of Hampton, March 4, 1706/7.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 332.]

[Bond of John Moulton of Hampton, with Humphrey Perkins and Daniel Moulton as sureties, March 4, 1706/7, in the sum of £200, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Thomas Batchelder and Jacob Moulton.]

An Agreeem4 about the Estat of Lieut John Moulton of Hampton dec4 as foll:

Know all men by these presents that whereas Lieut John Moulton of Hampton, in the province of New Hampshire in New Eng-
land late deceased, dyed Intestate, and left an Estate of Lands Goods & Chattels, and Administration being granted Unto his eldest Sonn John Moulton; as alsoe the Said John Moulton deceased left a wife and Tenn Children the widdow and Relict of the Said L' John Moulton deceased, as alsoe the Children hereafter Named doe Mutually Agree that the Estate be divided and Settled as followeth./ viz.

1\textsuperscript{ly} That the widdow Lydia Moulton shall possess and Enjoy dureing her Natural life the west end of the dwelling House with all the Roomes and Conveniences Unto the Same belonging, together with one third part of the Orchard, and one third part of all the Lands which did of Right belong Unto her Husband John Moulton in his life time, And alsoe to Have hold, possess and Enjoy the one third part of all the Goods and Chattells after the Funeral Expences, Debts and Charges are paid to her the Said Lydia Moulton widdow Unto her for Ever at her dispose.

2\textsuperscript{dl} The Said John Moulton Junr. To have hold, possess and Enjoy to him his heires and Assignes for Ever, all the Lands, Meadows, Marshes Outlands, Orchards, Buildings, Excepting what is in this Covenant of Agreement Excepted, together with two thirds of all the Goods and Chattells, after all Debts and Charges are paid Unto him the Said John Moulton for Ever at his dispose./ he paying Such portions and Divisions of Lands to each of his Brothers and Sisters as is hereafter mentioned (viz) the said Adm' John Moulton doth hereby binde and obledge himselfe and his Successors, to pay all Debts whatsoever which his father owed in his life time; and to deliver his Mother Lydia Moulton her thirds as abovementioned, and to Deliver Unto his Brother Daniel Moulton one peice of Land being part of the home Lott, containeing two Acres and three quarters adjoyneing to Land of the Said Daniels Eastwardly, Land of palmers Northerly, and of Said John Moultons at the Topp of the Hill Southerly Upon Land of Nathaniel Batchelers South Eastwardly the Said John Moulton Reserving a peice of Land of one Rodd in Breadth next Nathaniel Batchelors, for a way into the Woods
Engageing not any ways to Dampnifie the Inclosure of the General field by Improveing the said way &c.; Alsoe the Said John Moulton above Named doth Engage to pay Unto his Brother James Moulton the Sum’e of three pounds. And Unto his brother Nathan Moulton if he demand it Twenty shillings he haveing received his portion in his fathers life time. And Unto his brother David Moulton forty acres of Land lying at Bridehill, and halfe a share of the Cow Common, And Unto his brother Jacob Moulton two Acres of Marsh lying at a place Called the Severals, and abutting Upon the ffresh River.

And Unto his Sister Martha perkins the Sum’e of forty shillings. And Unto his Sister Ann Marston the Sum’e of forty shillings. And Unto his Sister Lydia Marston the Sum’e of forty shillings. And Unto his Sister Rachel Moulton the Sum’e of five pounds. In Confirmation of all above written wee the above Named persons to this Agreement, have Mutually Sett to our hands and Seales this fourth day of March 1706, or Seaven; in the fifth yeare of the Reigne of Queen Anne that now is Over England &c: And pray the Honourable Judge of probates to Con firme and Ratifie the Same, as a full and final Settlement of the Estate of our father Lt John Moulton deceased. /

Signed Sealed & Deliv’rd
In the presence of us
Joseph Palmer
the Mark of
Samuel X Palmer Jun’r
Lydia Moulton [seal]
John Moulton [seal]
Daniel Moulton [seal]
James Moulton [seal]
David Moulton [seal]
Jacob Moulton [seal]
Humphrey Perkins [seal]
Caleb Marston [seal]
the Mark and Seal of
Thomas X Marston [seal]
the Mark and Seal of
Rachel X Moulton [seal]

[Allowed March 11, 1706/7.]
[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 88.]
The will of John Hird of Cochecha in the Townshipp of Dover in the province of New Hampshire decd dated the Second day of Aprill 1687: (as upon file) was offered to this Board to be proved approved and Allowed. The Witnessses to the Said will being Dead, And dyed before the Exec't to the Said Will could have them Sworne in their life times there being noe legal Authoritye at that time in the Said province to Approve or Allow of the pro-bate of Wills. And the following Evidences were Sworne viz.

Wm Vaughan Esq'r made oath before this Board that he was well acquainted with Mr Richard Waldron one of the Witnessses to the Said will, and had frequently seen the Said Richard Waldron write his Name in his life time, and doth verily believe that the Name of Richard Waldron as Witnesse to the Said will is of his owne hand writeing.

John Gerrish Esq'r made oath before this Board that he was well acquainted with Richard Waldron and John Evens two of the Witnessses to the Said Will and had frequently seen them write their Names in their life times. And doth Verily believe that the Names of the Said Richard Waldron and John Evens as witnesse to the Said Will are of their own hand writeings.

John Hamm of Cochecha in the Said province yeoman aged about fifty Seaven years made oath that he was well acquainted with Richard Walden Abraham Lee and John Evens Witnessses to the will before mentioned, and had frequently seen them write their Names in their life times and doth verily beleive that the Names of the Said Richard Walden Abraham Lee and John Evens as witnesse to the Said Will are of their owne hand writeings.

His Excellency the Governour and Council haveing Considered the Legalitye of the Said Will and the Testimonials of the Said Wm Vaughan and John Gerrish Esq'r and John Hamm doe declare the Said will to be proved Approved and Allowed off.

[Council Records, April 9, 1707.]

[See p. 312, ante.]
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BENJAMIN DOLE    1707    HAMPTON

[Administration on the estate of Benjamin Dole of Hampton, chirurgeon, granted to his widow, Frances Dole, June 3, 1707.]
[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 342.]

[Bond of Frances Dole of Hampton, widow, with Ephraim Marston and Samuel Marston, both of Hampton, yeomen, as sureties, June 2, 1707, in the sum of £300, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, John Redman and Charles Story.]

[Inventory, Aug. 29, 1707; amount, £329.8.0; signed by John Redman and James Philbrick.]

[Account of the administratrix against the estate; amount, £102.9.10; signed by Frances Dole; allowed June 1, 1708. One item is "To Bringing up three Children the one four years one two years the other five months old/ one yeare £18.0.0."]

[Division of the estate of Benjamin Dole of Hampton, under the administration of his widow, Frances Dole; amount of estate, £424.8.0; divided among the widow and three children, Jonathan Dole, oldest son, Mary Dole, and Love Dole.

"I doe Order and decree that when the Eighty pounds Sixteen shillings off difficult Debts are gott in, or any part of them that they be proportioned as followeth viz the widdow to have one third part thereof for Ever the other two thirds to be divided into four parts one halfe thereof to Jonathan Dole, the other halfe to Mary and Love Dole And that the widdow pay her Selfe her Disbursements and thirds of the Debts, out of the Said Debts as far as they will Amount And that Jonathan have the Homestead at Newberry he paying the Overplus of his proportion of the Value of Said Homestead to his Sisters towards their proportion; And further that the widdow have six pounds 60 Annum for Each Childs Maintenance till they attaine the Age of Seven years and noe longer; And that she pay her selfe for Such Maintenance
out of each Childs proportion; Dated at portsmouth the first day of June 1708.”

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 109.]

Division of the estate among the widow and three children, an “Eldest sonn,” name not stated, and daughters Mary and Love; not dated.]

[Bond of Henry Somersby of Newbury, Mass., with Samuel Hart and Thomas Peirce as sureties, Sept. 25, 1717, in the sum of £600, for the guardianship of Jonathan Dole and Mary Dole, children of Dr. Benjamin Dole of Hampton; witnesses, Eleazer Russell and R. Gerrish, Jr.]

[Jonathan Dole and Mary Dole, minors, aged more than fourteen years, children of Dr. Benjamin Dole of Hampton, make choice of Col. Henry Somersby of Newbury, Mass., as their guardian Oct. 28, 1718; allowed.]

[Probate Records, vol. 9, pp. 186, 187.]}

[Administration on the estate of Benjamin Dole of Hampton, intestate, granted to his son, Jonathan Dole of Newbury, Mass., Jan. 26, 1724/5.]


[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

To all People to whom these presents shall come Greeting. Know ye that whereas m’ Benjamin Dole late of Hampton in his Majesties Province of Newhampshire in New-england Phisician Deceased Intestate, leaving Sundry lands situate laying & being in y° Township of Newbury in y° County of Essex, in his Majesties Province of y° Massachusetts Bay in Newengland & else where in s° Province—and sundry lands situate laying & being in y° Towne of Hampton afore s° & Sundery Sums of money due both
by book Bonds ect, and whereas we— Jonathan Dole of Newbury afore sᵈ— Sadler & Mary Dole alias Mary Tuck yᵉ now wife of mʳ John Tuck junʳ of Hampton afore sᵈ Cleˢ are yᵉ only surviving children & heirs of yᵉ above sᵈ Benjamin Dole, we do therefore mutually covenant & agree, that yᵉ division of sᵈ lands & money shall be as followeth viz—

That yᵉ sᵈ Jonathan Dole his heirs & assigns shall forever, hereafter have hold use occupy possess and injoy all & singular yᵉ sᵈ lands tenements hereditaments, scitate lying & being in yᵉ Province of the Massachusetts Bay afore sᵈ togather with all yᵉ priviledges profits & appurtences thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining, as allso all right & priviledges in any comon or undivided lands in yᵉ Towneship of Newbury aforesᵈ as allso all & singular yᵉ sums of money due to yᵉ Estate of yᵉ said Benjamin Dole. And that yᵉ said John Tuck & Mary his wife their Heirs & Assigns shall forever hereafter Have hold use occupy possess & injoy all & Singular yᵉ lands tenements & hereditaments scitate lying & being in yᵉ Towne of Hampton aforesᵈ as allso three shares of land laid out by yᵉ Towne of Hampton in a place called yᵉ first west division of lands being : yᵉ 347ᵗʰ yᵉ 348ᵗʰ and the 349ᵗʰ shares in number with all yᵉ profits priviledges & appurtenances there unto belonging or in any wise appertaining.

Furthermore I yᵉ sᵈ Jonathan Dole for my self my heirs Executors & Administrators do by these presents remise releas & forever Quit claim unto yᵉ sᵈ John Tuck & Mary his wife their heirs & assigns forever, all such right estate title interest property claime or demand as I yᵉ sᵈ Jonathan Dole now hath might or ought to have of in or to all singuler yᵉ premises lying in Hampton afore said and unto yᵉ three shares of land afore sᵈ so that yᵉ sᵈ John Tuck & Mary his wife their Heirs & assigns shall & may forever hereafter by force & virtue of these presents, Have hold use occupy possess & enjoy yᵉ said premises lawfully peaceably & quietly to their only use & behoofe forever without any lett hindrance suit molestation or interrupion or denial of yᵉ sᵈ Jonathan Dole his heirs Excutors Administrators or assigns forever,
And we ye sd John Tuck & Mary his wife for our selves our heirs Executors & Administrators do by these presents remise releas & forever Quit claim unto ye sd Jonathan Dole his heirs & assigns forever all such right estate title interest property claim or demand: as we ye sd John Tuck & Mary his wife had now have might or ought to have of in or to all & singler ye premises laying in ye Township of Newbury or Province of ye Massachusetts Bay afore sd as also unto all ye sums of money afore sd so that ye sd Jonathan Dole his Heirs & assigns shall & may forever here-after by force & virtue of these presents lawfully peaceably & Quietly have hold possess & injoy ye above said premises to his & their owne proper use benifit & behoofe forever without any lett hinderance suit molestation or denial of ye sd John Tuck & Mary his wife their heirs Executors Administrators or assigns forever—in witness & conformation of all & singler ye written covenants engagements & acquitances we ye sd Jonathan Dole. John Tuck & Mary his wife have Set to oure hands & seals ye fifth day of Aprill Ann Domini seventeen hundred twenty & five & in ye eleventh year of ye Reign of our sovereign Lord George by ye grace of God of great Britain France & Irland King defender of ye faith ect.

Signed sealed & delivered
Jonathan Dole [seal]
in presence of us
John Tucke [seal]
William Staniford
Mary tucke [seal]
Shubel Sanborn
Henry Moulton

Essex ss. Ipswich Dec. 26th 1729 Then Jonath Dole: and John Tucke & Mary: his Wife Parsonally Appeare'd & Acknowledged this agreem't to be their act & Deed

Before John Appleton, J: P.sc

The above sd Agreem't Made by the Party's above said: That Part of the Land that Lyes in the Count'y of Essex, & convey'd to the above sd Jonath Dole: I do allow & approve of ye sd agreem't

By John Appleton Judg Proba'de

THOMAS DIMOND  1707  STAR ISLAND

In the Name of God Amen

The fourteenth day of July 1707. I Thomas Diamond of star
land one of ye Iles of shoals in ye Province of new Hampsheir
Fisherman  *  *  *

Imprimis I give & bequeath unto Jane my Dearly beloved wife
whom I make ye sole executrix of ye my last will & testament ye
summ of five hundred pounds of good & lawfull mony to be raised
& Levyed out of my Estate togather with all my houshold goods
debts & moveable effects she paying what debts I owe but in case
my wife should be now with child, & ye Child live then it is my
will ye my wife have but two hundred & fifty pound togather with
all my houshold goods debts & moveable effects as afore s'd & ye
Child ye she may now go withall to have all ye remainder of my
estate

Item. In Case my wife dos not prove with child or has not a
liveing Child to inheirt my estate ye I give & bequeath unto
my nephew Thomas Diamond son of John Diamond decreas'd ye
summ of one hundred & fifty pounds mony.

Item. I give & bequeath unto my nephew John Diamond ye
youngest son of my brother John Diamond ye like sum--- of one
hundred & fifty pounds mony.

Item I give & bequeath unto my sister Grace Luis ye sum--- of
fifty pounds mony. And thirty pounds more to be divided equally
between her children

Item I give unto my Cousin mary Spinny ye Daughter of my
Brother John Diamond ye summ of twenty pounds mony.

Item I give unto my Cousin Margett Tripe daughter of my
Brother willm Diamond ye summ--- of twenty pounds likewise

Item I give & bequeath unto Diamond Currier & Weymouth
Currier sons of my son in law Richard Currier all my Houses,
warehouses, stage & flakerooms ye I have here upon ye Iles of
shoals to be equally divided between ym  And I do hereby disal-
low, revoke & disannull all & every other former testaments
wils, Legacies & bequests & execut" by me in any ways, before
named, willed, & bequeathed Ratifying & confirming y" & no other to be my last will & testament

In witness w'of I have hereunto set my hand & seal y" day & year above written) y" Clause (whom I make y" sole Executrix of y" my last will & testament) was enterlind before y" ensealing & publishing of y" presents

Sign'd Seal'd & Declared Published & Pronounced by Thomas Dimond In Presence of us

Dan'n Greenleaf
Edward Gould
George Blackdon

[Proved April 27, 1708, and June 7 and 9, 1709.]

[Inventory; amount, £1308.17.11; signed by Theodore Atkinson.]

SAMUEL LEAVITT 1707 EXETER

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Leavitt of Exeter granted to James Leavitt of Exeter Aug. 12, 1707.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 349.]

[Bond of James Leavitt of Exeter, yeoman, with Robert Coffin, gentleman, and William Moore, yeoman, both of Exeter, as sureties, Aug. 12, 1707, in the sum of £500, for the administration of the estate of his father, Samuel Leavitt; witnesses, Charles Story and Benjamin Leavitt.]

[Inventory, Sept. 17, 1707; amount, £1441.15.4; signed by James Sinclair and David Lawrence; attested Dec. 2, 1707.]

[List of claims against the estate, Feb. 26, 1707/8; amount, £67.16.7; signed by James Sinclair and Jonathan Wadleigh.]

[Various accounts, bills, etc., containing signatures of Job Judkins, Joseph Smith, Nicholas Gilman, Enoch Sanborn, Clement Hughes, Richard Wibird, Thomas Phipps, Charles Story, James
Leavitt, John Hanaford, Edward Sewall, Thomas Webster, Samuel Thing, and James Dudley.]

Administration being granted Unto James Levit of Exeter of his father m' Samuel Levit's Estate late dec'd hath divided it as followeth.

First to his Mother in Moveables fifty Seaven pounds tenn shill Six pence; to one halfe of the dwelling House and one halfe of the Barn, one third of the Saw Mill to four Acres of Marsh at the Long Marsh, and one halfe of the Improved Land adjoyneing to the House, and as much more land adjoyneing to it as shall make it upp forty Acres, And the use of three Acres of Land at Town, and the third part of one hundred Loggs./

Next: To Samuel Levit one Yoke of Steers at: 6\text{li} : 13\text{s} : 8\text{d}:
Three Loads of Hay 4\text{li} : 10\text{s} : 0\text{d}:
To one Cow and Nine Sheep :4\text{li} : 19\text{s} : 0\text{d}:
one Horse at four pound, one Muskett at fifteen shillings To one House and Barn and Land Upp the Countrey Eighty Nine Acres; To one hundred and Sixty Eight Acres of Land adjoyneing to his House to beginn at the Long Marsh and to southeast forty Rodds in wedth to the Countrey Road and from thence Nine and thirty Rodds and halfe in wedth the Length of Ephraim & Daniel and Moses Levitts land, and the Remainder his Land to lye a Cross the ffarme at the head of Ephraim Levits & Daniel Levits & Moses Levits Land./

Next: To Ephraim Leavett one heifer at 25\text{s}:
one Gunn at 17\text{d} — 2\text{li} : 2\text{s} : 0\text{d}:
To land upp Countrey: 44 Acres to three Acres and halfe of Marsh at the long Marsh adjoyneing to his Land, one hundred & fourteen Acres of Land beginning at his Marsh next to William Mores Land and soe to Runn Southeast by William Mores Land forty Rodds in Wedth up to the Rodd Excepting agt the Lott of Samuel Leavit where the Orchard is he is to be but thirty five Rodds and Soe to runn the Same Course above the Countrey Road leaving a high way two Rodds wide next to William Mores Line Northeast a Cross the ffarme a Straite Line & to be thirty Nine Rodds and a halfe in wedth upon that Line and soe to Runn Southeast till he extends the aforementioned 114
Acres—Samuel Leavits before it mentioned is to be the next Lott to Ephraims and to pay to the widow tenn shillings $ yeare dureing her life.

Next Daniel Levit is to have next to Samuel Levits land one hundred Seaventeen Acres and halfe of Land, beginning at the long Marsh and soe to Runn forty Rodds in wedth Southeast till it comes to the Northeast Line before mentioned and from that Line to Runn in wedth thirty Nine Rods and a halfe Southeast till it Extends the aforesaid 117½ of Land and to have three Acres and a halfe of the Long Marsh adjoyneing to Said Land and 44 of Land upp Countrey and to pay to his Mother the widow tenn shillings $ yeare./

Next Moses Levit one bedd and ffurniture one Cow and Trundel Bedd Stead and in Land next to Daniel Leavitts Land 117: Acres, and to beginn at the South Side of the pockett at the ffence North . . . and soe, to Runn in wedth forty Rodds South-east in length till it comes to the North east Line before mentioned, Excepting m't Edgerlyes ffeld and Soe to Runn from the North east ffence, thirty Nine Rodds and a halfe southeast till it Extends 127: Acres and 44 Acres of Land upp Countrey what Land within the ffence on the South Side of the Said pockett that would fall to Moses Levit upon a Line Daniel Levit is to have it allowing to Moses the Same quantity of Land out of his laying to the Wedth of Moses Levits Land below the way and to pay the widow tenn shillings $ yeare dureing her life./

James Dudley twenty Acres of Land in the Mast Swamp Soe called part of Pine Hill, and forty four Acres of Land upp Countrey and 108:3 of Land lying next to Samuel Levits Land the whole Breath of the ffarme leaveing two Rodds for a way next William Mores Line, and to his twenty Acres in the Mast next to James Sincklers the whole breadth of his Land and it is to lye from the Brooke North east, and to pay to the Widdow Tenn shillings $ yeare./

Next James Levit Administrator in Land at Town Eight Acres and halfe To 44 Acres of Land upp Countrey, Land in the Mast
Swamp twenty Acres and upon the fframe fifty Acres, 40 Rodds lying next to James Dudley Land and soe to Runn a Cross the fframe as Dudleys doth leaveing a way two Rodds wide next to William Mores Line, and To five Acres of Marsh at Hampton; To two thirds of halfe a Saw in one fframe; And to pay to the widdow Tenn shillings a yeare dureing her life/

Next Benjamin Levit to his fathers weareing Cloaths, One paire of Boots Two Calves one Heifer, To Twenty Six Acres of Land in the Great pasture to five Acres of Marsh at Hampton, to forty four Acres of Land upp Country, To forty Acres of Land upon the fframe lying next to James Dudley's Land and to Runn a Cross the fframe as the other Lands doe leaveing a way two Rodds wide next W'm Mores Line. There is to be a way two Rodds wide left through the great pasture next to Thomas Wilsons Land from Hampton Roade into the Mast Swamp allowing Benjamin Levit as much Land upon the fframe to his own Land, James Levit and James Dudley is to be at halfe the Charge in makeing and in Keeping in Repaire the fffence next Said way, Said Benjamin to pay to the widow Tenn shillings Annually./

Next Thomas Veasey to one paire of Curtaines one Heifer, One Ox to Land upp the Country : 44 : Acres. To that part of the Temple Meadow Soe called, that was Lieu' Levits deceased, and at the upper end of the fframe 120½ of Land, and Seaven Acres to be taken out of Moses Levits Land added to it which will Make 127¾ and to pay the widdow tenn shillings a yeare Annually/

It is further to be Understood, that the House and Land and Marsh that is for the widdows use dureing her life, at her decease is to fall to Samuel Leavet Excepting three Acres at Town that is to fall to James Leavit, and that all the Long Marsh Excepting the ffour Acres for the widdow is to Equal between Daniel Levit and Ephraim, and that Samuel Levit is to Equal Shares in Said Marsh with Daniel and Ephraim dureing their Mothers life and noe longer. It is further to be Understood that if James Dudley purchase a way to his Land in the Mast Swamp and if James
Levit see good to make use of Said way he is not to be hindred by James Dudleys coming to his Land the Said Levit paying his part in the said way/

It is farther to be Understood that what Land is Overplus upon the ffarme, when Every one has his part laid out; he that hath not his whole portion upon this Said ffarm shall have his Overplus according to what his part of Land is/

Mary Levit widdow and Relict of m' Samuel Levit of Exeter late deceased, and Samuel Levit, Ephraim Levit and Daniel Levit Moses Levit James Dudley Ben Levit James Levit Thomas Veasey us and every of doe firmly ingage by these presents to stand and abide to every Article of this within written Instrument and are Satisfied Contented in the Said Division which was made this third day of June one thousand Seaven hundred and Eight as Witnesse our hands and Seales./

Signed and Sealed

The mark X of Mary Levit [seal]

In the p'sence of us

The mark X of Sam" Levit [seal]

within written Wittnesse

Ephraim Levit [seal]

Daniel Levit [seal]

Henry X Lamprel

Moses Levit [seal]

James Sinckler

James Dudley [seal]

Benj' Levit [seal]

James Leavit [seal]

Thomas Veasey [seal]

[Allowed Aug. 3, 1708.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 112.]

ALEXANDER COMBES 1707 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Alexander Combes of Portsmouth granted to his widow, Abigail Combes, Aug. 15, 1707.]

[Bond of Abigail Combes of Portsmouth, widow, with Thomas Phipps of Portsmouth and Clement Hughes as sureties, Aug. 15, 1707, in the sum of £500, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, John Lowe and Charles Story.]
SAMUEL FELLOWS 1707 HAMPTON

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Fellows of Hampton granted to his widow, Deborah Fellows, Sept. 2, 1707.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 346.]

[Bond of Deborah Fellows of Hampton, widow, with John Sanborn and Samuel Melcher as sureties, Sept. 2, 1707, in the sum of £200, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Judah Sanborn and Tristram Sanborn.]

[Warrant, Sept. 2, 1707, authorizing Lieut. Joseph Swett and William Wilson, both of Hampton, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Nov., 1707, amount, £379.17.9; signed by Joseph Swett and William Wilson.]


[Account of Deborah Fellows, administratrix, against the estate, Sept. 5, 1708. One item is "to bringing up six Children one year one eight year old called Isaac John 6 years old, Hannah 5 year old Iaiah 4 years old, Rach 2 years old Samuell born two months after his fathers decease—" Allowed Sept. 5, 1708.]


[Bond of Jonathan Fellows, with John Harris, laborer, and Joseph Abbey, blacksmith, both of Ipswich, Mass., as sureties, in the sum of £1000, Jan. 14, 1723/4.]

[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]
GABRIEL GROUT 1707 PORTSMOUTH

The testimony of Wm Partridge Jun of full age: Testebyeth and saith that on the tenth day of sept: 1707 that he the said partridge asked Gabrell Grout whether he wold send any of his Estate to England to his dafters he said It was small that he had and that what he had he wold give to the old woman & her son which I took to be abgill Rously and her son Capt samuell AlCock after his Decease & funerall Charges are paid—

sep: 13th 1707 Sworn before George Vaughan Just p°

The Depositio— of Nath° sfreeman of full age testyfieth that he heard Gabriell Grout on ye tenth Inst declare that after his Decease & Interm Abigaill Rously & her Son Alcock Should have ye Remainder of his Estate—

Sep: 13th 1107 Sworn before Geo: Vaughan Just p°

Mary Lamson of full Age saith that Gabriell Grout told Abigail Rously after his Decease & Decent Interment she should have all things for herself wth he left; all wth she solemnly declared to be ye Truth in ye p'sence of Almighty God— before Geo: Vaughan Just p°

sep: 13th 1707

[Administration on the estate of Gabriel Grout of Portsmouth, butcher, granted to William Williams of Portsmouth, blockmaker and butcher, Sept. 15, 1707.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 347.]

[Bond of William Williams of Portsmouth, with Christopher Pottle and Isaac Marston, both of Hampton, yeomen, as sureties, Sept. 15, 1707, in the sum of £200, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Elizabeth Scott and Charles Story.]

[Inventory, Sept. 19, 1707; amount, £9.19.0; signed by William Cotton and Christopher Pottle; £5.2.0 added later; a list of accounts was added July 6, 1708, amounting to £39.3.2, making the whole estate £54.4.2. The list of accounts states that Mr.
Grout was in partnership with the administrator, William Williams.

At a Court of probate * * * the first Tuesday in October Anno D'm 1707

Christopher Pottle made oath that William Gline now in Court is the Reputed Sonn of one Agnes Grout wife to Wm Gline in South Trent in the County of Devon in England, which Agnes Grout was Sister to Nicholas Grout of the Same place who was father to one Gabriel Grout lately deceased in Portsmouth in New England./

Edward Weycomb made oath in Court that he was well acquainted with Gabriel Grout aforesaid, deceased, and did often hear the said Gabriel Grout in his life time Say that Wm Gline above mentioned was his owne Cozen./

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 95.]

[List of claims against the estate; amount, £31.6.10; no date.]

[Minutes of probate court, July 6, 1708: Abigail Rousley brings in her claim for £21, but refuses to make oath to it and settles for £6. Her account is for boarding, lodging, washing and attendance for five years. The accounts of Thomas Matthews and William Williams were presented and allowed.]

[Various accounts, bills, etc., containing signatures of Dr. Richard Mills, Thomas Phipps, Charles Story, Joseph Smith, and Abigail Rousley.]

SIMON DOW 1707 HAMPTON

In the Name of God Amen: The Eighteenth Day of September: 1707— I Simon Dow of Hampton, in the province of New Hamshier, in New England; Husbandman being very sick and weak in Body, * * *

Imprimis I Give and bequeath unto Mehetable my dearly beloved Wife, my dwelling House, and new Barn, one half of my
Orchard, My Land at the Plain Lot, it lying between land of my two brothers Sam"an Jabez, as also a piece of Land, lying on the south side of the highwaw, going to the Beach, commonly known by the Name of Cap" Dows Pasture, As also my Marsh at Little River, which I bought of Daniel Lamprie, as also she to have liberty to cut, and improve, two Stacks of Grass in the Spring Marsh which Marsh was given me by my honoured father, and one Shear of the Ox common, She y" said Mehetabel, my beloved wife, to have and enjoy, what is above mentioned during the time of her widowhood and no longer.

item I Give unto my well beloved son Simon Dow, When come of age, the Leanto belonging to my dwelling house, and after my wives second Marriage or decease, the whole house, I give unto him also all my Right in the lot where my house standeth, with the Orchard, and Barns, As also the Land and Orchard which I Bought of Aaron Sleepper, As also my Plain Lot, and one half of my Land which Bought of William fifield, he to have that half lying next to Benjamin Lamprie, as also one Shear of the Cow common, As also my part of Seventeen Acres in the spring Marsh, bought of Philemon Dalton, And also my fresh Meadow, which I bought of Aaron Sleepper, it being Eight acres more or less, as also one shear of the ox common (viz) Marsh Thatch and upland, he my s" son Simon to have what is above mentioned when come to the age of twenty one years excepting what is before given to my wife and he not to have y" during her widowhood and a shear of thatch and upland bought of Isaac Godfree.

item I Give unto my son Isaac Dow, my Lot at the North Plain, my Land in the East field, which I bought of William Sanborn with half y" Land bought of Wm: fifield, joyning to s" land, as also a piece of Land commonly called the pasture, before given his mother during her Widowhood, all mi right in the spring Marsh, which my father gave me, it being part of marsh commonly called his seventeen Acres, As also one shear of Marsh Thatch and upland, on the Ox common, before given his mother, And two shears of Marsh, att y" Little River, bought of Daniel Moulton,
item I Give unto my son Jonathan Dow, my House and Land
bought of William Moulton, which Samuel Chapman now liveth
in, provided ye s' Chapman doth not pay the money agreed for,
but if he doth, then my son Jonathan to have the money, I Give
unto him also all my Right in the West Divition, be it more or
less, as also my Marsh, at the Little River which I bought of
Daniel Lamprie, before desposed of to his Mother, during her
widowhood As also a piece of Meadow, lying in great meadow,
bought of Benjamin Moulton, Half a shear of Marsh and Thatch,
bought of my uncle Joseph Dow, with half a shear of Marsh,
and upland bought of Philemon Dalton—

item I Give unto my Daughter Mary Dow, two Acres of Marsh,
commonly called the spring Marsh bought of Sam'l Colcord:

item I Give unto my daughter Hannah Dow, three shears in y'
Little River Marsh, the one bought of Tho Webster snr, & one of
Josiah Dow, the other laid out to my self

item I Give unto my Daughter Sarah Dow, five pounds to be
paid her by my son Simon, when she cometh to the age of twenty
years,

item I Give to my daughter Mehetabel Dow, five pounds to be
paid by her Brother Simon Dow att her marriage,

And I appoint my well beloved Brothers, Samuel and Jabez
Dow, to be executors unto This my last will and Testament, And
I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke, and disanul, all and every
other former Testaments, Wills, Legacies, and bequests, and
Executors, by me in any ways before Named, Willed and be-
queathed, Ratifying and Conferming this, and no other to be my
last Will and Testament, In Witness whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and seal the Day and Year before specified

signed sealed by the said Simon Simon Dow [seal]

Dow as his last Will and Testa-
ment in presence of us witnesses

Tho Crosbie
Benjamin Lamprey Syener
Seth fog Sn'

[Proved Nov. 19, 1707.]
[Warrant, Nov. 26, 1707, authorizing Thomas Crosby, Jonathan Moulton, and Jonathan Marston, all of Hampton, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Nov. 28, 1707; amount, £483.5.3; signed by Jonathan Moulton and Jonathan Marston.]

To the Honorable Judge of the Probats
that i mehetable dow, the wife of Simon dow latly desesed i wholly renounce all that my husband gave me in his will i desier my priviledg that the law gives me but I not being able to go my self I wholly give my father fre power to act for me
dated ye 2 day of desember 1707

mehetabel dow

I doe Allow of Such Renuntiation and shall Order her Dowry according to Law when the Inventory comes in

Joseph Smith

WILLIAM FURBER 1707

DOVER

Att a Court of probate * * * the first Tuesday in October
Anno D’m 1707

Wm Furbur eldest Sonn of Wm Furbur late of Dover Townshipp
dec’d appeared at this Court and prayed letters of Administration
to be granted to his mother In Law [step-mother] m’t Elizabeth
Furbur which was accordingly granted./

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 95.]

[Administration on the estate of William Furbur of Portsmouth
granted to his widow, Elizabeth Furbur, Nov. 4, 1707.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 353]

[Inventory, Nov. 8, 1707; amount, £229.16.6; signed by John
Tuttle and Nathaniel Hill.]

[Warrant, Aug. 3, 1708, authorizing Capt. John Pickering and
Samuel Keais, both of Portsmouth, to receive claims against the
estate.]
[List of claims, amounting to £95.2.10; signed by John Pickering and Samuel Keais.]

Know all men by these Presents that I William ffurber of Welch Cove in ye townshipp of Dover in ye Province of New Hampshire in New England, yeoman, Doe Acknowledge my selfe to be Justly Indepted unto Elizabeth Kenard of the Towne of Portsmo in said Province Widdow the full and Just sume of Two Hundred pounds Current Muney of New England to Be paid upon Demand; for ye Confirmation Here of I the above said William ffurber Doe bind my selfe My Heirs Exsexctis and Administris unto ye above said Elizabeth Kenard and Her Heirs Exsexctis administris or Assignes as witnesse My Hand and seale this third day of Aprel in ye fifth yeare of Her Majestyes Reigne that Now is over England Annoq Dom: 1706——

The Condition of the Obligation is such that where as there is A Contract of Maredge Concluded to be Betwen ye above said william ffurber and ye above said Elizabeth Konard that forth with after the Day of Maridge is sellularated if she doe out live me ye sd william ffurber that then I doe Give grante Bargain and by these Presents Doe Conferme unto her ye sd Elizabeth Kenard, During her Naturall Life if she shuld out Live me; the hole and sole, use, Benifet profits, Priviledges and Advantages of all and singuler the Houses, Barnes, Orchards; and Lands where on I now Dwell; (Excepting what I have Given to my two sons: Wm and Jethro ffurber by eache of them one Dead of Gift Baring Equall Date with these Presents) to say all the Land Lieng on ye westward side of two Elm Trees one of them standing about Eight Rods to the Eastward of ye spring that Goes from my house to Bludy Point and ye other being an Elme Tree standing Neare the Line of that land I have Given my suhn Jethro ffurber being the two Westermost Bound Marke Trees of that Land I have Given my sun Williain ffurber by ye Deade of Gift above mentioned, being all the land I have laying to ye westward of ye above said Bound Trees As Pasturing Corne land Medow or Mowing Ground with all the
Previledges wayes and Pathes wood and underwood that now is or shall be there unto belonging shall be to ye only and sole use of Her ye said Elizabeth Kenard that Now is if she Doth out Live me; which shall be to her ye sd: Elizabeth for her Naturall Life wth all ye Benifets and Profits thereof with ye Halfe of that Land I Purchaced of Mr Moodey as allso ye one Halfe of the Benifett and Profits of ye Broock of fresh water, of which I have Given my sun Wm Furbere Junr the other halfe; all which abovesaid Houses and Lands Meadows and Broock to be to ye above said Elizabeth Kenard (that now is) Provided she Doe becom my wife that Is to say During her Naturall life if she doath out Live me; and then after her deceace to be to whome I shall see Cause to Give it to and I Do allso further Give and Bequeath unto Her ye said Elizabeth above Mentioned the one halfe of all my Mufable Goods and Estate after my deceace with in dores and with out as household Goods stock of Cattell and what other Mufeables I shall have; to be to her and att her dissposall to whome she shall see Cause to bestow it on; Provided she out Live me, that then the above obligation to Be Voyde and of None Effect or Ellice to be and Remaine In full force and Power to all Intents and Purposes what so ever
sealed and Dillivred

William Furbere [seal]

In Presence of us
Theodore Atkinson
Jonathan Plumer

Pro: New Hampshir
Mr Wm Furbere Acknowledged this Instrument to be his free Act And Deed the 4th April 1706 before me
Theodore Atkinson J: Peace

[Administration on the estate of William Furber granted to his son, William Furber of Dover, March 6, 1712/13.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 106.]
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

[Bond of William Furber, with Jethro Furber and Havitel Nutter of Portsmouth as sureties, in the sum of £300, March 6, 1712/13, for the administration de bonis non of the estate of his father; witnesses, Robert Armstrong and Charles Story.]

[Decision of Richard Gerrish of Portsmouth and John Tuttle of Dover, arbitrators of a question of bounds between lands of William Furber, only son of William Furber, Jr., of Dover, and Leah Furber, widow of Jethro Furber, Dec. 22, 1715, "that the afore s'd Line of pertission shall begin at the bound Tree att the head of hogstis Cove being in the deviding Line between dover and portsmouth and from that tree to Rune Easterly on a Circular Course on the North side of the slow or gutter as the old fence formerly was sett upon the upland till it Comes to Joyn to the Elm tree in the southwest Cornor of William furburs Land given unto him by his father deceased and from that Elm Tree to Rune Easterly on a straigh Course till it Comes to Joyn to a great white oake in the north East Cornor of Jethro furburs Land given to him by his father deceased and from that white oake Tree to Rune south sumthing Easterly on a straight Cours till it Comes to Joyne to a white Ash stump in the north East Cornor of a parcell of Land the s'd Jethro furbur had of his Cousen Jethro furber"]


The widow, Elizabeth Furber, appears as Mrs. Elizabeth Nason Sept. 7, 1710; Michael Kennard mentions his father and mother Nov. 20, 1707; Robert Almery mentions his son, John Hill, Oct. 17, 1707.]
HENRY ELKINS 1707 KINGSTON

[Bond of Thomas Elkins of Hampton, farmer, with Joseph Towle and William Sanborn, Jr., both of Hampton, as sureties, Nov. 1, 1707, in the sum of £100, for the administration of the estate of Henry Elkins of Kingston; witnesses, Nathaniel Locke and Mary Smith.]

[Administration on the estate granted to Thomas Elkins of Hampton Nov. 4, 1707.]

[Probate Records, vol. 6, p. 270.]

[Warrant, Nov. 18, 1707, authorizing Lieut. Thomas Philbrick and Ichabod Roby, both of Kingston, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Nov. 22, 1707; amount, £74.5.6; signed by Thomas Philbrick and Ichabod Roby.]

[Account of the administrator against the estate, Nov. 4, 1707; amount, £26.6.5; signed by Thomas Elkins; attested Oct. 4, 1708.]

JOHN BANFIELD 1707 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of John Banfield of Portsmouth granted to his widow, Mary Banfield, Nov. 4, 1707.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 355.]

Att a Court of probates . . . on the fourth day of May 1708 . . .

Portsmº in New \ To the Honourable Joseph Smith Esq' Judge Hampshire \ of probate of Wills and Granting letters of Administration in this province./

Whereas our Honoured father John Banfield dyed intestate and that little Estate he left behinde him remains yet Undivided, Wee
the Subscribers hereof humbly pray that your Worship please to appointe two or three meet persons as Comm° to make an Equal Division of Said deceaseds Estate Soe that the eldest Sonn may have a double portion, the widdow her thirds, and every of us the Children our Equal proportion Soe prays
Yo° Worshipps most humble Servants

Sam° Banfeild
Tho: perkins
Cha: Banfeild
Geo: Banfeild

[The court appointed Lieut. Joshua Peirce, John Cotton, and Nathan Knight.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 106.]

Hugh Banfield Appell°

v

His Brothers and Sisters Appell° &c—

Ordered That the Clerk Issue out a warr° for a new apprais°m upon John Banfield Decd his land Estate and for making a plat thereof to be delivered to the Clerk of the Council within Thirty days who Shall Administer the proper oaths to the Appraisers and that the Appell° chuse one the appelle another and the Council appoint Mr Hughes The third—

[Council Records, Dec. 9, 1721.]

Hugh Banfield Eldest Son of John Appell°

Banfield Deceased—

v

His Brothers and Sisters the other Appelle

children of the Said John Banfield—

From a Judgment of the Judge of Probates for the division of the aforesaid deceased John Banfields land Estate among his Children.

The Pleas and allegations on each Side Being fully heard and a new appraisiment and plat of the premises made and Exhibitted
to the Court upon oath According to law It is Considered that the lott formerly allotted to Agnis Fletcher by the Judge of probates be hereby confirmed to her now Agnis Parsly, and that y° proportion of Charles Banfield be Confirmed where his house now Stands and that Hugh Banfield the Appell° have the residue of the premises paying to Each of the other Children of the deceased after the rate of Eight pounds ° Acre for their respective proportions within two years from this time with lawfull Interest for the Same provided he the S° Hugh give Sufficient Security within ten days for the aforesaid payments, and in case of his default or neglect, then the other Children to have their Several allotments and proportions according to the aforesaid division of the Judge of probates and that the widow of the Deceased have the homestead and Orchard according to former allotment—

[Council Records, March 7, 1721/2.]

The Judgment of this Court of the 7th Instant in the Case of Hugh Banfield Appell° v his brothers and Sisters appelle wanting Some Explanation. It is hereby declared that the true Intent and meaning thereof was that the Said Hugh Banfield shall give Security for the payment of no more mony to his brothers and Sisters than the price of the land (at y° rate of eight pound an Acre) which he is forthw° To possess and enjoy and that he the Said Hugh Shall have two years time after the death of his mother for the paymt of what the house and homestead amounts to at the afores° rate w° Interest which Said house and homestead his S° mother is to Improve and Enjoy dureing her natural life

Rich° Waldron Cler Coun°

Memorandum Rich° Parsly has taken upon himself to keep and maintain the fence at y° lower end of his lott at his own cost & Charge

[Council Records, March 13, 1721/2.]
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

RUTH TARLETON 1707/8 NEWCASTLE

In the Name of god Amen, the fourth day of January in the Year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and Seven, Eight I Ruth Tarlton of New Castle in the province of New hampshire in New England, Widdow being Sick and weak in body

I give and bequeath unto my four Children Elias William Richard and Ruth my Dewlling house I now Live in with the Land belongin and Apertainin, that is I will that my Daughter Shall have her Choyce of the best rom in Said house and the Residue and remainder of Said house and Land I will that itt be Equally Devided between by my aforesaid three sons; Item I give and bequeath unto my Sd Daughter my best bed and bedin with the Curtains belongin and also I give unto my Sd Daughter all my Cotten and all my Linin Cloathes and all my wareing Cloathes with the great brasses for a Chemny that are in the best Chamber Chimney Item I give unto my aforesaid four Childrln Eight silver Spoons that is to Say two Spoons to Each Child one of Sd Spoons haveing a fork to the End of itt I will that that be in my Son Elias his Devidend and I also give unto my aforesd son Elias a silver Chain and Whistell

Item I give unto my Sd four Childrln five gold rings that is to my Sd Sons Each of them one and if my husband Richd Talton Deceased his daughter Shall Come into this Cuntry then one to her but if She Come not, then I give unto my foresd Daughter Ruth two Rings— and Elias his Ring to be a ring that was given his grandfathr att mrs Martins funerall. Item I give unto my son Willm a silver Cup— Item I give unto my Son Richard and Daughter Ruth my silver Tankard Equally to be devidend betwixt them, and all the Rest and Residue of my goods Chattels Debts ready Mony &c I give unto my Sd four Chilldrin Equally to be devided my Sons to Receive their aforesd parts and por- cions att there severall ages of one and Twenty Years, and my Sd Daughter shall receive her Said porcion att the Age of one and Twenty Years or of Day of Maraige and to be paid or Delivered unto them by my Executors here after named, and if itt Shall
please god that any of my Said Childein shall happen to Dye and Depart this Life before they Shall arrive to the Age of one and Twenty Years or Day of Marraige that then the part or porcion of him or her soe Dying Shall redound to the survivors by Equall porc’ion and if itt Should please god that all of my afors’d Childdrin Should Dye and Depart this Life before there Severall Ages of one and Twenty Years, or Day of Marridge that then and in Such Case my mind and Meaning is and I doe hereby give and bequeath all and Every the afors’d parts and porcions of afors’d four Childdrin unto my two Cusins Ruth Langsford of Salem and Mary attkinson of New Castle and I doe hereby Make and Ordain the Reverend m’ John Emmerson Teacher of the Church of Christ att New Castle and Theoder attkinson EsqT in Said Town to be my Execut’s and I Likewise make and Apoint the afors’d Theoder Attkinson EsqT Over seer to see this my Last will and Testemt Executed and done; In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seal the Day and Year in the begining of the three pages first written

Signed Sealed and }
Delivered in p’sence of }

Note that before the Ensealing of these p’sents I doe also give unto my son Elias my great bible and I Like wise give my son Richard unto Theoder attkinson EsqT— and My Daughter Ruth unto St’d Attkinsons wife to be brott up in the Nurtuer and fear of the Lord and I also will that if my afors’d husb’d Rich’d Tarlton his Daughter do Come over, that Shee may have her being in the house untill Such time as she Shall be better provided for—

(Witnesseed by) Ruth talton [seal]

Signed Sealed published
and Declared in p’sence of

John Emerson
Sampson Sheafe
George Walton

[Proved March 4, 1707/8.]
RICHARD JOCE 1707/8 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Richard Joce of Portsmouth granted to his widow, Hannah Joce, Feb. 3, 1707/8.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 99.]

[Section of a bond of Hannah Joce, administratrix, to bring in the will if any should appear; signed by Hannah Joce, Thomas Packer, and Richard Gerrish, and witnesses, Jotham Odiorne and Charles Story.]

[Inventory, April 29, 1708; amount, £924.11.0; signed by John Dennett and William Cotton; attested by Joan Joce April 14, 1711.]

[Probate minute, April 14, 1711; Hannah Joce, administratrix, being cited to appear and explain why she had not settled the estate among her children in three years, she appeared and asked further time; granted until April 26, 1711.]


[Order of court, Feb. 14, 1711/12, rough draft, that Mrs. Joce dispose of "the sfarm in the possession of Ichabod plaisted Esq' the wharfe & warehouse in the possession of Richard Gerrish, And to dispose of any part of the sfarm Comonly Called Commins sfarme and the Right of the Commons in portsm' belonging to the Dec's Estate, Adding to the Inventory the Said Commons being 85 Acres of Land."]


[License to Hannah Joce, administratrix, Feb. 15, 1711/12, to sell real estate.]


[Account of the settlement of the estate; amount of estate, £924.11.0; expenditures, £814.7.3. Land unsold, 58½ acres. "It being Agreed that the Eldest Son Should have his 13
acres where the Dwelling house now stands & the house after his Mothers Decease. John Prays part joyning to Coll° Tho. Packers. John Roberts part that is 4 Acres of it, Joyning to John Wentworth Esq° Joseph Hiltons joyning to that 4 acres of John Roberts & Each one of the Children that takes his part fully to pay their Mother her Thirds for it Dureing life.” Allowed Feb. 12, 1717/18.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 281.]

[Account of Hannah Joce, administratrix; allowed Feb. 12, 1717/18; Mentions “Sister Gerrish & Sister Plaisted,” “legacy Given By the Deceaseds mother to her two Grand Children then Liveing: Joana & Hannah,” “Legacy given by Mrs Severit to her two Nieces: Joana & Hannah,” “Legacie given me £ Michall man.”

