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JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to the preservation and publication of portions of the early state and provincial records and other state papers of New Hampshire.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

That His Excellency the Governor be hereby authorized and empowered, with the advice and consent of the Council, to employ some suitable person — and fix his compensation, to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated — to collect, arrange, transcribe, and superintend the publication of such portions of the early state and provincial records and other state papers of New Hampshire as the Governor may deem proper; and that eight hundred copies of each volume of the same be printed by the state printer, and distributed as follows: namely, one copy to each city and town in the state, one copy to such of the public libraries in the state as the Governor may designate, fifty copies to the New Hampshire Historical Society, and the remainder placed in the custody of the state librarian, who is hereby authorized to exchange the same for similar publications by other states.

Approved August 4, 1881.

PREFACE

The Province of New Hampshire was not divided into counties until 1771. Prior to that date there was only one registry of deeds and one registry of probate for the whole province. These offices were located at Portsmouth, and the records were kept there until 1776, when all the provincial records were removed to Exeter for safety, as Portsmouth was subject to attack by sea.

When the counties were organized Exeter became the county seat of Rockingham County, and the provincial records of deeds and probate and of the courts remained there until 1891, when the state asserted its title, and they were brought to Concord and placed in the custody of the Secretary of State.

The act for establishing counties divided the province into five, Rockingham, Strafford, Hillsborough, Cheshire, and Grafton, all named from houses of nobility in England. Coös County was created in 1805, Merrimack in 1823, Sullivan in 1827, Belknap and Carroll in 1841. The act of 1769, confirmed by the Crown in 1771, is here given with certain omissions as indicated.

AN ACT FOR DIVIDING THIS PROVINCE INTO COUNTIES, AND FOR THE MORE EASY ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

For as much as the great Increase of the Inhabitants of this Province, and the remote Situation of Many of them from Portsmouth, where the Courts of Judicature are now held have renderd the Administration of Justice very expensive & Difficult & in Some Cases almost Impracticable, the People being Generally not of Sufficient ability to Travel far — And Whereas by Sundry Laws of the Province the Present place of holding the Courts is so Establishd that an Adequate Remedy for so great Inconvenience & Difficulty cannot be fully & Effectually Obtaind without an Act of the General Assembly.

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And his Majesty having been Graciously Pleased to permit the Governor to Assent to an Act for that Purpose

Be it therefore Enacted By the Governor Council and Assembly, that the Province be and hereby is Divided into Five Counties, in the Following manner, That is to Say, the Bounds of the first County to begin at the Mouth of Piscatagua River. & to run up the Same the Easterly Corner of New Market Including the river, and from thence North Westerly by the Easterly, & Northerly side Lines of New Market, Epping, Nottingham Chichester & Canterbury to the River and down the Same to the Line of Concord Including the River then round the Westerly Lines of Bow Concord & Pembroke, to Merrimack River thence down the same to the North West Corner of Derryfield, thence by the Easterly lines of Derryfield Litchfield & Nottingham West to the Province Line thence by said Line to the sea, thence by the Sea to the bounds first Mentiond, Including all that part of the Isles of shoals whch belongs to this Province. The Bounds of the Second County to begin at the North West Corner of Canterbury, and from thence to cross the River then down the river to Pemigiwasset then to run up Pemigiwasset River to Campton, thence round the Westerly End of Campton & by the Northerly side lines of Campton Sandwich & Tampworth, & thence Easterly to the Province Line, on the Same Course with the Northerly Side Line of Eaton, thence Down said Province Line to the Line of the first County, thence by the same to the bounds First Mentiond — The Bounds of the third County To begin at the South East Corner of Nottingham West, thence Westerly by the Province Line to the South East Corner of Rindge, thence by the Easterly Side Line of Rindge, Monadnock Number two, Dublin, the Townships Number Six, Number Seven, & Number Eight, thence to the South End of Sunnepee Pond, thence by the Easterly Side of Said Pond, to the North End thereof, thence by the North Westerly Side Line of Dantzick Heidleburgh, & by the Northerly Side Lines of Heidleburgh & North Westerly Side Line of Emery's Town to Pemigiwasset

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River thence down the Same to the Bounds of the first County thence by the Same to the Bounds first Mentiond.

The Bounds of the fourth County to be begin at the South East Corner of Rindge, and from thence to run Westerly by the Province Line, to the Western Banks of Connecticutt River, thence up the Same till it Comes opposite to the North West Corner of Plainfield then crossing the river to the last Mentiond Corner of Plainfield thence by the Northerly side lines of Plainfield & Grantham to the North East Corner of Grantham thence by the Easterly Side Line of Grantham, & the North Side Line of Savill to the boundary Line of the third County, thence by the Same to the bounds first Mentiond

And the Fifth County to Contain all the Lands in the Province Not Comprehended in the other Counties. And all the Towns Parishes Precincts or Places within the bounds aforesaid respectively, shall be Deemed accepted named & taken as Parts & Members of the Respective Counties aforesaid.

And the Names of the said Counties shall be & are hereby as follows Viz the Name of the first County Rockingham — The name of the Second County Strafford the Name of the Third County Hillsborough the Name of the fourth County Cheshire the Name of the fifth County Grafton —

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And Whereas the said Counties of Strafford & Grafton are not fully Inhabited at Present but the Inhabitants are Daily Increasing Be it further Enacted that the said Counties of Strafford & Grafton shall be for the Present Annexed to & Deemed & taken as Parts & Members of the County of Rockin'ham & Subject to the Jurisdiction & Authority of the Courts Magistrates and Officers of the Said County of Rockin'ham to all Intents & Purposes and shall remain so Annexed Deemed and Taken & Subject until the Governor by & with the Advice and Consent of the Council shall declare them respectively Sufficient for the exercise of their respective Jurisdictions & no longer. * * *

[Passed April 29, 1769. Confirmed by the King March 19, 1771.]

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ROCKINGHAM COUNTY

Rockingham County was established by an act passed April 29, 1769, and confirmed by the King March 19, 1771, and was bounded by a line beginning at the mouth of the Piscataqua River, and to run up the same to the easterly corner of Newmarket, including the river, and from thence northwesterly by the easterly and northerly side lines of Newmarket, Epping, Nottingham, Chichester, and Canterbury to the river, and down the same to the line of Concord, including the river, then round the westerly lines of Bow, Concord, and Pembroke to Merrimack River, thence down the same to the northwest corner of Derryfield [Manchester], thence by the easterly lines of Derryfield, Litchfield, and Nottingham West [Hudson] to the province line, thence by said line to the sea, thence by the sea to the bounds first mentioned, including all that part of the Isles of Shoals which belongs to this province.

Rockingham County records are at Exeter.

STRAFFORD COUNTY

Strafford County was established by an act passed April 29, 1769, and confirmed by the King March 19, 1771, and was bounded by a line beginning at the northwest corner of Canterbury, from thence to cross the river, then down the river to Pemigewasset, then to run up Pemigewasset River to Campton, thence round the westerly end of Campton and by the northerly side lines of Campton, Sandwich, and Tamworth, thence easterly to the province line on the same course with the northerly side line of Eaton, thence down the said province line to the line of the first county, thence by the same to the bounds first mentioned.

This act contained the following provision.

And whereas the said counties of Strafford and Grafton are not fully inhabited at present, but the inhabitants are daily increasing, be it further enacted that the said counties of Strafford PREFACE ix

and Grafton shall be for the present annexed to and deemed and taken as parts and members of the County of Rockingham, and subject to the jurisdiction and authority of the courts, magistrates and officers of the said County of Rockingham to all intents and purposes, and shall remain so annexed, deemed, and taken and subject until the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Council, shall declare them respectively sufficient for the exercise of their respective jurisdictions and no longer.

The county was given independent jurisdiction in 1773. Strafford County records are at Dover.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

Hillsborough County was established by an act passed April 29, 1769, and confirmed by the King March 19, 1771, and was bounded by a line beginning at the southeast corner of Nottingham West [Hudson], thence westerly by the province line to the southeast corner of Rindge, thence by the easterly side line of Rindge, Monadnock Number Two [Jaffrey], Dublin, the townships Number Six [Marlborough], Number Seven [Hillsborough], and Number Eight [Washington], thence to the south end of Sunapee Pond, thence by the easterly side of said pond to the north end thereof, thence by the northwesterly side line of Dantzic [Newbury] and Heidlebourg [New London], and by the northerly side lines of Heidlebourg and northwesterly side line of Emery's Town [Andover] to Pemigewasset River, thence down the same to the bounds of the first county [Rockingham], thence by the same to the bounds first mentioned.

Hillsborough County records are at Nashua.

CHESHIRE COUNTY

Cheshire County was established by an act passed April 29, 1769, and confirmed by the King March 19, 1771, and was bounded by a line beginning at the southeast corner of Rindge, thence westerly by the province line to the western bank of

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Connecticut River, thence up the same till it comes opposite to the northwest corner of Plainfield, then crossing the river to the last mentioned corner of Plainfield, thence by the northerly side lines of Plainfield and Grantham to the northeast corner of Grantham, thence by the easterly side line of Grantham and the north side line of Saville [Sunapee] to the boundary line of the third county [Hillsborough], thence by the same to the bounds first mentioned.

Cheshire County records are at Keene.

GRAFTON COUNTY

Grafton County was established by an act passed April 29, 1769, and confirmed by the King March 19, 1771, and was to contain all the land in the province not included in the other counties.

This act contained the following provision.

And whereas the said counties of Strafford and Grafton are not fully inhabited at present, but the inhabitants are daily increasing, be it further enacted that the said counties of Strafford and Grafton shall be for the present annexed to and deemed and taken as parts and members of the County of Rockingham, and subject to the jurisdiction and authority of the courts, magistrates, and officers of the said County of Rockingham to all intents and purposes, and shall remain so annexed, deemed, and taken and subject until the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Council, shall declare them respectively sufficient for the exercise of their respective jurisdictions and no longer.

The county was given independent jurisdiction in 1773. Grafton County records are at Woodsville.

COÖS COUNTY

Coös County was established by an act passed Dec. 24, 1803, to take effect March 1, 1805, to contain all the lands and waters

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northerly of a line beginning on the west bank of Connecticut River at the southwesterly corner of Dalton and running on the westerly and southerly line of Dalton to Whitefield, thence on the westerly and southerly line of Whitefield to Bretton Woods [now Carroll], thence on the westerly and southerly line of Bretton Woods to the southeasterly corner thereof, thence southerly on a straight line across the unlocated lands to the line of the County of Strafford at the northwesterly corner of Tamworth, thence on the line of the County of Strafford to the line of the District of Maine, the new county to consist of the towns of Dalton, Whitefield, Bretton Woods [Carroll], Bartlett, Adams [Jackson], Chatham, Shelburne, Shelburne Addition [Gorham], Durand [Randolph], Kilkenny, Jefferson, Lancaster, Millsfield, Northumberland, Stratford, Wales Gore, Cockburne [Columbia], Colebrook, Stewartstown, Percy [Stark], Paulsbourg [Milan], Maynesborough [Berlin], Dummer, Errol, Cambridge, and Success.

Coös County records are at Lancaster.

MERRIMACK COUNTY

Merrimack County was established by an act passed July 1, 1823, to take effect Aug. 1 of that year, to consist of the towns of Allenstown, Bow, Canterbury, Chichester, Concord, Epsom, Loudon, Northfield, Pembroke, and Pittsfield, taken from Rockingham County, and Andover, Boscawen, Bradford, Dunbarton, Newbury, Henniker, Hooksett, Hopkinton, New London, Salisbury, Sutton, Warner, and Wilmot, taken from Hillsborough County.

Merrimack County records are at Concord.

SULLIVAN COUNTY

Sullivan County was established by an act passed July 5, 1827, to take effect the first Tuesday of September following, to consist of the towns of Acworth, Charlestown, Claremont, Cornish,

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Croydon, Grantham, Goshen, Lempster, Langdon, Newport, Plainfield, Springfield, Unity, Washington, and Sunapee, all formerly in Cheshire County.

Sullivan County records are at Newport.

BELKNAP COUNTY

Belknap County was established by an act passed Dec. 23, 1840, to take effect Jan. 1, 1841, and to consist of the towns of Alton, Barnstead, Center Harbor, Gilford, Gilmanton, Meredith, New Hampton, and Sanbornton, all taken from Strafford County.

Belknap County records are at Laconia.

CARROLL COUNTY

Carroll County was established by an act passed Dec. 23, 1840, to take effect Jan. 1, 1841, and to consist of the towns of Albany, Brookfield, Chatham, Conway, Eaton, Effingham, Freedom, Moultonborough, Sandwich, Tamworth, Tuftonborough, Ossipee, Wakefield, and Wolfeborough, all taken from Strafford County.

Carroll County records are at Ossipee.

As an assistance to those who may wish to consult deeds and probate records executed after 1771, a list is here given of all towns and cities in the state, with dates of grant or incorporation, and of county connection.

Acworth, granted 1735/6, Cheshire 1771, Sullivan 1827.

Albany, granted 1766, Grafton 1771, Strafford 1800, Carroll 1841.

Alexandria, granted 1753, Grafton 1771.

Allenstown, granted 1722, Rockingham 1771, Merrimack 1823.

Alstead, granted 1735/6, Cheshire 1771.

Alton, incorporated 1796, Strafford 1796, Belknap 1841.

Amherst, granted 1728, Hillsborough 1771.

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Andover, granted 1751, Hillsborough 1771, Merrimack 1823.

Antrim, incorporated 1777, Hillsborough 1777.

Ashland, incorporated 1868, Grafton 1868.

Atkinson, incorporated 1767, Rockingham 1771.

Auburn, incorporated 1845, Rockingham 1845.

Barnstead, granted 1727, Strafford 1771, Belknap 1841.

Barrington, granted 1722, Strafford 1771.

Bartlett, incorporated 1790, Grafton 1790, Coös 1805, Carroll 1841.

Bath, granted 1761, Grafton 1771.

Bedford, granted 1733/4, Hillsborough 1771.

Belmont, incorporated 1859, Belknap 1859.

Bennington, incorporated 1842, Hillsborough 1842.

Benton, granted 1764, Grafton 1771.

Berlin, granted 1771, Grafton 1771, Coös 1805.

Bethlehem, granted 1774, Grafton 1774.

Boscawen, granted 1732, Hillsborough 1771, Merrimack 1823.

Bow, granted 1727, Rockingham 1771, Merrimack 1823.

Bradford, granted 1735/6, Hillsborough 1771, Merrimack 1823.

Brentwood, incorporated 1744, Rockingham 1771.

Bridgewater, incorporated 1788, Grafton 1788.

Bristol, incorporated 1819, Grafton 1819.

Brookfield, incorporated 1794, Strafford 1794, Carroll 1841.

Brookline, incorporated 1769, Hillsborough 1771.

Cambridge, granted 1773, Grafton 1773, Coös 1805.

Campton, granted 1761, Strafford 1771, Grafton 1782.

Canaan, granted 1761, Grafton 1771.

Candia, incorporated 1763, Rockingham 1771.

Canterbury, granted 1727, Rockingham 1771, Merrimack 1823.

Carroll, granted 1772, Grafton 1772, Coös 1805.

Center Harbor, incorporated 1797, Strafford 1797, Belknap 1841.

Charlestown, granted 1735, Cheshire 1771, Sullivan 1827.

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Chatham, granted 1767, Grafton 1771, Coös 1805, Strafford 1823, Carroll 1841.

Chester, granted 1720, Rockingham 1771.

Chesterfield, granted 1735, Cheshire 1771.

Chichester, granted 1727, Rockingham 1771, Merrimack 1823.

Claremont, granted 1764, Cheshire 1771, Sullivan 1827.

Clarksville, granted 1792, Grafton 1792, Coös 1805.

Colebrook, granted 1762, Grafton 1771, Coös 1805.

Columbia, granted 1762, Grafton 1771, Coös 1805.

Concord, granted 1659, Rockingham 1771, Merrimack 1823.

Conway, granted 1765, Grafton 1771, Strafford 1778, Carroll 1841.

Cornish, granted 1763, Cheshire 1771, Sullivan 1827.

Croydon, granted 1763, Cheshire 1771, Sullivan 1827.

Dalton, incorporated 1784, Grafton 1784, Coös 1805.

Danbury, incorporated 1795, Grafton 1795, Merrimack 1874.

Danville, incorporated 1760, Rockingham 1771.

Deerfield, incorporated 1766, Rockingham 1771.

Deering, incorporated 1774, Hillsborough 1774.

Derry, incorporated 1827, Rockingham 1827.

Dixville, not incorporated, Grafton 1771, Coös 1805.

Dorchester, granted 1761, Grafton 1771.

Dover, not granted, nor incorporated except as a city, Strafford 1771.

Dublin, granted 1749, Cheshire 1771.

Dummer, granted 1773, Grafton 1773, Coös 1805.

Dunbarton, granted 1735, Hillsborough 1771, Merrimack 1823.

Durham, incorporated 1732, Strafford 1771.

East Kingston, incorporated 1738, Rockingham 1771.

Easton, incorporated 1876, Grafton 1876.

Eaton, granted 1766, Strafford 1771, Carroll 1841.

Effingham, granted 1749, Strafford 1771, Carroll 1841.

Ellsworth, granted 1769, Grafton 1771.

Enfield, granted 1761, Grafton 1771.

Epping, incorporated 1741/2, Rockingham 1771.

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Epsom, granted 1727, Rockingham 1771, Merrimack 1823.

Errol, granted 1774, Grafton 1774, Coös 1805.

Exeter, not granted or incorporated, Rockingham 1771.

Farmington, incorporated 1798, Strafford 1798.

Fitzwilliam, granted 1752, Cheshire 1771.

Francestown, incorporated 1772, Hillsborough 1772.

Franconia, granted 1764, Grafton 1771.

Franklin, incorporated 1828, Merrimack 1828.

Freedom, incorporated 1831, Strafford 1831, Carroll 1841.

Fremont, incorporated 1764, Rockingham 1771.

Gilford, incorporated 1812, Strafford 1812, Belknap 1841.

Gilmanton, granted 1727, Strafford 1771, Belknap 1841.

Gilsum, granted 1752, Cheshire 1771.

Goffstown, granted 1733/4, Hillsborough 1771.

Gorham, granted 1770, Grafton 1771, Coös 1805.

Goshen, incorporated 1791, Cheshire 1791, Sullivan 1827.

Grafton, granted 1761, Grafton 1771.

Grantham, granted 1761, Cheshire 1771, Sullivan 1827.

Greenfield, incorporated 1791, Hillsborough 1791.

Greenland, incorporated 1721, Rockingham 1771.

Greenville, incorporated 1872, Hillsborough 1872.

Groton, granted 1761, Grafton 1771.

Hampstead, incorporated 1749, Rockingham 1771.

Hampton, granted 1635, Rockingham 1771.

Hampton Falls, incorporated 1726, Rockingham 1771.

Hancock, incorporated 1779, Hillsborough 1779.

Hanover, granted 1761, Grafton 1771.

Harrisville, incorporated 1870, Cheshire 1870.

Hart's Location, granted 1772, Grafton 1772, Carroll 1841.

Haverhill, granted 1763, Grafton 1771.

Hebron, incorporated 1792, Grafton 1792.

Henniker, granted 1735/6, Hillsborough 1771, Merrimack 1823.

Hill, granted 1753, Grafton 1771, Merrimack 1868.

Hillsborough, granted 1735/6, Hillsborough 1771.

Hinsdale, incorporated 1753, Cheshire 1771.

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Holderness, granted 1751, Strafford 1771, Grafton 1782.

Hollis, incorporated 1746, Hillsborough 1771.

Hooksett, incorporated 1822, Hillsborough 1822, Merrimack 1823.

Hopkinton, granted 1735/6, Hillsborough 1771, Merrimack 1823.

Hudson, incorporated 1746, Hillsborough 1771.

Jackson, incorporated 1800, Grafton 1800, Coös 1805, Carroll 1841.

Jaffrey, granted 1749, Cheshire 1771.

Jefferson, granted 1765, Grafton 1771, Coös 1805.

Keene, granted 1733, Cheshire 1771.

Kensington, incorporated 1737, Rockingham 1771.

Kilkenny, granted 1774, Grafton 1774, Coös 1805.

Kingston, granted 1694, Rockingham 1771.

Laconia, incorporated 1855, Belknap 1855.

Lancaster, granted 1763, Grafton 1771, Coös 1805.

Landaff, granted 1764, Grafton 1771.

Langdon, incorporated 1787, Cheshire 1787, Sullivan 1827.

Lebanon, granted 1761, Grafton 1771.

Lee, incorporated 1766, Strafford 1771.

Lempster, granted 1735/6, Cheshire 1771, Sullivan 1827.

Lincoln, granted 1764, Grafton 1771.

Lisbon, granted 1763, Grafton 1771.

Litchfield, granted 1729, Hillsborough 1771.

Littleton, granted 1764, Grafton 1771.

Livermore, incorporated 1876, Grafton 1876.

Londonderry, granted 1722, Rockingham 1771.

Loudon, incorporated 1773, Rockingham 1773, Merrimack 1823.

Lyman, granted 1761, Grafton 1771.

Lyme, granted 1761, Grafton 1771.

Lyndeborough, granted 1735, Hillsborough 1771.

Madbury, incorporated 1755, Strafford 1771.

Madison, incorporated 1852, Carroll 1852.

Manchester, granted 1735, Hillsborough 1771.

Marlborough, granted 1752, Cheshire 1771.

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Marlow, granted 1753, Cheshire 1771.

Mason, granted 1749, Hillsborough 1771.

Meredith, granted 1748, Strafford 1771, Belknap 1841.

Merrimack, incorporated 1746, Hillsborough 1771.

Middleton, granted 1749, Strafford 1771.

Milan, granted 1771, Grafton 1771, Coös 1805.

Milford, incorporated 1794, Hillsborough 1794.

Millsfield, granted 1774, Grafton 1774, Coös 1805.

Milton, incorporated 1802, Strafford 1802.

Monroe, incorporated 1854, Grafton 1854.

Mont Vernon, incorporated 1803, Hillsborough 1803.

Moultonborough, granted 1763, Strafford 1771, Carroll 1841.

Nashua, incorporated 1746, Hillsborough 1771.

Nelson, granted 1752, Cheshire 1771.

New Boston, granted 1735/6, Hillsborough 1771.

New Durham, granted 1749, Strafford 1771.

New Hampton, granted 1765, Strafford 1771, Belknap 1841.

New Ipswich, granted 1735/6, Hillsborough 1771.

New London, granted 1753, Hillsborough 1771, Merrimack 1823.

Newbury, granted 1753, Cheshire 1771, Hillsborough 1778, Merrimack 1823.

Newcastle, incorporated 1693, Rockingham 1771.

Newfields, incorporated 1849, Rockingham 1849.

Newington, incorporated 1764, Rockingham 1771.

Newmarket, incorporated 1727, Rockingham 1771.

Newport, granted 1753, Cheshire 1771, Sullivan 1827.

Newton, incorporated 1749, Rockingham 1771.

North Hampton, incorporated 1738, Rockingham 1771.

Northfield, incorporated 1780, Rockingham 1780, Merrimack 1823.

Northumberland, granted 1761, Grafton 1771, Coös 1805.

Northwood, incorporated 1773, Rockingham 1773.

Nottingham, incorporated 1722, Rockingham 1771.

Orange, granted 1769, Grafton 1771.

Orford, granted 1761, Grafton 1771.

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Ossipee, incorporated 1785, Strafford 1785, Carroll 1841.

Pelham, incorporated 1746, Rockingham 1771, Hillsborough 1824.

Pembroke, granted 1728, Rockingham 1771, Merrimack 1823.

Peterborough, granted 1737/8, Hillsborough 1771.

Piermont, granted 1764, Grafton 1771.

Pittsburg, incorporated 1840, Coös 1840.

Pittsfield, incorporated 1782, Rockingham 1782, Merrimack 1823.

Plainfield, granted 1761, Cheshire 1771, Sullivan 1827.

Plaistow, incorporated 1749, Rockingham 1771.

Plymouth, granted 1763, Grafton 1771.

Portsmouth, granted 1631, Rockingham 1771.

Randolph, granted 1772, Grafton 1772, Coös 1805.

Raymond, incorporated 1764, Rockingham 1771.

Richmond, granted 1735, Cheshire 1771.

Rindge, granted 1736/7, Cheshire 1771.

Rochester, incorporated 1722, Strafford 1771.

Rollinsford, incorporated 1849, Strafford 1849.

Roxbury, incorporated 1812, Cheshire 1812.

Rumney, granted 1761, Grafton 1771.

Rye, incorporated 1726, Rockingham 1771.

Salem, incorporated 1750, Rockingham 1771.

Salisbury, granted 1736/7, Hillsborough 1771, Merrimack 1823.

Sanbornton, granted 1748, Strafford 1771, Belknap 1841.

Sandown, incorporated 1756, Rockingham 1771.

Sandwich, granted 1763, Strafford 1771, Carroll 1841.

Seabrook, incorporated 1768, Rockingham 1771.

Sharon, incorporated 1791, Hillsborough 1791.

Shelburne, granted 1769, Grafton 1771, Coös 1805.

Somersworth, incorporated 1754, Strafford 1771.

South Hampton, incorporated 1742, Rockingham 1771.

Springfield, granted 1769, Cheshire 1771, Sullivan 1827.

Stark, granted 1774, Grafton 1774, Coös 1805.

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Stratford, granted 1762, Grafton 1771, Coös 1805.

Stratham, incorporated 1715/16, Rockingham 1771.

Success, granted 1773, Grafton 1773, Coös 1805.

Sullivan, incorporated 1787, Cheshire 1787.

Sunapee, granted 1768, Cheshire 1771, Sullivan 1827.

Surry, incorporated 1769, Cheshire 1771.

Sutton, granted 1749, Hillsborough 1771, Merrimack 1823.

Swanzey, granted 1733, Cheshire 1771.

Tamworth, granted 1766, Strafford 1771, Carroll 1841.

Temple, granted 1750, Hillsborough 1771.

Thornton, granted 1763, Grafton 1771.

Tilton, incorporated 1869, Belknap 1869.

Troy, incorporated 1815, Cheshire 1815.

Tuftonborough, granted 1750, Strafford 1771, Carroll 1841.

Unity, granted 1753, Cheshire 1771, Sullivan 1827.

Wakefield, granted 1749, Strafford 1771, Carroll 1841.

Walpole, granted 1736, Cheshire 1771.

Warner, granted 1735/6, Hillsborough 1771, Merrimack 1823.

Warren, granted 1763, Grafton 1771.

Washington, granted 1735/6, Cheshire 1771, Sullivan 1827.

Waterville, incorporated 1829, Grafton 1829.

Weare, granted 1735, Hillsborough 1771.

Webster, incorporated 1860, Merrimack 1860.

Wentworth, granted 1766, Grafton 1771.

Wentworth Location, granted 1797, Grafton 1797, Coös 1805.

Westmoreland, granted 1735/6, Cheshire 1771.

Whitefield, granted 1774, Grafton 1774, Coös 1805.

Wilmot, incorporated 1807, Hillsborough 1807, Merrimack 1823.

Wilton, granted 1749, Hillsborough 1771.

Winchester, granted 1733, Cheshire 1771.

Windham, incorporated 1741/2, Rockingham 1771.

Windsor, incorporated 1798, Hillsborough 1798.

Wolfeborough, granted 1759, Strafford 1771, Carroll 1841.

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NEW HAMPSHIRE WILLS

THOMAS YOUNG

1767

NEWMARKET

In the name of God amen the Second Day of may anno Domini one thousand Seven hundred Sixty & Seven I thomas young of newmarket in the Province of newhampshire in new england Esqr Being Sick & weak in Body * * *

Imprimis I Give & bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah young all my part of the Griss mill Lamperel River to be to her During the whole of her natural Life & I give to my S^a wife & her heirs & assigns for ever all my Live Stock of every kind (Except my young horse or Colt) and all my moveable Houshold Stuf of every kind (except my own Clothing or wairing apperal) and all my Ready Cash or Bills of Credet now in my possession

Item I give and bequeath to my Son thomas young ir the one moiety or half part of all my home Stead Plantation whereon I now Live Lying on the South Easterly Side of Pescasick River Containing about one hundred acres more or Less & the one moiety or half part of all my Salt mash & thatch Bed (excepting one acre that Lays on ye South westerly Side of Said mash & thatch Bed) to be to him my Said Son thomas young During ye whole of his natural Life & no Longer & furthermore I give & bequeath to my Said Son thomas young & his heirs & assigns for ever all my Right & title in the town of newdurham — & the one half of all my Right to the Sawmill & mills priveledge Both to Lands & Streams on Both Side the River & the one half of the Right in Reversion to the Griss mill (that is to Say) to be to him after his mother's Decease and all my own Clothing for all parts of my Body or wairing apperil and also the one half of all the Debts Due to me from any person or persons whatsoever after all my Debts which I ow to any person and funeral Charges & Lagacie or Lagacies be Justly paid by my Executor hereafter named & the Cost that my Executor Shall be at in Recovering the Said money be paid him that is to Say after the afore Said Deductions be made (the Remainder & neat Contents be Equally Divided between my Said Son thomas & my Son Joseph from time to time as my Executor Shall Receive the Same or any part thereof) & my whole Right in ye town of Chatham

Item I give and bequeath to my Grand Son John young (the Son of my Son thomas) & his heirs and assigns for ever all the other one moiety or half part of home Stead plantation which I have not given to his father the whole to be Equally Divided between them having Due Regard to the Quantity & Quallity thereof to be to the Said Son Emeadatly to & for his Improvement & Injoyment for ever and ye one half of ye Salt mash & thatch Bed Excepting one acre to be Left out on the South west Side thereof and after my Son thomas his Decease then to my Said Grand Son John young I give & bequeath all that one moiety or half part of my Sd farm or homestead or plantation Salt mash & thatch Bed which I herein have given to Sd thomas to Injoy During his natural Life to be after his Said thomas youngs Decease to the Said John young & his heirs & assigns for ever and also my young horse or Colt & five pounds Lawfull money to be paid him by my Executor hereafter named out of the Estate I herein give him within five years after my Decease

Item I give and bequeath to my Son Joseph young his heirs & assigns forever all that tract of Land Containing about one hundred & forty acres now in his possession on ye north west Side of pescasick River with the one half of the Sawmill & mills priveledges on Both Sides the River and the one half the Griss mill after his mother her Decease and one acre of Salt mash and thatch Bed Laying on the South west Side there of & Runs from ye upland to ye Creek Carring an Equal Breadth So Broad as to Contain one acre of my mash & thatch Bed there & also give & bequeath to my Said Son Joseph young whome I Constitute and make & ordain my Sole Executor of this my Last will & testa-

ment all and Singular ye Remainder of my Estate either Real personal or mixt to be to him his heirs and assigns forever

Thomas young

[Witnesses] John Cooke, Jeremy Bryent, Walter Bryent. [Proved May 27, 1767.]

[Bond of Joseph Young of Newmarket, innholder, with Walter Bryent of Newmarket and Nicholas Duda of Lee, gentleman, as sureties, in the sum of £500, May 27, 1767, for the execution of the will; witnesses, Robert Parks, Henry Foss.]

JOSHUA PICKERING 1767

NEWINGTON

In the Name of God, Amen. I Joshua Pickering of Newington in the Province of New Hampshire Yeoman: being Infirm in Body * * *

Item I give and bequeath to my Son Joseph Pickering, his Heirs and Assigns two Pounds lawful money to be paid by Exec^r within two Years after my Death —

Item I give to my Son Joshua Pickering his Heirs and Assigns the Sum of Twenty Pounds Lawful money to be paid by my Executor within two Years after my Decease

Item. I give my Son Samuel Pickering five Shillings lawful money, I having given him already his Portion of my Estate —

Item: I give and bequeath to my Son Daniel Pickering five Shillings lawful money, he having received his Portion before out of my Estate —

Item: I give and bequeath to my Son John Pickering his Executors and Adminst¹⁸ Twelve Pounds lawful money, to be paid out of my Estate by said Executor —

Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Deborah Wife of Hubbard Stevens of Newington, her Executors and Adm¹⁸ twelve Pounds ten shillings like money one half of Said Sum to be paid within one Year after my Death and the other half within two Years. Also I give Said Deborah one good Cow and one good feather Bed to be delivered by my Executor within a reasonable Time after my Death —

Item I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Wife of Samuel Dee of Durham and to her Execrs and Admrs twelve Pounds ten shillings lawful money to be paid by my Executor the One half within one year after my Death and the other within two Years—

Also I give her Said Elizabeth one good Cow and one feather Bed, to be delivered immediately after my Death —

Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Pickering the sum of fifteen Pounds lawful money to be paid by my Exec^r within two Years after my Decease or on the Day of her Marriage, which shall first happen, I give her Said Sarah the Use of one half my Garden and the Use of one half my dwelling house. being the westerly end of my Said House also the Privilege of half my Cellar during the Time Said Sarah shall remain Sole Also I give Said Sarah One good Cow for her Benefit forever, and the Use of one good Horse (now worth twenty Dollars) to be kept and Supported on my Estate for the said Sarah's Use while she continues Sole, at the Cost of my Executor, and I give the said Sarah all my Household Furniture and Cloathing of Every kind (not already given away to others herein), two Hogs and all the Provision that shall be in my House at the Time of my Decease; also I give Said Sarah Sufficient Firewood for one fire to be cut and haled to her Door by my Executors during Said Sarah's Single State and Six Sheep for her Benefit for ever, and to be kept on my farm for Said Sarah's Use while Sole —

All the remainder, Rest and Residue of my Estate both real and personal I give bequeath and devise to my Son Ephraim Pickering before nam^d and his Heirs and assigns for ever, to his and their only proper use & Benefit

And I do hereby constitute and appoint the Said Ephraim Executor of this my last Will and Testament ratifying and con-

firming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this fourth Day of May A Dom: 1767—

his Joshua × Pickering mark

[Witnesses] Rich^d Downing, Wintrop Pickren, John Fabyans, James peavey.

[Proved May 25, 1768.]

HENRY SHERBURNE 1767

PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Henry Sherburne of Portsmouth granted to Sarah Sherburne, widow, May 5, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 24, p. 426.]

[Bond of Sarah Sherburne, with Daniel Warner and John Sherburne, merchant, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £1000, May 5, 1767, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Jonathan Warner, Daniel Sherburne.]

[Inventory, May, 1768; amount, £10,362. 5. 41/4; mentions negroes Titus, Nero, and Caesar; signed by Samuel Penhallow, William Knight, and John Penhallow.]

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £3308. 5. 8¾; expenditures, £1868. 3. 6½; mentions support of Edward Sherburne, Dorothy Sherburne, Nathaniel Sherburne, Jonathan Sherburne, Hannah Sherburne, Mary Sherburne, and Margaret Sherburne, minor children, from March 30, 1767, to April 20, 1770; allowed April 27, 1770, except charges for support of children above seven years of age.]

[Appeal of Sarah Sherburne, May 1, 1770, from the decision of the probate court.]

[Bond of Sarah Sherburne, with Daniel Sherburne, merchant, as surety, both of Portsmouth, in the sum of £20, May 2, 1770, for the prosecution of her appeal; witnesses, Stephen Mead, Nathaniel Sherburne.]

[Additional account of the administratrix; receipts, £332. 1. $2\frac{3}{4}$; expenditures, £705. 13. $7\frac{1}{2}$; dated July 31, 1782.]

JOHN McNEIL

1767

LONDONDERRY

In ye name of God amen I John MacNeal formerly of Derifd now residing in L-Derry in ye Provee of N. Hampe Yeoman being in good health of body & mind (praise be to God for it) but being aged and frail * * *

Item I empower my Exacrs to sell or not to sell my Right of land in Canterbury with my Farm at Brimfield and my other real Estate I shall die possess'd of as they shall judge it most for the advantage of my Heirs

Item I order that in case any of my Sons Nehemiah or Daniel or any of my sons in law Shall bring up a Son born of any of my three D^{rs} viz Mary Marion or Cristian to learning at their own proper charge so as that he is judged fit to enter Colledge that in that case my estate shall be subjected to the supporting said grand son at colledge till his education is finished

And in case two or more of my sons or sons in law shall bring up a son to learning at their own proper charge as above that then my Estate shall be equally divided among my grandsons so educated in order to the finishing of their Education

Item I order that if there be any part of my Estate remaining when the Educⁿ of my Grandson or sons is completed that the said remainder be divided in equal shares among the rest of my childⁿ or their Heirs

Item I Appoint my trusty and beloved Friends and Cousins The Rev^d David Macgregore of Lon^{ry} & his Bro^r M^r James Macgregore the joint Exac. of this my Will and I do utterly revoke and dissallow of all other Wills and declare this to be my last will & Tes^t In testimony of w^{ch} I do hereunto set my my hand and seal this 10th Day of May one Thous^d seven Hund^d & Sixty Seven

John McNeill

[Witnesses] John McKeen, Robert Macgregore, Maryann Mcgregore.

[Filed July 27, 1768, "but disallowed for Inconsistency & no Gift to any Child."]

[Administration granted to Daniel McNeil of Derryfield, gentleman, July 27, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 218.]

[Bond of Daniel McNeil of Derryfield, with Eliphalet Daniels, gentleman, and James Dwyer, innholder, both of Portsmouth, as sureties, in the sum of £500, July 27, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Samuel Hale, Joseph Moulton.]

[Inventory, attested Oct. 28, 1768; amount, £41. 7. 0; signed by John Stark and James McCalley.]

EDMUND PAGE

1767

PLAISTOW

In the name of God, Amen, I Edmund Page of Plastow in the Province of New-Hampshire in New England Husbandman, being under bodily weakness, * * *

Imprimis, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Abigail Page the use and improvement of one half of my house and barn, and the use and improvement of the one half of my lands lying in plastow, so long as she remains my widow. I likewise give to my wife all my stock, and all my household goods and movebles in

the house for her to dispose of in way and manner she shall think proper.

Item, I give to my beloved son David Page twelve shillings lawfull money besides what I have already given him, to be payed in one year after my Decase by my Executors hereafter named —

Item I give to my beloved son Jesse Page the one half of my dwelling House and the one half of my Barn. I likewise give him the one half of all my lands lying in Plastow in quantity and quallity to come into the possession of them at my Decease. I likewise give him the one half of my lands in Hopkentown that I shall not otherwise dispose of in this my will, likewise I give him the one half of my right in Perries Town so called in quantity and quallity.

Item I give to my beloved son William Page, my Right of Land in Dunbarton. I likewise give him all of my Eighty acre Lot and medow Lot that is not included in Bows Claim, in Hopkentown I likewise give him twenty spanish mill⁴ Dollars to be payed him by my Executor hereafter named in one year after my Decease.

Item I give to my beloved son Jeremiah Page the one half of my Dwelling House and the one half of my Barn I likewise give him the one half of all my Land lying in plastow to come into the possession of them upon my wives Decease or upon her marrige again. I likewise give him my Lands in Hopkentown that I have not already disposed of in this my will I likewise give him the one half of my Right of land in Perries town so call'd, in quantity and quallity.

Item I give to my beloved Daughter Deborah Kelly, wife of Joshua Kelly twenty Spanished milled Dollars besides what I have already given her to be payed in one year after my Decease by my Executors here after named.

Item I appoint ordain and constitute my beloved Sons Jesse Page and Jeremiah Page to be Executors of this my last will to pay out the above mentioned Legacies and to pay all my Just Debts and funeral Charges, to whom I give all my Husbandry Implements to whom I likewise give all my money and Debts due to me by Bonds, Bills, notes, Debts and accounts whatever

And I do ratify and confirm this to be my last will and Testament revoking all others, In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this twenty Eighth Day of may 1767 and in the Seventh year of his Majesties Reign George the third, &c

Edmund Page

[Witnesses] Benj^a Little Ju^r, Joseph Little, Henry True. [Proved Sept. 28, 1768.]

[Bond of Jesse Page of Atkinson, yeoman, with Benjamin Little, Jr., and Joseph Little, yeoman, both of Hampstead, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Sept. 28, 1768, for the execution of the will; witnesses, Joseph Moulton, Samuel Hale.]

RICHARD SERVAN 1767 PORTSMOUTH

In the Name of God Amen. I, Richard Servan of Portsm^o in the Province of New Hampshire in New England, Cooper Being Weak in Body * * *

Item — I give & bequeath to my Honor'd Mother M^{rs} Margaret Jose Forty Pounds Lawful Money, to be paid her by my Overseer hereafter mentioned — the whole or in part, as may be most Beneficial for her support. — & also all my Houshold Furniture whatsoever as Chairs, Tables &c^a — & also two Guns — but if any of these Materials shou'd Remain undisposed of at her decease, Then in that Case, I bequeath the same to M^r Ebenezer Odiorne Chair-maker

Item — I give & bequeath to my Hond Grand Mother Mro Christian Hixson, Fifteen Pounds Sterls with the Interest that is or shall be due thereon, & which is Owing to me from my Uncle Joseph Hixson by an Instrument under his Hand

Item — I give to my Brother Ebenezer Jose, my Blue Coat, & my Buff knit Waist Coat & Breeches, to be from time to time given him as our Mother may think Proper & Convenient.

Item — I give to my Brother Michael Dennis Jose my Silver Watch when of the Age of Twenty One years, or Sooner, at the Discretion of my Executor & Overseer & my Silver Shoe & Knee Buckles.