[Administration on the estate of Richard Joce granted to his son-in-law, Edward Cate of Portsmouth, March 19, 1721/2, the widow, Hannah Joce, formerly administratrix, having died.]


[Citation, June 6, 1722, to Joshua Brewster of Portsmouth, blacksmith, to appear and state whether or not he has in his custody any of Richard Joce’s estate not yet administered.]

John Pray being Cited to this Court by ye request of Edw° Cate Jun° adm° de bonis non of Rich° Joses estate appear’d & made oath that he has no part of the Estate of Rich° Jose Esq° Dec° in his hands that is unadministered upon

[Probate Minutes, Sept. 8, 1722.]

Agreement made and concluded upon this Eighteenth day of March in the Ninth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George by the Grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith &c Annoq Domini 1722/3—

By us the Subscribers, for the Division of the Estate of our Late Hon° Father, Rich° Jose Late of Portsm° in the Prov of New
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

Hamp* Esq* Deceased Among our Selves which Estate Consists of Sixty Nine Acres and one Quarter of an Acre of Land adjoyning to his late Dwelling House

Imp* Richard Joce his part being a double share is fifteen Acres and Sixty Rodds Six Acres and one Quarter of which, he has had and Sold to Cap* Rich* Wibird w* Lies on the Northern Side of the High way Leading to the plains, the other Nine Acres and twenty Rodds he is to have on the Southern side of the aforesd Highway And Next Adjoyning to m* Hunkings’s Land.

Item Martin Jose his part being Seven Acres and one Hundred and ten Rodds, he is to have Fronting on the Highway Leading from the old Meeting House to the plains and Next Adjoyning to Three Acres and one Quarter of Jane Cates part, which Three Acres and Quarter Lyes Next Adjoyning to Coll* Wentworths pasture.

Item Joanna Pray, her part being Seven Acres and one hundred and ten Rodds, of w* her Husband and she have Sold Six Acres and half to Cap* Richard Gerrish Dec* and formerly laid out to him, the Remainder being one Acre and Thirty Rodds is allowed and Laid out to her and laid out, Next Adjoyning to Rich* Jose’s lott.—

Item Hannah Hilton Dec* her part being Seven Acres & one Hundred and ten Rodds is Laid out for her Daughter Hannah Hilton, next to Martin Jose’s Lott.

Item Jane Cate her part being Seven Acres and one Hundred and ten Rodds, is Laid out four acres & Seventy rodds of it Next adjoyning to the Six Acres and half formerly laid out to Joana Pray, and also twenty Rodds more, w* is allowed her for her part of the Highway the Town of Portsm* bought out of the Estate, and the other Three Acres & one quarter Next to Coll* Wentworths pasture.

Item Mary Roberts her part being seven Acres and one Hundred and ten Rodds, Four Acres of which she has sold to Coll* Ich* Plaisted Dec* two acres of w* four, is in Coll* Wentworths pasture and the other two Acres, is laid out next adjoyning to
Hannah Hiltons part and two Acres, she has Sold to Mr Ichabod
Plaisted is laid Out for him Next to his own Land, and the Re-
mainder being one Acre and one Hundred and ten Rodds is laid
out Next adjoyning to Jane Cates lott.

Item Sarah Brewsters part being Seven Acres and one hundred
and ten rodds, is laid out Next to the aforesaid one Acre and
hundred & ten Rodds of Mary Roberts's

Item Margaret Jose her part being Seven Acres and one hun-
dred and ten Rodds is laid out Next adjoyning to Joanna Prays,
one acre and thirty Rodds.

Furthermore all the aforesaid parcells of Land are Measured
& Staked out according to the foregoing Divisions, And are fur-
ther Explained by a platt thereof hereunto Annexed,

In Confirmation of the above Agreement and Division Each
party have hereunto Sett their hands & Seals the day and year
above written

John Pray [seal]
Richard Jose [seal]
Martyn Jose [seal]
Edward Cates Ju[r] [seal]
John Roberts [seal]
Joshua Bruster [seal]
Joann Pray [seal]
Jane Cate [seal]
her
Mary X Robarts [seal]
mark
hir
Sarah X Bruster [seal]
marke
John Pray garden to
Margret Jose [seal]

[Petition of Margaret Joce of Portsmouth, minor, daughter of
Richard Joce, asking that John Pray, her brother-in-law, may be
appointed her guardian.]
newbell ye 6th 1723
these may Sartifi that I Joseph hilton of Exeter father of Hannah hilton ye Daughter of Hannah Hilton formerly Hannah Joce Do alow and Consent that m' John Pray be alowed to be her Garden to take Care of any Estate may fall to her on her mother hannah Jose account and to take Care of her as witnes my hand this 6th day of november 1723
Witt George Townsend
Benja dockum

[Blank sheet of paper for bond, signed by John Pray, Henry Keyes, and Samuel Plaisted; witnesses, Benjamin Gambling and Mary Creed.]

JOHN PLAISTED 1707/8
In the Name of God Amen: I John Plaisted the Grand Sonn of John Pickering and Mary his wife as within Nominated being now going to Sea upon a Voyage to the West Indies doe make this as my Last Will and Testament in manner and forme following (that is to Say) after all my Just Debts and funeral Charges are paid I Give and Bequeath unto my deare and Loveing wife all my Estate both Real and personal for Ever. (Provided she is not with Child, at this present time); in case she is now with Child, then I give all my Real Estate to my Child after he or she Be it male or female attaines to the age of Twenty one years, And I doe hereby Nominate and appointe my deare wife aforesaid Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament. In Witnesse whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand and seale the Nineteenth day of february Anno R. Reginæ Annæ nune Angliæ &c Sexto Annoq Domini 1707
sealed and Deliv'd In the presence of
Tho: Packer
Nathaniell Packer
Cha: Story

John Plaisted [seal]
BENJAMIN CRAM 1707/8

HAMPTON

In the Name of God Amen the first day of March, 1707/8: in ye sixth year of the Reign of Queen anne over Great Britain &c—
I Benjamin Cram senr of Hampton in ye province of New Hampshire in New England: Being of a Competant measure of health **

Imprim** I Give & bequeath unto my Son John Cram ten pounds which I have alredy promised him with ye addition of five shillings, all which ten pounds & five shilling is to be paid him in Cattell or other speasha at the merchantable price by my son Benjamin Cram with in one year after my Decease—

Ittm. I Give & bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Cram ten pounds to be paid her by her Brother Benja* Cram in Cattell or other good pay at ye merchantable price within one year after my Decease—

Ittm— I Give & bequeath unto my son Benjamin Cram all my Lands meadowes marshes, out Lands by they in Hampton or elce where Named, or not Named together with all houses, bylding, Rights & previledges ye unto me do belong or here after may of Right belong; unto him my son Benjamin Cram & unto his Heirs & successors for ever at their dispose: together with all my stocke goods & utensels ye I leave undisposed of at my Decease; be paying such debts & legacys as is above and here after mentioned—

Ittem. I Give & bequeath unto my Daughter mary Cram five pounds to be paid by my son Benjamin Cram in Cattell or other merchantable pay at ye ordary market price within two years after my decease—

Ittem I Give & bequeath unto my son Joseph Cram five shillings to be paid him by my son Benjamin Cram he haveing all Redy Received his portion—

Ittem— I Give & bequeath unto my Daughter Hannah Cram five pounds in Cattell or other good merchantabl pay to be paid by my son Benjamin Cram within three years after my Decease

Ittem I Give & bequeath unto my Daughter Hester Cram five pounds to be paid her by my son Benjamin Cram in Cattell or
other merchantable good pay to be paid her with in three years after my Decease—

Item— I Give & bequeath unto my Daughter Elizbeth Melsher five pounds to be paid her by her Brother Benjamin Cram in merchantable good pay at Currant price to be paid with in four years after my Decease.— And to this my last Will & Testament I constitute & appoynt my beloved son Benjamin Cram my executor: thus Commending my self your selves my Dear Childred unto the Infinite Grace of God alsufficient: I Doe in ye presence of God & man Revoke all former wills by me made & sign this as my last will & Testament with my hand & seal this first day of march Anno Dom seventeen hundred & seven or eight whilst I am well & in health

This instrument was signed & sealed by Benjamin Cram Sen'r & declared by him to be his Last will & Testament in presence of us witnesses

Joseph Smith
Joseph Cass
Sam'l Dow

as a Codicill to this my last will & Testament my will is ye my son Benjamin Cram do provid a suitable house for my two Daughters mary Cram & Easter Cram so long as they or either of them shall Live a singell life— may— 27: 1708—

witness
Mary Smith

[Proved Dec. 5, 1711.]
NICHOLAS HARRISON 1707/8

I Nicholas Harrison of Dover in the Province of Newhampsh' In New Engld being of Sound Memory and Understanding, butt weak and infirm • • •

Item I will and bequeath unto my Son in law John Downing, and Eliz* His Wife, as my Eldest Daughter, all my housing, orchards and lands att fox point, which was given by my Father in law John Bickford, Deceased, to be to y*m and there heirs for Ever. I also give unto said John Downing and Eliz* his Wife my one half of all the right title and interest of all my lands in New Jersey, as also one half of all cattle, or any other Estate whatsoever with all maner of priviledges belonging to said land, that therin appertains to me. I moreover give unto Said John Downing and Eliz* his Wife, the one half of all my moveable Estate both within doors & without.

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Temperance Harrison, the two lots of Land lying att and nere y*e head of Broad Cove, the one containing Eleven acres, the other containing nineteen acres, granted mee by y*e Town, to bee to her and her heirs for Ever. I also give her my said Daughter Temperance threescore acres of land lying att Piscassick nere Lampry Eal river which I bought of Arthur Bennick, together with all y*e priveldges of wood timber, water or what else of right thereunto belongs. I more over give her my Said Daughter the other half of my whole interest in New Jersey, whether of lands, cattle, or whatsoever of right therein belongs to mee. Besides I give to her my said Daughter Temperance the other half of all my moveable Estate both within doors and without.

The managemt of my funerall and y*e paym* of all my Just Debts I will shalbe Equally defrayed by my said two Daughters, viz* Eliz* Downing, and Temperance Harrison whom I hereby Constitute Execut* unto this my last Will and Testam* And if any other Estate of any kind or nature whatsoever, not already given or mentioned, doth or may of right belong to mee, My will
is that it shalbe Equally divided between my said two Daughters and their heirs for Ever.

In testimony to all and Singular ye p'rmises, I have hereunto Sate my hand and affixed my seal this fifth day of March 1707.

Signed, Sealed, and declared Nicholas Harrison [seal]
in ye p'sence of us.
Sam'l Penhallow
Joseph Smith
Jeremiah Burnum

[Proved June 1, 1708.]

CLEMENT JACKSON 1708 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Clement Jackson, mariner, granted to his widow, Sarah Jackson of Portsmouth, March 25, 1708.]

[Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 362.]

[Bond of Sarah Jackson of Portsmouth, widow, with Thomas Packer, chirurgeon, and Joshua Peirce, joiner, both of Portsmouth, as sureties, March 25, 1708, in the sum of £500, for the administration of the estate.]

ANDREW SAMPSON 1708 PORTSMOUTH

[Rachel Shores, wife of John Shores, formerly widow of Andrew Sampson, formerly of Boston, mariner, renounces administration on the estate of Andrew Sampson March 31, 1708, in favor of William Cotton of Portsmouth, tanner.]

[Administration on the estate of Andrew Sampson, mariner, formerly of Boston and sometime of Portsmouth, granted to William Cotton May 3, 1708.]
JOSHUA FURBER 1708 PORTSMOUTH

In the Name or God Amen. I Joshua furbur of Portsmouth in the province of New Hampshire in New England Marriner; now bound to Sea upon a Voyage to the West Indies and not Knowing how the Lord Almighty may dispose of me * * *

Imprimis I give Unto my deare and loveing wife Elizabeth furbur all that dwelling House at Welch Cove with all the Out Houseing Lands Barns Edifices Orchards Gardens waters priviledges and Appurtenances whatsoever, beginning at a pitch pine Tree Standing below the pointe about fifteen Rodds or thereabouts below the f'erry place where the Turn of the Tide begins at Ebb and f'lood, and from thence to a Stake in the f'ield on the south side of the old Barn, and soe to Williams Line, and from thence to the Elme Tree by the Brick yard home to the Meadow of Thomas Roberts, being the house and Land which my father Wm furbur dec'd gave me by his Deed dated the thirteenth day of September one thousand Seaven hundred and Seaven; untill Joshua furbur her Sonn borne of her body shall attaine to the age of Twenty one years, and noe longer; then my Will is that the Said Joshua furbur shall hold and Enjoy the Said dwelling House and all Out Houses and Lands Orchards Gardens Barns &c: above specified dureing his Natural life and after his decease to the Heires Males of his body lawfully begotten; and in default of Such Issue then, to the first heire Male lawfully begotten by me of the body of my Said wife Elizabeth; and his heires male for Ever; and in default of Such Issue; then to the next heire Male by me lawfully begotten of the body of my Said wife Elizabeth Successively and their heires Males for Ever. And in default of such Issue then my will is that all the Estate before mentioned shall Revert to my Said wife Elizabeth dureing her Natural life; and after her decease then to the next heire in Law of me the Testator

Item I doe give and bequeath unto my Said wife after my Debts and funeral Charges are paid all my Personal Estate of what Nature and Kinde Soever, and I doe hereby Nominate and
appointe her Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament; In Wittnesse whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand and Seale this Nineteenth day of May Anno Domini 1708

Signed Sealed published and Joshua ffurbur [seal] declared, In the presence of us—

Jnº Low
Jonathan Plumer
Cha: Story
Jnº Cutt

[Proved Dec. 6, 1712.]

Mem'd to give Elizª Ditty a warrº of appraisment to appraise yº Estate of her late husband Joshua Furburs Estate yº will being formerly prov'd but no Inventory brot in John Dam & Hateevil Nutter apprisors

[Probate Minutes, Sept. 6, 1721.]

[Warrant, Oct. 30, 1721, authorizing John Dam and John Fabyan, both of Newington, to appraise the estate, administration of which is granted to Elizabeth Ditty, formerly Elizabeth Furber, widow.]

[Inventory, Dec. 5, 1721; amount, £252.5.0; signed by John Dam and John Fabyan.]

[Licence to Elizabeth Ditty, executor of the will of Joshua Furber of Portsmouth, March 9, 1721/2, to sell a house lot.]

[Probate Minutes, March 9, 1721/2.]

[Account of the settlement of the estate, allowed March 14, 1721/2; amount of estate, £252.5.0; charges, £102.19.6; mentions “funeral of a Child,” “bringing up my son Joshua from yº age of 5½ yº to 7 years,” “ditto my Son Edward from one year old to 7 years.”]
PHILIP CROMWELL    1708    DOVER

In the Name and ffor of God A Men

I Phillip Cromwell of the Towne of dover in the Province of
new hampshier being Aged and weak in boddye * * *

I will I doo will give and bequeath unto Elizabeth my beloved
wife the Use benefet and yearly Proffett or Clear Incom of all my
Improved Lands houses barnes orchards and gardens situate
Lyeing and being on dover neck for and duering her widdow
hood but if shee see Cause and doo marry again then my will is
that shee shall have but one third Part of the yearly Incum of
those Lands above mentioned, secondly I doo will give and be-
queath unt my ffore s wife the bed whereon we Lye to geather
with one third part of all my moveable Estate within dores and
without dores and to be at her dispose for Ever

I will I doo will bequeath and give to my son Joshua Cromwell
all that my dwelling house barne orchard and Land Lyeing and
between Thomas whitehouses and abraham Nuts on the west side
of dover neck to be had and held by him his Executors or assigns
for Ever he or they yelding and pay ther fore unto his mother the
yearly profet or Clear Incum there of duering her widdowhood
after my deceas— I doo farther give and bequeath to my affore
s son Joshua Cromwell Tenn acres of Land Lyeing between
Little Johns Creek and John Tuttles Land—

I will I doo will give and bequeath unto son samuel Cromwell all
that or parcell of Land Lyeing and being between william har-
ford's Land and a lane formerly Called Nutters Lane on the north
side of the meeting house on dover neck he yealding and paying
ther for unto his mother the yearly profet or Clear Incum there
of duering her widdowhood after my deceas and allso I doo fur-
ther give and bequeath unto my affore s samul Cromwell forty
Acres of Land at the head of fresh Creek to geather with one
half part of my saw mill there standing to geather withe privi-
liges and apurtinances there unto belonging Exceptting and Re-
serving unto the s mill two Acres of the above s Land for accom-
adations ther unto I doo further give and bequeath unto my said
son samuell Cromwell Tenn acres of Land which I bought of the Towne next to Tho's beards as by the Towne Record doth appear all which given and granded premises shall be had and held by him his heires and assignes for Ever from and Imediatly after my deceas—

Ist I doo will bequeath and give daughter Joanna hobs her heires and asigns one quarter Part of my saw mill at fresh Creek with the priviledges and apurtinances there unto belongin to be had and held by her her heires Executors or assignes from and Imediatly after my deceas—

Ist I doo will give and bequeath unto other five daughters viz Alce Elizabeth sarah marcy and Ann thirty five pounds in good species by Even and Equall Proportions to be paid by my Executior here in and After mentioned within one year and one day next After my deceas—

Lastly I doo by these Presents nominate or dain and appoynt my well beloved son samuell Cro[m]well my Lawfull heir and sole Executor in trust to see this my will Performed here by Abrogateing Ad nulling and makeing Void all former and other will or wills testament or testamenters hertofore by me made Ratifying and holding fearme and stable this and this only to be my Last will and Testament Erectoakeable as witnes my hand seall this nineteen day may in the year of our Lord god 1708

signed sealled and published Phillip Cromell [seal]

in Presents of

Jn s Tuttle sen'r
Job Clements
Timothy Carll
[Proved April 5, 1709.]

JOHN KIMMINGS 1708 EXETER

[Administration on the estate of John Kimmings of Exeter granted to his son, Moses Kimmings of Exeter, house-carpenter, June 5, 1708.]

Ordered that a Citation be sent to moses Kimins of Exeter to come & give in acc¹ of his adm: on his father Jnº Kiminss Estate
[Probate Minutes, July 23, 1718.]

[Warrant for the arrest, for contempt of court, of Moses Kimmings of Exeter, Dec. 1, 1724, who refused to appear and take administration on the estate of his father.]

CHRISTIAN DOLLOFF 1708

EXETER

I Christian Dolhoof of Exeter, in the Province of New: hampshire In New England, being in good health of body  *  *  *  *

Item: I give to my sons samuel & Richard Dolhoofe, my further Meadow as bounded by me, to be equally divided between them, to them and their heirs. they paying five pounds a peice.

Item  I give to my son Thomas Dolhoofe, my little meadow by pickpocket road and all my upland that lyes round it, from Lt: Things fence to Wm Taylors, & ten acres of land upon the neck, he paying five pounds.

Item: I give to my three daughters Mary, Prudence & Katharine five pounds a peice to be paid by my three sons before named.

Item: I give to my two daughters prudence & Katharine, all my household goods to be equally divided between them:

Item  My will is that none of my Children shall receive their portions till after mine & my wifes decease.

Item: I give to my beloved wife sarah Dolhoofe, all my Meadow & upland, and all my household goods for her life, and all my stock for her own proper use & to dispose of according to her pleasure.

finally: My will is and I do hereby appoint my loving wife & my son Thomas Dolhoofe, to be the full & joynt Executors of this my last will and testament; And do hereby revoke disanull and make void all former wills and testaments by me heretofore made In witness whereof I the sᵈ Christian Dolhoofe have to this my
last will and testament set my hand and seal this sixteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eight, and Anno R Reginae Anne Angliae &c: septimo I desire my trusty and well beloved friends Peter Coffin Esq & Cpt Robert Coffin to be the overseers of this my last will and testament witness my hand & seal as above.

signed sealed & owned

In the presence of

Peter Coffin

John Odlin

Elizabeth Odlin

[Proved Oct. 4, Nov. 1, and Dec. 6, 1708.]

NOAH PARKER 1708 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Noah Parker of Portsmouth, mariner, granted to his widow, Elizabeth Parker, July 14, 1708.]

[Bond of Elizabeth Parker of Portsmouth, widow, with John Lowe, house-carpenter, and Samuel Hart, smith, both of Portsmouth, as sureties, July 14, 1708, in the sum of £300, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Daniel Lowe and Charles Story.]

[Warrant, July 15, 1708, authorizing John Lowe and Samuel Hart to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, undated; amount, £406.18.0; signed by John Lowe and Samuel Hart.]

SAMUEL CHESLEY 1708 DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of Capt. Samuel Chesley of Oyster River granted to his widow, Elizabeth Chesley, Aug. 3, 1708.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 150.]
[Bond of Elizabeth Chesley, widow, with Joseph Smith of Oyster River, yeoman, and John Pickering of Portsmouth, gentleman, as sureties, in the sum of £200, Aug. 3, 1708, for the administration of the estate.]

[Warrant, Aug. 3, 1708, authorizing Capt. John Pickering of Portsmouth and Stephen Jones of Oyster River to receive and examine claims against the estate.]

[Warrant, Aug. 3, 1708, authorizing Jeremiah Burnham and Stephen Jones, both of Oyster River, to appraise the estate.]

[List of claims against the estate, April 4, 1709; signed by John Pickering and Stephen Jones.]

[Citation, Sept. 5, 1725, to Amos Pinkham of Dover, and his wife, Elizabeth Pinkham, formerly Elizabeth Chesley, widow of Samuel Chesley, and administratrix of his estate, to appear and render an account of the estate.]

[Account of debts paid by the administratrix, without date, and entitled "Elizabeth Pinkham formerly his wife Account of Debts paid by her mother upon the Estate of Cap' Chesley"; amount, £126.10.5.]

[Various accounts and claims, containing the signatures of Joseph Jones and James Davis.]

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JAMES HOWARD 1708 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of James Howard of Portsmouth granted to his widow, Mary Howard, Sept. 7, 1708.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 139.]

[Bond of Mary Howard of Portsmouth, widow, with Tobias Lear of Newcastle and John Davis of Portsmouth, weaver, as sureties, Sept. 7, 1708, in the sum of £100, for the administration of the estate.]
Pro: N- Hampf Aug* 21st 1718
To The Honourable Richd Waldron Esq Judge of Probates &c—

The Petition of Pitman Howard is as follows (viz')
That Whereas your petitioner is Eldest Son of James Howard of Portsm° Some time since dec'd & that Whereas, administration was granted to yo' petitioner's mother in law [step-mother] upon y° estate of y° Dec'd & Whereas She did not fully Administer & is Since dead whereby the right of Administration descends down to your petitioner who is not only y° eldest Son but y° onely one of age These are therefore humbly to pray your Hon'® favour in granting Administration (de bonis non Administratis) unto my trusty freind Mr George Banfield in my stead and place my living & busyness lying too far distant hence to Attend it my self besides this request I have left a sale pow'r w'th S'd Banfield to Act in My behalf as your Hon'® (if you please) may See. I am y° Hon'® humble Serv't & shall ever pray as in duty bound—

Test
Rich'd Waldron Ju'r

his
Pitman X Howard
Mark

[Administration granted to George Banfield of Portsmouth Sept. 3, 1718, the widow having died before completing administration.]

[Probate Records, vol. 10, p. 73.]

Wee the subscribers hereof Interested in the Real Estate of James Howard Late of Portsmouth in New Hampshire in New England fisherman Deceased Intestate: Viz' Lydia Howard the Widdow And Adm'd to the Estate of Pitman Howard the Eldest son of the above Named James Howard for her Children By the said Pitman Howard: And in their Right John Davis of Portsmouth aforesaid said fisherman for the Right of Edward Howard the son of the above Named James Hayward, or Howard And Reuben Abitt in the Right of William another son of the above Named James Howard, Do hereby Covenant Grant and agree for
us our heirs Ex'° adm'° and Assigns for the Diviission of the said James Howards Real Estates In severalty according to our several Proportion's That is: That John Davis for the Part & share he hath Bought of Edward Howard above said shall have and Enjoy in Severalty the Westerly side of the Land that the said James Howard, Dyed seized and Possessed of being Bounded as followeth By a fence that Parts the said Howard land and the land of Wm Cotton of Portsmouth by the said Cottons Land thirty foure Rod: then on the Northerly side thirty six Rods by the Lands in Part by the said William Cottons and in part by the Land of Thomas Maine: And then about forty Rod Down to the Land of sampson or shower which line Is the Divideing line between the Part of the said John Davis and the above said Ruben abbit and then on sampson land about five Rod and three Quarters— over to Cottons Land where it began To have And To hold to him the said John Davis his heirs and Assignes in Severalty for Ever—

Ruben Abbits Part and Share that he hath in the Right of William Howard above said lies on the East side of the above Part Lotted and Laid out for John Davis Running from Davis's Corner at showers land thirty one Rod and three foot By the Creek Called sagamores Creek or Branch of it: and then up by the five Raile fence Now Made and runs about North West halfe West to the Land of the above said Thomas Maine: and then by Mains Land over to Davises part above Laid out and Bounded and then the above said forty Rod line of the said John Davis to be the Dividing line Between the said John Davis and the said Ruben Abitt: all the above Last Lot or percell of Land to be to the said Ruben Abitt To have And To hold To him his heirs and assigns for Ever: the other Divission for the Children of the aforesaid Pittman Howard to ly on the East side of the above Lot or percell of Land of the said Ruben Abitt on the East of the aforesaid five Raile fence: And takes in all the Remaining Lands that the said James Howard Died seized and Possessed off togeather with the Dwelling house And Two Orchards with all the preve-
liges of the same To have And To hold the above said Eastern part of the said Land as above sett off unto the Children of the said Pittman Howard their heirs and Assigns in Severalty for Ever: And In Witness of the above said Agreement & Division of the said Land the said Lydia Howard Administratrix as aforesaid for the said Pittman Howards Children: and the said John Davis & Ruben Abbitt for their Parts have hereunto Set their hands & Seals this thirty first day of October Anno Domini—1728—
signed Sealed and Delivered
in Presence off
Edward howrd
James Jeffry
[Allowed Oct. 31, 1728.]

John Davis [seal]
Ruben abbott [seal]
the mark of
Lydia X Howard [seal]

RICHARD CURRIER 1708 ISLES OF SHOALS
[Administration on the estate of Richard Currier of the Isles of Shoals granted to his widow, Elizabeth Currier, Oct. 13, 1708.]
[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 151.]

[Bond of Elizabeth Currier of the Isles of Shoals, widow, with James Blagdon of the same place and Richard Wibird of Portsmouth, gentleman, as sureties, Oct. 13, 1708, in the sum of £1000, for the administration of the estate.]

[Inventory of the estate of Richard Currier, who died Nov. 12, 1707; amount, £124.16.10; signed by Edward Gould and John Frost, Jr.]

[Guardianship, Nov. 15, 1710, of Diamond Currier and Weymouth Currier, both minors not of age to choose their own guardians, granted to Nathaniel Lord, and Elizabeth Lord, his wife, who is executrix of the will of her former husband, Richard Currier.]
ELIZABETH SAVAGE  1708  PORTSMOUTH

Portsmouth in New hampshir in newengland november the 13 day 1708
In ye name of the Lord
The last will and testement of Elizabeth savage being very sick
and weak but in perfect memory
1 first I doe bequeath my soule to god to him that gave it and
to dispose of itt at his good will and pleasure as he sees good in
is due time—
2ly I will & bequeath unto my son John savage ten pound in
silver mony to be paid within six month after my desease
3ly I will and give unto my grandaughter Easter savage one
gould ring—
4ly I will bequeath and give unto my Granson Edward wills
and his heirs for ever to say my house and half my land belong-
ing to my house and for it to Com into his hands when he Comes
to the age of twenty one years and the other half of my land to
Com into his hands emeaditly after the death of his mother debo-
rah wills allso I give and bequeath unto my granson Edward wills
the full half of my puter and a Cobbord and a great Cheast and
a bed and bolster Curtains and vallants one pair of blankets one
rug and all these to be keep for the said wills untell that he shal
Com of age with out usage
5ly I will and give unto my Grandaughter ann wills one
sheep—
6ly I will and give unto my Grandaughter Elizabeth wills one
sheep—
7ly I will and give unto Edward wills tow youngest Children
twenty shillings apeice
8ly I will and give unto the reverend m'r Rogers one peice of
eight—
9ly I will and bequeath unto my Grandaughter mary wills six
pounds in silver mony and my bed and pilow and tow blankets
and one rug and one Cow and one sheep tow swine all my fowls:
all is to be delivered to her att ye age of sixteen years it is to
remain in my dakers deborah wills hand till the time: also I give
mary wills all y* Indian Corn that is dew to me

10\* I will and bequeath unto my daughter deborah wills all
my Estate what so ever now belongeth unto me and not mentioned
hearin all bill and writings which is dow unto me now and allso
all debts

11\* and lastly I dow nomenat and appoint and make and order
my son in law Edward will my sole Executor to see this my last
will duey proformed in all petickler in Confermation hearof I
have set hear unto my hand and seall
signed sealled and delivered her

In Presents of Abraham Jones Elizabeth X savage [seal]
Hugh Banfeill mark and seall

It is to be under stood that mary wills is to live with william
Cotton juner untel she Comes to y* age of sixteen years if s^d
Cotton will keep her it was agreed before y* signing hear of

[Proved, no date. Endorsed "proved 1709"]

NATHANIEL STEVENS 1708 EXETER

[Administration on the estate of Nathaniel Stevens of Exeter
granted to his sons, Nathaniel Stevens and Samnel Stevens, both
of Exeter, yeomen, Dec. 6, 1708.]


[Bond of Nathaniel Stevens and Samuel Stevens, both of Exe-
ter, yeomen, with Peter Coffin of Exeter as surety, Dec. 6, 1708,
in the sum of £100, for the administration of the estate; wit-
nesses, Charles Story and Benjamin Gambling.]
RICHARD TOMLIN 1708/9 PORTSMOUTH

[Guardianship of Richard Tomlin of Boston, Mass., minor, more than fourteen years old, son of Richard Tomlin and Grace Tomlin, alias Dimond, of Portsmouth, was granted to John Harris of Ipswich, Mass., fisherman, Jan. 3, 1708/9.]


[Bond of John Harris, 3d, with John Rogers, saddler, and Thomas Smith, innholder, as sureties, in the sum of £100, Jan. 3, 1708/9; witnesses, Nehemiah Jewett and Daniel Rogers.]

[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

HENRY PENNY 1708/9 PORTSMOUTH


I Henry Penny being of Sound Memory and understanding butt ancient and infirm * * *

2do I give and bequeath unto my Dearly beloved Son Henry Penny, all my housing, lands, goods and chattells belonging unto mee in England, Moreover all my money bills, bonds, books, gold, plate, and what Ever Else of right belongs unto mee in New England; Obliging him my said Son to pay out of y° Same, unto my Sister Judith Clark, the Sum of ten pounds, if living; but if dead, then to distribute the said sum in Equall proportion among her children, and y° he also Satisfyeth my just and honest Debts.

3tio. I hereby make and ordaine and Constitute my trusty and well beloved friends, Majr William Vaughan, and m° Sam° Penhallow, my Execut° in trust, of all and Singular my goods and chattells in New England, desiring them to take care thereof, for the interest and benefitt of my Said Son, when Ever he shall come or Send for the Same; and that they provide for my funerall, not Exceeding thirty pounds; w° charge together with the Expence of my sickness, I will shalbe defrayd out of what I have herein
betrusted them with unto whom, as a token of my love, I doe hereby give, one gold ring, and a scarf to Each. also one gold ring to mrs Margt Vaughan, and one to mrs Richd Waldron Junr as for my bearers I desire mrs Richd Waldron, Capt John Gerish, mrs John Plaisted, capt Mark Hunkyn, mrs Thomas Phipps, and mrs — to Each of whom I give a pr of gloves and a scarf.

In testimony to all and the Premises within mentioned, I have hereunto Sett my hand and affixed my seal this 17 of Feb 1708/9

Signed Sealed and Declared

in the presence of

Joseph Dennet
Mary King
Margt Vaughan

[Proved May 18, 1709.]

[Inventory, March 18, 1708/9; amount, £85.12.11; signed by Samuel Hart and Jacob Lavers.]

[Account of the settlement of the estate, March 13, 1710/11; expenditures, £64.16.11; signed by William Vaughan and Samuel Penhallow.]

JOHN BAKER 1709 (?) PORTSMOUTH

[Bond of Benjamin Getchell and his wife, Bethula Getchell, for the administration of the estate of John Baker of Portsmouth; printed form partially filled out.]

ABRAHAM or ANDREW (?) KELLY 1709 NEWCASTLE

[Administration on the estate of Abraham Kelly of Newcastle granted to his father, Roger Kelly of Newcastle, April 4, 1709.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 158.]
[Bond of Roger Kelly of Newcastle, with Capt. John Pickering and William Partridge, Jr., as sureties, in the sum of £300, April 4, 1709, for the administration of the estate of his son, Andrew Kelley.]

JOHN SMITH 1709 HAMPTON

In the name of God Amen: I John Smith of Hampton in ye Province of New Hampsh' in New England: being weeke of Body * * *

Imprimis my Will is ye first all my Honist & Just Debts together with funerall Charg be duly paid—

2° I Give & bequeath unto my well-beloved Wife Hulday her choyce of what Roome she pleases in my dwelling house: together with Conveniencys of Celler Rome &c— to have her choyce from time to time, & at all times while she Remains a Widdow: I also Give unto Hulday my beloved Wife all my stock of Cattell of all soarts what-so-ever, and all my moveable estate both within dores & without: to be all at her dispose, for her Comfortable liveing, & bringing up my children; and shee to dispose of all ye is left amongst my children according to her disscretion—

3°— I Give & bequeath unto my beloved son John Smith fourty acres of land lying at brumbly hill com'only so called where his house now stands be ye same more or less; And also three acres of march grawn be ye same more or less lying at a place called ye hop-ground; next land of Nathaniell Bacheldrs, Sen' his land: as also one quarter part of my lott of marsh lying in ye spring marsh Commonly so called: And one share in ye Great ox common, both marsh, upland & thach ground: And one share of ye Cow Common, as it was in the Year of our Lord 1702; and likewise one acre of marsh be it more or less lying at ye little River— and four shares in ye little River marsh as they were some time since laid out: and also my two first shares or lotts in ye first North division Commonly so called

4°: I Give & bequeath unto my beloved Son Samuell Smith
y" lott of land where his House now stands be the same more or less, which land I had by way of Exchange with Joseph Chase: & lyeth at a place Called north-hill plain:— As also one quarter part of my lott of marsh lying in y" spring marsh so Called:— And one share in y" Cow-Commons as it was in y" year of our lord: 1702— & half a share in y" Great ox common, both upland, marsh, & thatch ground:— and also my Grants of lands at y" place called y" new plantation

5thly I Give & bequeath unto my beloved Son Phillip Smith my Dwelling house Barn & outhouses my orchard & all my land where my said house standeth, both plow-land, pasture, & swamp land, straignt along by y" Towls fence, & so to carrey y" line straignt to y" land Somtimes Edward Colcords, and all y" land on y" eastwardly side of y" straignt line, & so to y" Com’on Country Road both ways; Reserveing onely to my wife hous Rome as above mentioned.— And likewise y" one half of y" pasture be it more or less when it shall be devided equally lying westwardly of y" above said straignt line, up towards y" land of Joshua Towle:— and y" one half of all my land both plow land & swamp land lying in one piece betwene y" land of Gershon Elkins, & so westwardly towards John Nays, be y" one half more or less, when it shall be Equally divided:— And my Will is y" phillip shall devide & Elisha shall Chuse which half he will have: I also Give unto my son phillip the one quarter part of my lott in y" spring march so called: be it more or less as it is: as also one half share of y" great ox-common both upland, marsh, & thach ground; and one share of y" cow-commons as it was in y" year of our lord 1702: likewise two acres of meadow lying on y" southward side of browns swamp be the same more or less, lying adjoyning to meadow of peter Johnson. Eastward, & meadow of John fuller Westward: And five acres of marsh be y" same more or less lying adjoyning unto Browns River commonly so called below James Perkines: and one share of y" north division be y" same more or less as also my lott of upland in y" East field be the same seven or eight acres more or less— lying betwene y" lott of thomas Nud;
& the lott formerly belonging unto Christopher palmer deceased—and also ye one half of four acres of marsh bought of william fifield lying in ye clambankes marsh going down to Browns Rivers mouth: my son Elisha to have ye other half &c

6thly I give & bequeath unto my well beloved Son Elisha Smith ye one half of my land both plow land & Swamp lying in one piece betwene ye lott of Gershan Elkins, & so westwardly towards John Nays be ye same more, or less, when it shall be equally devided betwene my two sons, phillip to devide & Elisha to chuse as also ye one half of ye before mentioned piece of pasture land, lying westwardly of ye aforesaid streight line from Towls fence unto Colcords land, & so towards Joshua Towls ye one half more or less when it shall be equally devided:— as also one share of ye Great ox-common both upland marsh land, & thach Grownd;— likewise one share of ye Cow-common of Hampton as it was in the year of our Lord 1702: also two acres of meadow be ye same more or less lying in ye East field adjoyning to land formerly William Eastows Deceased: also a piece of land containing one acre be ye same more or less adjoyning to ye Ring & lying next ye land of peter Johnson Eastward and the land of Benjamin shaw westward & ye highway southward: and also the one half of four acres of salt marsh bought of William Fifield lying in ye clambanke marsh, going down unto Browns Rivers mouth: and one share in ye first North division commonly so called be ye same more or less: and one quarter part of my lott of Salt marsh lying in ye spring marsh Commonly so Called:

All these my above mentioned lands are scituate & lying within ye limits of ye Township of Hampton & all the lands Given & bequeathed unto my above named sons I give unto them & each of them their Heirs & successors forever at their dispose; but if it so happen ye any of my above named sons should dye & leave no child or children, in ye Case my will & meaning is ye ye lands above given him shall be equally devided betwen those of my sons ye are liveing: And if any of my sons should have a mind to sell any lands which I have given them my will is ye they lett
their brother, or brothers have it if they will Give as much as an other will give: And farther my Will & meaning is y\textsuperscript{e} each of my sons shall free egress & Regress to go to their own land doing as little damage to y\textsuperscript{o} other as possible may bee— and what ever lands are not disposed of I give to phillip & Elisha in equall part

7\textsuperscript{v} I Give & bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Huldey the wife of Thomas Dearborn five pounds, to be paid her by my sons John Smith, & Samuell Smith equally in merchantable pay as it passeth from man to man, over & above (fifteen pounds which she hath had of me allredy :) to be paid within three years after my decease

8\textsuperscript{v} I Give & bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Abigell Smith twenty pounds in marchantable pay as it passeth from man to man, to be paid her by my son Phillip Smith the one half within one year after my decease; & y\textsuperscript{o} other half within four years after my decease—

9\textsuperscript{v} I Give & bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Mary Smith twenty pounds in marchantable pay as it passeth from man, to man, to be payd by my Son Elisha Smith ten pounds within one year after my Decease, & y\textsuperscript{o} other ten pounds within four years after my decease—

ult— My Will is y\textsuperscript{e} my wife Hulda shall make use of what land she hath ocation for which is here before willed to my son Phillip; & if y\textsuperscript{o} said Phillip Do not take care to make her life comfortable with what I have left her from time to time, & at all times whilst she is a Widdow dureing her Natu'reall Life, And rather than she shall want for her Comfortable Subsistence; she shall have power to sell of his y\textsuperscript{o} said phillips his land to make her life Comfortable—

And I Do by these presents Constitute & appoynt my beloved Wife Huldey Smith, and my beloved son Phillip Smith Executrix: & Executor, to this my last Will & testament and in case of y\textsuperscript{o} Death of y\textsuperscript{o} one the other to be sole &c— In Witnes here of I the above named John Smith Do herby Renounce all former
wills by me made & sign this with my hand & seal this eighth day of Aprill Anno: Dom: seventeen hundred and nine: in y's seventh year of y's Reign of Queen Anne over Great-Britain &c—signed sealed & decared John Smith [seal] in presence of us witnesse
John dearbon cooper
John X Blake
his marke
Joseph Smith
[Proved March 8, 1709/10.]

PHILIP TOWLE 1709 HAMPTON

I Phillip towe of Hampton in New hampsh' being in good heith & Sound memory; And now going in to Her majestys Service & not knowing how God may deel with me Do make & declare this my last will & testament

Imprimes I Give my Sole to God hoping in his mercy in Jesus Christ for pardon of all my Sins; & my body to y's dust from whence it was taken to be buryed in Christ an manner— & my worldly Estate after my Just Debts are paid— I give and bequev unto my Brother Caleb whether Real or personal & appynt my above named brother Caleb towe my Executor to this my last will & testament in testimony where of I Sett my hand & Seal this 31: day of may 1709: in y's eighth yeare of her majestys Queen ann her Reign ove Great Britans &c

Signed Sealed & declared * the marke & Seal of
before us witnesses Philip X towe [seal]
Robert Drake
Joshua Winget
Test Joseph Smith Justice of pece
[Proved Sept. 6, 1717.]

[Inventory, July 13, 1717; amount, £135.2.0; signed by Joseph Smith and Joshua Wingate; mentions a widow.]
WILLIAM ARDELL 1709 EXETER

[Administration on the estate of William Ardell of Exeter, gentleman, granted to Richard Hilton of Exeter, gentleman, June 16, 1709.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 162.]

[Bond of Richard Hilton of Exeter, gentleman, with James Burley of Exeter, yeoman, and Edward Polly of Portsmouth, tailor, as sureties, June 16, 1709, in the sum of £300, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Samuel Moody and Joseph Scott.]

[Inventory; amount, £22.3.0; signed by James Burley and Dudley Hilton; attested by the administrator June 5, 1710.
Administrator's account of disbursements; amount, £25.19.0.]

BRADSTREET WIGGIN 1709 EXETER

[Administration on the estate of Bradstreet Wiggin of Exeter granted to his widow, Ann Wiggin, no date.]


[Bond of Ann Wiggin, widow, with Andrew Wiggin, tanner, and William French, house-carpenter, both of Exeter, as sureties, Sept. 22, 1709, in the sum of £500, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Ephraim Folsom and Charles Story.]

[Warrant, Sept. 22, 1709, authorizing William French and William Moore, both of Exeter, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory of the estate of Bradstreet Wiggin, who died Jan. 18, 1708/9; amount, £941.15.10; signed by William Moore and William French.]

[Guardianship of Chase Wiggin, Thomas Wiggin, Joseph Wiggin, and Elizabeth Wiggin, children of Bradstreet Wiggin, granted to John Sinclair June 7, 1711, who married the widow.]

[Bond of John Sinclair, Jr., of Exeter, yeoman, with James Sinclair of Exeter, yeoman, as surety, June 7, 1711, in the sum of £500, for the guardianship of Chase Wiggin, Thomas Wiggin, Joseph Wiggin, and Elizabeth Wiggin; witnesses, James Davis and Tobias Langdon.]

This Indenture made and agreed upon this Eighteenth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand [seven] hundred & twenty six, Between m° John Sinkler of Stretham in the province of New Hampshir in New England Creditor unto the esteat of m° Broadstreet Wiggin of Quamscook in s° Provence in s° town, late deseased, and Gaurdeen over the children of the S° Broadstreet Wiggin and Husband unto the widow of s° Wiggin, and Chase Wiggin and Thomas Wiggin heirs unto the esteat and children of the s° Broadstreet Wiggin and Jonathan Wiggin in s° Town in the behalf of and Now Gaurdeen of Joseph Wiggin of s° Town child and heir unto the esteat of the said Bradstreet Wiggin, send greeting Know Yee that we the s° John Sinkler Chase Wiggin Thomas Wiggin & Jonathan Wiggin in the behalf of s° Joseph Wiggin Have by these Presents for our selves our heirs Exec°° and Admin°° made a Just and Satisfactory divition of all the esteat of the s° Broadstreet Wiggin, Now in strethem both real and Personall, Excepting the salt marsh belonging to the s° Bradstreet Wiggins esteat The divition of the lands & esteat belonging to the s° Bradstreet Wiggins being divided and bounded as followeth Viz°°—

1) To the s° John Sinkler one hundred and thirty one acers of land laid out and bounded as followeth be it more or less Beginning at a white oak Tree spotted on four sides standing upon the east side of the countrey road it being the southeast corner of Sam°° Pipers land from thence runing southeepest somewhat easterly and bounding upon m° Jonathan Wiggins land two hundred and Eighty six rods to a black ash tree spotted on four sides, and from thence runing North-east sixty seven rods & five feet to a white oak stump spotted on four sides and from thence runing Near
Norwest to a stake standing by the countrey road about thirteen rods Northeast from s\textsuperscript{d} sinklers house: and also an addition to s\textsuperscript{d} land and bounded as followeth it being about an acre and an half Viz: begining at the s\textsuperscript{d} black ash tree and from thence to run southeast somewhat easterly bounding upon s\textsuperscript{d} Jonathan Wiggins land seven rods and from thence to run Northeast thirty rods, and from thence to run Near Norwest untill it comes to s\textsuperscript{d} sinklers land before mentioned, and also all the movable esteat belonging to the s\textsuperscript{d} Bradstreet Wiggin—

To y\textsuperscript{e} s\textsuperscript{d} Chase Wiggin one hundred and sixty seven acers of land Laid out and bounded as ffolloweth more or less Viz\textsuperscript{t} begining at a stake standing upon the east side of the countrey road it being the Northwest corner of s\textsuperscript{d} John sinklers land from thence runing Northeast and bounding upon s\textsuperscript{d} road seventy six rods & five feet to a stake spotted on four sides and from thence runing about south east three hundred rods to a stake spotted on four sides which stake standeth fifty five rods and an half Northeast from s\textsuperscript{d} John Sinkler Northeast corner and from s\textsuperscript{d} stake runing southeast sumwhat easterly Eighty rod to a white pine tree spotted on four sids, and then to run southwest Ninty two rods and an half to a black ash tree spotted on four sides standing in m\textsuperscript{r} Jonathan Wiggins line and from thence runing Norwest somewhat westerly Eighty rods to s\textsuperscript{d} John Sinklers land and so to bound on s\textsuperscript{d} sinklers land Untill it comes to the stake first mentioned s\textsuperscript{d} Chase Wiggin allowing a conveniint way through his land from the head of his s\textsuperscript{d} land to the southwest corner of the Ceader swamp he having liberty to hang gates at y\textsuperscript{e} way

3) To the said Thomas Wiggins two hundred and sixty one acers of land be it more or less as it is laid out & bounded. Viz\textsuperscript{t} Begining at the Norwest corner of Chase Wiggins land from thence running about south east three hundred rods to a stake spotted on four sides and then Eighty rods southeast sumwhat easterly to a pine tree spotted on four sids and then to run southwest Ninty two rods and a half to a black ash tree spotted on four sides standing in s\textsuperscript{d} Jonathan Wiggins line and then to run south east
sumwhat easterly bounding upon s^d Jonathan Wiggins line one hundred and fifty rods to a stake spotted on four sides standing in Benjamin Hoag line and from thence to run upon a Northeast point untill it comes to W^m fferences land and then to run, Norwest bounding upon s^d frenches land Hoags and Kenistons land Untill it comes to y^e Countrey road and then to bound upon s^d road untill it comes to y^e place first mentioned s^d Tho Wiggins allowing a convenant way through his land from y^e head of his land to Chase Wiggins land and from the south west corner of y^e ceader swamp to y^e country road he haveing liberty to hang gates at said way

4) To the s^d Jonathan Wiggins as Garadeen and in the behalf of the s^d Joseph Wiggins one hundred and forty two acers of land be it more or less as it is laid out and bounded Viz Begining at a stake spotted on four sides standing in the Widdow Hicks line, about four rods from the south east Corner of s^d Hicks land and from s^d stake to run one hundred rods south west to a beach tree spotted on four sides it being the Northeast corner of s^d Benjamin Hoags land and from thence runing Norwest sumwhat westerly bounding upon s^d hoags land two hundred and four rods to a stake spotted on four sides it being the south east corner of Thomas Wiggins land and then to run Northeast until it comes to s^d Frenches land and then to bound upon s^d frenches land and s^d Hicks land Untill it comes to the stake first mentioned s^d Joseph Wiggins allowing a convenient way thro his land from the head of his land to Tho Wiggins land he having liberty to hang gates at s^d way

And farther we the s^d John sinkler Chase Wiggin Thomas Wiggin and Jonathan Wiggin in the behalf of s^d Joseph Wiggins do for our selves our heirs Execs & Admins covenant promis and Engage unto each other that all the bounds and divitions of the afores^d land to each ones part shall stand fixt abide and remain forever as before mentioned and do further hereby bind our selves our heirs Execs and Admins unto each other in the penal sume of one thousand pound pasable mony of New England fermly by these Presents, and in Testimony hereof we the s^d John sinkler
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

Chase Wiggin Thomas Wiggin and Jonathan Wiggin in the behalf of st Joseph Wiggin have hereunto set our hands and seals this Eighteenth day April 1726

signed sealed & Delivered . John Sinkler [seal]
In the Presents of Chas wiggin [seal]
benjamin hoeg Thomas wiggin [seal]
Moses Leavitt Jonathan wiggin [seal]

ROBERT COFFIN 1709

EXETER

In ye name of god, Amen. I Robart Coffin of the town of Exeter in ye Province of Newhampsheir in Newingland: tho weak of body: * * *

Item: I give unto my beloved sister Abigail Davison fifteen pounds in money (to be payed by my executors within two years after my death) as a token of my love and in gratification for kiendnes received ect.—

and all ye rest & residue of my personal estate Goods & chattels whatsoever both household goods & living stock & utensals of husbandary & other tools & tackling of all sorts whatsoever with all debts to me due either by booke bills bonds or otherwise I give & bequeth unto my loving & wellbeloved wife: Johannah Coffin for to be at her owne dispose—

and further my will is & I do hereby give unto my wife which is afore named: to her & to her heairs & assigns foreve all my reall estate consisting in severall parcels of land & medow or medow grounds (as by deds & grants or other writings to me made may apear) with all ye prevelopegeds to them belonging: as housings timber orchards mills streams with all other prevelopegeds to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining: be the same in the township of Exetor or in any other place or places where they are or shall be found—

And I do apoint my brother Nicolas Gillman & my wife above named to be ye executors of this my will to receive all my debts
& to pay all my debts; & to sell or dispose of any of the lands given to my wife to supply her wants as need shall be or as she shall se good to do and in case my sd brother Nicolas Gillman shall refuse or neglect to accept ye trust hearin committd to him to be executor with my wife or in case he shall not be living after my death—then my will is and I do hereby apoint my wife Johannah Coffin to be the sole: Executrix of this my will & do hereby give her full power to act and do all things needfull in ye law to be done refering to this my last will & testament— and I do hereby revoke disanul & make voyde all former wills and testaments by me heretofore made and do ratifie & conferm this to be my last will & testament: contained in this one sheet of paper: have set to my hand & seal this twenty Secund day of october Anno Domini one thousand Seaven hundred and nine, and in the eight year of ye Reign of our Soverign Lady Ann by ye Grace of God: Queen of grate Britaine ect—

Signed Sealed & published by

Robt Coffin [seal]

ye sd Robert Coffin to be his last will & testament: in presence of

Willa Noyes
Edmund Greenlefe
Nathaniel Coffin

[Proved June 4, 1710.]

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EPHRAIM FOLSOM 1709 EXETER

[Administration on the estate of Ephraim Folsom of Exeter granted to his widow, Phaltiel Folsom, 1709.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 166]

[Bond of Phaltiel Folsom of Exeter, with Ephraim Folsom and William French, both of Exeter, as sureties, in the sum of £100, no date, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Andrew Wiggin and Charles Story.]
CHRISTOPHER POTTLE 1709

In the Name of God— Amen I Christopher Pottell of Hampton in ye province of New Hampsh' in New England being weeke in body *

3rd I Give unto my beloved wife Hannah the Improvement of all my Estate both Real & personal for ye suport of her self & bring up my children untill my Eldist son Com to ye age of twenty one years if she live so long a Widdow: but if my said wife marrey again before my said son Com to full age then she to have her thirds & the best Rome in ye house as part of her thirds all dureing her naturall life. And the management of my Estate in the miniority of my said son be performed by my Executors & such as I shall apoyt as overseers to my son in his minority—

4th I Give & bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Hannah fifteen pounds in marchentable pay to be paid by my executors when she Coms to the age of eighteen years or at her marriage which shall first happen

5th I Give & bequeath unto my Daughter Elisabeth fifteen pounds in marchentable pay to be paid by my executors when she Coms to ye age of eighteen year or at her marriage which shall first happen

6th I Give & bequeath unto my Daughter Anne fifteen pounds in marchentable pay to be paid by my executors when she Coms to the age of Eighteen years or at ye Day of her marriage the which shall first happen—

7th I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah fifteen pounds in marchentable pay to be paid her by my executors when she Coms to ye age of eighteen years or at ye Day of her marriage ye which shall first happen

8th I give & bequeath unto my son Christopher my home stead
both houses, lands orchards meadows tanyards & all things belonging to my homestead lying on ye north side ye falls River & also one share or lott in ye west division & two shares in ye North division and two thirds of all my moveable estate & two thirds of all my debts which are owing me: he my son Christopher to pay out of it two thirds of all my Debts & legeseys—

and farther my will is that if my Debts owing me and my moveable estate be not sufficient to pay my Debts ye then my out lands be sold to perform the full payment in equal parts betwene my two sons out of what I have given them: as also the one half of ye lands and Rights of Lands I bought of Nathaniel sanborn lying at Kingstown I give unto my son Christopher above named—

8v I Give & bequeath unto my son william my land I bought of Stephen Hussey lying on ye south side ye falls River & also five half shares in ye first west division, and one third part of all my moveable estate & one third part of all my debts ye are owing me he my said son william paying out of ye same one third part of all my debts & legeceyes as before mentioned

9v wher as my wife is now with childe my will is ye if she be delivered of a childe which shall live to ye age of sixteen years that then my sons pay to said childe ten pounds in merchantable pay when it shall come to ye age of 16 years as above said in each of there proportionable som as is before expressed— but if my said wife have a son I give him the one half of ye land I bought of Nathaniel Samborn at Kingstown; but if a daughter I give it to my son william above named—

10v unto this my last will & testament I appoynt my beloved wife Hannah & my son Christopher executrix & executors, and desire my good friend Decon Samuell Shaw to be overseer to my son Christophe: & fully to act & do in his behalf untill he my son Com of full age—

thus Revokeing all wills by me formerly made I Do declare this to be my last will & testament, & do signe & seal it with my hand while I am in my Righ mind & of a disposeing memory: this
ninteennth day of Decembr Anno: Dom seventeen hundred & nine;
in y° Eighth year of y° Queens Raign Anne over Great-Britain
&c—
signed Sealed & declared in presence of us witnesses
Nathan Longfellow
nathanill Samburn
Joseph Smith
[Proved Feb. 8, 1709/10.]

[Inventory, Nov. 30, 1710; amount, £408.19.0; signed by
Samuel Shaw and Joseph Swett.]

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DAVID LAWRENCE: 1709/10  EXETER

In the name of God Amen. I David Larance of Exeter in the Province of Newhampshire in New England do make and ordain my last will and testament in manner and form following • • •

Imp' I will that my Just debts and funeral charges be paid, and for my funeral my will is that thirty pounds shall be expended out of my estate

Item: I give unto my son William Larance eight acres of my middle marsh lying in Hampton, and six acres of upland Lying in David Robinsons field.

Item: I give unto my son Joseph Larance my Lower Marsh Lying in Hampton, and five acres in my great pasture Lying next to Jonathan Robinsons land.

Item: I give unto my son David Larance eighty pounds in money in case he ever return home again.

Item: I give unto my two sons William & Joseph my saw Mill Lying upon Exeter falls, they paying their mother five pounds a year during life.

Item: I give unto my daughter Phebe Rawlins two acres of my middle marsh at Hampton, and thirty pounds in money to be paid out of my estate.
Item: I give unto my well beloved wife Mary Larance my dwelling house Barn and land belonging to it on both sides of the way, except what I before gave to my son Joseph, together with seven acres of Marsh lying at Perkins's and five pounds a year to be paid by my two sons as above expressed, during life. And all my household goods and four Cows, and a yoak of neb Oxen and a Cart & Chains and all things fitting for it, & fifteen sheep and all the swine, to be for her own proper use & to dispose of as She sees cause.

Item: I give unto my Grandson David Larance my dwelling house and Barn, and the land adjoyning or belonging to it On both sides of the way, together with four acres of the marsh after his Grandmothers decease.

Item I give unto my two sons William & Joseph the other three acres of Marsh lying at Perkins's, and all the rest and residue of my stock not already disposed on.

Item I give to my Granddaughter Mary Stevens fourscore pounds in money to be payed out of my estate when she comes of age or upon marriage day if married before.

Item. I give to my brother Benjamin Taylor two acres of my middle marsh lying in Hampton & five pounds money.

Item I give to my Grandson Jonathan Larance five pounds money.

Item: I give to my Grandson Nathl Stevens five pounds.

Item: I give to my son Rawlins's Eldest daughter five pounds.

Item. I give to the Chh of Christ in Exeter five pounds to be layed by them for a silver Cup to be used at the sacrament.

Item: My will is that my two sons William and Joseph shall pay my Just debts Legacies & funeral Charges and then the rest and residue of my whole estate both real and personal shall be equally divided between them, only their mother shall have the use of the Negro during life & then to return to them to be equally divided between them.—

finally: My will is and I do hereby appoint my well beloved wife mary Larance & my two sons William & Joseph to be the
Joynt Execu't to this my last will & testament and do hereby revoke disannull and make void all former wills and testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof, I the sd David Larance have hereunto set my hand and seal, this sixteenth Day of February Anno Dom: one thousand seven hundred & nine, ten, Annoq R R Anne magnæ Britanniæ &c: Octavo:

Signed, Sealed & owned In presence of his
William X Taylor
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Mehitable X Things mark

[Proved May 16, 1710.]

[Inventory of the estate of Lieut. David Lawrence, taken May 20, 1710: amount, £1220.10.0; signed by James Sinclair and Moses Leavitt.]

JOHN PIKE 1709/10

DOVER

Dover the 6th of march 1709/10

I John Pike of Dover minister of the Gospel being Sick & weak of body but of Sound & perfect mind & memory do make this my last Will & Testament in manner & Form Following

Imprimis I bequeath my Soul to god who gave it & my body to ye grave to be decently Interred according to ye Discretion of my Execut's hereafter named

Item I give to my Son Nathanael the one halfe of that Farm or estate of house land & marish that was Formerly m'r Goldways w'th all priviledges & Appurtenances thereunto belonging. I have already given him by deed of Gift the other halfe of sd Estate soe that now he shall have ye Whole to him his heirs & assigns for Ever also that w'th was m'r Wosters orchard & liveing Standing Just before it Accounted about two acres & all this I give to my sd Son Nath' w'th this proviso that he Joyn w'th his Brother Robert
in paying an Equal proportion of the Charge of bringing up their Brother Solomon to School till he Arrive to the Age of fifteen year.

Item I give to my Son Robert that part of my land lying upon the little River Between the Comon High way & a place call'd Fox hill containing about Acres Sixteen w'th all the housing thereon & all priviledges & appurtenances thereunto belonging w'th this proviso that he Joyn w'th his Brother Nathl in paying an Equal proportion of y° Charge of bringing up their Brother Solomon to School till he Arrive to y° age of fifteen years & then take care to dispose of him as he & his Brother Nathl shall think most for his Advantage, also I give Robert one third part of my meadow in Joynt w'th his two younger Brothers.

Item I Give to my sons Joshua & Solomon in Equal proportion that whole parcell of land lying on the Norwest side of little river Containing three score Acres more or lesse w'th two thirds of my meadow in Joynt w'th their Brother Robert w'th meadow is commonly called Great Meadow & it is to be understood all the land & meadow before mentioned lies in the Town of Salisbury in y° province of the massachusetts.

It I give to my daughter Hannah two twenty acre lotts lying a little way over the river to the Eastw'th of Capt Trews In Salisbury & one halfe of the Lott Comonly called the beach Lott in Salisbury.

It I give to my Daughter Mercy One halfe of a Six score Acre lott Lying betwixt Amesbury & Haverhill formerly bought by my Father of w'm Huntingdon & one halfe of y° Lott comonly call'd y° beach lott in Salisbury.

It I give to Joseph Stockman Junr twenty acres out of the Six-score acre lott lying Between Amesbury & Haverhill & to my nieces Dorothy Light & Sarah Pike daughter of Robert Pike each of them twenty Acres out of the Six score acre lott aforesd.

It I give all my moveable Estate into the hands of my Executrs to Defray the Charge of my Funerall & pay my Just debts & y° remainder to be Equally Divided Between my daughters Hannah & mercy.
And finally I make my two Eldest Sons Execut** of this my last will & Testament to whome also I give a lott of ab' thirty acres in a place call'd mill division tow** Amsbury & a ten acre lott at Salisbury at a place call'd ye run the better to Enable them to pay my debts

Signed Sealed & declared to be his last will & Testament in p'sence of

Samuel Tebets
John ambler
Sarah Cutt

[Proved March 10, 1709/10.]

[Warrant, March 10, 1709/10, authorizing Capt. John Tuttle and Thomas Tibbetts, both of Dover, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory of the estate in New Hampshire, March 25, 1710; amount, £104.19.2; signed by John Tuttle and Thomas Tibbetts.]

[List of Dr. Robert Pike's disbursements on account of his father's estate; amount, £236.6.2.]

[List of debts due from the estate; amount, £211.5.9.]

[Joshua Pike, son of Rev. John Pike, makes choice of his brother, Robert Pike, as his guardian, Oct. 28, 1712; witnesses, Robert Rutherford and Charles Story.]


JOHN DENNETT 1709/10 PORTSMOUTH

The last will and testament of John Dennet

I John Dennet of the towne of Portsmouth in the Province of newhampshire in newengland who through the goodnesse of God have Present health * * *

2 As to my temporel Estate I make Ammi my wife my sole
Executrix unto this my last will and testament and unto her I give all my movable Estate except what after shall be excepted as also I give unto her the one half of the income or yearly Profits of the lands orchards gardins housen now in my Posestion and Improved by mee during her naturel life and whilst Shee remains a widow but if shee is married to another husband: then the whole of my lands orchards housen gardins shall descend to my son Ephraim: and the one halfe of my movable Estate to be devided amongst the rest of my Children

3 I give unto my son John Dennet all that land which I bought of Isaac Remack in the towne of Kitrey which is now in his Posesstion and whare hee dweleth I give him also that twenty Pounds in money which hee formerly borrowed of mee but hath not Returned

4 I give unto my daughter Ammi Adams twenty Pounds in money besides what She has allready had

5 I give unto my Son Joseph Dennet all that track of land which I bought of the towne which lyeth in the way to boodey Poynt except twenty acres thearof which I give to his brother Ephraim

6 I give unto my son Ephraim all the lands orchods gardins housen now improved by mee to wit the land which I bought of John fernell also that which I bought of Mathew Ham and of Thomas Ham and of John Jackson and of Nathaniel Jackson and of Roger Swain as doth appeare by their severl deeds of sale I say I give it to my Son Ephraim the one half at my decease and the other halfe at the decease of his mother I give him also one fetherbed with the furniture thereof I give him also one yoake of oxen: and it is my will that my son Ephraim do not interrupt nor molest his mother in the quiet Posesstion of what I have above given her vise my movabels both within the house and without as also the on halfe of my lands orchards gardins and what Part of the houses Shee liketh best

7 I give to my granddaughter Margret Adams that Peice of land which I bought of Mr Graferd an house lot at Strawberry
banke which is on the west side of the house which formerly m’ Caleb Bekes and is 85 foot froont by the stret and is 88 foot deep as doth appear by deed of sale

8 I give to my grand daughter Mary dennet who is blind forty Pounds to be Payd in money

9 I give my son Ephraim ten acres of land in the upper Part of the land which I bought of the towne metioned on the other side vise to begin at the south Corner on the hrend and run 40 rod noth west and from thenc 40 rod noth East and from thence 40 rod southeast and from thenc 40 rod southwest whare it begun which is ten acres I give him the wood of other ten acres of land joynen to the former 40 rod squar on the northeast side tharof I say the wood of this last ten acres but not the soyl and as for the former ten acres if hee be at any time disposed to sell it my will is that he sell it to non but his brother Joseph if hee will buy it

And Joseph shall give his brother Ephraim free liberty to carry off his wood over his land to the high way as he hath ocation

but if my son Ephraim dye without heirs lawfully begotten of his owne body I will that the afforesaid ten acres shall Return to his brother Joseph both the land as well as the wood

moreover if my son Ephraim dye with out heirs lawfully be-gotten of his owne body my will is that after his deceas and the deceas of ammy my wife the lands orchads gardens housen which I have given him on the other side shall be devided betwen my other children only so that my son John Dennet have a dub Por-tion tharof

in testimony hereof I set my hand and seal this 17 of march 1709

signed sealed and Published

in the Presence of us

Sam’l Keais
Timothy Davis
Mary Gerrish

The Inter Lims In This Instrument whear Ther befor sining and sealing

[Proved Aug. 1, 1709.]
JOHN COTTON 1710 HAMPTON

[Administration on the estate of Rev. John Cotton of Hampton granted to his widow, Ann Cotton, April 6, 1710.]

[Warrant, April 6, 1710, authorizing John Tuck and Joshua Wingate, both of Hampton, to appraise the estate.]

[Mary Cotton, Dorothy Cotton, and Thomas Cotton, children of Rev. John Cotton, make choice of their mother, Ann Cotton, as their guardian April 10, 1710; witnesses, Joseph Smith and William Williams; allowed the same day.]

[Inventory, June 1, 1710; amount, £349.18.8; signed by John Tuck and Joshua Wingate.]

[Warrant from Gov. Joseph Dudley, April 14, 1715, authorizing Capt. William Heath, Capt. Edward Bridge, and Ichabod Griggs, all of Roxbury, Mass., to report whether or not the estate of Rev. John Cotton in Brookline, Mass., is capable of division among his children without injury to the whole. They report April 28, 1715, appraising the property at £700.0.0, and advising against its division.]

[Suffolk County, Mass., Probate Files.]

[Bond of Ann Cotton of Brookline, Mass., widow, with Samuel Wentworth and John Watts, merchants, both of Boston, as sureties, May 2, 1715, in the sum of £590, for the distribution of the Brookline property of her husband, Rev. John Cotton of Hampton, according to the direction of the governor and council; witnesses, Benjamin Rolfe and Samuel Tyley, Jr. Mentions an only son Thomas, a minor, and daughters Mary Whiting, Dorothy Gookin, and Ann Cotton, a minor.]
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

JAMES ROBINSON 1710 NEWCASTLE

[Lucretia Robinson, widow of James Robinson of Newcastle, asks, April 6, 1710, that administration on the estate of her husband may be granted to Nathan White, her son-in-law.]

[Administration on the estate of James Robinson of Newcastle, cooper, granted to Nathan White of Newcastle and his wife, Elizabeth White, daughter of the deceased, May 1, 1710.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 174]

THOMAS DEARBORN 1710 HAMPTON

In the Name of God Amen, the Tenth Day of April; 1710 I Thomas Derborn of Hampton senior, in the Province of New Hamshier in New England, being weak of Body 

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto Hannah my dearly beloved Wife my dwelling House with the Barn Orchard And all my home Lott thereunto belonging, with my Pasture Westward of my House which Lyeth between Land of my Brother John Derborn and Land of John Leavit, I likewise give unto my wife a certain piece of Land be the same more or less which was my father Colcord’s and lieth between Land of Leutt John Smith on the North and Land of sergeant John Tuck on the south and butting on the Country Road on the East; I likewise give unto my sd wife All my moveable Estate within doors with two oxen with all sutable impliments of Husbandry needful for the working of two oxen, As also two Cows and Ten Sheep with all my swine and Mare All the which afore mentioned I give unto my s’d wife as her own proper Estate to despose of at her death or before as shee shall see meet

Item I give unto my s’d wife during her Widowhood my piece of salt Marsh joyning in part to Marsh of Isaac Marston and Marsh of John Godfrie but chiefly upon the River commonly called Browns River, except what I shall despose of hereafter I also order my four sons to find her yearly ten cords of wood
for her use (Viz) Samuel one Cord and half, And Ebenezer one Cord and half; Thomas four Cord And Jonathan three Cord

Item I give unto my well beloved son Samuel one share of Land in the North Division comonly so called, As also one Acre and half of Marsh and Thatch grownd to be laid out to him in that part of my Marsh Joyning to John Godfrie, As also one Quarter part of A share in the Cow Common not yet laid out

Item I give unto my well beloved son Ebenezer one Acre and half of Marsh and Thatch Ground to be laid out to him joyning to his Brother Samuel as also one quarter part of A share of the Cow Common not yet laid out

Item I give unto my well beloved son Thomas Eight Acres of Land joyning to Land where his Brother Ebenezer now dwelleth, As also A share of Land lately laid out near a place called the Temple I do likewise give unto him at his mothers decease or at her second marriage the one half of my Marsh before given to her I likewise give him at my decease all my implements of Husbandry which his mother shall not have occasion for in the improving her two oxen as also all my carpenters tools As also on Quarter part of A Share in the Cow Common

Item I give unto my well beloved son Jonathan one Share of Land lately laid out at the falls and is Joyning to Land of John Green, With one Share in the West Division, And a third part of a share at the falls coming to me by my Father Colcord's right, As also two Acres of upland joyning to my brother John Derborns Pasture which was formerly my fathers, As likewise one Quarter part of a Share in the Cow Common, I do likewise give unto him att his mothers decease one half of my Marsh given to my wife

Item I give the remainder of my Cattle and Sheep not disposed of to be equally divided amongst my Grand Children which shall be living att my decease, Excepting one cow which I give unto my son Thomas

And I do constitute and appoint my Dearly beloved Wife to be my sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament, And I do
hereby utterly disallow revoke and disanul all and every other
former Testaments Wills Legacies Bequests, and Executors be-
fore named by me in any ways, Ratifying and Confirming this
and no other to be my last Will and Testament: In Witness
whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and seal the Day and Year
above Written

Signed sealed and declared by Thomas X Derborn [seal]
the said Thomas Derborn to be his mark
his last Will and Testament in the
presence of us the subscribers

Thomas Webster
John dearbon Jun
Tho: Crosbie

[Proved June 9, 1710.]

[Inventory of the estate of Deacon Thomas Dearborn, June 3,
1710; amount, £290.10.0; signed by Thomas Crosby and John
Dearborn.]

JOHN HORNE 1710 DOVER

[Warrant, blank, April 10, 1710, for the appraisal of the estate
of John Horne of Dover.]

THOMAS HANSON 1710 DOVER

In ye Name of god amen ye 24 day of ye 2 month 1710 I
Thomas Hanson of Cochecha in ye Towne of Dover in ye prov-
ence of Newhampshire planter being sick and weak of bodey

Item I give and bequeath to Marey my well beloved wife
halfe ye purduece of my homestead to be raised and levyed oute
of ye Estate.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well bloved sun Nathanuall
ye trackt or parcall of land lying and being betwene Rainers
brooke and ye Indion widgwom broock
Item I give and bequeath unto my well be loved daughter maray a suffisent Maintaince oute of my Estate or homested to gether with her mothers fether bead Duiering her Life time if shee sees scose but if other wise I give unto her twentye powne lawful money to be raised and levyed oute of my homestede and y^st fether bed to be parte of y^st twenteypownd

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Elezabeth y^st sum of ten powne to be raised and levyed oute of my home steed in lawfull money and to paid by my beloved sun James home I opint my Excutor

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved sun James Hanson home I lickewise Constitute make and ordaine my onley an sole Executor of this my laste will an testament all and singular all y^st lands of my home steed onley I macke my wife duering her life time Joynly Executerecks with him and to have half y^st purduse of y^st place duiering her life time and After her dece to be y^st onley and sole Executor of all my lands of my homested of this my laste will and testament by him freely to be possesed an Injoyd and I doe heare by uterly disallow revok and disannul al an Every other formor testements wills an legacies be fore this time named willed and bequeathed ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my laste will and testament in witnise whereof I heare unto sete my hand and seale y^st daye and yeare above writen and furder it is my will y^st my sun James shall have a yoake of oxen and all tacklan an geare belongen theare unto an also y^st after I and my wifes decease all y^st moveabels goods shall be Equaley devided amongst all my Children

signed sealed published pronounced by y^st s^d Thomas X Hanson [seal] his mark

Thomas Hanson as his last will and testament in y^st presentce of us y^st subscribs

Jonathan watson
Richard Scamon
John Bampton
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

Be it known to all men by these presents ye whereas I Thomas Hanson of Cochecha of ye Towne of Dover and province of Newhampshire planter have made and declared my late will an testament in wrighteing bearing date ye 24 day of ye 2th month 1710 I ye s'd Thomas Hanson doe by this present Codicil Confirm an ratifie my s'd laste will and testament I give and bequeath unto my well beloved sons Thomas and John ye s'd parsall of land ye I purchesed of henerey Nock Comonly Coled an known by ye name of Nocks mash and also I have gave: ye s'd have allreadey had Ethe of them a yoake of oxen an tacklan and geyars beloning their unto and my will and meaning is ye this Codicil schedule be and be a Judged to be a parte an parcel of my s'd last will and testament and ye s'd all things theare in Contained an mentioned be faithfully an truly performed and as fully an amply in my laste respect as if ye s'd same ware soe declared an set down in Every will an testament

and also I have given unto my well beloved Daughters marrey an Abagall and theay have allreadey had Eashe of them a Cowe and a feathear bead a pece this is to put an End to diferance ye may arise after my decease an to sartifi all whome it may Consarne ye these heare mentioned have had theare parts and porshens ye have gave them with ye s'd reste of my Children in witnes wheare of I have heare unto sete my hand and seale this sixth day of ye 3 month 1710

signed sealed published and declared by ye s'd Thomas Hanson as parte of his laste will an testament in ye presents of us ye subscribers

John Bampton
Richard Scamon
Jonathn watson

[Proved Dec. 5, 1711.]

[Inventory, Nov. 8, 1711; amount, £250.16.6; signed by John Tuttle and Tristram Heard.]

WILLIAM WILSON 1710 HAMPTON

[Administration on the estate of William Wilson of Hampton, cooper, granted to his widow, Elizabeth Wilson, April 26, 1710.]

[Bond of Elizabeth Wilson of Hampton, widow, with Lieut. Joseph Swett and John Gove as sureties, in the sum of £100, April 26, 1710, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Joseph Smith and Elizabeth Smith.]

[Abigail Wilson of Hampton, daughter of William Wilson, makes choice of Joseph Swett of Hampton as her guardian, April 26, 1710; witnesses, Joseph Smith and Charles Story.]

[Inventory, signed by Joseph Gove and John Gove: amount, £71.12.0.]

[Settlement of the estate, allowed May 20, 1716; estate, less funeral charges, £64.11.7; claims against estate, £12.10.11; one third to the widow, and the remainder divided equally among four daughters, Abigail Wilson, Martha Wilson, Hannah Wilson, and Elizabeth Wilson.]

[Licence to the administratrix, June 8, 1716, to sell real estate, that division may be made among the children.]
[Probate Records, vol. 9, p. 12.]

CALEB GRIFFITH 1710 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Caleb Griffith of Portsmouth granted to Henry Lyon of York, Me., and his wife, Elizabeth Lyon, formerly widow of the deceased, May 24, 1710.]

[Bond of Henry Lyon, with Edward Ayers and Clement Hughes as sureties, in the sum of £300, May 24, 1710; witness, Samuel Penhallow.]
ISAAC GODFREY 1710 HAMPTON

In the name of God Amen I Isaac Godfrey of Hampton in the Province of new Hampsheire in newengland (ffarmer) being weake of Body  

1 Item: I give and bequeath to Hannah my Dearly beloved wife the previledg of my Dewlling House for to Live in so Long as she shall Live or till she shall marrey agine: and also I give unto Hannah my wife all my houshould goods for her to dispose of as shee shall see meeete: and also Jonathan is for to provied for hannah my wife meat drink and fier woode and to maintaine her Comfartabell and Honerabell so Long as shee Lives or till she shall marrey again; and if my Son Jonathon shoud fail in any pertickeler then my said wife shall have full power for to make seal of any of my Esstat ayether Land or marsh for her Comfertabell Livelyhood deuring the tarme abovesaid; and my three Daughters is to have Liberty for to Live in my now Dewlling House tille they shall marry that is to say Abigail Elizabeth and hannah

2 Item. I give to william my wellbeloved Son my Lott of Land in the north plaine being ten acres more or Less as tis Layd out and the House and Barn upon itt: and the north Ende of my Lott in the west sfield Butten upon Jonathan Elkins taken the hoole Breadth of my Lotte till itt Comes to John ffuller Bounds betwen the sd ffuller and Parkins and So Square of to Henry Darborn and also the on half of my west medow william to Devide and Jonathon to Chuse; and also my nine acres of Salt marsh on the South Side the ssalls River Butten on m' Husseys ffarme; and also my two sudermost Stacks in my marsh att Burch Iland being about fouer acres to to be parted as we use to move them: and also the on half of my medow Joyning to the Parsonsag william to devid And Jonathon Chuse: and also one shear in the Cow Common that was my father marrons and also two Lotts on in the first north Devition and on The second north Devition; and also two half shears in the first west Devition and on shear in the Second west Devi-
tion; and also my Two Timber Chains that he has now in his possession.

3 Item: I give to Jonathan my well beloved Son all these things hereafter mentioned only what is before Excepted: viz my home Lott that Is to Saye plow Land and pauster Land and Housers Barns orchards: and also my Southerly End of my Lott in the west feild that is not before disposed of: and also the on half of my west medow william to Devied and Jonathon to Chuse: and also the on half of my medow Ad Joying to the parsonage Land william to Devied and Jonathon for to Chuse: and also all my Remainer of my marsh att Burch Island only the two Stacks that I desposed of before; and also Six acres of Salt marsh Laying on the north side of the falls River; and also one Shear of the Cow Common that was formerly my father william Godfrey's; and also two half Shears in the first west Devition and on shear in the Second west Devition; and also on shear in the Second north Devition; and also all my Right att kingstowne: only Jonathan is not for to dispose of any thing so Long as my wiff Liveth: and also I give unto Jonathon all my Stock of what Cinde so ever and also all my Implyments for Husbendery of what sort soever only what is before disposed of.

4 Item I give to my well beloved Daughter Abigail ten pounds in marchantabell paye as itt passes from man to man to be payd By my Son Jonathon Godfrey with in on yeare after my Decess.

5 Item: I give to my well beloved Daughter Elizabeth ten pounds in Marchantabell paye as itt passes from man to man to be payd by my Son Jonathon Godfrey with in two years after my Deceses.

6 Item: I give to my well-beloved Daughter Hannah ten pounds in marchentabell paye as itt passes from man to man To be payd by my Son william Godfrey with in two yeares after my Deceses.

And I do make Constitute and Appoint my well beloved Sons william Godfrey and Jonathon Godfrey to be my sole Executors to This my Last will and Teastiment In witnes here unto I the
before mentioned Isaac Godfrey have here unto put my hand And affix my seale this Eleveneth day of July in the yeare of our Lord seventeen hundred and Ten and in the nineth yeare of Her Maj-esties Reigne Queen Anne over England

my Intent and meing is that my Sons shont Com to A Devi- tion so Long as my wiff Liveth this was aded before the signing and sealing:

  witnness
Jonathan Philbrick
John Garland Junor
Samih Dow

[Proved March 5, 1717/18.]


[Inventory, Feb. 28, 1717/18; amount, £827.13.0; signed by Jabez Smith and Thomas Elkins.]

GEORGE CHESLEY 1710 DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of George Chesley of Oyster River granted to his widow, Deliverance Chesley, and his brother, Joseph Chesley, Sept. 5, 1710.]


[Bond of Deliverance Chesley, widow, and Joseph Chesley, with Capt. James Davis and John Smith as sureties, all of Oyster River, in the sum of £200, Sept. 5,1710, for the administration of the estate.]

[Inventory of the estate of George Chesley of Oyster River, who died June 8, 1710; taken Dec. 23, 1710; amount, £413.18.0; signed by Joseph Smith and Abraham Bennick.]
SAMUEL WINSLEY 1710 KINGSTON

[Administration on the estate in Salisbury, Mass., of Samuel Winsley of Kingston granted to his widow, Catherine Winsley, Oct. 5, 1710.]


[Inventory, taken by Solomon Shepard and Samuel Eastman; amount, £36.10.0; attested by the administratrix Oct. 5, 1710.]

[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

Provence of } Artecelsius of agreement made and Con-
Newhampsheir } cluded upon the ninteenth day of novembr 1723
and In the tenth year of his majestys Ragine king Geoarge over
gratt brittain france and Irland &c
As to y° devesion of y° Estate of Sam° winsley late of kings-
towen In said provence decesed
which Is as fouolloweth

firstly to y° widow of y° said sam° winsly desedes Cattren winsly
one half of y° first devesion In said towen so Called and the Est
devesion and y° tweny acre Loot Laying betwen y° Louer second
devesion and y° two hundred acre grant

2ly as to Sam° winsly y° son of y° abovesd Sam° winsly desedes
for his part one halfe y° first devesion and y° forty Acre Loot In
y° uper devesion next Chesser and one share In y° Common.

3ly many pages part of y° abovesd Estat who was dafter of y°
abovesd sam° winsly desedes and now y° wife of John page of
Salsbury In y° County of Essex in provence of y° masetusetts bay
In newe ngland Cordwiner which part Is as fouelloweth one third
of y° two hundred acre grantt and the north grant and y° Litell
Loot nextt Exeter line Below Israels meddow and one share in y°
Common.

4ly the part of Elisha winsly y° son of y° above said sam° winsly
desesed as to y° abovesd Estat which Is as fouolloweth y° second
devesion and y° twenye acre Loot Laying betwen y° two hundred
acer grant and the west devesion and one share in y° Common.
5ly as to ye part of Hannah Winsly ye dafter of the above said Samuel Winsly in ye above said Estat which is as foulloweth two thirds of ye two hundred acre grant and one share in ye Common and we ye above named Cattren Winsly widow Samuel Winsly John Page and Mary Page the dafter Elisha Winsly and Hannah Winsly do by these presents Bind our selves our heirs Executors administrator and assignes to stand fully Satisfied as to ye devise of ye above said Estat as is above mentioned as witness our hands and seals ye day and year above mentioned.

It is to be understood ye Eben Stevens of ye town and provence abovesd is Chosen by ye abovesd Hannah Winsly to be garder to hir and he doth allow of this abovesd deviseon this was Intred befor sining and sealing of thes presents as witness his hand.

Signed Sealed and delivered hir

In ye presents of us Cattren X Winsly [seal]
Peter Colcord mark
John Fifield Samuel Winsly [seal]
Samuel Easman John Page [seal]
Elisha Winsly [seal]
Mary Page [seal]
Eben Stevens [seal]

[Inventory, Feb. 29, 1723/4; amount, £330.0.0; signed by Samuel Eastman and John Fifield.]

JOHN HARRIS 1710 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of John Harris of Portsmouth, formerly of Boston, Mass., granted to Oliver Williams of Boston, Mass., merchant, “Now in Portsmouth,” 1710.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 183.]

[Bond of Oliver Williams for the administration of the estate, partly filled out; signed by Oliver Williams, Richard Wibird, and William Fellows.]
[Inventory of goods in possession of John Harris, merchant, "who, being bound for Loudon wth Cap' Martyn, Deceas'd at Portsmouth the — Novemb' 1710"; amount, £417.3; attested by Peletiah Whittemore and Peter Papillian Dec. 15, 1710.]

[Account of Oliver Williams, administrator, for the settlement of the estate; charges, £33.8.4.]

WINTHROP HILTON 1710 EXETER

[Administration on the estate of Winthrop Hilton of Exeter granted to his widow, Ann Hilton, no date.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 88.]

[Inventory of the estate of Col. Winthrop Hilton, Nov. 29, 1710; amount, £1000.18.0; signed by Theophilus Dudley, Moses Leavitt, and Biley Dudley.]


[Account of the administratrix against the estate; amount, £644.8.6; one item is the maintenance of six children from the time of taking the inventory, three years and nine months.]

[Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 201.]

[Order of court, Oct. 3, 1717, that the whole estate of Col. Winthrop Hilton of Exeter be sold, and that the balance, £1334.0, after paying the debts, be paid to Ann Wadleigh, formerly the widow of Col. Hilton, in consideration of her expenses in caring for the children and settling the estate.]

[Sundry accounts, claims, notes, etc., containing signatures of Richard Hilton, John Coleman, John Knight, Winthrop Hilton, Robert Coffin, Thomas Webster, Ephraim Severance, Samuel Penhallow, Jr., Benjamin Clark, John Light, James Jeffrey, Edward Ayers, Samuel Mighill, Mary Polly, Richard Gerrish,
Joseph Moulton, Samuel Hinckes, Nathaniel Webb, John Plaisted, George Jaffrey, and Michael Bowden.]

BENJAMIN MATTHEWS 1710/11 DURHAM

[License, March 9, 1710/11, to Francis Matthews of Oyster River, son and administrator of the estate of Benjamin Matthews of Oyster River, to sell real estate, Francis Matthews, Jr., son of the administrator, and next heir, consenting.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 186.]

THOMAS DOWNES 1711 DOVER

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Downes of Dover granted to his son, Gershom Downes of Dover, yeoman, April 13, 1711.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 189.]

[Bond of Gershom Downes of Dover, yeoman, with Tobias Hanson and Ephraim Wentworth, both of Dover, yeomen, as sureties, in the sum of £200, April 13, 1711, for the administration of the estate of his father, Thomas Downes of Dover, house-carpenter; witnesses, Susanna Ellison and Charles Story.]

[Warrant, April 20, 1711, authorizing Capt. John Tuttle and Lieut. Tristram Heard, both of Dover, to appraise the estate.]


ELIZABETH FABES 1711 NEWCASTLE

[Administration on the estate of Elizabeth Fabes of Newcastle granted to John Holden of Newcastle and his wife, Deborah Holden, daughter of the deceased, June 6, 1711.]

[Bond of John Holden of Newcastle, joiner, with Theodore Atkinson of Newcastle and John Pickering of Portsmouth, gentlemen, as sureties, in the sum of £300, June 6, 1711, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Nathaniel Green and Charles Story.]

—— ABBOTT 1711

[Citation is ordered, June 7, 1711, to be sent to John Abbott to show cause why his brother, —— Abbott, should not administer his father’s estate.]


HOPKIN DAVIS 1711 PORTSMOUTH

Proe of N—— Hamps’ In N—— Engl’d In America Elizabeth Stoneman Aged about Sixty five years & Deborah Branscum Aged about fifty nine years Deposeth & sth y’ they well knew Timothy Davis Sen’ of Portsm. In y’e Proe of N—— Hamps’ afores’d Joyner who is now fifty years of age or thereabouts to be y’e lawful Reput’d Son of Hopkin Davis formerly of Portsm. afores’d Tanner Dec’d & y’ y’ s’d Tim’ Davis was Born by Ruth y’e Wife of y’ s’d Hopkin Davis who was y’e Daughter of John Roberts of y’e village of Pamfret Aiskell Belonging to y’e Town of Swansey In Glamorgan-shire Millwright In Great Brittain & farther sth not——

Eliz’ X Stoneman
her mark
Deborah X Branscum
her mark

Capt et Jurat In Portsm. In Nova Hampsh’ in Nova Anglice undecimo Die July Ano Dom — 1711 Ano 9: R Regine Anne nune Anglice &c: Decimo

Coram John Plaisted of y’e Council
& Jus’ Peace et unus Quorum
Cha’ Story Secretary & Jus’ Peace

[Deeds, vol. 22, p. 222.]
THOMAS FERNALD 1711 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Fernald of Portsmouth, mariner, granted to his widow, Elizabeth Fernald, Aug. 20, 1711.]


[Bond, in blank, Aug. 20, 1711, signed by Elizabeth Fernald, George Jaffrey, and Charles Story; witnesses, Elizabeth Armstrong and Susanna Ellison.]

RICHARD SLOPER 1711 PORTSMOUTH

In the Name of God, Amen—
I Richard Sloper of Portsm° In the Province of New Hampsh° In New England— being old, and Infirm, * * *

2. I give and bequeath unto my beloved Son Richard sloper, the Sum of twenty pounds money; but If in case he bee dead, or dies before my son Henery my will is, that it then reverts unto my 8th Son Henery Sloper

3. I give and bequeath unto my aforesaid Son Henery Sloper, twenty Eight pounds money besides

4. I give unto my beloved Daughter martha, the Wife of obediah Mors Jun° the sum of ten pounds Money.

5. I give unto my Daughter Eliz° Sloper the Sum of ten pounds money.

6. I give unto my Daughter Tabitha, the wife of — Bridgman, fourty shillings mony. All which sums aforesaid, I will, shall be payd by my Son Ambrose Sloper within two years after the Decease of me and my wife he being obliged by a certain Instrum° to pay so much unto my order, In all amounting to Seaventy pounds; as appears from under his hand March 27, 1706.

7. I give and bequeath unto my beloved Wife Mary Sloper, all the rest of my Estate both real and personall, to bee to her comfortable use and Subsistence during her Naturall life; and what she leaves to bee unto my Daughter Elizabeth Sloper and her proper disposall
Finally I make and Constitute my said Wife, and Daughter Eliz’a Sloper my sole Executrixes unto this my last will and Testam’ thereby Injoyning them to pay all my Just debts, and funerall charges I also desire my Brother Mark Hunkyn & cousen Tobias Langdon, overseers,

In testimony to all and singular the premises, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this 26th octbr 1711.

Signed, Sealed and Declared his

In the presence of Richard X Sloper [seal]

Sam’l Penhallow,

Sam’l Penhallow— Junr

Benj’a Clark—

[Proved Dec. 28, 1713.]

[Bond of Henry Sloper, with John Knight and John Janvrin as sureties, Feb. 1, 1712/13, for the administration of the estate; witness, Robert Rutherford.]

[Citation to Capt. Henry Sloper of Portsmouth, mariner, April 20, 1720, to appear in answer to the complaint of Elizabeth Sloper, executrix, and account for a certain part of the estate.]

JOHN CHURCH JR. 1711 DOVER

[Administration on the estate of John Church of Dover, yeoman, granted to his widow, Mercy Church, Dec. 5, 1711.]


[Inventory of the estate of John Church, Jr., of Dover, oldest son of John Church of Dover, Nov. 9, 1711; amount, £209.0.6; signed by John Tuttle and Tristram Heard; attested by Mercy Church, administratrix, Dec. 5, 1711.]


[Bond, in blank, for the administration of the estate, Dec. 5, 1711, signed by Mercy Church, Tristram Heard, and Tobias Hanson.]
HENRY RICE

In The name of God Amen the thretie one day off december in the year of our Lord God one thousand Sevin hundred and elevin I Henry ryce of the towne of dover in the provance of New hampshire being aged and well struckine in yeares but of perfect memorie and a sound desposing mind blessed be God for it do make this my Last will and testament in manner and form following In first I beqwath my Sowll to God that gave it and then my bodie to be discretlie burried by an Christian buirall in Soum Conveniant place at the discretion of my Executrix then and there in easter mentioned and after my funerall charges defryed my Just and honest debtes payed I will and dispose the remainder of worldlie goods and esteat in manner and form following I will and bequath my whole estat in money and my beding and all my other Goods what some ever unto Eleizabath Chaslee the onlie Lawfull daughter of George Chaslee deceased lat of oyster river and to be hold and had to the forsaid Eleizabath Chaslee to her her haires executores Administrators or asigneys for ever and do hereby Constitut and ordaine deliverance Chaslee my Lawfull Executrix in all thinges in trust to see this performed Immaidiatlie eafter my decease and buiriall and do hereunto Annax my hand and seall

In presence of
Jonathan woodman
John tomsun
David Kincaid

I doe Renounce all my Right of Executorthipp to the above Nominated will this 13th June 1712 & desire Letters of Administraction to be Granted to James Jackson the decd's sonn in Law

witnesses
Cha: Story
John pickerin

[Administration on the estate of Henry Rice of Oyster River granted to James Jackson of Oyster River, yeoman, June 13, 1712.]

[Bond of James Jackson, with William Jackson and William Jenks, all of Oyster River, as sureties, in the sum of £100, June 13, 1712, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Nathaniel Hill and Charles Story.]

JOEL WHITTEMORE 1711/12

[Administration on the estate of Joel Whittemore, mariner, granted to his brother, Pelatiah Whittemore of Portsmouth, merchant, Jan. 9, 1711/12.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 200.]

HENRY WILLIAMS 1711/12 HAMPTON

In the Name of God Amen I Henry Williams of Hampton in the province of New Hampshire being weak of body * * *

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Christian Williams One third part,

Item, I Give to my Sonn Thomas Williams one third part, And to my Daughter in Law Lydia Haskins a third part, To have And to hold, to them their Heirs, Ex* Adm* and Assigns for Ever, And my Will is it be Equally Divided, in such manner as it may best suite every perticuler person, as much as possible may be, provided alseoe that if my Sonn Henry Williams live and come here to receive it, I give and bequeath to him the Sume of Fifteen pounds to be paid five pounds a peice to him by the persons befoe Named that is to Say five pounds out of Each third of the Estate, And my Will is and I make Constuite and appoint my Said wife Christian Williams and my Sonn Thomas Williams the true and Sole Executrix and Executor to this my last Will and Testament, In Confirmation hereof I have sett to my hand, and fixed my Seal this, before the Signeing and Sealing hereof I doe declare I wholly Except my Right of Land and Marsh and Meadow, I have at Black pointe there is nothing intended of any Rights or
Claimes, I have in that part of that province, and to what is all above written in Confirmation hereof I sett to my hand and affix my Seal this first day of February one thousand Seven hundred Eleven, twelve, and in the tenth year of Her Maj's Reigne.

Signed and Sealed Henry Williams [Seal].

Witnesses
Nathl Wear
Saml Cass

[Proved April 10, 1712.]
[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 203.]

[Thomas Williams renounces executorship of the estate of his father, Henry Williams of Hampton, April 7, 1712; witnesses, Dorothy Chapman and Lydia Haskins.]
[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 203.]

[Administration on the estate of Henry Williams granted to his widow, Christian Williams, April 10, 1712.]
[Probate Records, vol. 5, p. 52.]

SAMUEL RYMES 1711/12 PORTSMOUTH

[Inventory of the estate of Capt. Samuel Rymes, in possession of Mrs. Mary Martin, taken Feb. 6, 1711/12, at the request of Samuel Wentworth and John Wentworth, attorneys for John Clifton of London, Eng.; amount, £695.0.0; signed by Samuel Penhallow and George Jaffrey.]

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Rymes of Portsmouth, mariner, granted to John Wentworth of Portsmouth and Samuel Wentworth of Boston, Mass., merchant, Oct. 1, 1712.]

[Bond of John Wentworth, with George Jaffrey as surety, both of Portsmouth, gentlemen, in the sum of £1000, Oct. 1, 1712, for]
the administration of the estate of Samuel Rymes of Portsmouth, mariner; no witnesses.]