My Will is that my Great Coat & Surtout Coat be disposed of at the discretion of my mother

My Stock & Tools in the Cooper's Business; my Will is, that they should be sold at the discretion of my Executor & Overseer

And I do hereby appoint & Ordain my Friend Mr Ebenezer Odiorne, of Portsmouth afores^d Chair-maker, Sole Executor of this my Will, And I also Appoint Theodore Atkinson Jr Esqr Overseer thereof, to whom my will is that my Executor aforesaid shou'd be from time to time Accountable for all such Money & Effects As he my said Executor may Receive & Pay the Same into his my said Overseers Hands, & he the said Overseer to Pay it over to the Legatees (for their necessary Supply's) in this my Will mentioned

And the Residue of my Estate of what kind soever, which shall remain in my said Overseer's Hands after the decease of my said Mother & Grand mother, I bequeath to my Friend Mr Ebenezer Odiorne afores^d

Richd Servon

[Witnesses] Hall Jackson, Eph Ham, William Ferriman. [Proved June 24, 1767.]

[Account of the executor; receipts, £98. 17. 11, personal estate; expenditures, £117. 0 5; allowed March 4, 1770.]

THOMAS PIPER

1767

STRATHAM

The Last Will and Testament of Thomas Piper of Stratham in the Province of Newhampshire husbandman made the twenty ninth Day of may anno domini 1767 being weak and Infirm of body * * *

Imprimes I Give and Devise unto my well beloved wife Tabitha Piper the use of my Dweling house I now Live in i allso Give her my horse I allso Give her the Intrust of three hundred pounds During her Natuerl Life I allso give her all the hard money I leve I allso give her the emprovement of one third Part of my farm And Stock at Stratham During her naturl Life

Item I Give and Devise unto my son Stephen Piper to him his heirs and assigns all my Land in Stratham being by Estamation seventy acres be the same more or Less with the buildings with All the prevlegses thareunto belonging I also give him fifteen pounds Lawfull money of the provnce of Newhmpshire he allowing his mother the Emprovement of one third part of Land and Stock During her naturl Life and also paying my funer! Expence and The Legacises given to the sever! Persons hereafter mentioned

Item I Give and Devise unto my Son Thomas Piper to him his heirs and assigns thirteen acers of Land I bought of the Thustens beginning at the Southesterly cornor at a ston in the cornnor of the fence Runing 38 Degres wast to the lower part of a ledg of Rocks then Runing south 42 degreas ½ west 44 Rods and four feet to a white Ock and stone standing on the westerly sid of the Land that wase formerly mr Moses Gelmans Land then Running northwesterly fifty seven Rods to a hemlock stump that wase the northest corner of The sd moses Gelmans Land then Runing from sd hemlock stump estnorthest abought fifty one or two Rods on the Land I bought of mr Caleb Gilman and then to the Bounds furst menteoned I allso Give him my selver shou Buckels and knee Buckels I allso Give him all my wareing apparil I allso Give him my Lum and Weving gears and my gun

Item I Give and Devise unto my son Jonathan Piper to him his heirs and assigns my house and Land in Exeter Town with all the Preveleges thareunto belonging

Item I give unto my Daughter Patience Wiggen fifty shillings

lawfull money of the provence of Newhampshire to be payd her by my son Stephen Piper

Item I Give and Devise unto Daughter Phebe Page half of one half of one acre of Salt marsh that I bought of her husbend Joseph Page I allso Give her four Pounds and teen shillings Lawfull money of the Province of Newhampshir to be payd her by my son Stephen Piper

Item I Give unto my daughter Abigail Hill seven pounds Lawfull money of the Province of Newhampshire

Item I Give unto my Grand son Henry Young four pounds teen shillings lawfull money of the Province of Newhampshire if he Leves to the age of twenty one years if not then the five pounds Lawfull money to be payd To his mother

Item I Give unto my three Daughters Patience Wiggen Phebe Page Abigail Hill all my household furnetuer but one bad and bading which I Give unto my grand Dauter Sarah Page

I allso Give unto my three Daughters all the hard money that my wife and I leave at our Decese

Item I Give unto my grand Daughter Mehetebel Wicher fifty pounds old tenor equel to fifty shillings Lawfull money of the Province of Newhampshir to be payd her by my son stephen Piper

Item I Give unto my grand Daughter Tabitha Wiggen five Shillings Lawfull money to be payd her by my son stephen Piper

Item I Give unto my grand Daughter Sarah Page one fether Bead and beading my son stephen Piper Paying The Legeses above mentened

Finelly I Do appint my son Stephen Piper sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament as witnest my hand and Seal the Day and year first withen written

Thomas Piper

[Witnesses] Jacob Wiggin, Moses Edgerley, Eliphlett Wiggin. [Proved Oct. 28, 1767.]

[Inventory, Nov. 24, 1767; amount, £760. 7. 4½; not signed.]

[Account of the executor; receipts, £106. 3. $1\frac{1}{2}$; expenditures, £62. 7. 1; allowed July 6, 1770.]

JOHN MORROW, JR. 1767

WINDHAM

In the Name of god amen I john Morrow j' of Windham within the province of Newhampshire in New England Yeoman: Being Sick & Indisposed in Body * * *

Item my Will is that my Derly Beloved Wife Elizabeth Morrow shall have and Enjoy out of my personall Estate all the Beding and household furniture that I had with her when we were married and Like wise the two Cows I had with her at the time afore s⁴

Item my Will is that my Real Estat in Litchfield be Sold By my Exaors as Soon as Convenient oppertunity will offer and as my Exa^{ors} Shall judge Convenient; provided Charles Mellen from whom I purchased the Same Shall give me my heirs Exaors or admiors a good and Lawfull Deed free of all Incumbrances and allso the Remander of my personall Estate Exclusif of what I Before Bequeathed to my Beloveed Wife and also Exclusef of my Body Clouths and the Remender of the money they may be Sold for put to Intrest after all my just debts is paid for the use & Benefite of my Doughter jean a Child: But if the sd Charls Mellen Do not make out and give a Lawfull and Clear Deed to me or my heirs Exars or administrators against the first Day of Next Sep^{br} as he hath Bound him Self to me in a Bond then my Will is that my Exaors Shall make Seal of that part of the farm that s^d Mellen Lives on in Londonderry which I hold by a Deed and the money of sd farm with the Benefite of the afore mentioned Bond put to Intrest for the Benefite of my Child Before mentioned

Item my will is that my Exa^{rs} Shall give the afore s^d Charls Mellen a Lawfull Deed of y^t part of his farm in Londonderry which I hold by the afores^d Deed; against the first of Next Sep^{br}

provided he give to me my heirs Exa^{rs} or admini^{rs} a Lawfull Deed of my farm in Litchfield: or other wise make good the Ninety Nine pound Mentioned in the afore s^d Bond

Item my Will is y^t all my Wearring apperral Exclusef of my Silver Buckles: be given to my two Brothers Allex^{dr} and James Morrow Each of them an Equal Share but my Buckels I Bequeath to my Beloved Wife

Item My Will is that my father John Morrow may Be appointed Gaurdain for my Child untill Shee a Rive at the age of fourteen years he Comploying to give Bonds to the Court of probat as the Law Derects and that he Recive the money from my Exa^{ors} for the use of my Child as Soon as they have Setteled my Estate and mad Return to y^e Court and I Do hereby Constitute Nominate and appoint my good frends Sam¹¹ Morison & jam^s Gillmoor Bouth of Windham afores^d Exa^{ors} of this my Last will and testament Ratifying and Confirming this and Now other to be my Last will and testament in witness wherof I have here unto Sett my hand and Seall this first Day of june and in the Seventh year of his Majesties Rigne anno Domi: 1767

John morrow

[Witnesses] Alexander Park, Jonathan Thomson, James morrow.

[Proved Sept. 30, 1767.]

[Inventory, Oct. 7, 1767; amount, £158. 16. 4. 3; signed by Alexander Ritchie and Gain Armour.]

[Account of the executors; receipts, £115. 15. 9, personal estate; expenditures, £125. 4. $0\frac{3}{4}$; allowed Feb. 26, 1778.]

JEREMIAH CARLETON 1767 LYNDEBOROUGH

In The Name of God Amen — I Jeremiah Carleton of Lyndborough in The Province of New Hampshire in New England Yeoman Being in Reasonable Health of Body * * *

I Give to my well Beloved Wife Eunice my whole Dwelling House together with the Cellar Under the Same, with one Third part of my real Estate to be set of at the North End of the Lotts No. 33, & 34, Together with the Barn, and all my moveable within Doors she to have the Sole use & Improvement of the Same so long as She lives —

I Give to my Son Osgood The sum of five Shillings Lawful Money

I Give to my Son Jeremiah The Sum of Five Shillings Lawful money

I Give to My other Children viz Mary, Timothy, David Abigail & Ebenezer The remaing Part of my Estate to have Equal Shares saving that Mary have But half so much as one of the other

I Do Appoint Ordain & Constitute John Stevenson of Said Lyndborough Gentleman & My Wife Eunice to Be my Sole Executors of This my last Will & Testament And Furthermore my Will is That these my Executors See this my last Will & Testament perform'd in form as above—

In Testimony that This is my last Will & Testament I have hereunto sett my hand & Seal this Tenth Day of June in the Seventh Year of our Lord the King annoq: Domini 1767

Jeremiah Carleton

[Witnesses] Ephraim Putnam, John Carkin, Sewall Goodridge. [Proved June 29, 1768.]

[Inventory, March 15, 1768; amount, £90. 10. 11; signed by Ephraim Putnam, Melchizedek Boffee, and Benjamin Cram.]

[Consent of the heirs, Oct. 14, 1769, to the sale of the estate as a whole; signed by Timothy Carleton, David Carleton, Abigail Carleton, Ebenezer Carleton, Osgood Carleton, Jeremiah Carleton, and Mary Batchelder.]

MOSES JEWETT

1767

EXETER

In The Name of God amen This 13th Day of June anno Domini 1767: I Moses Jewett of Exeter in the Province of Newhampshire yeoman being but Week of bodey * * *

first I Give & bequeave unto my beloved wife Marthay and to her Desposel for Ever all my Housel Stuf within Dores & allso I give unto my Said wife During her naturall Life the full one Third Part of all my Stock of Cattle horses Sheep & Swine after my Just Debts furnall charges are paid & Likewise I Give unto my Said wife During the Teirm above mentioned The full one Third Part of all my Real Estate viz the full one Third Part of my Dwelling House & barn and Lands according to Quantity & Quality be the Same more or Less Lying and being in the Town Ship of Exeter

Iti^m I Give to my Son John Jewett Three Sheep & three Lambs and allso I Give to my Said Son John one note of hand which I have against my Said Son John Dated December the 8th 1761 my Said Son having Rec^d the greatest Part of his Porsesion allreadey

Iti^m I Give unto my Son Jedadiah Jewett Fifteen Pounds Lawfull money and to be Paid to my Executor mentioned in this my Last Will when my Said Son Jedadiah arives at the age of Twenty one years my Said Son having Rec^d the greatest Part of his Porsisition all Readey

Itim I Give unto my Son Moses Jewett Forty Pounds Lawfull money and to be Paid to my Said Son moses when he arrives at the age of Twenty one years by my Executor here after mentioned in This my Last will

Iti^m I Give unto my Son Daved Jewett forty Pounds Lawfull money & to be Paid to my Said Son Daved when he Shall arive The age of Twenty one years by my Executor hereafter mentioned in this my Last Will

Iti^m I Give unto my Son Jonathan Jewett Forty Pounds Lawfull money & to be Paid to my Said Son Jonathan when he Shall arive at the age of Twenty one years by my Executor hereafter mentioned in this my Last Will

Iti^m I Give unto my Daughter Mary Connor Six Shillings Lawfull money & to be Paid to her in five years after my Decease by my Executor here after named in this my Last will my Said Daughter having Rec'ved the greatest Part of her Portisian all readery before marrage

Iti^m I Give unto my Daughter Eunices Twenty Five Pounds Lawfull money & to be paid in Such Housel Stufe as She Shall Chuse at Cash Prise by my Executor here after mintioned in this my Las will when She arives at the age of Eighteen years or on marrage Day which shall first happen

Iti^m I Give unto my Daughter Marthy Twenty five Pounds Lawful money & to be Paid to her in Such Housel Stuf as Shee Shall Chuse at Cash Price by my Executor here after mentioned in this my Last Will when She arive at The age of Eighteen years or marrage which Shall first happen

Iti^m I Give unto my five youngest Sons vz Samuell Jedediah moses David & Jonathan all my Wearing apparill be the same more or Less Equaley to be Devided between them at the Discreetion of there mother

Iti^m my Will is That my Three youngest Sons vz Moses David & Jonathan be put out to good Trades when they arive at the age of fourteen years & further more my Will is That if any of my Children now under age Die before There Legecey becom Due That there Share be Equally Divided to and among my Said Children now under age

Itim I Give unto my Son Samuell Jewett and to his heirs and assings for Ever all my Lands & buildings be the Same more or Less Lying & being in the Township of Exeter Caled my whome steed where I now Live Containing about one hunderd & Twelve acres it being all that Land which I Purchased of Philip Connor and Mark Jewett & all my other Real Estat not Pertuckalery mentioned my Said Son Samuell to Come into Porssition Thereof at my Decease Excepting what Priviledge I have given to his

mother in my Real Estate and that at her Decease & allso I Give to my Said Son Samuell all my Personall Estate not all readey Disposed off in this my Last Will my Said Son Sam¹¹ Paying all my Just Debts furnall Charges & the Legacies as I have ordered in this my Last Will

Lastly I Do hereby Constitute & appoint my Son Samuell Jewett to be Sole Executor * * *

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[Witnesses] Daniel Smith, John Robinson Juner, Theo Smith. [Proved July 29, 1767.]

[Warrant, July 29, 1767, authorizing Theophilus Smith and Daniel Smith, yeoman, both of Exeter, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Aug. 25, 1767; amount, £524. 2. 3; signed by Theophilus Smith and Daniel Smith.]

[Guardianship of Moses Jewett, minor, aged more than 14 years, son of Moses Jewett of Exeter, granted to Jonathan Connor, Jr., of Exeter, yeoman, Dec. 30, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 46.]

[Bond of Jonathan Connor, Jr., with Jacob Tilton as surety, both of Exeter, yeomen, in the sum of £500, Dec. 30, 1767, for the guardianship of Moses Jewett; witness, William Parker.]

[Guardianship of David Jewett, minor, aged more than 14 years, granted to Jonathan Connor March 29, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 367.]

[Bond of Jonathan Connor, Jr., of Exeter, with Joseph Prescott of Exeter, yeoman, and James Pickering of Epping, husbandman, as sureties, in the sum of £300, March 29, 1769, for the guardianship of David Jewett; witnesses, none.]

JAMES SANBORN

1767

HAMPTON

In the Name of God Amen I James Samborn of Hampton in the Province of Newhampshire husbandman being aged * * *

Itam I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Esther Samborn an honarable maintainance out of my Estate dureing the term that She Shall remain my widdow —

I Do moreover give to my above Named wife all the other Profits and improvement of my Estate Real & Personal untill my Son James Samborn is twenty & one years old Provided nevertheless if She my above named wife shall after being a widdow be married to another man She is neither to have nor receive none of those other improvemens nor Profites—

Itam I give & Devise to my Son James Sanborn all my estate both Real & Personal and all my household goods & all my uttensells or tools for husbandry work as Cart Plow Chains &c

Lastly I Do apoint my wife Esther & Josiah Shaw to be my Sole Executers to this my Last will & testement & I Do hereby revoke all other wills & testements by me heretofore made in witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal this Sixteenth day of june annoqui Dommini one thousand Seven hundred & Sixty Seven & in the Seventh year of his majistys Reign James Samborn

[Witnesses] Jonathan Shaw, John Taylor, John Fogg. [Proved May 25, 1768.]

[Bond of Esther Sanborn and Josiah Shaw, with John Taylor, Jr., and John Fogg as sureties, all of Hampton, in the sum of £500, May 25, 1768, for the execution of the will; witnesses, Richard Cutts Shannon, Joseph Moulton.]

JOHN BUTTERFIELD 1767

GOFFSTOWN

[Administration on the estate of John Butterfield of Goffstown granted to Phoebe Butterfield June 18, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 6.]

[Bond of Phoebe Butterfield, with Daniel Kendall, gentleman, and James Russell, yeoman, both of Litchfield, as sureties, in the sum of £400, June 18, 1767, for the administration of the estate of her husband, John Butterfield; witnesses, Samuel Parker, James Underwood.]

[Inventory, Dec. 22, 1767; amount, £311. 15. 6; signed by James Underwood and William Read.]

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £191. 14. 4, personal estate; expenditures, £240. 19. 034; mentions "Maintenance of 2 Children under Seven years of age"; allowed Sept. 27, 1770.]

THOMAS COLBURN

1767

HOLLIS

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Colburn of Hollis granted to his widow, Esther Colburn, June 18, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 24, p. 461.]

[Bond of Esther Colburn, with Jonas Flagg, gentleman, and Ebenezer Kendall, yeoman, as sureties, all of Hollis, in the sum of £500, June 18, 1767, for the adminstration of the estate of her husband, Thomas Colburn of Hollis, yeoman; witnesses, William Brooks, Sarah Blood.]

[Inventory, May 27, 1767; amount, £261. 12. 0; signed by Stephen Ames, Amos Lamson, and Ebenezer Kendall.]

[Warrant, April 6, 1781, authorizing William Reed, William Brooks, Daniel Emerson, William Cummings, gentlemen, and Joseph Leslie, yeoman, all of Hollis, to divide the real estate.]

[Report of committee, April 12, 1782, that the real estate cannot be divided among the children, and appraising it at £200; signed by William Read, William Brooks, and Joseph Leslie.]

[Bond of James Colburn, husbandman, oldest son, with Jonas Flagg, gentleman, and Wilder Chamberlain, husbandman, as

sureties, all of Hollis, in the sum of £400, Jan. 28, 1785, for the payment of their shares to his brothers and sisters, Hannah Campbell, wife of John Campbell, Ruth Campbell, wife of Jonas Campbell, John Colburn, minor, and Thomas Colburn, minor; witnesses, David Burge, Samuel Chamberlain, Jr.]

MATTHIAS TOWLE

1767

EPPING

In the Name of God Amen the twenty Second Day of June Anno Domini 1767, I Matthias towl of Eppin in ye Province of New Hampshire Husbandman, being week in Body * * *

Imprimis I give and Bequeath to my well beloved wife Hannah towl one third Part of all my Real Estate for and During her Natureal Life, Itm: I give and bequeath to my two Sons Solomon towl and Jennes towl and to their Heirs and assigns for ever all my Rael Estate and to be equeally Devided between them according to Quantity and Quality Itm: I give and bequeath to my Daughter moley towl five Pounds Lawful money and a Cow and to be Paid by my Son Solomon towl as Soon as he Shall arrive to the age of twenty one years Itm. I give and bequeath to my Daughter Hannah towl five Pounds Lawful money and a Cow and to be Paid by my Son Jennes towl as Soon as he Shall arrive to the age of twenty one years—

and as my Personal Estate is not above mentioned, it is my will that all my Parsonal Estate except my house hold goods Shall be Sold by my Executerix to Pay the Debts as far as they will Answre

Itm; I Likewise give to my well beloved wife all my house hold goods for the use and Benefit of her self and my Children: I do Constetute and appoint my well beloved wife Hannah towl to be my Executerix * * *

his Matthias × towl mark [Witnesses] Joseph Prescot, Elias Philbrick, Abraham Perkins. [Proved May 25, 1768.]

JOHN BOWDEN

1767

EXETER

[Administration on the estate of John Bowden of Exeter, joiner, granted to John Mead June 24, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 24, p. 461.]

[Bond of John Mead of Newmarket, cordwainer, with Walter Bryent of Newmarket and Ichabod Whidden of Lee, yeoman, as sureties, in the sum of £100, June 24, 1767, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, William Parker, Jr., William Vaughan.]

[Inventory, July 6, 1767; amount, £92. 14. 3; signed by Joseph Young and Trueworthy Durgin, Jr.]

EBENEZER CROMMETT 1767

DURHAM

[Guardianship of James Crommett and Ebenezer Crommett, aged less than 14 years, children of Ebenezer Crommett of Durham, granted to Elizabeth Crommett, widow, June 24, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 24, p. 460.]

[Bond of Elizabeth Crommett, with Joshua Crommett, husbandman, and Francis Mathes, yeoman, as sureties, all of Durham, in the sum of £200, June 24, 1767, for the guardianship of James Crommett and Ebenezer Crommett; witnesses, Robert Parks, William Parker, Jr.]

ABRAHAM LIBBY

1767

EPSOM

[Administration on the estate of Abraham Libby of Epsom granted to Joseph Libby of New Durham, yeoman, June 25, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 24, p. 460.]

[Bond of Joseph Libby, with Ephraim Holmes of Barrington, yeoman, and Walter Bryent, Jr., of Newmarket as sureties, in the sum of £100, June 25, 1767, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, George Boyd, William Parker, Jr.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £40. 4. 0, personal estate; expenditures, £25. 17. 0; allowed Sept. 6, 1769.]

ROBERT GREENOUGH 1767

PLAISTOW

In the Name of God Amen the thirtieth Day of June 1767 I Robert Greenough of Plastow in the Province of New Hampshire in New England Shoe-maker * * *

Impimis I give & Bequeath to Edner my Dearly beloved wife the free use of that Spot of Land before my Door we now Improve for a garden & the free use of one third of my Dwelling House with the Privileges belonging to the same as Cellars & ovens (giving Liberty that my Daughter Hephzibah Shall live with her in my said house During her unmarried State) also I give to my said wife two cows & three Sheep & Kept for her winter & Summer that is to have the Profit or Encrease of the said Cows & Sheep year by year also I give her Eight bushels of Indian Corn four bushels of Rye one hundred weight of Pork forty weight of Beef Six bushels of Potatoes two bushels of turnips half bushel of Beans one third of the apples two Berrils Cyder one bushel malt also four cord wood & ten Pound of comb'd flax all the above said articles to be Perform'd & given her year by year by my Executor at her house So long as She Shall live my widow Likewise I give unto my said wife the whole of my Housel Stuff During her Natural Life then to be Divided Equaly among my Daughters

Item I give to my well beloved Daughter Hiphzibah Greenough Eighteen pounds Lawfull money with Liberty to live in my House with her mother so long as she shall live unmarried Item I give to my well beloved Son Moses Greenough all my Real & Personal Estate but what I have otherwise Disposed of in this will whom I Likewise Constitute make & ordain my Executor of this my Last will & testament to Perform and give to my wife & his mother year by year according to the Direction above said & to pay all my Legacies & Just Debts & the funeral Charges for me & my wife if She Dies my widow

Item I give to my well beloved Daughter Edner Preston twelve Shillings Lawfull money in addition to what I have already given her

Item I give to my well beloved Son Richard Greenough thirty Pounds Lawfull money & one yoak of Stears three years old

Item I give to my well beloved Daughter Eunice Greenough Eighteen Pounds Lawfull money to be Paid her at Eighteen years of age without She shall marry before & then to be paid on her marriage

Item I give to my beloved Grandson Robert Greenough Preston three Pounds Lawfull money * * *

Robert Greenough

[Witnesses] Stephen Noyes, James Little, John Knight. [Proved Dec. 30, 1767.]

[Inventory, March 16, 1768; amount, £275. 19. 6; signed by John French and John Knight.]

HUMPHREY HANSON 1767

DOVER

[Administration on the estate of Humphrey Hanson of Dover, yeoman, granted to Moses Varney of Dover, yeoman, July 22, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 24, p. 489.]

[Bond of Moses Varney, with Ichabod Canney and Benjamin Libby, Jr., as sureties, all of Dover, in the sum of £500, July 22,

1767, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Jane Libby, William Parker.]

[Inventory, Oct. 26, 1767; amount, £459. 13. 0; signed by Joshua Wingate and Joseph Hanson.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £172. 17. 1, personal estate; expenditures, £113. 16. 5½; mentions children under seven years of age; allowed March 19, 1771.]

[List of claims against the estate, Nov. 4, 1770; amount, £256. 11. 034; signed by Alexander Caldwell and Joshua Wingate.]

[Petition of Moses Varney, administrator, and John Burnham Hanson and John Wentworth, administrators of the estate of Ephraim Hanson, April 21, 1772, for the division of land owned in common by the two estates.]

[Warrant, April 23, 1772, authorizing Alexander Caldwell, Joshua Wingate, Stephen Evans, gentlemen, Elijah Estes, and Joseph Hanson, yeomen, all of Dover to divide the land.]

Province of New Hamps[†] We the Subscribers being ap-In the County of Rockinh^m pointed by the Honab^{1e} John Winthworth Esq[†] Judge of Probate of wils in said Province and for Said County To set of one third part of the real Estate of Humphry Hanson Late of Dover Deces^d to his wi^d Joanna Hanson—we have Don the Same as followeth viz—Begining by Isaac Hansons Land on the North Side of the Spring about a Rod from said Spring Runing Noth nineteen Degrees west Six Rods then Runing noth Seventy nine Degrees east Eight Rods then noth Thirty one Degrees west four Rods and a half to Moses Varney Land, then notheasterly by Said Varney Land as it Runs to Cochecho River so cald, then Down Said River Twenty Eight rods then Runing South forty five Degrees east Twenty rods to Ephar^m Hansons Land Late of Dover Deces^d then Runing South forty five Degrees west Twenty Rods then South fifty nine De-

grees east Eighteen rods by the aforesd Epharam Land, then Runing South forty Degres west to the aforsaid Isaac Hanson Land then Runing by Sd Isaac Land as it Runs to the first bounds all within these afores bounds we set of to the afores wide it being Part of the homestead, Lowing a Road through this afores^d Land to pass and repass Transport anything to the other Part of the afors^d Deces^d Land — Together with one Lower rume in the Southwesterly cornor of the Dwelling house and Chamber and Garret over the aforsd Lower rume — and one Third Part of the Dary and Culler and a priviledge to bake in the oven — more Land Two acres Lying on Pine hill So Cald — more Land Lying on the north side of Cochecho river it being Part of a Grant of Land that was Granted to Thos Wiggens Begining by James Chesley Land at the Easterly Cornor of Epham Hanson Land Late of Dover Deces^d Runing by S^d Eph^r Land South thirty five Degrees west Sixteen Rods then South fifty two Degrees East fourteen Rods and a half to James Chesley Land then by Chesly Land noth Thirty five Degrees East Sixteen rods then a strat Corse to the first Bounds all within thes afors^d bounds mor or Less we set of to the afores^d wi^d and the west Eand of the Barn as far as the Second Teer of Posts for her third Part of ve aforesd Estate and as the Dwelling house and barn Stands on the other Part of the afores^d Deces^d Land the afores^d Wi^d is not to be Debard from Pasing Repasing Transporting any thing to in or from her Part of the aforesaid buldings — all which is Humbly Submitted by us according to the best of our Judgment —

Dover april 23th 1772 —

Joshua Wingate Alex^r Caldwell Elijah Estes

Province of New Hampshire by the Judge of Probate for said County to Rockingham ss divide the Real Estate held in Common & undivided by Ephraim Hanson & Humphry Hanson late of Dover

in said County deceased have made Division thereof in the following manner viz^t —

Of fifteen Acres of Land more or less lying on the North side of Cochecho River in Dover afores^d We have set off to the Heirs of the said Ephraim three fifth Parts of the same containing nine Acres more or less bounded as follows viz^t beginning at Richard Kimbals Land by James Chesly's Land & runs south fifty two Degrees East fifteen Rods & an half by the said James Chesly's Land then runs south thirty five Degrees West to Cochecho River afores^d then up said River to the said Richard Kimbal's Land then by said Kimbals Land as it Runs to the first Bounds—

To the Heirs of the said Humphry We have set off two fifth parts of said Land containing six Acres more or less bounded as follows viz^t beginning at the Easterly Corner of the afores^d nine Acres & runs south thirty five Degrees West to Cochecho River afores^d then down said River fourteen Rods & an half to the said James Chesly's Land then by said Chesly's Land North thirty five Degrees East seventy two Rods then on a straight Course to the first Bounds

Dover April 23^d 1772

Joshua Wingate
Elijah Estes
Alex^r Caldwell

Com^{tee}

[Citation to Moses Varney of Wolfeborough, administrator, Dec. 13, 1792, to render an account of the estate.]

[Additional account of the administrator; receipts, £365. 12. 0; expenditures, £291. 11. $10\frac{1}{2}$; allowed Jan. 14, 1793.]

SIMON DEARBORN

1767

EPPING

[Administration on the estate of Simon Dearborn of Epping, yeoman, granted to Benjamin Dearborn of Epping, yeoman, July 29, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 24, p. 489.]

[Bond of Benjamin Dearborn, with Simon Dearborn and Benjamin Page as sureties, all of Epping, in the sum of £500, July 29, 1767, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, William Parker, Robert Parks.]

[Warrant, July 29, 1767, authorizing David Lawrence and Joseph Chandler, Jr., gentleman, both of Epping, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Oct. 24, 1767; amount, £794. 18. 6; signed by David Lawrence and Joseph Chandler.]

NATHANIEL LAMOS

1767

MADBURY

In the Name of God amen. This first Day of august annoque Domini 1767 I Nathaniel Lamos of the parish of madbury in the province of Newhampshire Yeoman, Being Stricken in years and Indisposed in Body * * *

Imprimis. I will and Bequeath my wife Abigail one Third of all my Real Estate wheresomever the Same may be found to be and Remain to her use During her Natural Life; also the one half of my Personal Estate within Doors, that is to Say household furniture to her and her heirs and assigns forever and one third part of all my Cattle and Live Stock of any & every kind to her & to her heirs and assigns forever—

Item I will and Bequeath unto my Son Samuel Lamos to him his heirs and assigns forever a Tract of Land Scituate Lying and Being in the parish of Lee in the province aforsaid Containing about forty five acres of Land Be the Same more or Less it Being the Whole of the Land on which the Said Samuel now Lives —

Item I will and Bequeath unto my Son James Lamos Ten acres of Land in madbury afor^d Being Part of my Pasture Land Bounded as followeth viz Beginning By the highway By Land of William Jenkans By a small pond of water & Running Southerly

one Rod then Easterly 4 rods Leaving the wedth of one Rod from william Jenkans⁸ fence then to Extend in wedth Southwesterly Sufficient to Compleat The Said Ten acres in a Square Body Between that & Jenkans⁸ Land and Land formerly Belonging to amos pinkham also all that part of my Dwelling house that is two Story high Being Two Rooms upon Each floor

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Two Sons James Lamos and Nathaniel Lamos all the Remainder of my Real Estate wheresomever the Same may be found Besides what I Dispose of Otherways in these presents (Equally Divided between them) to them their Heirs and assigns forever Likewise Two thirds of my Cattle & whole Live Stock and all my husbandry utensils Carpenters tools & Equally Divided Between them their heirs and assigns forever

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Son Nathaniel Lamos his heirs and assigns forever all that part of my Dwelling house which is one Story high Being the Northerly part

Item I give and Bequeath unto my four Daughters (their heirs and assigns forever) Namely Elizabeth, wife of William Caldwel Sarah wife of Ebenezer Drew Deliverance wife of Stephen Varney and Abigail wife of Seth Jacobs all my Right and Title that I now have or Ever ought to have in Lands in the Town of Canterbury (Equally Divided among them)

Item I Give and Bequeath my Daughter Sarah Drew Two pounds ten Shillings Lawful money to be paid her by my Two Sons James and Nathaniel within one year after my Decease

Item I Give and Bequeath my Grandson Paul Caldwell a yoke of Stears Two years old

Item I give and Bequeath my Grandaughter Abigail Lamos Daughter of my Son Samuel, a heifer Two years old

Item it is my will that all my Debts and funeral Charges be Equally Paid by my two Sons, James and Nathaniel afor^d

And I Do hereby Constitute and appoint my Son James my Executor * * *

Nathanael Lamos

[Witnesses] Clement Meserve, Stephen Meserve, Ebenezer Thompson.

[Proved Aug. 31, 1768.]

[Bond of James Lamos of Dover, yeoman, with Clement Meserve of Dover and Ebenezer Thompson of Durham, gentlemen, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Aug. 31, 1768, for the execution of the will; witnesses, Mark Noble, Joseph Moulton.]

WILLIAM WALLACE 1767 PETERBOROUGH

In the Name of God Amen this forth Day of Agust in the year of our Lord God one thousand Seven hundred and Sixtey Seven I william Wallace of Peterborough in his Maj^{sts} Province of New hampshire yeman being very sike and wake of body * * *

Impri^m I Give and bequith unto my Son in Law Ezablon Dodge five Shillings Starling money of Great Britten —

Itm I Give and bequith unto my son in Law George M^cClorg my settling Lot he now Lives upon and five Shill^{ns} Starling money of Grait Britten —

Itm I Give and bequeth unto my son David wallace A Duble portion of the Remander of my personall Estate if he Lives to Com hom before the Deces of my Self or my wife and if not the wholl is to be Equaly Devided Amongst the following persons (viz) John white Jean Hill, John Greyham, Thomas Little, Elizebeth Beard the Daugher of william and Sarah Beard, and the Ears of Arthor and margret Doraugh, and my Gran Daughter Elizebeth Holmes wife to Aberahm Holms — Note all the Legecis and bequithments is to be Delivered to the Abve Legetees in one yeare after the Decise of my Self and my wife —

and I ordein and Constetut my trustey frends Thomas morrison and Samuel mitchel Gentelmen both of Peterborough in S^d province to be my Soll Exectuers of this my Last will and test-

ment Revocking All other wills bequithments testments Whatsoever allowing this and no other to be my Last will and testment his

William × wallas

[Witnesses] John Swan Jn^r, thomas Cuningham, James Robbe. [Proved Sept. 27, 1770.]

To the Honourable John Wentworth Esqr Judge of Probate of wills in and for the Province of Newhampshire at Portsmouth Residing the Humble Petition of Elizabeth wallace the widow of William wallace Late of Peterborough Deceaced Humbly Sheweth for that whereas to me the Sd widow by my Husband william wallace afors'd Deceased I am Left the Keeping of two cows and one horse as appears by a bond which the exacutors will show Your honour which two Cows and one horse were Left upon the premises by my Sd husband but the property of them not Left to me by will and therefore Consequently can not have any Right to them but by your honours gratuity and I would further begg Leave to Inform Your honour that in Sd will I have No part of any houshold furniture Left me whereby I can therewith Keep house or even subsist I would therefore Pray your honour to Consider a poor widow and your petitioner as such a one and grant me Such Necassarys as your honour by the Information of the exacutors of my husbands will can think I may in any Comfortable measure subsist with and upon your Compliance your petitioner as in Duty bound will ever pray

Peterborough September 17th 1770

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atest John Young Sarah Beard

[Inventory, Nov. 27, 1770; amount, £13,306. 6. 0; signed by John Swan, Jr., and James Robbe.]

SUSANNA PITMAN

1767

PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Susanna Pitman of Portsmouth, widow, granted to Mark Noble of Portsmouth, boatbuilder, Aug. 6, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 24, p. 524.]

[Bond of Mark Noble, with Joshua Pike, boat-builder, and Robert Parker, mariner, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £500, Aug. 6, 1767, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, William Parker, Joseph Moulton, 3d.]

[Warrant, Aug. 7, 1767, authorizing William Torrey and Joseph Whipple, both of Portsmouth, merchants, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, attested Oct. 22, 1767; amount, £395. 18. 9½; signed by William Torrey and Joseph Whipple.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £255. 18. $9\frac{1}{2}$, personal estate; expenditures, £28. 17. 1; allowed Aug. 31, 1768.]

[Additional account of the administrator; receipts, £246. 5. 8½; expenditures, £28. 16. 0; allowed June 28, 1771.]

EBENEZER NOYES

1767

DOVER

[Administration on the estate of Ebenezer Noyes of Dover, physician, granted to Joseph Chase of Newbury, Mass., yeoman, Aug. 7, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 24, p. 524.]

[Bond of Joseph Chase, with Thomas Westbrook Waldron, gentleman, and Stephen Evans, both of Dover, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Aug. 7, 1767, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Thomas Shannon, Thomas Horne.]

[Warrant, Aug. 6, 1767, authorizing Moses Carr of Somersworth, physician, and Jacob Sawyer of Dover, blacksmith, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Aug. 8, 1767; amount, £170. 12. 7¼; signed by Moses Carr and Jacob Sawyer.]

JOSEPH LANGDON

1767

PORTSMOUTH

In the Name of God Amen I Joseph Langdon of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire Gent being Indisposed in body * * *

Item I give & Devise to Ann my beloved Wife a Comfortable Support and Honorable Maintainance out of my Estate during her natural Life

Item I give & Devise to My Daughter Mary Seavy the wife of Amos Seavy thirty acres of Land to be taken off the Southerly part of my homestead next to the Land of Joseph Edmunds the whole Length of my said Homested farm with half the barn I purchased of John Cotton to hold to my Said Daughter her heirs & assigns to run as far as Banfills Land

Item I give & Devise to my Daughter Hannah Whidden the wife of Samuel Whidden her Heirs & assigns that thirty Acres of Land lying on the Westerly Side of the High Way where I live which I purchased of Thomas Cotton with three Acres of Salt Marsh which I bot of John Banfill

Item I give & Devise to my Daughter Elizabeth the wife of James Seavy to her & her heirs & assigns thirty acres of Land next to said thirty acres of Land I gave to my said Daughter Mary to be taken the whole Length of my Land as aforesaid — with the other half of the barn aforesaid

it is my will that if my Said Daughter Hannah Should not Dispose of the said Land I have herein given to her which she has

hereby a Power to do it shall go to her Son Joseph Whidden his Heirs & Assigns

Item I give & bequeath to James Seavy that four hundred pounds old Tenor which I lent to him & to my Son Samuel Langdon the four hundred pounds I Lent to him & I give to my Son in Law Amos Seavy the note of hand I have of Winthrop Marston to take the money thereby due to his Amos's own use

Item I give & Devise to my Son Samuel Langdon all the rest and residue of my Real Estate wheresoever the same is and of whatever Quality & kind to hold to him his Heirs & assigns forever and all my Personal Estate (Except that part thereof which my wife shall take to her own use which I allow her to do for her Comfortable Support as aforesaid) I give & bequeath to my Son Samuel his Execut^{rs} admin^{rs} & assigns & order him to pay to Each of his Sisters of the Same thirty pounds Lawful money to Mary her Exec^{rs} & admin^{rs} within One Year after my Decease & to Hannah her Exec^{rs} and Adm^{rs} within two years & to the other viz Elizabeth within three Years as aforesaid And I make my Said Son Sole Execut^r of this my Last Will & Revoke all other Wills by me in any manner heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal the 8th Day of Aug^t 1767

his Joseph × Langdon Mark

[Witnesses] W^m Parker, D. Sherburne, John Langdon, Wallis foss.

In the Name of God Amen I Joseph Langdon of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire Gent. Having made my last Will & Testament of the Eighth Day of August Instant have upon further Consideration tho't proper to make this Codicel & addition thereto and in those Instances an alteration viz

I give & Devise to my Grandson Joseph Whidden five Acres of Land at the head of my homestead at the Northerly or North West End thereof to begin at a Certain Rock there and to be laid out next to the Land of Moses Brewster of Such a Breadth & Extent as will best accommodate both Parties who shall be the owners viz my Said Grandson and the owner of my Said Homestead To hold the said five acres to my Said Grandson Joseph his Heirs & assigns

Item I give & Devise to my Gran'son Joseph Seavy five Acres of Land to hold to him his Heirs & Assigns to be laid out at the Southerly End of my homestead Joining to the Land of Madam Odiorne & to the Land of Edward Edmunds in such manner as may be agreed between him and my Grandson Joseph Langdon son of my Son Samuel to whom I give the other part or Remainder of the Lot I Purchased of John Cotton to hold to my said Grandson his Heirs & Assigns

Item I Revoke that part of my will Relating to my Personal Estate and hereby give and bequeath all my Personal Estate to be Equally Divided between all my Children & my wife Equally that is to Say one fifth part to Each to them & their Respective executors & admrs and all my out Lands & all my Real Estate except my homestead and the Particular pieces given to my grand Children I give & Devise among all my Children & their Respective Heirs & assigns my meaning all that part of my Real Estate not before Particularly mentioned — and it is my meaning that all my Debts & funeral Charges should be first Deducted & allowd before the Division aforesaid In all other things I confirm my Said Will & Testament —

In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal the Eleventh Day of Aug^t One thousand Seven hundred & Sixty Seven —

his
Joseph × Langdon
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[Witnesses] W^m Parker, Henry Sherburne, Thomas Sevey. [Proved Sept. 11, 1767.]

DAVID ROBINSON

1767

STRATHAM

In the Name of God Amen, the Eleventh Day of August Anno, 1767. I David Robinson of Stratham in the Province of New Hampshire Yeoman, being weak in Body * * *

Imprimis I give and Bequeath unto Martha my Beloved wife her Heirs & Assigns two Cows, two Sheep and one good Swine, and all the Debts that Shall be Due to me at my Decease; and all the Money I Shall then leave by me, (my Just Debts and Funeral Charges being first paid out of the Same) and all the wearing Cloaths and Household goods (then in being) which She brought with her to me: and also the one half of the Household Goods, and all her wearing Cloaths, and one half the Beding we have gotten together Since; and one half of all the Provisions in my house left at my Decease of every Sort. I also give unto my Said wife During her Natural Life, the Use and improvement of the West End of my Dwelling House from bottom to top; and one third of my Celler; a priviledge in my Well; one third of my Barn; and my little back room adjoining to my House; and Liberty to get her firewood on my Land in Stratham; and also one quarter of the produce of all my Land in Said Stratham, to be Delivered to her yearly free of Charge (including the keeping Said Cows and Sheep which are to be kept for her on Said Land Summer and Winter) During her Natural Life as aforesaid.