To R. Waldron Esq* Judge of probate &c

Whereas administration has bin lately granted upon the Estate of Cap' Sam'l Rymes late dec'd & no Settle'mt of the 9th Estate yet made, for that one of the Children is under age another at Sea so y't it cannot be yet well done. Wee therefore y'n Subscribers mary Clifton relict Widdow & Sam'l W'm & Christopher, sons of y'n aforesd Sam'l Rymes dec'd are humbly of Opinion & it will be most agreeable to us that y'n Estate for the p'sent may be thus Improved viz* That y'n Widdow & her Eldest Son Sam'l Rymes have the use of the house & Orchard in equal halves & that y'n Warehouse & wharfe together w' th the land be let out to best advantage of y'n Widdow & Children in equal proportions & this for & Dureing y'n term of three years from y'n day of the date & at y'n Expiration thereof the whole Estate to be Divided & Settled as the Law directs & further that that halfe of the house w' th Sam'l Rymes now enjoys shall be part of his portion of y'n Estate w' th it comes to be fully Settled— & this being acceptable to us wee pray yo' Favour & order accordingly

Dated at Portsm° 5th march 1717/8

Jn° Wentworth

for Mary Clifton

Sam'n Rymes

Chris'n Rymes

I consent to y'n desire of the Subscribers above & order y'n Estate to be setted at p'st according to the tenor of the above writeing

Rich'd Waldron Judge of probate &c

Portsm° 6th of March 1717/8

[Order of court, Dec. 5, 1719, allowing John Wentworth and Samuel Wentworth, administrators, to sell real estate to pay debts.]

This Indenture of Partition made this fourth day of Sep' Anno Domini One thousand Seven hundred & twenty two Between Sam'n Rymes Will'm Rymes & Christopher Rymes all of Portsm° In
New hampsh' In New England Marriners Witnesstheth that they y° S° Sam° Rymes W° Rymes & Christopher Rymes are & Do Now Stand Seized & Possessed of y° Dwelling house Ware house & Lands Adjoyning to y° Same in free w°th their Honoured father Sam° Rymes Late of Portsm° afore S° marriner Dec° Died Seized & Possessed of S° houses & Lands In free by w°th Means it descended & Came to his three Sons above named Now to y° End a perpetuall Divission Shall be had & made between y° S° Parties off & and in y° S° houses & Lands it is Covenanted Concluded & Agreed by and between y° S° Parties to these s°sents in manner & form following And first y° S° W° & Christ° Rymes for themselves their heirs Ex° & Adm° by these s°sents that their S° Bro° Sam° Rymes his heirs & Assigns Shall from henceforth have hold & Peaceably Enjoy in Severalty to him his heirs & Assigns for Ever: that Is to Say The Late Dwelling house of their S° father Sam° Rymes Situate Lying and being in Ports° above S° & Land Butted & Bounded as followeth Viz° y° Land of Eliz° Eburn on y° Northerly Side, the Land of m° Mary Martyn on y° Southerly Side, y° high Street on y° Westerly End, y° Land of Sam° White on y° Easterly End of part of S° Rymes & y° Same Lott of S° White also Butting on part of y° Northerly Side of S° Rymes's Orchard & y° Lott of Land of m° Henry or W° Caswell in part on y° S° North Side of S° Rymes Orchard & from y° South East Corner of S° Caswells Lott to run Square over Southerly as S° Rymes' Orchard was formerly fenced In about Ninety foot to y° Southerly Side of S° Orchard then up Westerly or y° South Side S° Orchard as formerly fenced in up to y° Land of m° Martin afore S° & then on y° East End of S° M° Mary Martins Land to S° Rymes' own Land ag° & also the Westermost half of y° wharff Were house & Land Lying on y° Creek near m° Edw° Ayers's To have & to hold all & Singuler y° above S° house half Warehouse Wharf and Lands as above butted & Bounded together w°th all y° Priviledges & a°tenances thereof unto y° S° Sam° Rymes his heirs & assigns for Ever to his & their own proper Use Benefitt and behoof from henceforth & for Ever in full of his y° S° Sam°
Rymes' part or Portion of his Sd ffather Samn Rymes' Reale Estate on y' Bank in Portsmo And y' Sd Samn Rymes for himself his heirs Exn & Admn Do Covenant & Engage to his Sd Brothers Willm & Christo Rymes that they y' Sd Wm & Christo Rymes y' heirs and assigns Shall from henceforth have hold & Peaceably Enjoy in Severalty to them Selves their heirs & assigns for Ever that is to Say all that peice or ¶ cell of Land Scittuate in Portsmo afore Sd being butted & Bounded as followeth Viz't by y' Land of M'n Mary Martin afore S'd & the Orchard of Samn Rymes afore S'd on y' North, y' high Street on y' West & South and a Small Lane or Street on y' East y' End of y' above S'd Samn Rymes & y' Land of y' above S'd Caswell on y' West & y' high Street against y' Land formerly M'r Wm Keaises on y' North, All of it Lying in y' form of an Ell And also y' Easterly half of y' Wharf & Land & warehouse afore S'd together wth all y' ¶ vilegdes & a ¶ tenances to y' Same belonging or in any Wise a ¶ taining To have & To hold all & Singuler y' above S'd Lands warehouse Wharf & ¶ vilegdes whatsoever to them y' Sd Wm & Christo Rymes y' heirs & Assigns for Ever to them & their own proper Use Benifitt & Behoof from hence forth & for Ever And s' further y' parties above named for themselves & Each for himself his heirs Exn & Admn, Do Covenant & Engage (y' above S'd parts & Portions of y' S'd ffathers Lands as above Sett out Butted & Bounded) Each unto y' others his & y' heirs & Assigns To Warrant Secure & for Ever to defend In Wittness whereof they y' Sd Samn Rymes William Rymes & Christopher Rymes have here unto Sett thire hands & Seals y' Day & year first above written 1722.

It is further agreed by y' afore S'd Samn Rymes y' he Quitt Claim to y' Land y' new part of M'n Mary Martins house now Stands upon & Down Easterly So far as y' S'd Mary Martins Land for him his heirs and assigns for Ever—

Sealed & Delivered

In ¶sence of us

David Gregory

Samn M'nemarra

Samn Rymes [seal]

Willm Rymes [seal]

Chriso Rymes [seal]

[Deeds, vol. 13, p. 1.]
ROBERT ALMARY 1711/12 PORTSMOUTH

The Last Will and Testament of Robert Almary of Portsm° In the Province of New Hampsh° In New England.

I Robert almary being of Sound memory and understanding butt verry Inserm & weake • • •

2 Unto my Beloved wife Hannah Almery I give the free and full use and benefitt of all my dwilling House garden, and previledges thereunto belonging during her widowhead; I moreover give her all my Household goods linin & plate beds and bedding, money debts bills bond and what ever elce of right belongs to me excepting what is hereafter Excepted which I give unto my beloved Children viz° I give unto my beloved Son Jn° Almary the sum of ten pounds money.

I give unto my beloved Son Geo: Almery Robert Almery, Hannah Hill, & Rachel Almery five pound each to buy them a mounring Suit I moreover give the Said George Robert, Hannah & Rachell all my dwelling House yard gardin and previledges thereunto belonging Imeadiatly at there mothers death or if ever she may alter her wid nord state to be Equally devided between them, to be to them and there heirs for ever.

Finally I make and Constitute my beloved wife Hannah Almery sole Executrix unto this my Last will and Testament; obliging her to pay all my Just Debts and funerall Charges, also to be verry carefull & tender of all my Childrens welfare

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto sett my hand & Affixed my Seal y° 20 feb° 1711

Signed Sealed & declared

in y° Presents of

Sam° Penhallow
John Partridge
Sabina X Lewis marke

his
Rob° X Almery
Mark

As an Appendix and further Explination of this my Last will & Testament my will is that if in Case my Daught° Hannah Hill should dye before my Grand daughter Eliz° Hill arrives to the
age of Twenty years, that then the Quarter part of y° House I
within mentioned w° I have given her mother shall be her my s°
grandaughter and her own free disposall and benefitt

Witness
Sam° Penhallow
John Partridge
her
Sabina X Lewis
mark

[Proved June 8, 1716.]

EDWARD GOVE 1712 HAMPTON

An agreement made and Concluded betweene Ensigne John
gove and Ebenezer gove of hampton in the Province of new
Hampshire in New England

These Presents Declaireth and Witnesseth that whareas our
honoured Father Edward gove of hampton in said Province De-
ceased some Years Since and left his Lands and Estate undisposed
of by will and there happening to be many arears and disburst-
ments ariseng to the Lands belonging to our Said father and
haveing in some Compitent measure Come to a Settlement thereof
wee the Sons and Suckcessers of our S° father Viz° John gove &
Ebenezer Gove to the end wee may Injoy our parts of Land and
Propiety to ouer Selves our heirs and Suckcessors w°out invaid-
ing and Intruding or Claiimeing of Right of Propiety in one or
the others Precincks wee the said John Gove and Ebenezer Gove
are Come to a full and final Agreement w° is as followeth; The
Said Ebenezer Gove to have the homested whare he now Dwells
his Land thereof bounded Easterly on the Cuntry Road that Lead-
eth from hampton too Salsbury northerly as the fence now Stand-
eth betweene him and his brother John Gove and westerly on
Lands of Thomas Chace and Southerly on a Small Peace of
Land belonging to the Said Tho: Chace this whomested Contain-
ing thirty acres more or Less as it is bounded; as also a lott of
Land Some times John stevens Laid out in a place Com'only Called Halls Farme, Containing foure acres more or Less as it is laid out bounded on Land Some times Andrew Greeles Eastward, and Land of one fellowes westerly it being the fourty fifth Lott in number in that divition as also ye said Eben' Gove To have Severall two acree Lotts of meadow or marsh Land wch are as followeth Viz' In a Place Called Halls farme, two acres of marsh bounded Easterly on marsh of Isach Greene, and westerly on the ends of Severall mens Lotts as of William osgoods m' stanyans and other Lotts, also two acres of marsh or meadow bounded wth Wm osgoods Land northerly and abraham greens Southerly wch Lott was Some time John Illslys more or less as it is, as allso a lott of meadow or marsh Containing two acres more or Less Lyeing Something Eastward of the Island Called greenes Island bounded wth the Land of abraham greene on the west and Isach greene Easterly and Joseph french Southerly and abraham greene northerly and also a lott of meadow or marsh Containeing two acres more or Less Lyeing in the Said Place Called halls farme bounded northerly on Calib Perkins marsh Isach Greenees Easterly and Southerly John French Westerly, all these Severall Lotts or peaceces of Land as it is herein Specified wth all wood under wood Springs, all Proffits and Priviledges thereunto belonging is to the Said Eben' Gove To Have and to hold to him his heires Exec' Adm' and assignes forever; And all the Rest of the Lands any way belonging to our Sd Father Edward gove be it airable Lands meadows marshes Pasture Land Com'onages writs and Priviledges under what name or Denomination whatsoever they may be Called, is and Remaine to the Said John gove To have and to hold: to him his heires Exec' Adm' and assignes wth all Proffits Priviledges and Appurtenances whatsoever thereunto belonging forever Without any Pretence of Interest title or Claime of what nature soever of ye Sd Eben' gove his heires or Suckcessors forever. In Confirmation of all above written in this Said agreement wee doe catch for our selves Sett to our hands and fix our Seales this twenty Sixt day of march Anno Dommini
one thousand Seaven Hundered and Twelve and in the Eleventh year of our Soveraigne the Lad Ann over great Britaine france and Ire Land Queene Defender of the faith./

Signed & Sealed
John Gove [sele]

In y° Presents of us
Ebenezer Gove [sele]

Nath' Ware Sen'

Iscooc Green

[Deeds, vol. 8, p. 200.]

WILLIAM HASKINS 1712

[Christian Williams renounces administration on the estate of her former husband, William Haskins, April 10, 1712.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 203]

--- CASS 1712 HAMPTON

[Jonathan Cass, son of — Cass of Hampton, makes choice of his father, — Cass, as his guardian April 10, 1712; witnesses, Thomas Phipps and Charles Story.]


TIMOTHY HILLIARD 1712 HAMPTON

In the name of God amen: This 16 Day of aprell 1712 I Timothy Hiliard of Hampton in the provin° of New hamshier in New England being Crazey (and not knowing the Day of my death) but of perfect minde and memory, Thanks be to God: * * *

Imprimis. I give and bequeath to my well beloved Daughtr Elizabeth Shaw all my moveable Estate, Axcept my plow-tackling which I Reserve to my Executors.

Itim. whereas I have formerly givin one third-part of my homestead to my son Benjamin Hiliard, by Deed of gift, I now give to
him (my sd son) one third part more of my homsted, with two third parts of all my out Lands and Com'ons, with two third parts, of my farm Rights, and Orchard, and two thirds of all my marsh and meddo ground, and all my Dwelling hows, Itim: I give, and bequeath, one third part of all my homsted, upland meddo ground salt marsh and orcherd, with out third part of all my out lands, Com'onidg and farm rites, to my Grandson Benja-
min Hiliard when he shall Cum to the age of twenty-one years, and my sd grandson shall have the Liberty to sett a hows over that Celler where my owld hows now stands, (If he pleas) when he shall Cum of age. furthermore: I order that my abovesd move-
ables, given to my Daughter Shaw at my Deceas, shall be apprised, and If it shall fall short of sixty pounds, it shall be made up sixty pounds by my sd Son and Grandson, Each according to his proportion, (to say, my son two thirds and my Gan: son one third

I also Constiutte make and ordaine; my son Benjamin Hiliard my sole Executor to this my Last will and Testament, and I Doo herby Disallow, Revok and Disan'ull all and Evry other former testaments, wills, Legacies and bequests, and Executors, by me in any ways before named, willed and bequeathed, Retifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last will and testament, in witnes wherof, I have herunto set my hand and seall the Day and year above written

Signed sealed published and performed and Declared by me Timothy Hilliard as my Last will and testament before us the subscribers
James Philbrick
Joseph Philbrick Junr
Nathan Philbrick

Be it known to all men by these presents that Wheras I Timothy Hilliard of Hampton in the province of New Hamshier in new-
England have made my Last will and testament, as on the other side, bearing Date the 16th Day of April 1712, I the said Timo Hiliard, by this present Codicil Doe Ratifie and Confirm my Last will and testament; and Doe give and bequeath unto my well-beloved wife, besides what I have Confirmed to her formerly in an Instrument bearing Date the 20th of September 1712, Viz that my son Benjamen Hiliard shall give unto mehitobell my beloved wife two Calves with the two Cows mention’d in the above named Instrument, and shall keep said two Cows and one Calf, for his mother (in law,) winter and summer so long as she shall Live in my house or Remain a widow, and that my said wife shall have the use of the East End of my house where we now Live, with the Celer under and Chamber over it, during her natural Life or widowhood and if my sd wife shall think best to Remove and Live in some other place; she shall have power to Latt out her said house, only giving my sone Benja: the Refusing of it, my son Benjamin shall also give her his sd mother two good sheets & one good new Bed blanket and one box to put Lining in, and shall find his sd mother with one year provishon after my Decease and my will and meaning is that this Codicil or schedule be, and be adjudged to be part and pannel of my sd Last will and testament and that all things herein mentioned and Contained, be faithfully and truly performed, and as fully and amply in Every Respect, as if the same were so Declared and set Down in my sd Last will and testament, witness my hand this 9th Day of January in the year 1720/21.

Witness

Ephram marston
Jm* Philbrick

[Proved Dec. 4, 1723.]

[Inventory, signed by Nathaniel Weare and Joshua Wingate; amount, £805.0.0; attested by Benjamin Hilliard, executor, March 4, 1723/4.]
In the Name of god Amen

I Thomas Chase of hampton in the province of Newhampshier in newengland being aged & weke of body • • •

Itim I give & bequeth to my brother Joseph Chace my right in a pece of medow lyinge neare the widow bristors lot Comonly So Called my right beinge one halfe of that pece of medow the other halfe beinge my sd brothers alredy all my right & intrest in that pece of medow bee it more or less I give to my sd brother Joseph

2½ I give & bequeth to my brother Isaac Chace fourer pounds in good marchanteable pay to bee payd at Currant prize, to bee payd to him, by my brother Jacob garland within the space & time of fourer years after my deases ifhee the sd garland intend to have the pece of march heare after mentioned

3½ I give & bequeth to my sd brother Jacob garland upon Condition that hee payeth the asorfsd four pounds to my brother Isaac Chace not elce : a Certaine pece of Salt march, beinge in the township of hampton lyinge not farr from burch Iland So Called which Sd march hee the sd garland has had the use & Improvment thereof of a Considerable time alredy, the sd march lyinge on the north or northerly sid of a great Cryke runinge westerly in the march it beinge part of my nine acers as I Comonly Called it,

4½ I give & bequeth to mary Chace the daughter of James Chace one Cow

5½ I give to the widow Duglis & her daughter mary Duglis duringe theier Naturell life the Sumeringe of one Cow in my pastuer every Sumer so longe as they or ether of them live in the house where they now dwell nearne my house not Elce/

6½ I give & bequeth to my Cousen Abigall Chace the daugh- ter of my brother James Chace & now widow & relect of John Chace deasesed all my moveble Estatt that is to Say my Stoke of Cattell of what natuer So ever & goods & utensills in the house to her & her heiers for ever, Also I give unto the sd Abigall
Chace the use improvement & benifett of the one halfe of all my housinge & orchard lands & medows not other ways disposed of durninge her Naturall life if Shee remains a widow & also the use improvement & benifett of the other halfe of all my housinge orchard medows pasturs & all my lands, untill her sons Jonathan Elihu & John Chace Come to the age of twenty one years to whome I give it as is heare after exprest:

7th I give & bequeth to the sons of John & abigall Chace namly Jonathan Elihu & John, all my housinge orchard lands eareble pastuer medows marchis & all rightes of Comonage all lands of what Natuer Soever not otherwise disposed of by this my will to them & theier heiers for ever which are lawfully begoten of theier owne body to be equely devided betwene them that is to Say: they are to recive the one halfe of my sd lands when they Come to the age of twenty one years & the other halfe at the deases of theire mother Abigall Chace, if shee remaine a widow durninge her Naturall life if shee hapen to marry, her Children (viz) Jonatham Elihu & John to recive & enter upon the whole of the lands at the age of twenty one years & theaier mother abigall Chace to have the use & benifett of sd lands untill that time as is before exprest And my will is that no part of my sd lands Shall be Sold, but it Shall remaine to the sd Jonathan Elihu & John to them and theier heiers lawfully begotton of theier owne body for ever equely to bee devided betwene them as aforesd & if eather of them hapen to dye before he has any heier lawfully begotton as aforesd then to bee equelly devided betwene the other two & if two of them dye before he has any heier lawfull begotton as aforesd, then to bee unto him that is livinge & his heiers lawfully begotton as aforesaid, and if hee dye without heiers as aforesd then my will is it shall bee & returne to the Eldest daughter or daughters of the sd abigall Chace that shall bee then livinge, but if all her sons & daughters dye without heiers as aforesd, my will is that it Shall bee & remaine unto my brother Isacc Chaces Eldest Son that shall bee then livinge which in that Case Shall bee my proper heier

8th whereas I have Sold a pece of land to moses Norrice ot
exeter & upon failuer of payment there is a forfittuer my will is that if the sd norrice shall & doe within a yeare after my deses pay the mony accordinge to Condition mentioned in his sd deed then the land to bee & remaine to the sd norrice, but if hee doe not pay the mony the sd land is to bee returned accordinge to Condition Specified in Sd deed & then my will is that the land Shal bee equelly devided betwene the two daughters of Abigall Chace which shee had by her husband John Chace deasesed Namly Elizabeth & hanah Chace Shall have but if the mony bee payd by the sd norrice to the excetrix or executor to this my will that they or either of them Shall have liberty at the age of fourteene years to make Choice of theier gardien: who may demand & receve the mony of the executor or excokitrix & improve it to the best advantige hee Can till thay Come to the age of eighteen years & then deliver it with what profit Shall bee to the two daughters Namly Elizabeth & hanah Chace & if ether of them die before they recive thier part of the mony then the other livinge to recive the whole

Item I give & bequeth to Henry williams & to Christian his now wife a small pece of land where the sd williams his house now Standeth of about fouer rod square bounded easterly on the Contry road northerly on the fence by the metinge house yard westerly toward the house where Sarah downer dwelt, Southerly to Ephrim Hoitts fence So as there bee a Convenen way left to the well: & so to the house where Sarah downer somtims dwelt & after the deasese of sd henry williams & Christian his wife I give it to the daughter of sd williams wife Namly lidia haskins & if Shee dye without havinge any Child then to the next of sd Christins children that Shall bee proper heier

Item I make Constitutt & apoint my well beloved Cousan Abigail Chace widow & relect of John Chace deasesed my true & lawfull Exckitrix to this my last will & testament but if shee shall see Cause not to except thereof then I make ordaine & apoint Captin Jacob greene to bee my true & lawfull executor; to this my last will, but if hee shall See Cause not to except thereof, my
will is that the Judge of the probat of wills doe apoint an executor, or over seare to see this my will performed untill the Son of the sd abigail Chace now widow, Shall arive to the age of twenty one years who at that age I make Constitutt & apoint him my true & lawfull executor my meaninge is the eldest of the Sons of the sd Abigall Chace that are now livinge & if hee dye before hee Come to the age of twenty on years of age then his brother that Shall first bee of the age of twenty on years to bee executor to this my last will

the lyne & two halfe lyncs oblittereted on the other page was before the Signinge and Seallinge heareof signed & sealled this twenty sixth day of aprill Ano: Dom: one thousand Seven hundred & twelve and in the eleventh yeare of her majestys reign the lady Ann over great Brittin queen &c

Witnness
Nathan Weare Jun'.
John Gove Sr.
Tho Waite

[Proved Dec. 8, 1714.]

[Inventory of the estate of Thomas Chase, who died Oct. 23, 1714; taken Nov. 8, 1714; amount, £837.10.0; signed by Nathaniel Weare, Jr., and John Gove.]

THOMAS PHILBRICK 1712

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Philbrick of Kingston, yeoman, granted to his widow, Mehitable Philbrick, June 6, 1712.]


[Bond of Mehitable Philbrick, widow, with Lieut. James Philbrick and John Redman as sureties, in the sum of £200, Sept. 24, 1712, for the administration of the estate of her husband, Thomas Philbrick of Kingston; witnesses, Joseph Smith and Ephraim Marston.]
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

[Warrant, Sept 24, 1712, authorizing Ebenezer Stevens and Thomas Sleeper, both of Kingston, to appraise the estate.]

[Warrant, Dec. 6, 1712, authorizing Major Joseph Smith and Capt. Joshua Wingate, both of Hampton, to receive claims against the estate.]

[Inventory, Oct. 8, 1712; amount, £141.11.0; signed by Ebenezer Stevens and Thomas Sleeper.]

[License, Aug. 14, 1713, to the administratrix to sell real estate.]

[Various accounts, notes, etc., containing signatures of Joseph Russell, Samuel Rollins, Bartholomew Thing, and Philip Greeley. Mentions a wife, son, and daughter.]
[Probate Records, vol. 3, pp. 245, 249, 251.]

STEPHEN GILMAN 1712 KINGSTON

[Bond of Cartee Gilman of Exeter, with Clement Moody of Exeter and Bartholomew Thing of Portsmouth, shipwright, as sureties, July 7, 1712, in the sum of £200, for the administration of the estate of Stephen Gilman of Kingston; witnesses, Richard Wibird and Charles Story.]

[Warrant, July 13, 1712, authorizing Capt. Nicholas Gilman and Samuel Thing, both of Exeter, to receive claims against the estate of Stephen Gilman, administration of which is granted to his brother, Cartee Gilman.]
[Warrant, July 16, 1712, authorizing John Fifield and Joseph Young, both of Kingston, yeomen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Oct. 3, 1712; amount, £153.16.0; signed by John Fifield and Joseph Young.]

[List of claims against the estate, Oct. 6, 1712; amount, £25.9.6; signed by Samuel Thing and Nicholas Gilman.]

[Various bills, etc., containing signatures of Thomas Webster, Francis Mason, Charles Rundlett, James Dudley, Bartholomew Thing, Daniel Ladd, Samuel Thing, William Long, Tristram Sanborn, Thomas Sleeper, and Joseph Brown.]

ISAAC TRICKEY 1712 DOVER

[Warrant, Aug. 4, 1712, authorizing John Dam and John Downing, both of Dover, to appraise the estate of Isaac Trickey.]

[Administration on the estate of Isaac Trickey of Dover granted to his son, John Trickey of Dover, yeoman, Aug. 13, 1712.]

[Bond of John Trickey of Dover, yeoman, with Samuel Shackford and John Shackford, both of Portsmouth, as sureties, in the sum of £200, Aug. 13, 1712, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Samuel Ring and Charles Story.]

[Inventory, Sept. 16, 1712; amount, £99.12.2; signed by John Dam and John Downing, Jr.]
[Warrant, Oct. 30, 1712, authorizing Thomas Phipps and William Fellows to receive claims against the estate.]

[List of claims against the estate; amount, £123.10.8; signed by Thomas Phipps and William Fellows; allowed July 2, 1714; mentions Thomas Trickey, son of Isaac Trickey.]


[Administrator's account against the estate; amount, £15.12.4; allowed July 2, 1714.]


[Settlement of the estate as insolvent, April 10, 1717; amount of inventory, £99.12.2; administrator’s account, £16.15.4; net estate, £82.16.10; debts due from the estate, £123.10.8.]


HUMPHREY PERKINS 1712 HAMPTON

[Administration on the estate of Humphrey Perkins of Hampton, yeoman, granted to his widow, Martha Perkins, Sept. 16, 1712.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 119.]

[Inventory of the estate of Humphrey Perkins, who died Jan. 7, 1711/12; amount, £174.10.0; taken Sept. 15, 1712; signed by Samuel Marston and John Moulton. On the reverse is written]
"Childrens Names Jonathan Perkins, Lydia, Mary, James, Martha, Sarah, Abigail."

[Bond of Martha Perkins, widow, with Samuel Marston and John Moulton, as sureties, all of Hampton, in the sum of £500, Sept. 16, 1712, for the administration of the estate; witness, Charles Story.]

[Order of court, March 6, 1713/14, allowing the widow to sell certain real estate for payment of debts and support of herself and two young children.]

[Account of the settlement of the estate; amount of estate, £174.10.0; expenditures, £15.7.0; attested by the administra-trix March 6, 1714/15.]

[A scrap of paper, on which is written "my youngest Child was borne in March the forth day in the year 1708"]').

[Various documents bearing signatures of Nathaniel Sargent, Joshua Wingate, Jonathan Perkins, Jasper Blake, Samuel Lunt, and Jacob Clifford.]

THOMAS SEWALL 1712 EXETER

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Sewall granted to his brother, Edward Sewall, and his brother-in-law, Alexander Gordon, both of Exeter, Sept. 19, 1712.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 98.]

[Warrant, Dec. 3, 1712, authorizing Alexander Magoon and Cartee Gilman, both of Exeter, yeomen, to appraise the estate of Thomas Sewall of Exeter.]

[Inventory, June 2, 1713; amount, £53.17.0; signed by Alexander Magoon and Cartee Gilman.]
JOHN LEIGHTON 1712 DOVER

Dover in the provence of Newhamshear the 24th of the 7th month 1712 John Layton his will and desiear how his estate shall be devided after his desece I give to my son Thomas himself and his ayers forever my home place with all the priviliges and buildings thareon binding him to let my wife Ellenor have hous rume and fier wood convenant he shall hall the wood to the dor and cut itt fit to put into the fier as long as shee sees fit to live with him on the place with hous roome for her creaturs thomas shall manage the place to the best advantage that he can and he shall give unto his mother in law ellener the sixth part of the pro-duce of the hole farm the corn husks and the grain the asht and the hay every yeare year by year as long as she liveth I give to my son John him and hairs forever all my land and marsh up the back river binding him to pay ten shillings every year to his mother in law Ellenor as long as she liveth I give my land att madbary to my Sun James after my funiral charg is payed and severall depts payed my mvables shall be equally devided betwene my wife ellenor and my dafter lidia and my son James Sarah hath her portion already in a cow and bead and other things what mvables within dors that can be found which my wife ellenor had when wee ware married one with 2 cows and six good sheepe that shall not be rectened in my estate

witnesses
Joseph Meder
mark
mary X Roalings
her

[Endorsed “not to be recorded.”]

[Inventory, April 8, 1718; amount, £524.1.0; signed by Samuel Emerson and Tristram Heard; attested by Thomas Leighton, administrator, June 4, 1718.]

[Administration on the estate of John Leighton of Dover granted to his son, Thomas Leighton of Dover, June 4, 1718.]

[Probate Records, vol. 10, p. 31.]
JOSEPH SMITH 1712 HAMPTON

In the Name of God Amen: I Joseph Smith of Hampton in ye Province of New Hampshier in New England: being at this present time in good helth of Body: ∗ ∗ ∗

Imprimis I Give unto my beloved Wife Elisabeth the Improvement of all my Estate both Real & personall Dureing the time of her Widdowhood: and if She marrey to Injoy one third part dureing her natureall Life & to have my house & homestead in part of her thirds &c—

Item I Give unto my Couson Jabez Smith my second West Division Lott: lying towards ye old saw mill Joyning to his lott: & also that piece of Land on ye south side tailer River neer Israel Cliffsards

Item I Give unto my Couson Samuell Pages Eldest son my Dweling house & homestead, & half my marsh at ye Clambankes and my share in ye Cow Com'on as it now is: the other half of my marsh at the Clambankes I Give to my above named Couson Jabez Smith—

Item I Give unto my Couson Francis Page my lott in ye old North division—

Item I Give unto my Couson Joseph page my upland, and meadow in the East field towards ye beach.—

Item I Give unto my Couson Jacob Smith my Land at Bridehill: and my share or Lott in ye first West Division—

Item I Give unto my Couson Joseph Smith at Dedham my lott in the Second West division next Salsbury

Item I Give unto my Brother in Lawe William Moors Dauter by his first Wife: Called mary moore all ye Land which Capt. William moore Gave to my Wife formerly mary moore decesed: and also I Give unto ye Said mary moore my above named brother in Law William moore's daughter a Gould Ring Which Was her
Grand mothers which is in a box With another Ring which was
her own mothers together With some other small things which
was her mothers & left in the Care & keeping of her aunt my wife
decedesed, which my present wife Elisabeth is to Deliver to her
father, or her when at age or upon her father will[1] mores demand

Item I Give nathaniell Locke my oldes fether bed or 40: shil-
ling which he shall chuse to be deliverd to him in Conveniant
time after my decease by my wife.

Item my Will & meaning is y[2] what debts, or dues are owing
from me before my decease & not by me paid these to whom I
have Given my Lands pay them in due time after my decease in
Equall proportion as their part of my Lands are apprised: Which
if any of them Refuse to doe then what Lands I have Given him,
or them to be sold by my Executress and the bequest to them
to be voyd.

Lastly my will is y[3] what chattels goods or money I have
Given to my beloved wife Elisabeth and if shee have not ocation
to make use of them in her Life time y[3] shee dispose of What is
left among my Kindred as shee shall in prudence thinke meet

and I Doe appoint my beloved Wife Elisabeth Samuell page &
Jabez Smith all above named Executors to this my Last Will
& testament & in Confirmation hereof I have here unto Sett my
hand & Seal this 28: day of october 1712, in y[5] Eleventh yeare of
Queen Anne her Reign over Great Brittain &c

Signed Sealed & declared by Joseph Smith [seal]
Joseph Smith to be his last will
& testamen in presence of us
Richard Sanburn
John Samborn
Thomas bacheldor

have Given unto Jacob Smith my land at Bridehill I haveing
since sold it to Seth fogg & in lew thereof that ten pounds be paid
him out of my Estate by executors before Named Within Con-
venient time after my decas & if & altho this adition be not Witnessed I char[g]e my Executors to see it performed & if any person Contend at law for any other thing then what I have Given them my Will is y° the Contending party Shall loose his bequest to be devided Equally among y° Rest before named

Joseph Smith

[Proved Feb. 12, 1717/18.]

[Inventory, signed by Joshua Wingate and Peter Johnson; amount, £1034.2.0; attested by Elizabeth Smith and Jabez Smith, executors, March 5, 1717/18.]

[Citation, Oct. 7, 1720, to Capt. Jabez Smith to appear and answer the complaint of Samuel Page that certain articles were not included in the inventory.]

[Citation to Ephraim Jackson of Portsmouth and his wife, Elizabeth Jackson, executrix, Oct. 7, 1720, to appear and answer the complaint of Samuel Page.]

[Statement of Joshua Wingate and Peter Johnson, Dec. 6, 1720, as to the manner of making the inventory.]

m° Eph° Jackson & wife & Cap° Jabez Smith Exec° to y° last will & Testam° of Joseph Smith Esq° appearing at this Court to hear his hon° Decree relating to y° Comp° of Sam° Page Exec° also to s° will ag° them as on file & y° matter having been considered by the Judge It is order'd that y° affair be dismissed for y° y° Exec° difference who are all residuary Legataries is cognizable only at y° Com°on Law

[Probate Minutes, June 7, 1721.]

JOB ALCOCK

1712

PORTSMOUTH

In the name of God amen.

I Job Alcock of Portsm° In the province of New Hampshire in New England being compleatly in Health • • •
In the name of God. Amen.

I give unto my Cozen John Snell and my Cozen Joseph Banckes; and my Cozen John Banckes my farme at York; to them and their heirs for ever allways provided ye Richard Millbre hoe now lives apon it; shall have ye refusing of it as racionell men shall judge; it to be worth.

2dly I give unto Robeart Walker and his wife my house I now live in: Warfe: and Wear houses with all privilege and Apertenancs ther unto belonging to him and his Heires for ever; he paying unto Abiall Hill: twenty-five pounds Currant Money of Newingland halfe a year after my Decease: also I give unto Abiall hill My great bras: Kittell: and Cubard: A fether bed and Coverlde:

3dly: I will ye: after my funerall Charges: and Leggis: be paid that what: mony: or Lands Is Left Is to be Equily Devided: betwen my two Execttar:

4dly: I give unto Abigall Walker my Lands In England which was her antes Desire and all my Moveables Not: Mentioned In my Will to her and her Heiar for Ever

5d: I will ye Mary Werright and Hanah Littellfield And Samuel Allcock: and Joseph allcock ye: Thay be paid twenty Shillings Apeas: to be paid In one year: after My Decease by my Excutors:

6: I will ye Ebenezer Hill and Robart Walker b my two Excutors to this my Last will and testement: and allsoe that Cap: Thomas Phipps: and Mr Samuel Keais be my oversears to see ye: performenc of This my wille and ye Thay be paid twenty Shillings Apeas by my Excutors In mony:

Sined Sealed and delivered In the presence of us this 2d of December: 1712

elizabeth marshal
Mary Sherbuern
Sam1: Keais

[Proved Jan. 27, 1716/17.]
EDWARD SEWALL        1712        EXETER

[Bond of Sarah Sewall of Exeter, widow, with Daniel Bean and Alexander Gordon, both of Exeter, yeomen, as sureties, in the sum of £200, Dec. 3, 1712, for the administration of the estate of her husband, Edward Sewall of Exeter, yeoman; witness, Stephen England.]

[Warrant, Dec. 3, 1712, authorizing Lieut. John Gilman and Cartee Gilman, both of Exeter, to appraise the estate.]

[Administration on the estate of Edward Sewall granted to his widow, Sarah Sewall, Dec. 6, 1712.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 132.]

[Inventory, April 17, 1713; amount, £193.12.6; signed by John Gilman and Cartee Gilman.]

[Edward Sewall, aged about fourteen years, and Sarah Sewall, aged about sixteen years, children of Edward Sewall, make choice of their grandfather, Nicholas Gordon, for their guardian, June 7, 1715.]

[Account of the estate by Samuel Lovering in behalf of his wife, Sarah Lovering, formerly widow of Edward Sewall, 1717.]

[Order of court, 1717, allowing the widow £22.10.10 for her third interest, and Samuel Lovering £47.0.0 for his account for the settlement of the estate; total, £69.10.10; amount of personal property, £67.12.6; the balance, £1.18.4, they relinquish to save the lands from sale.]

[Guardianship of Elizabeth Sewall, daughter of Edward Sewall, granted to her uncle, Alexander Gordon, April 10, 1717.]

[Guardianship of Thomas Sewall and Samuel Sewall, minors, under the age for choosing guardians, sons of Edward Sewall of Exeter, granted to their grandfather, Nicholas Gordon, April 10, 1717.]

[Probate Records, vol. 9, p. 52.]
[Bond of Nicholas Gordon of Exeter, yeoman, with Joseph Hall of Exeter, yeoman, and Abraham Bennick of Lubberland as sureties, in the sum of £800, April 10, 1717, for the guardianship of his grandchildren, Thomas Sewall and Samuel Sewall, sons of Edward Sewall; witnesses, Richard Gerrish, Jr., and Alexander Gordon.]


MUNGO CRAWFORD  1712  NEWCASTLE

[Letter, Susanna Crawford to Charles Story, dated Boston, Nov. 13, 1712, accepting his and Theodore Atkinson's administration in her behalf.]


[Administration on the estate of Mungo Crawford granted to Charles Story and Theodore Atkinson, in behalf of the widow, Susanna Crawford of Boston, Mass., Dec. 6, 1712.]


[Bond of Theodore Atkinson of Newcastle and Charles Story of Portsmouth, with Richard Wibird and Benjamin Gambling of Portsmouth as sureties, Dec. 6, 1712, in the sum of £500, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Joseph Sherburne and Henry Johnson.]

[Inventory of the estate of Mungo Crawford of Newcastle, Dec., 1712; amount, £166.13.8½; signed by Richard Wibird and John Frost.]

[List of claims against the estate, April 9, 1714; amount, £400.9.5.]

[Division of the estate of Mungo Crawford of Newcastle, merchant, under the administration of Theodore Atkinson and Susannah Story, widow of Charles Story; amount of estate, £228.18.6; claims allowed against the estate, £400.9.5; charges of administration, £55.12.2; allowed May 3, 1716.]


EDWARD KENNARD 1712 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Edward Kennard granted to his son, John Kennard of Portsmouth, mariner, Dec. 6, 1712.]
[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 264.]
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

[Bond, in blank, signed by John Kennard, Charles Story, and Joshua Peirce; witnesses, Robert Armstrong and Edward Sargent.]

[Warrant, Dec. 6, 1712, authorizing Mark Hunking and Thomas Phipps, both of Portsmouth, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, signed by Mark Hunking and Thomas Phipps; amount, £130.0.0.]

WILLIAM MORGAN 1712 EXETER

[Administration on the estate of William Morgan of Exeter granted to Edward Masury of Exeter, yeoman, and his wife, Abiel Masury, formerly widow of the deceased, Dec. 9, 1712.]

[Bond of Edward Masury, with Benjamin Jones and Charles Rundlet, as sureties, all of Exeter, in the sum of £400, Dec. 9, 1712, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, William Fellows and Charles Story.]

[Inventory, Feb. 6, 1712/13; amount, £34.0.0; signed by James Sinclair and Benjamin Jones.]

RICHARD SHORTRIDGE 1712 PORTSMOUTH

[Warrant, Dec. 19, 1712, authorizing Mark Hunking and George Walker, both of Portsmouth, to appraise the estate of Richard Shortridge of Portsmouth, administration of which is granted to his widow, Alice Shortridge.]
THOMAS JONES 1712/13 NEWCASTLE

The deposition of John Russel of full age Testifieth and Saith That The Seventeenth Day of This Instant January That: he was at The: house of Shadrack Bells where Thomas Jones Lay Sick and The said John: Russel asked The said Thomas Jones whome: He intended to leave: his estate To and He answered That thay that did most for Him should have it and farther saith not—

Pro: N: Hamp'
Sworne the 23rd of Jan' 1712
before Theo: Atkinson J: Peace

The deposition of mrs Sarah Reed of full age Testifieth: and Saith That The sixteenth of This Instant January: That she: was: at The house of Shadrack Bells: whare: Thomas Jones: lay Sick and she: The said Sarah: Reed Asked The Said Thomas: Jones and Advised him To make: his Peace: with God and also to settel: his Esstate And he answered and Said Thay That loocked after Him should: have it and farther saith not—

Pro: N: Hamp'
Sworne the 23 Jan' 1712
before Theo: Atkinson J: Peace

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Jones of Newcastle granted to Shadrach Bell of Newcastle, fisherman, Jan. 23, 1712/13.]

NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

[Bond of Shadrach Bell, with Meshech Bell and Thomas Paine as sureties, in the sum of £50, Jan. 23, 1712/13, for the administration of the estate; witness, J. Bridger.]

[Inventory, Jan. 29, 1712/13; amount, £25.5.0; signed by Andrew Peperell and Thomas Paine.]

[Various accounts, containing signatures of Timothy Davis, Theodore Atkinson, Honor Bryant, Thomas Paine, Matthew Williams, and Sarah Reed.]

ISAAC GREEN 1712/13 HAMPTON

In the name of God amen ye 20th day of febuary 1712. I Isaac Green of Hamton in new hamshier in New England laborer being weak in body *

Impri: I give & bequath unt Mary Green My dearly beloved wife all my housing stock of cattle money debts houshold goods & all moveable estate to be at her own dispose to her & her heirs for ever excepting my iron chains wth my will is they should be devided between my two sones namely Jacob & Isaac Green wth Isaac shall divide & Jacob chuse also I give unto my st wife the whole improvement & use of all my real estate both lands & Marsh with all the appurtenances during her widowhood—

2nd I give & bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Mehetabell Page the one half of a six acre lot of salt Marsh lying in Salisbury Cow Common division near the long pines so called wth I bought of Jacob Bradbury—

3rd I Give & bequeath unto my beloved sone Jacob Green all the rest of my Marsh lying southerly of Andrew Grelys Mill in ye township of Salisbury as also the one half of two lotts of marsh wth is between my brother Abraham Green & myself wth is yet undivided as also thre Acres of Marsh containd on two small Islands a little northerly of sa Greelys Mill as also a lot called ye pond Lot together with all my land at a place called high spain butting
upon ye road leading to Exeter all wch sd Marsh & land my sd sone is to be posses of at my Wifes decease or as soon as she shall be Marryed again—

4th I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Isaac Green all the rest of my land & marsh which I have in Hamton or else where not before disposed of (except my common Right in hamton wch my will is it be devisd betwixt my sd sones wch Isaac shall devide & Jacob chuse if ever it be laid out) & my sd sone Isaac shall possess ye sd land & marsh at my sd wifes decease or as soon as she shall marry again—

5th My will is that my son Isaac shall pay as a legacy thirty pounds in or as money to my beloved daughter Mary Green when she comes to the age of twenty one years & also twenty pounds in or as money to my sd Daughter Mehetabel Pages four Children which she had by her husband dow five pound to each Child when they come to the age of twenty one years

Item. I make Constitute & ordain my loving wife Mary Green my sole Executrix of this my last will & testament & I do hereby utterly disallow revoke & disanull all & every other former testament by me in any wise before named willed & bequeathed, Rati-fying & Confirming this & no other to be my last will & testament in witness wherof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the day and year above written—

Signed sealed published proclaimed & declared by the sd Isaac Green as his last will & testament in presence of us the subscribers

Jacob Bradbury
Thomas Crosbie
deborah Crosbye

[Proved June 6, 1716.]

[Inventory, May 25, 1716; amount, £761.17.0; signed by Benjamin Brown and Thomas Crosby.]
THOMAS ROUSE 1712/13 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Rouse granted to his widow, Rebecca Rouse, March 6, 1712/13.]

[Bond, in blank, signed by Rebecca Rouse and Anthony Rowe; witness, George Vaughan.]

[Warrant, May 22, 1713, authorizing William Walker and John Savage to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, signed by Benjamin Gambling and William Walker; amount, £106.4.0; attested June 2, 1713.]

SAMUEL WENTWORTH JR. 1712/13 BOSTON MASS.

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Wentworth, Jr., granted to his father, Samuel Wentworth of Boston, Mass., merchant, March 6, 1712/13.]
[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 136.]

[Warrant, Feb. 16, 1715/16, authorizing Capt. Nicholas Gilman and Srgt. Samuel Dudley, both of Exeter, to appraise the New Hampshire estate of Samuel Wentworth, Jr., of Boston, Mass., merchant.]

[Inventory, March, 1715/16, signed by Nicholas Gilman and Samuel Dudley. The estate is “one hundered & thirty acres of land lying in Quanscot patent given him by his Granfather Mr Andrew Wiggin Deceast,” valued at £130.]
THEOPHILUS DUDLEY 1713 EXETER

In the Name of God Amen the Eight day of april in the year of our lord: one Thousand Seven hundred & Thirteen I Theoplius Dudley of Exeter in the Province of New Hampshir in New England gentleman being very Sick and weak in body * * *

Item I Give unto my well beloved Brother: Biley Dudley whom I likewise constitute make and ordain my only &: Sole Executor of this my last will & Testament: all my: moveable Estate: & all my moneys: and my house: & orchyard with about a acre of land to him and his wife forever to be at their own Dispose: Item I give unto my Brother Biley Dudly two Thirds of all my lands and medow Lying Between the Larys land & Staynels Brook: below the way within fences and the other third part of ye said land & medow unto my Sister hardy during their Natural life: and after the decease of my Brother biley on third part of his two thirds unto my Cousen Stephen Lyford and the other third part unto my Cousen Theoplius Hardy: and after ye decease of my sister Hardy her third part I give unto my said Cousen Theophilis Hardy: to be by: them possessed and Enjoyed: Item I give unto my Brother Thomas dudley and to my sister Lyfords three youngest Daughters & to my cousen Marcey Hilton my hundred acres of land at the head of Brayes lot above Jeremiah Gillmans to be Equally Divied amongst them: Item I give unto my cousens Theophilus Hardy & Stephen Lyford my fifty acre of land at the head of Kingsley Hall hundred acre lot to be Equally devided amongst them and do hereby utterly Disallow revoke & Disannul all and Every other former wills testaments and lagacies bequeasts and Executors by me in any wayes before this time named willed and bequeathed ratifying & confirming this and no other to be my last will & Testament: In witnese whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seale the day and year above written.

Item I give unto my cousens Theophilus Hardy and Stephen Lyford my lands above the way between the larys & Stanyels
Brooke Joyning to said way to be Equally devided amoungst them both being about fourteen acres:

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and declared by the said Theophilus Dudley as his last will and Testament in the presences of us the Subscribers viz:

Thom* Webster jr
Sam** Dudley
Joseph sinkler

[Proved June 3, 1713.]

MATTHEW NELSON 1713 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Matthew Nelson of Portsmouth, tanner, granted to his widow, Agnes Nelson, April 11, 1713.]


[Bond of Agnes Nelson, widow, with Thomas Westbrook and Nathaniel Tuckerman as sureties, in the sum of £500, April 11, 1713, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, John Peverly, Matthew Nelson, and John Edmunds.]

[Inventory of the estate; amount, £1163.13.0; signed by Thomas Westbrook and Henry Sherburne.]

[Account of the administration of the estate; amount of estate, not including homestead, £222.14.0; expended, £279.14.4.]

[Order for the division of the estate, Sept. 19, 1715, "that the Widdow have one thurd p't of both Real and personal Estate during her natural life and that the other two thurds be Equally devided amongst the Children the Eldest haveing two Sheirs Save only that the two thurds partes of the Land be devided In Seven Sheires amongst the Six Sons they giving Security to pay there
Sisters Each there proportions of S[a] Land when they come to Age or marry.” Capt. Tobias Langdon and Capt. Thomas Westbrook, both of Portsmouth, are appointed to divide the estate.