Item. I give unto my Grand Daughter Hannah Wiggin the wife of Nathaniel Wiggin of Said Stratham, the whole use and improvement of all my Land and Buildings in Said Stratham and of my Salt Marsh at Hampton (excepting only what use and income thereof I have given to my wife as aforesaid) untill her son David Wiggin (to whom I herein give it) shall Arrive to the age of twenty one years, also one half the Household Goods I had before I married my present wife, and half we have gotten since: & half the Provisions I leave

Item I give unto my great Grand Son David Wiggin, Son of Said Nathaniel Wiggin, and to his Heirs and Assigns; all my Land and Buildings in Said Stratham; and my Salt Marsh at Hampton, he to come into Possession thereof at the age of twenty one years; (Excepting only the use & income out of it, given to my wife as aforesaid, in Case She survives that time.) And in Case Said David Wiggin Shall Die before he arrives to the Age of twenty one years as aforesaid; My Will is that what I have given him as aforesaid shall go to his Eldest Surviving Brother, his Heirs and assigns.

Item. I give unto David Robinson, (Son of Capt Josiah Robinson of Exeter) who now lives with me, and to his Heirs and Assigns forever; one Compleat moiety or half part of all my Land at Brentwood in Said Province, on the Easterly Side thereof, to be Equally Divided by a Streight Line from one end to the other; with the Buildings Standing on Said Land; which I give him as a full reward for his Service with me; Said David paying out of the Same unto my great Grand Daughter Esther Merril when She Shall Arrive to the age of twenty one years or Marriage Day the Sum of Thirty Pounds Lawful Money, Said David to come into possession of Said Premises at my Decease.

Item. I give unto my great Grand Daughter Esther Merril, Daughter of Elias Merril Deceased, and to her Heirs and Assigns forever; the one Compleat moiety or half part of all my Land at Brentwood aforesaid, on the Westerly Side thereof; to be Equally Divided by a Streight Line from end to end thereof; She to come into possession at the age of twenty one years or Marriage Day; and my Will is that She Shall be well brought up out of the Income of Said Land; that She be Carefully taught to Read write & Cypher, as well as to Sew Spin and Knit, and other proper work agreable to her Capacity; and the remaining part of the income of said Land (if any be) Shall be kept for her till she arrive to the time of Possession aforesaid. I also give unto Said Esther Merril her Heirs and Assigns, the above Said Sum of Thirty Pounds Lawful Money to be paid to her by the abovesaid David Robinson (who now lives with me) when She Shall arrive to the age of twenty one years or Marriage Day. I also give to Said Esther all the remainder of my Household Goods not given to my wife, and Grandaughter Wiggin as aforesd.

Item. I give unto David Folsom (son of John Folsom of Greenland) my great Grand son and unto his Heirs and Assigns, my original Right in the Town of Bow in s^d Province (Excepting only the first Division Lott) I also give him one of my Bibles.

Item. I give unto my great Grand Daughter Hannah Thurston, Daughter of John Thurston of Stratham; and to my great Grand Son, Samuel Smith, son of Samuel Smith Esq^r of Durham in s^d Province, and to their Heirs & assigns, all my Stock of Creatures, Horse Sheep Swine and Cattle, that I do not herein otherwise Dispose of, that Shall be left by me at my Decease to be Equally Divided between them.

Item. I give unto the Church of Christ in Said Stratham Five Pounds Lawful Money to be Raised out of my Stock of Creatures, and paid by my Executor into the hands of the Deacons of Said Church for the time being, within one year after my Decease

Item. I give unto Hannah Fifield (now living with me) one of my Cows.

Item. I give unto my Kinsman Joseph Robinson, now living at Notingham all my wearing Cloaths, (Except two of my best Suits) and my meanest Gun.

Item. I give unto my grand Son in Law, Nathaniel Wiggin of Stratham aforesaid all my Husbandry utensils; two Suits of my best Wearing Cloaths; and all the Books I leave undisposed of at my Decease; and all other my Estate whether Real or Personal not already Disposed of as aforesaid.

And further my Will is, and I Do hereby Constitute appoint and ordain my said Grand Son in Law Nathaniel Wiggin of Stratham aforesaid my Sole Executor * * *

David Robinson

[Witnesses] Sam¹ Lane, Jacob Low, Simeon Wiggin. [Proved May 30, 1769.]

[Warrant, May 31, 1769, authorizing Samuel Lane and Thomas Foss, yeoman, both of Stratham, to appraise the estate.]

[Guardianship of Hannah Thurston, aged more than 14 years, granted to her father, John Thurston, June 28, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 468.]

[Bond of John Thurston, yeoman, with Samuel Lane, cordwainer, as surety, both of Stratham, in the sum of £500, June 28, 1769, for the guardianship of Hannah Thurston, "who has a Legacy given by her great Grandfather"; witnesses, Thomas Foss, Nathaniel Wiggin.]

[Inventory, July 28, 1769; amount, £1100. 6. 6; signed by Samuel Lane and Thomas Foss.]

[Account of the executor; receipts, £30. 18. $4\frac{1}{2}$, personal estate; expenditures, £63. 4. 7; allowed Oct. 31, 1770.]

IOHN FRAIN

1767

CHESTER

[Administration on the estate of John Frain of Chester, husbandman, granted to Thomas Flagg of Chester, trader, Aug. 11, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 24, p. 524.]

[Bond of Thomas Flagg, with Samuel Roby of Chester, gentleman, and Richard Jenness, 3d, of Rye as sureties, in the sum of £500, Aug. 11, 1767, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Samuel Hale, Joseph Moulton.]

[Warrant, Aug. 11, 1767, authorizing Samuel Emerson and Jabez French, yeoman, both of Chester, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Oct. 25, 1767; amount, £10. 3. 4½; signed by Samuel Emerson and Jabez French.]

[List of claims against the estate; amount, £14. 4. 1; signed by Samuel Emerson and John Ordway.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £8. 14. 5; expenditures the same; allowed July 7, 1768.]

JOHN SHACKFORD

1767

PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of John Shackford of Portsmouth granted to his widow, Catherine Shackford, Aug. 12, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 24, p. 524.]

[Bond of Catherine Shackford, with William Shackford and John Dennett, gentleman, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £1000, Aug. 12, 1767, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, William Parker, Gershom Flagg.]

[Inventory, Nov. 6, 1767; amount, £1700. 18. 6; signed by Samuel Penhallow and John Wendell.]

Province of New Hamps Honble John Wentworth Esqr Judge of the Probate of Wills &c for said Province bearing Date the second Day of April 1771 — We have divided the Real Estate of John Shackford late of Portsmouth in the Province aforesaid Esqr decd in manner following vizt We have sett off to Katherine Shackford Widow of said deceased for her Dower the Land at Gravelly Ridge containing abt thirty Eight Acres — the Farm at Newington under the Improvement of John Flag subject to the Dower of Mrs Ayers containing about twelve acres, the Wharff Privilege in said Portsmouth in common with Mr Paul Shackford & William Shackford Esqr half a Pew in the North Meeting House and four Acres of Land in Chester.

To Katherine Tilton Daughter of said deceased for her Share

we have set off a certain Lot of Land near the Parade bounded as follows viz^t Easterly by Land of Jacob Sheaff Seventy feet Southerly by said Sheaffs Land one hundred & Nine feet Eight Inches & by Land belonging to the Estate of Nath¹¹ Adams late of Portsm^o dec^d one hundred & two feet Six Inches, Westerly by said Adams's Land thirty Nine feet nine Inches and by the Street thirty Six feet & Northerly by Land hereafter set off to Dorothy Moulton.

To the said Dorothy Moulton Daughter of said deceased we have sett off for her Share a Lott of Land near the Parade bounded Easterly by Land of Mehitable Treadwell thirty three feet & a half and by said Sheaff's Land twenty Six feet Seven Inches & a half Southerly by Land set off above to Katherine Tilton Westerly by the Street Fifty feet & a half Northerly by Lands belonging to the Estate of Jotham Odiorne late of Portsmouth afores^d Esq^r dec^d & Land of Mess^{rs} Bowles & Griffith & Land of W^m Hart with the Buildings thereon —

To Elizabeth Shackford Daughter of said Deceased for her Share we have set off two Lots of Land in said Portsmouth one of them bounded Easterly by Land of Giles Seaward twenty Eight feet five Inches Southerly by Land hereafter set off to Mary Shackford, Westerly by a street twenty Seven feet Nine Inches & Northerly by Land belonging to the Heirs of Capt John Shackford Junr decd with the Half of the Dwelling House thereon & the Privilege of the Use of the Entry — the other Lot bounded Easterly by Land of Jonathan Warner Esqr thirty two feet ten Inches, Southerly by Land of said Warner — Westerly by said Street thirty two feet — & Northerly by Land hereafter sett off to the said Mary Shackford, with the Buildings thereon —

To the said Mary Shackford Daughter of said Deceased for her Share We have set off a Lot of Land in said Portsmouth bounded Easterly by Land of said Giles Seaward in part & by Land of said Warner in part — Southerly by Land set off above to the said Elizabeth Shackford Westerly by a Street, & Northerly by Land sett off above to said Elizabeth Shackford with one half the Dwelling House thereon & the Use of the Entry.

Portsmouth April 9th 1771

John Wendell Jn° Parker Woodbury Langdon

EZRA CARTER

1767

CONCORD

In the Name of God Amen — I Ezra Carter of Concord in the Province of New Hampshire Esq^r being in the regular exercise of my understanding though weak in Body * * *

Imprimis I order all my Just Debts & funeral charges to be paid by my Executrix to enable her to do which I give her the whole of my personal Estate to be at her disposal also for her own Support and to Enable her to bring up my three younger Daughters who are minors I give her the use & Improvement of one of my front lower Rooms both my front Chambers & also the one half of the Remainder of my Dwelling House as also one half of my Barn also the Same Proportion of my Homestead & the Piece of Land I purchased of M⁷ Reuben Kimball all during her Natural Life

Item — I give to my son Ezra Carter the sum of five shillings to be paid by my Executrix which with what he has had I Judge to be his Proportion of my Estate

Item, I order my son Ephraim Carter to pay to my Daughter Ruth Gale so much as being added to what She has already received may be Equal to fifteen Pounds Lawful Money

Item — I order my son Ephraim Carter to pay to Each of my Daughters who are minors viz Sarah, Mary, & Judith Carter fifteen pounds apiece when they shall respectively arrive at the age of Eighteen Years or marriage Day

Item I give unto my son Hubart Carter his heirs & Assigns forever Forty Acres of Land More or Less Lying at a Place

Called Almsbury-Town with the buildings thereon which land I had of the Proprietors of said Almsbury for Settling

Item I give unto my Son Ephraim Carter his heirs & Assigns forever the whole of my Real Estate in Concord aforesaid he Paying the Legacies which I have before Ordered, as well the Fee & reversion at my wifes decease of those parts the Improvement whereof I have given to her during her Natural life as the Fee & Immediate Possession at my Decease of the other parts thereof — and I appoint my beloved wife Ruth the Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament, In Witness whereof I have Set my hand and Seal hereto & do declare this to be my last will & testament thereby revocking & disannulling all former Wills by me made Signed or Declared — Dated this Twenty Seventh Day of August one Thousand Seven Hundred & sixty seven

Ezra Carter

[Witnesses] Benjamin Fifield, Nathan Kinsman, Abiel Chandler.

[Proved Sept. 30, 1767.]

[Bond of Ephraim Carter, yeoman, with Daniel Gale as surety, both of Concord, in the sum of £500, Feb. 18, 1768, for the guardianship of Hubart Carter, minor, aged more than 14 years, son of Ezra Carter; witnesses, Samuel Moore, Joseph Soper, Samuel Parker.]

ABRAHAM BROWN 1767 HAMPTON FALLS

In the Name of God Amen. This Eighteenth Day of September Anno Domini 1767 I Abraham Brown of Hampton falls in the Province of New Hampshire Yeoman * * *

Item — I Give and Bequeath to my Wife Argentine the use and Improvement of my Household goods so long as she shall Remain my Widow I also give her two Cows four sheep and a horse or mair to be kept for her Summer and Winter I also give to my Said Wife to be provided for & Delivered to her yearly and every year so long as she remains my widow one hundred Pounds of good Beef one hundred and fifty Pounds of good Pork and twelve Bushels of good Indian Corn.

- Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Brown the Easterly half of the Old house on Exeter Road where I formerly lived containing twenty Eight feet in length and also two Acres of Land Joyning thereto
- Item I give and bequeath to my Son Jonathan Brown his heirs and assigns the Southerly half of the old place on Exeter Road where I formerly lived excepting the two Acres & half & the house above given to my Daughter Mary; having before given the Northerly half to my Son Abraham by a Deed of Sale, I also give to my Son Jonathan the pice of marsh calld the steep bank marsh

Item I give and bequeath to my Son Abraham Brown five Shillings Lawfull money to be paid to him at my Decease

- Item I Give and bequeath to my Daughter Hannah Magoon one Cow at my Decease
- Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Elisabeth Leavit my household goods after her mothers Decease, I also give to my Daughter Elisabeth the Disposal of what money I shall leave at my Decease & do hereby order her to Dispose of the same for her mothers use if she shall need it, or any part thereof, beside what is before given to her Said mother, and at her mothers Decease if any shall then be left I give it to her for her Disposal, and also whatever Else shall be then left in the house from the top to the bottom thereof. I also give and bequeath to my Daughter Elisabeth Leavitt togethr with her Son Daniel Leavit one quarter of my home place where I now live, having before given one quarter of this my said home place to my Said Grand Son Daniel Leavit by a Deed of Sale, my meaning is that I now give to my Said Daughter Elisabeth together with her son Daniel one quarter more of the whole of this my said Estate So that in the whole it will contain one half of the whole home

place and further my meaning is that at the Decease of my Daughter Elisabeth this said quarter now given Shall Return to the Said Daniel and more over if the Said Elisabeth shall marry it shall then upon her marrying Return wholly to the Said Daniel, I also give to my Grandson Daniel Leavitt a yoke of two year old Steers and a Cow and half of my Chains and other husbandry tools; and my will & meaning is that one half of my Debts and funeral Charges and one half of what I give to my wife, and also one half of the other Legaices given in this my will shall come out of what I have given to my said grandson Daniel Leavit, and that at my wifes Decease one half of what creatures I herein have given to her shall then Return to my said Grand Son Daniel; I also give to my grandson Danil the pice of marsh call'd the middle marsh near Browns Rocks

Item — I Give and bequeath to my Son John Brown his heirs and assigns the full one half of this my home place having before given one quarter of it to my Grandson Daniel Leavitt by a Deed of Sale and now in this my will another quarter to him and his mother both which contains one half: my will and meaning is to give unto my Said son John the other half undivided according to quantity and quality I also give unto my Said Son John one half of my Chains and other husbandry tools I also give to my Son John Brown the piece of marsh Calld the folsom marsh containing two acres, I also give to my Said Son John one half of the Creatures I have given to my wife after her Decease and whatsoever Estate is Due or of Right belonging to me both Real and personal that is not otherwise Disposed of in this my Will I give it to my Son John and I ordain him to pay the Debts which I owe and the Legacies mentioned in this my will the one half out of his own Estate or what I have herein given him and the other half out of what I have given to my grandson Daniel Leavit as is before Expressed in this my will and I Do hereby appoint him my Said Son John Brown Sole Executor of this my will and for Conformation of all aforegoing I have hereunto set my hand and seal the Day of the Date afore written

Abraham Bown

[Witnesses] Benjamin moulton, Jeremiah Lane, Samuel melcher Ju^r.

[Proved Feb. 22, 1769.]

[Inventory, Feb. 24, 1769; amount, £445. 9. 0; signed by Benjamin Moulton and Jeremiah Lane.]

[Warrant, June 28, 1769, authorizing William Parker of Kingston, Noah Emery of Exeter, Jonathan Tilton, gentleman, Jeremiah Lane, yeoman, both of Hampton Falls, and Abraham Sanborn of Kensington, yeoman, to divide the real estate.]

Province of By order of the Hon^{ble} John Wentworth New Hampshire Esq. Judge of the Probate of Wills &c for Said Province of New Hampshire —

We the Subscribers being Appointed A Committee to make a Division of the Real Estate of Abraham Brown Late of Hampton falls yeoman Deceased &c — Have as follows (viz)

We Have Set off to John Brown Son of the Said Deceased for his half of the Homeplace (given him in the will) the Northerly part thereof whereon the Buildings stand; to a Line run through said home place which is the Division Line, Begining at a Pine Root in the fence with a stake set up in it, which is about four Rods Southerly from a Great Pine Root in the Bend of the fence by Crams Medow which was a former Bound tree; and from thence on a straight Line to a Small hemlock tree spotted; standing in the Line of the Garland place (so Calld) at the Corner of the other Land as Represented in the Plan hereto Annexed by the Prick'd Line; Containing Forty Acres and Twenty Nine Rods, mark'd in Said Plan with the Letter A, allowing out of it (to Daniel Leavit grandson of the Said Deceased who together with his mother Elisabeth Leavitt is to have the other half of Said home place) one half of the Orchard (viz) the southerly half Containing half an acre of Land & four Rows of Trees, and also some other Priviledges hereafter mentioned We have also set to the said John Brown for his part of the House as follows (viz)

begining at the Southeasterly Corner Post of that part of the house which the Said Deceased first Built, which was the Easterly half, & the whole of the Chimney, and from Said Post to Run straight through the Chimney to another Post of the house standing in the back Room at the North Easterly Corner of the Chimney & from thence strait across said back room to another Post of the house at the back side thereof the whole of that part of said house which is westward of the Line Run thro' said house & chimney from the Top to the Bottom, we have set off to the Said John Brown for his part thereof containing two ground smokes of Said Chimney; we have also set to the Said John the Westerly half of the Barn so far as to the Barn floor; and Liberty to Pass & Repass from his own Land out to the Highway as there shall be Occasion; from the southerly Corner of his Land south of the little hemlock tree one Rod wide upon said Daniels Land & Runing from thence South 40 Degrees west to the Road fifteen Rods as prick'd out upon the aforesaid Plan

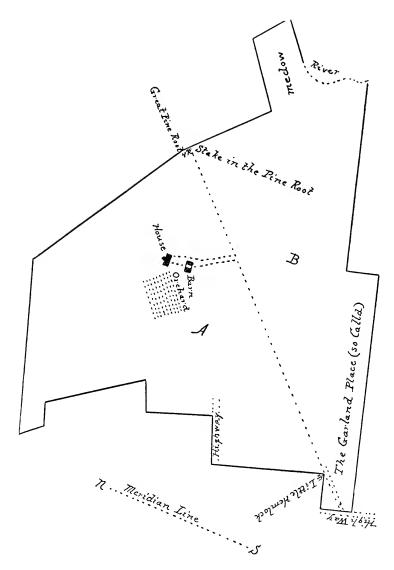
We have Set off to Daniel Leavit Grandson of the Said Deceased together with his mother, the Southerly half to the aforesaid Division Line Containing Thirty five Acres & one hundred & nine Rods mark'd in the aforesaid Plan with the Letter B. Also the Southerly half of the Orchard Containing half an Acre of Land & four Rows of the trees as before mentioned with liberty to pass & Repass into it as there shall be Occasion; we have also Set off to the said Daniel & Elizabeth the Easterly part of the house from the Division Line through it before Set forth in this Return, So that they are to have the Entry so far as to the aforesaid Line thro' the house, the fore Room with the fire place in it, & the Celler under Said fore room, also the back room so far as to the Posts Eastward of the fire place, and the Chamber over Said Rooms & the whole of the house (viz) the East End to the aforesaid Line thro' it: we have also set to the said Daniel with his mother the Easterly half of the Barn which includes the Barn floor, and also liberty of passing & Repassing to & from the house & Barn and on to their own Land as there shall be Occasion, and Conveniency for Laying wood and other things, for which accomodations we have laid out a strip of Land as follows (viz) Begining at the aforesaid Southwesterly Corner Post of that part of the house first built by the said Deceased, and from thence South 10 Degrees East to the middle of the Barn which is Six Rods then thro' the Barn at the westerly Side of the barn floor, & then from the middle of the fore side of the Barn South 33 Degrees East Sixteen Rods & a quarter to the sd Daniel's & Elisabeth's Land, then going one Rod Eastward upon their line, and from thence back to the house again; firstly Twelve feet to the Eastward of the Barn, even with the fore side of it; then Parrelel with the East End even with the back side, so far as to give liberty for a Team to pass & Repass by the End of Said Barn, & from thence to the South East Corner of the house, as may appear by the aforesaid Plan where the said way is prick'd out.

We have Set off to Mary Brown Daughter of the Said Deceased two Acres of Land (given her in said will) whereon the old house stands which is on Exeter Road, Bounded as follows (viz) being four Rods wide at the Road & Runing Eastward by Land of Benjamin Cram bareing the wedth of four Rods untill the two Acres are Compleat which is Eighty Rods in length

The one half of the old place on Exeter Road aforesaid (Excepting the two acres above mentioned & part of the Old house) being Given to Jonathan Brown Son of the Said Deceased in his Said will; but Since has been Purchased by Abraham Brown who was also Son of the Deceased; who own'd the other half thereof by Purchase, and therefore Requires no Division —

And thus have we made the Division of the Estate of Abraham Brown Deceased as aforesaid, and this we make as a Return of our doings Dated at Hampton falls July 18: Anno Domi. 1769

Jonathan Tilton Jeremiah Lane Abraham Samburn



The foregoing is a Plan of part of the Estate of Abraham Brown Late of Hampton falls Deceased (viz) the Home place shewing the situation of the House Barn Orchard &c also the Division Line Between John Brown & Daniel Leavit, Son & grandson of the said Deceased the said John's mark'd with the Letter A & the said Daniels with the Letter B. &c &c.

Laid Down by the scale 20 Rods to an Inch

⅌ Jer Lane Surveyor

We the Subscribers do hereby Certify That Argentine Brown Widow Relict of Abraham Brown Late of Hampton Falls Dec^d is a Person now non compos mentis uncapable to take care of her Self and of any Rational Actions and has been in that condition for many Years past but rather worse as she advances in years Witness our hands the I^t Day of Aug^t 1769

pain Row Jonathan Burnam Abraham Sambun Joseph Wadleigh In^o Brown

[Guardianship of Argentine Brown, non compos mentis, widow of Abraham Brown, granted to Joseph Wadleigh, Aug. 2, 1769.] [Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 553.]

[Bond of Joseph Wadleigh, Jr., of Kensington, yeoman, with John Brown of Hampton Falls, yeoman, and Benjamin Bigelow of Portsmouth, butcher, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Aug. 2, 1769, for the guardianship of Argentine Brown, "she being a person non Compos mentis incapable to take care of herself & incapable of any steady rational actions & has been in a distracted Condition for many years past"; witnesses, Samuel Hale, Samuel Hale, Ir.]

PHILIP JOHNSON

1767

GREENLAND

[Guardianship of Parnell Johnson, minor, aged more than 14 years, and Elizabeth Johnson and Deborah Johnson, aged less

than 14 years, children of Philip Johnson of Greenland, granted to Nathan Johnson of Greenland, Sept. 30, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 24, p. 539.]

[Bond of Nathan Johnson, gentleman, with Samuel Johnson, cordwainer, as surety, both of Greenland, in the sum of £200, Sept. 30, 1767, for the guardianship of Parnell Johnson, Elizabeth Johnson, and Deborah Johnson; witnesses, William Parker, Jr., Joseph Moulton.]

JOHN PAGE

1767

DANVILLE

[Administration on the estate of John Page of Hawke, yeoman, granted to his widow, Ann Page, Sept. 30, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 46.]

[Bond of Ann Page, with Benjamin Webster, gentleman, and Jacob Webster, yeoman, both of Kingston, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Sept. 30, 1767, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Samuel Winsley, William Buzzell.]

[Inventory, attested Oct. 27, 1767; amount, £148. 2. 0; signed by Samuel Winsley and William Buzzell.]

[List of claims against the estate; amount, £76. 12. 0; signed by Jeremy Webster and William Parker, Jr.]

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £160. 0. 0; expenditures, £52. 2. $9\frac{3}{4}$; allowed Sept. 27, 1769.]

RICHARD CURRIER 1767 SOUTH HAMPTON

In the Name of God Amen: October the 9th day 1767 I Richard Currier of South Hampton in the Province of New Hamps: in New England Gent; * * * Imp⁸ I Give & Bequeath unto Sarah my now dearly beloved wife The one Third part of all my lands whereever being or however scituate for her to use, Improve, & take the profits &c Dureing her Natural life; with the westerly end of my Dwelling House, and all my Barn, being on my Home place in South Hampton aboves^d for her to Enjoy Dureing life as aboves^d Furthermore I give to my s^d wife Two Cows, six sheep, & a Horse suitable to her Degree & Quality to her her Hiers & assigns for ever, & to be at her dispose: with all my Houshold stuff & moveable goods within Doors (saveing & excepting) what shall be hereafter mentioned to my Children —

Nextly I Give to my sons viz: Nathan, James, Bernard, John & Richard all my lands being scituate in South Hampton abovesd & in Chester in sd Province & my Salt Marish in Salisbury in the Province of the Massachusets Bay as followeth viz: to the sd Nathan I Give my Now dwelling House & Barn being on my Home place with one acre of land adjoyning to both for a priviledge for the sd Buildings to him his Hiers & assigns forever; also I Give to the fore Named James the Easterly End of my Dwelling House wherein I now live; and one acre of land adjoyning thereto for a priviledge to the sd House to him his Hiers & assigns forever; and then my will is that the residue of my sd lands scituate in sd South Hampton where I now live, with my land in the Township of Chester above mentioned, and my Salt marish above mentioned, be equally divided to & among my sd sons viz. Nathan, James, Bernard, John, & Richard, haveing respect to Quantity & the Quality of the same as followeth viz: Two Thirds of my sd lands & marish to be divided as abovesd within Two years after my decease; and the other Third which is my sd wifes to be divided as the former & as forementioned within one year after the Decease of my sd wife; and further my Will is, and I do hereby appoint the select men of sd South Hampton as a Comtee to divide my sd estate (or the major part of them) in manner before mentioned; and at the periods forementioned; That is to say: Nathan & James to have each their

acre set off & Bounded as afores^d & then the s^d division among all my forementioned sons to be equal with respect to Quality & Quantity —

Again my will is and I do hereby Give to my s^d son Richard the westerly end of my dwelling House, after my s^d wifes Decease, & my Barn and my Clock that is in my House; also I Give to the s^d Richard a feather Bed furnished with Bedding fitting even for the winter season —

Yet again my will is and I do hereby Give to my forementioned sons viz; James, Bernard, & John, Each of them a feather Bed —

And yet furthur I Give to my sons viz: Bernard, John, & Richard each of them a silver spoon of them which are in the House —

Once more I Give to my sons Bernard & John fifteen dollars each towards Building, when they shall Come to Build for themselves to be paid by my other sons viz: Nathan, James, & Richard, as shall be further mentioned —

Moreover I Give to my sons Nathan, & James, all my Stock of Cattle Horses Sheep &c over & above what I have Given to my s^d wife, they paying my Debts & the Legacies hereafter mentioned for them to pay —

Item I Give to my Daughter Hannah, now the wife of Nathanael Bachelder, A Silver Spoon, & four dollars to be paid to her within one year after my Decease:

Item I Give to my Daughter Ruth, the value of Thirty Eight pounds Lawful money in such Houshold stuff & goods within my House as she shall need, to be delivered to her on her marriage, or when she arrives to the age of Twenty one years, to be delivered to her by my Executors also I Give to the s^d Ruth the sum of Nineteen pounds lawful money to be paid on her marriage, or when she arrives to the age of Twenty one years as the former, yet further my will is that the s^d Ruth be furnished with a good Silk Taffety Gown when she marries or when she is Twenty one years of age —

And I do hereby Constitute & ordain my sons Nathan & James to be Executors of this my last will & Testament —

And I do hereby will & order my s^d executors to deliver the feather Bed & Bedding to the forementioned Richard when he arrives to the age of Twenty one years & to the forementioned Bernard & John their Beds when they arrive to the age of Twenty one years, & to deliver the Houshold stuff & goods & pay the money all forementioned to the forementioned Ruth as forementioned; and to deliver the spoon & pay the four dollars to my daughter Hannah forementioned, and to pay all my Honest Debts & my funeral Charges—

also I order my son Richard to pay to my Two Sons viz Bernar & John five dollars each, to help them in their Building as above Inmated —

yet again I order my s^d executors to pay to the s^d Bernard and John Ten Dollars each to help them in their Building as above hinted —

Richard Currier

[Witnesses] Jeremy Webster, Joseph Collins, Challis Currier. [Proved May 25, 1768.]

[Warrant, May 25, 1768, authorizing Jeremy Webster of Kingston and Benjamin Brown of South Hampton, yeoman, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, May 26, 1768; amount, £575. 17. 4; signed by Jeremy Webster and Benjamin Brown; mentions Richard Currier, father of the deceased.]

Province of Pursuant to the Last will and Testament New Hampshire of Richard Currier Late of South Hampton Deceased —

We the Subscribers Being Chosen and appointed By the above Said Deceased to make Divisions of his Real Estate agreeable to the aboves^d will we have made Divisions as follows viz first we have Divided that Part Called the homsteed Containing about Two hundred acres Situate in South hampton afores'd with Divisions as follows In figure first —

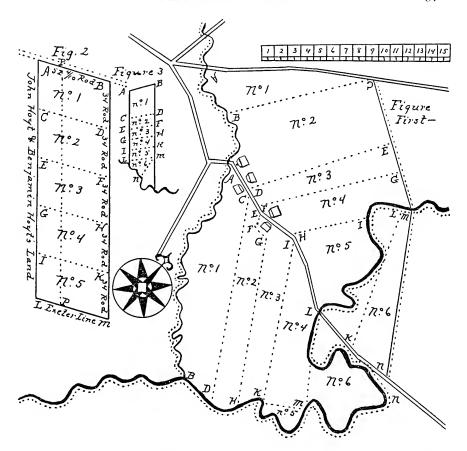
namely figure first Being Divided by a Road Runing through the midst Viz the Road that Leads from South hampton meeting house to newtown meeting house and the Dower of thirds Belonging to the widow Sarah Currier Being Laid in three Parcels Viz No Two north of said Road as B: C: E: D and number six north as K: L: M. N. and number Six South of sd Road as L: M: and following the River to N: Secondly Next in order a share for Nathan number three South as E: F: G: H: K: I: and number four north as G: F: H: I and following the River to M: thirdly next in order a Part for James number one South as A: C: D: B following Bugsmore Brook from B: to A — fourthly a share for Barnard number five north as K: H: I following the River to L: and number five south as M: K following the River to K fifthly a Share for John number Two South as E: F: G: H. D. C. and number three on the north Side of sd way as D: E: G: F Sixthly a Share for Richard as number one north as A: B: C and number four South as I: K: M: L the figures one Two three are Taken from a Scale of forty Part or Poles to an Inch and Carefully Planed and Divided Next in order we have Divided another Parcel of Land Lying in Chester Containing fifty Two acres with Divisions as follows Viz In Figure Second the widows thirds Paralel to the southerly side 1/3 of the width of sd Lot as the Line P: P. and the other 2/3 to be Divided Between the five Sons that is Nathans Part number one known By the Letters A: B: C: D Bounded on the highway westerly Takeing the wedth of the Lot and extending Easterly thirty four Rods from which Begins a share for John Taking the whole wedth of sd Lot as number Two Extending Easterly thirty four Rods from which Begins a Share for James Taking the wedth of sd Lot as number three Extending Easterly thirty four Rods from which Begins a Share for Richard as number four Taking the wedth

of sd Lot extending easterly thirty four Rods from which Begins a share for Barnard as number five taking the wedth of the Lot Extending Easterly to the easterly end of sd Lot on Exeter Line a Drift highway to Be Reserved of Two Rods in wedth on the northerly Side through number one number two number three number four from the open highway through to number five as may appear By the figure from B to K, and their Divisions are Represented in the figure By the Letters / A: B / C: D / E: F / G: H / I: K / L: M / —

Next In Order we have Divided a Piece of Salt marsh as Part of the Estate of the aboves d Deceased Lying in Salisbury Containing about six acres and one Ouarter as is Represented By figure three in the foregoing Scheeme whereof number one is the Part Set off for the widows Dower of thirds Begining at the westerly End Takeing the wedth of sd Lot Extending Easterly twenty Rods from which Begins the share of Barnard Described By number Two from which Division Begins the share of Richard Described By number three from which Begins the share of John Described By number four from which Begins the Share of James Described By number five from which Begins the Share of Nathan Described By number Six all which Divisions having Ben Carefully measured Planed and Divided as above specified By which may apear By the foregoing Scheemes and Plans all which are Laid By a Scale of forty Poles to an Inch which has Ben carefully corrected and Bounded By us the Subscribers in witness whereof we have hereunto Set our hands this 30 Day of September anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and seventy —

> Moses Flanders Ezekiel Flanders Moses french Select men of South Hampton

N: B that in figure 2 the line B: M its Course is N: w 11 Degrees 1/3 & in figure 3 the Course from A to L is N: w 64 Degrees



State of
New Hampshire
Rockingham ss

Me the Subscribers Selectmen for the Town of South Hampton for the year Seventeen hundred and Eighty four Being appointed by the Last will and Testament of Lieut. Richard Currier Late of said South Hampton Deceas'd a Committe to set off and make Partition to that part of the Estate of said Deceased which was heretofore set off to Sarah Currier widow Late Deceased as her Dower of thirds of the Estate aforesaid we having viewed said Estate do agree to make Partition thereof as followeth (viz) one

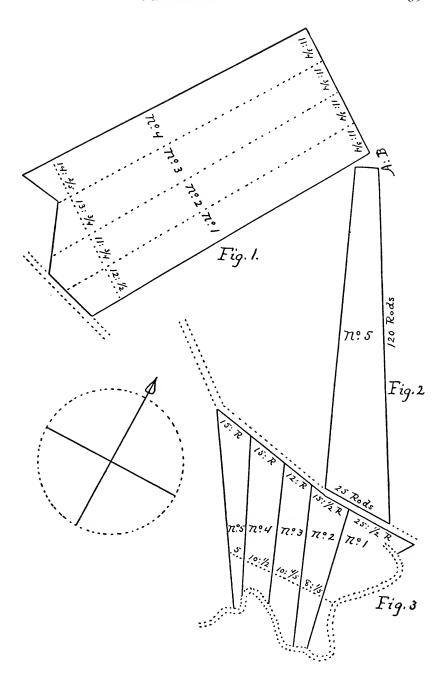
Piece of Land Joining the Late Dwelling house of said Deceased Numbered from east to west by 1:2:3:4: in Equil Quantity accounting No I (which is the part set off to John Currier son of said Richard Currier as in the plan hereto annexed) to Pay to Nº 2: 3: 4 in Figure 1: in said plan Twenty four Dollars (viz) to No. 2 — Dollars and No. 3 Nine Dollars and No. 4 Nine Dollars to make the Quality thereof Equil and to No 5 in Figure 2 Six dollars which being done we allow the quality thereof Equil Reserving a Drift way from the highway over the Causey through Number Two and number three to number four in Figure first in the annexed Plan also one other Piece of Land Lying as in Figure 3 in said Plan Numbered from East to west by 1:2:3:4:5 (viz) Number one in Figure First and Figure third are parts set off to said John Currier And Number Two in Figure first and number three in Figure third are parts set off to Richard Currier And Number three in Figure first and number Four in Figure third are Parts set off to Nathan Currier And Number Four in Figure First and number Two in Figure third are parts set off to Barnard Currier And Number Five Figure Second & number Five Figure third are parts set off to James Currier all which Parts we have Carefully set off by meets and bounds according to quantity and quality agreeable to the Directions in said will In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands this Fourth day of March Anno Domini Seventeen hundred and Ninty —

 $\begin{array}{c} Joseph \ Merrill \\ Josiah \ Rogers \end{array} \right\} \ Comittee$

The above money is paid to us Nathan, Barnard, & James Currier Before Signing

Nathan Currier James Currier Barnard Currier

A Plan of Land set off as thirds to Sarah Currier widow Late of South Hampton Deceased Figure 1 contains 33 acres & 32 Rods — Figure 2 contains 10 acres Figure 3 contains 16 acres which



Pieces of Land as above Equilly Divided between the heirs to said Estate and measured as set down in the several Figures above Discribed —

Surveyed by Ms Flanders by a scale of 20 parts to an Inch

JOSEPH MAGOON

1767

KINGSTON

In the Name of God Amen: October the 24th day 1767 I Joseph Magoon of Kingston in the Province of New Hampshire in New England; yeoman; being in a weak State with regard to Bodily health * * *

Impr^s I Give & Bequeath unto Hannah my now Dearly beloved wife the use & Improvement of all my Real Estate; That is to Say all my lands being scituate in Kingstown & in Hampton in sd Province, with my Interest in the Dwelling House in which I live & my Barn, all for her to Improve & take the Income & profits so long as she remains my widow; moreover I Give to my sd wife my part & Interest in the Griss mill standing on Exeter great River (so Called) in sd Exeter, at or near the place Commonly Called the Kings Falls, with all my moveable goods & Houshold Stuff within Doors, and all my stock of Cattle Horse, sheep swine &c (Saveing & Excepting a yoke of Calves which shall be hereafter mentioned to my son Joseph) all these last mentioned things I Give to my sd wife, to her, her Hiers & assigns for ever & to be at her Dispose, with all my moveable Effects without Doors and I do hereby Constitute & appoint my sd wife Hannah to be Sole Executor to this my last Will & Testament and I hereby order her to receive my Debts Due to me and to pay the Debts I owe —

Item I Give to my well beloved Daughter Hannah Magoon One Cow & Three sheep, to be delivered to her on her marriage, or when she arrives to the age of Twenty one years, to be delivered to her by my sd Executor whom I hereby will & order to deliver the same as above mentioned; also I Give to my sd Daughter five pounds lawful money to be paid to her by my Two sons, when the Eldest of them is Twenty one years old —

Item I give to my son Joseph Magoon A yoke of steer Calves, to be delivered to him Immediately after my Decease by my Executor before Named, whom I likewise will & order to deliver the same as above mentioned, & my Gun —

lastly I Give & Bequeath to my Two sons viz. Joseph & Ephraim, all my lands and Build^s being Scituate as before mentioned, to be Equally Divided between them, when my s^d wife marries, or when she departs this life, my s^d lands & Buildings my s^d sons as abovementioned To Have And To Hold in Equal division to them, their Hiers Executors Admins^{rs} & assigns for ever —

And I do hereby Will & order my s^d sons to pay to my forementioned Daughter the forementioned five pounds, lawful money as forementioned & to be equal therein —

Yet once more I Give to my Son Ephraim the Sum of fifty shillings lawful money to be paid to him by my executor when my eldest Son arrives to the age of Twenty & one years, and I hereby order my s^d Executor to pay the same —

Joseph Magon

[Witnesses] Jeremy Webster, Richard Sleeper, Joseph Woodman.

[Proved Oct. 26, 1768.]

[Warrant, Oct. 26, 1768, authorizing Caleb Gilman and Benjamin Gordon, both of Exeter, yeomen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Dec. 27, 1768; amount, £221. 12. 6; signed by Caleb Gilman and Benjamin Gordon.]

WILLIAM READ

1767

LITCHFIELD

In the Name of God Amen — I William Read of Litchfeild in the Province New Hampshire, Gentleman, this Twenty Sixth Day of October, A. D. 1767 * * *

Item, I give and bequeath to my wellbeloved Wife, Lucy, all

my household Stuff & Two Cows & the Sum of Five Pounds Six Shillings & Eight Pence Lawfull money (s^d Sum to be paid her out of my estate) to do with as she sees fit; and also the Use & Improvement of one Half of my House, where I now dwell, & my new Barn, & likewise one Third Part of all my Real Estate lying in Litchfeild afores^d for & during the Term She shall remain my Widow — I also order, that if she shall marry, & afterwards become a Widow and be in Want, that She be maintained & supported out of my Estate.

Item, I give & bequeath to my Son Zadock the Steers, otherwise Oxen, called by the Family, Zadock's Steers.

Item, I give my Son Henry my Gun: als I give & bequeath to him & his Heirs, the Sum of Fifty Three Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Eight Pence, Lawful Money, to be paid him out of my Estate, when he shall arive to the Age of Twenty-one Years: also my will is, that my said Son Henry have good common school Learning given him, & (if he shall chuse to make my said House his Home) that he be supplyed & supported, out of my Estate, with the Necessaries of Life, till he arive to the Age of Twenty-one Years, or till the Day of his Marriage, if that shall happen first.

Item, I give and bequeath to my Daughter Lucy, and her Heirs, the Sum of Twenty-Six Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Four Pence Lawfull Money to be paid her out of my Estate, when She shall arive to the Age of Twenty & one Years, or at the Day of her Marriage, if that shall happen first: also my Will is, that my said Daughter, Lucy, have good common school Learning given her, & that she be maintained & supported, out of my Estate, (if she shall chuse to make my said House her Home) till She shall arive to the Age of Twenty & one Years, or till the Day of her Marriage, if that shall happen first.

Item, I give and bequeath to my Daughter Hannah and her Heirs the Sum of Twenty Six Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Four Pence Lawfull Money, to be paid her out of my Estate, when She shall arive to the Age of Twenty-one Years, or at the Day of her Marriage, if that shall happen first: also my Will is, that my said Daughter, Hannah, have good common school Learning given her, & that she be supplyed & supported with the Necessaries of Life (if she shall chuse to make my s^d House her Home) till she arive to the age of Twenty-one Years, or till the Day of her Marriage, if that shall happen first, to be schooled & supplyed as afores^d out of my Estate.

Item, I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah, and her Heirs, the Sum of Twenty Six Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Four Pence Lawfull Money, to be paid her out of my Estate, when she shall arive to the Age of Twenty-one Years, or, at the Day of her Marriage, if that shall happen first: also my Will is, that my said Daughter, Sarah, have good common school Learning given her, & that she be supplyed & supported with the Necessaries of Life (if she shall chuse to make my s^d House her Home) out of my Estate, till she arive to the Age of Twenty-one Years, or, till the Day of her Marriage, if that shall happen first.

Item, I give and Devise all my Intrest & Estate, that I have in the Housing & Lands lying in Litchfeild afores^d, that Doctor Barnes now lives on, & also my Housing & Lands at Goffstown in s^d Province, that William Karr formerly owned, to my Executors herein after named (or to such of my said Executors as shall then act) to be sold, immediately after my Decease, for the Payment of my just Debts — the Profits of said Land, before s^d Sale, (if any there be) to be applied to the same Purpose.

All the Rest and Residue of my Estate, of what Kind or Nature soever (my just Debts Funeral Charges & Legacies afores^d being first paid) I give and Devise to my Two Sons, viz, Zadock Read & William Read, & their Heirs forever, equally to be divided between them.

Lastly, I appoint my said Wife Lucy & my said Two Sons Zadock Read & William Read Executors of this my Last Will & Testament: And hereby revoking all other Wills & Bequests, I ordain this my Last Will & Testament. In Witness whereof,

I have hereunto set my Hand & Seal the Day & Year afores^d.

William Read

[Witnesses] James Nahor, James Underwood, Joshua Atherton.

[Proved April 26, 1769.]

[Guardianship of Zadock Read, minor, aged more than 14 years, son of William Read, granted to Samuel Spaulding March 29, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 366.]

[Bond of Samuel Spaulding of Merrimack, with John Chamberlain of Merrimack and James Underwood of Litchfield, husbandmen, as sureties, in the sum of £300, March 29, 1769, for the guardianship of Zadock Read; witnesses, John McQuigg, Timothy Ferrin.]

[Inventory, June, 1769; amount, £410. 15. 6; signed by James Underwood and John Harvell.]

STEPHEN HOYT

1767

HOPKINTON

[Administration on the estate of Stephen Hoyt of Hopkinton, husbandman, granted to Abigail Hoyt Oct. 28, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 6.]

[Bond of Abigail Hoyt, widow, with Jonathan Straw, gentleman, and Enoch Eastman, yeoman, as sureties, all of Hopkinton, in the sum of £300, Oct. 28, 1767, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, William Parker, Jr., Joseph Moulton.]

[Inventory, Dec. 8, 1767; amount, £189. 18. 3; signed by Matthew Stanley and Isaac Chandler.]

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £44. 18. 3, personal estate; expenditures, £44. 14. 5; allowed March 28, 1771.]

[Warrant, March 28, 1771, authorizing Isaac Chandler, John Putney, Matthew Stanley, gentlemen, William Eastman, and Moses Sawyer, husbandmen, all of Hopkinton, to appraise two thirds of the real estate and report on a division; returned at £95. o. o, and division not practicable.]

Province of Hopkinton April 8th 1771 By virtue of and New Hampshire in obedience to the precept we Recd dated at Portsmouth the 28 day of March 1771 we the subscribers have upon oath to our fidelity and impartiality there in set off to Abigail Hoit the wife of Stephen Hoit of Hopkinton afore said yeoman Decd one third part of the Real Estate of the said Stephen Hoit as her Dower of said Estate to be enjoyed and improved by her during her nateral Life as followeth begining at the southest corner of the forty acor Lot no one and runing on the Line betwixt said Lot and Esq Scails Land forty rods to a stake and stons then runing notherly twenty rods to a beach tree marked on two sids then Easterly to the High way to a stake and stons then southerly twenty rods to the bounds first men-And in the other forty acor Lot on the East sid of the highway begining at the Southwest corner of said Lot and runing on said Line one hundred rods to a stake and stons and then runing north twelve rods to a stak and stons then westerly to the highway to a stake and stons then southerly seven rods to the first mentioned bounds allso one third part of the barn during her natral Life that part of the barn being on the southwest part reserving the flour of the barn for the use of all parties as witness our hands

> Isaac Chandler John Putney Matthew Stanle

[Decree of court, April 23, 1771, settling the two thirds of real estate on Stephen Hoyt of Hopkinton, oldest son.]

[Bond of Stephen Hoyt, yeoman, with Jonathan Straw and Enoch Eastman, gentlemen, as sureties, all of Hopkinton, in the sum of £200, April 24, 1771, to pay their shares to the other children, Mary Clements, wife of William Clements, Betty Hoyt, and Enoch Hoyt; witnesses, Abigail Hoyt, Philip Greeley.]

[Additional account of the administratrix; receipts, £0. 13. 10; expenditures, £18. 13. 10; allowed May 29, 1771.]

WILLIAM McCRILLIS 1767

NOTTINGHAM

[Administration on the estate of William McCrillis of Nottingham, yeoman, granted to Jane McCrillis Oct. 28, 1767.]
[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 6.]

[Bond of Jane McCrillis, with John Ely of Nottingham, yeoman, and Joseph Sias of Lee as sureties, in the sum of £500, Oct. 29, 1767, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Joseph Moulton, Samuel Parker.]

[Warrant, May 24, 1768, authorizing Joseph Sias, Jonathan Thompson, Gideon Mathes, Miles Randall, all of Lee, and Thomas Simpson of Deerfield to divide the real estate.]

Pursuant to a warrant from the Honourle John Wentworth Esqr Judge of the Probate of wills &c to us the Subscribers to Divide the Real Estate of William McCrilliss Late of Notingham Deces'd which we have Done in the following manner viz —

Set off to the widow Jane McCrilliss for her Dower about Twenty five acres of Land in the Lott No 27 in Summer Street in Said Notingham being part of the home place (So Called) begining at the South west Corner of Said Lott then South East half South to the Cuntry Rode that Leads to Durham then Easterly by Said Rode Ninteen Rods then Runing North ten Degrees west till it Comes to the Side Line between the Lott 27 & 29 then Runing on Said Line till it Comes to Summer Street then on Said Street to the bound first mentioned — also another piece of Land in Said Lott Containing about 21 acres bounded as followeth

begining on the Southerly Side of the aforesaid highway that Leads to Durham and on the East of a highway that Leads to Newmarket and Runing South East half South to the bridge that Crosses peesporage brook (So Called) then North 41 Degrees East Eighteen Rods then Runing Northwest half North till it Comes to the highway that Leads to Durham then on Said way to the bound first mentioned, also another peice of Land in the Lott N° 24 in Summer Street being all that part of Said Lott which Said Decesd bought of Robert Killcey, also the northerly Room of the Dwelling-house and also thirty feet Square of the Easterly End of the Barn also I pew N° 6 in Notingham Meetinghouse—

Set off to John M°Crilliss Eldest Son of the Said Decesd for his Double Shair all the Remaining part of the Lott N° 27 in Summer Street (Excepting about 12 acres to be Set off to Jane Jones hereafter mentioned) also another peice of Land in the Lott N° 28 in Said Summer Street being about 20 acres bounded as follows Begining at the Southwesterly Corner thereof at Summer Street then Runing Northwest half North 195 Rods then North 42^d East 26 Rods to a black oak tree marked J. W. then Runing South about 34^d East through a Certain peice of medow near said oak and so Continue Said Course untill it Comes to Summer Street then Southwesterly to the bound first mentioned, also on Quarter part of a Saw mill on North River in Said Notingham known by the name of Jebucter mill also all the Remaining part of the Dwelling house and Barn on the home place —

Set off to Jane Jones Daughter of Said Decesd one half of the hundred acre Lott N° 24 in winter Street in Said Notingham being at the Northwest End thereof with the House thereon also 12 acres in the Lott N° 27 in Summer Street bounded as follows Begining at the South Easterly Corner of said Lott Joyning to Durham line then Runing Northwest half North 37 Rods to part of the widows thirds Then Runing North 41d East to the north East Side of Said Lott Then South East half South to Durham line then on Durham line to the bound first mentioned — also a

pew N° 4 in Notingham meeting house in the Second teer of pews —

Set off to William McCrilliss Son of the Decesd for his Shair one whole Shair or Right in the Town of holderness — also all the Lott No 28 in Summer Street in Said Notingham (Excepting what is Set off to his Said Brother John McCrilliss) also a pew No 10 in Notingham Meetinghouse

Set off to Mary M°Crilliss Daughter of Said Decesd for her Shair all that part of the Lott N° 26 in Summer Street that belongs to the Estate of the said Deceased also a Pew N° 16 in Notingham Meetinghouse —

Notingham May 24th 1768

Joseph Sias
Thomas Simpson
Miles Randel
Gideon Mathes

Committee

WILLIAM BENNETT

1767

PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of William Bennett of Portsmouth granted to Moses Wingate of Portsmouth Nov. 2, 1767.] [Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 32.]

[Inventory, attested Jan. 23, 1768; amount, £2174. II. 0; signed by William Whipple and John Parker.]

[Administration de bonis non on the estate of William Bennett granted to Elizabeth Bennett March 17, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 368.]

[Bond of Elizabeth Bennett, widow, with Ammi Ruhamah Cutter, physician, and Charles Banfill, yeoman, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £500, March 17, 1769, for the administration of the estate of her husband, William Bennett; witnesses, Samuel Hale, Jr., Nahum Ward.]

HANNAH REMICK

1767

PORTSMOUTH

In the Name of God Amen the fourth Day of November 1767 I Hanah Remeck of Portsmouth in the Province of Newhampsh, Single Woman Shopkeeper * * *

Item I give & Bequethe to my Cozen Abigil Sherburne All my goods & Household Furnitur of what Kind soever & all my Cash Exept those Particular Goods hereafter Named —

Item I give to my Brother Natel Remick my Large Bible which is all I Allot to him

Item I Give to my Cozen Sarah Lisen my Dark Coloured Quilted Coat

Item I Give to my Cozen Mary Staple one Large silver Spoon & four Tea Spoons & one Large Gold Ring

Item I give to my Cozen Hanah Cole two Tea Spoons

Item I give Hanah Remeck Daughter of Will Remek two tea Spoons

Item I give unto my Cozen Jane Remeck one gold Ring Item I give to M^{rs} Call My Best Apron

I appoint M^r Gerge Sherburne Shipright to be Execqutor of this my will In Testimony thereof I have Set to my hand and Seal the Day and year First Written

> her Hannah × Remick Mark

her

[Witnesses] E Russell, Mary X Card, Tho^s Peirce.

[Proved Feb. 9, 1768.]

[Bond of George Sherburne, with Benjamin Akerman, tanner, and John Penhallow as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £500, Feb. 9, 1768, for the execution of the will; witnesses, Samuel Parker, Robert Parks.]

DANIEL GILMAN, JR. 1767

EXETER

[Administration on the estate of Daniel Gilman, Jr., of Exeter, trader, granted to his widow, Mary Gilman, Nov. 4, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 32.]

[Bond of Mary Gilman, with Samuel Gilman, 3d, of Exeter, blacksmith, and Hubartus Mattoon of Newmarket, gentleman, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Nov. 4, 1767, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Theophilus Smith, Joseph Moulton.]

[Warrant, Nov. 4, 1767, authorizing Josiah Gilman, physician, and Theophilus Smith, both of Exeter, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Nov. 5, 1767; amount, £380. 13. 8; signed by Theophilus Smith and Josiah Gilman.]

[Account of Jacob Brown and wife, Mary Brown, formerly Mary Gilman, administratrix; receipts, £465. 19. 434, personal estate; expenditures, £510. 12. 534; allowed April 29, 1773.]

BENJAMIN MILLER

1767

PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Benjamin Miller of Portsmouth, yeoman, granted to his widow, Elizabeth Miller, Nov. 9, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 46.]

[Bond of Elizabeth Miller, with Ephraim Dennett, gentleman, and Moses Miller, yeoman, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £500, Nov. 9, 1767, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Elias Parcher, George Dennett.]

[Inventory, filed Aug. 1, 1769; amount, £323. 5. 6; signed by John Hart and John Dennett; mentions the deceased as of Newington.]

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £73. 5. 6, personal estate; expenditures, £59. 3. 8¾; allowed Aug. 30, 1770.]

[Warrant, Nov. 23, 1770, authorizing Hunking Wentworth, James Stoodley, John Dennett, all of Portsmouth, John Hart of Newington, and Woodbury Langdon of Portsmouth, merchant, to divide the real estate.]

Province of Pursuant to a Warrant directed to us by New Hampshire the Hon¹⁰ John Wentworth Esq^{ro} Judge of the Probate of Wills &c for said Province bearing date the 23rd day of November 1770 We have Divided the twenty six acres of Land which lay in common with the Real Estate of Benjamin Miller late of Newington in the Province aforesaid yeoman Deceased, in the following manner viz^t—

To George Dennett we have Sett off Thirteen Acres of said Land bounded Northeasterly by Elliotts Land fifteen Rods thirteen Links, Southeasterly by Land hereafter set off to Elizabeth Miller, Widow of said Deceased, Southwesterly by the High way leading from Portsmouth to Knight's Ferry, Fifty three Rods & fifteen Links on said High way & Northwesterly by Thompson's Land as appears by a Plan herewith, that Lott marked N° 1 in said Plan:

To the said Elizabeth Miller we have set off the remaining thirteen Acres of said Land in her own Right, bounded Northeasterly by said Elliott's Land Twenty four Rods & six Links, Southeasterly by said Elliott's Land, Southwesterly by said High way & Land hereafter set off to Benjamin Miller Son of the said Deceased, & Northwesterly by Land set off above to said George Dennett it being the Lott marked N° 2 in said Plan.

And we have also Divided the said Real Estate of the said Benjamin Miller Deceased in manner following viz^t

To the said Elizabeth Miller Widow of said Deceased, we have Sett off for her Dower, One Third of the Barn at the West End thereof with the priviledge of a Passage way to the same & Nine acres & twenty five Perch of Land bounded Northeasterly by the high way aforesaid Twenty five Rods fifteen Links, Southeasterly by Land hereafter set off to Lydia Adams, Southwesterly by Shackford's Land twenty Seven Rods & Eighteen Links &

Northwesterly by Land hereafter Set off to the said Benjamin Miller Son of the said Deceased, with the Mansion House thereon being the Lot marked N° 3 in said Plan.

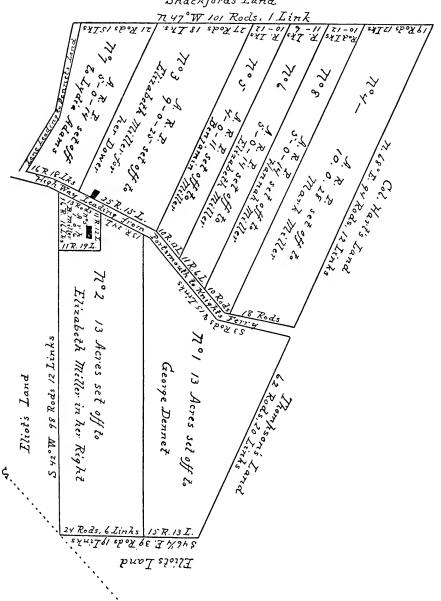
To Mark Miller Eldest Son of said Deceased for his double Share, we have set off Ten Acres & twenty Eight Perch of Land bounded Northeasterly by said High way Eighteen Rods, Southeasterly by Land hereafter set off to Hannah Miller, Southwesterly by said Shackfords Land nineteen Rods & thirteen Links & Northwesterly by Collo Hart's Land, being the Lott marked No 4 in said Plan —

To Benjamin Miller Son of said Deceased for his Share, we have set off One Acre & six perch of Land bounded Southeasterly by Elliott's Land, sixteen Rods & Sixteen Links, Southwesterly by said High way Thirteen Rods, Northwesterly by Land set off above to said Elizabeth Miller in her Right Eleven Rods & Twelve Links, & Northeasterly by said last mentioned Land Eleven Rods nineteen Links with two Thirds of the Barn standing thereon, being the Easterly part of said Barn, also Four Acres and Eleven Perch of Land bounded Northeasterly by said High way Ten Rods & twelve Links, Southeasterly by Land set off above to said Elizabeth Miller for her Dower, Southwesterly by said Shackford's Land ten Rods & twelve Links & Northwesterly by Land hereafter sett off to Elizabeth Miller Daughter of said Deceased being the two Lotts marked N° 5 in said Plan.

To the said Elizabeth Miller Daughter of said Deceased for her Share we have sett off Five Acres & fourteen Perch of Land bounded Northeasterly by said High way Eleven Rods & Six Links Southeasterly by Land set off above to said Benjamin Miller Southwesterly by said Shackford's Land Eleven Rods & Six Links & Northwesterly by Land hereafter set off to Hannah Miller being the Lott marked N° 6 in said Plan —

To Lydia Adams Daughter of said Deceased for her Share we have set off Five Acres & fourteen Perch of Land bounded Northeasterly by said High way Sixteen Rods & twelve Links, Southeasterly by a Lane leading to Dennett's Land, Southwesterly

A Plan of Benjamen Millers Estate Shackfords Land



by said Shackfords Land Twenty one Rods & fifteen Links & Northwesterly by Land set off above to her Mother the said Elizabeth Miller for her Dower, being the Lott marked N° 7 in said Plan.

To the said Hannah Miller Daughter of said Deceased for her Share we have Set off Five Acres & fourteen Perch of Land bounded Northeasterly by said High way ten Rods, Southeasterly by Land set off above to her Sister Elizabeth Miller, Southwesterly by said Shackford's Land Ten Rods & twelve Links & Northwesterly by Land set off above to said Mark Miller being the Lott marked N° 8 in said Plan —

Portsmouth January the 29th 1771.

H. Wentworth
James Stoodly
John Dennett
John Hart
Woodbury Langdon

At the request of the Owners of the land occupied by the late Elizabeth Miller Widow of Benjamin Miller deceased, being her thirds of said deceased's Estate, to divide and set off the several Proportions to each — We have divided & set of the same in the following manner, viz^t

To Benjamin Miller lot N° one containing two Acres exclusive of the house & privileges to the same bounded as follows viz^t Southerly on land in the possession of the said Benjamin Miller, easterly on the road leading to Knights ferry, northerly by land set of to Elizabeth Miller, westerly by land improved by the Widow Shackford — and one third of the westerly half of the mansion house of the said deceased with the privileges to the same, according to the annexed plan.

To Elizabeth Miller lot N° two bounded southerly on land set off to Benjamin Miller easterly on the road aforesaid northerly on land set off to Lydia Adams & westerly by land improv'd by the Widow Shackford aforesaid — said lot contains one acre &

69 rods — also the midle part of the said mansion house begining at a notch in the plate & moving easterly 8 feet 2 inches to another notch in the plate, with the privileges to the same agreeable to said Plan —

To Lydia Adams lot N° three, containing one acre & 69 rods bounded southerly by land set off to Elizabeth Miller easterly by the aforesaid road northerly by land set off to Jonathan Shillaber westerly by land improv'd by said Shackford — also the southeasterly corner of the dwelling house runing from the end Westerly to a notch in the plate and carrying half the breadth of the easterly end of sd house with the privileges to the same agreeable to the plan annexed

To Jonathan Shillaber lot N° four, containing two Acres & 138 perches bounded southerly by land set off to Lydia Adams easterly by said road northerly by land set off to Jonathan Warner Esq^r westerly by land improved by the said Widow Shackford also two thirds of the western half of the dwelling house in common with the said Benjamin Miller with the privileges to the same agreeable to the plan annexed

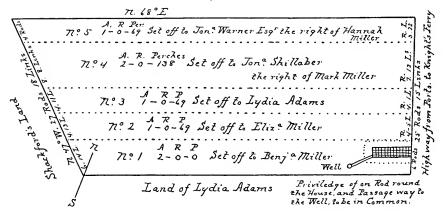
To Jonathan Warner Esq^r lot N° five containing one Acre & 69 rods bounded southerly by land set off to Jonathan Shillaber easterly by the road aforesaid northerly by said Warner's land westerly by land improv'd by said Widow Shackford also the northeasterly corner of the dwelling house runing from the end westerly to a notch in the plate & carrying half the breadth of the easterly end of the house with the privileges to the same agreeable to the plan annexed Portsmouth 4th May 1781

Abraham Elliot W^m Thompson William Hart Nath¹ Treadwell j^r

Rockingham ss. We the Owners of the premises described by the Plan annexed being fully satisfied with the division thereof, pray your honor to receive & establish the same with the foregoing return — Portsmouth 7th May 1781

Benjamin Adams Elisabeth Miller Lydia Adams Benja Miller Jonathan Shillaber Jonathan Warner

Land of Jonathan Warner Esq



JOSEPH ELKINS

1767

KINGSTON

[Administration on the estate of Joseph Elkins of Kingston, yeoman, granted to Charles Huntoon of Kingston, gentleman, Nov. 13, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 32.]

[Bond of Charles Huntoon, gentleman, with John Huntoon, gentleman, and Benjamin Huntoon, yeoman, as sureties, all of Kingston, in the sum of £200, Nov. 13, 1767, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Elizabeth Parker, William Parker, Jr.]

[Warrant, Nov. 13, 1767, authorizing Josiah Bartlett and Samuel Colcord, gentleman, both of Kingston, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Jan., 1768; amount, £76. 8. 2; signed by Josiah Bartlett and Samuel Colcord.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £50. 16. $11\frac{1}{3}$ personal estate; expenditures, £16. 6. 8; allowed April 26, 1769.]

BENJAMIN TAYLOR 1767

STRATHAM

In the Name of God Amen. I Benjamin Tayler of Stratham in the Province of New Hampshire Yeoman, being weak in Body * * *

Imprimis. I give and Bequeath to Patience my Dearly Beloved wife, all my Personal Estate, to Enable her to pay my Debts & funeral Charges, and the Legacies hereafter mentioned, which She is to pay out of the Same; and also to Enable her to bring up my Children: and Likewise I give her the whole use and improvement of all my Real Estate untill my two Sons to whom I herein give it, shall arrive to the Age of twenty-one years; and in Case She Shall remain my Widow after that time; then She Shall have the improvement of only one third of my Real Estate During Said Widowhood.

Item. I give unto my two Sons, Bradstreet Tayler, and Jonathan Tayler, their Heirs and Assigns forever, all my Real Estate, whatsoever & wheresoever, to be Equally Divided between them; they to come into possession thereof at the age of twenty one years.

Item. I give unto my Daughter Elizabeth Prescott her Heirs & assigns, five Pounds Lawful money to be paid by my Executrix out of my Estate, within two years after my Decease.

Item. I give unto my Daughter Hannah Moore, her Heirs

& assigns, five Pounds Lawful money to be paid by my Executrix out of my Estate, within three years after my Decease.

Item. I give unto my Daughter Anne Tayler her Heirs & Assigns, five Pounds Lawful Money to be paid by my Executrix out of my Estate, at the Age of Eighteen years or Marriage Day.

And further my Will is, and I Do hereby Constitute and appoint the aforesd Patience my Wife, my Sole Executrix of this my Last Will & Testament: and I do hereby utterly Disallow Revoke & Disannul, all & every other former Testaments Wills & Legacies Bequests and Executors, by me in any wise before this time Named Willed or Bequeathed; Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I do hereunto Set my hand and Seal, the Nineteenth Day of November Annoq Domini 1767, in the Eighth year of his Majestys Reign George the third King &c

his Benjamin × Tayler Mark

[Witnesses] Joseph Hoit, Sam¹ Lane, Joseph Taylor. [Proved May 25, 1768.]

[Warrant, May 25, 1768, authorizing Samuel Lane and John Taylor, gentleman, both of Stratham, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, June 28, 1768; amount, £478. 19. 6; signed by Samuel Lane and John Taylor.]

SAMUEL STEWART

1767

KINGSTON

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Stewart of Kingston granted to his father, Robert Stewart, Dec. 2, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 45.]

[Bond of Robert Stewart of Newton, yeoman, with Francis Batchelder of Kingston, yeoman, and Jacob Tilton of Exeter,

trader, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Dec. 30, 1767, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Robert Parks, Joseph Moulton.]

[Inventory, Jan. 2, 1768; amount, £69. 13. 0; signed by Isaac Webster and John Wadleigh.]

[List of claims against the estate; amount, £76. 5. $5\frac{3}{4}$; signed by William Parker, Jr., and Nathaniel Batchelder.]

[Settlement of claims; amount distributed, £46. 8. 3; allowed Jan. 12, 1769.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £73. I. 3, personal estate; expenditures, £26. I3. 0; mentions a widow; allowed Jan. I2, I769.]

MOSES MERRILL

1767

PEMBROKE

[Administration on the estate of Moses Merrill of Pembroke granted to Timothy Walker, Jr., Dec. 3, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 45.]

[Bond of Timothy Walker, Jr., of Concord, trader, with John Townsend of Hopkinton and Enoch Hale of Monadnock Number I, yeomen, as sureties, in the sum of £500. Dec. 3, 1767, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Joseph Moulton, Robert Parks.]

[Warrant, Dec. 3, 1767, authorizing Richard Bartlett, physician, and David Abbott, yeoman, both of Pembroke, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, filed Jan. 7, 1768; amount, £223. 16. 10; signed by David Abbott and Richard Bartlett.]

[Bond of Simon Dearbon of Epping, innholder, with Abraham Tilton of Epping, yeoman, and Joseph Young of Stratham,

gentleman, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Sept. 28, 1768, for the guardianship of Moses Merrill of Epping, minor, aged more than 14 years, son of Moses Merrill; witnesses, Joseph Moulton, John Wentworth.]

[List of claims against the estate, Feb. 20, 1769; amount, £23,424. 10. 9, old tenor, or £1171. 4. 6, lawful money; signed by Thomas Stickney and Abiel Chandler.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £189. I. $7\frac{3}{4}$; expenditures, £56. 9. II $\frac{11}{2}$; allowed May 8, 1770.]

Province of \ \ we the subscribers being appointed by the New Hampshire Honourable John Wentworth Esq^r Judge of Probate of wills &c for Said Province, to set off the widow Dorcas Merrills thirds which belongs to her out of the Real Estate of Cap^t Moses Merrill of Pembroke Deceas^d do adjudge to her the westerly End of Double house Standing on the Premises from the bottom of the Cellar to the Top of the house with the Previledge of Passing & Repassing to & from & using the oven in said house, as also the previledge of one half of the vard before the house & half the Previledge of the well, and also the Previledge of sixteen feet of the east end of the Barn During her life & to Pass to and from said barn as also the whole of the Land on the Westerly side of the Road Excepting a Small Peice begining at the North East Corner & Runing on land in Possession of John Carlton five Rods and from thence Runing a Straight line to the Northwest Corner of the Double house. Witness our hands the 3d of April 1769

> Richard Bartlett Moses foster David Abbot

[Additional account of the administrator; receipts, \$237.00; expenditures, \$35.00; allowed Aug. 17, 1799.]

[Settlement of claims; amount of claims, \$4008.13; amount distributed, \$202.00; allowed Sept. 24, 1799.]

WILLIAM HORNE

1767

DOVER

In the Name of God Amen this fourteenth Day of december Anno Domini one thousand Seven hundred & Sixty seven I william Horn of Dover In the Province of New Hampshire In New England House Wright * * *

Imprimis I Give & Bequeath to my Well Beloved Children Namely Ebenezer Horn Andrew Horn William Horn Peter Horn Moses Horn Sarah Gould Mary Horn Lydia Twombly Mercy Hussey Abigail Hayes & Martha Copps all my Household Goods Equaly Divided between them Except as is hereafter Excepted which together with what I have given Each of them before is their full share of my Estate

Item I Give & Bequeath to My Well beloved Wife Elizabeth Horn The feather Bed & the whole of the furniture thereto belonging which I had with Her at Marriage one of my Chests such as she shall Choose All my Cattle sheep & Hogs Hay Corn & flax Beef Pork Butter & Cheese with any other Provisions I shall have at the time of My decease — All My Book Debts All the Cloath spun in the house since she became my wife Whether the same be made up Cutt or Remain in peices And Also all my Wool & yarn the whole of all the above mentiond articles to be at her own Disposal forever

Lastly I Constitute ordain & appoint my Said beloved Wife Elizabeth Horn Sole Executrix * * *

his William × Horn Mark

[Witnesses] Tho⁸ W^k Waldron, Nath¹¹ Horn, Tho⁸ Shannon. [Proved Aug. 29, 1770.]

SAMUEL BROWN

1767

CHESTER

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Brown of Chester granted to his widow, Janet Brown, Dec. 30, 1767.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 46.]

[Bond of Janet Brown, with Samuel McPherson and Stephen Morse, yeomen, as sureties, all of Chester, in the sum of £500, Dec. 30, 1767, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, William Parker, Robert Parks.]

[Inventory, March 22, 1768; amount, £207. 5. 0; signed by Samuel Emerson and Silvanus Smith.]

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £57. 5. 0, personal estate; expenditures, £40. 17. $3\frac{1}{2}$; allowed March 29, 1769.]

Province of By virtue of a warrant to us Directed by Newhampshire order of the Honor^{b1} John Wentworth Esq^r Judge of the Probate for Wills &c for said Province To Set of to Jennet Brown Widow and Relict to Sam¹ Brown of Chester Deceased her Dower which Happens to her out of his Reall Estate: and to Divide the Remainder amongst his Children

1 ly Accordingly we have Set of to the said Jennet Brown in the Homesteed where the house stands ten acres of Land Bounded as followeth (viz) at the South West Corner at a stake and stones by the High way a Litel to the south west of said house then North East by said High way fifty five Rods to a stake and stones then nor west acrost said Lot thirty Rods to a stake and stones then south west by Sam¹¹ m^efarsons Land fifty five Rods to a stake and stones: then streight to the first bound: withe the westerly End of the House from Top to Bottem and the whole of the Barn — togather with three acres and three Quarters of Wood Land Laying on the south westerly corner of said Homesteed cutt of by the High way Bounding southerly on Robert Grahams Land Westerly on Londonderry Line and Northerly on the High way

2^{1y} We Set of to Sam¹¹ Brown the Eldest son a Double share Containing Six acres and one Hundred and seven Rod in two peaces the first peace containing four acres and one Hundred and seven Rods Laying in that Home Lot origenelly Collo Thomas Westbrooks Bounding Southerly on Robert Grahams Land Westerly on Peter Dearbons Land Northerly on James

Craffords Land and Easterly on the High way: the other Two acres lays on the Easterly End of the home steed Bound first at the South East Corner a stake and stones then south west by the High way Eleven Rods to a stake and stones then Norwest acrost the Lot thirty one Rods to a stake and stones then north East by Mfarsons Land Eleven Rods to a stake and stones then south East by the Highway to the first bounds mentioned—

3^{1y} We Set of to John Brown a single share containing three acres Bounded as followeth (viz) at the south East Corner a stake and stones being the south west bound of the two acres we set of to Sam¹¹ Brown then south west by the High way sixteen Rods to stake and stones then Norwest by the widows thirds thirty Rods to a stake and stones then north East by Mefarsons Land Sixteen Rods to a stake and stones then south East by what Land we Set of to Sam¹¹ Brown to the first bound

4^{1y} We Set of to Sarah Brown a single share containing three acres Bounded first at the South East Corner a stake and stones being the south west bounds of the widows thirds then south west by the Highway sixteen Rods to a stake and stones then Nor west acrost the Lot twenty nine Rods to a stake and stones then North East by M^cfarsons Land sixteen Rods to a stake and stones then South East Bounding on the widows thirds to the first bounds

5^{1y} We Set of to Hannah Brown a single sheare containing three acres bounding first at the South East Corner a stake and stones being the south west bound of what Land we set of to Sarah Brown: then south west by the High way sixteen Rods to a stake and stones then norwest acrost the Lot about Twenty Eight Rods to a stake and stones, then north East by Sam¹¹ M^cfarsons Land sixteen Rods to a stake and stones then south East by what Land we set of to Sarah Brown to the first bound

6^{1y} We Set of to Joseph Brown a single share containing four acres bounded first at the South East Corner a stake and stones which is the south west bounds of what Land we set of to Hannah Brown then south west by the High way twenty three

Rods to a stake and stones then Norwest acrost the Lot about Twenty Eight Rods to a stake and stones then north East by Sam¹¹ m°farsons Land twenty three Rods to a stake and stones then south East by the Land we set of to Hannah Brown to the first bound

7^{1y} We Set of to mary Peabody a single share containing three acres and thirty Rods Bounded as followeth first at the South East Corner a stake and stones Being the south west bound of the Land set of to Joseph Brown by the High way twenty four Rods to a stake and stones then norwest acrost the Lot twenty Eight Rods to a small Hemlock tree marked then north East by Sam¹¹ m^efarsons Land to a stake and stones then South East by what Land we set of to Joseph Brown to the first bounds—

8^{1y} We Set of to Elisebath Caldwell a single share containing four acres and a Half bounded first at the south East corner a stake and stones being the south west bound of what Land we set of to Mary Pebodey then south west by the High way Twenty Six Rods to a white pine tree marked then Norwest acrost said Lot about Twenty Eight Rods to a stake and stones then north East by Sam¹¹ m^efarsons Land Twenty Six Rods to a small Hemlock tree marked then South East by the Land we set of to the said Mary Pebody to the Bound first mentioned —

9^{1y} We set of to Agnes m°Keen a single share containing five acres bounded as followeth first at the South East Corner a white pine tree marked Which is the south west bound of what Land we set of to Elisebath Caldwell then westerly by the High way to a stake and stones standing on Londondery Line then north East by Sam¹¹ m°farsons Land to a stake and stones being the norwest bound of what Land we set of to the said Elisabeth Caldwell and so by her Land south East to the first bounds mentioned — And thus we make our Return this fifteenth Day of April Annodom. 1769

Sam¹¹ Emerson Rob^t Clark John Akin

JOHN OBER

1768

SALEM

[Administration on the estate of John Ober of Salem granted to Mary Ober and Israel Ober Jan. 1, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 46.]

[Bond of Mary Ober, widow, and Israel Ober, cordwainer, with Seth Pattee and Peter Merrill, yeomen, as sureties, all of Salem, in the sum of £500, Jan. 1, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Timothy Emerson, Joseph Merrill.]

[Inventory, attested Feb. 5, 1768; amount, £190. 3. 8; signed by Richard Cressy and Joseph Wright.]

[Account of Israel Ober, administrator; receipts, £184. 19. 4; expenditures, £162. o. 2; allowed Dec. 26, 1770.]

[Additional account; receipts, £63. o. 10; expenditures, £54. 17. 0½; mentions allowance to the widow; allowed March 5, 1772.]

THOMAS COTTON

1768

PORTSMOUTH

In The Name of God Amen — This Second Day of January Anno Domini Seventeen Hundred and Sixty Eight and in the Eighth Year of the Reign of George the Third King &c I Thomas Cotton of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire Yeoman * * *

Imprim⁸ I Give to my son Thomas Cotton five shillings Lawfull money to be paid by my Executor within one year after my Decease

Item I Give to my son William Cotton Twenty shillings Lawfull money to be paid within one year after my Decease by my Executor —

Item I Give to my son Addam Cotton five shillings Lawfull

Money to paid by my Executor within one year after my Decease —

Item I Give unto my three Grandchildren (the Children of my Daughter Comfort Wallis Deceas^d) Viz Samuel Wallis, William Wallis and Spencer Wallis one fifth part of my land which peice of Land lies in Portsmouth aforesaid and Contains about sixty acres in the whole be the Same more or Less and is bounded Westerly on Land which I have sold to my son Nath¹¹ Cotton, Northerly on Land of Joseph Edmunds Easterly on land of my son Nath¹¹ Cotton Southerly on Land of John Norton the one fifth part of Said peice of Land to be equelly Divided between the said Samuel, William and Spencer—

Item I Give unto my Daughter Sarah Sevey one fifth part of the Sixty Acres of Land aforesaid more or Less —

Item I Give unto my Daughter Ruth Airs one fifth part of the Sixty Acres of Land aforesaid more or Less —

Item I Give unto my Daughter Elizabeth Shearborn one fifth part of the Sixty Acres of Land aforesaid more or Less —

Item I Give unto my Daughter Mary Taulton one fifth Part of the Sixty Acres of Land Aforesaid more or Less — All the aforesaid peice of Land I give as aforesaid to them their Heirs and Assigns forever provided they pay the Debts equelly between the said five parts which shall Apper to have been Contracted by me or my late wife Comfort Cotton before her Decease

Item All the rest of my Estate real or personal wheresover and whatsoever I give unto my son Nathaniel Cotton and unto his Heirs & Assigns Ordering him to pay all my Just Debts which have been contracted since the Death of my wife, and Funeral Charges —

Lastly I Do Appoint my said son Nath¹¹ Cotton Sole Executor to this my last will & Testament

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand & Seal the Day Above

Thomas Cotton

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[Witnesses] John fernalld, Mary \times Furnald, Levi Dearborn. marke

[Proved Sept. 7, 1770.]

[Inventory, Sept. 29, 1770; amount, £80, 17, 0; signed by Thomas Dublin and John Robinson.]

[Account of the executor; receipts, £5. 17. 0. personal estate; expenditures, £17. 8. 0; allowed Nov. 1, 1771.]

[Additional account; receipts, £75. o. o; expenditures, £16. 14. 6; allowed Jan. 15, 1772.]

[Settlement of claims against the estate; amount of claims, £70. 3. 8; amount distributed, £58. 5. 6; allowed Jan. 17, 1772.]

DAVID BARKER

1768

BOSCAWEN

[Administration on the estate of David Barker of Contoocook granted to James McHard.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 62.]

[Bond of James McHard of Haverhill, Mass., with James Dwyer, innholder, and Michael Purcell, mariner, both of Portsmouth, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Jan. 13, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Joseph Moulton, Robert Parks.]

THOMAS DEAN

1768

EXETER

In The Name of God amen This Sixth Day of January Anno Domini 1768 I Thomas Dean of Exeter in the Province of Newhampshire Esq^r being but Week of bodey * * *

first I Give unto my beloved Wife Mary and to her Disposel

for ever my Horse & Riding Chair and my Gound & shirts and allso I give unto my Said Wife During her naturall Life or So long as She Remains my Widdow the use & Improvement of the Westerly End of my Dwelling House wear I now Live viz the four frunt Room and Shoop and my bead Room with the Chambers over the same with the Celler under said bead Room with a Priveledge of Going to the same with the one halfe of all my Garden & that halfe adjoyning to mr James Hacketts with a Priveledge in my Well, and allso I Give unto my Said Wife During said teirm the use and Improvement of the full one Halfe Part of all my Housel Stufe and one Cow & which she shall Chuse & That to be Cept Sumer & winter on my Whome Steed as I shall order the Same and allso I Give unto my said Wife During the Teirm above mentioned and to be Paid & Deliverd yearly & in Season During Said Turm one hunderd Waight of Good Pork & one Hunderd Waight of Good beafe & Eight bushels of Inden Corn & Two bushels of Ry and four Cord of Good fier wood Cut fit for her fier & haled to her Door all these articules to be Paid & Delivered yearly During Said Teirm by my Executor here after mentioned in this my Last will & allso I Give unto my Said Wife a Priveledge for her Selfe in my Pew in the new meting House in Exeter During Said Teirm all The above articquel to be Purformed as above mentioned with a Proviseon my Said Wife yealding up her Right of Dower & Power of Thirds in and unto all my Real Estate

And furthermore I Give unto my Said Wife and to her Dis Posel for Ever Thirty Pounds and to be Paid to her by my Executer here after mentioned in Such Species (at Cash Price) as my said wife Shall Chuse & to Be Paid in a Convent time after my Decease

Iti^m I Give unto my Son John Dean and to his heirs and assings for Ever The Westerly End of my Dwelling House in Exeter and to Contain the full of all the old End (so Caled) with the full one Halfe Part of my Lot adjoyning to said House and to be the Westerly halfe Part of said Lands he my Said John to

Come into Porsission Thereof at my wife Decease or marage allso I Give unto my Said Son John five Pounds and to be Paid in Speices by my Executor here after mentioned in This my Last will in one year after my Decease

Iti^m I Give unto my Daughter Jane Gilman & to her heirs &c Twenty Shilings Lawfull money & to be Paid in species in one year after my Decease by my Executer hereafter mentioned in this my Last will and allso I Give unto my Said Daughter Jane the full one Halfe of all my housel stufe within Dores Excepting what I have Given to my wife During her naturall Life or Remaing my Widdow and allso the one halfe of that at her Decease or marraige.