[License, June 6, 1716, to Agnes Nelson, administratrix, to sell real estate.]
[Probate Records, vol. 9, p. 1.]

Mem[a] to write a new order for ye Division of Matthew Nelsons Estate & to date it 7 years backward
Nath[n] Tuckerman appointed Guardian to mark Nelson & to Wm Nelson if he s[d] Wm desire it he being of age to chuse his Guardian
[Probate Minutes, March 8, 1720/1.]

W[a]s Cap[t] Westbrook & Cap[t] Langdon were impowered to make a Devison of m[f] Mathew Nelson Dec[d] his Estate but they not perfecting the Same it is therefore authoriz’d that m[f] James Jeffrey be Joined w[i]n Cap[t] Langdon to finish s[d] Division
Wm & mark Nelson having chosen Nath[n] Tuckerman their Guardian it is allow’d by ye Judge
[Probate Minutes, March 6, 1722/3.]

HENRY NOCK  
1713  
DOVER

In the Name of god, Amen, the Twentie third Day of may, 1713: I Henry Nock of Dover in ye Province of New Hampshier Weaver; being very Sick and Weak in Body  *  *  *

Imprimis I Give and bequeath to Sarah my Dearly beloved Wife Whome I Likewise Constitute make and ordain my sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament, all and singular my Lands, Messuages and Tenements by her freely to be possesed and Enjoyed

Item I give and be queth to my Brother Sillvenas Nock my half partt of a Cross Cutt saw and a pair of chisels
nextly I give and bequeath to my Cousen silvenas Nock a great Coat and my Broad Ax—

Item I give and bequeath to my Cousen Thomas Nock my Beast Hatt—

Nextly I give and bequeath to my Cousen Zachariah Nock my best Gunn—

And I Do hereby utterly Disallow, Revoke and Disannul all and every other former Testimants, Wills Legacies and Bequests and executors, by me in any waies before Named, Willed, and bequethed Rattifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testiment: In Wittness whereof, I have here unto set my hand and Seal the Day and year above Written

sighned Sealled Published Pronounced and Declared by the said Henry Nock, as his Last will and testament in ye Presence of us the Subscribers

Samuell Tebets sen'  
Benjamin Peirce

[Proved March 2, 1713/14.]

[Inventory, May 19, 1714; amount, £180.6.3; signed by Silvanus Nock and Samuel Tibbetts.]

JOHN LOWE  1713  PORTSMOUTH

[Bond of Joanna Lowe, widow, with William Fellows, vintner, and Samuel Hart, smith, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £1000, June 11, 1713, for the administration of the estate of her husband, John Lowe of Portsmouth; witnesses, Richard Wibird and Charles Story.]

[Administration on the estate of John Lowe of Portsmouth granted to his widow, Joanna Lowe, June 14, 1713.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 112.]
[Inventory, July 22, 1713; amount, £593.5.0; signed by William Fellows, Samuel Hart, and Michael Whidden.]

[List of claims against the estate; amount, £151.13.11.
"The deceased John low: deperted this life: on May ye 24th
1713:
"The names of his Children and thare Ages when he dyed
are as followeth:
"Sarah Low 11 year and 3 mounths
"Mary D 9 year & : 1 Mounth
"John : D 6 year & : 8 mounths
"Johanah D 4 : year & : 3 Mounths
"Nathaniell D 1 year & : 1 Mounth"]

WILLIAM. HOSKINS 1713 NEWCASTLE

[Administration on the estate of William Hoskins of Newcastle
granted to James Chaddock and his wife, Rachel Chaddock,
dughter of the deceased, June 15, 1713.]

[Bond of James Chaddock of Newcastle, weaver, with Timothy
Davis of Portsmouth, joiner, as surety, June 15, 1713, for the
administration of the estate of William Hoskins, joiner; witness,
Charles Story.]

[Warrant, June 15, 1713, authorizing George Walton and John
Searle, both of Newcastle, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, June 16, 1713; amount, £6.0.0; signed by George
Walton and John Searle.]

JOHN FROST 1713 STAR ISLAND

In The Name of God Amen I John ffrost of Starr island in ye
Province of N: Hampshire ffisherman *

Imprimis I Give & Bequeath unto my Dear & Loving Wife
Sarah frost during her Naturall Life if shee dye my widdow ye free & Sole use Income benifitts & profits of All & Singular my Estate as well reall as psonall on this Island & Elsewhere but if it so happen that shee Marry my Will is that my Execut pay her fowry pounds Viz twenty pounds in houshold Stuff Such as Shee Shall chose & twenty pounds in Mony & my Will is that if my Sd wife dye my widdow that her funerall Charges be Defrayed out of my Estate

Item I Give & bequeath unto John frost ye Son of my Eldest Son Jn° Deceas'd all that my Land at Bricksum that was my fathers & Also a piece of salt Marish Lying in York Marishes Next to m° Tho° Daniells to him ye Sd Jn° & ye heires of his body Lawfully begotten for Ever & in Case of failure of Such Issue ye Sd Land & Marish to bee Equally Devided between all my other children

Item I Give & Bequeath unto my Son Sam° his Heires & Assignes for Ever after ye decease or Marriage of my Sd wife ye one half of my now dwelling house & ye garden adjoyning thereunto

Item I Give & Bequeath unto my Son Ithamer and ye heires of his body for Ever ye other half of my Sd House & Garden Adjoyning to bee Equally between them at ye Time aforesd.

Item I give & bequeath unto my Deare & Loving wife all my houshold Stuff of what nature or kind Soever to be disposed off as shee shall see meet at her Decease

Item I Give & Bequeath all ye remaining part of my Estate not hereby Disposed of having given my Son in Law William Box a Deed of Gift of ye Land that his house stands on: Viz my land in Yorke & Elsewhere & all & singular my Stages Stage rooms, boat if any bee morings moring places flakes flakrooms that was formerly m° Phebeans that I bought of Capt: Jn° Lane together with all & Singular ye rights priviledges appertenances belonging to ye fishery & fishing places to bee Equally Divided between my Sd Two sons & Sd Son in Law to them & to their Heires & Assignes for Ever my son Ita mars part & Interest therein to bee to ye heires of his body for Ever only & as for
y° division of y° flak room my Will is that William ffox have his part next Capt Diamonds Dec° & So a third part of y° breth from Sd Diamond to Jn° Muchemores & I Doe appoint my Son Sam° ffrst my Sole Executor of this my last will & testament hereby disannulling all other in witness & Confirmation hereof I have here unto Sett my hand & Seale y° 22° of June Anno Dom:

Signed Sealed & Declared by Sd Jn° ffrst to bee his last Will & Testament in presence of Nathaneil Lord

y° marke of John X ffrst [seal]
y° mark of Eliz X Cruz
J Haniford

[Proved March 7, 1718/19.]

[Inventory, May 19, 1719; amount, £470.4.6, and 332 ounces of silver money; signed by Nathaniel Lord and Joshua Moody.]

FRANCIS JONES 1713 PORTSMOUTH

In the name of god Amen

I ffrancis Jones beeing very agged and weak * * *

Item I give unto my beloved wife Susanah all my Estate both houses Lands feilds orchards wood Cattell or goods Untisiles Beds Pewter Brass or Iron or what ever thing or things were or accounted or acknowledged mine in my life tyme Item I give unto my beloved son Abraham Jones all those things expresed that I have given unto my beloved wife Susanah Imediately after her deceas: I also order and appoynt my son Abraham att his Mother decease: to pay unto My Daugh° Abig° Banfeild five pounds in cash And also my Sd Son to pay unto Sam° Widdon Junior his wife Sarah five pound In cash and furthermore I appoynt and order that my Sd Son shall give unto my Daug° Mary Jones seven pound in cash and one acre of Land Lying Next to John
Lang and Six apple trees with Six apples shall remain in her possession six years and then to return again to my Son Abraham. And further I order that my son Abraham shall have full six months' time after our decease, to pay all those for mentioned legacies. And further I appoint my wife to be whole and sole executor; of this my last will and testament I order all the moveables which then shall be left shall be given unto my daughter Mary after our decease as witnesseth my hand and seal this twenty second of August 1713. Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of us.

Test
Samuel Swan
John Cutt
Jacob Lavers

[Proved May 7, 1718.]

[Petition of Hugh Banfield, John Savage, and Edward Phillips, sons-in-law of Francis Jones, for leave to appear and show cause why the will should not be allowed.]

[Administration on the estate of Francis Jones granted to his son, Abraham Jones of Portsmouth, May 7, 1718, the widow, Susanna Jones, named executrix in the will, having died.]

[Probate Records, vol. 9, p. 166.]

[Bond, in blank, signed by Abraham Jones, Jacob Lavers, and Samuel Clark; witnesses, Benjamin Gambling and Mary Gambling.]

[Inventory, Aug. 2, 1718; amount, £226.16.0: signed by Ephraim Jackson and Samuel Manson.]

JOSEPH TRICKEY 1713

[Administration on the estate of Joseph Trickey granted to his widow, Rebecca Trickey, Sept. 1, 1713.]

[Bond, in blank, of Rebecca Trickey of Dover, widow of Joseph Trickey of Dover, shipwright, with Jacob Lavers, cordwainer, and Samuel Shackford, blockmaker, both of Portsmouth, as sureties; witnesses, Mary Palmer, R. Gerrish, Jr., and Charles Story.]

[Inventory, June 2, 1714: amount, £60: signed by Nathaniel Hill and Benjamin Bickford; attested by Rebecca Downing, administratrix, formerly widow of Joseph Trickey, Oct. 21, 1714.]

[List of claims against the estate, Aug. 9, 1714; amount, £246.16.8; signed by Samuel Hart and Thomas Peirce.]

[Account of the administratrix, Rebecca Downing, wife of Joshua Downing, against the estate; amount, £718.6.]

[Division of the estate, allowed April 10, 1717; due from the estate, £243.16.8; net estate, £53.15.8.]


In these are mentioned Elizabeth, widow of William Pitman of Portsmouth, June 1, 1714; Sarah Foss, formerly Sarah Fernside, May 25, 1714; William Partridge, Jr., son of Nehemiah Partridge, May 24, 1714; Dodavah Hull, son of Reuben Hull, June 3, 1714; Ephraim Trickey, deceased, brother of Joseph Trickey, Jan. 10, 1714/15.]

HUMPHREY VARNEY 1713 DOVER

In the Name of God amen. the seventeenth day of the Seventh Month one thousand Seven hundred and thirteen I Umphrey
Varney of the Town of Dover in the province of New Hampshire in New England yeoman being weak in body  *  *  *

I give and bequeath unto Sarah my dearly beloved wife the thirds of the purchase of all my Lands to be yearly paid to Her by my Executor after my decease or as they shall agree.

I give and bequeath unto my beloved Sonn Ebenezer Varney Six Shill— to be paid by my Exec after my decease.

I give and bequeath unto my belovd daughter Abigail Brackston one cow to be paid by my Exec after my decease.

And in Consideration that my Sonn peter Varney have taken care of me in my Old age, I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Sonn peter Varney whom I likewise Constitute make and ordaine my Onely and Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament all and Singuler my Lands Messages and Tenements by him freely to be possessed and enjoyed, an alsoe all Houson an Moveable goods both without Door and within, and all the Estate that is mine of All Sorts whatsoever that is found to be mine I give unto my Sonn peter by him Freely to be possessd and Injoyed and I doe hereby Utterly disallow, revoke, and disannull all and Every other former Testaments, Wills, legacies, Bequests and Executors by me in any ways before this time Named, Willed and bequeathed Ratificinge and confirming this and noe other to be my last will & Testament. In Wittness whereof I have here unto Sett my hand and Seal the day and year above written.

Signed Sealed and published Humphrey Varney [seal]
and declared by the Said Humphrey Varney as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us the subscribers.

Joseph Hanson  
Edward Whitehouse  
John Bampton

[Proved June 2, 1714.]
[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 277.]
AARON MOSES 1713 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Aaron Moses of Portsmouth, yeoman, granted to his widow, Mary Moses, Nov. 21, 1713.]
[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 137.]

[Bond of Mary Moses, widow, with John Abbott and John Leach as sureties, in the sum of £500, Nov. 21, 1713, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Benjamin Downing and Charles Story.]

[Inventory of the estate of Aaron Moses, who died in July, 1713; taken Feb. 5, 1713/14; amount, £327.17.4; signed by Tobias Langdon and Hugh Banfield.]

order'd that a warrant of appraisement go out a new on Aaron moses dec'd his estate Wm Sevy James Ralph & Ephraim Denett appraisors only ye land to be apprais'd.]
[Probate Minutes, June 4, 1718.]

[Inventory of real estate, July 12, 1718; amount, £261.0.0; signed by James Randall, William Savage, and Ephraim Dennett.]

[Bond of James Moses of Portsmouth, with George Walker and John Jackson, both of Portsmouth, as sureties, Oct. 19, 1733, for the administration de bonis non of the estate of his father, Aaron Moses of Portsmouth; witnesses, John Penhallow and Elizabeth Penhallow.]

[Warrant, Oct. 22, 1733, authorizing Thomas Beck of Portsmouth and John Sherburne of Newcastle to appraise the estate of Aaron Moses, administration de bonis non of which is granted to his oldest son, James Moses, the widow, Mary Moses, having died.]

[Inventory, Oct. 23, 1733; amount, £191.15.0; signed by Thomas Beck and John Sherburne.]
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[Warrant, Oct. 24, 1733, authorizing John Lang, Thomas Beck, Jr., and Samuel Beck to report on the division of the estate into eight equal parts.]

[Report, Oct. 25, 1733, that the estate cannot be divided without damage to the whole, "& that if the Land be well improved, the whole of it will not be more than sufficient to Maintain one small family, a Great part of y° Land being Rocky & Barren, & but Little firewood upon the whole"; signed by John Lang, Thomas Beck, Jr., and Samuel Beck.]

[Warrant, Oct. 26, 1733, authorizing Seth Ring of Newington, Samuel Brackett of Rye, and Joseph Langdon of Portsmouth to appraise the estate, that the eldest son may purchase the whole.]

[Inventory, April 3, 1734; amount, £294.8.9; signed by Seth Ring, Samuel Brackett, and Joseph Langdon.]

[Administrator's account of the settlement of the estate; amount of estate, £294.8.9; expenditures, £54.18.0; mentions "his Brother Aron (who is since Dead without Issue," "his sister Elizabeth Smith (since dead without Issue"; allowed Sept. 10, 1734, and ordered that the administrator pay each heir £34.4.4½.]

JOHN VARNEY 1713/14 DOVER

In the name of God Amen y° twenty first day of y° Eleventh month in y° yaer of our Lord one Thousand Seven hundred and thirten I John varny of Checker in Dover in the County of n unhamer in her majesties Provinc being very Sik and wek in body but of Parfet mind and memry thanks be Given unto god therefore Cal- ing unto mind mortalty of my body and knoing that it is Apointed for al men once to dy do mak and ordain this my Last wil and testament that is to Say Princpaly and first of al I Give and bequaf the Land which I had by my wif To her youngest Son Nickles
Otes: also I give and bequeat a Pare of Shets to Rebeckah otes: also I Give the bigst Pot and the lest Kittle to Stevn otes also I Give and bequaf the bed and bedding and the Rest of the housel stuf to my Son Nickles otes and if he dyes without an are Lit it be given to Steven otes also I Give and bequeat five Pound of Laful mony to her Dafter Ros otis that her Grandfathe Give to her mother: also I Give and bequeat to my brother Peter varny one half of y* Seven Pound that he ose me; also I give and bequeat the other half to my Sister Abgil Clakston; also I Give and bequeat thirty Akers of Land at Seaterwit to'brother Ebenezers Son John varny also a lot of Land at oster River my fathe Give me by ded of Gift I Give with the Res of the my Estait To my brother Ebenezer varny I Give my brother
Also I Give my brother Ebenezer ful Pour to Git the wil Copid if any wis man Ses fit and if thar be any thing Emis Reckifie it Witnesed my hand and Sel X John varny [seal] his mark Samuell Gaskill Thomas Hanson John hanson

[Proved May 28, 1716.]

[Warrant, March 22, 1715/16, authorizing Lieut. Tristram Heard and William Foss, both of Dover, to appraise the estate.]

[Bond of Ebenezer Varney, with Thomas Hanson and John Hanson, husbandmen, as sureties, all of Dover, in the sum of £200, May 28, 1716, for the administration of the estate; witn- nesses, Edward Wills and Richard Gerrish, Jr.]

STEPHEN PAGE 1713/14 HAMPTON

In the Name of God. Amen. the Six an twenty day of January: 1713: or: 14: I Stephen Page of Hampton in the Province of New
Hampshire in New England: being very sick and weak in Body,

Imprimis: I give and bequeath to mary my dearly beloved wiffe the whole improvement of all my Estate till my Sons shall Come to the eage of twenty on years or until she shall marry againe

Item. I give to my well beloved Son Thomas Page all and singular these primices here after mentioned (viz) two shears or Lotts of Lande in the ould North Devisioyn and two half shears of Lande in the first west Devisioyn and on shear or Lott of Land in the second west Devisioyn as they ar all Layd out and Bounded, and also all my marsh By Benjamin shaws: and also on half shear in the Cow Com'ons as it now Lyeth undevied and all my Right in ye Saw mill: the said Thomas Page is to Come in possession of att the eage of twenty on years: and my son Thomas page is to paye unto my Daughter hannah page the sume of ten pounds when she shall Come to the eage of twenty on years

Item: I give to my well beloved Son John Page all and singular these primices here after mentioned (viz): my now Dewllen House and Barne and all my land att home plowe lande and pastuer and all my fresh medow and my Land att Jacob Garland and also on shear of Land in the second North Devisioyn as they ar now Layd out and Bounded and also on half shear in the Cow Com'ons as it now lyeth undevied the said John Page is to Come in possession of att the Eage of twenty on years: and my Son John Page is to paye unto my two Daughters: vez: Rachel page and mary page the sume of ten pound a peces when then shall Come to the eage of twenty on years—

and I do Constitute and appointhe my well beloved Brother Christopher Page my sole Executors of this my Last will and Testament: and I do hereby utterly disallow Revoke and disannul all and Every other former Testaments wills and Legacies and Bequests and Executors by me in any ways before named willed and bequeathed, Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last will and Testament in witness whereof I
have hereunto set my hand and Seal the Day and year above written

and all my Right in the Saw mill was enter lined before the signing and Sealing.

Signed Sealed published Pronounced and Declared by the said Stephen page as his last will and Testament in the presence of us the subscribers

Samuel Smith
John X Blake Jr
his mark
Sam" Dow

[Proved June 4, 1714.]

[Inventory, March 30, 1714; amount, £275.2.0; signed by Samuel Page and Samuel Smith.]

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HUGH HAYWARD 1713/14 BRISTOL ENG.

[Register of the Douglass at the island of Nevis, Feb. 3, 1713/14, whereof Hugh Hayward of Bristol, Eng., and John Spencer of the island of Nevis are sole owners, and Thomas Walden master; described as square sterned, 40 tons, built at Portsmouth in 1712; signed by Daniel Smith, commander-in-chief of the Leeward Caribbean islands, and lieutenant-governor of Nevis, and John Huffam, collector.]

[Sailing orders for the Douglass, dated Nevis, Feb. 7, 1713/14; signed by Hugh Hayward and John Spencer; mentions "my father in law" George Mason, merchant, of Bristol, Eng.]

[Certificate of the death of Hugh Hayward at the island of Nevis on March 4, 1713/14; signed by Daniel Smith, commander-in-chief.]
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[Protest of the master and crew of the Douglass, May 3, 1714, in which it is stated that "on the Ninth day of April last past, they being with the Said Sloop in the Latitude of thirty Eight degrees North, the Wind being then at South South West, coming from Barbadoes they mett with a Sudden and a Violent Storm at Sea, which forced them to goe before the Wind and Sea, for the Safety of their lifes; at last a very Great Sea broke into the Said Sloop, ffilled Her Deck, Shifted all Her Ballast most of the Cask and Some of the Cargo of Stove their water Cask; Soe that they were in great danger of losing their lifes; And on Saturday the first day of May Currant the Wind being at North No Wt the Said Sloop came into the River of piscataqua in the Said province about three of the Clock in the afternoon"; the crew consisted of Ralph Burne, Jonah Parker, John Cass, and Abra- ham Dent; signed by Thomas Walden; witnesses, Samuel Swan and Richard Parsley.]

[Statement of the crew in regard to the storm; signed by Ralph Burne, Jonah Parker, John Cass, and Abraham Dent.]

[Petition of Thomas Walden to Governor Joseph Dudley, May 8, 1714, for the securing of the sloop and cargo for the owner's estate, the petitioner being under age.]

[Warrant, May 8, 1714, from Governor Dudley, authorizing Charles Story, deputy judge of the court of admiralty, to secure the sloop and cargo for the benefit of the owners.]

[Appointment of John Knight, merchant, Richard Wibird, merchant, Joseph Sherburne, master and mariner, Stephen Eastwick, master and mariner, and John Snell, deputy marshal of the court of admiralty, all of Portsmouth, as custodians of the Douglass and cargo, May 21, 1714.]

[Administration on the estate of Hugh Hayward of Bristol, Eng., mariner, who died at "Nevis in America," granted to
Jethro Furber of Portsmouth, mariner, principal creditor, May 26, 1714.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 275.]

[Bond of Jethro Furber, mariner, with John Wentworth and George Jaffrey, merchants, as sureties, in the sum of £1000, May 26, 1714, for the administration, as principal creditor, of the New Hampshire estate; witnesses, Andrew Rusk and Elihu Gunnison.]

[Inventory of the sloop and cargo; amount, £735.12.6; signed by Richard Gerrish, John Knight, and Richard Wibird.]

[Account of the estate, July 3, 1714; amount of estate, £735.12.6; expended, £510.13.2½; balance due, £224.19.3½; signed by Jethro Furber.]

[Warrant, Nov. 10, 1715, authorizing Capt. Stephen Eastwick and Capt. Joseph Sherburne to appraise the sloop Douglass; signed by Richard Gerrish and Theodore Atkinson.]

TIMOTHY PHILBRICK 1713/14 KINGSTON

[Request of Mehitable Hillard, Jedediah Philbrick, Abraham Bradley, and Daniel Ladd, "the mother and the brothers of the deceased timothy Philbrick," Feb. 5, 1713/14, that John Sleeper of Kingston may be appointed administrator.]

[Inventory, Kingston, Feb. 27, 1713/14; amount, £59.3.0; signed by John Swett and John Sanborn.]

[Administration on the estate of Timothy Philbrick of Kingston granted to John Sleeper March 2, 1713/14.]

[Bond of John Sleeper, yeoman, with Ebenezer Webster and Aaron Sleeper, yeomen, as sureties, all of Kingston, March 2, 1713/14, for the administration of the estate; witness, Charles Story.]
[License, June 2, 1714, to John Sleeper, administrator, to sell real estate.]


[Administrator’s account of expenditures in settling the estate, March 15, 1714/15.]

A Deviden of the Estate of Timothy Philbrick Late of Kings-town Deceas’d Agreed on by the Brothers, as ffolows Viz—
Daniel Lad 2 rights in yᵉ Comon
Dᵉ 5 Acres of Land out of yᵉ first devission
Abraham Bradley 2 Rights in yᵉ Comon
Dᵉ 5 acres of Land out of yᵉ first devission
Jnᵉ Sleeper 10 Acres in pᵗ of yᵉ first Devission
Jedediah Dyer [Philbrick] 2 acres of medow
Dᵉ yᵉ Second Devission aboᵗ 40 Acres
all which is agreed on by us the subscribers this 8 day of Septembᵉ 1715 as witnessed our hands

Wittnesses
Chaᵗ Rundlet

Daniel Lad
John Sleeper
Jiedidiah

To all Peopell to whom these presents shall Come Greeting know yee that whare as we whose names are heirunto subscribed Being yᵉ Brothers and heirs of yᵉ Estatt of timethoy Philbrock Latt of kingstown desesed and whare as we did formerly agree as Consarning yᵉ Said Estatt butt It nott being Completed accord-ing to Law we do now agree as formerly as followeth to witt thatt yᵉ heires of John Sleeper our brother Latt of kingstown Latt desesed for his Charge of Adminstring upon said Estatt and paying the depts which ware due from said Estatt shall have yᵉ house Loott In yᵉ Aboved town of kingstown which was Lay outt to yᵉ said timethoy Philbrock and all his partt of Saw mill that he had Standing upon yᵉ trickling fales so Called In yᵉ Abovsaid town, and the movebles yᵗ Ware In his hands which was In full of all depts and Charges
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As for ye Rest of ye Estat we have devided Between Brother & Brother As followeth to John Sleepers heirs ten Acres of Land Laying near Rubesby medow which was Layed outt In part of ye Said Timothiy Philbrocks first deviseon And to Abraham Bradly five Acres of Lands In ye Abovesd tractt of Land and two shares In ye Commons and to daniell Lad five Acres of Land In ye Abovsd tract of Land and two shares In ye Commons and to Jerediah philbrock 40 Acres In ye seconnd deviseon which Is ye full of his seconnd deviseon and two Acres In ye Rubshe medow

As witness our hands and Seles this thirtieth day of november In year of our lord one thousand seven hundred and twenty and In ye seventh year of his majestyes Raign king Geoarge and ce
Signed seled and Thomas Sleeper [seal]
delivered In ye presents of us Abraham Bradly X [seal]
John ffifeld Daniel Lad [seal]
Sam" Essman Jedidiah philbrick [seal]

[Attested Nov. 30, 1720.]

[Various bills, notes, etc., containing signatures of Isaac Bradley, Susanna Staples, Abraham Bradly, Jacob Gilman, Jonathan Sanborn, Joseph Kimball, Mary Kimball, Joseph Brown, Thomas Webster, William Moulton, John Kimball, and Thomas Sleeper.]

ANDREW PEPPERELL 1713/14

[Administration on the estate of Andrew Pepperell of Newcastle, mariner, granted to his widow, Jane Pepperell, Feb. 11, 1713/14.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 120.]

[Inventory of the estate of Capt. Andrew Pepperell, May 14, 1714: amount, £1366.0.4; signed by Daniel Greenough and Joseph Simpson.]
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[Administration on the estate of Capt. Andrew Pepperell of Newcastle, mariner, granted to his son-in-law, [step-son?] Charles Frost of Kittery, Me., April 1, 1728.]

[ Jane Frost renounces administration on the estate of her former husband, Andrew Pepperell.]

[Inventory of the estate in York county, Me., May 1, 1728; four hundred acres of land at Pudding Hole in Kittery, Me., and sixty acres in Berwick, Me., valued at £1250.0.0.]

[Administrator's account against the estate, Oct. 1, 1728; amount, £7.17.6.]
[York County, Me., Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 8.]

[Margery Wentworth, minor, daughter of Capt. Andrew Pepperell, makes choice of her uncle, William Pepperell, Jr., of Kittery, Me., as her guardian Feb. 1, 1730/1.]
[York County, Me., Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 83.]

SAMUEL WHIDDEN  1713/14  GREENLAND

In the Name of God Amen—
I Samuell Whiddon of Greenland Within y' Township of Portsmouth in the Province New Hampsh' in New England, Being antient: * * *

z:ly: I Give & bequeath unto my beloved Son John Whiddon all that my piece of Land In Greenland Which Lyeth on y' Eastwardly Side of the Road Leading from Greenland to Portsmouth being part of my homestead: Excepting about two acres at y' southwardly End on y' south side of y' stone Wall: As also four acres on y' Westwardly side of y' Road at y' Northwardly End next John Kates orchard: as also Eighteen acres of a lott of land being laid out to me as part of my Commonage nerre y' Way
to Randalls farm, to have his Eighteen acres next Mr* Richard Wyburds land, also one quarter part of my Saw mill: as like Wise the one half of my stock of what kind or sort of Cattell what so ever; to Have hold possess & Injoy all y* above mentioned bequests to him his Heirs & assigns for ever after mine & my Wifes decease— he my said son John paying such Legacys as is here after Expressed

2:ly) I Give & Bequeath unto my beloved Son James Whiddon my house & y* part of my land lying on y* Westwardly side of y* above mentioned Road With y* orchard & all other buylding theron Except y* four acres on y* Side of y* Road next John Kates orchard above mentioned to be given to my son John: And also my said Son James to have that piece of land of about two acres on y* southward side of y* stone wall which is on y* East side y* Said County Road; as also the other part of my Lott of Land being thirty acres neere the way to Randals farm wher my son John hath his eighteen acres out of y* same Lott: And also y* other part of my Stocke of Cattell: He my said son to Have hould possess & Injoy all y* above bequests unto him his Heirs & assigns for ever after mine & my wifes Decease he my said son James paying Such Legacyes as is here after Expressed.

3:ly) I Give & bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Jain Edgerly Twenty shillings—

4:ly I Give & Bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Alce Hains three pounds—

5 : I Give & Bequeath unto my beloved Daughter abigail White three pounds—

6 : I Give & Bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Sarah Hains six pounds—

7 : I Give & Bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Mary Johnson three pounds

8 : I Give & Bequeath unto my Beloved Daughter Elisabeth Whiddon Six pounds—

9:ly I Give & Bequeath unto my Beloved Daughter Margaret Whiddon Six pounds—
I Give & bequeath unto my three Grandsons: ye sons of my son Samuell Whiddon Deceased to Each twenty Shillings— and ye two acres of Land where their fathers house is.

All which Legacys Together with all my Debts & funereal Expences, my Will is ye they be paid by my two Sons John & James above named, in Convenient time after mine & my Wifes deceas in Equall proportion betwene my two above named Sons.

I Give & Bequeath unto my Dearly Bloved Wife Mary the profits & Improvement of all my Estate of what Kind, So ever Dureing her natuerall Life: and all my Hous hould goods of what Kind, or sort so ever together with my Debts & moneys to be for ever at her disposall among my above named Daughters, or such of them as shee in her prudence shall thing meet & Convenient—

I Give unto my two above named sons besides What is above Given all my Right & title to any Lands or Rights to any Lands or Commonag ye now doth or her after may of Right to me belong to be Equally devided Betwene them And unto this my Last Will & Testament I Doe Constitute & appoint my beloved Wife mary: my beloved Sons John Whiddon & James Whiddon Joynt Executors & Executrix &c

I give two acres on ye west side the Contry Road Where my son Samuell house stand I have formerly Given to my sd son now deceased which i do now farther give unto his Heirs.

Thus Renouncing all Wills by me formerly made I sign & seal this With my hand this third day of March in ye twelth year of Queen Anne her Reign over Great Britain &c— annoque : Domini:

Signed Sealed & Declard by Samuell Whidden to be his last will & testament in presence of us

Walter Philbrock
John neall
Joseph Smith

[Proved May 7, 1718.]
JAMES SMITH 1714 DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of James Smith of Oyster River granted to his son, John Smith of Oyster River; no date.]
[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 133.]

[Bond of John Smith of Oyster River, yeoman, with Joseph Smith of Oyster River, yeoman, and Jacob Lavers of Portsmouth, cordwainer, as sureties, in the sum of £200, March 26, 1714, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Henry Rust and Charles Story.]

[Inventory, April 7, 1714; amount, £62.11.8; signed by Joseph Smith and Jacob Lavers.]

ABRAHAM DRAKE 1714 HAMPTON

In the Name of God Amen: I, Abraham Drake of Hampton in the Province of New Hampshire in New England: (Senior) Being weak in Body * * *

1ly: I give and bequeath unto Sarah my Dearly Beloved wife my west End of my Dwelling House and the Saller under that House so Long as she shall Live or till she shall marry again and that my two Sons Abraham and Nathaniel or there Heirs is for to maintain ther mother Honerable and Decent with all things Convenente for her during the Time above said: or my said wiff shall have the impromente of one thurd of all else my Estate the time above said.

2ly: I give and bequeath unto my Son Abraham Drake all my land on the north side of the waye with the House and Barne where he now liveth and the Orchard And also two acres and a halfe of fresh medow that was formerly Colcards and one acre that I had of francis page and all the medow that I had of Joseph page And that the Said Abraham Drake and his Heirs is for to have free Egress over my other Land to Eache passell of medow for Ever for mowen or Carting As he or they may have Ocation;
and also the one half of my Spring marsh and half my marsh att the hop ground, and also half my thatch ground in the ffalles marshs and also one half of my two lots in the old north Devison, and the one half of my lott at Burchen playn and the one half of my lott at pine Hill that Is not now ffenced in and the one half of the Timber there: of that that is now ffenced in: Nathaniel Drake to Devied Each parsell and Abraham Drake to Chuse And also one shear of marsh in the Grate ox Com' on and my two shears of thatch groud that Ly together and also one Shear in the Cow Com' on and my two Lotts in the Second west Devison; and also the one half of all my Implyments for Husbendry—

3ly I Give and Bequeath unto my Son nathaniel Drake my now Dwelling Houses only my wiff is to have the west End and Sellere as foresaid: as also my Barns orchard plow land and pauster Land and medow that Lys on the South side of the way that was ffomerly my father, Abraham Draks Only my Son Abraham and His Heirs is for to have Liberty for to go over itt as aboveaid: and also I give unto my Son Nathaniel the one Half of my Spring marsh: and half my marsh att the hopground: and also half my thatch ground in the ffalles marshs: and also the one half of my Lotts in the old North Devison: and also the one half of my Lott att Burchen playn: and also my Land that is now ffenced in att Pine Hill only Abrah is to have half the Timber that is on as aboveaid: and also the one half of my Land ther that is not ffenced The Said Nathaniel for to Devied Each parsell and Abraham to Chuse: and also one shear of marsh in the Grate ox Com' on and on shear of thatch ground and also one Shear in the Cow Com' on: and also fourer half Shears of Land in the first west Devison: and also my part of the Saw mill: and the one half of all my Implyments for Husbendry; and I give unto him the Sth nathaniel the Bead that he lyes upon with al the furniture belonging to itt: and also ye Bead that I lye one with all the furniture belonging to itt after my Decease and the Decease of my now wiff

4ly I Give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Drake
twenty pound in marchentable paye at mony price: that is to saye five pound to to be Payd her the first yeare after my Deceas and five pound the thurd yeare after: and five pound the fifth yeare and five pound the sixeth yeare After my Deceas all to be payd by my Son Abraham Drake and also I give unto my Daughter Sarah the bead that she Lyeth on with all the furnituer Belonging to itt: and also she is to have Liberty for to live in the East End of my House and a prevelidge in the Seller so long as she shall Live unmarried And also my Son Abraham and my Son Nathaniel is to keep the 8th Sarah a Cow wintere and Sumer so long as shee shall live unmarried.

5ly I Give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Jane fouer pounds mony to be payd by my two Sons: that is to Saye forty shillings to be payd by my Son Abraham the Second yeare after my Deceas and forty shillings by my Son Nathaniel the third yeare after my Deceas

6th I Give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Mary twenty pounds in marchentable paye att mony price to be payd by my Son Nathaniel Drake That is to saye five pound the second year after my Deceas and five pound the forth year and five pound the fifth year and five pound the six year after And I do make Constitute and Apoint my welbeloved wiffe Sarah Drake and my Son Nathaniel Drake to be my sole Executrix and Executours to this my Last will and Testament Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last will and Testament In witnes whare of I the befor mentioned Abraham Drake Senior have here unto put my hand and affixt my Seal this twenty fifth day of may in the yeare of our Lord Seventeen hundred and fourteen and in the thirteen yeare of the Reign of our Sovereign Lady Anne of England Scotland sfrance and Ireland Queen

Abraham X Drake [seal] His marke

wittnisess
Joseph Cass
Thomas Leavitt
Sam" Dow

[No record of probate.]
[Inventory, June 29, 1714; amount, £885.15.0; signed by Joseph Cass and Thomas Leavitt.]

THOMAS POMEROY 1714 PORTSMOUTH

[Inventory of the estate of Thomas Pomeroy of Portsmouth, signed by Benjamin Gambling and William Walker; amount, £15.13.0; attested June 2, 1713.]

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Pomeroy granted to Rebecca Rouse, formerly his widow, June 6, 1713.]

[Probate Records, vol. 7, p. 126.]

[Inventory and minutes relating to the estate of Thomas Pomeroy.

"To bringing up Six Children
" y{e} first Susanna aged 13 years
" 2{d} Tho: 11 years
" 3{d} Rebecca —— 9 years
" 4 — Wm —— 4 years
" 5{th} Rich{d} —— 2 years
" 6{th} Eliz{e} —— 5 months
" to p{d} w{m} wounded by y{e} Indians
" to yearly Rent to my Mother"]

NATHANIEL PIKE 1714 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Nathaniel Pike of Portsmouth granted to his widow, Margaret Pike, June 5, 1714.]


[Bond, in blank, signed by Margaret Pike, Robert Pike, and John Cutt; witnesses, Joseph Purmort and Sarah Cutt.]
[Inventory of the estate of Nathaniel Pike of Portsmouth, mariner, Dec. 3, 1714; amount, £89.15.10; signed by Samuel Hart and Jacob Lavers; attested by the widow, Margaret Pike, Dec. 4, 1714.]

[Administration on the estate in Salisbury, Mass., of Nathaniel Pike of Portsmouth granted to his widow, Margaret Pike, May 17, 1715.]


[Bond of Margaret Pike, with Robert Pike and John Cutt, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £700, May 17, 1715; witnesses, Sarah Cutt and Joseph Purmort.]

[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

[Inventory of the Salisbury, Mass., estate, taken by William Bradbury and John Merrill May 17, 1715; amount, £330.]


GERSHOM ELKINS 1714 HAMPTON

In the Name of God Ame
I Gershon Elkins of Hampton in the province of New Hampsh' in New England, Being antiaant & Weeke in body, but at this time of perfect understanding & memory, Commiting my Sole in to the hands of Allmighty God, & my Body to decent Buriall in hopes of Eternall Life, Doe thus dispose of my temperall Estate which the Lord hath Gratiously Given mee

Imp*: my Will is that all my Just & honist debts be paid by my Executors in Convenient time after my Decease.

2ly: I Give & Bequeath unto my beloved Wife mary all my houshould goods, Both Beds, Beding, puter, Brass, or Wood ot what kind or soart so ever; dureing her Natureall Life (& after her Deceas to be disposed as is here after Expresed) as also the one half of my other Real Estate both houses Buyldings lands &
orchard, as also the one half of my stocke of what kinde so ever Together With six Cord of Good fier wood brought to her dore all which she my said Wife is to Injoy dureing her Natureall Life

3ly) I Give, & bequeath unto my beloved Son Jonathan Elkins twenty pounds in passable money of New England or Bills of Creaditt to be paid by my executors to him his Heirs or assigns Within two years after my Decease

4ly) I Give & Bequeath unto my beloved son Moses Elkins fifteen pounds in passable Money of New England or Bills of Creaditt to be paid unto him my Son Moses his Heirs or assigns With in two years after my Decease

5ly) I Give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Joannah Elkins ten pounds in passable Money of New England or Bills of Creaditt to be paid by my executors Within two years after my decease, together With all my househould goods above mentioned at ye Deceas of my Wife, her mother &c

6ly) I Give & bequeath unto my beloved son thomas Elkins all my houses Buyldings lands, meadows, marsh, pasturs, with all out lands & Rights to lands in Hampton With all my Estate in said town not before Dispose of he my said son thomas provideing for his mother yearly & every year dureing her Natureall life six Cord of Wood as above mention: And also to provide Convenent house Rome & fire wood for his Sister Joannah so long as she liveth unmarried as abovesaid: my meaning is that my son thomas shall possess & Injoy all the above Estate bequeathed unto him his Heirs Executors Admns: & asignes for ever after mine & my Wifes deceas: (viz) the one half emediately after my Decease, & the other half at his mothers Decease &

7) And farther I Give unto my son Jonathan all my lands & Right to lands at Kingstown not all Redy disposed of——

8) What ever other Estate in money or goods not before mentioned to be dispossed off, I give to my Executors, or ye survivor of them, he or they defraying my funerall Charges & paying my just debts——

And unto this my last Will & Testament I Doe Constitute &
appoint my beloved Wife mary, & my son thomas Elking Joynt Executrix & Executor & in Case of ye Death of the one the other to be Sole Executor

Thus Revokeing all Wills by me formerly made, I sign & seal this with my hand this ninth day of June in the thirteenth year of Queen Anne her Reign over Great Britain &c—Annoq: Domini—1714

This Instrument Was signed & sealed by Gershon Elkins and affirmeed by him to be his Last Will & Testament in presence of us Witnesses

Peter John Son
thomas murrie
Elisabeth Smith
Joseph Smith

[Proved March 5, 1717/18.]

[Bond, in blank, signed by Thomas Elkins, Jabez Smith, and Peter Johnson.]

[Inventory, Feb. 28, 1717/18; amount, £355.8.6; signed by Jabez Smith and Peter Johnson.]

SAMUEL DOW 1714 HAMPTON

In the name of god Amen I samuell Dow of hampton in the Province of new hampsheire in new England (Senior) being weak in body • • •

Ily I give and bequeath unto sarah my dearly beloved wive the geate Roome in my house with the Chamber over it & the seler and my barn next my house and all my spring marsh that was my fathers all during her life or untill she marry Again: and she to improve my lot where my house stands untill she marry again and I give her two Cows and at her death or marriage samuell dow to have it all but the Cows
2ly: I give to my daughter Sarah Clifferd my two shears in the old west devision and half A shear in the second west devision and half A shear in the Cow Common—

3ly I give to my daughter Rachel Dow my marsh that I bought of Phileman Dolton between the great Creek and the River and half A shear in the second north devision— and if she live to marry then she to have A Cow and A bead with all the furniture belonging to one bead and I order her to pay my daughter Hannah Dow five Pounds if the s'd Hannah live to the age of twenty years—

4ly I give to John Garland Juner my marsh bought of samuell Colcord and my shear of medow at winicut and half my saw mill and half my tools of husbandry

5ly I give to my son samuell Dow all the Reste of my housings and barns and all my lands and marsh and moveabls within dors and with out Except what I have disposed of other ways and he and John Garland to find there mother fire wood as long as she live A widow and I doe order my son samuell Dow to paye to my daughter Hannah Dow fifteen pounds if she live to the age of twenty years and he to find his mother four fleses of wool A year as long as she lives A widow and I doe make Constitute and apoint my son samuel Dow to be sole Executour to this my Last will and testiment Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last will and testament in witnes whar of I the before mentioned samuell Dow senior have here unto put my hand and affixt my seale this nineteenth day of June in the yeare of our Lord seventeen hundred and fourteen and in the thirteenth yeare of the Raign of our sovereign Lady Anne of England Scotland s'france and Ireland Queen &c—

wittnises
Christopher Page
Samuel Nudd
Thomas Haines
Jabez Dow

[Proved Dec. 7, 1714, and again by Page and Haines, Jan. 25, 1743/4.]
JOHN COTTON 1714 PORTSMOUTH

In the Name of God Amen.

The fourteenth day of September in the Yeare of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred & fourteen; I John Cotton of the Town of Portsm° In New Hampsheire in New England Yeoman Being Verry Infirme & weak of body • • •

Item I Give & bequeath to my well beloved Son Wm Cotton my Halbert : besides twenty Pounds in money he hath had : which I forgive him

Item I Give & bequeath to my Son Solomon All & Singular the house & Land where he now lives : togeath with a p'ce of fresh meadow on the West Side of Joses w° he hath Sold Georg Vaughan Esq° to be to him his heirs & Assignes for Ever—

Item I Give and bequeath to my Son John Cotton all & Singular my land in the Province of Maine which I Bo° of David Libby & Jacob Smith as by theire Deed of Sale will appear be the Same more or less : And alsoe one halfe of the fresh Meadow in the fresh Marshes on the North Side of the brook y° Comes to the Creek Mills: (his brother thomas to have the other halfe of the fresh Meadow) the above s° Land & halfe the fresh meadow to be by him the s° John Cotton his heirs & Assignes freely possessed & Enjoyed for Ever: But if he Die without Issue then all the above given Land & Meadow shall be to my son Thomas Cotton & his heirs : if he has None then to my son Solomon & his heirs male

Item I Give & bequeath unto my son Thomas Cotton All & singular my halfe Lott of Land on the Bank : as specysied in a Deed of Partition between my self & John Downing Sen° of Dover & is on Record: And also halfe the fresh Meadow against his Brother John Cotton In the fresh Marshes one the North side of
the Brooke that Comes to the Creek Mills—And alsoe all & singular my lot of the Com' on Land of this Town togeth'r with Eight acres old Grant bought by my father Cotton of John Locke: as tis Laid out with the same Com' on Land as will appeare by the Return of the Com' itte Entred on Portsm° town Books: togeather with all the preveleidges to the same belonging: to be by him his heirs or Assignes freely possessed & Enjoyed for Ever: But if he Die without Issue then all the above given Land & Meadow shall be my son Johns & if John has noe Issue then to the heirs Male of my son Solomon

Item I Give & bequeath to my Daughters Abigall Marget & Susannah Cottons: to Each of them the sume of twenty Pounds in Money and alsoe a feather bed to Each of them: with all its furniture as Bolster Pillow Curtaines &c all that belongs to it: & if Either of the sisters Die before her part is rec'd then her part shall be Equally Divided between the other two above Named

Item— I have Given Each of my five Eldest Daughters Viz° Eliz° Tomson: Mary Paul: Joanna Jones: Sarra Catter & Hannah Mead Each of them theire portions & parts already—

Item: I Give & bequeath to my well beloved wife Sarrah whome I likewise Constitute make & ordaine my sole Exeq° of this my last will & testam° all my Moveable Estate both within Doores and without (that is not already Given) & alsoe all Debts Dew to me of any Kind: Willing that if she see Cause to Marry againe that then she make Distribution of what Estate is Left to Either of the Daughters as may have most need according to her Discretion: & if she see Cause to take the advice of any friend in y° Distribution she may chuse whom she will And my further will is that if She Die a widdow: then to make the like Distribution to any of our Daughters

if any thing more then is herein specyfied Remaine after my self & wifes Decease It shall be Distributed to any of our Daughters as above—

And if what I Leave should not be sufficient to pay the twenty pounds a peice to the three sisters above saide then my two sons
John & Thomas Cotton: or Either of their heirs: shall Each of them pay out of their Respective parts of Land they have Receiv'd: within one yeare after it is soe known the sume of seven pounds ten shillings: to be paid theirse three younger sisters above said to Each of them five pounds in money—

Item I Give, to my sons: William John & Thomas Cotton all my yoaks Chaines & all Materialls of Iron and Wood for haul-ing plowing & such Like to be Equally Divided amongst them

And I Doe hereby utterly Disanull Disalow & Revoake all & Every other former Testam't Wills Legacies & Bequest & Exec' & Exeq'ui. By me in any wise before Named Willed & bequested Ratifying & Confirming this & Noe other to be my Last will & testam't In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand & seale the Day & Yeare first above written—

signed seal'd & Declar'd by the John Cotton Sener [seal]
Said John Cotton Sen're to be his Last will & testament In £sents off

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the mark of
Annis X Graffam
James Jeffry

[Proved Dec. 9, 1714.]