Iti^m I Give unto my Daughter Deborah Emerson & to her heirs &c Twenty Shilings Lawfull money & to be Paid in species in one year after my Decease by my Executor hereafter mentioned in this my Last will & allso I Give unto my Said Daughter Deborah the full one halfe Part of my housel stufe within Dores Excepting what I have given to my wife During her naturall Life or Remaining my widdow & allso the one halfe of That at her Decase or marrage

Itim I Give unto my Two Grandsons John White & Samuell Gilman White Children of my Daughter Elisabeth White Deceased teen Shilings Lawfull money Equally to be Devided between them & to be Paid by my Executor mentioned in this my Last will when they arive at The age of Twenty one years & my will is that if Either of my Said Grand sons should Die before they arive to the before mentioned age That the Surviving Child to Recive the whole

Iti^m I Give unto my Two Sons viz John Dean & Benjamin Woodbridge Dean Their Heirs & assings Equaley to be Devided between them my Pue in the new meating House in Exeter They to Come into Porsession at my Decease Excepting the Priviledge Given to my wife and That at her Decease or marrage and allso I Give to my Said Sons all my Wearing apparil Excepting what I Gave to my wife in this my Last Will

Itim I Give unto my Son Benjamin Woodbridge Dean his heirs & assings for Ever all The Remainder of my Estate not all Readey Desposed off in this my Last Will & Testement viz all The Easterly End of my Dwelling House Where I now Live in Exeter with the one Halfe of The Celler under the whole with the full one halfe of The Lands adjoyning to Said House with the barn Standing on the Same and allso I Give to my Said Son Benja Woodd Dean his heirs &c one other Peice of Land Lying in Exeter Caled my Whome Steed Where I used to Live Containing about Seventy acres be the Same more or Less with the barn Standing on the Same The Said Land is bounded as followes Westerly on the way which Goes from the Countrey Road to Land belonging to John Philips Esqr northerly & South Easterly on Land of Capt James Leavits and Dudley Leavitts & South & South Westerly on Land of the Said John Philips & I Give to my Said Son all my stock of Catel of all Sorts with all my Utensels for Husbandrey my Said Son to Com into Porsission thereof at my Decese he my Son Benja Woode Dean Paying all my Just Debts furnall Charges Legesies &c and Providing & Delivering to my Wife in Season all the Purticquales mentioned in this my Last Will

Lastly I Do hereby Constitute & appoint my Son Benja Woodbridge Dean to be Soul Executor * * *

Thomas Deane

[Witnesses] James Thurstin, Benj^a Boardman, Theo: Smith. [Proved Oct. 26, 1768.]

[Warrant, Oct. 26, 1768, authorizing Theophilus Smith and James Leavitt, gentleman, both of Exeter, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Nov. 10, 1768; amount, £392. 0. 0; signed by Theophilus Smith and James Leavitt.]

Province of To the Honble John Wentworth Esqr New Hampshire Judge of the Probate of Wills &c for Said Province The Humble Petition of John Gilman jun^r of Exeter in the Province aforesaid Esq^r Shews

That Thomas Dean late of Exeter aforesaid Physician Deceased By his Last will & Testament among other things Devised to his Son John Dean & to his Heirs and assigns the Westerly End of his Dwelling House in Exeter to Contain the full of all the old End with the full one half part of his Lot adjoining to Said House & to be the Westerly half part of Said Lands the said John to Come into Possession of the Same at the Decease of the Testators wife or upon her marriage which has since happened —

That the said John Died before the Testator whereby the Devise to him became Void & was in the Nature of a Lapsed Legacy & tho' the Devise mentions his Heirs yet his Heirs cannot take because an Heir as Such cannot take anything but what was his ancestor's before he Died & so must Descend from him but John the son coud not take by the Devise because he was not in being when the Will took Effect viz at the Death of the Testator and therefore the Estate proposed to be given to him was never his but Descends to the Heirs of the Testator —

That By another Clause in Said Will the Testator Devises to his son Benj^a Woodbridge Dean his heirs & assigns the Remainder the Easterly End of his said Dwelling house with half the Cellar with half the Lands Adjoining to said House the barn &c which Premises Your Petitioner has Purchased of the said Benj^a Woodbridge Dean & wants to have a Division & Severance thereof from the other half first mentioned to hold to him in Severalty — Wherefore your Petition^r Humbly Prays that five Sufficient freeholders not Related nor Interested may be appointed to Set off & Sever the Interest of your Petition^r whether in the right of his wife or otherways from the Rest of the premises (Pursuant to the Law of Said Province in Such Cases Provided) to hold to him in Severalty as by Law he has a Right and he shall as in duty bound ever Pray &c —

John Gilman Jr

[Order of court, Aug. 31, 1769, that the petition be served

upon the heirs of Thomas Dean, "being as it is Said the Petition¹³ wife Deborah the wife of Emerson the Children of Eliz^a One of the Daughters of said Thomas Deceased and the Children of the said John Dean Deceased and the said Benjamin Woodbridge Dean." Order of court, Sept. 27, 1769, that a warrant issue to Nathaniel Folsom, Nicholas Gilman, gentleman, John Giddings, merchant, John Rice, and Noah Emery to make the division.]

[Bond of Ward Clark Dean of Exeter, hatter, with Josiah Gilman and Trueworthy Gilman as sureties, in the sum of £100, Nov. 4, 1769, to pay to the other heirs their shares of the lapsed legacy to John Dean, they being John Gilman, Jr., in the right of his wife, Jane Gilman, Samuel Emerson in the right of his wife, Deborah Emerson, Benjamin Woodbridge Dean, and the children of Elizabeth White, deceased, wife of John White; witnesses, Nathaniel Batchelder, Judith Gilman.]

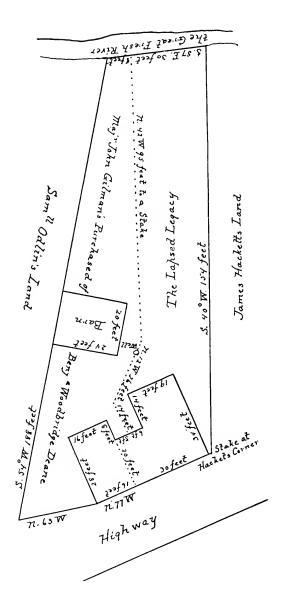
Province of Pursuant to a Warrant From the Honble New Hampshire John Wentworth Esq. Judge of the Probate of Wills &ca for Said Province, Appointing us the Subscribers, A Committee to Divide among the Heirs & Legal Representatives of Thomas Deane late of Exeter in Said Province Physician Deceased That part of his Real Estate of which he Died Seized, which was not Disposed of by his Last Will & Testament, Particularly a Lapsed Legacy given to his Son John Deane, or any other part not Divided by Said Will, as the Law of Said Province Directing the Division of Real Estates Directs, If the Same is Capable of being Divided without Prejudice to, or Spoiling of the whole — And to set forth Each Share by Metes & Bounds to Hold to the Several Parties in Severalty — But if we Judge it Cannot be So Divided, Then to make an Impartial Appraisement thereof According to the Present Value thereof In order to the Settlement thereof upon one of the Heirs Who is Willing to take the Same at Such Appraisment, & to pay the rest their Respective Proportion thereof Accordingly at Such time as the Judge of Probate Shall Limit &ca.

We having met & Considered the Premisses Do Agree & make our return as Follows viz We Consider that the Said Lapsed Legacy is not by the Will Severed by metes & bounds from the Legacy given in the Same Will to Benjamin Woodbridge Dean & Since Conveyed to Major John Gilman — Therefore We have Severed & Set off the Said Lapsed Legacy by the following Metes & Bounds viz. Beginning at the North Easterly Corner of James Hackett's house lott at a Stake by the highway at one foot & an half Distance from the North Westerly Corner of the Old part of the Mansion house (which is part of the Said Lapsed Legacy) and on a Strait line with the front of Said house, And from Said Stake to run South Forty Degrees West one hundred & fifty four feet by Said Hacketts land to a great Rock in the Edge of the River, Thence South Fifty Seven Degrees East thirty feet, Thence North Forty two Degrees West Ninety five feet to a Stake Standing about One foot Distant Northwesterly from a Plumb tree Standing near the Well, And from thence to run North Twelve Degrees West acros the Centre of the Well Twenty Six feet to a Stake standing in a strait line with the Southwesterly End of the bedroom belonging to the old part of Said house and at Six foot Distance from the South Easterly corner of said Bedroom, and from that Stake to run a Parralell line with the Easterly Side of Said Bedroom at Six feet Distance therefrom Fourteen feet to the old house, then by the Said old house five feet to the New part of Said house, and then through the Said house between the Said old part & the Said New part to the highway, and then by the Said highway about Thirty one feet and one half to the bounds first begun at - Within which bounds We Adjudge to be Contained all the old part of Said House & the one half of the Land Adjoyning being the Said Lapsed Legacy — And all the New part of Said house & all the residue & remainder of the Said Land & the barn Standing thereon We Adjudge to belong to the Said John Gilman in the right of the Said Benjamin Woodbridge Deane. — And whereas by the Said Will the one half of the Cellar under the said old part of Said House was given to the Said Benjamin Woodbridge Deane, We have Severed & Set off to the Said John Gilman in the right of the Said Benjamin Woodbridge Deane for his half part of Said Cellar as Follows viz^t to begin at the North Easterly Corner of the Cellar and to run Westerly as the Wall is Fifteen Feet and then to Extend Southerly Carrying that width to the opposite Wall of said Cellar — And all the rest & remainder of Said Cellar we Adjudge to belong to the Said Lapsed Legacy.

And We do Adjudge that the Said Lapsed Legacy before Described cannot be Divided among the Heirs without Prejudice to or Spoiling of the whole, We therefore Appraise the Same at the Sum of Fifty Seven pounds & Ten shillings Lawful money. Witness our hands at Exeter this First day of November Anno Domini 1769.

Nath¹¹ Folsom Noah Emery John Rice Nich⁸ Gilman

A Plan of the Premises Mentioned in the foregoing return hereto Annexed being the Late Mansion house & Home place of Thomas Deane Esq^r Deceas'd Taken Nov^r 1st 1769—



DANIEL PHILBRICK 1768

RYE

[Warrant, Jan. 16, 1768, authorizing Samuel Jenness and Jeremiah Locke, both of Rye, to appraise the estate of Daniel Philbrick of Rye, yeoman, administration of which is granted to his widow, Abigail Philbrick, and Reuben Philbrick.]

[Inventory, March 16, 1768; amount, £421. 1. 0; signed by Samuel Jenness and Jeremiah Locke.]

State of New Hampshire Rockingham ss November 21th 1780 Agreabile to an order to us the Subscriber Derected from the Judge of the Probate of wills for the County of Rockingham to Set of to Abigail Davison her Dower of thirds to the Estate of her Late Husband Daniel Philbrick Late of Rye Deceased we have Set of her thirds as Followeth

Viz her Part of the House the west fore Room and the Chamber over Said Room with one third of the Garrat and one halfe of the Grate Celer with Liberty to Bake in the Kiching oven for one year from this Date with Liberty to pase the fore door

also her Part of the Barn the west end the weadth of Said Barn to the third Posts with Libberty to go throw the Barn yard to Said Barn & to thrash her Grain on the flower in the other end of Said Barn this year

also her Part of the Orchard at the west End Begining at a Stake Drove in the Ground on the North Side of Said orchard with a Strate Line to the Northeast Cornner of the House Contaning above 24 apple trees with the Gardon at the west End of the house

also her Part of the Mooing Land in the Medder So Called Lying by Land of m^r Nathanel Jenness begening at South End of Said Medder or Mooing land Even with the Line of Rubening Philbricks Land & Runing Elven Rods in weadth by Said Nathanel Jennes Land fifty Rods with a Rod Rode from the Northeast Corner the Nearst Place to the High way

also her Part of the Wood Land in Hampton Division Lying

at the North End of the wood Land So Caled twenty five Rods in weadth & Runing on the west Side by Land of Nathanel Jennes, thirty Eight Rods to a pine tree Marked and on the East Side by Land of Rubening Philbrick forty four Rods to a pine tree Marked 34 Rods a Crost

also her Part of the Planting Land being two acres & fifety two Rods in the old feld So Caled at the South west End to two Staks on Each Side for the Bounds

also her Part of the Parster Land begining at the Corner of the Ston Worle by the High way & Runing by Land of John Jenness forty three Rods then Runing twenty Six Rord to a pile of Stons Near the orchard then by Said orchard twenty feet Back Side of the Barn to the high way thirty Six Rods then twenty Six Rods to the firs Mentined Bounds

also her Part of the medder or marsh by the Salt works So Caled all that Part on the South Side of the trunck

> Rich^d Jenness Jn^r James Knowles Peter Garland Henry Elkins Nathaniel Jennes Committee

[Account of Reuben Philbrick, William Davidson, and his wife, Abigail Davidson, administrators; receipts, £97. 14. 0; expenditures, £78. 13. 1; allowed Feb. 15, 1786.]

MARTHA CHAPMAN 1768

GREENLAND

[Administration on the estate of Martha Chapman of Greenland, single woman, granted to Samuel Chapman.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 62.]

[Bond of Samuel Chapman, yeoman, with Josiah Haines, yeoman, and Ichabod Weeks, physician, as sureties, all of Green-

land, in the sum of £500, Jan. 19, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Robert Parks, William Parker.]

[Inventory, April 21, 1768; amount, £47. 13. 9; signed by John Haines and John Pickering.]

JEREMIAH WHEELWRIGHT 1768 PORTSMOUTH

In the Name of God Amen I Jeremiah Wheelwright of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire, Cooper, being of sound mind and good memory, Apprehending my time and stay in this world but short, by reason of my Bodily weaknesses and Infirmitys * * *

Item, I give and bequeath unto Doctor Hall Jackson in trust, and to the sole use, and for the Benifit of my Daughter Mary Cram my negro man Nero, and my negro woman Jane.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my Grand son Jeremiah Wheelwright his Heirs and assigns all my Lands in the Township of Phillips Town (so calld) in the county of York in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay, All the rest and residue of my Estate real and Personal whatsoever, to be equaly divided to, and between my three Children Jeremiah Wheelwright, John Wheelwright and my aforsaid Daughter Mary Cram I do give and bequeath and to their Heirs and assigns for ever — And I do hereby make, constitute, and appoint Mr John Nelson of Portsm^o & Cap^t Joseph Paterson to be my whole and full Executors to this my last will and Testament and I do hereby revoke, disannul and make void all former Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made either by word of mouth or by writing In witness whereof I the said Jeremiah Wheelwright to this my last will and Testament have set my hand and Seal this twenty fourth Day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Sixty eight —

Jer: Wheelwright

[Witness] Clem^t Jackson, Mary Sanderson, Samuel Drown. [Proved Feb. 23, 1768.]

[Inventory, May 25, 1768; amount, £381. 4. 5; signed by Samuel Penhallow and William Knight.]

[Warrant, Dec. 28, 1768, authorizing John Parker, merchant, and John Wendell, gentleman, both of Portsmouth, to receive claims against the estate.]

[List of claims, June, 1770; amount, £131. 9. 0; signed by John Wendell and John Parker.]

NATHAN FOLSOM

1768

NEWMARKET

In the Name of God Amen, The Twenty fifth day of January Annoque Domini one thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty Eight I Nathan Folsom of Newmarket In the Province of New Hampshire in New England Yeoman * * *

Item I give & bequeath unto Elizabeth my Dearly Beloved wife The Income and Profit of all my Estate both real and Personal untill my son Asa comes to the full age of Twenty one years in order that thereby my wife may be Enabled to Support & Educate my son asa & Daughter Abigail Suitably to Each of their Conditions & also I give unto my wife the Use and Improvement of all the house hold Goods & Moveables Belonging Thereunto Dureing her Natureal Life

Item I give and Bequeath unto my son Asa Folsom all my homested farm together with the Previledges thereunto belonging Likewise My Part of wadleys Mill & Previlege Likewise my wharfe & Previledges at Lampereal river Landing the said Asa to Come into Possession of the whole when he arives to the Age of Twenty one Years Likewise the Whole Money or the Debts Due to me from all Persons Likewise all the Live Stock I shall

Leave together with all the Utensils Belonging to the farm whereon I now Live

Item I give unto my Daughter Elizabeth Hilton one Hundred & twenty five pounds Lawfull Money to be paid to her by my son Asa Folsom within one year Next after the said Asa Shall Arive to the Age of twenty one Years to be paid In Cattle & Other Produce of the farm at Cash Price Likewise the one half of all the Moveables Belonging to My Dwelling house after the Decease of my wife Elizabeth Folsom

Item I give unto my Daughter Abigail about forty five Acres Land it being the Land I Bought of Chase Wiggin of Newmarket together with the Building and Previledges thereunto Belonging Likewise Seventy five pounds Lawfull Money to be paid her by My son Asa folsom when she shall Arive at the Age of Eighteen Years Likewise the one half of all the Moveables Belonging to My Dwelling house after the Decease of my Wife Elizabeth Folsom

Lastly I Constitute and Appoint Elizabeth Folsom my well Beloved wife Sole Executrix * * *

Nathan Folsom

[Witness] James Cram, George Dutch Jur, Nathaniel Ewer juner.

[Proved, no date.]

[Inventory, Feb. 20, 1769; amount, £40,124. 13. 0; signed by Walter Bryent, Jr., and James Cram.]

Rockingham ss By the honble Phillips White Esqr Judge of the Probate of Wills &c for said County —

To Elizabeth Folsom of Newmarket in said County Widow Relict of Nathan Folsom late of said Newmarket Yeoman deceased testate & Executrix of his Will — Greeting

You are hereby notified that Jeremiah Folsom of said Newmarket Esq[†] hath preferred a Petition to said Judge representing that he with the said Nathan Folsom in his life time, were seized & possessed of about one hundred & Seventy Seven Acres of Land in said Newmarket bounded Southerly by land lately the said Nathans commonly called Simonds Grant Northerly by Wadleighs Road so called Easterly by Land of the said Jeremiah & Westerly by land formerly John Bracketts & Joseph Gliddens both deceased — that since the Said Nathans death His said Right descended to your Son a Minor & therefore praying that a Committee might be appointed to divide the Same & Set off to him the said Jeremiah his part thereof which he says is all but about fifty acres — You are therefore notified to appear in behalf of your said Son at the Probate office in Exeter in said County on the last wednesday of July next at ten of the Clock in the forenoon & Shew Cause if any you have why the prayer of said Petition should not be granted — & you are desired to notify the said minor it is necessary he should appear & choose a Guardian to act in his behalf — Dated at Exeter the twenty fifth Day of June 1797 —

By order of the Judge

W. Parker Regr

WILLIAM CORSER

1768

BOSCAWEN

[Administration on the estate of William Corser of Boscawen granted to Winthrop Carter.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 62.]

[Bond of Winthrop Carter, with Nathan Corser and George Jackman as sureties, all of Boscawen, yeomen, in the sum of £500, Jan. 27, 1768, for the administration of the estate; Witnesses, Joseph Moulton, Joseph March.]

[Inventory, Feb. 10, 1768; amount, £50. 14. 11; signed by Stephen Gerrish and Moses Burbank.]

[List of claims against the estate; amount, £21. 19. 0; signed by George Jackman, Jr., and Samuel Fowler.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £847. 10. 0; expenditures, £387. 10. 0; mentions a widow; allowed Oct. 26, 1768.]

DANIEL MERRILL 1768

ATKINSON

[Guardianship of Daniel Merrill of Atkinson, "a person naturally wanting of Understanding," granted to Daniel Poor of Atkinson.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 66.]

[Bond of Daniel Poor, gentleman, with Nicholas White and Stephen Harriman, both of Plaistow, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Feb. 12, 1768, for the guardianship of Daniel Merrill; witnesses, William Parker, Joseph Moulton.]

Province of \ To the Honble John Wintworth Esqr Judge New Hampr \ of Probate Within and for said Province of New Hampshire —

The Petition of Ruth Parker formerly the wife of Nathaniel Merrill of Haverhill in the County of Esex and Province of the Massachusetts Bay — The said Ruth Humbly mooves in ye Behalf of Her son Daniel merrill Now Resident in atkinson in ye Province of Newhampshr aforsd He being Represented as Non compos and standing in need of a guardean the said Ruth therefore Humbly Petitioneth that Her son James merrill of atkinson aforsd may be admitted guardean to the said Daniel (in the Room of Daniel Poor of said atkinson who as I understand Has got in His guarden without my Consent or Knowledge) The said James Being Capable of that service and understanding The said Daniels Temper and Disposition will be most Likely To Leade and Conduct him in ye way that shall be most Easey and Conducive for his peace Safety Comfort and intrest — if therefore it may be Consistant With your Honrs Wisdom and agreeable to

the Rules of Law and Equity your Petitioner Entreats that your Hon^r Would in your Clemencey Hear the Compasionate Petion of a Distresed mother for a Impotent son and grant that the s^d James may be appointed guardean as afors^d and your Petitioner as in Duty Bound Shall Ever Pray

Dated atkinson June ye 17, 1768 —

Ruth Parker

Atkinson 23d September 1782

Sir/ it is with some Regret that I am Oblidged to Trouble Your honor in the affair of my Family — in the Year 1738 my Husband Nathaniel Merril dyed and left me sole Executrix to his Estate, unfortunately One of my Children Named Daniel Was Non Compos Mentis, my Son in Law Lieut Daniel Poor, unknown to me applyd to the then Judge of probate in this State and took Gardianship of him, and his Estate in his Own hands, Which he has improved & Received the benefit of Ever Since, altho my son has in General and for the greater part of the time been in good health, and Capable of Earning as much as most men in more Happier Circumstances. I am Now to Supplicate your Honour as Well my Own Perticular desire as that of my Children, that your Honour Would be pleased to take from him the Said Poor my Son in Law the Guardianship of my Said Son Daniel and to appoint my Only Son James Who I abide With or my Self alone or Both together, as Your Honour in your great Wisdom shall think best and Furthermore I begg leave to mention that my Daughter Poor in her last Sickness desired that after her decease he my said Son might be removed from her House — I desire likewise to make mention to your Honour that the said Poor has Withheld from me for many Years Back my Right of Dower to my late Husbands Estate — and theirfore desire and Request that he may be Ordered to Settle his affairs and my Own and sons Property may be taken Out of his hands and put in the Hands of my Son James and your Petitioner as in Duty bound Shall Ever pray —

Ruth Parker

DAVID ADAMS

1768

LONDONDERRY

[Guardianship of Rachel Adams, minor, aged more than 14 years, daughter of David Adams, granted to Thomas Simpson Feb. 13, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 66.]

[Bond of Thomas Simpson of Deerfield, with Joseph Sias of Lee and Asa Gile of Nottingham, yeoman, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Feb. 13, 1768, for the guardianship of Rachel Adams, daughter of David Adams of Londonderry; witnesses, Samuel Parker, Joseph Moulton.]

EDWARD CLARK

1768

KITTERY, ME.

[Administration on the estate of Edward Clark of Kittery, Me., shipwright, granted to Dorothy Clark, widow, Feb. 15, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 67.]

[Bond of Dorothy Clark of Kittery, Me., with George Fernald, cooper, and Benjamin Yeaton, joiner, both of Portsmouth, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Feb. 15, 1768, for the administration of the estate in New Hampshire; witnesses, Samuel Parker, Joseph Moulton.]

[Inventory, filed Feb. 15, 1768; one twelfth part of a lot of land lying near Point of Graves in Portsmouth, £9. 0. 0; signed by Abraham Crucy and John Libby.]

---- DUSTIN

1768

[Guardianship of Eliphalet Dustin of Londonderry, minor, aged more than 14 years, granted to Robert Moore Feb. 15, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 115.]

[Bond of Robert Moore, with James Crombie as surety, both of Londonderry, yeomen, in the sum of £50, Feb. 15, 1768, for the guardianship of Eliphalet Dustin of Londonderry, aged about 15 years; witnesses, John Prentiss, Jane Livermore.]

EPHRAIM BROWN 1768 SOUTH HAMPTON

In the Name of God amen — The Sevententh Day of february one thusand Seven hundred and Sixty Eight — I Ephraim Brown of South Hampton in the Province of new hampshire Yeoman Being wek in bodey * * * Ist I Give unto my Well Beloved wife Mehetibel Brown three pound Lawfull money to be paid hur By my Executor here after Named out of my Stock Imeadeatly after my Decese 21y — I Give to my Son Joseph Brown one Sheep which with what I have before Given him by Deed, is his full portion of my Estate — 3^{dly} I Give to my Son Enoch Brown forty acres of Land at Sandown where he now Lives it Being the Esterly End of Said Lot and to Extend westerly so fare as to Comleet sd forty acres to him and his first male heir Lawfully Begoten of his Bodey — 4thly I Give to my Son Ephraim Brown a peace of Salt marsh Lying in Salisbury at Birch Island joying on the Beach he Paying to My Daugter anna Eastman Six pounds thirten Shillings & four pence — and to my Daughter Lydiah Eastman Six pounds thirten Shillings and four pence — after My Decees — within one year

3^{thly} I Give to my Two Sons Eijah and Moses Brown all my homsted Land and Buildings Equaly to be Devided Betwen them only Reserving the westerly End of my Dwelling house that is the Lower Rome And Chamber for my Daughters Hannah and Ruth untill they are married allso I Give to Sd two Sons Elijah & moses my Land at Chair hill and all my Land at hoog hill Equaly to be Devided Betwen Them allso my peace of Salt Marsh in Salisbury near Carters Beaches So Called Lying

on the Crick which was formerly parte of Carters Lot allso my Peice of flats So Called — on these Conditions that they the said Elijah and Moses take Care and Comfortably Supporte with victles and Clothing and Lodgin in Sickness and health my Son Heziciah Brown During his naturall Life they Receiving the profits of sd Hezicias Labour also they Keeping a Cow for my Daughter Hannah Brown Sumer and Winter and finding sd Hannah & Ruth five Cord of wood at the house yearly and keep them one pig yearly till they be maried

6^{th ly} I Give to my Son Elias Brown all My Land which I Have in the Township Called Goffs town in the province of New hampshire — also I Give my sd Son Elias a pair of Steers a Comming in three out of my Stock —

7^{1y} I Give unto My two Daughters anna Eastman and Lydiah Eastman all my Right of Land which I have in Worrens Town to be Eqally Devided Betwen them —

8^{th1y} I Give to my Daughter Hannah Brown one Cow

9^{th1y} I give to my Son Ephraim the one half of the Remainder of my Lot of Land Lying at Sandown

10^{1y} I Give to My Daughters Hannah and Ruth the Other half of the Remainder of my Lot of Land at Sandown —

Further I Give unto My Son Joseph Twenty acres of Land Lying in popplen ner the Spruse Swamp So Called

also I Give to My Son Enoch one acre of Salt marsh in Salisbury at Sandey Cove So Called —

itim I give my two Sons Hezeciah and Moses my best Bead and Beading thereto belonging —

Further I Give to my four Daugters all my Indore household Goods and movables to be Eqaley Devided amongst them Excep the Cyder Cask and Dry Cask

Further my will is that all the Remainder my Land and marsh notes and bills togather with all my out Dore movabels and Stock after my Juste Debts and funeral Charges are payed — that the Remander of Said Notes Bills Movables Land & Stock Shall be Devided to and among all my Children Giving to my Eldest

Son Joseph two partes or Shares of s^d notes Bills Stock or movables withe the Rest of my Children

And finially I do hereby Constitute and appointe my well Beloved Brother William Brown to be the Sole Executor * * * Ephraim Brown

[Witnesses] Winthrop True, Jonathan Woodman, Samuel Woodman.

[Proved March 30, 1768.]

[Warrant, March 30, 1768, authorizing Winthrop True and Abel Brown, both of South Hampton, gentlemen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, May 17, 1768; amount, £691. 13. 6; signed by Winthrop True and Abel Brown; an addition of £29. 14. 0 was made April 20, 1770.]

[Guardianship of Moses Brown, non compos mentis, granted to John Eastman April 28, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 369.]

[Bond of John Eastman, Jr., of Salisbury, Mass., shipwright, with Jeremiah Eastman of Kensington, yeoman, and Samuel Page of South Hampton, husbandman, as sureties, in the sum of £300, April 28, 1769, for the guardianship of Moses Brown of South Hampton; witnesses, none.]

[Account of the executor; receipts, £114. 12. 8, personal estate; expenditures, £113. 14. 7 2/4; allowed Feb. 28, 1770.]

[Additional account; receipts, £37. 9. $6\frac{1}{2}$; expenditures, £41. 12. 7; allowed June 26, 1771.]

[Account of the guardian; receipts, £113. 3. 3; expenditures, £115. 18. $2\frac{1}{4}$; allowed June 24, 1772.]

[Additional account; receipts, £7. 9. 3; expenditures, £10. 15. $7\frac{1}{2}$; allowed Dec. 30, 1772.]

[Bond of James Hadlock, yeoman, with Abel French, gentleman, and Benjamin Brown, yeoman, as sureties, all of South Hampton, in the sum of £1000, March 28, 1776, for the guardianship of Moses Brown and Elijah Brown, both of South Hampton, idiots, sons of Ephraim Brown; witnesses, Nathaniel Parker, William Parker.]

EPHRAIM WORTHEN 1768

CONCORD

[Administration on the estate of Ephraim Worthen of Concord granted to John Chandler, Jr., of Concord Feb. 18, 1768.] [Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 67.]

JONATHAN FERRIN

1768

NEWTON

In The Name of God Amen — The Twenty Second Day of February one Thousand, Seven Hundred & Sixty Eight I Jonathan Ferren of Newton in the province of New hampshire in New England Being at this present time through Gods Goodness of Perfect Understanding tho: under Bodily indisposition I Give & Bequeath unto my well beloved wife Sarah ferren one Third part of all my Estate both Real & parsonall (Excepting my Stock of Creatures & Cyder Casks) dureing her Natural Life & I do also Give unto my Said wife all my household Moveables of what Ever Denomination (excepting the Cyder Casks above Sd) dureing her natural Life & at her decease my will is that the Said Movables Given to my Sd wife should be Equeally Devided between all my Daughters & I do also Give unto my Said wife one Cow & four Sheep for her for ever — 3ly I Give & Bequeath unto my well beloved Son timothy ferren the Sum of Seven pounds ten Shillings, Lawfull Money or the value thereof in Goods at Money price 4ly I Give & bequeath unto my well

beloved Daughter Mary Clough the sum of Seven pounds ten Shillings Lawfull money or the value thereof in Goods at money price 5ly I Give & Bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Bettee davis the sum of Seven pounds ten Shillings Lawfull money or the value there of in Goods at money price — 6ly I Give & Bequeath unto my well beloved Son Moses ferren the Sum of fifteen pounds Lawfull money or the value there of in Goods at Money price — 7ly I Give & Bequeath unto my well beloved son Zebulon ferren ten Shillings Lawfull money or the value thereof in Goods at Money price 8ly I Give & bequeath unto my Daughter Abigail ferren now widow of my son Alpheas ferren Late Decsd the whole improvement of three Lott of land that I bought of Thomas Dent Benjamin webster & Cornelas Clough that Lyeth on the South of a high way Lately Laid out through one of the said Lotts Dureing her widow hood and at the time when She Shall Cease to Remain in her this widow hood then the same to be Equelly Divided in Quantity in Quality Between the two male Children of the Said Alpheaus ferren decsd namely william & Alpheaus they paying out to there Sister Sarah ferren Six pounds apeice in Lawfull money gly I Give & Bequeath unto my well beloved Son Phillip ferren about one hundred & fifty Acres of Land being in Gofts town (So Called) which I Bought of Daeter Bond 10thly I Give & bequeath unto my well beloved Son Phinehas ferren about one hundred & fifty acres of Land Lying in Gofts town afore said which I bought of Esq^r parker 11ly I Give & Bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter hannah Bagly the sum of Seven pounds ten shillings Lawfull money or the value there of in Goods at money price 12ly I Give & bequeath unto my Grand sons viz unto Eneas Ebenezer & Zebulon to my Son Zebulon ferren about forty acres of Land in Sandown which I Bought of benjamin webster to be devided between them as followeth viz three Quarters there of between the Sd Eaneas & Ebenezer & the other Ouarter there of to my S^d Grandson Zebulon 13ly I Give & bequeath unto my well beloved son Aquilla ferren all my homestid Liveing Salt

marsh fresh meadow & all other my Lands which I have not before disposd of in this will 14ly I order my Executor hereafter Named to pay unto my Several Children above Mentioned their Respective Leagacies Given them in this will with in five years after my decease 15ly My will is that my Children & Grand Children to whome Lands are Given to in this will Should Come into the emediate possession there of at my decase 16thly my will is that my Son Aquilla ferren Should have all my wareing Apparel fire arms & Cyder Casks which I shall Leave at my decease & all other my Estate Real on parsonal as all my Stock of Creatures & utentials of husbandry all movables Bills Bonds notes of hand Books or book Debts of what Name or denomination so Ever that hath not been before dispos'd of in this will I Leave in the hand of my Executor ordering him to pay all my Debts which are Just & Lawfull & funeral Charges out of the Same & I do now Revoke & make void all other wills & testaments before by me Made & Appoint order & Constitute my Son Aquilla ferren Sole Executor of this my Last will & testament Witness my hand & Seal the day & year above written

Jonathan ferren

[Witnesses] David Goodwin, Gideon Bartlet, Eliphalet Bartlet.

[Proved June 27, 1770.]

[Inventory, July 10, 1770; amount, £716. 19. 2; signed by Timothy George and William Rowell.]

EDWARD FLINT

1768

PLAISTOW

[Administration on the estate of Edward Flint of Plaistow granted to his son, Joseph Flint, Feb. 24, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 67.]

[Bond of Joseph Flint, yeoman, with William Ayer, gentleman, and Stephen Harriman, innholder, as sureties, all of Plaistow, in

the sum of £500, Feb. 24, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Samuel Parker, Robert Parks.]

[Warrant, Feb. 24, 1768, authorizing Moses Stevens and Ebenezer White, both of Plaistow, yeomen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, April 25, 1768; amount, £98. 6. 11; mentions Joseph Flint, administrator, as son of the deceased; signed by Moses Stevens and Ebenezer White.]

ISAAC GODFREY

1768

EAST KINGSTON

[Administration on the estate of Isaac Godfrey of Kingston granted to John Darling of Kingston Feb. 26, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 67.]

[Bond of John Darling, yeoman, with John Sanborn, cordwainer, and Nathan Batchelder, gentleman, as sureties, all of Kingston, in the sum of £100, Feb. 26, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Moses Greeley, William Parker, Jr.]

[Inventory of the estate of Isaac Godfrey of Kingston East Parish, June 28, 1768; amount, £67. 19. 4; signed by Nathaniel Batchelder and Nathan Batchelder; an addition of land in Unity, £6. 6. 0, was made March 29, 1769.]

[Bond of Samuel Sleeper of Sandown, gentleman, with John Darling and John Sanborn, both of East Kingston, yeomen, as sureties, in the sum of £200, March 5, 1770, for the guardianship of William Godfrey, minor, aged more than 14 years, son of Isaac Godfrey; witnesses, Eliphalet Hale, William Parker, Jr.]

Province of \ To the Hon^{ble} John Wentworth Esq^r Judge New Hamps \) of the Probate of Wills &c for the Province of New Hamps: afores^d —

Pursuant to your Honrs Warrant to us the subscribers directed appointing us a Comtee to Divide the Real Estate of Isaac Godfrey late of Kingstown in sd Province deceas'd Intestate to & among the widow & Children of the Deceas'd: We have proceeded & viewed & valued the premisses as they were shewn to us by John Darling administ on sd estate which sd estate shewn as abovesd is scituate partly in Goffs Town (so Called) & partly in Bedford both in the Province aforesd; and have Divided & set off the same as followeth viz:—

We set off to Elisabeth Godfrey widow of the Deceas^d for her right of Dower & power of thirds in the premisses one Hundred acres more or less Bounded as followeth viz: one piece of land scituate in Goffs Town forementioned Bounded Easterly on Merrimack River (so called) southerly on the High way going from Halls ferry (so Called) Westerly on sd High way & Northerly on a Tract of land which was part of sd estate, but sold by sd administ to Hugh McColly: another piece in sd Goffs Town beginning at the southwesterly corner of sd land sold to sd McColly: and from thence running West to the west line of the whole Tract; Then Northerly on sd Line to the Northwest corner. then Easterly one Hundred & Twelve rods to a pine tree mark'd then southerly on Common land about Ninety rods: then South Easterly on sd Com'on land about Thirty Eight rods to sd Mo-Collys sd land, then west on sd mcCollys land to the North west Corner, then southerly to the southwesterly Corner of the sd mcCollys land: a third piece in sd Goffs Town beginning at the southwesterly Corner of the New Barn (so Called) one rod west from the Corner post thereof from thence running West 28 rods to a pine Bush mark'd, then North to the first mentioned High way going from sd Halls ferry, then easterly by sd High way till it Comes North from the place first begun at, one acre more or less: also the lower room in the fore side of the Dwelling House, & the Garret over it, and one Third part of the Cellar under sd room; also liberty & priviledge to use the oven in the Back room

to Bake in & the old Barn (so Called) with a priviledge to use the same as followeth viz: beginning four feet westerly from the south west Corner of the s^d Barn, from thence running North to the High way first mentioned: then East on s^d way 6 rods then southerly, about two rods, then westerly to the south westerly Corner of s^d Barn with liberty & priviledge to go into s^d Barn on the fore side, & out, with Hay, Corn &c & to tend her Creatures, with one third part of the priviledge & benefit of the ferry by the premisses (or a part thereof) s^d ferry Com'only Called Halls ferry, over merrimack river for her to use Improve & take the profits; also the priviledge of useing the well.

21y The first & second shares to William Godfrey Eldest & only son of the deceas'd Bounded as followeth viz: Beginning at the Westerly end of the whole tract on the westerly Line thereof & Joyning to the widows Thirds, and from thence running easterly by the sd Thirds till it comes to the forementioned High way Comeing up from sd Halls ferry: then southerly & easterly by the sd High way to the River merrimack forementioned: then southerly by the sd River to an Oak stump in the fence with stones about it: then westerly to the westerly end of the whole tract: then Northerly on the westerly line to the place where it first began one Hundred acres more or less; (saveing & excepting one acre more or less & priviledge to use & Improve the old Barn which is already set off to the widow in part of her Thirds, as may at large appear in the return thereof — we also set off to the sd William the first & second shares in another lot lying above or in the westward of the land forementioned Bounded as follows viz Beginning at the Northwesterly corner of the sd Lot and from thence running easterly on the Line of sd lot 80 rods to a pine Tree mark'd; then south Crossing the lot to the southerly line, then westerly on the south line of sd lot 80 rods to the southwesterly Corner; then North on the westerly line of the lot to the place where it first began fifty acres more or less: also one Half of the remaining Two Thirds of the Dwelling House &

Cellar, and the Northerly end of the New Barn so as to take 25 feet in length, & another third part of the priviledge of the forementioned ferry

31y The Third share to the Legal Representatives of mary late wife of Joseph Marston who is also deceas'd Bounded as follows viz: Beginning at merrimack River forementioned at the stump forementioned a Bounds of the second share & from thence running southerly by the sd River to Bedford Line (so Called) then westerly by sd Bedford Line to the westerly end of the whole tract, then Northerly on the sd westerly End to the second share, then Easterly on the line of the second share to the place where it first began fifty acres more or less: and the Third share in the forementioned westerly lot Bounded as followeth viz beginning at the Bounds of the second share in sd lot & on the Northerly line & from thence running south by the sd second share Crossing the lot to the southerly Line thereof, then easterly on the sd south line 80 rods, then North crossing the lot to the Northerly line then west 80 rods to the place where it first began 25 acres more or less, with the one Sixth part of the forementioned ferry, & one fourth part of the remaining Two Thirds of the Dwelling House & Cellar, and fifteen feet in length of the New Barn Joyning to Williams part of sd Barn

4^{1y} The fourth & last share to Elisebeth now the wife of Ezekiel Stevens being scituated in Bedford Bounded as followeth viz: it being two Home lots Beginning at Bedford Line & Joyning to s^d merrimack River & running southerly by s^d River the whole width of the s^d Two lots, then westerly on the Line of the southermost lot to the southwesterly corner thereof then Northerly on the westerly line of the s^d lots the whole width of the s^d two lots to s^d Bedford line then Easterly on s^d line to the place where it first began: and the fourth share in the forementioned westerly lot Bounded as followeth viz: Beginning at the Bounds of the 3^d share & on the North line & from thence running easterly on s^d line to the North Easterly Corner, then southerly on the easterly end of the lot to the south easterly

Corner then westerly on the southerly line to the 3^d share then Northerly by the s^d 3^d share crossing the lot to the Northerly line the place where it first began 25 acres more or less, and one sixth part of the forementioned ferry; also the one fourth part of the remaining two thirds of the Dwelling House & Cellar & the remaining part of the New Barn: In Testimony of all foregoing we do hereunto set our hands the 13th day of April Anno Dom: 1770

Mathw Patten
Moses Barron
James Karr

Com^{tee}

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £220. 15. 10½; expenditures, £206. 8. 8¼; allowed Dec. 13, 1770.]

[Additional inventory, March 29, 1769; three lots of land in Unity, £6. 6. 0; signed by the appraisers.]

[Guardianship of William Godfrey, minor, aged more than 14 years, son of Isaac Godfrey, granted to Samuel Sleeper of Sandown March 5, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 258.]

HILTON WOODMAN 1768 SOUTH HAMPTON

[Administration of the estate of Hilton Woodman of South Hampton granted to Hannah Woodman, widow, March 14, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 67.]