FRANCIS JENNESS 1714 HAMPTON

In the Name of God Amen

I Francis Jennis of Hampton in ye Province of New Hampshir in New England being antient & Weeke in body: * * *

2ly I Give and bequeath unto my beloved Wife Sollome, all ye I Received with her at our marriage (viz) the bed and furniture unto ye same belonging, and two sheep, & one Cow for ever at her dispose: And also dureing her Widowhood to possess & Injoy my dwelling house & a quarter of an Acre of plowland on
y° Northwardly side of my Barn, together with the benefit of y° orchard & Garden on y° East side of y° Way Going to my Dwelling house: as also ten bushills of Indian Corn: besides the two bushills y° Richard Jennis is to pay & one bushill of wheat, And the Wintering, & summering one Cow, & two Sheep With four Cord of fierwood brought home to the dore of my dweling house & fifty Waight of good merchantable Beefe: as also y° use of my mare to Ride on so long as she dwels in my said house and also the provision Which I shall Leave in my house at my decease: or if I Die before y° season of Killing of Creatures for subsisting my Family then shee my said Wife to have them to her own use: as also all Cloth made or yarn spun in my family within one year last past I Give to her for ever I also quit any Claim to y° house & about two acres of land which Was her former husbands John Whites— my meaning is y° Frut of y° said orchard; not sweepage of it &c

3ly I Give & bequeath unto my beloved son Hezekiah Jennis all y° land which he now Injoys and four Rods more from his old dwelling house to Extend four Rods southwardly towards my land the Bounds being a Rock in a Cove: And also another Rocke which is y° bounds agreed upon betwene him my said son Hezekiah & my son Richard: I also Give unto my Grandson thomas Jennis son of said Hezekiah the two shares in y° old North Division Which I bought of moses Cox, but if y° said thomas die before he hath Issue: then to his next Brother he my said son Hezekiah to pay yearly & every year (dureing the Widowhood of my said Wife) unto my son Richard twenty shillings in money or one load of Good hay

4ly I Give & bequeath unto my beloved son John Jennis all y° land he is in possession of adjoyning to his dweling house: With y° addition of twenty Rods in breth across from Where his house stands, towards my dweling house: together with six acres of meadow he being allredy in possession of part of it: the whole piece being in partnership betwene mee & my son Richard: he my said son John to possess the same dureing his Natureall life
and at his deceas unto his son Job if arived to ye age of twenty two years he my said son John to deliver unto my above named Wife yearly & Ever year dureing her Widowhood fifty Weight of good Beefe & four Cord of Wood brought home to her dore, all which she my said wife is to have dureing her Widowhood as above said

5ly I Give & bequeath unto my beloved son Richard Jennis all my houses buyldings lands of what kind or sort so ever, not allready disposed of unto him his Heirs executor & assigns for ever: together With all my stocke of what kind or sort so ever, With all my houshold goods (except what is here after Excepted) With my utensells for Husbandry & other tooles—With all Brookes or streemes of Water to me belonging: With all my Debts, moneys or other Estate not mentioned to bee disposed of: unto him my said Richard & unto his Heirs & assigns for ever: he my said son paying unto my Daughter hannah Locke twenty shillings within two years after my decease, And unto my son Hezekiah the sum of three pounds in good merchantaible pay Within two years after my decease— And unto my Daughter Mehitable the sum of three pounds in merchantaible pay within two years after my decease and to winter & sum'er her my said Wife one Cow & two sheep & deliver her yearly & Every year dureing her Widowhood ten bushills of Indian Corrn & one bushill of wheat—

And also my son Richard to provide & keep a swin for my said Wife yearly as above said & also my said son Richard paying all my Just debts & funerall Charges what soever.

6ly I Give & bequeath unto my Daughter Elener Berrey my bed I now ly on With ye bedding & furniture & all things there unto be longng

And to this my last Will & Testament I Doe appoint my son Richard Jennis sole Executor: And Revokeing all Wills formerly by mee made I Doe Declare & sign & seal this my last Will & Testament this Twenty Eighth day of October; In ye first year of King George his Reign over Great Britain &c Annoq: Domini 1714.
all y* Enterlineings & Raseings Was don befor y* signing & sealing &c

Signed Sealed & published by the mark & seal of
Francis Jennis to be his last Will & Testament in presence of us
Francis X Jennis [seal]
Witnisses
nathaniel Lock
Joseph Smith
Elisabeth Smith

[Proved Aug. 30, 1716.]

In the Name of God Amen
I Francis Jennis of Hampton in the Province of New Hampsh* in New England being antient & Weeke in Body • • •

21 V I Give & bequeath unto my beloved Wife Sollome all y* I received with her at our marriage (viz*) the bed bedding & furni-
ture unto y* same belonging: with two sheep, & one Cow for ever at her dispose— And also dureing her Widowhood to possess & Injoy my dweling house, & one quartar of an acre of plowland lying on the Northwardly side of my barn together with the beni-
fitt of the frute of my orchard but not the sweepedg: also the Gar-
den, both which orchard & Garden which I Give her is that part on y* East Side of y* Way Going to my dweling house: likewise eight bushills of Indian Corn, & one bushill of Wheet: And also the Wintering & Sum’ering one Cow & two sheep: with forty weight of beeoff marchantable & good: also four Cords of fierwood brought home to the dore of my dweling house as also the use of my mare With the furnitur so long as she shall dwell in my abovevd house as also to her own use forever: all such provision that I shal leave at my deceas, as also all cloth made or yarn spun within one year before my deceas— for y* family use: And if it so happen y* I die before the time of killing creatures for subsisting my family she my said wife to have them to her self for ever as above— I also quitt my Claim to y* house & land which was her former husbands John Whites being about two acres
3rd I Give & bequeath unto my beloved son Hezekiah Jennis all that land which he now Enjoys, and four Rods more from his old dwelling house & so to Exend from hampton line next portsmouth & to Run neere South west: about half a mile, towards the mile bounds so Called between the land formerly Stanyons & my land in ye North division I also Give unto my Grandson Thomas Jennis son of sd Hezekiah the two shares in the old North division so called which I bought of moses Cox: And if my said Granson Thomas die before he hath Lawfull Issue then to his next Brother, he my said son Hezekiah to pay yearly & every year dureing the widowhood of my said wife unto my son Richard twenty shillings in or as money or one load of Good hay— And ten shilling to my wife in Corn or wheat at common price and also to have the bigest Iron pott but one & the hoke or tramell

4th I Give & bequeath unto my son John Jennis the Land he is in possession of Joyning to his dwelling house With the addition of Twenty Rods in breth across from where his house stands, towards my dwelling house, together with six acres of meadow which he is allredy in ye possession of part of it, the whole piece being in partnership betwene me & my son Richard, he my said son John to possess & Injoy the said meadow dureing his Natureall life: and after his deceas unto his son Job, if he arrive to ye age twenty two years: He my said John Delivering to my said Wife yearly & every year dureing her Widowhood, forty weight of Good beefe, And four Cord of fier wood brought home to her dore all which my said Wife is to have dureing her Widowhood &c

5th I Give & bequeath unto my son Richard Jennes all my houses buylding lands of what kind or sort sooever not all Redy disposed of to him & his heirs for ever: provided he have a son named Francies, & if not to my next Heir Called by the name of Frances, together With all my stock of what Kind or sort sooever: with all my housshold goods not other wise disposed of in this my will: with all my tooles & utensell for husbandrie: with all my Right to any streems or brooke of water— with all my debts, & money or other Estate not allredy disposed of to him my said
Richard & unto his Heirs & assigns for ever he my son Richard paying to my daughter Hannah Locket twenty shillings within one year after my decease: And also to winter & summer her my said wife yearly & every year dureing her Widowhood one Cow & two sheepe, as also to deliver her two bushills of Indian Corn as mentioned in his deed of Gift, with the adition of six bushill more of Dito, & one bushill of wheat and also to provide & keep a swine for my wife yearly dureing the time of her widowhood as above-said my son paying all my Just debts & funerall expences & charges what so ever

6th I Give & bequeath unto my daughter Eliner Berrey my bed bedding & furniture & all things thereunto belonging: shee paying unto my daughter mehittable four pounds in good pay within one year after my decease

And to this my last will & Testament I doe appoint my son Richard Jennis my sole executor and Revokeing all Wills by me formerly made I doe declare & sign & seal this my last will & testament this twenty ninth day of December seventeen hundred & fifteen in the second year of King George his Reign over Great Britain &c 1715—

signed sealed & published by the marke & seal of
Francis Jennis to be his last will
& Testament in presence of us Francis X Jennis [seal]
witnesse
Joseph Smith
Elizbeth Smith
Thomas Haines
Stephen batchelder
Joshua Winget

[Proved Aug. 20, 1716.]

[Inventory, signed by Samuel Marston and Jabez Dow; amount, £116.0.0.]
JAMES GORDON  1714  EXETER

[Bond of Abiel Gordon of Exeter, widow, with John Redman of Hampton and Samuel Lovering of Exeter, yeomen, as sureties, in the sum of £300, Dec. 7, 1714, for the administration of the estate of James Gordon of Exeter.]

[Inventory, Dec. 21, 1714; amount, £369.6.0; signed by Thomas Webster and Robert Wadleigh.]

[List of claims against the estate, May 30, 1715; amount, £13.4.7; signed by John Gilman and Nicholas Gilman.]

[Account of Abiel Kimming of Hampton, administratrix, of the administration of the estate of her former husband, James Gordon; amount of estate, £369.6.0; expenditures, £26.1.6.]

[Petition of Nicholas Gordon, John Gordon, and Joseph Gordon, children of James Gordon, Sept. 5, 1726, for the appointment of their brother, Jonathan Gordon, as their guardian.]

[Warrant Feb. 4, 1734/5, authorizing Major Nicholas Gilman, Col. John Gilman, Major Bartholomew Thing, Capt. John Gilman, and Edward Gilman, all of Exeter, to set off the widow's third.]

Province of  
By vertue of a warrent Directed to us ye Newhampsheir $ subscribers By ye Honorable Benjamin Gabling Esq Judge of probate &c for s'd province, according to ye Directions in s'd warrent to us Directed we the subscribers have Made a Divition of ye'n Real Estate of James Gorden of Exeter Deceased and set of to Abiel Kinng ye'n Late wife of s'd James Gorden Deceased her third part of said Estate which is as followeth: viz: that her third part of ye'n planting Land moing and Meadow ground on ye'n southerly side of ye'n way that Leadeth from Capt John Gilmans saw mill to Philip wadleighs Dwelling House Begin at ye'n south Easterly Corner of s'd philip wadleighs Land on that side of ye'n way and from thence to Run southerly Bounding on s'd way twenty one Rods to a stake standing By a Rock and
from thence to Run south aboute seventy six Degrees west untill it Coms to a hemlock tree marked with J standing in Mr Thomas Websters Line and from thence Runing Northwesterly bounding on said websters Land untill it Comes to ye Little River and then to Run Easterly Bounding on sd Little River and sd wadleighs Land untill it Coms to ye place first mentioned, and her third part of ye Land & orchard on ye Northerly side of ye above sd way is to Begin at a stake standing aboute halfe waiies Between ye Dwelling house of Jonathan Gorden and ye Dwelling house formerly Said James Gorden Deceased and from thence to Run North twenty five Degrees East five Rods to a stake and from thence to Run North aboute twelve Degrees East to ye above sd Little River to a stump marked J taking in fifteen appel trees of ye orchard next to ye above sd houses and twenty one appellant trees of ye orchard next to sd River and from sd stump to Run westerly and Southerly Bounding on sd River and way untill it Coms to ye above sd house of James Gorden Deceased and so to ye stake first mentioned in this part of ye Land—

and her third part of ye pasture Land Lying on ye southerly side of ye aforesd planting and Meadow ground is Bounded as followeth: Viz. Begining at a stake standing on ye westerly side of ye way that Leadeth from sd Gilmans saw mill to Mr websters Land and standeth nineteen Rods north Easterly from a Burch tree standing on a Rock near Mr websters south East Corner of his Land and from sd stake to Run north aboute sixty Degrees west seventy fouré Rods to a pine tree marked J and from thence to Run west Eight Rods to a Elme tree marked J standing in Mr websters Line and from thence to Run south Easterly bounding on Mr websters Land and Northerly on ye above sd way untill it Coms to ye stake first mentioned in ye pasture Land all which peices or parcels of Land is set of and bounded this fourth Day of may Annoque Domini 1736 By us

John Gilman
John Gillman
Edward Gilman
[Guardianship of Nicholas Gordon, John Gordon, and Joseph Gordon, minors, more than fourteen years old, sons of James Gordon of Exeter, granted to their brother, Jonathan Gordon of Exeter, Sept. 8, 1726.]

JOSHUA TOWLE 1714 HAMPTON

In the name of God, Amen. I Joshua Towl of Hampton in the Province of New Hampshire in New England, Husbandman, being weak in body • • •

Item, I Give, & Bequeath to my well Beloved Wife Sarah all my Houshold Goods, Cattle, & Moveables to be wholy at her disposal, She paying to my Daughter Hannah Gilman as hereafter ordered; I also give to my said wife the use & Improvement of my Dwelling House which I now Live in, with all my lands Messuages & Tennements (excepting six acres hereafter Mentioned) during her Natural life.

Item, To my Beloved Son Joshua Towl I give & Bequeath four Acres of Upland joining upon the land of my Brother Philip Towl in Hampton, together with the Dwelling House standing upon the said Land. I also give to my said son all other my Houses, Lands, Messuages, Tennements (Except what is hereafter mentioned) after the Decease of my wife.

Item, To my Beloved Daughter Sarah Towl. I give, & Bequeath two Acres of Land joining upon the Land of Elisha Smith in Hampton.

Item, To my Beloved Daughter Hannah Gilman (she having already recieved part of her Portion) I give five pounds to be paid by Sarah my wife in Cattle or good Merchantable Provision at Money Price.

And I Constitute, Make, & Ordain my Beloved Brother Caleb Towl, & my Beloved son Joshua Towl Executors of this my Will. And I do hereby utterly Revoke, & Disanull all other former
Wills, Legacies, & Executors by Me in any ways before this time Named, Willed, & Bequeathed, Ratifying, & Confirming this, & no other to be my Last Will, & Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereto Set my Hand, & Seal this Second Day of November In the year of our Lord One thousand Seven Hundred, and fourteen.

Signed, Sealed, & Declared by the said Joshua Towl to be His Last Will, & Testament in presence of

Sam' Smith
Will'm Haniford
Edmund Rand

[Proved Dec. 8, 1715.]

[Inventory, Dec. 5, 1715; amount, £131.15.0; signed by William Staniford and Edmund Rand.]

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ROBERT WALKER 1714 PORTSMOUTH

In the name of God Amen, the Seventeenth day of November In the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and fourteen, I Robert Walker of Portsmo in New Hampsh' in New England Marriner being verry Sick & weak of Body ∗ ∗ ∗

Item I give & bequeath unto my beloved wife Abigail whom I likewise Constitute, Make & Ordain my sole Executrix of this my Last will & Testament all my Estate Reall & ⚓ sonall, which I have any where in yᵉ world as well houses & Lands goods Chattels Debts Legacys & generall to say everything that of Right is my Dew wheresoever or howsoever: And if it so happen that my said wife should be now with Child by me my Will is that when the said ∶ Shall come to yᵉ age of twenty one: if pleas God it shall be soe, that then two thirds: of all my said Estate, shall be my Childs butt if it should please God that sᵈ Child
should Dye without Issue that then the Sd part shall be my Wifes againe: to her her heirs and assigns forever: and I doe hereby utterly disanull disalow & Revoak: all & every other former, Testament wills, Legacy & bequest & Executors, & Executrix's by me in any wise before named: willed & bequested ratifying and Conferming this and noe other to by my Last Will & Testa-
tament In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seal the Day year first above written

Signed Seal'd & Declared &                           Robert Walker [seal]

Pronounced by y° Sd Robert                              [Proved Jan. 27, 1716/7.]
Walker to his Last will & tes-
tament In y° p'sents of us
Edward Ayers
Mary Gerrish
James Jaffry
[Probate Records, vol. 9, p. 37.]

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JOSEPH DENNATT  1714  PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Joseph Dennett of Portsmouth granted to his widow, Elizabeth Dennett, Dec. 3, 1714.]

[Bond of Elizabeth Dennett, widow, with Ephraim Dennett, yeoman, and Samuel Hart, smith, all of Portsmouth, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Dec. 3, 1714, for the administration of the estate of Joseph Dennett of Portsmouth, cooper; witnesses, Jacob Lavers and Charles Story.]

[Inventory, Dec. 7, 1714; mount, £668.15.2; signed by Sam-
uel Hart, William Parker, and Thomas Peirce.]

[License, Dec. 17, 1714, to Elizabeth Dennett, administratrix of the estate of her husband, Joseph Dennett, to sell “twenty
Acres of Land w^ch was givein with more to y^e Dec^d in his life Time by his father John Denet who purchased the Same with Several more acres of y^e Towne of portsm^o in y^e year of our Lord 1693/4 with twenty acres so to be Disposed of is to be Lay^d out and adjoyne to Twenty acres of Land of Mr Ephram Dennets which is allso part of y^e Land the Saide John Dennet purchased of y^e town of portsm^o as above saide.”]

[Warrant, April 27, 1734, in answer to the petition of Elizabeth Harvey, formerly widow of Joseph Dennett, authorizing Samuel Hart, John Pray, and John Cutt, all of Portsmouth, to report whether the estate may be divided among the widow and children without damage to the whole, in order that the oldest son may purchase the whole if he sees fit.]

[The committee reporting against the division of the estate, the court authorizes them, April 27, 1734, to appraise the estate, except the widow's third. The committee return a valuation of £770 April 29, 1734, signed by Samuel Hart, John Pray, John Cutt, Mark Langdon, and Benjamin Akerman, “The farm to be for The Eldest son to be Divided into five parts, he paying to the Heirs Accord^e to the Warrant their proportionable parts”; allowed April 29, 1734.]

NICHOLAS LISSEN

1714

EXETER

[Administration on the estate of Nicholas Lissen of Exeter granted to Alexander Magoon and Nicholas Gordon, both of Exeter, Dec. 8, 1714.]

[Warrant, March 1, 1714/15, authorizing James Sinclair and Jeremiah Connor, both of Exeter, to take an inventory of the estate.]

[Bond of Alexander Magoon, and Nicholas Gordon, both of Exeter, with James Leavitt of Exeter and William Fellows of Portsmouth as sureties, in the sum of £300, Sept. 21, 1715, for]
the administration of the estate; signed by Alexander Magoon, William Fellows, and James Leavitt; witnesses, Richard Waldron, Jr., and Abigail Shannon.]

[Warrant, Dec. 10, 1715, authorizing Thomas Webster and James Sinclair, both of Exeter, to take an inventory of the estate.]

[Account of claims against the estate, April 13, 1716, signed by John Light and James Sinclair; amount, £90.18.0; mentions Mary Smith, widow of Nicholas Smith of Exeter.]

[Inventory, Sept. 1, 1716, signed by Thomas Webster and James Sinclair; amount, £110.0.0.]

[Administrators' account against the estate; amount, £12.8.0.]

[Order of court, March 4, 1718/19, authorizing Nicholas Gordon and Alexander Magoon, administrators, to sell real estate.]

[Probate Minutes, March 4, 1718/19.]

[Administrators' account of the settlement of the estate; amount of estate, £100.0.0; expended, £105.13.8; allowed, May 25, 1728.]

[Warrant, July 27, 1743, authorizing Edward Gilman, Cartee Gilman, Joseph Lovering, Benjamin Thing, and Robert Light, all of Exeter, to make a division of forty acres of land among the three daughters of the deceased or their representatives.]

Province of New

Pursuant to A Warrant to us Directed

Hamshire

By the Honourable Andrew Wiggin Esq'

Judge of the probates of wills and granting of Letters of admin-

for the dividing of a certain tract of Land containing forty acres

which was Laid out unto the right of Niclas Lissen Late of

Exeter Deceased after viewing said Land we have according to

the best of our skill Laid out the s" Land into three parts Viz:
to Hannah the Eldest Daughter or to them that shall Legaly appear to represent her the first Lot begining at A red oak tree marked N L: and runing North & by west thirty five rods to A pine stumpt marked on four sides and from thence runing west & by south sixty Eight rods across s'd Land and to Elisabeth the secondd Daughter or to them that shall Legaly represent her the second Lot begining at the above'd pine Stump and runing north and by west thirty three Rods to A pine tree marked on four sids and from thence runing west and by south sixty Eight rods across s'd Land and to mary the youngest Daughter or to them that shall Legaly represent her the third Lot begining at the above S'd pine tree and runing north and by west thirty five rods to A poplar tree marked N L and from thence runing west and by south sixty Eight rod across s'd Land to A maple tree marked N L Laid out by us october 13th 1743

Cartee Gilman
Benj* Thing
Robert Light

JOHN WINGATE 1714 DOVER

In The Name and fear of God Amen

I John Wingett of the Towne of dover in the Province of new Hampshier being Sick and weake of boddy * * *

I th I doo will bequeath and give to my Two soons moses wingett & samill wingtt all that hundred Acres of Land which I had of my granfather Nutter Lyeing near m'r Rayners farme to be Eaqually devided betwee them when they Shall a Rive at the age of twenty one years—

I th I doo give and bequeat to my sone Edmon wingett thirty Acres of Land granted to me by the Towne of dover and Laid out in burbadus woods—

I th I doo will bequeath and give to my sone simon wingett Twenty acres of Land given to me by the Towne of dover and Laid out in burbadus woods—
I will and bequeath to my eldest daughter Mary Wingett five Pounds to be Paid by my Executors in money or other merchantable Pay at money Price with in one year and one day next following my deceas—

I will and bequeath to my daughter Ann Drew five Pounds to be Paid by my Executors in money or other Species at money Price within two years and one day next following after my deceas

I will and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Wingett five Pounds to be Paid by my Executors in money or other good Species at money Price within three years and one day next following my deceas—

I will and bequeath to my other four daughters Viz Abigail, Elizabeth, Mehittabell, and Joanna five Pounds apiece to Each of them to be Paid by my Executors in money or other good Species at the time when they shall Come to be Eighteen years of Age

I will devise give and dispose unto my beloved wife Ann and my eldest son John Wingett all my dwelling house barn & orchard and Land Adjacent there unto to gather with the salt marsh and flats in the back River and all my Part of the saw mill at Tole End to be Joynally maniaged by and between them for the support and bring Up of my small Children and also I doo give to my aforesd wife and sone all my Quick stock houseall goods debts and Rddy money to be Improved for the Use aforesd all waies Provided that if my sone John shall Refuse to maniag the Premises with his mother and shall go his way and Leave her that then he shall have nothing out of my Estate till my young Children are brough Up and then to Enter upon the Premises viz the housin Land and mill above aforesd and the same to have hold and Enjoy for Ever and what moveable goods shall Remaine after the deceas of my beloved wife I will it be Eaqually devided Amongst my daughters and doo hereby ordain Constitute and appoynt my well beloved wife Ann Wingett and sone John Wingett to be my sole Executrix and Executor Joynly and severall them
or the Longer Liver of them in trust to se this my will duly
Executed finally I doo signe seall Publish and declare this and
this only to bee my Last will an Testament Erevokeable as wit-
ness my hand and seall this Twenty Eight day of december Ano-
qu: dom: 1714
signed sealed and Published       John X. Wingett [seal]
In the Presents of
Jnº Tuttle
Joseph Roberts
his
Isreall X Hodgsden
mark
[Proved, no date.]

[Inventory, Feb. 16, 1714/15; amount, £405.12.6; signed by
John Tuttle and Tristram Heard.]

[Warrant, March 2, 1714/15, authorizing Capt. John Tuttle
and Lieut. Tristram Heard, both of Dover, to take an inventory.]

WILLIAM FIFIELD  1714/15

HAMPTON

In the Name of God Amen
I William Fifield of Hampton in ye Province of New Hampsh-
in New England being Sicke & Weeke in body; .

2ndly I Give & bequeath unto my beloved Wife Hannah all
my estate of What kind or sort so ever be the same houses lands
debts Stock money, Goods & utensels for husbandry all my estate
what soever Winthin doors or Without named or not named where
soever or what so ever by her to be possessed & Improved & dis-
posed of, for ye bringing up my Childred & other necessaries
uses during the time of her natureall Life or the time of her
Widowhood untill she marrey the which Shall first happen & no-
longer: and my Will is ye She dispose of all my Estate among
my Childred as she shall thinke meet, by what parts, or portions.
she shall thinke fitt & convenient & to such or so many of my said childred as shee shall see Cause, him, her, or them, to possess & Injoy the same Emediately after her deceas or mariadge as above mentioned: my meaning is What Remains undispossed of at her deceas, or marriag as before said: And unto this my last Will & Testament & doe appoint my beloved Wife hannah sole Executrix— &c this Revokeing all Wills by me formerly made I sign & seal this with my hand this eighteenth day of February in ye first year of King Georg his Reign over Great Britain. &c—

Annoq : Domminy : 1714/15
the Words Entirlined betwene ye 17: & 18 lines: untill she marrey were entered before shining & sealing

signd seald & declared by William fifield [seal]
Willm Fifield to be his Last Will & Testament in presence of us
Witnesses
Robert Moulton
Humphrey Sullivan
Anthony Crosbie
Thomas Haines

[Proved June 9, 1715.]

[Warrant, June 7, 1715, authorizing Jacob Brown and Robert Moulton, both of Hampton, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, June 8, 1715; amount, £198.2.0; signed by Jacob Brown and Robert Moulton.]

CHARLES STORY 1714/15

In the Name of God Amen

I Charles Story being Sick & week of body butt in perfect mind & memory Praised be to God for the Same do make & Declare this to be my Last Will & Testament in manner & fforne following, to witt affter my Debts & funerall Charges are first paide I
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

Give & Bequeath unto my Loveing Wife Susanna Story, all my Estate both Reall & Personall Except w' is Hereafter Excepted

Item To my beloved Kinsman Robart Foster fifteen Sillings to by a ringe

Item I give to my beloved Kinswoman Barbara Foster five Shillings in money

Item To my beloved Kinswoman Eliza Foster five Shillings in money

Item To my beloved Kinswoman Margret Foster five Shillings in money

Item I give to Barbara Booth five Shillings in money

Lastly I Constitute & Appoint, my Well Beloved Wife Above-saide to be Executrix To this my Last will & Testament Hereby makeing Void all Wills & Testaments by me Heretofore made In witnes Hear of I have Hereunto Sett my hand and Seale This fourth day of March one thousand Seven hundred & fourteen 1715/16

Signed & Sealed in presence of

George Jaffrey
Jacob Lavers
Hen'r Johnson

[Proved March 17, 1715/16.]

JOHN PICKERING JR. 1714/15 PORTSMOUTH

In the name of god Amen this 21st of march 1714/5 I John pickerin of portsm in y province of newhampshir in Newengland son of Cap' John pickerin of y same place, being at present in sound memory & well desposing mind though very week & Inferm in body.

whereas my abovesd father by deed of gift bareing dat y.twenty sixty day of Sep' one thousand six hundred, in y 12th year of his mag' Reigne ded give & bequeath unto my self wiff & children a sertin Estat, of Lands mills & streeme of watter: &c: as in sd deed at Larg Exsprest In which deed my sd father In-
tailled said Estat on my Children Reserveing Liberty to him selft to Cut of sd entailment & Leve to my desposall too & amongst my Children as I should see Caus I doe threfore declare that my will is that all that saied Estatt given as aforesd & my now wiff shee shall have hold poses & InJoy all her part as spesefied in my sd fathers deed all y° Rest spesefied in sd deed I give & bequeath Unto my son John pickerin— & the hear maill of his body Lawfully begotton one this Condition: & I doe order my sd son pay out of saied Estat to his too sisters deborah & sary fouer score pounds in fouer years after my desece for their part & porshon of sd Estat allso my will is that Iff my sd son should dy Leveing no heir as aforesd then said Estat given as aforesd shall fall intoo y° hands of my son thomas pickerin to him & his heire Laffully begotten Iff he dy without such heir then sd Estat shall fall to his next brother & his heire as aforesd so from son to son as Long as Any of y° nam & blood of y° pickerins remain non being found of y° maill then to y° next of y° femals surviveing the mails as aforesd

2d I give & bequeath unto my beloved wiff Elizabeth my dewling house & the Lot of Land wheareone it standeth dewering her nateurrall Liff: & after her desece I give sd house & Land unto my son samuell & daniell pickerin, to be Equally devided betwen then after their mothers desec not before without her Leve & consent I allsoo give unto my sd wiff the use of all my housall goods dewering her Liff after her desece to be Equally devided amongst my children Iff she see Caus to Let Ether Child have its dew proportion befor her death shee may I allso give her Liberty Iff ocation be that shee shall sell A Lot.or too of Land for her comfortabell subsistanc & bringing up the Childrin to Lerning

3 I give & bequeath unto my daughter mary y° wiff of ambros sloopor to say five pounds besides the Lot of Land I formerly gave her for her portion

4 the Land my father gave mee About my hous from y° River up to y° way at westerly end of the Land be devided into too parts & a way of about twenty foot wide to go through y° midell of it
from ye River to ye way at westerly end & hous Lots on both sids said way

5 I give & bequeath unto my son thomas pickerin on house Lot next ye wattersid with ye prevelidg of sd watter sid Said Loot to be in breddight on ye north sid ye way fiftty foot & on hundred foot in Lenght from high watter mark along sd way westerly to be to him his heirs Executors: &c: for ever

6. I give & bequeath unto my son samuell pickerin & daniell deborah & sary pickerin Each of them a house Lott of Land to be Layd out for bignes on both sids the way spesefied by their brother thomas Lot at ye discretion of my Executors, & to bee too them & each of them their heirs Executors administrators & assigns for ever

7 as to what Land I have at kingston & what Lands I have at york not belonging too that which I have given to my son Leve to my Executors to sell or despose of as they shall see meet for ye bringing up my Children &c:

8 Iff more Lots of Land Lefft then what I have given I Leve to ye discretion of my Excexheters how to dispose of them & dis- pos of amongst my Children to say sam danill deborah & sary pickerin— I allso will that Iff posabbell thees children be brought up to Lerning & the boys bound out to sum good trades—

9 I doe mak my honred father & beloved wiff Elizabeth my holl & sole Executor & Executrix to see this my will Compleeeted within all Respects for ye Confermation hereof I have hereunto set my hand & seall this twenty first day of march 1715 :

signed sealed & declared       John Pickerin Jun' [seal] to be my will In presents of
Hugh Banfill
his
John X lang mark
the mark of
John X burton

[Proved Sept. 17, 1715.]
[Thomas Pickering renounces administration on the estate of his father, John Pickering, Jr., Jan. 2, 1721/2, and requests that it be granted to Col. John Plaisted, Capt. Thomas Phipps, and Capt. Elisha Plaisted, or any two of them.]
[York County, Me., Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 79.]

[Administration on the estate of John Pickering, Jr., of York, Me., granted to Thomas Phipps of Portsmouth and Elisha Plaisted of Berwick, Me., Jan. 2, 1721/2.]
[York County, Me., Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 79.]

[Inventory of the estate of John Pickering, Jr., of York, Me., Feb. 10, 1721/2; land, mills, and mill privilege in York, Me., valued at £386.12.6.]
[York County, Me., Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 80.]

[Administration, with will annexed, granted to Thomas Phipps and Elisha Plaisted May 10, 1722, “it being Since made to Appear to me that he left a Will and left Executors John Pickerin his Father and Elizabeth his Widow who are Dead.”]

[Account of the settlement of the estate by the administrators; amount of estate, £386.12.0; expenditures, £311.17.2; allowed May 9, 1722.]

[Thomas Pickering, minor, son of John Pickering, Jr., of York, Me., makes choice of Thomas Phipps as his guardian July 3, 1722.]

[Administration granted to Thomas Phipps of Portsmouth and Elisha Plaisted of Berwick, Me., July 17, 1722.]
[Bond, in blank, July 17, 1722, signed by Thomas Phipps, Elisha Plaisted, Shadrach Walton, and James Davis.]
ICHABOD PLAISTED 1715 BERWICK ME.

In the Name of God Amen I Ichabod Plaisted of Berwick in the county of York in the province of the Massachusetts Bay in new Engtl being weak of body * * *

Item I Give and bequeth unto my dear & well beloved wife Mary one Saw vizt the hithermost Saw in the old Saw Mill with the appurtenances to the same belonging: also to her one half of my plantation at the Salmon fall’s, and one half of my out land’s & meadow’s in the Towne of Berwick, and half the housing out housing barn’s &c & half the orchard’s plowing & Mowing land’s &c in said Berwick, and half my plow’s chain’s Sled’s carts wheels, and all other appurtenance’s thereto belonging, and after my wife’s decease, all to revert to my Son Samuel, and his heirs for ever; also to my said wife I Give Eight oxen & four cow’s—

Item I Give to my dear wife the use of my Saw at the lower mill on Dover side, ’til my son Ichabod & my Daughter Mary come of age, and then each to enter on their part, I giving it In equal halves between them

Item I Give to my dear wife to use possess & enjoy the whole of my house & land Garden warehouse and wharfe at the bank formerly Col’ Partridge’s that I bought of Cap’n John Knight, during her naturall life: I also give her the liberty & previlidge of keeping a Cow and horse summer and winter, on the most accom-modable & convenient place in any of my field’s pasture’s & farm’s at the bank in Hampshire during her naturall life—

Item I Give to my dear wife all my household good’s of what nature kind or quality soever (Excepting eight feather bed’s with furniture) vizt Two to each child hereafter mentioned—
Item I give to my dear wife all my plate of silver of what make or mould soever during her natural life, and what shall remain at her decease to be equally divided among my children then surviving.

Item I give & bequeath to my dear wife my Negro man Jack for ever.

Item I give & bequeath unto my son Samuel Plaisted my other saw viz' the further saw in my old saw mill with all the rights proffitts previlged's & appurtinanc's unto the same belonging; also I give to my said son Samuel half my plantation at salmon fall's viz' housing out housing barn's land Orchard's plowing and mowing land's, also half my out land's & meadow's in berwick when of age; and after the decease of his mother then the other Saw of the above st old mill, and the other half of my plantation at Salmon fall's housing out housing barn's land Orchard's plowing & mowing land's, as also the other half of the out land's & meadow's in berwick afores'd after the decease of his mother as afores'd to become & revert to my said Son Samuel, and then the whole to be and remain to him and his heir's for ever; and also one half of the plow's Sled's carts wheel's chain's, and all other appurtinanc's thereunto belonging; Also to my said Son Samuel I give Eight oxen and four Cow's

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Samuel One hundred acre's of land at Greenland When of age to him and his heir's for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Samuel my negro man Sambo for ever; if he live 'til my said Son come of age.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Samuel Two feather beds with bolster's pillow's and all other furniture proper and therto belonging when of age.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Sd Son Samuel four hundred pound's of my outstanding debts, when of age; if can be received in & what may fall short each to bear their proportion of loss.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Ichabod Plaisted all my right Title and Interest in the upper saw mill on dover side with
all the proffitts previledges and appurtinances unto the Same belonging; also I Give him all my right, title and Intrest between the two saw mill's on dover Side, wch I bought of Cap't Tuttell and Ezekiel Wentwerth; also I Give him sixty acres of land above the upper saw mill on dover side which I bought of John Hall's heir's; also I Give him a peice of land which I bought of Samuel Kenny, and one peice of land more, which I bought of the widow Hobbs & Benjamin Tubbs, and one peice of land more which I bought of Henry Hobb's, all laying together on dover side.

Item I Give and bequeth unto my Son Ichabod my farm which I bought of the widow Joce, with a peice of fresh marsh at the Creek & a field of land which I bought of Said Widow Joce, with all the housing out housing barn or barn's Ochard or Orchard's; and all other tree's standing theron, and on every part therof, all and every part of the above$ I Say I give and bequeth unto him my Said Son Ichabod Plaisted and his heirs for ever—

Item I Give & bequeth unto my S't Son Ichabod one hundred acre's of land at Greenland to him and his heir's for ever all the above said to possess and enjoy when he shall come of age.

Item I Give and bequeth unto my S't Son Ichabod my dwelling house & land Garden ware house wharfe at the bank which I bought of Cap't John Knight formerly Col'd Parteridge's, viz' to possess and enjoy the Same after his mother's decease to him and his heir's for ever: Also I give him my S't Son Ichabod all the stock, cars chain's plow's, and all other Implements utensells & appurtinance's on and belonging to the farm bought of the widow Joce as afores't and I also give him four oxen more.

Item I Give and bequeth unto my S't Son Ichabod Two feather bed's bolster's pillow's, and all other furniture proper and there to belonging when come of age; I also give my S't Son Ichabod two hundred pound's of my outstanding debts, when of age if can be received in and what may fall short each to bear their proportion of loss—

Item I Give and bequeth unto my S't Son Ichabod Two acre's of Salt Marsh at the bank, (when come of age) to him & his heir's
for ever, also I give him one half of the Sloop with her appurtenance's, Mr George Jaffry owning the other halfe—

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Plaisted five hundred pounds in money now in the hands of Mr David Jaffry's in Boston also I give my S'd Daughter Mary the one half of my saw at the lower mill with all the right's proffitt's previledges & appurtinances unto the same belonging to her and her heirs for ever; also I give my S'd Daughter Mary Two feather beds bolster's pillow's and all other furniture proper and therto belonging: also I Give my Said Daughter Mary Two hundred pounds of my outstanding debts if can be got in and what may fall Short each to bear their proportion of loss, all above's she to possess and enjoy at age or marriage—

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Daughter Olive Plaisted my dwelling house & land out housing and wharfe at the bank in hampshire which I bought of mr Tucker to her & her heir's for ever, at age or marriage to possess and enjoy the Same: also I give her one hundred pounds in money at age or marriage; and after my wife's decease my S'd Daughter Olive Shall & has liberty to keep a Cow Summer and winter, on the same place where her mother kept her's at the bank, and this during the naturall life of my Said Daughter Olive, respecting the cow—

Item I Give & bequeath unto my S'd Daughter Olive two feather beds bolster's & pillow's & all other furniture proper and therto belonging to her for ever, at age or marriage to receive the Same

Item I Give & bequeath unto my S'd Daughter Olive Two hundred pounds of my outstanding debts, at age or marriage, if can be received in and what may fall Short each to bear their proportion of loss—

Item I Give & bequeath unto my Nephew Roger Plaisted a Grant of land granted by the Towne of kittery, to William & Jame's Plaisted, wch I bought of them, when I bought all there other Intrest in S'd Towne, the S'd Grant I give to him the S'd Roger and his heir's for ever; also I Give him the S'd Roger Plaisted that tract & peice of land he has already Improved & planted an Orchard on
lying between John Key & abel Hambleton's land, and in case it
should be recover'd by mr Price from him Then I Give the S'd
Roger forty pound in money in lieu therof—

Item I Give and bequeth unto my Sister Mahitabel Gooding
Twelve pounds in money—

Item my Will is that whatever Estate Either Real or personall
of what nature kind or quality soever the same be; that is not
mentioned, given and bequeathed in this my will, I do give &
bequeth the Same to my Executrix hereafter named for ever; to
be at her own dispose—

Item I Ordain Constitute and appoint my dear & Loving wife
Mary to be sole Executrix of this my last will and Testament, In
Witniness wherof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal, at Ber-
wick the Second day of april In the first year of his maj'tes Reign
 annoque Domini 1715./

Signed Sealed published and Ichabod Plaisted [seal] declared to be his Last will and
Testament In the presence of us
Tho: Packer
Joseph: Woodsum
John Croade

[Proved Feb. 29, 1715/16.]

[Bond of Mary Plaisted, widow, with John Pickering and
James Jeffrey, gentlemen, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the
sum of £10,000, Feb. 1, 1715/16, for the administration of the
estate.]

NEHEMIAH LEAVITT 1715 EXETER

[Bond of Alice Leavitt, widow, with Joseph Young and Benja-
min Jones as sureties, all of Exeter, in the sum of £200, June 9,
1715, for the administration of the estate of her husband, Nehe-
miah Leavitt of Exeter; witnesses, Eliphalet Coffin and Edward
Toogood.]
[Inventory, July 30, 1715; amount, £150.12.0; signed by Jonathan Thing and Samuel Dudley.]

DANIEL O'SHAW 1715 NEWCASTLE

New Castle: June: ye 20: 1715
Honored Sr

This is to acquaint you: That wee have: Been with our brother
John oshaw and would have: him agree with: us about Deviding:
The Estate of our father Mr Daniel oshaws: and he is not willing
Thare fore: we pray your honnour To let us have a divition and
each one To know: his part: and wee will main our sister Cath-
rine: oshaw accord ing To each ones part

his
James X oshaw
mark
his
Ruben X Mace
mark
her
Cathrine X oshaw
mark
his
William X sormors
mark
his
Henry X Treddeck
mark
Edward: Hales
her
Sarah X marden
mark

To the hon'able Richard waldrong esq Judg of probates

[Bond of John O'Shaw of Newcastle, with John Wilson of
Newcastle, cordwinder, and Lazarus Noble of Portsmouth, hus-
bandman, as sureties, in the sum of £200, July 7, 1715, for the administration of the estate of his father, Daniel O'Shaw of Newcastle; witnesses, Joseph Sherburne and John Pray.]

[Warrant, July 9, 1715, authorizing Theodore Atkinson and Capt. John Frost, both of Newcastle, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, July 15, 1715; amount, £110; signed by Theodore Atkinson and John Frost.]

[Administrator's account of the settlement of the estate; amount of estate, £110.0.0; expended, £16.14.11; allowed Sept. 14, 1716.]

[Order of court, Sept. 14, 1716, that "John O'Shaw do Injoy the whole Estate Durieng the Life of his Infirm Sister Katherine, paying four pounds £ Annum towards his S. Sisters maintain- nance, to y. person y. keeps her, and After her Death the Said John Oshaw to pay unto his Brothers and Sisters, or those that Legaly represent them, their equal proportion of ninety three pounds five Shillings, and a penny: reserveing to himselfe as Eldest son a double portion".]

[Various notes, receipts, etc., containing signatures of George Jackson, Richard Neal, and Jotham Odiorne.]

GEORGE HUNTRESS 1715 NEWINGTON

In The name of God amen—

I George Huntris of newinton formerly dover in y. province of new hampshire in new England yeoman haveing upon me y. Infirmities of old age * * *

Item 2 I give and bequeath to my well beloved wife mary huntris all my moveable Estate within door and without to bee att her own disposing and also part of the Estate where I now dwell that is to say all the Land which Lieth betwen nathans knights and a fence on the north side of stony brook to run as the
fence runs straight up to the head of the Land and so over as far, as my Land goes with all the privileges there unto belonging or any waies appertaining dureing her naturall Life as also all the previlidge of the old oarchad which is upon that part of my Land which I desire for my Grandson Christopher huntris togethers away to transport anything through the foot of all the Land—

and further I give unto my well beloved wife mary huntris four pounds in money or equil to money and tenn daies work of four oxen to be paid her yearly by my two sons dureing her natureall Life out of my Estate where my two sons samuell and John huntris now lives—

Item I Give and bequeth unto my two sons samuell and John huntris my farme where they now dwell Lieing by the side of the Long reach part of which I bought of Mathew Nelson: and part of John pickering and part of william vaughan Esq: the whole whearof Contains one hundred and fifty acers be it more or less wich my two sons samuell and John huntris are to have Equily Divided betwen them they paying yearly to there mother as above s'd part of which land lieth in the township of portsmoth and part in newington which was Dover which I give unto them and their heirs for Ever and my will further is that If either of my sons samuell or John huntris dye without Issue Lawfully begotten of his body that the surviver shall have and In Joy the whole to him his heirs for ever: and further my will is that If Either of my afore s'd sons shall se Cause to dispose of his part that he shall offer his brother the refuse he Giveing as much for the same as any other person: Item: I Give and bequeth unto my Daughter abigail huntris tenn pounds in Goods att Currant prises to be paid by my Executors within one year after my decease Except I should pay it my self before I dye—

Item I give and bequeath unto my Grand son Christopher huntris eldest son of my son George deced all that part of Land where my son George huntris dwelt which lyes betwen afence on the north side of stony brook Clemit misherves Land to him y's s'd Christopher huntris his heirs and asines for ever he paying unto
his two sisters Elizabeth and Deborah huntris Each of them three pound in Goods att Curant prises within one year after he arives to the age of twenty one years—

Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson George huntris youngest son of my son george huntress all the Rest of that my plantation where on my son dwelt Extending from the fence on the north side of Stony brook southeastward to the furthest extent of my Land so that he paying unto his sister sarah huntris five pounds in Goods att Curnt prises within one year after he Comes to the age of twenty one years or the plantation Comes in his hands which is not to bee till after his Grandmothers decease I having Given itt her till then but after ward to be his and his heirs for ever which Land Lieth in the township of portsmouth

Item I will that If either of my Grand Sons dye without Issue that then the Surviver shall have both parts to him and his heirs forever or if either of them Incline to see that he shall let his brother have the Refuse he giveing as much as any other person and Lastly I do make Constitute ordaine and appoint my well beloved sons samuell and John huntris my Executors of this my Last will and Testament: which are not to bee molested by any of my Children I haveing advanced them all ready by portions as I intended for them Excepting tenn pounds to my daughter abigail and I do hereby Revoke and disclaime all former and other wills and Testaments by me before named or made Ratifying Confirming this and no other to be my Last will and Testament In witness whereof I have hearunto sett my hand and seal this twenty eight day of June 1715

sined sealed published pronounced & Declared by georg huntris to bee his Last will and testament in the presence of us the subscribers

John Dam
Nathan knight
Moses Dam

[Proved Aug. 19, 1715.]
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

[Bond of Samuel Huntress and John Huntress, with Capt. John Downing and John Fabyan, as sureties, all of Newington, in the sum of £1000, Aug. 19, 1715, for the administration of the estate.]

[Warrant, Aug. 19, 1715, authorizing Capt. John Downing and Ensign John Fabyan, both of Newington, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Oct. 10, 1715; amount, £600; signed by John Downing and John Fabyan.]

[Guardianship of George Huntress of Portsmouth, minor, aged more than fourteen years, granted to his step-father, Thomas Darling of Portsmouth, Jan. 26, 1724/5.]


HENRY MARSH 1715 DURHAM

[Elizabeth Marsh renounces administration on the estate of her husband in favor of her son, John Marsh, July 7, 1715.]

[Bond of John Marsh, with Samuel Lovering and Ephraim Leavitt, yeomen, as sureties, all of Exeter, in the sum of £100, Aug. 9, 1715, for the administration of the estate of his father, Henry Marsh of Oyster River; witnesses, Sebastian Judges and Richard Gerrish, Jr.]

[Warrant, Aug. 9, 1715, authorizing Stephen Jones and Jeremiah Burnham, both of Oyster River, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Aug. 15, 1715; amount, £41; signed by Jeremiah Burnham and Stephen Jones.]

[Order of court, Aug. 18, 1715, authorizing the administrator to sell real estate to pay debts.]
EDWARD POLLY 1715

[Bond of Mary Polly, widow, with Clement Hughes and William Williams as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £200, July 18, 1715, for the administration of the estate of her husband, Edward Polly; witnesses, Jarvis Ring and Richard Gerrish, Jr.]

ROBERT RUTHERFORD 1715 PORTSMOUTH

[Bond of William Fellows of Portsmouth, vintner, with Joshua Wingate of Hampton, smith, and Thomas Roberts of Dover, husbandman, as sureties, in the sum of £100, July 19, 1715, for the administration of the estate of Robert Rutherford of Portsmouth, barber; witnesses, William Sherrod and Richard Gerrish, Jr.]

NATHANIEL JACKSON 1715 PORTSMOUTH

[Bond of Margaret Jackson, with Elisha Briard and Thomas Peirce as sureties, in the sum of £500, July 21, 1715, for the administration of the estate of her husband, Nathaniel Jackson of Portsmouth; witnesses, Sebastian Judges and Richard Gerrish, Jr.]

[Warrant, July 21, 1715, authorizing Thomas Peirce, cord-winder, and Elisha Briard, block-maker, both of Portsmouth, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Sept. 7, 1715; amount, £593.1.7; signed by Elisha Briard and Thomas Peirce.]

[Administratrix’s account of the settlement of the estate; amount of estate, £634.5.1; expenditures, £100.9.2; mentions children, Nathaniel Jackson, John Jackson, Joshua Jackson, and Samuel Jackson, John being 2½ and Samuel 4½ years old at the
death of their father; also states that John was "Delirious above one year."