[Bond of Hannah Woodman, widow, with Benjamin Brown, yeoman, and Moses French, joiner, as sureties, all of South Hampton, in the sum of £200, March 14, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, William Parker, Jr., Joseph Fifield.]

[Inventory, March 25, 1768; amount, £452. 6. 0; signed by Benjamin Brown and Moses French.]

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £94. 7. 0, personal estate; expenditures, £59. 15. 434; allowed Aug. 30, 1769.]

[Warrant, Sept. 12, 1769, authorizing Eliphalet Merrill of South Hampton, Joshua Chase, and Jonathan Fifield, Jr., both of Hampton Falls, John Weare of Kensington, and Samuel Jenness of Rye, yeomen, to appraise the estate, and report on the advisability of dividing it among the children.]

[Inventory, Sept. 12, 1769; seventy six acres at £3. 18. 0 per acre; signed by Jonathan Fifield, Joshua Chase, and Samuel Jenness. They recommend that it be not divided.]

[Order of court, Nov. 10, 1769, settling two thirds of the estate on Jonathan Woodman, one third to the widow with reversion to him, he to pay the other children, there being nine in all, their shares, to those of age within one year, and to the others when they become of age.]

[Bond of Jonathan Woodman of South Hampton, yeoman, with Job Jenness of Rye, yeoman, and Benjamin Parker of Portsmouth, merchant, as sureties, in the sum of £400, Nov. 10, 1769, for the payment of their respective shares to his brothers and sisters; witnesses, William Parker, Joseph Moulton.]

Province of \ We the Subscribers being appointed by New Hampshire \ the Honble the Judge of the Probate of Wills &c for said Province a Committee to Set off to Hannah Woodman Widow Relict of Hilton Woodman Late of South Hampton in said Province Yeoman Deceased Intestate her Dower which happens to her of the Estate of which he Died Seized &c have as follows (viz)

We have set off to the said widow Twenty five Acres and one hundred and four Rods of Land of the home place, Lying upon the easterly side of the highway which Runs through said place, Adjoyning to the house excepting what we have allotted to be Reserved with that part of the house which we have not set to the said widow which is as follows (viz) Begining before the door two Rods from the house and Runing through the middle of the house & Chimney on a strait course to a stake set up three Rods North from the house, then square out to the said highway as is represented in the Plan hereto Annexed; the said Twenty five acres and 104 rods being mark'd in said Plan with the Letter B. which takes the whole of that on the Easterly or North Easterly side of the way Excepting Two Acres and a half at the Northerly End which we have Reserved as part of the Other two thirds; Bounded as follows (viz) Begining at a stake set up by the side of the new highway, & from thence runing Northerly out to the mouth of said way, which is fourteen rods, then by the highway which Leads to Cornet Abel Browns house to said Browns Land. then by said Browns Land Twenty three Rods & a quarter, and from thence on a strait Line to the stake by the way before mentioned which is marked in the Plan with the Letter C.

We have also Set to the said widow the Piece of salt medow which Lies in South Hampton aforesaid; We have also set her for her part of the house the Easterly Lower Room & Chamber over it also the Easterly One third part of the Celler, with the Privilege of Passing & Repassing in & out to and from Said Lower Room Chamber & Celler; allotting the other part of the house not here mentioned with all the Privileges thereto belonging to belong to the other two thirds: We have set to the Said Widow for her part of the Barn the whole of the Westerly End so far as to the Barn floor, with the Priviledge of the Barn floor for Conveniency, and also Liberty of passing & Repassing to & from Said Barn, also the Privilege of the Barn yard for passing & repassing and Improvement for other Conveniencies, also the Privilege of the use and Improvement of the wells upon said place

Thus have we set off to the said widow Hannah Woodman her third part of the Estate of Hilton Woodman Late of South Hampton Deceased Intestate as aforesaid; and this we make as our Return of so doing: Dated at Hampton falls December 1** 1769

Jon^a Fifield Joshua Chase Sam¹¹ Jenness

A Plan of the Estate of Hilton Woodman Late of Southampton Deceased Intestate (viz) the home place with the House & Barn thereon also the Highway which is Lately Laid out & fenced thro' said Place

- A. Contains Forty Six Acres & four Rods, Including said Highway —
- B. Contains Twenty five Acres & one hundred & four Rods Including the House & the Priviledge about it —
- C. Contains two Acres & a half: The Prick'd Lines thro are the Highway &c.

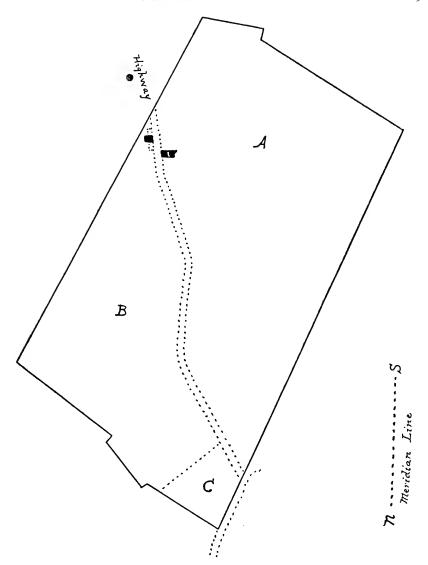
[Guardianship of Thomas Woodman, minor, aged more than 14 years, granted to Benjamin Brown of South Hampton, yeoman, Jan. 11, 1771.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 455.]

[Bond of Benjamin Brown, with Samuel Woodman and Josiah Rogers, both of South Hampton, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Jan. 11, 1771, for the guardianship of Thomas Woodman, son of Hilton Woodman; witnesses, Joseph Boyd, William Parker.]

[Bond of Samuel Woodman of South Hampton, yeoman, with Benjamin Bernard of South Hampton, yeoman, and Ezekiel Worthen of Kensington, gentleman, as sureties, in the sum of £50, March 8, 1771, to prosecute his appeal against the decree of court settling the estate on the oldest son; witnesses, William Parker, Jonathan Lovewell.]

[Bond of Samuel Woodman, with Enoch Page as surety, both of South Hampton, in the sum of £500, Nov. 9, 1771, for the



Laid Down by a Scale of 20 Rods to one Inch. - Hampton falls Dec" 1st 1769 Jer Lane Surveyor

payment of their respective shares to the other children, Jonathan Woodman, oldest son, Josiah Rogers for his wife, and to Thomas Woodman, Mary Woodman, Levi Woodman, Jeremiah Woodman, Anna Woodman, and Martha Woodman when they are twenty one years of age; mentions Samuel Woodman as second son, the oldest son refusing to accept the property; witnesses, Samuel Hale, Jr., Joshua Blanchard.]

[Warrant, Oct. 23, 1778, authorizing Abel Brown, gentleman, Josiah Dole, Moses Flanders, Henry French, and Israel Sawyer, husbandmen, all of South Hampton, to report on the possibility of the division of the widow's dower among the children. They reported against a division Feb. 22, 1779, and appraised the property at £746. 10. 0.]

[Account of Jonathan Woodman, administrator de bonis non; expenditures, £160. 9. 8; filed Feb., 1779.]

[Decree of court, Feb. 25, 1779, settling the dower on Samuel Woodman, the second son, Jonathan Woodman, oldest son, declining; mentions one of the children as deceased. William Carter acknowledges receipt of the share of his wife, Anna Carter, Feb. 3, 1789.]

WILLIAM DENNETT 1768

PORTSMOUTH

[License to Catharine Wise, administratrix, March 26, 1768, to sell lands in Barnstead and Chichester of the estate of William Dennett of Portsmouth.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 99.]

JONATHAN NORRIS

1768

EXETER

In The Name of God amen This Twenty Ninth Day of march anno Domini 1768 I Jonathan Norris of Exeter in the Province of Newhampshire yeoman being Weak in bodey * * *

first I Give unto my son Joseph Patridge Norris & to his Heirs &c Ten Pounds Lawfull money in species at Cash Price and to be Paid in one year after my Decease & to be Paid by my Son Jonathan Norris

Item I Give unto my Son James Norris & to his heirs &c Ten Pounds Lawfull money & to be Paid in species at Cash Price within one year after my said Son James arives at the age of twenty one years & to be Paid by my Son Benjamin Norris

Item I Give unto my Son Samuell Norris and to his Heirs & assings for Ever one whole Right or Propritors Share of Land in the Town Ship of Chichester be the Same more or Less and being That Right of Land which I Bought of Benjamin Lamper the Charges arising on said Right is to Be Paid by my Two sons Viz Jonathan & Benjamin Eaqualy between them untill my Son Samuell arives at the age of twenty one years furthermore I Give unto my Son Samuell five Pounds in Labor on his Land when he arives to the age of twenty one years & to be Paid by my two Sons viz Jonathan & Benjamin Eaqualy between them

Itim I Give unto my Daughter Rachal one bead & furnitur and the full one half Part of her mothers wearing apperill my Said Daughter to Come into Porsission there of at my Decease

Item I Give unto my Daughter Sarah one fether Bead & furniture and one Cow & allso five Pounds Lawfull money in Such Housell Stufe as she shall Chuse at Cash Price & to be Deliver to her at my Decease by my Two Sons viz Jonathan & Benjamin & allso I Give unto my Said Daughter Sarah the full one Halfe Part of all her mothers Wearing apperell of all sorts

Item I Give and bequeave unto my Two Sons Jonathan Norris and Benjamin Norris Eaqually to be Devided between them according to Quantity and Quality and to their Heirs and assings for Ever all my Real & Personal Estat of what name or natur Soever not all Readey Disposed of in this my Last Will viz all my Lands Lying & being in the Town of Exeter be the Same more or Less together with all my buildings Standing There on and allso my Saw mill & Grist mill with all my Priveledges in the mill Grant & Stream with all the appurtances there

unto belonging and allso I Give unto my Said Two Sons viz Jonathan & Benjamin all my Stock of Catel of all Sorts with all my Utensels for Husbandrey They my said sons Jonathan and Benjamin to Com into Porsession there of at my Decease and to Pay all my Just Debts & Leageses as I have ordered them in this my Last Will

Lastly I Do hereby appoint my Son Jonathan Norris to be Sole Executor to this my Last Will & Testament hereby Revoking and Disanulling all former Will or Wills by me made Ratefing & Confirming This & none other to be my Last Will & Testement The Day & year first mentioned

Jonathan Norris

[Witnesses] Samel Dudley, Biley Dudley, Theo: Smith. [Proved Dec. 27, 1769.]

[Inventory, Dec. 29, 1769; amount, £545. 9. 6; signed by Theophilus Smith and Nathaniel Gordon.]

[Account of the executor; receipts, £122. 12. 6; expenditures, £71. 14. 3; filed Oct., 1771.]

[Warrant, Nov. 25, 1771, authorizing William Parker, John Gilman, Jr., Nathaniel Gordon, Ephraim Rollins, all of Exeter, yeomen, and Samuel Dudley of Brentwood, to divide the real estate.]

Rockingham ss. Pursuant to a Warrant from the Honble the Judge of the Probate of Wills &c for said County appointing us a Committee to divide the Real Estate of Jonathan Norris late of Exeter in said County Yeoman Decd Which lays in said Exeter & Brintwood between his two Sons Jonathan & Benjamin; We have accordingly proceeded in Manner Following, viz^t

We have set off & Allotted to Jonathan Norris the eldest of the Two sons of said deceased Nine acres of Land situate in Exeter bounded Southwesterly on the County Road leading from Exeter to Kingston Northwesterly on an Highway leading from the Road aforesaid to Capt John Gilman mill so called & North Easterly on Land the said Jonathan the said Son purchased of Thomas Lord with a dwelling house & Barn thereon — And also Twenty one Acres more or less out of the Pasture Land in said Exeter which said deceased purchased of Samuel Goodhue which said twenty one Acres are bounded as follows vizt beginning at the Northeasterly corner of said Pasture Land thence running Southwesterly on the Highway aforesaid twenty one Rods & three Quarters of a Rod, thence running North Seventy one & an half Degrees West to Land of Dinah Dudley & then Northeasterly & Northwesterly by her said Land to Land of Richard Smith then Northeasterly & Easterly by said Smiths Land and Land of Col^o Daniel Gilman to the bounds first mentioned And also one half of one Third of Seventeen Acres of land situate in said Exeter laying in Common & undivided the other two thirds of which seventeen Acres are owned by some of the Heirs of Benjamin Smith deceased. And also one Eighth Part of a Saw mill in Brintwood in said County commonly called Pickpocket Mill with an Eighth part of said Deceaseds Right in the Mill grant & stream there, together with the Appurtenances to one Eighth part thereof belonging - To hold to him the said Jonathan Norris the Son his heirs & Assigns in severalty forever as his full half of said Estate —

We have also set off & allotted to Benjamin Norris the other of the two sons of said Deceased Forty nine Acres more or less of Land situate in Exeter aforesaid bounded as follows viz^t beginning at the highway aforesaid leading to said Gilmans Mill, twenty one Rods & three Quarters of a Rod from the northeasterly corner of the said Pasture lands purchased as aforesaid of Samuel Goodhue Thence running North Seventy one & an half Degrees West by the Land above allotted to his Brother Jonathan Norris till it comes to the Land of Dinah Dudley thence running Southwesterly by said Land of Dinah Dudley till it comes to land of Samuel Robinson then Southeasterly by said Robinsons Land till it comes to Land set off to Mehetabel Smith

Deceased as part of her Dower in the Estate of Benjamin Smith Deceased thence runing Northeasterly South Easterly & Southwesterly by said Dower to Land of Penuel Chapman then Easterly by said Chapmans Land to the Highway abovementioned thence northeasterly by said Highway to the Place where it first Began — And also five acres of Land in said Exeter bounded Southerly on the Road leading from the Country Road aforementioned to Brintwood, westerly on Land lately Caleb Gilmans deceased Northerly on land of Penuel Chapman & Easterly on the Highway aforesaid — And also one Half of one Third of the said Seventeen acres of Land in said Exeter laying in common & undivided with some of the Heirs of Benjamin Smith deceased — And also one Eighth Part of the saw mill in said Brintwood called Pickpocket Mill with an eighth part of the mill Grant & Stream with the Appurtenances thereto belonging To hold to him the said Benjamin Norris his heirs & Assigns in Severalty forever as his full half of said Estate —

In Testimony Whereof we have hereunto set our hands this fifth Day of December Anno Domini 1771 —

John Gilman Jr Sam¹¹ Dudley Nath¹¹ Gorden Eph^m Robinson

ISRAEL GILMAN

1768

NEWMARKET

[Administration on the estate of Israel Gilman granted to John Gilman and Bradstreet Gilman March 30, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 67.]

[Bond of John Gilman and Bradstreet Gilman, yeomen, with Israel Gilman and Samuel Gilman, gentlemen, as sureties, all of Newmarket, in the sum of £1000, March 30, 1768, for the administration of the estate of Israel Gilman of Newmarket, gentleman; witnesses, Joseph Moulton, Philip Towle, Jr.]

[Warrant, March 30, 1768, authorizing Walter Bryent and Samuel Pease, yeoman, both of Newmarket, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, March 20, 1768; amount, £779. 18. 4; signed by Walter Bryent and Samuel Pease.]

ROBERT BOYES

1768

LONDONDERRY

In the Name of God Amen, April, 1st AD 1768 I Robert Boyes of Londonderry in the Province of New-Hampshire Esq. * * *

(Viz) Imprimis. I give & Bequeath to my Well beloved wife Sarah Boyes, Fifty pound Eight shillings Lawful money, one full Case of Drawers, any of my Beds she pleases, with all Cloas, Curtings, & furniture thereto Belonging, & any two Cows she pleases, to be all her Own forever. Also the two East Rooms, in my Dwelling House, & the Little Room, & Great Entry way, & one third of the seller, & the Garrets over the Above Rooms, & her Legal Right of Dower, & power of thirds, of all my Real Estate.

Item I Give & Bequeath to my son Robert Boyes, all that Tract of Land Belonging to me Lying adjoining to merrimac River, partly in Chester, & partly between Chester & said River, all in the Province aforesaid Containing Eight Hundred acres, be it more or less, & sixty pound Lawful money, to be paid as stipulated in James & Alexander's Bequeathments.

Item I Give & Bequeath to my son James Boyes, the Home Lott I Dwell on, the Wood Lott between Alexander Rankin, & Robert Memurphy's Land, & the Lott between the Reverend David MeGregores & Samuel Livermore Esq's Land, & all the Land & meadow Adjoining Beaver Brook, where it Emtys Out of Beaver pond, & as far Down said Brook as I own Land & meadow there, all in Londonderry aforesaid, with all the Buildings & Improvements belonging to Each peice, & my part of the sawmill standing on said Brook, & my Chains, Carts, plows, &

all my farming Utensils of every kind to be for the use of him or them that Improve the farm last mentioned, he the said James, when twenty one years of age shall pay to my son Robert thirty pound Lawful money.

Item I Give & Bequeath to my son Alexander Boyes two Hundred acres of Land to be Laid out on the North side of my farm in Londonderry, Known by the Name of the peach farm, with all the Improvements thereon, & all the Produce of said farm to be for the use of the family that Lives on the Home farm, Untill my Youngest Child is twenty one years of age My son Alexander, when he is twenty four years of age, shall pay to my son Robert thirty pound Lawful money.

Item, I Give & Bequeath to my Daughter Elisabeth Ramsey wife to James Ramsey, all that Tract of Land Known by the name Of my Little Coose farm, on which said Ramsey has Built a sawmill, said Ramsey & wife to have all my Right there & fifty pound Lawful money to be paid in four years after my Decease, & in Case my Estate (when all my Just Debts are paid, & the Legacies mentioned in this will) will allow, I order my Executors to pay to said Ramsey or family fifty pound Lawful money more, to be in full for his wife's part of my Estate —

Item. I Give & Bequeath to my Daughter Jennet Boyes One Hundred & fifty pound Lawful money, to be paid in four years After my Decease.

Item, I Give & Bequeath to my Daughter Margrat Boyes One Hundred & fifty Pound Lawful money, to be paid in one year after she is twenty one years of age

Item I Give & Bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Boyes One Hundred & fifty pound Lawful money, to be paid when she is twenty one years of age

Item, In Case Either of my Daughters Disoblige my Executors by Merring without their Consent, & Contray to their will, in that Case I allow my Executors to pay but fifty pound Lawful money to the Daughter so Offending, Notwithstanding what is before Bequeathed, at the Discretion of my Executors.

The Remainder of her portion, Offending as above, if the Executors Keep it of her, to be Divided amongst my Daughters Who merrie by the advice & to the satisfaction of my Executors. In Case any of my Daughters Die before she is twenty one Years of age, or before Marriage her part to be Divided Ammongst the surviving Daughters or their Children Ramsey & wife & Children Excepted.

Item, In Case any of my sons Die before he is twenty one years of age or before marriage, his part to be Divided Between the surviving sons, & if two Die as Above the survivor to have all their Estates.

Item, My House-hold furniture not already Bequeathed to be Divided in ten years after my Decease as follows, I give to my wife one Quarter part thereof, the Remainder to be Divided in Equal shares Among all my Children Except James Ramsey & wife, my son Robert to have all my Books, & wearing Apperral Over & Above his part with the Rest of the Household furniture, & my Desk at his mothers Decease or when she merries.

Item I Order & Allow my Children to be mentained & Educated out of my Estate Untill they Come to Lawful age at the Discretion of my Executors.

Item I order my Negro man pomp to be Keept to assist in Labouring the farm I Dwell on, or to be sold & one purchased in his stead, and for the same use at the Discretion of my Executors, Either of said Negroes to be at the Command of My Widow whilst she Continues my Widow.

Item I allow my stock of every kind to be Keept on the farms Bequeathed to James & Alexander till my youngest son is twenty one years of age, at which time the said James & Alexander shall produce to my Executors a stock Equally Good with that left at my Decease, which is to be Divided in Equal shares Amoungest all my Children Except Ramsey & wife & Children.

Item I allow my Executors to purchass a Negro Girl for the use of my wife During her life, & at her Decease to be given to Jennet Margrat or Sarah, or to Either of them as my wife pleases.

Item I authorize & Impower my Executors to sell any or all my Land not Bequeathed, & to give & Execute Lawful Deeds of the same, & with the money to pay my Just Debts, funeral Charges, & Legacies, & if any Remains to be Divided Between Jennet, Margrat, & Sarah Untill Each Receives fifty pound Lawful money more then is before Bequeathed to Each, they pleasing the Executors As aforesaid, & in Case any still Remains, to be Equaly Divided Between Robert, James, Alexander, Jennet, Margrat, & Sarah or their Children.

Finally I Ordain & Appoint Mathew Thornton of Londonderry Aforesaid Esq. & my Beloved wife Sarah Boyes Executor & Executrix of this my last will & Testament, & I Do by these Presents Utterly Dissallow & Revock all Other & former Wills & Testaments whatsoever, Ratifying & Confirming this & Only this to be my last will, & Testament.

Robert Boyes

[Witnesses] James Doack, James morison, Mary Hopkins. [Proved May 7, 1768.]

[Inventory, attested July 23, 1768; amount, £2038. 10. 1; signed by Robert Clark and John Gilman.]

State of New Hampshire Rockingham ss Londonderry March 28th 1786

Pursuant to a preceipt to us Directed by the Hon^{b1} Judge of Probate of Wills for Said County appointing us a Committee to Sett off to Sarah Boyes Widow her Dower which happens to her of the Estate of her late Husband Robert Boyes late of Londonderry in said County Esq^r Deceased and having set forth the same by metes and Bounds to hold to her in severlty the same is bounded as follows (viz) one lot of land lying to the north of the Road that leads to Widow Chapmans beginning at a stake by the fence then south Eighty Deg^s East ten rods then north north west one hundred & thirty four Rods to the Brook then by the Brook to the line of Robert Macmurphys land then by Said line

to the Bounds first mentioned Containing Eight acres more or less: Also one other lot in said farm Called the Middle field Begining at a stake on the line of John Bettons land then north west thirty Rods to the Highway as the fence now gos then by the Highway fifty five rods to a stake then south fifty four Deg^s East thirty rods by the fence to the line of said John Bettons land then by said line to the Bounds first mentioned Containing ten acres more or less together with the whole of the Pasture lying South & south west of the Barn as the stone wall now goes with the Orchard therein also the small field south of the Dwelling House also that part of the farm ajoining to Docter Isaac Thoms land Consisting of wood land & some Orchard Bounding on the South East & north east by the Highway on the north west by said Robert Macmurphys land Containing about ten Acres: Also part of the Barn (viz) the East scaffald with the Tyup underneath and a priviledge of the Florway and the Barn yard also a priviledge of the Draw well and half of the Cyder Mill Together with a priviledge of the Ground around said Cyder mill as allso the east room in the Dwelling house with the Chamber over said Room with the Garrat and a priviledge of the stairs and the Celler underneath also the Chamber stairs with a small room over said stairs and the yard ajoining to the frount Door likwise one rod of land around her part of the Dwelling house also a priviledge of the Oven in the Dwelling house —

Also one third part of a farm belonging to the Estate of said Deceas^d known by the name of the Peck farm her part of the Pasture with the Tillage and mowing land included in the following Bounds Begining at a stake by the road then north fifty four Deg^s East to the line of John Hoggs land which is Hampstead line then south by said line to the Road then by said Road to the Bounds first mentioned Containing about ten acres also one piece of land lying west of said Road begining at a stake & stones by the Road then west south west about fifty rods to a red Oak tree by the fence then south easterly by said fence to the Pasture fence then Easterly & northeasterly By said fence to the afore-

said Highway then northerwesterly by said Highway to the bounds first mentioned Containing about six acres more or less Together with a wood lot Bounding as follows Begining at a stake by the fence that Divides between the improvements and the woodland then west one hundred & twenty five rods to a stake and Stones then north forty one rods to a white Oak tree then East about one Hundred rods to the aforesaid fence then by said fence to the Bounds first mentioned Containing about twenty nine acres: Together with the east room in the Dwelling House with the Chamber thereto belonging & a priviledge of the Celler also the whole of the east scaffald in the barn with half the Tyup underneath and a priviledge of the Barn flore also a priviledge of the Draw well in said farm

John Moor Thomas Cristy Samuel Pilsbury

[Account of Matthew Thornton, executor; receipts, £1020. 3. II; expenditures, £1809. 9. 10¾; filed May, 1788; endorsed "Not Settled."]

[Order of court, Nov. 18, 1789, submitting the account to Timothy Farrar of New Ipswich, John Shepard of Amherst, and Oliver Peabody of Exeter, it being protested by Jane Doak, Alexander Boyes, and Sarah Houston, a majority of the heirs. By further decree, Dec. 16, 1790, the account was submitted to John Taylor Gilman of Exeter, John Parker, and John Peirce, both of Portsmouth.]

[Report of referees, April 16, 1791, that Matthew Thornton was entitled to recover £98. 14.6½ from the estate; signed by all the referees.]

[Order of court, April 18, 1792, submitting the account of Sarah Boyes, executrix, to Nathaniel Peabody of Atkinson, George Reid, and James McGregore, both of Londonderry, by

agreement of Alexander Boyes, Samuel Houston and his wife, and James Doak and his wife, majority of the heirs.]

[Additional account of Sarah Boyes; receipts, £701. 6. 6; expenditures, £26. 3. 0; allowed Dec. 18, 1793.]

DANIEL BLAKE

1768

KENSINGTON

[Guardianship of Jonathan Blake, minor, aged more than 14 years, son of Daniel Blake of Kensington, deceased, granted to Isaac Fellows of Kensington, yeoman, April 4, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 116.]

[Bond of Isaac Fellows of Kensington, yeoman, with Samuel Elliot of Kingston, tailor, as surety, in the sum of £50, April 4, 1768, for the guardianship of Jonathan Blake, son of Daniel Blake of Kensington, cordwainer, deceased; witnesses, John Morrill, William Parker, Jr.]

JONATHAN DURGIN

1768

DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of Jonathan Durgin of Durham granted to his widow, Judith Durgin, April 5, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 145.]

[Bond of Judith Durgin, with Joseph Thomas, gentleman, and John Edgerly, yeoman, as sureties, all of Durham, in the sum of £500, April 5, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Walter Bryent, Elizabeth Bryent.]

[Warrant, May 25, 1768, authorizing John Smith, gentleman, and Thomas Stevenson, yeoman, both of Durham, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, June 13, 1768; amount, £31. 17. 9; signed by John Smith and Thomas Stevenson.]

[Bond of Trueworthy Durgin, with Edward Smith and Timothy Murray as sureties, both of Newmarket, yeomen, in the sum of £500, April 5, 1769, for the guardianship of Samuel Durgin, minor, son of Jonathan Durgin; witnesses, William Parker, John Wentworth, Jr.]

AARON WHITTEMORE 1768

PEMBROKE

[Administration on the estate of Aaron Whittemore of Pembroke, clerk, granted to his widow, Abigail Whittemore, April 5, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 115.]

[Bond of Abigail Whittemore, widow, with Joseph Baker of Pembroke, gentleman, and Walter Bryent of Newmarket as sureties, in the sum of £500, April 5, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Joseph Moulton, Robert Parks.]

[Inventory, attested May 20, 1768; amount, £1320. 1. 5; signed by Joseph Baker and David Abbott.]

Province of \ We the Subscribers Appointed by the New Hampsh^{re}\ Hon^{ble} John Wentworth Esq^r Judge of the Probate of wills &c for said Province To set off to Abigail Whittemore widow her thirds of the homestead Real Estate of Aaron Whittemore late of Pembroke Deceased Clerk we adjudge to her the southerly End of the old house with one third of the Celler with a Previledge of passing & Repassing to & useing the oven Cellar & chamber stairs in the citchen as also a Previledge in passing & Repassing both outer Doors & useing the well & the west End of the Barn 22 feet in Length & one third of the chandler Lot so Called Begining at the south west Corner & Runing on the high way North 25 Degrees west 15 Rods to a stake & stones & then Running East 25 Deg^s North the Length of the

Lot to a stake & stones then Runing south 25 D: East 15 Rods to an ash Tree then Runing on the line Between the Land & william Robertsons Land to the first mentioned Corner — as also one third of the Second Devision Lot Begining at the South west Corner & Runing North 25 Degrees west to a stake & stones 15 Rods & 8 Links then Runing East 25 Degs North keeping that Breadth the whole length of the Lot & also one third of the westerly side of the high way Beginning at the Corner of Andrew Gaults house Lot then Runing North 25 Degs west on said high way 29 Rods to a stake & stones then Runing west 25 Degs South to the Intervel then on said Interl line to the Corner of Andrew Gaults lot then Runing on sd Gaults Land to the first mentioned Corner & also the whole of the uper Intervel so Called Bounded According to the Proprietors Records of Suncook & we Judge the other Two thirds to be worth 380£ Lawfull money & think it Cannot Be Divided amongst all the children with out spoiling the whole —

Dated at Pembroke the 15th of April 1769

Rich^d Bartlet

Joseph Baker

David Abbot

Committee

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £755. 1. 5; expenditures, £30. 10. 8; allowed May 31, 1769.]

[Guardianship of Ruth Whittemore, aged less than 14 years, daughter of Aaron Whittemore, granted to Aaron Whittemore May 31, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 432.]

[Bond of Aaron Whittemore of Pembroke, yeoman, with Joseph Baker of Pembroke and Peter Coffin of Concord, gentlemen, as sureties, in the sum of £500, May 31, 1769, for the guardianship of Ruth Whittemore; witnesses, none.]

[Guardianship of Peter Whittemore, aged less than 14 years, granted to Peter Coffin May 31, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 432.]

[Bond of Peter Coffin of Concord, gentleman, with Joseph Baker, gentleman, and Aaron Whittemore, yeoman, both of Pembroke, as sureties, in the sum of £500, May 31, 1769, for the guardianship of Peter Whittemore, son of Aaron Whittemore; witnesses, Samuel Hale, Jr., Daniel Hart.]

[Guardianship of Benjamin Whittemore, minor, aged more than 14 years, granted to Joseph Baker May 31, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 413.]

[Bond of Joseph Baker, with Aaron Whittemore and Peter Coffin as sureties, in the sum of £500, May 31, 1769, for the guardianship of Benjamin Whittemore, son of Aaron Whittemore; witnesses, Samuel Hale, Jr., Daniel Hart.]

[Decree of court, May 30, 1770, settling the real estate on Aaron Whittemore, oldest son, he to pay the other children their respective shares.]

[Additional account of the administratrix; receipts, £791. 16. 6; expenditures, £793. 10. 10; mentions Jeremiah Hall, husband of one of the children; allowed June 30, 1779.]

[Account of Peter Coffin of Boscawen as guardian; receipts, £322. 16. 10; expenditures, £48. 15. 1; allowed Sept. 29, 1779.]

[Warrant, April 19, 1770, authorizing Capt. Stephen Hosmer of Concord, Mass., Capt. Daniel Fletcher, John Cragin, and Lieut. —— Faulkner, all of Acton, Mass., and Capt. Jonas Prescott of Westford, Mass., or any three of them, to appraise and divide the estate in Massachusetts of Rev. Aaron Whittemore of Pembroke.]

[Middlesex Co., Mass., Probate Files.]

whereas we the Subscribers Being appointed by the Honourable Samuel Danforth Esq^r Judge of the Probate of wills &c for the County of Middlesex to apprize and Make Distribution of the Real Estate whereof the Reverand Mr Aaron whittemore

Late of Pembrook in the Province of New Hamsphire Deceased Died Seized of in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay as by the annexed Commission may appear Did upon april the 21st 1770 Proceed to the aprizal of Three Tracts of Land Lying in the Town of acton in the County aforesaid which we did aprize in Lawfull Money of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay In Manner Following —

Imp^r — One Hundred and Twenty acres Lying on Both Sides of Littleton Road Being Number fifteen in the First Division Together with a freehold Right (So Called) Laid out adjoyning to the Said Number fifteen the whole Bounds as follows viz Begining at a heap of Stones on the Southwesterly side of Littleton and runs from thence Southwest on Land of Samuel Fitch about one Hundred and fifty Rods to a heap of Stones from thence runing Easterly Some Bareing to the South about Sixty Six rods on Land of Ephraim Potter in part and Partly on Land of Jonas Potter to a heap of Stones from thence runing Easterly on Land of John Davis in part and partly on Land of Thomas Blanchard about one Hundred and Thirty one rods to a heap of Stones by Littleton Road then Crossing Said Road to a heap of Stones and from thence Runing South Easterly about Twenty one Rods on the Road aforesaid to a heap of Stones then Runing North Easterly about Seventeen rods on Third Division Land to a Black oak Tree Marked from thence runing a Little more Northerly on Third division Land about fourteen rods to a heap of Stones then runing a Little more Northerly; Still on Third division Lotts about forty Rods to a heap of Stones then runs North westerly on Third Division Land about one Hundred and Twenty Rods to a heap of Stones from thence runing westerly on Third Division in part (Crossing Littleton road) to a Large white oak Tree Marked from thence Runing Northwesterly on Littleton Road about forty Nine rods to the Bound first Mentioned aprized at one Hundred and Two Pounds - 102-0-0

Item Forty Six acres and one Hundred and Twelve rods of up-

land and Swamp Lying on Both Sides of Littleton Road and on Both Sides of Nashobah Brook it being a Quallyfication Lott for Number fifteen Last Described Bounds as follows viz Begining at a heap of Stones and Runs North Easterly on a Number of Third Division Lotts about one Hundred and Sixty Eight Rods to a heap of Stones from thence Runing South Easterly on a Second Division Lott about Twenty Rods to a heap of Stones from thence Runing South westerly on Land Belonging To Doctr Jonathan Davis about fifteen Rods to a heap of Stones from thence runing South Easterly on Said Doct^r Davises Land about Thirty one rods to a heap of Stones from thence Runing South westerly on Land Belonging to Micah Davis about one Hundred and Twenty Seven rods to a heap of Stones from thence runing North westerly on Land Now in the Possession of Josiah Mansfeild (crossing Littleton Road and Nashobah Brook) to the Bound first Mentioned aprized at Sixty Six Pound Thirteen Shillings and Four Pence — 66-13-4

Item Nine Tenths of Number Seven a Third Division Lott being Fourteen acres and Three Quarters Bounded as follows Begining at a Stake and runs from thence Southerly on Number Eight a Third Division Lott about Sixty Six rods to a heap of Stones then runs Easterly on Land of Daniel Shepard to a heap of Stones from thence runing Northerly on Land of Said Daniel Shepard to a heap of Stones then runing Near the Same Poynt about Forty Two rods on Number Six Third division to a Stake then runing westerly Thirty Six rods on the Remainder of the Lott to the Bound first Mentioned aprized at five Pounds Eighteen Shillings — 5–18–0 Totall — 174–11–4

which Estate appears to us to be Most to the advantage of the Children of the deceased to be Settled upon one and Cannot be divided without Prejudice to or Spoyling the whole; and we sett the Same to Aaron whittemore the deceaseds Eldest Son —

It appears to us there is yet More Land in acton Belonging to the Estate of the deceased Not yet So fully Known by Mr Aaron whittemore as to offer the Same for apprizal and if your Honour please to Send Back to us the Commission the remainder of the Lands May Be Made fully Ceartain

all which is Humbly Submitted by

Stephen Hosmer
Daniel Fletcher
John Cragin jr

Children Aaron (Eldest) Benjamin Peter Esther Hall Ruth [Middlesex Co., Mass., Probate Files.]

[Decree, April 24, 1770, assigning the real estate to Aaron Whittemore, oldest son, and ordering him to pay his brothers and sisters £28. 5. 0 each.]

[Middlesex Co., Mass., Probate Files.]

[Bond of Aaron Whittemore of Pembroke, husbandman, with Jeremiah Hall of Concord, husbandman, and Joseph Barker of Acton, Mass., as sureties, in the sum of £200, April 24, 1770, for fulfilling the decree; witnesses, Joseph Lee and William Kneeland.]

[Middlesex Co., Mass., Probate Files.]

[Warrant, April 25, 1770, authorizing Capt. Stephen Hosmer of Concord, Mass., Capt. Daniel Fletcher and John Cragin, both of Acton, Mass., to appraise and divide further real estate in Massachusetts.]

[Middlesex Co., Mass., Probate Files.]

Pursuant to the Directions of the annexed Commission we the Subscribers Proceeded to aprize the Remaigning Part of the Real Estate Belonging to the Heirs of the Rev^d M^r Aaron whittemore Late of Pembrook in the Province of Newhampshire viz the Severall Tracts of Lands hereafter Discribed all Lying and Being in the Town of acton in the County of Middlesex and Province of the Massachusetts Bay This Twenty fifth day of april A D: 1771 In Manner following

Item one Quarter part of Number Fifty Eight a Second Division Lott Said Quarter Contains Five acres and one Hundred and

Twenty Eight rods at four Pounds and Twelve Shillings — £4 -12-0

Item one Tenth of Number Twenty Three a Third division Lott said Tenth Contains one acre and Eight rods at Eight Shillings — £0-8-0

Item one Tenth of a Quallyfication Lott to Said Number Twenty Three Said Tenth Contains Ninty Seven rods at four Shillings £0–4–0

Item one Tenth of Number Twenty Five a Second Division Lott Said Tenth Contains Three acres; at one Pound — £1-o-o

Item one Quarter of Number Six a Third Division Lott Said Quarter Contains four acres and Twenty Rods aprized at one Pound Eight Shillings — £1-8-0 — 7-12-0

Said Lotts are Bounded and Discribed as by the Records of the Proprietors May fully appear refferance thereunto being had which Lands we are of the oppinion will Disserve the Heirs to Divide the Same among them and therefore we sett off the whole to Mr Aaron whittemore the Deceaseds Eldest Son — all which Is Humbly Submitted by

Stephen Hosmer
Daniel Fletcher
John Cragin j^r
Committee

[Middlesex Co., Mass., Probate Files.]

[Decree, April 30, 1771, assigning the additional real estate to Aaron Whittemore.]

[Middlesex Co., Mass., Probate Files.]

[Bond of Aaron Whittemore, with Daniel Fletcher of Acton, Mass., gentleman, and Daniel Taylor of Concord, Mass., innholder, as sureties, in the sum of £30, April 30, 1771, for fulfilling the decree; witnesses, Aaron Haines and William Kneeland.]

[Middlesex Co., Mass., Probate Files.]

EDWARD PENDEXTER 1768

PORTSMOUTH

In the Name of God Amen I Edward Pendexter of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire, being antient & infirm, as also weak in Body * * *

Item I Give & bequeath unto my Children Phillip & Edward Pendexter the sum of five Shillings each, and to the Children of my Son John Pendexter deceased the sum of five shilling and to the Children of my deceased Daughters Margerett Sowards & Mary Tibbets five shillings each which I will shall be in full of any share or Interest they may expect to have in my Estate —

Item All the Rest Residue & Remainder of my Estate both real & personal wheresoever the same may be or in whomsoever it shall be found, I give & bequeath unto my wellbeloved Wife Elizabeth Pendexter & her Heirs & Assigns forever —

Lastly I nominate, constitute & appoint my said well beloved Wife Elizabeth Pendexter sole Executrix of this my last Will & Testament, hereby declaring null & void all former Wills by me heretofore made and that this is my last will & Testament, In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my Hand & Seal this Eighth day of April in the Eighth Year of his Majesty's Reign Annoque Domini 1768 —

his Edw^d × Pendexter Mark

[Witnesses] John Wendell, Jacob Mills, W^m Gale. [Proved Aug. 22, 1768.]

JOHN HARROD CUMMINGS 1768

HUDSON

[Administration on the estate of John Harrod Cummings of Nottingham West, yeoman, granted to Benjamin Worcester of Groton, Mass., yeoman, April 8, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 5, p. 231.]

[Bond of Benjamin Worcester of Groton, Mass., yeoman, with Abraham Page, gentleman, and Henry Hale, yeoman, both of Nottingham West, as sureties, in the sum of £1000, April 8, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Ezekiel Chase, Jonathan Hardy.]

[Inventory, Jan. 19, 1768; amount, £126. 9. 11; signed by Abraham Page and Henry Hale.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £91. 19. 11; expenditures, £110. 17. 5; mentions "supporting three of the Deceaseds Children under seven years of age viz. Benjamin, Amos, & John"; allowed June 9, 1785.]

[Petition of John H. Cummings of Hebron, July 24, 1804, for liberty to sue the bond of the administrator of the estate of his father, John Harrod Cummings.]

BENJAMIN WHEELER, JR. 1768

SALEM

[Administration on the estate of Benjamin Wheeler, Jr., of Salem granted to his widow, Hannah Wheeler, April 18, 1768.] [Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 115.]

[Bond of Hannah Wheeler of Salem, widow, with Jonathan Wheeler, Jr., of Salem, yeoman, and Timothy Ladd of Atkinson as sureties, in the sum of £250, April 18, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Peter Green, John Prentice.]

[Warrant, Feb. 12, 1768, authorizing Richard Dow, yeoman, and Evan Jones, joiner, both of Salem, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Feb. 19, 1768; amount, £209. 7. 2; signed by Richard Dow and Evan Jones.]