[Warrant, April 26, 1727, authorizing Capt. Samuel Hart, Capt. Joseph Sherburne, Ephraim Dennett, John Cutt, and Clement Hughes to divide the real estate.]

Pro: of New Hamp's
Pursuant to a warrant to us Directed from the Honble Richard Waldron Esq' Judge of Probate of Wills &c for S'd Province Impowering us to make a Division of the real Estate of Nathaniel Jackson, late of Portsmouth Dec'd, Among the widow & Children of the S'd Dec'd, We have made the Same as followeth Viz: To the Widow for her Dower we have Sett off as followeth vizt—
The Western Ground room & Garret in the S'd Dec'd late Dwelling House, the Western End of the Lento, one half of the Cellar, the Eastern Chamber and one half of the Barn, one half of the Land adjoyning to the House & Eight Acres & fourty Six rods of Pasture Land, y° which is more plainly Demonstrated by y° platt on y° other Side.
To Nathaniel Jackson he being the Eldest Son, we allow for his double portion the Eastern Ground room & Garret in Said House, one half of the Western Chamber, the Eastern Ground room in the Lento, one half of the Cellar, one half of the Barn, the other half of the Land adjoyning to the Dwelling House, and four Acres & Twenty three rods of pasture Land as y° Same is noted on y° platt on y° other Side, wth privilege of fetching watter from y° Well, & going to & coming from y° Barn and also the Liberty of the Lane,
To John Jackson we allow one half of y° Western Chamber, and ten Acres & ninety rods of Land at y° head of y° Pasture as y° Same is Platted on y° other Side,
To Joshua Jackson We allow y° Deceaseds House & Land at y° Bank he paying to his Brother Samuel the sum of Thirty two pounds.
To Samuel Jackson we allow y° Deceaseds part of y° Island,
The Widows part 12 Acres 95 rods
Nathaniels part 12 acres 45 rods

Johns part
10 Acres 99 rods

the widows part & Acres 46 rods
Nathaniels part 4 acres 23 rods
com’only called Jacksons Island, and the aforesaid Sum of Thirty two pounds to be paid him by his Brother Joshua, as witness our hands July 6th 1727—

Sam'l Hart
Jos: Sherburn
John Cutt
Clement Hughes

[Allowed July 18, 1727.]

CALEB SHAW

1715

[Bond of Elizabeth Shaw, widow, with Samuel Shaw and Benjamin Hilliard as sureties, all of Hampton, in the sum of £200, July 27, 1715, for the administration of the estate of her husband, Caleb Shaw; witnesses, Henry Rust and Thomas Roberts.]

[Inventory, Sept. 6, 1715; amount, £316.8.0; signed by Peter Weare and Joseph Swett.]

[Account of the settlement of the estate by Elizabeth Tilton, wife of Capt. Joseph Tilton, formerly widow of Caleb Shaw; amount of estate, £326.8.0; expenditures, including widow’s third, £281.18.9; mentions children, Samuel Shaw, the oldest son, Joseph Shaw, Ebenezer Shaw, Elizabeth Shaw, alias Rollins, Margaret Shaw, and Mary Shaw, also Ann Shaw, who had died; expense is entered for maintaining Ebenezer Shaw five years and six months, and Mary Shaw seven years; allowed June 9, 1726.]

[Various bills, notes, etc., containing signatures of Jacob Freese, John Penhallow, Benjamin Fitch, Samuel Melcher, Nathaniel Healey, Samuel Nudd, Israel Blake, and Nathaniel Marriner, son of Joshua Marriner.
A list of children mentions Samuel Shaw, Rachel Shaw, Aphia Shaw, Elizabeth Shaw, “mard to Caleb Ralins & since Dead,” Ann Shaw, dead, Margaret Shaw, Joseph Shaw, Ebenezer Shaw, and Mary Shaw.
Rachel Shaw married Abner Sanborn of Hampton, and they gave a receipt for her portion of the estate Dec. 19, 1715; witnesses, Peter Weare, Peter Sanborn, and John Sanborn.]

JOHN BICKFORD 1715 NEWINGTON

[Bond of Susanna Bickford, widow, and her son, Jethro Bickford, with John Downing, all of Newington, and John Knight of Portsmouth, as sureties, in the sum of £1000, Sept. 5, 1715, for the administration of the estate of her husband, John Bickford of Newington; witnesses, James Nelson and Matthew Nelson.]

[Warrant, Sept. 9, 1715, authorizing Capt. John Tuttle and Lieut. Tristram Heard, both of Dover, to take an inventory of the estate.]

[Inventory, Nov. 22, 1715; amount, £651.17.0; signed by John Tuttle and Tristram Heard.]

[Administratrix's account of the settlement of the estate; mentions division of real estate as follows:

"The Real Estate being one hundred & fifty Acres: ½ to the adm't, Dur'd Vid't the other two thirds in the following Manner—viz:

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"the Lots Drawn by them of age: And the Mother Guardian for them under age & Numbered as in the Draught."

[Petition of Joseph Couch, minor, aged about eighteen years, and living out of the province, that his uncle, Lemuel Bickford, be appointed his guardian; dated July 5, 1732.]
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

[Guardianship of Joseph Couch, grandson of John Bickford and Susanna Bickford of Newington, granted to his uncle, Lemuel Bickford, July 5, 1732.]

[Blank sheet of paper for guardian's bond, signed by Lemuel Bickford, Abraham Matthews, and Dodavah Bickford; witnesses, John Penhallow and Eliakim Bickford.]

To the Honourable Benjamen Gambling Esq' Judge of Probate of Wills and Granting Letters of Administration in the province of New Hamp'

The Complaint of Jnº Walker and Mary his wife, Samº Walker and Anna Walker, Lemuel Bickford as Guardian to Joseph Cooch the only Surviving Child of Bridget Cooch formerly Bridget Bickford, Peircey Bickford, Lemuel Bickford, Eliakim Bickford and Dodavah Bickford with Lemuel Bickford for his Brother Joseph Bickford—sheweth

That Jnº Bickford late of Dover in the sº province in the Year of our Lord 1715 died Intestate, leaving Issue Nine sons and daughters, Vizº Jethro his oldest Surviving son, Bridget, Joseph, Mary, Peircey, Anna, Lemuel, Eliakim and Dodavah and that in the Year of our Lord 1719 his the sº Jnº Bickfords estate real & personal was Setled by the Court of Probates of that day, and that the Share of the Two Thirds of the Land coming to each Child excepting the oldest son amounted to Ten acres and no more, to which oldest son came Twenty acres as his double Share which Eldest son purchased two Single Shares of the aforsº Two Thirds, vizº of Joseph and Bridget which makes his right to be forty Acres in the Division of the first Two Thirds,—yet so it is that in the sº Division he the Eldest son has procured to be laid out Sixty five acres of their Sº fathers land unto him which is Twenty five acres more than to him of right doth belong— which is very greatly to the damage of Your Complainants, their respective Shares being Lessened thereby— They therefore pray that Your Honour will please to order an exact Survey to be made of the former Division
and a new Division to be made if need require of the afors'd Two Thirds of their s'd fathers real estate, and Your Petitioners Shall pray &c

26th septem' 1732.

Lemuel Bickford for Cooch
Dodavah Bickford
Lem1 Bickford for anah Walker
Pearce Bickford
Lemuel Bickford for Joseph Bickford
John walker
Lem1 Bickford
Eliakim Bickford

[The judge of probate declined to act, and appeal was taken to the governor and council.]

ABRAHAM PERKINS  1715

[Bond of Mary Perkins, widow, with John Moulton and John Tuck as sureties, all of Hampton, in the sum of £500, Sept. 5, 1715, for the administration of the estate of her husband, Abraham Perkins; witnesses, Richard Elliot and Samuel Thompson.]

[Warrant, Sept. 5, 1715, authorizing Capt. Joshua Wingate and Robert Moulton, both of Hampton, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, signed by Joshua Wingate and Robert Moulton; amount, £475.16.0.]

SAMUEL FELLOWS JR.  1715

KINGSTON

[Bond of Sarah Fellows, widow, and her father, Thomas Webster, with John Fifield and Thomas Sleeper as sureties, all of Kingston, Sept. 8, 1715, in the sum of £400, for the administration of the estate of her husband, Samuel Fellows; witnesses, Daniel Ladd and John Sleeper.]
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

[Inventory of the estate of Samuel Fellows, Jr., of Kingston; amount, £149.19.0; signed by John Fifield and Thomas Sleeper; attested Sept. 8, 1715.]

[List of claims against the estate; amount, £15.9.0; signed by John Fifield and Thomas Sleeper.]

[Order of court, June 6, 1716, authorizing Sarah Fellows, widow of Samuel Fellows and daughter of Thomas Webster of Kingston, to give deeds of two mills which her husband had sold.]

[Probate Records, vol. 9, p. 2.]

SAMUEL GRAFFAM 1715 PORTSMOUTH

[Inventory of the estate of Samuel Graffam, Oct. 21, 1715; amount, £48.9.6; signed by William Parker and William Cotton.]

*Bond of Agnes Graffam, with Capt. John Pickering and Jacob Lavers, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £100, Nov. 12, 1715, for the administration of the estate of her husband, Samuel Graffam of Portsmouth; witnesses, Benjamin Miller and Richard Gerrish, Jr.*

TIMOTHY BLAKE 1715 HAMPTON

In the name of god amen
I Timothy blake beinge weke of body * * *
2d I havinge by Deed given to my two sons moses and Isarell the one halfe of my farme which deed baringe date the eighteth day of June seventeen hundred & twelve, I give unto my sd two sons after my deseas the other halfe of my farme that is moses & Isarell blake, they yeildinge & payinge my now wife thier mother, the one third of the income of sd lands & after thier mothers deseas to be equally devided in quallety & quantity they payinge to thiere brothers & 'sisters ten pounds apece, that is to
aron ten pounds, & five pounds to timothy he havinge five pound alredy given to debroh Nomia [Naomi] ruth ten pounds apec
& I Give to my son Samuell my grist mill hee livinge duty full to his mother tell he is twenty one years of age & then allowinge his mother twenty shillings a yeare & evry yeare duringe her naturell life
I Give to my wife the use of my stoke of Cattell of all sorts & goods & utencells in the house duringe her naturell life & then to be disposed of amonge the Children with the ten pounds as aforsd if the estate bee then that it bee no wronge to the executors in Confirmation of all above written I set my hand & seall this twenty sixth of october ano: Dom: 1715 & in the second yeare of our sovraigne Georg of great Brittin king I also constitut & apoint my two sons moses & Isarell executors & my wife Nom [Naomi] executrix: to this my last will to all which I set my hand and seall the Date aforsd
wittnes
Isarel Smith
Mehetabel Hilliard
Oliver Smith
[Proved June 4, 1718.]

[Inventory of the estate of Timothy Blake of Hampton, who died Jan. 5, 1717/18; taken Feb. 10, 1717/18; amount, £278.10.0; signed by Joseph Swett and Benjamin Hilliard.]

JOHN WINCOLL  1715  PORTSMOUTH
[Administration on the estate of Capt. John Wincoll of Portsmouth granted to his widow, Deborah Wincoll, Nov. 12, 1715.]

[Administration granted to John Wentworth and George Jaffrey, both of Portsmouth, Oct. 11, 1717.]

[List of claims against the estate; amount, £482.18.3½.]
[Warrant, Jan. 5, 1718/19, authorizing the administrators to sell real estate, the estate being insolvent.]


Also a deed of land in Berwick, Me., March 26, 1709, from John Wincoll of Portsmouth, mariner, and Deborah Wincoll, his wife, to John Smith of Salmon Falls in the town of Berwick, Me., yeoman, son of James Smith of the same place, yeoman, deceased.]

JOHN STOCKBRIDGE 1715

[HAMPTON

[Samuel Stockbridge of Dorchester, Mass., clothier, oldest son, renounces administration on the estate of his father, John Stockbridge of Hampton, Nov. 23, 1715, and requests that administration be granted to his next brother, John Stockbridge of Berwick, Me.; witnesses, Abraham Stockbridge and Ann Newman.]

[Administration on the estate of John Stockbridge of Hampton granted to his son, John Stockbridge of Berwick, Me., Aug. 15, 1716.]

[Probate Records, vol. 9, p. 15.]

[Bond of John Stockbridge, with Alexander Grant and Thomas Earle as sureties, all of Berwick, Me., in the sum of £50, Aug. 15, 1715, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Mary Spencer and Richard Gerrish, Jr.]

[Inventory, signed by Samuel Colcord and John Fifield; amount, £61.0.0; attested by the administrator July 20, 1717.]
JOHN FOLSOM 1715 EXETER

I John Foulsm of Exeter in the Province of New hampshire being weak of body, * * *

Item I give unto my son Abraham Foulsm four acres of salt marsh at Hampton to be taken out of the south end of the great Lot. and I give him three fifths of my Lower pasture in Exeter known by the name of pine hill pasture he taking his part next to Jonathan smiths Land.

Item: I give to my son John Foulsm twenty acres of Land lying upon pickpocket Road on this side the great River, and thirty acres on the other side the great River, where now he lives.

Item: I give to my son Jonathan Foulsm my house and barn and the Land adjoyning to it, and all my marsh both in Hampton and Exeter not already disposed of, and three acres of land in the common field, and three acres of swamp in the neck and the whole of my upper and Lower pasture not already disposed of, and my part in the saw mill.

Item: my will is that my sons Abraham and Jonathan shall not have their portions till after my wifes decease.

Item I give to my son Jeremiah Foulsm an hundred acres of land at lamperele River where now he lives.

Item: I give to my daughter Abigail Gillman seven pounds.

Item: I give to my daughter Sarah Stevens twelve pounds.

Item: I give to my daughter Marys two Children each five pounds apec

Item: I give to my son John Foulsm and to my daughters Lydia Stockman & Mercy Dudley all my Land at the white pine plains and over the great River known by the name of Foulsm's Meadow being by estimation two hundred acres be it more or Less to be equally divided between them:

Item My will is that my son Jonathan Foulsm shall pay my Just debts and funerel Charges, and that he shall pay his two sisters Abigail Gilman and Sarah Stevens their portions as above named and likewise his two Cousens my daughter marys Children, immediately after his mothers decease.
Item I give to my well beloved wife Abigail Foulsam the use of my dwelling house and barn and the land adjoyning to it, and of my saw mill and all my marsh at Hampton and Exeter and all my upper and lower pasture lying by my son Abrahams, and my land both in the common feild and neck during her life, and I give her the whole of my stock and moveable estate both within doors and without, as her own proper estate and to dispose of to whom she see fit.

Finally my will is and I do hereby appoint my beloved wife Abigail Foulsam to be full and Sole Executrix to this my last will and testament and do hereby revoke disanul and make void, all former wills and Testaments by me heretofore made, In witness whereof I the sd John Foulsam have to this my last will & testament set my hand and Seal this twenty fourth day of November Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and fifteen Annoq: R: Regis George: Brittanie &c secundo

Signed, Sealed & owned in John foullsam [seal]

the presence of.—

John Odlin
Thomas Edgerley
Daniell Thing

[Proved Dec. 6, 1715.]

[Bond of Abigail Folsom, widow, with John Odlin and Daniel Thing as sureties, all of Exeter, in the sum of £2000, no date, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Thomas Packer and Richard Gerrish, Jr.]

[Warrant, Dec. 6, 1715, authorizing Capt. John Gilman and Lieut. Jonathan Wadleigh, both of Exeter, gentlemen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, April 27, 1716; amount, £1313.12.0; signed by John Gilman and Jonathan Wadleigh.]
RICHARD MILLS 1715 PORTSMOUTH

[Bond of Ann Mills, widow, with William Cotton, Jr., and Edward Cator as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £500, Dec. 22, 1715, for the administration of the estate of her husband, Dr. Richard Mills of Portsmouth; witnesses, Richard Gerrish, Jr., and Jacob Lavers.]

[Inventory, Aug. 18, 1716; amount, £228.11.11; signed by Jacob Lavers and Robert Pike; attested by Abigail Nicholson, administratrix to the estate of Ann Mills, Aug. 30, 1716.]

NICHOLAS SMITH 1715/16 EXETER

I Nicholas Smith of Extor in the Province of New Hampshire in New England being weak of body *

Item I give unto my beloved son Richard Smith my Dwelling House and all my land thereto adjoining & the right y't I have or ought to have to y't Estate of my Father Nicholas Smith Deceas'd.—

Item I give unto my beloved son Nathaniel Smith Twenty acres of upland next adjoining to y't Cattale swamp so called.

Item I give unto my five sons Daniel, Nicholas, Benjamin Edward and John and to my five Daughters Mary Elisabeth, Patience, Comfort and Abigail Smith all my other Lands and meadows to be equally divided amongst them they paying what is hereafter mentioned.—

Item I give unto my beloved daughter Ann Clarke twenty shillings to be paid her by her five Brothers & five Sisters above specified she having Received part of her . . . . allready.—

Item My will is that none of my Children receive their portions before after mine & my wives Decease.—

Item I give unto my beloved wife Mary Smith the use of my Dwelling House, and all my upland and meadow for her life and all my Housell, goods and Stock for her own proper use and to dispose of according to her pleasure.—

Finally My will is and I doe hereby appoint my Loveing wife
and my son Richard Smith to be the full and joynt Execut[or] of this my Last will and Testament & I doe hereby revoke and disannull, and make voyde, all former wills & Testaments by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I the said Nicholas Smith have to this my Last will & Testament Sett my hand and seal this thirteenth day of February Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred & fifteen Sixteen &c

Signed Sealed & owned In y° presentec of us—
Cartee Gilman
Edward Stevens
Jeremiah Hubbard

[Proved June 6, 1716.]
[Probate Records, vol. 9, p. 7.]

[Bond of Mary Smith, widow, and her son, Richard Smith, with Cartee Gilman and Jeremiah Hubbard as sureties, all of Exeter, in the sum of £500, June 6, 1716, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Richard Gerrish, Jr., and Jeremiah Thompson.]

RICHARD DORE 1715/16 PORTSMOUTH

In the Nam of God amen

I Richard Door of Porchmoth in the Provence of New Hamsher in New England Con Sidering the the Sicknes and infermity of my Bodey and not knownen How Sun deth may Remove me henc to another world I have thoyt fit and Resolved befoore I Leeave this Earthly Vale to dee pose of my temporl Goodes and Estat which it Hath Plesed God to bee stow up on me I Recommending first my immortal Sol into the marcifiel handes of God my father and of my dear Saver Jesus Christ and my mortel Bodey to the Earth to be decently byred according to the Discretion of my Executres her after named in maner and forme following

fust I will I Give and bequeath unto my well beloved Wife Tamson door my hous and orchd and the Land that agines to it
and all the privledges and apurtenances therunto be longing to my said Wife her one proper use Benefit and behuf for Ever to deespos of as shee sees fit

Secly I will and Give my said Wife Liberty after my deth to sell a certen percel of Land about four or five acers the Land I bought of Mr Jackson and Mr Cotton to pay my Funerel Charges and doo deets and the Re Mander of the money that the Land is sold for I will and beqeth it Equiley to bee diveded among my Children everey one alick and my Wif to have all that Eles apers to be min

finenly I Constuite and appoint my dear and Fathfull Wife ye Sole Executrix of this my Last will and testament in witnes Were of I have her unto Set my hand and Seel this 16 day of Febery 1715 In the year of our Lord one thosend Seven Hundred and fifteen Sixten Anno in the Ran of King Jorg the 2 : yer

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Mary X Gardner
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Wm Cotton tersher

[Proved March 17, 1715/16.]

[Bond of Tamson Dore, widow, with William Cotton, Jr., and Samuel Manson as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £100, March 17, 1715/16, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Abraham Boule and Richard 'Gerrish, Jr.]

[Warrant, March 22, 1715/16, authorizing Samuel Manson and Peter Ball, both of Portsmouth, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, May 1, 1716; amount, £53.10.0; signed by Peter Ball and Samuel Manson.]
JETHRO FURBER 1715/16 NEWINGTON

[Bond of Leah Furber, widow, with Havelil Nutter and Moses Dam, yeomen, as sureties, all of Newington, in the sum of £1000 March 2, 1715/16, for the administration of the estate of her husband, Jethro Furber of Newington; witnesses, Thomas Harvey and Richard Gerrish, Jr.]

[Inventory, April 16, 1716; amount, £247.2.0; signed by John Dam and John Downing, Jr.]

ROBERT LANG 1715/16

[Bond of Stephen Lang, fisherman, with William Wallace, fisherman, and Capt. John Pickering, gentleman, as sureties, in the sum of £200, March 5, 1715/16, for the administration of the estate of his father, Robert Lang.]

[Warrant, March 5, 1715/16, authorizing Capt. Tobias Langdon and Thomas Beck, both of Portsmouth, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory of the estate of Robert Lang, who died Feb. 16, 1715/16; taken March 27, 1716; amount, £117.11.10; signed by Tobias Langdon and Thomas Beck.]

JAMES BLAGDON 1715/16 STAR ISLAND

[Bond of George Blagdon of the Isles of Shoals, with George Jaffrey and Richard Wibird, both of Portsmouth, gentlemen, as sureties, in the sum of £400, March 17, 1715/16, for the administration of the estate of his father, James Blagdon of the Isles of Shoals; witness, Richard Gerrish, Jr.]

[Administration on the estate of James Blagdon of Star Island granted to William Kelly of Newcastle March 5, 1721/2.]

[Inventory, Star island, Sept. 1, 1722; amount, £150.0.0; signed by Richard Yeaton of Star island and John Vennard of Newcastle, mariner.]

JOHN BLAKE 1715/16 HAMPTON

In the name of God Amen: The twentie second day of march in y° year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & fifteen or sixteen I John Blake of Hampton in y° province of New Hampshire in New England; being very sick and weak in body, • • •

Item I give and bequeath to fransis my dearly beloved wife to have the use of my dwelling house and barne during her natural life, with one third part of my orchard, and my Son Jasper to keep or find his mother two cowes & to find her with firewood, and eight bushels of Indian corn yearly and twoo bushels of malt, and two swine fatted weighing about seven score apece, and six sheep yearly, and also to have and Improve all my moveable household goods within doors, all which during her natural life.

Item I give and bequeath to my son Samuel Blake one third part of y° fruit of my orchards until hee have an orchard of his own that bears, also two shares in y° first west Division, and a share and halfe in y° second west Division near John Greens, and also my salt Marsh att y° fales Side which I bought of Jo° Gove, and that part of a share att winnecut meadow on y° northerly Side of y° River: and my biggest Timber chain and y° least of my draft chaines.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Jasper Blake my five acres of salt marsh, and my southermost share at winnecutt meadow together with my house lott where my house now Standeth with y° orchard and housing thereon, the housing & orchard after my wives decease and one share in y° west Division lying between Robert Draks & Jn° Leavits shares, as also my stocke of cattell or moveables with out doors, all husbandry Implements or tools what so ever, and y° moveables within doors after my Wifes Decease.
Item I give and bequeath unto my Son John Blake all that part of my share at winnecut River on ye Souerly side of ye River over against ye part of ye share I have given to my Son Samuel.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Dorothy crocket twelve pounds in merchantable pay, Jasper to pay nine pounds ten shillings & Samll two pound tenn shillings one year after my decease as also Jasper to lett her have one cow att ye time above sd And to my Daughter Sarah Bachelder I give five shillings.

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Son Jonathan Blake one share in ye old north Division near woodchick, And order my Son Nathan Blake to be put to leanne a good trade as my Executors shall think fitt, & Jasper to pay him seven pounds in merchantable pay & Samll to pay him three pounds in merchantable pay all which is to be paid him att ye age of twenti one years And to my Daughter Mehitabel Blake ten pounds in merchantable pay, Samll to pay her four pounds & Jasper six pounds; And I order and appoint my Dearly Beloved Wife and my Son Jasper Blake to be Executors and Exsecutrix to this my last will and Testament in witnes whereof I have here unto sett my hand and seale, the day and year abow written:

Signed Sealed published and Declared by ye sd Jn Blake as his last will & Testament in ye presence of us ye Subscribers

John Tucke
Elisha Smith
Caleb X Towle
his mark

[Proved May 14, 1716.]

[Inventory, May 12, 1716; amount, £353.16.6; signed by John Tuck and Elisha Smith.]

[Frances Blake, the widow, accepts joint executorship May 14, 1716.]
ANN MILLS  1716  PORTSMOUTH

[Bond of Abigail Nicholson, widow, with Jacob Lavers, cord-winder, and Richard Parshley, tailor, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £500, May 15, 1716, for the administration of the estate of her daughter, Ann Mills of Portsmouth; witnesses, Richard Gerrish, Jr., and John Dimond.]

SILVANUS NOCK  1716  DOVER

In the Name of God amen. I Silvanus Nock senior of the Town of Dover in the Province of Newhampshire being sick and weak of body * * *

Imprimis I Give and bequeath unto Easter my well beloved wife one third part of my improved lands belonging to my homestead to be improved by her during her Widowhood and also the improvement of one Sixth part of my Sawmill so long as she remains a widow and also the lower Room in my dwelling house and one third part of my barn during her widowhood as aforesaid in like manner one third part of all the moveables excepting the bed which shall be wholly at her dispose together with the bedding belonging to it

Item I give to my eldest Son Silvanus Nock all my home place with all the Housing and lands belonging to it viz two thirds of all my home place as house and barn and lands thereto belonging (not disposed of to his mother) immediately after my decease; and at his mothers marriage or decease the whole to be his and I do also give unto him all my land and marsh at birch point and
also half my right and interest in the sawmill with the priviledges thereto belonging as also all my other estate both Real and personall which shall not be otherwise disposed of in this my will and I do constitute and appoint him my said Son Silvanus Nock to be the Sole executor of this my last will obliging him to pay all my honest debts and funerall charges, and he to receive all the debts due to me

Item I give unto my Son Thomas Nock twenty five acres of land lying in the Town of Barwick in the province of the Massachusetts bay, adjoyning to loves brook

Item I give unto my Son James Nock the other part of my lands adjoyning to loves Brook as aforesaid being about twenty five acres adjoyning to that which I have here given to my Son Thomas Nock.

Item I give unto my Son Zechariah Nock twenty acres of land adjoyning to the brook at holmes bridge as also the other half of my right and interest in the Sawmill with the priviledges appertaining to it excepting only his mother's improvement of a third during her widowhood

Item I give unto my abovesaid Sons Thomas Nock and James Nock my old Sawmill equally between ym with the priviledges belonging to it and liberty of rebuilding it at Quomphegen the place where it now stands and near to the other Sawmill here disposed of in part

Item I give unto my Sons Silvanus Thomas and Zechariah Nock all my Quick stock to be divided equally between them only my wife shall improve one third of it During her widowhood

Item I give unto my Daughters Elizabeth and Sarah Nock twenty shillings a piece to be paid by my Executor within two years after my decease

And I do hereby revoke and disanull all other and former wells made by me and do ratifie and confirm this to be my last will and testament In witness whereof I the Said Silvanus Nock sen: have hereunto set my hand and seal this Seaventh day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seaven hundred and sixteen and in
the second year of the Reign of our Soveraign Lord George by
the grace of God of great Brittain &c King defender of the Faith
Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the Said Silvanus
Nock to be his last will and Testament
In presence of Silvanus Nock [seal]
Thomas Tebbets Sen
Samuel Tebbets
Matthew Short

[Proved Feb. 13, 1716/17.]

[Inventory, July 14, 1716; amount, £252.0.6; signed by
Thomas Tibbetts, Samuel Tibbetts, and Hatevil Roberts.]

[Bond of Silvanus Nock, with Thomas Tibbetts and Samuel
Tibbetts, yeomen, as sureties, all of Dover, in the sum of £500,
Feb. 13, 1716/17, for the administration of the estate; witness,
Richard Gerrish, Jr.]

ISAAC MATTHEWS 1716 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Isaac Matthews of Portsmouth,
sailmaker, granted to John Jones of Portsmouth, mason, July 3,
1716.]

[Probate Records, vol. 9, p. 13.]

[Bond of John Jones, mason, with William Parker, tanner, and
Michael Whidden, joiner, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the
sum of £100, July 3, 1716, for the administration of the estate of
his brother, Isaac Matthews; witnesses, Jacob Lavers and Eleazer
Russell.]

JAMES O'SHAW 1716 NEWCASTLE

[Administration on the estate of James O'Shaw of Great Island
granted to John O'Shaw of Great Island July 15, 1716.]

[Probate Records, vol. 9, p. 14.]
[Bond of John O'Shaw of Great Island, hatter, with John Pickering, gentleman, and William Hunking, shipwright, both of Portsmouth, as sureties, in the sum of £100, July 15, 1716, for the administration of the estate of his brother, James O'Shaw: witnesses, Samuel Swan and Richard Gerrish, Jr.]

WILLIAM AYERS 1716 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of William Ayers of Portsmouth granted to his widow, Mary Ayers, Sept. 28, 1716.]

[Probate Records, vol. 9, p. 32.]

[Bond, in blank, for £500, Sept. 28, 1716, signed by Mary Ayers, Sampson Doe, and Richard Gerrish, Jr.; witnesses, John Cutt and Thomas Harvey.]

[List of claims against the estate of William Ayers; amount, £186.0.0.]

[Account of expenditures of Mary Ayers in settling the estate of her husband, William Ayers of Portsmouth; amount, £14.5.2.]

[License to sell real estate granted to Mary Doe, administratrix to the estate of her former husband, William Ayers, June 7, 1721.]

[Probate Minutes, June 7, 1721.]

NATHANIEL WRIGHT 1716 STRATHAM

In the name of God, amen, the Twenty seventh Day of August, one Thousand Seven hundred and sixteen, and In the third yeare of the Reigne of our sovereign Lord King George, I Nathaniel Wright Husbandman In the Province of New Hampsheir, and In Township of Stratham Being Aged & weake In Body * * *

I Give and bequeath to my well beloved Kinsman Richard white weaver of the Province and Township aforesaid: viz: my house and barne, and land which I now live on and possess; forty
Acres of land more or less to him his heirs or assigns forever with orchard and fenceing and all priviledges & appertenances thereunto belonging: Buting and bounding as followeth: the North west end buting att or neare The head of walls Creek or March and so running upon a southeast point of the Compass upon the North East side of the land of Thomas Reed Deceased buting south East upon the land of Elias Crichts, and North East upon the land formerly In the possession of Isaac Cole and the sd Richard white his heirs or assignes to be in full possession of sd land and houseing at the Decase of myselfe & wife—and I do hereby utterly Disollow, revoke & disanul all and Every other former Testament, wills legacies and requests, & Executors, by me in any wayes before named, willed & bequeathed, Ratifieing, and Confirming this and no other to be my last will and Testament, In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seale the day and yeare above written— signed, sealed, published, pronounced and Declared by the sd Nathaniel Wright As his last will and Testament in presence of us the subscribers

William Allen
Elinor Allen
mark
Deliverance X Brookin
her

[The widow, Hannah Wright, being "antient & not able to travill," renounces administration Sept. 26, 1717, in favor of Richard White; witnesses, Jane Lewis and Andrew Wiggin.]

[Will proved and allowed Oct. 5, 1717. No executor being named in the will, administration with will annxed was granted to Sarah White, widow of Richard White of Stratham.]

[Probate Records, vol. 10, p. 15.]

[Inventory of the estate of Nathaniel Wright, who died Sept. 9, 1717; taken Oct. 9, 1717; amount, £161.12.0; signed by Thomas Wiggin and Richard Crockett; attested by Sarah White, administraatrix, Oct. 11, 1717.]
JOB CLEMENT 1716 DOVER

In the Name and Fear of God Amen

I Job Clements sen' of the Towne of dover in the Province of new hampsh' Being Aged and sick and Weak of boddy.

Viz I doo give and bequeathe unto Abigall my beloved wif the Use benefett & yearly Profets of my dwelling house barne or-

chard and Improved Lands on dover neck to gether with the Use Improvement of all my Land Lyeing on the West side of the back River for and duering her Widowows Estate in this naturall Life I doo further give to my beloved Wife the bed that I now Ley on In my sicknes with the furniture belonging to it with what more is necesary to fitt it Compleat and also one Third Part of my Quick stock and all' other moveable Estate to be at her dispose for Ever the other too thirds of my Quick stock to be at her dispose for the Use of her self and family with out Controle

I" I doo Will and dispose to my Eldest son Job Clements that the hundred and forty Acres of Land which I gave him deeds for shall be his Portion and full Proportion out of my Estate and doo by this my Will Exclude and debarr him from any further Claim or Challeng there on further then I shall order an dispose to him in this my will

I" I doo give and bequeathe unt my son Jame Clements one hundred acres of Land which my father bought of Jeremiah Teb-
bets Lyeing in Cocheca woods

I" I doo give and bequeathe to my Son John Clements one hundred Acres of Land which my father bought of Ralph Twom-
ly lyeng in Cocheca woods

I" I doo give and bequeathe to my Son daniell Clements one hundred Acres of Land which my father bought of decon John hall Lyeing in Cochecha Woods

I" I doo give and bequeathe to my daughter Margrett Clements three score Acres of Land which my father bought of Thomas Pain Lyeing on the back side of otis his hill in Cochecha Woods

I" I doo give and bequeathe to my beloved Wife all the Right
title and Intrest which of Right belongs to mee out of her fathers
Estate at sturgins Creek free and Clear for Ever

Ist I doo Will and dispose that my dwelling house barne & Lands
on dover Neck and back River the which I have given my Wife
the Use and Improvement of for her futuer Comfort and Well
being duering her Widdows Estate when it shall decad from her
be Estimated according to the Trew Vallew there of and bought
by one of my Children that shall be first able to Lay downe the
money for it Except they other waies agree amongst them selves
and the money so Paid to be distributed amongst my Children the
Eldest haveing a duble Portion and for all other of my Land not
given in this my will I Will and dispose that they be sould by my
Executrix and Executor and that the money be distributed the one
third Part to my beloved Wife the other two thirds amongst my
Children by Even and Eaquall moyeties the Like disposall and
distributions to be made of all debts which shall be Recovered
that is oweing to me by bills bonds or other wise becoming due
to me

Ist I doo nominate Constitute ordain and appoynt my beloved
Wife abigail Clements and my Loveing sone Job Clements to be
my sole Executrix and Execu" in Trust Joyntly and severally
them or the Longer Liver of them to se this my will duely Exec-
cuted according to the Contents there of finally I doo by these
Presents abrogate Adnull and make Voide all former Wills and
Testaments here to fore by me made allowing and holding fearme
and stable this and this onely to be my Last Will and Testament
Erevoakable as Witnes my hand and seal this Eight day of octo-
ber in the third year of the Reigne of our Soverain Lord George
of great brittian france and Irland King &c Ano : dom 1716

signd seald and Published In

Job Clements [seal]

The Presents of Us

Jno Tuttle
Joseph Beard
Thoms Hall

[Proved Dec. 3, 1716.]
NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

[Warrant, Dec. 22, 1716, authorizing Capt. John Tuttle and Ensign Joseph Beard, both of Dover, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Dec. 1, 1716; amount, £698.14.0; signed by John Tuttle and Joseph Beard.]

JAMES GEORGE 1716 PORTSMOUTH

In the name of god amen I James Gorge being sick and week but of sound mind and memory the prays of god doo make this my last will and testament Revoking all former dates at my house in porchmouth : on pescattqua rever In Newingland the 19th day of Novem: 1716:

Itom: I Give my sole to god that gave it and my body to the dost from whench it Came tho be desently buried by my Wife sarah Gorge my hole and sole Eckseter

Itom I Give all my Estat In ambery or solbery or elce wheere unto my beloved wife sarah Gorge to her hole and sole desposing at her will and plecher: Dated In porchmouth the 9th November 1716: sined with my sele as witnes my hand

In pasentes & witnes Richard Mein
Henry Sewerd
mary Benet
his James X Gorg [seal] mark

[Proved Feb. 3, 1716.]

[Bond of Robert Pike, with John Cutt and Thomas Harvey as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £40, Feb. 3, 1716/17, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Sampson Doe and John Snell.]

[Various accounts, etc., containing signatures of Robert Pike and Richard Main. It appears from these papers that James George and Sarah George, his wife, died about the same time, and were buried together. The estate, amounting to £18.1.8, was divided between Dr. Robert Pike and Richard Main, creditors.]
DODAVAH HULL 1716 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Capt. Dodavah Hull of Portsmouth granted to "Hannah Snell Widow & her son John Snell mother and Bro' to Cap' Dodipher Hull," Dec. 10, 1716.]

[Probate Records, vol. 9, p. 33.]

[Bond, in blank, in the sum of £700, Dec. 10, 1716, signed by Hannah Snell, John Snell, Robert Pike, and Thomas Harvey; witnesses, Sampson Doe and John Cutt; endorsed "Hannah Snell Wid° & her Son Jn° Snells bond of Administration." ]

[Warrant, Dec. 10, 1716, authorizing Thomas Harvey and Samuel Shackford, both of Portsmouth, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, amounting to £62.0.0.]

[List of claims against the estate; amount, £64.10.5; signed by Thomas Phipps and Samuel Shackford.]


Mention is made of Capt. Hull’s sister Sarah.]

SAMUEL KEAIS 1716 PORTSMOUTH

In the Name of God, Amen

I Samuel Keais of Portsm° in y° Prov: of New Hampsh° in New England * * *

Secondly As to the Worldly Estate which it has Pleased God to Give me whether in Lands, Money Debts or any thing else what soever. My Will Is That it shall be Equally Divided betwen my two Beloved sons, Saml & William Kaeis except what is hereafter Excepted And forasmuch as my Daughter Gerrish hath bin
very helpfull to me in my Advanced Years My Will is that she shall have all my household Goods Excepting only two beds & furniture which I will shall be unto my two sons

Finally I Make Constiute & Declare my Beloved Freinds Saml Penhallow Jn & George Jaffrey Esq Guardians unto my two sons Desireing their Care and Advice in ye Premisses & to take Charge of all and singular ye Goods Chattalls &c of any kind whatsoever That I have Given my sd sons untill they Come to Age and that they see unto a Right Divission thereof for the Maintaining of Unity betwen them. as to my Debts & funerall Charges I Desire my sd friends to see unto the Defraying thereof In Testimony wherof I Doe hereunto sett my Hand & seall this 25th Day of Decemb. 1716

Witnness. Will: Callwell
Abraham Boule
William Fairweather

[Proved Dec. 12, 1720.]

[Warrant, July 13, 1719, authorizing Capt. Henry Sherburne, and Samuel Shackford, both of Portsmouth, to appraise the estate, administration of which is granted to John Wentworth, Samuel Penhallow, and George Jaffrey, no executor being named in the will.]

[Inventory, Sept. 2, 1719; amount, £600.0.0; signed by Samuel Shackford and Henry Sherburne.]

JOHN HEARD 1716/17 DOVER

[Administration on the estate of John Heard of Dover granted to John Smith of Berwick, Me., Jan. 9, 1716/17.]

[Probate Records, vol. 9, p. 34.]

[Bond of John Smith of Newichwannock, Me., with John Pray and Richard Tobey, both of Portsmouth, as sureties, in the sum
of £200, Jan. 9, 1717/18, for the administration of the estate; wit-
nesses, Samuel Heard and Richard Gerrish, Jr. The signature
of John Smith does not appear.]

SIR CHARLES HOBBY 1716/17 BOSTON MASS.

[Administration on the estate of Sir Charles Hobby demanded
by Oliver Noyes and Elisha Cook Jan. 21, 1716/17; refused
by the court, the general assembly advising that the matter be
suspended.]

[Probate Records, vol. 9, p. 35.]

[Letter from Gov. Samuel Shute to Richard Waldrum, Dec. 17,
1717, requesting the appointment of Oliver Noyes and Elisha
Cook as administrators of the estate.]

[Probate Records, vol. 9, p. 82.]

[Petition of John Milo, James Gooch, David Jeffries, James
Bowdoin, Jonas Belcher, Thomas Fitch, Oliver Welsted, John
Alford, and John Coleman, creditors, Dec. 13, 1717, for the ap-
pointment of Elisha Cook and Oliver Noyes of Boston, Mass., as
administrators.]

[Probate Records, vol. 9, p. 83.]

[Administration on the estate of Sir Charles Hobby of Boston,
Mass., granted to Elisha Cook and Oliver Noyes Dec. 30, 1717.]

[Probate Records, vol. 9, p. 84.]

[Petition, Dec. 30, 1717, for license to sell real estate; granted,
the estate appearing insolvent.]

[Probate Records, vol. 9, p. 85.]
JOSHUA PIKE 1716/17 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Joshua Pike of Portsmouth granted to Thomas Symmes of Bradford, Mass., in behalf of his wife, Hannah Symmes, oldest sister of Joshua Pike, Jan. 23, 1716/17.]

[Essex County, Mass., Court Records, vol. 312, p. 13.]

[Bond of Thomas Symmes, with Daniel Appleton of Ipswich, Mass., as surety, in the sum of £200, Jan. 23, 1716/17; witnesses, Thomas Berry and Daniel Rogers.]

[Essex County, Mass., Probate Files.]

[Petition of Thomas Symmes, April 16, 1717, for the appointment of a committee to divide the Salisbury, Mass., real estate left by John Pike of Dover to his children, Dr. Robert Pike, Joshua Pike, Solomon Pike, Hannah Symmes, Mercy Gardiner, and Sarah Pike, daughter of Nathaniel Pike, deceased. The land was divided by William Bradbury, Daniel Moody, and Jeremiah Allen.]


JANE GERRISH 1719

Rich a Waldron & Geo: Jaffry Esq being Two of The Exec a appointed in The last will and Testam t of M a Jane Gerrish Dec a presented The Said Will to This board as y a Supream probate & prayed That The Same might be there proved The Witnesses being psent, it was done accordingly—

[Council Records, May 2, 1719.]

FRANCIS DREW 1717 DOVER

[Administration on the estate of Francis Drew of Dover granted to Ann Drew June 6, 1717.]

[Probate Records, vol. 9, p. 53.]
WILLIAM BERRY 1717 RYE

Wee James Berry son of William Berry of sandy Beech deceased & John Berry & Joshua floss Grand children of the said Wm Berry Deceased have Mutually agreed on the Division of the Neck of Land Granted the said Wm Berry: about Sixty years since, and in our possessa Ever Since sd Wm Berry Deceas'd: & for our Quiet and that Each Brother & Brothe child may Know his own proper part, have agreed on the six Divisions as above Made, and in testimony of our agreement have hereunto set our hands, this thirteenth Day of June in the yeare of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and Seventeen

the mark off
James X Berry
the mark off
John X Berry
Joshua floss

WILLIAM HARFORD 1717 DOVER

Dover the 16th of ye 4th month 1717

whereas I william harford of dover in the provinc of new hamshr by the good providence of the Lord am now very sick and weeke in body and nott Like nor no hops to continue long in this world but in sound and disposeing memory and understanding praise be given to god for the same I desire that this may be my will and doe make this my will and Tastement and do therefor by this my will desire that whatt the Lord has betrusted me with of this worlds Estate thatt itt should be thus disposed of as followeth

In the Name of god Amen. first I bequeath my soul to the
Berrys old house & Barn Now in the Possession of Nabby Berry, Grand Child of Wm. Berry Deceased
Lord that gave it me and my body to the grave to be deasently
Laid thare in: to that End that this my will and Testament may
be fulfilled doe will and desire that my dear and loveing wife mary
harford may be my hole and absolute Executricx to home I doe
give and bequeath all that is lawfully mine in this world: during
her Life Time she being aged and weake for her better suport
and cumfortt I desire that my wife may have and doe as followeth
first all my housing and lands be it more or lese with all my
cattlle sheepe swine horses or hors kind with all my houhold
Stuff of all sorts I do give and bequeeth to my loving wife mary
harford dureing hir Life time and after her death I doe Give and
bequeath all my housing of all sorts and lands with every part
and parsell thareof with all the privelidges and apurtinances their
unto belonging unto my well beloved son in law Thomas Cenney
to him and his heirs for ever To home I doe give and bequeath
as abovesd and doe make him hole and sole heir of all my hous-
ings and lands which is called mine on dover neck after the de-
sease of my dear and loving wife as above sd whome I doe make
sole Executrix of this my last will and Testament Revoaking all
other wills by me heartofore made but iff the Lord who is able
is pleased to Raise me up from this my Sickness againe then itt
shall be in my power to Regelate this my will or to make a new
will as then I shall se most meett but if other wise I desire to sub-
mitt myself to the good pleasure of the Lord leaveing things as
above mentinied

in witnes herof I have herunto sett my hand and siell this
16th day of the fourth month one thousand seven hundred and
seventeen 1717
sined sealed and published in
the presents of
Thomas Whitehouse
Otis Pinkham
James Mussey
[Proved March —, 1717/18.]
[Power of attorney from Mary Harford of Dover to her son, Thomas Canney, May 27, 1719, to act for her in proving her husband's will, she being aged and very weak; witnesses, Thomas Tibbetts and Joseph Beard.]

[Inventory, May 27, 1719; amount, £49.0.0; signed by Thomas Tibbetts and Joseph Beard.]

Mary Hartford disclaiming her Executorship adm: to be granted to Tho: Canny Cum Testamento annexo.

[Probate Minutes, June 3, 1719.]

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**JOHN HUDSON** 1717 **NEWINGTON**

In the Name of God, Amen. I John Hudson of Newington in ye Province of New hampshr In New Eng't, being aged and infirm . . .

2dly. As to the Worldly Estate which it has pleased God to give me, I Will, that my beloved Wife Mary Hudson, Shall have the full and absolute Enjoym't thereof during her Naturall life and after mine & her Death, my Will is, that my beloved Grandson Hudson Peavey, shall have ye whole of all my lands Meadow, orchards, and housing to his own proper use & behooft forever; but if in case he dies before he comes to age, my Will is, that my Grandson Thomas Peavey shall then have ye free and full Enjoym't thereof and if in case he dies before he come to age that then itt shall descend, unto my Grandson Able Peavey; and if he should also die before he comes to age, My will then is that the s'd lands, meadow Orchard and housing shalbe to my Cousen Sam'n Beard the son of Joseph Beard, and his heirs forever

3dly. My Will is, that after mine, and my Wifes decease the whole of my Quick stock, houshold goods, &c Shalbe equally divided between my said grandchildren, my Debts, & funerall charges being first payd out of ye same.

4. I Will that my Grandson Hudson Peavey Shall pay unto his
two Brothers, Thomas and Abel Peavey the sum of twenty pounds
Each, So soon as they come to age or marry. And if in case one
of ym should dye before he comes to age or marry that then the
said twenty pounds shalbe to him that survives.

5. I will and appoint my beloved friends mr John Downing
Junr and Cousen Joseph Beard my Overseers to this my last Will
and Testam 1 that they see ye paym 1 of my just debts and funerall
charges, whom I also desire to take care of my s d Estate, for the
benefit and advantage of my s d Grandchildren

In testimony unto all and singular the premises, I have here-
unto sete my hand & affixed my seal, this fifth of July 1717.

Signed, Sealed and declared in

the presence of

John X Hutson [seal]
Joseph Adams
John Downing Junr
John Nutter

[Proved March 6, 1723/4. On the next leaf is written

"Hutson Pevey was born Feb' 11th A D: 1711.
"Thomas Pevey was born June: 19th A: D: 1714.
Abel Pevey was born June: 30: A: D: 1716.