1768

CHESTER

In the Name of God amen I Robert Wilson of Chester in the Province of Newhampshire Yeoman Being in a weeke and Pooer state of Helth of Body but yet of a Sound Disposing mind and memory Thanks be Given to God for the Same: This Twenty Second Day of April Anno Domini 1768 * * *

Imprimes I Give to Ann my well Beloved wife one full Third of all my Reall Estat for her to Improve as the Law Directs I also Give her all my Personell Estat for her to use Improve and Dispose of as She Sees Cause: Excepting what I Shall here in other ways give away and Perticularly Dispose of: I give her the East End of my house for her to Improve from top to bottem During Life I also give her Two of my Cows and my horse She paying and Performing as I Shall hereafter Direct and order

Item I Give to my Daughter Ann Craige five pounds Lawfull money to be Paid to her within five years after my Deceass by my Executrex here after named: and this with what I Have here to fore given to her I account a Soficient portion for her out of my Estate —

Item I give to mary Karr my Daughter five pounds Lawfull money to be paid to her by my Executrex here after named within five years after my Deceass: and this with what I Have here to fore given to her I Judge to be a Soficient Portion for her out of my Estate —

Item I give to my Son John Wilson his heirs and assigns my Sixty acre Lot in Chester Laying in the fourth Division be it more or Less Laid out To the origenell Right of George Jaffery Esq¹: I also Give him all my Right in the Township of Bow Be the Same more or Less: I also give him my said son one full third part of all my Stock of Creturs Excepting what I Have before given to my wife I also give him one third part of all my utencells of Husbendery: and this with what I Have here to fore given to him I adjudge a Soficient portion for him out of my Estate —

Item I give to my son Robert Wilson his heirs and assigns my half of that Eighty acre Lot in the third Division in the Township of Chester that is Laid out to the origenell Right of be the Same more or Less I also give him one full third part of all my Stock of Creturs Excepting what I Have before given to my wife: I also give him one full third part of all my utencells of Husbendery: and this with what I Have heretofore given to him my said son I adjudge a Soficient portion for him out of my Estate —

Item I Give to my son William Wilson his heirs and assigns my forty acre Lot in the fourth Division in Chester that is Laid out to the Right of George Jafferey Esq^r I also Give him all my Common and undivided Lands in Chester That is Yet to be Divided and Laid out to the origenell Right of George Jaffery Esq^r be the Same more or Less I also give him one full third part of all my stock of Cretures Excepting what I Have here in before given To my wife I also give him one full third part of all my utencells of Husbendery and this with what I Have heretofore Given to him my said son I adjudge a Soficient portion for him out of my Estate —

And I Do appoynt Ann Wilson my well beloved wife before mentioned to be my Executorex to this my Last Will and Testament — To See that it be fullfiled in Every Perticuler — She to Receive and Pay all Just Debts Due to and from my Estate: and all my Legacies which I Have here in given and ordered To be Paid: and my funurall Charges: Renowncing all other and former Wills and Bequests by me named whatsoever Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last will and Testament To all above written and here in Contained I Have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seal this Twenty Second Day of Appril Annoq Domini 1768 first above Written

Robert Wilson

[Witnesses] James Craford, Willem Powell Junar, Sam¹ Emerson.

[Proved July 5, 1768.]

[Inventory, Sept. 12, 1768; amount, £136. o. 5; signed by Samuel Emerson and James Crawford.]

LEVI STEVENS

1768

HAMPSTEAD

[Administration on the estate of Levi Stevens of Hampstead granted to Parker Stevens April 27, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 115.]

[Bond of Parker Stevens of Hampstead, yeoman, with Daniel Stevens of Hampstead, yeoman, and Samuel Evans of Portsmouth, cordwainer, as sureties, in the sum of £500, April 27, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, William Parker, Joseph Moulton.]

[Warrant, April 27, 1768, authorizing John Muzzey and Joseph French, yeoman, both of Hampstead, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, attested May 23, 1768; amount, £37. 16. 11; signed by Joseph French and John Muzzey.]

[Warrant, June 29, 1768, authorizing John Muzzey and John Calfe, yeoman, both of Hampstead, to receive claims against the estate.]

[List of claims; amount, £28. 13. 11; signed by John Muzzey and John Calfe.]

[Settlement of claims; amount distributed, £10. o. o; allowed Dec. 28, 1768.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £50. 11. 10; expenditures, £40. 11. 10; mentions widow and three children; allowed Dec. 28, 1768.]

DAVID GREGG

1768

WINDHAM

[Administration on the estate of David Gregg of Windham, yeoman, granted to William Gregg of Windham, yeoman, April 27, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 116.]

[Bond of William Gregg, with Robert Wallace of Londonderry and John Quigley of Boston, Mass., yeomen, as sureties, in the sum of £500, April 27, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, William Parker, Joseph Moulton.]

[Inventory, May 7, 1768; amount, £115. 13. 3¾; signed by James Betton and John Clyde.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £115. 13. $3\frac{3}{4}$, personal estate; expenditures, £33. 4. 11; allowed March 29, 1769.]

[Additional account; receipts, £82. 8. $4\frac{3}{4}$; expenditures, £13. 14. $9\frac{3}{4}$; allowed March 31, 1773.]

EBENEZER BULLARD 1768

NEW IPSWICH

In the Name of God Amen, the thirtyeth day of April A.D. 1768 I Ebenezer Bullard of New Ipswich in the Province of New Hampshire yeoman, being very Sick and weak in Body * * *

Imprmis, I give & bequeath to Mary my dearly beloved wife all my House hold goods & moveable Effects used within Doors; like wise one third part of all my Real Estate, also the South End of my now dwelling House from top to Bottom the two Last Articles mentioned during her natural life — also I do bequeath to her my old Black Cow & a Red yearling heffer

Item. I do give & bequeath to my Eldest Son Simeon Bullard (two Eighth Parts of my Real & Personal Estate after my Debts & funural Charges & wives thirds are taken out) whome I Constatute & ordain to be Executor of this my last will & Testament and all Singular my Lands Messuages & Tenements by him freely to be possessed & Injoyed.

Item, I do give & bequeath to my Daughter Keziah Bullard one Eighth part of my Real & Personal Estate after my Debts & funural charges & wives thirds are paid out by my Executor in one year after my Decease

Item I do give & bequeath to my Son John Bullard one Eighth part of my Estate as is mentioned in y^e Second Item when arived to the age of twenty one years

Item I do give & bequeath to my Daughter Mary Bullard one Eighth part of my Estate as is mentioned in ye Second Item when arived to the age of eighteen years

Item I do give & bequeath to my Son Ebenezer Bullard one Eighth part of my Estate as is mentioned in ye second Item when arived to the age of twenty one years

Item I do give & bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Bullard one Eighth part of my Estate as is mentioned in y^e Second Item when arived to the age of Eighteen years

Item I do give & bequeath to my Son Asa Bullard one Eighth part of my Estate as is mentioned in ye Second Item when arived to the age of twenty one years.

I do Here by Ratifie & Confirm this and no other to be my Last will & Testament.

In witness whereof I have here unto Set my hand and Seal the day & year above written.

Ebenezer Bullard

[Witnesses] Moses Tucker, Charles Barrett, Benjamin Adams. [Proved Sept. 1, 1768.]

[Inventory, Sept. 20, 1768; amount, £219. 16. 2; signed by Ephraim Adams and Charles Barrett.]

[Bond of Thomas Hale, with Jonathan Davis as surety, both of New Ipswich, in the sum of £200, Dec. 13, 1768, for the guardianship of John Bullard, minor, aged more than 14 years,

son of Ebenezer Bullard; witnesses, Ephraim Adams, Benjamin Adams.]

ALEXANDER BLAIR

1768

MANCHESTER

[Administration on the estate of Alexander Blair of Derryfield granted to his widow, Catharine Blair, May 2, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 146.]

[Bond of Catharine Blair, widow, with James Blair and John Ramsey, gentlemen, as sureties, all of Londonderry, in the sum of £100, May 2, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Samuel Livermore, Peter Green.]

[Warrant, May 2, 1768, authorizing James McGregore, gentleman, and Daniel McNeil, yeoman, both of Londonderry, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, May 11, 1768; amount, £54. 5. 6; signed by James McGregore and Daniel McNeil.]

ENOCH HUNT

1768

HOLLIS

[Administration on the estate of Enoch Hunt of Hollis, yeoman, granted to Josiah Hunt of Hollis May 16, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 146.]

[Bond of Josiah Hunt, yeoman, with Jonas Flagg, gentleman, and Amos Fisk, tanner, as sureties, all of Hollis, in the sum of £500, May 16, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Samuel Hobart, Jonathan Johnson.]

DANIEL ELKINS

1768

NOTTINGHAM

[Administration on the estate of Daniel Elkins of Nottingham granted to his widow, Tabitha Elkins, May 25, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 146.]

[Bond of Tabitha Elkins, widow, with James Bean of Brentwood, yeoman, and Joseph Chandler of Epping, gentleman, as sureties, in the sum of £500, May 25, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Samuel Lane, Joseph Moulton.]

[Inventory, July 18, 1768; amount, £141. 18. 0; signed by Joshua Burnham and Charles Rundlett.]

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £86. 10. 0, personal estate; expenditures, £70. 3. 11; allowed Nov. 24, 1779.]

THOMAS ROLLINS

1768

LEE

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Rollins of Leegranted to his widow, Sarah Rollins, May 25, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 146.]

[Bond of Sarah Rollins, widow, with James Bean of Brentwood, yeoman, and Joseph Chandler of Epping, gentleman, as sureties, in the sum of £500, May 25, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Richard Cutts Shannon, Joseph Moulton, Walter Bryent.]

[Warrant, May 25, 1768, authorizing Joseph Sias of Lee and Joseph Chander of Epping to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, June 28, 1768; amount, £351. 2. 6; signed by Joseph Sias and Joseph Chandler.]

[Bond of Jonathan Rollins of Nottingham, yeoman, with John Shaw of Epping and William Rollins of Nottingham, yeomen, as sureties, in the sum of £1000, April 15, 1793, for the ad-

ministration de bonis non of the estate; witnesses, Nathaniel Parker, William Parker.]

[Inventory, July 9, 1793; amount, £194. 7. 4; signed by Jonathan Winslow and Jacob Blaisdell.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £72. 18. 9. personal estate; expenditures, £106. 0. 5; allowed April 18, 1796.]

[Petition of Jonathan Rollins of Epping, yeoman, April 25, 1801, for himself and his brothers and sisters, six children in all, for a division of the estate of his father, Thomas Rollins; endorsed by Moses Rollins and Sarah Emerson, two of the children.]

[Warrant, Jan. 1, 1806, authorizing Jeremiah Sanborn, Levi Towle, gentleman, and Samuel Haley, yeoman, all of Epping, to appraise the income of the widow's dower for the last ten years; returned at \$13 per year Jan. 17, 1806, and signed by Samuel Haley and Jeremiah Sanborn.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, \$266; expenditures, \$220.07; allowed Jan. 17, 1806.]

JOSHUA JENNESS

1768

HAMPTON

[Bond of Job Jenness, husbandman, with Richard Jenness, 3d, as surety, both of Rye, in the sum of £500, May 27, 1768, for the guardianship of Hezekiah Jenness, minor, aged more than 14 years, son of Joshua Jenness of Hampton; witnesses, Samuel Parker, Joseph Moulton.]

ROBERT CAMPBELL

1768

HALIFAX, N. S.

[Bond of Andrew Campbell of Boston, Mass., trader, with James Moores of Raymond, yeoman, and James Dwyer of Portsmouth, innholder, as sureties, in the sum of £500, June 16, 1768, for the administration of the estate of Robert Campbell of Halifax, N. S., trader; witnesses, William Parker, Joseph Moulton.]

[Citation to Andrew Campbell, Sept. 1, 1768, to appear and show cause why administration should not be granted to the widow, Jane Campbell, who claims it, alledging that "the representation made by you was a Mistake & the Administration Obtaind in Consequence thereof is fraudulent."]

[Warrant, Sept. 26, 1768, authorizing James Adams, yeoman, James McGregore, and Robert Wallace, gentlemen, all of Londonderry, to receive claims against the estate.]

[List of claims; amount, £235. 11. 0; signed by James Adams, James McGregore, and Robert Wallace.]

WILLIAM HUMPHREY 1768

LONDONDERRY

[Administration on the estate of William Humphrey of Londonderry granted to John Humphrey of Londonderry, gentleman, June 29, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 146.]

[Bond of John Humphrey, gentleman, with Samuel Barr and David Montgomery, yeoman, as sureties, all of Londonderry, in the sum of £500, June 29, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witness, Joseph Moulton.]

[Inventory, Aug. 10, 1768; amount, £74. 6. 3; signed by Samuel Barr and James McGregore.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £57. 6. 3, personal estate; expenditures, £59. 13. 2; allowed March 27, 1771.]

JOHN WARD

1768

KENSINGTON

[Bond of Nathaniel Healey, gentleman, with Jeremiah Sanborn and John Blake, yeomen, as sureties, all of Kensington, in the sum of £500, July 4, 1768, for the guardianship of John Ward of Kensington, "a Person wanting of understanding & not Capable of taking care of himself & his Effects Goods & Estate"; witnesses, Joseph Moulton, Samuel Parker.]

SARAH HUNTRESS

1768

PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Sarah Huntress of Portsmouth, widow, granted to John Griffith, shopkeeper, and John Sherburne, both of Portsmouth, July 11, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 218.]

[Bond of John Griffith, shopkeeper, and John Sherburne, with John Parker, merchant, and Joshua Brackett, physician, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £500, July 11, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, none.]

[Inventory, July 12, 1768; amount, £325. 8. 3; signed by Thomas Peirce and John Marshall.]

THOMAS WYMAN

1768

PELHAM

[Administration on the estate of Thomas Wyman of Pelham granted to his widow, Ruth Wyman, July 18, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 146.]

[Bond of Ruth Wyman, widow, with Amos Gage and Daniel Gage, yeomen, as sureties, all of Pelham, in the sum of £100, April 18, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Samuel Livermore, Peter Green.]

[Warrant, April 18, 1768, authorizing Joseph Butler, gentleman, and Daniel Barker, husbandman, both of Pelham, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, April 26, 1768; amount, £95. 3. 1; signed by Joseph Butler and Daniel Barker.]

[Bond of Daniel Gage of Pelham, yeoman, with Amos Gage of Pelham, gentleman, and Joseph Wright of Salem as sureties, in the sum of £500, June 2, 1772, for the administration de bonis non of the estate; witnesses, Nathaniel Gage, Amos Gage, Jr., Joshua Fellows, Samuel Parker.]

SAMUEL EDGERLY

1768

BRENTWOOD

In the Name of God, Amen. I Samuel Edgerley of Brentwood in the Province of New Hampshire in New England Husbandman; being weak of Body * * *

Item I give Divise and Bequeath to my Beloved wife Abigail Edgerley the use and improvement of my place Buildings Stock and moveables in doors and out During her Natural Life —

Item I Give Devise and bequeath to my Son Joseph Edgerly his Heirs and assigns forever, after the Decease of my wife Abigail aforesd all my Lands and Buildings and all the Stock that my wife Shall leave at her Decease as also all my out Door moveables, he paying the following Legacies to his Brothers and Sisters

Item I Give to my Son Samuel Edgerley the Sum of Ten Shillings Lawful Money to be paid by my Executor in three months after the Decease of my Wife aforesd —

Item I Give to My Son John Edgerley Five Shillings to be paid by My Executer in Three Years after My Decease

Item I Give to my Son Thomas Edgerley Five Shillings to be paid by my Executor in one Year after the Decease of my wife aforesd —

Item I give to my Son Jonathan Edgerley Five Shillings to be paid by my Executar in two Years after the Decease of my wife afore said

Item I Give to my Son Benjamin Edgerley Five Shillings to be paid by my Executer in Two Years after the Decease of my wife

Item I Give to my Son David Edgerley Five Shillings to be paid by my Executor in three Years after the Decease of my wife afore sd —

Item I Give to my Daughter abigail Judkins Ten Shillings to be paid by my Executer in three Years after the Decease of my wife aforesd —

Item I Give to my Daughter Mary Kelley Ten Shillings to be paid by my Executor in Three Years after the Decease of my wife afore sd —

Item I Give to my Daughter Allice Kimbel Ten Shillings to be paid by my Executer in Three Years after y^e Decease of my wife aforesd. Moreover my will is that all y^e before mentioned Legacies be paid in Lawful money

Finally I do hereby Constitute Ordain and appoint my Trusty Son Joseph Edgerley to be Sole Executer to this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Wills and Testaments by me Made Ratifying and Confirming this to be My last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I Do here unto Set my hand and Seal this Nineteenth Day of July Anno Domini 1768 and in the Eighth Year of his Majestys Reign

his
Samuel × Edgerley
Mark

[Witnesses] Job Judkins, Eben Judkins, Nathanael Trask. [Proved April 26, 1769.]

[Inventory, July 6, 1769; amount, £56. 3. 0; signed by Samuel Dudley and Nicholas Smith.]

1768

ROCHESTER

[Order of court, July 25, 1768, appointing John Hayes of Rochester conservator of the estate of Mary Miller of Rochester, widow, "lately died Intestate leaving only one Child, a Daughter, a minor," until administration and guardianship may be granted.]

[Bond of William Scott of Rochester, yeoman, with James Knowles of Rochester, yeoman, and Samuel Brewster, gentleman, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Oct. 27, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witness, S. Hale.]

[Warrant, Oct. 26, 1768, authorizing James Knowles and Isaac Libby, both of Rochester, yeomen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, attested Nov. 30, 1768; amount, £570. 16. 4; signed by James Knowles and Isaac Libby.]

[Bond of Samuel Brewster of Barrington, gentleman, with James Knowles of Rochester, yeoman, and Ebenezer Thompson of Durham, physician, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Oct. 29, 1768, for the guardianship of Sarah Miller, minor, aged more than 14 years, daughter of Isaac Miller of Rochester, yeoman; witnesses, Christopher Toppan, Samuel Greeley, Jr.]

Know all men by these presents that We Alexander Welsh lately of Portsmo now of Rochester in the Province of Newhampshire mariner and Samuel Brewster of Barrington in said Province Gent: do hereby acknowledge to have received of William Scott of Rochester aforesaid who administered on the Estate of Mary Miller late of said Rochester deceased Relict of Isaac Miller late of said Rochester yeoman deceased all the money goods and estate which came to his hands and possession of either the said Isaac and the said Mary and in consideration thereof do hereby release acquit and discharge the said William his heirs Executors and Administrators of and from all demands and all Actions Suits Controversies and causes of Action whatso-

ever relating to the premises and acknowledge our full Satisfaction and Content with his Conduct and fidelity in the premises the said Alexander having married with Sarah the only Daughter Child and Heir of the said Isaac and of the s^d Mary and the said Samuel having been her Guardian and She being now living with her said Husband In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands & Seals the 30th Day of November Anno Domini 1769

Alexander Welsh Sam¹ Brewster

Signed Sealed & delivered in presence of W^m Parker Jn° Wentworth

[Probate Records, Vol. 26, p. 25.]

SAMUEL BURNHAM

1768

NOTTINGHAM

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Burnham of Nottingham, yeoman, granted to his widow, Elizabeth Burnham, Aug. 3, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 240.]

[Bond of Elizabeth Burnham of Nottingham, with Joseph Sias of Lee and Walter Bryent, Jr., of Newmarket as sureties, in the sum of £500, Aug. 3, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Samuel Parker, Joseph Moulton.]

[Inventory, Sept. 22, 1768; amount, £237. 11. 0; signed by Joseph Sias and Gideon Mathes.]

WILLIAM ELLIOT

1768

MASON

[Bond of Josiah Robbins, yeoman, with Thomas Tarbell, gentleman, and Isaac Holden, yeoman, as sureties, all of Number One, in the sum of £500, Aug. 24, 1768, for the administration of

the estate of William Elliot of Number One, husbandman; witnesses, John Hale, Samuel Hobart.]

[Inventory, Aug. 19, 1768; amount, £115. 10. 1½; signed by Isaac Holden, Reuben Barrett, and Thomas Tarbell.]

[Bond of Josiah Robbins, yeoman, with Thomas Tarbell and Obadiah Parker, gentlemen, as sureties, all of Mason, in the sum of £300, Oct. 20, 1768, for the guardianship of John Elliot, Josiah Elliot, Sarah Elliot, and Rebecca Elliot, aged less than 14 years, children of William Elliot of Mason; witnesses, Simon Gilson, Samuel Hobart.]

JOHN COFRAN

1768

PEMBROKE

In The Name of God Amen The Twenty Seventh Day of August in the year of our Lord 1768 I John Coffran of Pembrook in the Province of New Hampshire in New England mill Rite being Very Sick and weak in Body * * *

Item I Give and Bequeath to margret my Dearly beloved wife one Bed and beding Convenant for the Same with her waring Appariel with the Benifit of one third of my Raiel Estate her Life time and the Benifet of one Cow Kept for her winter and sumer, and the Privilidge of a Bond Pable by James Coffran & Robert Coffran Exepting one horse and one Cow it is my will and Plesure that as said Bond is to be Redused one third after my Decese that Said horse and Cow Shall be Part of that third which is to be Redused and further it is my will that each and every of Said Artecals Shall be Returned to my Executor at her Decease to be Devided Between my four Children Namly marget anne Thomas and John

Item I Give to my well Beloved Son Thomas Coffran whom I Like wise Constitute make and ordain to be my only and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament to wit the three Grass Islands Lying in the mouth of Suncook River and my tenont Saw.

Item I Give to my well Beloved Son John Coffran Six acres of Land Joyning on his Land to be taken of on the Northerly side of my Land Each End is to be of Equiel weedth to Compleat the Said Six acres of Land and also my Cart Boxes and hoops which are Now at Liberty —

Item I give to my well Beloved Son William Coffran one anvel or Stid so Called —

Item I give to my Well Beloved Son James Coffran one Bible or five Shillings Lawfull money —

Item I Give to my well Beloved Son Robert Coffran one Bible or five Shilings Lawfull money —

Item I Give to my well Beloved Son Jacob Coffran one Bible or five Shillings Lawfull money —

Item I Give to my well Beloved Daughter margret five Pounds to be Paid in money or goods or Chatels out of my Estate

Item I Give to my well Beloved Daughter Anne five Pounds to be Paid in money or goods or Chatels out of my Estate

Item I give to my Grand Son John Gault Two Pounds ten Shillings which I order my Executor to Keep at Intriest till he arives to the age of twenty one years and then to be Paid to him Prinsebel and Intrest—

Item I give to my grandson John moor Two Pounds ten Shillings which I order my Executor to Keep at Intriest till he arives to the age of twenty one years and to be Paid to him Prinsebel and Intriest —

and further I order that after my funeral Charges and all Debts and Legeses is Paid out of my Estate then all that Remains that Belongs to my Said Estate Either Raiel or Personal that is Not Disposed of by me Shall be Sold by my Executor and the money Equily Devided Between my four Eldest Children to wit Thomas and John marget and Anne and further it is my will and Plesure that if my Son Thomas Coffran Deseseth Childless that I will and Bequeeth to my Grandson Thomas moor the Three Grass Islands Before mentioned —

John Coffrin

[Witnesses] Benjamin Norris, William Marten, Edward Green. [Proved Nov. 30, 1768.]

[Inventory, Feb. 18, 1769; amount, £109. 13. 7; signed by Benjamin Norris and Stephen Swett.]

SIMON BRANSCOMB 1768

NEWCASTLE

[Administration on the estate of Simon Branscomb of Newcastle, mariner, granted to his widow, Elizabeth Branscomb, Aug. 31, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 238.]

[Bond of Elizabeth Branscomb of Newcastle, widow, with Thomas Bell of Newcastle and Jacob Sheafe of Portsmouth as sureties, in the sum of £1000, Aug. 31, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, William Parker, Samuel Hale.]

[Inventory, filed Nov. 30, 1768; amount, £485. 2. 1; not signed.]

[Bond of Henry Sheafe Branscomb of Newcastle, joiner, with Isaac Morton of Portsmouth, baker, and Levi Chapman of Newmarket, trader, as sureties, in the sum of £1000, May 28, 1794, for the administration de bonis non of the estate; witnesses, Nathaniel A. Parker, William Parker.]

[Inventory, Aug. 21, 1794; amount, £150. 6. 0; signed by Henry Prescott, William Vennard, and John Tarleton.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, $34.33\frac{1}{3}$; expenditures, $61.4\frac{1}{3}$; allowed June 17, 1795.]

[Petition of the administrator, June 17, 1795, for license to sell real estate.]

JOHN ASKINS

1768

WINCHESTER

[Bond of Hilkiah Grout, gentleman, with Elijah Alexander and Henry Bond, both of Winchester, yeomen, as sureties, in the sum of £200, Sept. 6, 1768, for the administration of the estate of John Askins of Winchester; witnesses, Ebenezer Alexander, Paul Richardson.]

[Inventory, attested Dec. 29, 1768; amount, £109. 14. 4; signed by Ebenezer Alexander and Philip Goss.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 344.]

WILLIAM SAWYER

1768

NEWBURY, MASS.

[Bond of Moses Kelly, yeoman, with John Knight, housewright, and James Merrill, husbandman, as sureties, all of Atkinson, in the sum of £500, Sept. 8, 1768, for the guardianship of William Sawyer, minor, aged more than 14 years, son of William Sawyer of Newbury, Mass., yeoman, deceased; witnesses, William Parker, Jr., George Libby.]

JOHN POLLARD

1768

PLAISTOW

Thee Last Will & testament of John Pollard of Plastow In the Province of New hampshier in Newengland yeoman being weack of body * * *

Item I Give to Mary my wife the improvement of all my Estate Reall & Personall for So long a time as She shall Continue my widow Reserveing onely my weareing apparill which I Give to my two Sons

Item I allso Give to my two Sons Francis & Berten all my Reall Estate to be Equally Divided betwixt them & they Paying their three Sisters twenty fore pounds in money or in Goods at money Price or in other Good Pay at money Price their mother haveing the improvement as afore s^d they Paying their Sisters in maner & form following —

Item my will is that my son Francis Pay to his Sister Mary forty shillings at the ind of one year after he shall Come in ye possession of his Part of my Estate and forty shillings more at ye ind of three years after he shall Come in Possession afore s^d—to be Paid in Such Pay as afore s^d

Item my will is that my said son Francis Pay to his sister Elizabeth fore Pounds money or Good Pay at money Price as afore s^d forty shillings to be Paide in one year after he shall Come in possession as afore s^d — & forty Shillings more in two years after the first Payment —

Item: my will is that my s^d son Francis Pay to his sister Sarah fore Pounds in money or in Good Pay at money Price the one half to be Paide in one year after he shall Come in Possession of his Part of my Estate as afores^d & y^e other half to be Paide in two years after the first Payment —

Item my Will is that my Son berten Pay to his Sister mary fore Pounds money or in Good Pay at money Price the one half to be Paide in one year after he shall Come in the Possession of his Part of my Estate & the other half to be Paide her in two years after ye first Payment: my will is yt my sd Son Berten Pay to his Sister Elezabeth fore Pound money or in Good Pay at money price the one half to be Paide in one year after he shall Come in the Possession of his Part of my Estate & the other half to be Paide in two years after the first Payment or times set for sd Payment my will is that my sd Son Berten Pay to his Sister Sarah fore Pound in money or in Good Pay at money Price the one half to be Paide her in one year after he Shall Come in the Possession of his Part of my Estate & the other half to be Paide her in two years after ye time set for the first Payment —

Item I Give Likewise to my three Daughters fore s^d all my household Goods to be Equally Divided betwixt y^m their mother to have the improvement as afores^d—

Item all the Remainder of my Estate not yet Disposed of Reall or Personall I Give to my two Son Francis & berten Equally to be Divided —

I Likewise Constitute & appoint mary my beloved wife to be Sole Executrix to this my Last Will & testament —

In Wittness Whereof I the S^d John Pollerd have here unto set my hand & seal this 23: day of September A: D: 1768

mark
John × Pollerd
hand

[Witnesses] Moses Bartlet, Daniel Bartlet, Nicolas White. [Proved Oct. 26, 1768.]

[Warrant, Oct. 26, 1768, authorizing Moses Stevens and Joseph Welch, both of Plaistow, yeomen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, attested Feb. 1, 1769; amount, £144. 14. 1; signed by Moses Stevens and Joseph Welch.]

RICHARD BERRY 1768 PEPPERELBOROUGH, ME.

[Administration on the estate of Richard Berry of Pepperelborough, Me., yeoman, granted to Abigail Berry Sept. 28, 1768.] [Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 264.]

[Bond of Abigail Berry, widow, with Francis Berry and James Berry, both of Greenland, yeomen, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Oct. 7, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, William Parker, John Wentworth.]

[Inventory, Oct. 11, 1768; land in Greenland, £33. 9. 0; signed by Simeon Dearborn and John Haines.]

[Warrant, Oct. 14, 1768, authorizing Simeon Dearborn, John Haines, yeomen, and John Pickering, gentleman, all of Greenland, to set off the widow's dower.]

Province of \ Agreable to a Warrant from the Honble John New Hampsh^r Wentworth Esq^r Judge of the Probate of Wills for said province &c to us the subscribers directed, dated Oct^{br} 14th 1768 We have set of to Abigail Berry widdow of Richd Berry late of Pepperell Borough in the County of York & Province of the Massachusetts Bay Deceas'd for her Right of Dower in the Real Estate of said Decsd four acres of Land Lying in Greenland in the Province of New Hamps^r and have bounded it in the following manner, viz. Begining at a stake & stone by the Country Road the west end of the House where James Berry deceas'd latly Dwelt & Joseph Berry now dwells, said stake & stone being the southweserly Corner of a Lott of Land that was set of to James Berry son to the said James Deceas'd for his part of his fathers Real Estate & Runs from thence by the Road southwestwardly twenty two Rods and three feet & from thence south sixty Degrees East twenty Eight Rods & Six feet to a stake & stone, thence north fifty four Degrees East twenty two Rods & three feet to a stake & stone & from thence north sixty Degrees west to the first mentioned Bounds together with that part of said House that was set of to the said Richa with the orchard & all previledges contained within the limets of the above said Bounds —

Given under our hands the 26th day of Octbr 1768
Simeon Dearborn
John Haines

NATHAN LONG

1768

CHESTER

[Administration on the estate of Nathan Long of Chester, yeoman, granted to Naomi Long Sept. 28, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 264.]

[Bond of Naomi Long, widow, with Nathan Webster, yeoman, and Amos Emerson, tailor, as sureties, all of Chester, in the sum

of £200, Sept. 28, 1768, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, John Pickering, Joseph Moulton.]

[Warrant, Sept. 28, 1768, authorizing Samuel Emerson and Benjamin Hills, yeoman, both of Chester, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Nov. 8, 1768; amount, £228. 18. 6; signed by Samuel Emerson and Benjamin Hills.]

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £126. 18. 6, personal estate; expenditures, £16. 11. 0; allowed Sept. 27, 1769.]

[Warrant, April 29, 1772, authorizing John Webster, John Underhill, gentleman, John Roby, Nathan Webster, yeoman, all of Chester, and Jonathan Swain of Raymond, yeoman, to divide the real estate.]

Province of We the Subscribers being appointed a Com-New Hamps^r mittee by the Honole John wentworth Esq. Rockingham ss Judge of the Probats of wills and for Said County To Divide the Real Estate of nathan Long late of Chester in said County Yeoman Desesed in manner following viz: to Naomi Long Relict of Said Decesed one full third part thereof During her natural life and the Remaining two thirds to be Divided among the Children of Said Decesed to them their heirs and assigns forever alowing the Eldest Son a Duble Share and to the other three Children a Single Share and accordingly we have Don it in the following manner: namley to the Said Naomi Long widow of the said Decesed we have Set off fourteen acres of Land more or less where the said Long Lived at the time of his Decease and is bounded as follows Southerly on a high way Easterly on Land of Janes willson northerly Partly on a madow of Benja Hills and Partly on the chanel of the north brook so called and westerly on land of said Benia Hills also the one third Part of the Dwelling house on said primeses namely the Easterly End Rom from the top to the botom of the Seller: also the one third Part of the barn at the northerly End: alowing the heirs to Pass and Repass from the house and barn which is hereafter mentoned

We have set off to Benja Long Eldest Son of the said Decesd for his Dubel share in the said two thirds Severiel Pieces of Land Situate in the township of Chester aforesaid: and are bounded as follows one Piece Contains about Six acres more or less Begining at the north westerly Corner of a twenty acre hom lott Called no 111: and Runing Southesterly upon the Road that Leeds to Sandown meeting house twelve Rods and one half Rod to a stake and stons and from thence on a straight Line to a Small Beach tree and a Pile of Stons bounding southerly on land of the widow Akins and westerly on land of James willson to the bounds first mentoned also two acres of madow ground it being the one half of a four acre lott Laid out to the orinal Right of Capt Joseph Tilton no teen as may apper by said Chester Proprietors Records: also the one Quarter Part of an Eighty acre lott no 114 Laying in the Parish of Candia in Said township of Chester it being all that Piece of Land that the said Decesd Purchesed of moses Hills be the same more or less also the one Quarter Part of a hundred acre lott Situate in the Parish of Raymond in said town ship no 132: it being all that tract of Land the said Decesd Purchased of Benja Hills be the same more or less also two fifths of the westerly end of the Dwelling house and two fifths of the two third of the barn at the Southerly End and a Privelidge to Pass and Repass to the Same —

we have Set off to Joseph Long one of Said heirs for his Part or share in said two thirds, two Pieces of Land situate in said Chester: firstly we have set off four acres more or less and is bounded as follows: northerly it binds on a high way leeding from Chester to Sandown meeting house: and westerly it binds on land set off to his brother Benja Long and southerly on land of the widow Akins Easterly Partly on land of william Crafords and Partly on land of nathan webster: it being Part of the hom lott called no III also four acres more be the same more or less it being the mendment lott so called bounded westerly on a high way southerly on Ensin Enoch Colbys Land, Easterly on Kingstown Line northerly on Land of Daniel Richerson: also the one fifth

Part of the Dwelling house of the westerly end and one fifth of the two thirds of the barn at the south end and a Privelidge to Pass and Repass to the same —

we have set off to Sarah Long one of Said Heirs for her share in the two thirds a Certain Piece of land it being Part of the hom plase of the said Deces^d and Contains Seven acres more or less and is bounded northerly on a high way Eleven Rods to a stake and stons and from thence on a straight line to a stake and stons in the fence of Benj^a Hills madow: from thence Runing Easterly binding on said madow to Land of James willson from thence Runing northerly binding on Said willsons land to the high way before mentoned, also the one fifth Part of the two thirds of the Dwelling house at the westerly End and the one fifth Part of the two thirds of the barn at the southerly End and a Privelidge to Pass and Repass from the Same —

we have Set off to nathan Long one of the Said heirs for his Share in the Said two thirds Seven acres of Land be the same more or less it being the northerly Part of the Said hom place bounded northerly on a high way Eleven Rods in width westerly on land of Benja Hills Southerly on the Chanel of the north brook Called and Partly on said Benja Hills madow and Easterly on the seven acres Sett off to the said Sarah Long also the one fifth Part of the two thirds of the Dwelling house at the westerly End and one fifth Part of the two thirds of the barn at the southerly end and a Privelidge to Pass and Repass to the same this we make our Retorne as witness our hands this 22d Day of may 1772—

Jona Swain John Robie Nathan Webster

HENRY APPLETON

1768

PORTSMOUTH

[Administration of the estate of Henry Appleton granted to Sarah Appleton Sept. 28, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 265.]

[Bond of Sarah Appleton, widow, with Samuel Haven, clerk, and Peter Pearse merchant, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £500, Sept. 14, 1768, for the administration of the estate of Henry Appleton of Portsmouth, merchant; witnesses, Nathaniel Treadwell, John Adams.]

[Warrant, Sept. 14, 1768, authorizing Samuel Penhallow and Nathaniel Treadwell, shopkeeper, both of Portsmouth, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Sept. 15, 1768; amount, £261. 12. 61/4; signed by Samuel Penhallow and Nathaniel Treadwell.]

[List of claims against the estate, Nov. 29, 1769; amount, £689. 11. 5¾; signed by Samuel Penhallow and Peter Pearse.]

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £188. 9. $9\frac{1}{4}$; expenditures, £41. 12. 9; allowed Jan. 10, 1770.]

[Settlement of claims; amount of claims, £689. II. $5\frac{3}{4}$; amount distributed, £146. I7. 0; allowed Feb. 26, 1770.]

JEREMIAH GRIDLEY 1768

BOSTON, MASS.

[Administration on the estate of Jeremiah Gridley granted to Richard Gridley Sept. 28, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 265.]

[Bond of Richard Gridley of Boston, Mass., with Daniel Peirce and Ammi Ruhamah Cutter, physician, both of Portsmouth, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Sept. 19, 1768, for the administration of the estate of Jeremiah Gridley of Boston, Mass.; witness, Samuel Hale.]

ROBERT McKEAN

1768

AMHERST

[Administration on the estate of Robert McKean granted to Hugh Ramsey Sept. 28, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 265.]

[Bond of Hugh Ramsey of Merrimack, husbandman, with James Ramsey of Londonderry, yeoman, and William Mitchell of Monadnock Number 2, cordwainer, as sureties, in the sum of £200, Sept. 7, 1768, for the administration of the estate of Robert McKean of Amherst, yeoman; witnesses, none.]

[Warrant, Sept. 7, 1768, authorizing James Underwood of Litchfield and Benjamin Vickery of Merrimack, gentleman, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, attested April 3, 1769, amount, £10. o. o; signed by James Underwood and Benjamin Vickery.]

JAMES NORRIS

1768

EPPING

In The Name of God Amen the twelveth Day of october Anno Domini 1768; I, James Norris of Eppin in the Province of New Hampshire Gentleman being week in Body * * *

Imprimis I give & Bequeath to my Son Josiah Norris his Heirs and Assigns for ever the whole of that tract of Land Lying the North Side of Lampereal River in Eppin that I am now the owner of, being the same tract of Land where the said Josiah now Lives and the Said Josiah Norris is to Pay to my Daughter mary Prescut fifty Shillings Lawful money in twelve months after my Deceas, and the Said Josiah Norris is to Pay to my Daughter Eleadia Drake fifteen Pounds Lawful money within twelve months after my Deceas and the said Josiah Norris is to Pay to my Daughter anna Norris ten Pounds Lawful money within Eighteen months after my Deceas and I Likewise order the Said Josiah Norris to Pay to my Daughter Sarah Smart fifty shillings Like money in twelve months after my Deceas —

It^m I give and bequeath to my Son Jeremiah Norris all that tract of Land where he now Lives Containing thirty acres more or Less — being Laid out to the original Right of John Sinclear

Itm I give and bequeath to my Son James Norris his Heirs and Assigns for ever one half Part of my home Stead where I now Lives Containing Sixty acres More or Less and to be Devided according to Quantity and Quality together with one half Part of my Buildings Standing thereon and also one half Part of that tract of Land Lying between Samuel Norris Land and William Graves Land Containing forty acres more or Less being one half of that tract of Land I Bought of Coll: Peter Gilman and also one fourth Part of all my Imployments of Husbandtery and also one Sixth Part of my Right in a Sawmill known by the Name of Norrises mill in Eppin and the Said James Norris is to Pay to my Daughter anna Seventeen Pounds ten Shillings Lawful money in twelve months after my Deceas—

It^m I give and bequeah to my two Sons Daniel Norris and Simeon Norris and to their Heirs and Assigns for ever all that Lot of Land Lying in Ramond being the Same Lot that the said Daniel Norris now Lives on and also all the Land I now am the owner of Lying in Nottingham and also all my Right in a Saw mill in Said Nottingham both Lands and mill to be Devided equeally between them according to Quantity and Quality and also one third Part of my Saw mill in Eppin and the Said Daniel Norris and Simeon Norris is to Pay to my Daughter anna Norris fifty Shillings Like money in twelve months after my Deceas and Likewise to Pay to my Daughter Sarah Smart twenty five shillings Like money in twelve months after my Deceas and also to Pay to my Daughter Elizabeth Norris twenty five Shilling Lawful money in twelve months after my Deceas—

It^m I give and bequeath to my Son Eliphelit Norris his heirs & Assigns for ever one half Part of my home Place where I now Lives, Containing Sixty acres more or Less together with one half of my Building Standing on the same and also one half of that forty acres of Land be the same more or Less Lying between

Samuel Norris Land and William graves Land both Lands and Buildings to be Devided according to Quantity and Quality and Likewise one Sixth Part of my Saw mill Standing in Eppin —

It^m I give unto my Daughter mary Prescut fifty Shillings Lawful money and to be Paid by my son Josiah Norris in twelve after my Deceas as is before described

It^m I give unto my Daughter Eleadia Drake fifteen Pounds Lawful money to be Paid by my Son Josiah Norris in twelve months after my Deceas as is before described

It^m I give unto my Daughter anna Norris thirty Pounds Lawful money and to be Paid as is before described —

It^m I give unto my Daughter Sarah Smart three Pounds fifteen Shillings Lawful money and to be Paid as is before Described —

It^m I give unto my Daughter Elizabeth Norris twenty five shillings Lawful money and to be Paid as is before Described —

And as to my house hold goods I give and bequeath to my five Daughters to be Devided equeally between them And as to my Personal Estate which remains undesposed of I order my Executor to Pay my Debts and my funeral Charges and if any Remains afterwards to be equeally Devided between my Six Sons

Lastly I do Constetute and apoint my Son Josiah Norris to be my Executor * * * James Norris

[Witnesses] Jonathan Rundlet, David Lawrence, Abraham Perkins.

[Proved Dec. 28; 1768.]