SAMUEL ROBY

In the Name of God Amen

I Samuell Robie of Hampton in ye Province of New Hamps in
New England being Sick & Weake in body • • •

2ly: I Give & bequeath unto my beloved Wife Mary the best
Rome in my dwelling house With such part of my Celler & Barn
as She Shall have ocation for: With that part of my home lott
not before Sold; Which my father Robie Gave me & Was formerly
Isaac Perkinesses With one half of my orchard (viz) on ye south-
ward side, & four acres of marsh in the spring marsh so Called:
& a share in the second North division Which I had of Jacob
Moulton all Which my said Wife is to posses & Injoy dureing the
time of her natureall Life: as also all my houshold goods With
the one half of my stoke of What kind or sort so ever With yᵉ
one half of the debts oeing me for ever at her dispose among
my Children as she shall se meet after all my debts & funeral
Expences are paid &c—

3⁷: I Give & bequeath unto my onely & beloved Son Thomas
Roby all my tooles & utensells for husbandry With the other half
of my stoke and debts to me due after all my debts & funerall
Expences are paid to him for ever; I also Give unto my said son
thomas all my buyldings Lands pastures meadows out Lands
Commonages orchards Gardens Lands or Right to Lands What
so ever, or where so ever to him & to his Heirs Executors & as-
signs for ever at his dispose, always excepting what I have Given
to his mother my Wife Mary above mentioned part of Which
Lands my said son thomas hath a deed of Gift for allredy: And
all my Right to any mills or streams of Water: he my son pay-
ing such Legacyes as is here after mentioned &c

4⁷: I Give & bequeath unto my beloved daughters (viz) Ruth
Mary, Sarah, Theodata, Huldy, Barsheba, Hannah, Abigell Eliz-
abeth & Bethyah to Each of them five pounds in or as money to be
paid them by my said son thomas Within two years after he arives
to yᵉ age of twenty one years to be paid to them that are then of
age & unto yᵉ other when they Come to yᵉ age of Eighteen years
& Deducting out of Each of my Daughters Legacyes what sums of
money my said Wife shall Give an account any of them have all-
redy Received. And unto this my last Will and Testament I Doe
Constitute & appoint my beloved Wife Mary & my son Thomas
Robie Executrix & Executors my said Wife to doe & perform as
sole untill my said son Come to the age of twenty one years,
Giveing & Granting unto my said Executors any other Estate or
thing not before Mentioned in this my Will to be Equally devided
between them Excepting Lands or Rights to Lands Which I have
allredy Given to my said son Thomas— Thus Revoking all
other Wills by me made I sign & seal this with my hand this
tenth day of July Annoq: Domini seventeen hundred & seven-
teen in ye third year of the Reign of our Soveraign Lord George King of Great Britain &c
Signed Sealed & declared by Samuel Roby [seal]
Samuell Robie as his Last Will & Testament in presence of us
Witnessess
Samuell Healy
Caleb Marston
Moses Leavitt
Samuel dearbon
Joseph Smith
[Proved Sept. 7, 1717.]
[Warrant, Sept. 7, 1717, authorizing Joseph Smith and Ensign Samuel Marston, both of Hampton, to appraise the estate.]
[Inventory, signed by Samuel Marston and Joshua Wingate; amount, £377.3.0. Col. Joseph Smith having died, Capt. Joshua Wingate was appointed appraiser in his place.]

JOSEPH BUNKER 1717 DURHAM
[Administration on the estate of Joseph Bunker of Oyster River, yeoman, granted to his son-in-law, Josiah [Joshua] Davis of Oyster River, July 29, 1717.]

[Administration on the estate of Joseph Bunker of Dover granted to his son-in-law, Joshua Davis of Dover, March 4, 1718/19.]
[Probate Records, vol. 10, p. 117.]

[Warrant, March 4, 1718/19, authorizing Capt. Francis Mathes and James Nute, both of Dover, to appraise the estate.]
[Inventory, May 11, 1719; amount, £75.0.0; signed by Francis Mathes and James Nute; attested by Joshua Davis June 3, 1719.]

Clemt Drew & others ye Children of Joseph Buncker late Decd Complaining ye Joshua Davis adm't to s'd Bunckers Estate refuses
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to divide ye land of ye Intestate as ye Law directs order'd ye ye s'd adm' be cited down to ye next Court to give acc of his administration &c

[Probate Minutes, June 21, 1721.]

[Administrator's account of the settlement of the estate; amount of estate, £75.0.0; expenditures, £3.1.6; the administrator appears as Joshua Davis.]


FRANCIS STEELE 1717 EXETER

The Last will and Testament of Francis Steel

I Francis Steel of Exeter in the province of Newhamshire In Newengland being weak of body * * *

Item 1: I Give unto my well beloved Son Clement Steel my Dweling house out housing and all my Land Laying upon the north Side of Exeter Great river

Item 2: I give unto my well beloved son John Steel twenty acres of Land Laying upon the south side of Exeter great River adjoyning unto John Scribners Land and allso forty acres of Land Laying in the township of kingstown

Item 3: I give unto my well beloved son Henery Steel all my other Land and meadow Ground Laying upon the south side of the afore S'd river—

Item 4: I give unto my well beloved wife Elisabeth Steel Whome I make the sole Executrix of this my last will and testament All my right in the Saw mill standing upon kings falls and all my moveable Estate of what kind soever do be at her disposal for Ever and I Likewise give unto her my well beloved wife the use and improvement of my house and all my Lands above specified during the time of her naturall Life and I the above s'd
francis steel do hereby acknowledge this to be my Last will and testament hereby revoking and disanulng all other wills or testaments by me heretofore made In confirmation whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twentieth day of agust Anoqui domini one thousand seven hundred and seventeen and in the fourth year of his majesties Reign &c

Signed sealed and owned in francis Steel [seal]
the presence of us
Cartee Gilman
Richard : Gliden
the mark X of Sarah Gliden
[Proved Dec. 3, 1718.]

RICHARD GERRISH 1717 PORTSMOUTH

In the Name off God Amen

The fourteenth day of october In the yeare of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and Seventeen I Richard Gerrish of the Town of Portsmº In New Hampshire in New England Esq' Being very Sick & weak of Boddy * * *

Item— I Give and Bequeath unto my Son Richard Gerrish five pounds money

Item My will is: That whereas my Said Son Richard Gerrish hath & Still Doth Carry him Selse verry undutysfull & Disobedient to my Selse and my wife and tis Said that he intends to marry Elizabeth Cutt the widdow of John Cutt Late of Portsmº Marriner Deceas’d: which is utterly against my will: Therefore If he Does Gsume to Doe It then I hereby Cutt: (him his heirs & Assignes) off from Ever Enjoying any part or Gcell of my Estate of Goods Chattles or Lands whatsoever But what I have above Given him—But if he Returns to his Duty and Shall Marry Any Other Gson with the Advice and Consent of his Mother Jane Gerrish then my will is that he Shall have on Such Marriage the one halve of my Estate of Lands and after my wives Decease the other halve of all my Lands to him and his heirs for Ever
Item I Give and Bequeath unto my well beloved wife Jane Gerrish (whome I Likewise Constitute make & ordaine my Sole Executrix of this my Last will & testament) All the Estate I have in the world Good Chattles and Lands within the Province of New Hampsheire or Elsewheresoever they may be or of what kind or Nature soever the same is But more pcticulary I Say all my houses and Lands in the Province of New Hampsheire (Excepting as is before Exprest, My Son Richard Gerrish Ruturn to his Dutyfull obedience to her And Mary as is said before then my Estate to be Given as is before Expressed) Otherwise I hereby Absolutely Give unto my Said wife Jane Gerrish Dureing her life all My Houses & Lands in New hampsheire as affore Said, And after her Decease the Said Houses & Lands to My Btrothers & Sisters Children to be Divided Amongst them) And all my Goods Chattles to my Said wife to Dispose off as She pleaseth and to whome She pleaseth with all the Profitts of my Lands &c8— And I Doe hereby utterrly Disanull & Revoak all & Every other former Testament will Legacy & Bequest & Executor by me in Any wise before Named Willed & bequested. Ratifseing allowing and Confirming this and Noe other to be my Last will & Testament In Wittness whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand & Seale the Day & yeare first above written (It is my Intent that if my Brothers & Sisters Children Enjoy My Lands as above It Shall be to them & theire heirs & assignes for Ever— my will is the Remainder I have before Left to be to the heirs of my Brothers and sisters children I hereby Give to the Disposall of my wife at her Discretion notwithstanding what I have before Said as to Brothers & sisters Children

sign'd seal'd & Declared by

the said Richard Gerrish to be his Last will & Testament In p'sence off uss

Jacob Lavers
Eleazer Russell
James Jeffry

[Proved Nov. 22, 1717.]
EDWARD CLOUTMAN  1717

DOVER

[Inventory of the estate of Edward Cloutman of Dover, Nov. 11, 1717; amount, £112.14.4; signed by Samuel Tibbetts and John Bickford.]

[Administration on the estate of Edward Cloutman granted to his widow, Sarah Cloutman, March 5, 1717/18.]

[Probate Records, vol. 9, p. 144.]

[List of claims against the estate, Oct. 18, 1718; amount, £167.17.3; signed by Thomas Tibbetts and Joseph Roberts.]

[Citation, June 5, 1721, to Capt. Samuel Tibbetts and Henry Tibbetts, both of Dover, to appear and answer charges of concealing a portion of the estate; return signed by Job Clements, constable.]

[License to the administratrix, June 7, 1721, to sell real estate.]

[Probate Minutes, June 7, 1721.]

[Administrator’s account of the settlement of the estate, allowed March 14, 1721/2; amount of estate, £202.4.4; expenditures, including widow’s third, £69.18.8.]

[Various claims, petitions of creditors, etc., containing signatures of Richard Scammon, John Morrill, Thomas Roberts, Jr., Elizabeth Field, William Blackston, Samuel Hinckes, Elizabeth Alcock, Joshua Peirce, George Jaffrey, Sarah Cloutman, Samuel Tibbetts, John Bickford, and Clement Hughes.]

BENJAMIN SHAW  1717

HAMPTON

In ye Name of God Amen: I Benjamin Shaw of Hampton in the Province of Newhamshier in New England, Being at this time of perfect understanding and Memory: Tho often Sick and weak in Body: Committing my Soul into the hands of Almighty God: and my Body to Decent Burial in hopes of Eternal Life &C—
Do thus dispose of my temporal Estate which God hath Given me—

impr My Will is that all my honest and just Debts be duly paid in Convenient time after my Decease—

item I Give and bequeath unto my Daughters (Viz) Mary, Esther, Sarah Abigaiel, and Hannah all y't I have already Given them, With the addition of three Pounds, to Each of them, to be paid to Each of them in Convenient time after my Decease, By my Sons (Viz) Benjamin to pay to my Daughter Mary three Pounds Roger to pay to my Daughter Esther three Pounds, My Son Joseph to pay to my Daughter three Pounds, My Son Edward to pay to my Daughter Hannah three Pounds; And my Son John to pay to my Daughter Abigaiel three Pounds My Son Joseph is to pay three Pounds to my Daughter Sarah

3v I Give and bequeath unto my bloved Son Benjamin Shaw the Land where he now Liveth and also my Shear or Lott in y's west Division and one half of my Marsh Lying at the Steep Banks to have his half at the upper end, and half my Marsh Land Lying by Goodman Cliffords, to have his half on the South west Side and one half of my Little Meadow Lying on y's west Side of the Great Causey, and one lott in the Second West Division as also half a Shear in the Cow Common—

4v I Give and Bequeath unto my Beloved Son Roger Shaw my fourty Acre Lott Lying at a place Called Bride Hill where he now dwelleth also one Quarter of my Marsh at y's Steep Banks to lie Next to my Son Benjamins above said, and half my Meadow Lying by Goodman Cliffords, and Half my Little Meadow Lying on the West Side of the Great Causey, also one Lott in the Second West Division and also half a Shear in the Cow Common—

5v I Give and bequeath unto my Beloved Son Joseph Shaw the Land I Bought of Samuel Fogg the Lott orchard and Eight Acres of Pasture Ground, one shear in the Great ox common and my Meadow at the Great Pond, and three Shears at the Little River Marsh Lying upon the South Side of Fifields Island, half the Land I Bought of Joseph Cass and John Dow and half my Meadow I
Bought of John Page, to have his half next the upland, and two acres of the Marsh I Bought of Thomas Ward to have it on the South Side and one Lot in the in the Second North Devison and half a shearin the Cow Common—

6th I Give and bequeath unto my Beloved Son John Shaw my Lott Lying at a Place Called the Temple Lying on the Westerly side of John Sanborns Land, and the one half of the Lotts I Bought of Captain Cass and John Dow; and the Marsh I bought of Thomas Ward Except the two acres Given to my Son Joseph above Said, and half the Meadow I bought of Isaac Godfrie, and the Meadow I bought of Thomas Veasey Lying at ye Temple Meadow, and my Lott I bought of Captain Green and also half a Shear in the Cow Common—

7th I Give and bequeath unto my Son Edward Shaw my Homenstead both Lands Buildings Orchards my home Lott and Pastures, with ye Meadow I bought of John Sanborn, and half the Meadow I Bought of Isaac Godfrie, one Quarter of my Marsh at ye Steep Banks at the End next the Sea And my Meadow at the Town Bridge So Called, also my Lotts or Shears in the last West division Lying near Samuel Helys, and also my Lott I bought of Samuel Marston Called the Second North Division and also my Lott at Bride Hill Which I bought of Nehemiah Hobs, with one shearin the Cow Common, and all my instruments and Utensels for husbandry, and Three Quarters of all my Stock of what Sort or kind Soever, with all Debts due to me at my decease, and one half of all my Money Chattles household goods within Doors or with out, and I order him my Son Edward to pay to Sarah the Daughter of my Daughter Ruth Shaw thre pounds

8th I Give and Bequeath unto my Beloved wife Esther the one half of my Money the one half of my houshold Goods, the one Quarter of my Stock of Cattle of what kind or soart soever with the improvement of my Largest Room with the Chamber and Cellar during her Natural Life if she have occation for so much Room &C—

And my Will is that my Son Edward Shall take Care of and
provide well for his Mother my Dear Wife Esther during her Widowhood and provide her fire wood meat Drink and tendance suitable both in Sickness and in health as She Shall have occasion, which if my Said Son Edward refuse to doe or neglect the same, My Said Wife Shall have liberty to Improve and possess the one third part of all my Lands and the one half of all my stock and all my household Goods for her Support and Maintenance during the time of her Widowhood as above said—

9th My Will is that what Debts shall be owing from me at my decease and also funeral expences shall be paid by my five afore named Sons in Equal proportion, what Lands or Estate I have Given unto my said sons my meaning is that I Give and Bequeath it to them their Hiers and Assigns for ever, and if any Lands or Rights to Lands to mee belonging be not mentioned I Give to my said son Edward for ever at his dispose, and if there be any thing or things Moveable Estate not Mentioned I Give it to my Executors to be Equally Divided between them

10th I Do ordain and appoint my Wife Esther and my son Edward Executors to this my last Will and Testament and in Confirmation hereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal This Twenty Seventh Day of December Anno Dom seventeen hundred and seventeen And in the Third year of King George his Reign over Great Brittain &c—

This Instrument was signed and sealed by Benjamin Shaw snr and declared by him to be his Last Will and Testament In presence of us Witnesses
Samuel Shaw
Thomas Ward
Tho Crosbie

[Proved Feb. 12, 1717/18.]

[Inventory, Feb. 10, 1717/18; amount, £1596.0.0; signed by Samuel Shaw and Thomas Crosby.]
In the Name and Feare of God Amen

I John Tuttle of the Town of Dover In the Province of New Hampshire In New England Being Aged and Week of Body

Imprimis I give and Bequeth to my Son Ebenezer Tuttle Sixty Acres of Land Lyeing att Indigoe Hill Together with all that which is my Wright att the Midle Fall Lyeing Between Too Mills one the West Side of Salmon Fall River

Item I Give and Bequeth to My Tow Grand Sons Viz That is Thomas Tuttle and John Tuttle all my Lands flatts Creaks and Marshes which I am Now In Possession of Lyeing one the west Side of the Back River ajacent to the three Creaks to be Divided by a Cart Way which I have Stated to be the Dividing Line Between Each Other Running Up from the South Side of the Midle Pint the Usall Place for Landing and Soe Up to the Barrs the South Pint of the fence, and Soe Up to the House Where Thomas Must Draw a Fence of Tewenty Foot against The House and from thence A Way thro to the Head of the Lands

Item All my Lands Creaks Flatts and Meadows Lyeing on the North Side of the Cart Way and Soe Down to the Creaks Mouth I give and Bequeth Unto My Grand Son Thomas Tuttle to Be had and hold By him and his Heris for Ever After the Deceace of my Sleft John Tuttle And he Yealding and Paying to his two Sister the Sum of Twenty Pounds That is ten Pounds a Peice In four Years After he is in Possesion of it

Item He Allsoe giveing a Quitt Clame to John Hayes and Petter Hayes For that Part which Lyes one the North Side of the Tolling Fall which was Sold by my Sleft and his Mother the Said Hayes

Item All my Lands which Lyes on the South Side of the Afore-said Cart Way Down to the Creaks Mouth I give and Bequeth unto My Grand Son John Tuttle to be had and hold by him and his heirs for Ever as Soon as his Grand Mother Dececed and not Before Yealding and Paying Tewenty Pounds In four Years after
he is Pos'sed of the premises to his two Sisters that is Ten Pound to Each Sister

Item I Give to My Grand Son Nicholas Tuttle all my Lands on the Est Side of Dover Neck Lyeing and Being Between Lieutenants Beards Land and Noeturs and the High Streatt Lying one the West and the River on the Est Together with 2 two Shires In Ox Pasture one the Point Swamp to Be held and hold by him and his Heirs for Ever after the Decese of his Grand Mother and not Before he Paying Twenty Pounds to his two Sisters In four Years after he is Posesed that is ten Pounds to Each Sister after ye Decead

Item I Give and Bequeth Unto my Grand Son Elijah Tuttle all my Land which Lyes one the North Side of Thomas Roberts Fronting the Roade which Leades to Cocheha Boardred with Thomas Roberts Land on the North of the Lane that Runs Down to the Creak on the South Side And More Fifty Acres of Land att Salmon Falls togeather with half ye quarter Part the Mill Standing one the West Side of Salmon Falls to be had and hold by and his Heirs for Ever Immeadetly after the Decease of his Grand Mother and Not Before he yealding and Paying to his Sister Febey the Sum of Thurty Pounds In four Year after he is Posesed of the Premises

Item I Give and Bequeth unto my Grand Son Samuel Edgerley Forty Acres of Land Lyeing Up att Cocheha River as it will be Found In the Town Book of Dover to be had and hold By him and his Heirs for Ever as Soon as he Comes to ye Age of Twenty One Years

Item I give and Bequeth to Mary Tuttle my well Beloved Wife as Being my Sole Excecrtris to this my Last will and Testament the use and Benefits and Yearley Profitts of my Dewelling house Barne Orchard and Lands one Dover Neck Lyeing Between Nutters Land and hiltons Point togeather with the use and Improvement of the Yearley Profitts of my Land Marches and Thatch Ground which I have Reserved to her Use Lyeing one the South Side of the three Creaks and alsoe the Yearley Prof-
itts of my Part of the Saw Mill on the West Side of Salmon Falls and all my Moveable Goods Quick Stock Ready Money Bills Bonds Dues. Debts and Demands what Soe Ever In any ways appertaining to Me In whose hands Soe Ever they May be found In the Use and Improvement of all and Singular of the Premises herein Mentioned Shall be att the whole and Sole Disposale of Mary Tuttle my well Beloved Wife for her future Comefort and well Being and for and Duering her Widdow hood after My Deceace and att her Marrage or Deceace To Return then to those as this My Last will and Testament is herein Mentioned.

Item I Doe Further Give unto my Son Ebenezer Tuttle my Dwelling house Barn and Orchards and the Land Belonging thereunto with three Shires In the Ox Pasture In Hilltons Point Swamp to be had and Hold by him and his heirs for Ever after the Deceace of his Mother Mary Tuttle and Not Before Yealding and Paying to his Sister Mary Wallingsford the Sum of five Pounds In One Year after he Comes to be Possett of the Land Now In Provisoe he Should Dye without Marrage or not haveing any Male Heir and Lawfully Begotten of his Body then to Return to my Grand Son Nicholas Tuttle to him and his heirs whome I have Settled one my Land One Dover Neck and if my Son Ebinezer Tuttle Should have any Daughters Lawfully Begotten of his Body and noe Male Heir than the Said Nicholas Tuttle to Pay them a Portion as my Trustes or Judge Provise Shall think fitt if they Cannot Agree Such Leagues Not Exceding the third Part Giveing him time to Pay it In

Item I will Demise and Bequeth all my Personal Estate that is my House hold Goods & Chattels Bills Bonds Debts Dues which are to be Demaned after the Deceace of my well Beloved wife and not Before to My Three Daughters Equally to be Divide\textsuperscript{d} Between Them And to This my Last Will and Testament I Doe Appoint and Consitue my well Belove\textsuperscript{d} Wife Mary Tuttle as My Excecritis to be the Sole Manager Dureing her Naturlall Life of the Estates Mentione\textsuperscript{d} In this my Last Will and Testa-
ment and att the Decece of my Said wife & I Doe Consitue and Apoint Len Tristram Heard and Cap Francis Matthew to then to be the Excet and Managers of the Estates of this my Last will herein Mentioned and the Estates Paying them for there Trouble And to See that my Wife Mary Tuttle has a Christian Burial which Charge is to be Defraed out of the Moveable Goods as Money Bills Bonds Chatels and house hold Goods and them what is Left to be Equally by my Excet A Bove Mentioned Amoungst my Three Daughters Reserveing to them Seleves fifty Shillings a piece for there Trouble

I Doe alsoe Apoint them to be the Trustes to my Grand Children that Shall not be at Age att the Death of there Grand Mother to take the Estates Mentioned in this my Will and to Improve it to the Best of there advantage tell they Come to y° Age of Tewenty One Years and then to Deliver to them the Pos-sesion of there Estates togeather with the Profitts Only Paying them Sleves for there Trouble

Finally I Doe Revoake Disanull and Disalow of all Other Former Wills made by Me What Soever And Doe Sign Seal and Deliver and Publish this to be my Last Will and Testament Irrevoabley

In Wittness hereof I have Hereunto Sett my hand and Seal this Tewenty Eight Day of December In the Year of Lord God On Thousand Seaven Hundred and Seaventeen In the Fourth Year of the Regine of our Soveragn Lord George By the Grace of God of Great Brittan &c King Defender of the Faith

Signed Sealed Publishe And Delivered In the Presence of Us

Wittness

Thomas Tebbets
Epharim Tebbetes
John Hall
Thomas Alden

[Proved July 12, 1720.]
[Warrant, July 12, 1720, authorizing Capt. Thomas Tibbetts and Joseph Roberts, both of Dover, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Aug. 29, 1720; amount, £1014.8.6; signed by Thomas Tibbetts and Joseph Roberts.]
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PREFACE

It is common knowledge that until 1771 the province of New Hampshire had not been divided into counties. By the act passed April 20, 1769 (Laws, 1771 ed., p. 204), the original five counties of Rockingham, Strafford, Hillsborough, Cheshire, and Grafton were created. The county act took effect March 19, 1771. Rockingham, Hillsborough, and Cheshire were organized thereby, but the organization of Strafford and Grafton was not to take place until such time as the Governor and Council might deem it advisable. Meanwhile all civil affairs of the territory assigned to these two counties were administered by the officers of Rockingham county. This status was terminated in 1773, when Gov. John Wentworth caused Strafford and Grafton to be organized. All the probate records of the province that had been preserved from the colonial period continued in the custody of the probate office at Portsmouth. With all the other records and archives of the province they were removed to Exeter July 4 and 6, 1775, for greater safety, in accordance with a vote of the Provincial Congress passed June 28, 1775, and there remained, until by the act of March 11, 1897 (Laws of 1897, p. 47), and the act of March 10, 1899 (Laws of 1899, p. 299), they were removed to Concord and placed in the official custody of the Secretary of State. The great importance of the probate files and records has been recognized more clearly, and the demand for measures rendering them available for public examination has become more manifest and emphatic in recent years. It was in response to these influences that the records were restored to the state archives, where they might be arranged, indexed, and otherwise opened by some practical method to a reasonable state of access and utility. Inasmuch as prior to 1771 the exercise of those governmental functions which are ordinarily regarded and treated
as county affairs was by officers of the central government, and over the entire province, it is unquestionable that the official records of affairs appertaining to that administration should now be regarded and treated as state archives.

The General Court was slow in giving practical effect to the true view of the subject, and the documents remained for a period of one hundred and twenty-five years in the custody of one of the five original counties. Under the act of March 10, 1899 (Laws of 1899, p. 299), and the act of March 21, 1901 (Laws of 1901, p. 645), these documents are being subjected to such methods of indexing and arrangement as will, in time, make an end of those conditions which have rendered their contents practically inaccessible. It has been deemed advisable to present the probate records in printed form, constituting a series of volumes in the State Papers series.

The assembling of material for the present volume, the making of copies and abstracts, and the arrangement and indexing have been committed entirely to the editor's assistants, Mr. Otis G. Hammond, and Mr. Ezra S. Stearns. The search for material for the work has extended far beyond the state archives. Between the period of 1623, the date of the first settlement of the colony at Little Harbor, and 1641, when the first union of Massachusetts Bay and New Hampshire was consummated, no material for the work has been recovered except Capt. John Mason's will, and it is probable that none was recorded. Careful investigation has been extended to the records of the neighboring counties of Maine and Massachusetts, to the records and files of England, and to other collections of ancient documents in which it might be expected that anything relating to wills and probates in New Hampshire might be discovered. This method has been pursued with the utmost industry and discrimination that was practicable in such an undertaking for the entire period covered by the documents presented in this volume.

The probate records which have come into the custody of the state are in conformity with the requirements and proceedings of
a court such as was established from 1693 to 1775. These records are all in our archives, except the scattering estates of New Hampshire people that were extracted from the registries of old Norfolk, Essex, Suffolk, and Middlesex counties in Massachusetts, and York county in Maine. A few wills were probated and estates settled in all these counties, without apparent reason except that of personal convenience. Some of the wills in Suffolk county records are those of mariners who sailed from Boston and did not return. Their wills, made and left in Boston before sailing, were probated there. The same may be true of some in old Norfolk and Essex records, which are located in Salem, Mass.

Every document in the book, so far as possible, is taken from the original in the files now in the office of the Secretary of State. In such cases no citation to the original is made, as the present arrangement of these papers is not considered permanent. But in all cases where, in default of the original, the recorded copy has been used, or where the document has been derived from a source outside the state, or from a source within the state but outside the official files of originals, citations have been carefully made.

All wills are printed in full, with the exception, only, of that part of the preamble which states no material fact. Such omissions are indicated by stars, thus, * * *. Each will is followed in chronological order by abstracts of all formal documents relating to the settlement of the estate, and by complete copies of such documents as could not wisely, or without injury to the narrative of facts therein, be reduced. All abstracts will be found enclosed in brackets, and it has been the effort of the editors that in the process of reduction only formal or legal verbiage should be eliminated, and all matters of record which would be of interest or value to the lawyer, the historian, or the genealogist retained. It has not been deemed wise to publish inventories in detail.

This volume, in which the material is represented in its chronological order from the beginning, necessarily covers several periods
in which the results are unsatisfactory, on account of the loss and dispersion of the records, if records were made, and at other periods for the reason that in all probability no records were made or files preserved. The succeeding volumes which are in contemplation will present the records and documents of that part of the colonial period between 1718 and 1771. As the material presented in the first volume will have special value on account of its antiquity, that which is to follow will be attractive and useful on account of its unbroken continuity and approximate completeness.

ALBERT S. BATCHELLOR,

Editor of State Papers.
HISTORICAL NOTE

From 1623 to 1641 there was no organization of any colonial government in New Hampshire, although John Mason, the landed proprietor, had authority by his patent purporting to empower him to erect a government. The proprietor died in 1635. If he organized any colonial, provincial, or proprietary government under his patent, no records of it have survived. It is altogether probable that nothing of the kind occurred. Indeed, at a later period it was declared that the powers of government contained in Mason’s patent and others contemporary with it were invalid in respect to the grant of powers of government. The reason assigned for this decision was that, while the Council of Plymouth had powers of government in the territory of its New England jurisdiction, it was not competent to delegate those powers. (See opinion of the Chief Justices, 1 N. H. Prov. Papers, 336; 1 N. H. Prov. Laws, Introduction, xxviii.)

From 1635 to 1641 the Masonian interests languished, largely because there was no efficient or disinterested representative of them in the colony. Two independent local governments had developed in the Piscataqua region, the lower one, Strawberry Bank, being what might be termed the Portsmouth group of settlements, and the upper one, constituted of what were afterwards known as the Northam or Dover plantations. Exeter followed as an independent plantation in 1638, while Hampton was planted by Massachusetts as one of its own townships in 1635, on territory over which it claimed jurisdiction. (See notes on the independent town governments established at Portsmouth and Dover, and their constitutions, 1 N. H. Prov. Laws, 744.)

As one of the results of the union of Massachusetts Bay and New Hampshire, begun in the fall of 1641 by the entrance into it
of that part of New Hampshire represented by the two Piscataqua towns and the Piscataqua proprietors, and consummated as to the entire territory of New Hampshire by the accession of the Exeter colony in 1643, one system of laws, subject to the reservations in behalf of New Hampshire embodied in the articles of union (N. H. Prov. Laws, xxx), became operative over the towns and people of the entire territory of Massachusetts Bay and New Hampshire. The theory that there was no uniform system of laws or usages governing the transmission of property by will, and the orderly descent and distribution of estates of deceased persons, in the New Hampshire settlements in the first period (that between 1623 and 1641 being taken tentatively as the first period) is supported by a recital of the previous conditions, which is given as a preamble to a certain act relating to the settlement of estates in the laws of Massachusetts Bay (Col. Laws of Mass., 1660 ed., reprint, p. 200), which, omitting archaic forms and expressions is as follows:—“Whereas it is found by experience that some men, dying, having made their wills for the disposing of their estates, that the said wills are concealed and not proved and recorded; and some others dying intestate, no administration is sought for nor granted in any legal way, and yet the wives, children, kindred, or some friends of the deceased, or some others, do enter upon the lands and possess themselves of the goods of the said deceased, and the same are many times sold or wasted before the creditors to whom the deceased was indebted know of whom to demand, or how to recover their just debts; for prevention of such unjust and fraudulent dealings.” A remedial act follows this preamble. The declaration was made at a point of time so early in the period of the union that presumably it is descriptive of what was the subject of general knowledge in a considerable part, if not all, of the previous history of this jurisdiction. It may also be regarded as a partial explanation of the paucity of probate records in the first colonial period. The act which follows the preamble above quoted bears date not later than 1649, only eight years sub-
sequent to the beginning of the union of the two colonies, and only six years after the accession of Exeter, which completed the extension of the union over New Hampshire in its entirety. The body of the act is as follows:

"It is ordered by this court and the authority thereof that if any executor nominated in any will, and knowing thereof, shall not, at the next court of the county which shall be above thirty days after the decease of the party, make probate of any will of any deceased party, or shall not cause the same to be recorded by the recorder or clerk of that county court where the deceased party last dwelt, or if any person whatsoever shall not within the same time take administration of all such goods as he hath or shall enter upon of any party deceased, or if any person or persons shall alienate or embezzle any lands or goods before they have proved and recorded the will of the deceased, or taken administration and brought in a true inventory of all the known lands, goods, and debts of the deceased, every such person so administering or executing shall be liable to be sued, and shall be bound to pay all such debts, respectively, as the deceased party owed, whether the estate of the deceased were sufficient for the same or not, and shall also forfeit to the country so many sums of five pounds as shall be months betwixt the next court of that county, after the death of the party as aforesaid, and the proving of such will and recording it, or the taking of such administration. And if any person shall renounce his executorship, or that none of the friends or kindred of the deceased party that shall die intestate shall seek for administration of such person's estate, then the clerk of the writs of such town where any such person shall die shall, within one month after his decease, give notice to the court of that county to which such town doth belong of such renouncing of executorship or not seeking of administration, that so the court may take such order therein as they shall think meet, who shall also allow such clerk due recompense for his pains, and if any such clerk shall fail herein, he shall forfeit forty shillings to the treasury for every month's default. (1649.)"
"2. And because many merchants, seamen, and other strangers resorting hither oftentimes dying and leaving their estates undisposed of, and very difficult to be preserved in the interim from one county court to another, it is therefore ordered that it shall and may be lawful for any two magistrates, with the recorder or clerk of the county court, meeting together, to allow of any will of any deceased party to the executors or other persons in the will mentioned, so as the will be testified on the oath of two or more witnesses, and also to grant administration to the estate of any person dying intestate within the said county to the next of kin, or to such as shall be able to secure the same for the next of kin, and the recorder or clerk of court shall inform the rest of the magistrates of the county at the next county court of such will proved or administration granted, and shall record the same. (1652.)

"3. And it is ordered that, when the husband or parents die intestate, the county court of that jurisdiction where the party had his last residence shall have power to assign to the widow such a part of his estate as they shall judge just and equal, as also to divide and assign to the children or other heirs their several parts and portions out of the said estate; provided the eldest son shall have a double portion, and where there are no sons the daughters shall inherit as co-partners, unless the court, upon just cause alleged, shall otherwise determine." (1641–49.)

The Body of Liberties of 1641 was adopted in December, and subsequent to the union of Massachusetts Bay and New Hampshire. Article 11 of that body of laws is as follows: "All persons which are of the age of 21 years and of right understanding and memories, whether excommunicate or condemned, shall have power and liberty to make their wills and testaments and other lawful alienations of their lands and estates." Art. 79, 81, 82. Col. Laws of Mass., 1660 ed., reprint, p. 51; 1 N. H. Prov. Laws, 753, 761.

These are among the important landmarks in the establishment of a new system of probate law in the united colonies of Massachusetts Bay and New Hampshire. The more important features
of the development of this law are presented in the contemporary publications and compilations of 1660 and 1672. (Col. Laws Mass. Bay, 1672 ed., reprint, i, 157; 1660 ed., reprint, 119, 200.) New Hampshire became a part of Norfolk county. In the period of the union, therefore, the probate records were made and kept at the shire town or towns, as they were designated. Governor Washburn, in his Judicial History of Massachusetts, p. 32, says, "They (county courts) had also probate jurisdiction, and as such proved wills, granted administration, and the like. Appeals in such cases lying from their decisions to the court of assistants. (White's Prob. 9.) This exercise of probate jurisdiction continued as long as the old charter was in force. The clerks of the courts were, ex officio, recorders, and in the intervals of the court the recorder and two of the magistrates were authorized to grant letters of administration and probate of wills. (Ib.)"

It appears by the same authority (p. 30) that "It (court of assistants) had also appellate jurisdiction in matters of probate which had been determined in the county courts." The territory separated from this union by the decree of Charles II, contained in the Cutt commission of 1679, was subject to no other system of colonial law in the period beginning 1641 and ending in Oct., 1682, than the laws which were known and published in the Laws of Massachusetts Bay, with the exception or modification of the organic law promulgated in the Cutt commission, and the local law commonly known as the Cutt code. It is significant on the question of the continuing validity and operative force in New Hampshire of the laws of the two colonies as united under one government in the period above mentioned that article 14 of the Cutt laws provided that "For directions to the courts, judges, and all other officers it is ordered that those laws by which we have formerly been directed and governed shall be a rule to us in all judicial proceedings, so far as they will suit with our constitutions and be not repugnant to the laws of England, until such acts and ordinances as have been or shall be made by this assembly and
approved by the honorable President and Council may be drawn up and legally published." (t N. H. Prov. Laws, 28.)

No provisions were enacted in the Cutt laws relative to wills and probates, or the descent, settlement, and distribution of estates of deceased persons. It must be presumed, therefore, that the laws, usages, and forms which related to these affairs in the time of the union remained unchanged, at least to the time of the inauguration of the Cranfield government in Oct., 1682. In the commission of Charles II to President Cutt, after the part constituting the President and Council a court with a very ample jurisdiction, the following appears in the text, "So always that the forms of proceeding in such cases and the judgment thereupon to be given be as consonant and agreeable to the laws and statutes of this our realm of England as the present state and condition of our subjects inhabiting within the limits aforesaid, and the circumstances of the place, will admit." (t N. H. Prov. Laws, 4.)

The temper of the people of New Hampshire at this time towards such directions as those here emanating from the crown may best be inferred from a declaration in the copy of the Cutt laws which was retained in the province, the clause to be quoted not appearing in the copy that was sent home. It appears in the preamble of the laws, and is as follows, "It is therefore ordered and enacted by this General Assembly and the authority thereof that no act, imposition, law, or ordinance be made or imposed upon us but such as shall be made by the said Assembly and approved by the President and Council from time to time." (t N. H. Prov. Papers, 382.) If there were any doubt as to the determination of the controlling majority and the government of the province of New Hampshire to adhere to the colonial laws of the time of the union, modified only by their own voluntary enactments, in preference to the laws of England, wherever one might conflict with the other, such a doubt would seem to be dissipated by the testimony of Richard Chamberlain, for a time secretary of the province, in a letter to Mr. Blaithwaite, secretary to the Lords Committee of Trade and Plantations, of date May 14, 1681. Mr. Chamberlain
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says: "I first took exception to the whole system (Cutt laws) in
general being collected mostly out of the Massachusetts laws, and
surely it could not well stand with the mind and pleasure of His
Majesty that we here should cast off obedience to their (the Mas-
sachusetts) jurisdiction and yet voluntarily submit to and yoke
ourselves so inseparably to their laws." (1 N. H. Prov. Laws,
785.) The 1679 commission to John Cutt and his Council for the
government of New Hampshire in terms constituted the President
and Council the supreme court, with a very comprehensive jurisd-
iction. They evidently construed their powers to include the ad-
ministration of the probate law. It appears by the records that
the President and Council transacted the probate business, the
councilors sometimes acting individually. Such business seems
to have been disposed of in court also in 1681. The records and
files for this period, however, are meagre. Under the conditions
then existing, and the attitude of the representatives of the people
towards the laws at the time of the union, it would be expected
that probate procedure and probate decrees would be found con-
formed to that system.

The termination of the first union occurred in the winter of
1679–80. Reasons have already been adduced indicating very
conclusively that no change was desired or attempted in the pro-
bate law in the period under the commission of President Cutt. It
is hardly open to question that, with regard to probate law, usages,
and forms "The former laws we [they] were ruled by [were] to
stand till others [were] made." (Cutt laws, art. 14.) It does not
appear that any other enactment was made under his government
affecting the previously existing system of probate law.

The next period is that included in the administration under the
commission to Lieut.-Gov. Edward Cranfield which subsisted be-
tween Oct. 4, 1682, and May 25, 1686. The Cranfield commis-
ion in terms abrogated the Cutt commission. The Cranfield instruc-
tions, by article 26, in terms repealed the Cutt laws. It is not known
that this document in its complete form has ever been in the New
Hampshire archives since 1684. The one that appears to have taken
its place at that time was very much abbreviated, as it contained only six articles besides the preamble, while the full text, it now appears, contains thirty-nine articles and a preamble. The draft which was probably put on file about 1684 in the province records omits article 26, by which the Cutt laws were repealed by the King's edict. The copy containing the full text has not been printed on this side of the Atlantic. The abbreviated copy of 1694 is the one that has appeared in the state publications, and has been subject to reference in the archives. The full text was discovered and procured from the English archives in April, 1906, by this department. (Note to the case of Hutchinson v. Manchester Street Railway, 73 N. H., 279.)

The Cranfield commission authorized the Lieutenant-Governor to constitute courts and appoint judges. Under this authority there is evidence that Cranfield established a court of probate, and that he, and after him, Bareafoote, assumed the office of ordinary, with Chamberlain, the province secretary, as register of the court.

An attempt was made in the winter of 1682-3 to construct a body of local statute law for the province, but there was a rupture between the Lieutenant-Governor and the assembly when the undertaking had proceeded to the 26th article. He was not able to obtain the attendance of the assembly for legislation after this time, except on one occasion, at the special instance of the King for the enactment of one bill especially desired by the home government. (1 N. H. Prov. Laws, 48, 807.) In the fragment of a body of statute law, the construction of which appears to have been begun in the first year of the Cranfield administration, there is no reference to the probate law. The Lieutenant-Governor, after his rupture with the assembly, avowed his purpose to govern the province by the laws of England. The history of his administration, however, shows that all his attempts to govern them failed, and that his administration was broken down by the antagonism of the people, by his own incompetency, by his personal interest in the Masonian claim, by his alienation of the support of Randolph, and by the want of confidence towards him which developed in the
home government. His attempt to resort to the laws of England, and to impose them upon the province as embodying the rules by which they were to be governed, if practicable in any degree with a competent and discreet administrator, was out of the question with this executive. (Farmer’s Belknap’s Hist. of N. H., chap. 8. F. B. Sanborn, Hist. of N. H., chap. 4. Memoir and correspondence of Edmund Randolph, edited by Robert Noxon Toppan, passim.)

It was in the time of this administration that the first charter of the Massachusetts Bay colony was vacated on scire facias in the court of chancery in England. It was formerly the opinion of the Massachusetts courts that the annulment of the charter wrought a repeal of the laws enacted under it. (Storer v. Freeman, 6 Mass., 438.) This opinion seems to have been adopted by Judge Bellows in the case of Clement v. Burns, 43 N. H., 619.

The current of later opinion is very strongly against this theory. (See article by Prof. E. N. Washburn on the effect of the vacation of the charter upon the laws enacted under it, 13 Mass. Hist. Soc. Proceed., 451; argument of the Attorney-General of New Hampshire in the case of Percy Summer Club v. Astles before the U. S. Circuit Court for the District of New Hampshire, pp. 80, 95, 156; Commonwealth v. Alger, 7 Cush., 76; reporter’s note, 9 Gray, 17; 66 N. H., 25.) There is, on the whole, little basis for the supposition that either in Massachusetts Bay or in New Hampshire the preference of the people for their own laws relating to the descent and distribution of property and the making and administration of wills had been removed or affected to any considerable extent by the abrogation of the charter, the validity of which was denied here and disputed in Parliament, and by what transpired in New Hampshire in the Cranfield regime, which had been almost farcical in the attempted exercise of governmental powers, and from every point of view obnoxious to the great majority of the people.

The next period in the constitutional history of the province is
covered by the Dudley-Andros administrations under the commissioner of King James II constituting the Dominion of New England. The powers of government conferred by the commissions and instructions, first by the preliminary commission to Joseph Dudley and Council, and second in the more elaborate commissions and instructions to Sir Edmund Andros, resulted for the time being in a radical change in the structure of the colonial organizations in New England. This involved the discontinuance of separate province and colonial governments in Massachusetts, Plymouth, New Hampshire, and several other colonies. In the Judicial History of Massachusetts Professor Washburn says, (p. 86) "The president [Dudley] took upon himself the probate jurisdiction as Supreme Ordinary, but to save the trouble of parties attending at Boston he appointed judges of probate and clerks in the remote counties to act in his stead." Continuing in the same volume, the author says, (p. 95) "He [Andros] assumed to be the Supreme Ordinary, and though it became extremely oppressive for all persons having any business of this kind to come to Boston, as by his orders they were compelled to do, and although the fees to be paid by the parties were greatly increased, yet it ought to be acknowledged that he did much to introduce a regular system of forms in the proceedings in probate courts, which before that had been loose and uncertain. He personally attended to the administration of estates exceeding fifty pounds, and the ordinary fee for the probate of a will was fifty shillings." Several orders relating to probate affairs were passed in the brief time of the administration of President Dudley and his Council, occupying only six months, between May and December, 1686. These are reproduced in 1 N. H. Prov. Laws, 92, 142, passim, particularly 105, 124, 125.

In the time of the Andros administration, which commenced Dec. 20, 1686, and was terminated by a popular uprising April 18, 1689, the subject of probate affairs was taken up in a formal act of date June 1, 1687, entitled "An Act for probate of wills and granting letters of administration." The full text appears in 1 N. H. Prov. Laws, 206.
The people of Massachusetts have been very generally disposed to regard the Dudley-Andros administration of 1686–89 as a usurpation. The Bay colony, immediately upon the downfall of the Andros government, resumed the government which was in existence at the time of the inauguration of the Dudley administration in May, 1686. The laws by which they had formerly been governed were revived by an express act. This, of course, included the laws relating to wills and probates. (1 N. H. Prov. Laws, 294. See Smith's reports, 503.) The deposition of Andros left New Hampshire without a colonial government. The people were unable to unite upon a government for themselves. Government was relegated to the town organizations. This status continued during a period of about ten months. A union was effected between the towns and people of New Hampshire and those of Massachusetts Bay. This is commonly described as the second union. The exact status of probate jurisdiction in New Hampshire at this time is somewhat problematical. (1 N. H. Prov. Laws, 259–399.)

The period of the second union extended from Feb., 1690, to the time when this relation was terminated by new commissions for a province government in New Hampshire and a new charter for Massachusetts. The probate jurisdiction had reverted in the time of this second union to the counties. Its exercise, according to the records now accessible, was in pursuance of the same rules, methods, and forms as had prevailed in the time of the first union. This statement, of course, applies to New Hampshire as well as to Massachusetts Bay. The promptitude and facility with which both colonies readapted themselves at this time to the laws which they had established, and which were in conformity to their own polity, are significant as to the deep root which the jurisprudence of the time of the first union had taken in the statute law and in legal usages. The first colonial period for both New Hampshire and Massachusetts Bay was concluded at this time by the interposition of a new charter in the one, and under a new commission permanently re-establishing a province for the other. The enactment of colonial statute law was resumed, with results which had
the effect on the whole rather to rehabilitate and confirm the ancient local statute law than to supersede it by important or extensive innovations. (See Oliver's Puritan Comm., 78, 79, 80; Adams's Emancipation of Mass., 197; arg. of Att'y-Gen. cited supra, 26 and 46.) It might be expected that probate jurisdiction would be provided for by the erection of a court performing its functions without very much variability from 1692-1775. Allen's commission and instructions, as Usher claimed, invested the Governor or his Lieutenant with power to erect courts and make appointments for them. (1 N. H. Prov. Laws, 505.)

It appears as early as 1693, by the act entitled "An act for the settling and distribution of intestates' estates and such as prove insolvent," that the court of probate was already established. (1 N. H. Prov. Laws, 566.) This fact is again recognized in 1701, in the act entitled "An additional act passed for the settlement of intestates' estates, thereto added insolvents' estates, how to be disposed of," Id. 683. In the Laws, ed. of 1716, p. 4, "Act for the settlement and distribution of the estates of intestates," the judge of probate is again referred to as then in the exercise of an apparently settled jurisdiction. In the Laws, ed. of 1771, p. 104, the same act reappears. During this period, that is from 1692-1775, the Governor and Council constituted a supreme court of probate. (3 N. H. Prov. Papers, 683, 717.)

Referring to Usher's letter Jan. 11, 1696-7 (2 N. H. Prov. Papers, 209), it would appear that Story had an appointment from the home government as judge of probate; that Usher desired to have the commission returned, and that he assumed the right to appoint. This would indicate that the Governor was claiming the right to appoint the judge of probate, and that possibly there was an issue of authority on this point between the Lieutenant-Governor and the home government. On p. 207, same volume, it appears that Packer was removed from the office of lieutenant-colonel and judge of probate by John Hinckes, President of the Council, acting as Governor, and the Council. It appears further, same volume, pp. 242-243, that Nathaniel Fryer had been appointed ordi
nary, inasmuch as Hinckes and his Council were turning the probate records over to him by an executive order. In the absence of anything but fragmentary minutes of the proceedings of the Governor and Council as an executive body it may be difficult to trace, especially in the official probate records and files, the personnel of this court, but there is probably data among the records and files of the probate court by which the judges and registers from 1692 to the revolution may be identified with substantial accuracy.

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