[Inventory, attested March 22, 1769; amount, £1413. 1. 10; signed by David Lawrence and Jonathan Rundlett.]

Province of \ Persuant to a warrant to us Directed from the New Hamp^r \ Honerable John Wentworth Esq^r Judge of the Probate of wills &c —

We the Subscribers being appointed a Committee to Set off to Alice Norris widow of James Norris Late of Epping in the Province aforesaid Gentleman Deces^d Testate all the right of Dower and Power of thirds that happens unto her of the Real Estate of the Said James and of which he Died Seized which we have Done in the following manner viz:—

we have Set off to the Said widow about fourteen acres of Land in the Homsteed as follows begining on the North Side of the High-way by James Rundlets Land Thence Runing Easterly on Said way thirty Seven and half rod Thence North five Rods, to one rod west of the old Dwelling House, Thence North twenty three Degrees East twenty two Rods Thence East four rods to Jonathan Rundlets Land Thence North thirteen Degrees west fifty rods to Lampereal River, thence westerly by Said River ten Rods to James Rundlets Land Thence South twenty one Degrees west by Said Rundlets Land to the Said High way, with the New Dwelling house Standing thereon also one third Part of the barn on the Homesteed being Ninteen feet of the Northerly End thereof with Liberty to Pass and repass to Said barn from the High-way with Liberty of Passing to and from the well at Said Homsteed —

also we Have Set off to Said widow about Sixteen acres of Land in Said Epping on the westerly Side of william Graves Land on the South Side of a high-way Thence Runing westerly on Said way Sixteen rods & half rod Then Carrying the wedth of Sixteen rods & half to the Southerly End of Said Lott also Set off to Said widow twelve acres of Land in Said Epping of that Land that was Given by Said Deces^d to his Son Jeremiah Norris begining on the Northerly Side of a high way by James Norris Land Thence Runing Easterly by Said Highway Twelve rods and half rod Then Carying that wedth of twelve rods and half rod to the Northerly End of Said Lott to Land of the heirs of Samuel Norris Deces^d—

also Set of to the Said widow about thirty five acres of Land in the Parish of Raymond in a hundred acre Lott that was Given by Said Deces^d to his Sons Daniel and Simeon it being Twenty five rods in wedth in the Southwesterly Side of Said Lott Carry-

ing Said wedth the whole Length of Said Lott also Set off to said widow one Ninth Part of the Priviledge of a Sawmill and Dam in Said Epping known by the Name of Ptuckaway — and one twelfe Part of the Priviledge of a mill and Dam in Notingham known by the Name of Norris's mill also one third Part of the Pew in the Meeting house that belonged to the Said Deces^d in Said Epping at the west End thereof may 28th 1770 —

Joseph Sias
Jona Gilman
John Dudley
Simon Dearborn
Elipt Giddinges

Committee

[Account of the executor; receipts, £198. 8. 7¾, personal estate; expenditures the same; allowed June 27, 1770.]

[Additional account; receipts, £69. II. IO; expenditures, £170. I2. $3\frac{3}{4}$; allowed March 28, I771.]

[Additional account of expenditures of £118. 14. 4¾; allowed June 11, 1771.]

[Additional account of expenditures of £139. 13. $3\frac{3}{4}$; allowed Aug. 28, 1771.]

[Additional account of expenditures of £280. 10. $0\frac{3}{4}$; allowed May 27, 1772.]

[Additional account; receipts, £64. 19. 2; expenditures, £209. 18. 0; mentions amounts paid to legatees, Thomas and Lydia Drake, Robert and Sarah Smart, Ephraim and Anna Drake; allowed May 18, 1785.]

[Bond of James Norris of Epping, with Josiah Chandler of Epping, gentleman, and Ephraim Robinson of Exeter, trader, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Feb. 28, 1770, for the guardianship of Eliphalet Norris, aged less than 14 years, son of James Norris; witnesses, John Pickering, John Wentworth.]

[Bond of Capt. James Norris of Epping, with Theodore Carleton of Exeter and Daniel Gordon of Epping, gentlemen, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Aug. 3, 1773, for the guardianship of Eliphalet Norris, minor, aged more than 14 years; witnesses, John Dearborn, Joseph Towle.]

JOHN DEAN

1768

EXETER

[Bond of Abigail Dean, widow, with James Thurston, blacksmith, and Benjamin Boardman, saddler, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Oct. 26, 1768, for the administration of the estate of John Dean of Exeter; witnesses, Theophilus Smith, Benjamin Woodbridge Dean.]

[Inventory, March 20, 1769; amount, £788. 15. 2; signed by Josiah Gilman and Nicholas Gilman.]

[Warrant, Oct. 19, 1772, authorizing Josiah Gilman, Nicholas Gilman, both of Exeter, Jeremiah Lane of Hampton Falls, yeoman, Thomas Odiorne, merchant, Peter Coffin, shopkeeper, and Trueworthy Gilman, gentleman, all of Exeter, to divide the real estate.]

Rockingham ss Pursuant to an Order from the Honble John Wentworth Esq^r Judge of the Probate of Wills &c for Said County, to us the Subscribers Authorizing us to Divide the Real Estate of John Dean Late of Exeter in the County aforesaid Hatter Deceased Intestate to and among the widow & children of said Intestate; accordingly We have done as follow —

First We have Set off to Abigail Dean the widow of Said Intestate for her third part of said Estate a Part of the home place where the Said Intestate lived Containing two Acres and about six Rods Bounded as follows viz Begining at a knotch Cut in the bord fence by the new lane (So Calld) which Runs by the Easterly side of said home place which knotch is fifteen

rods Northerly from the Southeasterly Corner of said home place by the main Road, And from said knotch Westerly by a share or house Lott set to Abigail hereafter Named such a Course as would strike the Westerly Side fence Sixteen Rods from the main Road aforesaid to Extend on Said Course Seven Rods and a half to a stake which Stands behind the house about square with the middle of the Chimney, from thence southerly strait to the middle of Said chimney by Said Abigails about Eleven Rods and half to a stake behind the house about a Rod and a half from the house, which is the Northwesterly Corner bound of the house lott sett to John hereafter named, from thence westerly by the Northerly Edge of the well about three Rods and a half to a stake which stands four Rods Northerly from the said main Road and Eight Rods Easterly from the Westerly Side fence before mentioned which stake is the Northwesterly Corner Bound of the house Lott set off for the share of Deborah Deceased hereafter mentioned from thence Northerly by a share or house Lott set to Thomas hereafter Named about Eight Rods to a stake which is the Northeasterly Corner Bound of the said Thomas's house Lott, from thence Westerly by the Northerly End of the said Thomas and also of a share or house Lott set to Clark hereafter named Eight Rods to the afore Named Westerly Side fence to a knotch cut in said fence which is twelve Rods from the afore said main Road, from thence as the fence goes Northerly & Easterly Round said home place to the new lane before Mentioned & Southerly by said New lane to the knotch in the fence first mentioned which piece of Land is mark'd in the Plan hereto Annexed with the Letter F — We have also Set to the said Widow for a part of her thirds of said Estate a piece or Parcel of Land Lying in Exeter aforesaid Call'd the Land at the great Neck Containing Seventeen Acres & one hundred and thirty Nine Rods viz the whole of said piece of Land which is mark'd in the aforesaid Plan with the Letter H. — We have also set to the said widow for part of her thirds of Said Estate the southerly part of the Wharf Lot So Call'd

Lying in Newmarket in said County at the New field Landing (So Call'd) viz three Rods wide at the Easterly End by the water side upon the Said Wharf to a knotch Cut in the Cap Cill of said Wharf and to Extend Westerly up to the fence which is twelve Rods and a half carrying the wedth of three Rods as aforesaid with the liberty of a way to pass and Repass to and from said three Rod strip as there shall be Occasion at the Westerly End of said Wharf Lott which piece is mark'd in the aforesaid Plan with the Letter O.

Secondly We have Set off to the Said Widow Abigail Dean for the Part of Deborah one of the Chilldren of the said Intestate who Died since he Died The Westerly half of the Dwelling house of the said Intestate where he lived with the Land about the same together with the shops standing thereon at the Westerly End of said house Bounded as follows (viz.) Begining at the highway before the house Even with the middle of the Chimney and fore Door of said house, from thence Runing Westerly by said highway four Rods lacking three Links of a Gunters Chain to a Knotch in the fence: from thence Northerly parrallel with the Westerly Side fence of said home place by the share or house Lott set to Thomas afore said four Rods to a stake; from thence Easterly parrellel with the aforesaid highway by the Northerly Edge of the well Including said well to a stake behind the house Even with the Middle of the Chimney aforesaid as at the fore Side of said house and from thence Runing thro' the Middle of the house the middle of the Chimney and the middle of the foredoor to the highway to the place first mentioned which piece Including Said Westerly End of the house and shops is mark'd in said Plan with the Letter B. together with the Southerly half of the Cellar which is under the East End of said house and the Priviledge of the Cellar way which passeth out from said Westerly End Room into Said Cellar, together with an Equel priviledge of the Improvement of the Chamber and garret stairs with the Easterly half of the house which is set to John after Named.

Thirdly We have set off to Ward Clerk Dean Eldest son to said Intestate for his Double share of the two thirds of the said Estate one house Lott in the home place viz the Westerly house Lot next to the meeting house Containing about Forty Eight Rods, Bounded as follows viz Begining at the southwesterly Corner of Said home place and Runing Northerly with the westerly side fence twelve Rods to a knotch in said fence from thence Easterly about Parrellel with said highway four Rods to a stake, from thence southerly Carrying the wedth of four Rods to the said highway to a knotch in the fence and from thence Westerly by said way four Rods to the Corner first mentioned: mark'd in the Plan with the Letter D. other piece of Land Lying in Exeter aforesaid below the River, Call'd the Land by Capt Leavitts Containing Ten Acres (viz) the whole of said piece of Land Mark'd in the Plan with the Letter G. Also an Other piece of Land Lying in Exeter at the place Call'd the Oak Land Containing Nine acres and Sixty Rods Bounded as follows (viz) Begining at the middle of the brook where it Crosses the Cart path in the way which passes thro' said Land near Haleys fence which is fourteen Rods and a half Northeasterly from the Southerly Corner of the Land of Said Estate of the Intestate, which fourteen Rods and a half is the wedth of a share of Six Acres Set to Abigail after Named and from said brook Northeasterly by the said Haleys fence Twenty five Rods and a quarter to a stake by Said fence and from said fence to Extend Northwest carrying that same wedth (which is about Twenty four Rods and a half square a Cross) to the Northwest End of Said Land of the Intestate leaving the aforesaid Six Acres on the Southwest side of Equel wedth from End to end which piece of Land is mark'd in the Plan as aforesaid with the Letter K. And also one guarter and one sixteenth part of a Right of Land in the Town ship of Gilman Town viz the one half of the Land which the said Intestate own'd in Said Gilman Town

Fourthly We have set off to John Dean son of the said Intes-

tate for his share in sd Estate the Easterly half of the Dwelling house where he lived with the Land about the same which is Bounded as follows (viz) Begining at the highway before the house even with the middle of the Chimney and fore door of said house from thence Runing Easterly by said highway five Rods and one third of a Rod to the Southeasterly Corner of Said home place; from thence Northerly by the New Lane (so Call'd) four Rods to a knotch in the fence, from thence Westerly parrellel with the aforesaid highway to a stake behind the house even with the Middle of the Chimney aforesaid, as at the fore side of Said house; and from thence Runing through the Middle of the house the Middle of the Chimney & the Middle of the fore door to the highway to the place first mentioned: which piece of Land Including the said Easterly End of the house Contains about Twenty one Rods and is mark'd in the Plan with the Letter A. Said John to have the whole Easterly half of Said house from Top to bottom Excepting the southerly half of the Cellar Set to the widow in the share of Deborah Deceased as aforesaid and the said John is to Enjoy an Equel priviledge of the Improvement of the Chamber and Garret stairs with the Other End of the house which is set to the share of the Said Deborah and the said John is to Enjoy the priviledge of the use and Improvement of the well belonging to the house as there shall be Occasion

Fifthly We have Set off to Abigail Dean Daughter of the said Intestate for her share one house Lott in the home place fronting the New lane aforesaid Containing about Seventy five Rods Bounded as follows (viz) beginning at a knotch in the fence by the said New lane four Rods Northerly from the Southeasterly Corner of Said homeplace from thence Westerly by the share of John aforesaid to a stake behind the house even with the Chimney of said house from thence Northerly by Land of the widows thirds aforesaid about Eleven Rods and a half to a stake seven Rods and a half Westerly from the said New lane fence; from thence Easterly the said seven Rods and a half by

the said widows thirds to a knotch in said fence; and from thence southerly by said new lane Eleven Rods to the knotch in the fence first mentioned together with the Barn standing thereon which is mark'd in the Plan with the Letter E. Also a piece of Land Lying in Exeter at the place Call'd the Oak Land Containing six Acres Lying on the southwesterly side of said Oak Land being fourteen Rods and a half wide at the southeasterly End by Haleys fence as said fence Runs which Extends to the middle of the brook in the Cart Path which is the boundary of a share set to Clerk aforesaid and to Extend Northwest Carrying the same wedth the whole length of Said Land which Six Acres is mark'd in the Plan with ye Letter L. Also a wharf Lot Lying in New Market aforesaid (viz) one quarter of said wharf belonging to said Estate Bounded as follows viz begining at a knotch cut in the cap cill of said wharf three Rods from the Northeasterly Corner of said wharf from thence southerly on said wharf three Rods and to Extend Westerly on the Northerly side of a share set to Benjamin after named carrying said three Rods wedth thro' to the Drift way on the westerly End of said wharf Lot which is mark'd in the Plan with the letter N.

Sixthly We have set off to Thomas Dean son of the said Intestate for his share, a house lott in the home place aforesaid Containing about Forty Eight Rods being the second house lott from the West fronting the main Road Bounded as follows viz beginning at a knotch in the fence by Said Road four Rods Easterly from the Southwesterly corner of said home place from thence Easterly by said Road four Rods to a knotch in the fence near the shop and to Extend Northerly Carrying the whole wedth of four Rods on the Easterly side of a house Lott set to Clerk aforesaid the whole length of said Clerk's which is about twelve Rods to stakes at Each Corner of the Northerly End and is mark'd in the Plan with the Letter C. Also a piece of Land Lying in Exeter at the place Call'd the Oak Land Containing Nine Acres and Sixty Rods viz the Northeasterly side of said Oak Land from End to end bounded south

westerly on a share set to Clerk aforesaid being about twenty six Rods wide to a stake by Haleys fence and carrying the same wedth through mark'd in the plan Afore Said with the Letter I. and Also One quarter and one Sixteenth part of a Right of Land in the Township of Gilman town viz the one half of the Land which the said Intestate own'd in said Gilman Town.

Seventhly We have Set off to Nathaniel Dean Son of the said Intestate for his share a Piece or Parcel of Land situate for a house Lot Lying and being in New Market aforesaid near the Newfield Landing aforesaid Containing about one Acre & one hundred and forty five Rods Bounded as follows viz Northerly on the highway which leads Down from the main Road to the said Landing Sixteen Rods & Extending Southerly and Easterly taking the whole of the Land belonging to said Estate to the fence by the way into the Wharf Lot which is markd in the Plan with ye Letter R & also the Northerly quarter of the Wharf and Wharf Lott being three Rods wide upon the Wharf to a knotch Cut in the Cap Cill of said Wharf and to Extend westerly on the Northerly side of the share set to Abigail aforesaid taking the whole of what Remains Northerly of the said Abigails which is mark'd in the Plan with the Letter M.

Eighthly We have set off to Benjamin Dean son of the said Intestate for his share the Northeasterly half of the Dwelling house belonging to said Estate in New Market aforesaid together with the Northeasterly side of the Land belonging to said house adjoyning thereto from End to End of said Land Begining at the Easterly Corner at the highway by the house & Runing by said highway before the house Even with the middle of the Chimney and fore door from thence through the middle of the fore door the middle of the Chimney & Extending thro' the middle of the house to the back side and from thence on a Strait Course to a Pine tree standing at the Northwesterly End in the middle a Cross Said End being Seven Rods and a quarter wide at said End together with half the Cellar viz the South Easterly half with the Priviledge of the Cellar way out of the

said Northeasterly End fore Room and also an Equel priviledge of the improvement of the Chamber way and stairs with the other half of the house together with the Barn standing on said Land; Mark'd in the Plan with the Letter S. Also one Eighth part of the Wharf & Wharf Lott in said New Market at the New field Landing afores^d Bounded as follows viz begining at a knotch cut in the Cap Cill of said Wharf six Rods Southerly from the Northeasterly Corner of said Wharf, and from said knotch southerly one Rod and a half to another knotch Cut in said Cap Cill and to Extend Westerly Carrying the wedth of said Rod & half on the southerly side of the share set to Abigail aforesaid up to the Said Drift way at the upper End of said Wharf Lott mark'd in the Plan with the Letter O.

Ninthly We have set off to Eliphelet Dean Son of the said Intestate for his share the southwesterly half of the Dwelling house in New Market aforesaid together with the Southwesterly side of the Land belonging to said house Adjoining thereto from End to End of Said Land begining by the highway before the house even with the Middle of the chimney and fore door from thence thro' the middle of the fore door the Middle of the Chimney & Extending thro' the middle of the house to the back side and from thence on a strait line to the aforesaid Pine tree all on the southwesterly side of Said Line being seven Rods and a quarter wide at said Northwesterly end from said pine the whole of Said Southwesterly half of Said house Excepting the South Easterly half of the Cellar aforesaid set to the aforesaid Benjamin and the said Eliphelet is to Enjoy an Equel priviledge of the Improvment of the Chamber way and stairs with the other half of the house which piece of Land is mark'd in aforesaid Plan with the Letter T. And also one Eighth part of the Wharf and Wharf Lott in said New Market at the Newfield Landing aforesaid Bounded as follows viz begining at a knotch cut in the Cap Cill of said wharf Seven Rods and a half southerly from the Northeasterly Corner of said wharf & from said knotch southerly one Rod and a half to another knotch cut in said

Cap Cill and to Extend Westerly Carrying the wedth of the said Rod & half between the three Rod strip set to the widow for part of thirds aforesaid & the Rod and half strip set to the aforesaid Benjamin up to the Said Drift way which this with every other share is to Enjoy the priviledge of mark'd in the Plan with the Letter P.

Thus have We Divided the Real Estate of John Dean Late of Exeter aforesaid Hatter Deceased Intestate to and among the widow & children of the said Intestate Setting off one third part thereof first to said Widow: & the other two thirds we have Equelly Divided into Nine parts & have set off two of those Ninth parts to the Eldest son of said Intestate & one Ninth to Each of the other children and such as Legally Represent them — And this we make as a Return of our Doings herein —

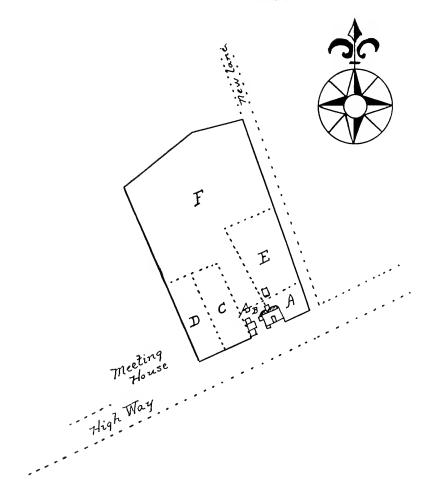
Dated at Exeter November 24th 1772

Josiah Gilman
Jeremiah Lane
Trueworthy Gilman

The following are Plans of the Real Estate of John Dean Late of Exeter Deceased Intestate with the Division thereof, and the Return of Said Division — Said Plans are laid Down by a scale of Ten Rods to an Inch; the Compass laid Down by Each Plan with the flour Deluce to the North &c &c &c

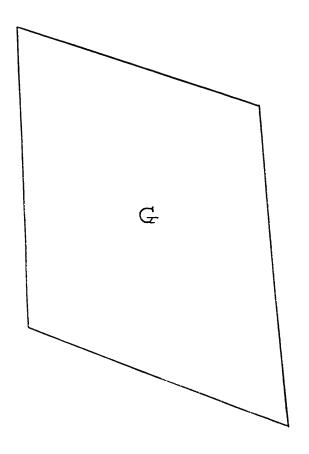
A Plan of the Home place Containing three Acres & 55 Rods which Contains five house Lotts mark'd with the Letters A. B. C. D. E. the Boundaries of Each together with the quantity containd therein Distinctly Described in the following Return with which they are Connected, which has Refference hereto as also in all the following Plans: The piece here mark'd with the Letter F is part of the home place set off to the widow for part of her thirds &c. which is more full'd Described in the aforesaid Return —

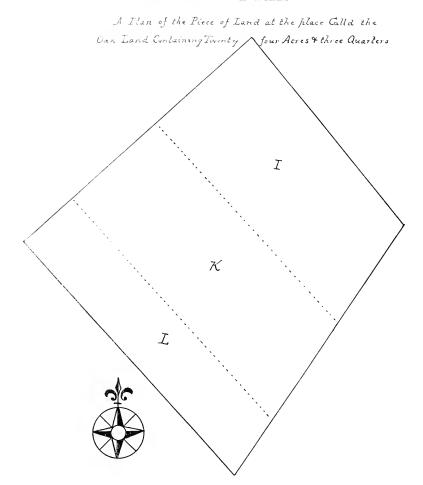
The House Barn shops and well are here mark'd in their Respective places &c.

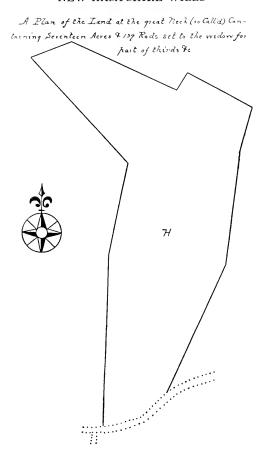




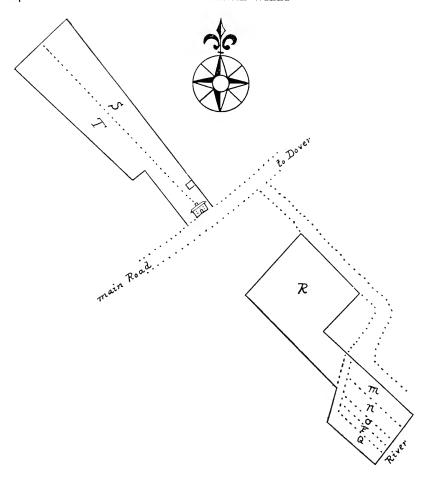
A Plan of the Piece of Land Lying below the River near Capt Leavitts 4c Containing Ten Acres —







A Plan of the Land at New Market whereon the house & Barn stands Containing two Acres & 135 Rods, in two house Lotts half the house to Each — Mark'd with the Letters S. T. Also a Plan of the Wharf Lott together with a house Lott Containing about three Acres, said Wharf Lott Cut into five shares markd with M N O P Q. &c —



[Bond of John Dean, hatter, with Ward Clark Dean, hatter, and Thomas Dean, baker, as sureties, all of Exeter, in the sum of £500, Nov. 25, 1778. for the administration de bonis non of the estate of his father, John Dean of Exeter, hatter; witnesses, Nathaniel Parker, William Parker.]

[Account of Abigail Dean, administratrix; receipts, £467. I. 3½, personal estate; expenditures, £97. 4. II; filed by Ward Clark Dean, executor of the will of Abigail Dean, and allowed Dec. 17, 1783; mentions "Maintenance of the two youngest sons while under 7 years of age 195 weeks in the whole."]

NATHAN PEASLEE

1768

NEWTON

[Bond of Oliver Peaslee of Pownalborough, Me., yeoman, with Francis Chase and Andrew Whittier, both of Newton, yeoman, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Nov. 5, 1768, for the administration of the estate of Nathan Peaslee of Newton, yeoman; witnesses, Elizabeth Parker, William Parker, Jr.]

[Inventory, attested Dec. 9, 1768; amount, £509. 18. 6; signed by Francis Chase and John Wadleigh.]

[Guardianship of Daniel Peaslee, Ezekiel Peaslee, and Jonathan Peaslee, minors, aged more than 14 years, and Ruth Peaslee and Sarah Peaslee, aged less than 14 years, children of Nathan Peaslee, granted to Francis Chase March 6, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 367.]

[Bond of Francis Chase, with Timothy Whittier and Reuben Peaslee as sureties, all of Newton, in the sum of £1000, March 6, 1769, for the guardianship of Daniel Peaslee, Ezekiel Peaslee, Jonathan Peaslee, Ruth Peaslee, and Sarah Peaslee; witnesses, W. Badger, William Parker, Jr.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £203. 17. 6, personal

estate; expenditures, £142. 9. 8; mentions "Journey to Portsmouth to get Guardian appointed for five Children"; allowed Nov. 20, 1769.]

[Warrant, Nov. 20, 1769, authorizing Jonathan Carleton of Plaistow, gentleman, John Knight of Atkinson, James Peaslee of Newton, yeomen, Richard Hubbard, gentleman, and John Wadleigh, yeoman, both of Kingston, to divide the real estate among the ten children. They report Dec. 2, 1769, that the estate cannot be divided without injury; signed by Jonathan Carleton, John Knight, and John Wadleigh.]

[Warrant, Nov. 30, 1769, authorizing the same men to appraise the real estate for settlement on one of the children.]

[Appraisal, Dec. 2, 1769; lands in Newton, Chester, and Hampton Falls, £262. o. o, the lands in Chester and Hampton Falls having come "by the wife of the said Deceased by the Best information we have"; signed by Jonathan Carleton, John Knight, and John Wadleigh.]

[Order of court, Dec. 6, 1769, settling the real estate on Reuben Peaslee, the third son, it not being capable of division among the ten children, "But as it is suggested that a Right of land in the Township of Chichester has been settled upon the two Eldest Children of the said deceased which is not considered in this Settlement I further order and decree that the said Reuben be exempted from paying them and that they shall not be intitled to demand and receive the aforesaid proportion till they give up said deed and throw the land thereby conveyed into Hotch pot or in Case they incline to hold the same that it be appraised and they intituled to receive only so much as to make their Shares equal (in the proportion settled by Law) to the other shares."]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 56.]

[Bond of Reuben Peaslee, third son, with Moses Peaslee and Timothy Whittier as sureties, all of Newton, yeomen, in the sum of £500, Dec. 6, 1769, to pay his brothers and sisters their respective shares; witnesses, Francis Chase, Jr., Abner Chase.]

JOHN PHILLIPS

1768

PORTSMOUTH

[Bond of Abigail Phillips, widow, with Richard Shortridge, cabinet-maker, and Jacob Sheafe, merchant, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Nov. 6, 1768, for the administration of the estate of John Phillips of Portsmouth, mariner; witnesses, John Parker, Samuel Hale.]

[Inventory, Nov. 30, 1768; amount, £130. 14. 9; signed by Samuel Hale and John Marshall.]

THOMAS HARVEY

1768

NEWTON

[Bond of Francis Chase of Newton, yeoman, with Daniel Goodwin of Newton, yeoman, and William Bayley of Amesbury, Mass., shipwright, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Nov. 7, 1768, for the guardianship of Thomas Harvey of Newton, "a Person non Compos or lately fallen into Distraction & unable to take care of himself & having a familly"; witnesses, none.]

JOHN FRENCH

1768

ATKINSON

The last will & testament of John French of Atkinson in the Province of Newhampshire blacksmith, being sensible of the uncertainty of Humane life (& in perfect mind & memory) I do freely now dispose of my worldly Estate in ye following manner, — (viz) —

Imprimis I give & bequeth to my beloved wife Rachal the improvment of my whole Estate both real & personal (except one pair of Two year old stears) for & during the term of seven years next after my decease, (to enable her to pay my Just debts, funeral Charges, & to bring up the Children) & the improvment of one third part of the premises during her natural life, and her I appoint the Sole Executrix of this my last will & Testament.

Item I give and bequeth to my Eldest Son Joseph all my land lying in Atkinson afors^d with the buildings thereon with all my farming tools, & Stock, to com into possestion of Two thirds of the same at the Expiration of Seven years after my decease, & to come into possesion of the other third there of at the death of my s^d wife.

Item I give and bequeth all my lands laying in yo Town of Hampstead to my three youngest sons (viz) Moses Thomas & Samuel to be equally divided between them.

Item I give to my wife the improvment of each of my three last mentioned sons proportion of land alreddy bequeth^d them Till they shall severally arrive to the age of Twenty one years if they shall live so long —

Item I give & bequeth to my daughter Sarah the sum of Thirteen pounds six shillings & Eight pence Lawfull money to be paid to her by my son Joseph in Seven years after my decease —

Item I give & bequeth to my daughter Hannah the Sum of thirteen pounds six shillings & Eight pence lawful money to be paid to her by my son Joseph in Eight years after my decease —

Item I give and bequeeth to my daughter Rachal the Sum of thirteen pounds Six Shillings & Eight pence lawful money to be paid to her by my Son Joseph when she shall arrive to the age of Eighteen years old.

Item I give and bequeth to my daughter Ruth the sum of thirteen pounds Six Shillings & Eight pence lawfull money to be paid her by my son Joseph when She shall arrive to the age of eighteen years old.

Item & if Either of my two youngest daughters or both of

them shall die before her or their legacy or legacys become payable or due; & leave no Issue of her or their body to heir the same, Then I give Such legacy or legacys to my three youngest sons (viz) Moses, Thomas, & Samuel (to be equally divided between them) to be paid by my Son Joseph at the time or times y^t it would become payable, if Rachal & Ruth should live to Receive it

Item I give & bequth to my Son Joseph my desk, & one pair of Two year old Stears & my best Sute of wearing apparil —

Item I give & bequeth to my wife the improvement of all the Household furniture during her life —

Item I give & bequeth all my s^d Household furniture to my four daughters (after their mothers decease) to be equally divided between them —

hereby revoking & disanulling all former will or wills in any manner made by me; declaring this and this only to be my last will & testament in Testimony where of I have hereunto set my hand & seal this Twenty third day of November in the ninth year of his majestyes Reign, Anno Domini one Thousand Seven Hundred & Sixty Eight.

John French

[Witnesses] Samuel Little, James Noyes, N Peabody. [Proved May 26, 1769.]

[Petition of Rachel French, widow, May 24, 1769, for the appointment of Humphrey Noyes, Samuel Little, and Dr. Nathaniel Peabody as appraisers.]

[Inventory, attested Aug. 29, 1769; amount, £408. 11. 2; signed by Samuel Little, Humphrey Noyes, and Nathaniel Peabody.]

ISAAC POWERS

1768

NASHUA

[Bond of Stephen Ames of Hollis, gentleman, and Eleanor Powers of Dunstable, widow, with Ebenezer Melvin, yeoman, and Benjamin Abbott, gentleman, both of Hollis, as sureties, in the sum of £300, Nov. 26, 1768, for the administration of the estate of Isaac Powers of Dunstable, yeoman; witnesses, Samuel Hobart, Ann Hobart, Jr.]

[Warrant, Nov. 26, 1768, authorizing Jonathan Lovewell and Thomas Harwood, both of Dunstable, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Dec. 1, 1768; amount, £171. 19. 8; signed by Jonathan Lovewell and Thomas Harwood.]

EPHRAIM ROBINSON 1768

EXETER

In the Name of God Amen I Ephraim Robinson of Exeter in the Province of New Hampshire Gentleman * * *

Imprimis I Give Devise and Bequeath to my Beloved Wife Mary Robinson, one Half part of all my household Goods and Furniture (excepting what I herein afterwards Dispose of) and my Negro woman named Dinah to be at her own Disposal Forever. I also give her the use and Improvement of one third Part of my Dwelling house & Barn Well & Cellar under the Said House & of all my homelott & orchard & Garden adjoyning thereto, and of my Riding Chair and horse belonging to it and of my Negro Man Named Prince, During the Time she Shall remain my Widow I also Give her Thirty pounds lawful money, & Sufficient firewood ready Cutt at the Door, all which is to be found Provided & Paid her Yearly & Every Year During her Said widowhood by my three Sons Ephraim Caleb & Samuel in Equal Shares, The Said Thirty pounds to be paid her in Such Goods & Provisions as she shall want, I also Give her a Good Cow to be Procured for her & to be kept & Supported for her use throughout the Year Yearly by my Said Son Samuel Robinson During her Said Widowhood All which is to be in Lieu of her third of my Estate.

2d Item I Give Devise and Bequeath to my Son Ephraim

Robinson & to his Heirs and Assigns Forever All that Piece of Land at the Old Meeting house hill So Called in Exeter aforesaid which I bought of Mr John Giddinge, and the Dwelling house Standing thereon, and the one half of my wharfe in Exeter aforesaid and the whole New Warehouse Standing thereon, also about fifteen acres of Pasture Land lying on the Easterly Side of the highway leading from Capt John Gilman's Sawmill to Joseph Thing's house in Exeter afores^d which land I bought of Thomas Webster — Also all that right or Proprietors Share of Land in the Township of New Salem So Called in Said Province which I bought of Abraham Clark — also the one half of all my Land & buildings thereon in Brintwood in said Province lying on both Sides of the highway leading from the Rev^d Mr Nathaniel Trask's Dwelling house to Brintwood Meetinghouse. Also all that Fifteen Acres of Land in Said Brintwood which I bought of my hond Father Jonathan Robinson Deceas'd by Deed Dated January 15th 1753. And Also all that one hundred acre Lott of Land & house & Barn and The Sawmill Standing thereon in Raymond in Said Province where John Leavitt now Lives, and which I bought of Elisha Marston

I Also Give to my Said Son Ephraim all that is due or Coming to me from the Estate of my brother Jonathan Robinson Deceased, and from the Estate of my brother James Robinson Deceas'd by Vertue of any Legacy Device or Bequest of or in the Last Will & Testament of my Said Father Jonathan Robinson Deceas'd — also the one half of all my Trading Stock of Goods in the Shop & Warehouses, also the one Quarter part of all my Stock of Cattle Sheep, horses & Swine Yokes & Chains, and also the one half of all the Debts that shall be due to me at the time of my Decease, and also one hand Gun & my Watch and one third part of my Wearing Apparel. I also give him my Largest bible, after my wifes Decease — And I do hereby order & require him my Said Son Ephraim to pay the one half of all my Just Debts & funeral Charges, and to pay to my Son Samuel Fifty pounds lawful money in Such pay as will Suit him in build-

ing his house when the Same shall be Wanted and also to pay all Such other Legacies & Bequests as I herein have & shall order and appoint him to pay —

3d Item I Give Devise and Bequeath to my Son Caleb Robinson his heirs & assigns Forever my Dwelling house & houselott whereon it Stands in Exeter aforesaid with the Barn & Warehouse thereon being all the Homeplace where I now Live Also that Peice of Land in Exeter aforesaid which I bought of Edward Ladd, and Lyes opposite to Benjamin Philbrick's Dwelling house, also the one half of that Five Acres of Land in Said Exeter which I bought of the widow Mehetabel Smith near the little river bridge, (the other half being Sold to Isaac Currier Deceas'd) — And also the one half of my Pasture at Stoney run So Called which I bought Partly of Hannah Purmort and partly of Josiah Bradley, Containing in the whole about Twenty Eight acres — Also the other half of all my Lands & buildings thereon in Said Brintwood, which lyes on both Sides of the highway leading from the afores^d Mr Trask's to Brintwood meetinghouse also the one half of my wharfe in Exeter aforesaid & the whole of the old warehouse Standing thereon and also my Original right or Proprietors Share in Said Township of New Salem — I also Give to my Said Son Caleb the other half of my Trading Stock of Goods in the Shop & warehouses, and the one Quarter part of all my Stock of Cattle Sheep Horses & Swine, Yokes & Chains, also the other half of all the Debts that shall be due to me at the time of my Decease, also one hand Gun & one third part of my Wear-I also Give him the one half of my Pew in the old ing Apparel. meeting house and also my riding Chair after my wifes Decease or Second Marriage —

And I do hereby order & require my Said Son Caleb to pay the one half of all my Just Debts & funeral Charges, and to pay to my Son Samuel Fifty pounds Lawful money in Such pay as will Suit him in building his house when the Same Shall be wanted, and also to pay all Such other Legacies & Bequests as I herein have & shall order & appoint him to pay

4th Item I Give Devise and Bequeath to my Son Samuel Robinson his heirs & assigns Forever All that Land in Exeter aforesaid (that I own) Called Tayler's Place, lying on the South Easterly Side of the highway leading from my Dwelling house towards Kings falls bridge, with the Dwelling house & Barn Standing thereon, Also all that Land in Exeter aforesaid (Called Moodevs Place) which I bought of Tristram Gilman Joseph Gilman & Iosiah Gilman the third, Also all the Lands that I own or have right unto in the Township of Gilmantown in Said Province — Also all that right or share of lands that was Benjamin Smith's Deceas'd which I bought of his Son Nicholas Smith (being about Seven Acres and an half) in Exeter afores^d Give to my Said Son Samuel one Feather bed & bedding, and my Case of Pistols, Sword, Laced Hatt, Housen & Baggs & my best Saddle, and the one Half of all my Stock of Cattle, Sheep, Horses & Swine, Yokes & Chains & all my Plows Harrows wheels & Sleads & my Iron barr, and also one third part of my wearing Apparel. I also Give him my Negro man named Prince & my clock after my wifes Decease or Second marriage. I also Give him the other half of my Pew in the old meetinghouse in Exeter after my Said Wifes Decease — I also Give & Devise to my Said Son Samuel his heirs & assigns The other half of my Pasture at Stoney run aforesaid — I also Give him my next best Bible, & also Fifty pounds to be paid by his brother Ephraim in manner as aforesaid and fifty pounds to be paid by his Brother Caleb in manner as aforesaid — he the Said Samuel to pay all Such Legacies & Bequests as I herein have & shall order & appoint him to pay —

5th Item I Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Lucey Robinson one hundred & fifty Pounds Lawful money to be paid to her at the age of Eighteen Years (if She shall live to that age) by my Said three Sons Ephraim Caleb & Samuel in Equal Shares, in Such Goods & Necessaries as she Shall want, But in Case she Should Die before that age then my Will is that the Said Sum Shall be Equally Divided between all my other Children that

Survive her — I also Give her my Largest Looking Glass, and my Will is and I do hereby order that my Said three Sons Ephraim, Caleb & Samuel shall Supply my Said Daughter Lucey with all Necessary Provisions & Cloathing Untill she arive to the age of Eighteen Years — Each one third part — and that they find her also Convenient Houseroom & firewood untill that time or till She Shall marry —

6th Item I Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Lydia Gilman Fifty Pounds lawful money to be paid in Such Goods or Specie as She shall want in two Years after my Decease by my Said Sons Ephraim & Caleb in Equal Shares, in full of her Portion with what she hath already had of me

7th Item I Give & Bequeath to my Daughter Mary Hill Seventy five pounds lawful money to be paid her in Such Goods & Specie as she shall want in three Years after my Decease, by my Sons Ephraim & Caleb in Equal shares, In full of her Portion with what she hath already had of me —

8th Item I Give and Bequeath to my Grand Daughters Lydia Giddinge & Deborah Giddinge and to my Grandson Zebulon Giddinge, Ten pounds lawful money Each to be paid them in Such Goods or Specie as they shall Severally want, Provided they shall respectively live to Mature Age viz the Said Zebulon to the age of Twenty one years and the Said Lydia & Deborah to the age of Eighteen years Each, but in Case any or Either of them should die under the Said Age respectively then his her or their Said Legacy to go to the Survivor or Survivors of them, to be paid by my Said Sons Ephraim & Caleb in Equal Shares —

9th Item I Give and bequeath to my Grandson Isaac Currier Twenty pounds lawful money & to my Grandson Ephraim Currier Thirty pounds lawful money to be paid them respectively at the age of Twenty one years (if so long they shall live) in Such Goods or Specie as they shall respectively want, but if Either of them should die before that age then the Said Legacy shall go to the Survivor, to be paid by my three Sons Ephraim Caleb & Samuel in Equal Shares—

roth Item My will is I do hereby order that the other half of my household Goods & furniture be Equally Divided between my three Daughters Lydia Gilman Mary Hill and Lucey Robinson, only my wife to have the Preference in Choosing her half —

11th Item Further my Will is and I do hereby order that my Said Son Samuel may Improve the Estate herein before Given to him, but not to have the Disposal of it or of any of it unless it be towards building his house, and in that Case to be under the Direction Advice & Allowance of his mother & his two brothers or the major part of them, untill he shall arive to the age of Twenty one Years or untill he shall marry & Settle on the Farm

Lastly I do hereby Nominate and Appoint my Said Sons Ephraim Robinson & Caleb Robinson to be Executors of this my Last Will & Testament hereby revoking all Former or other Wills & Testaments by me made & ratifying this to be my last Will & Testament. In Witness whereof I do hereunto Set my hand & Seal this Twenty ninth day of November Anno Domini 1768.—

Eph^m Robinson

[Witnesses] Joseph Tilton, Jn^o Emery, Noah Emery. [Proved June 28, 1769.]

[Bond of Ephraim Robinson and Caleb Robinson, traders, with Noah Emery as surety, all of Exeter, in the sum of £500, June 28, 1769, for the execution of the will; witnesses, John Pickering, Dudley Beckett.]

JOHN HOYT

1768

PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of John Hoyt granted to his widow, Sarah Hoyt, Nov. 30, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 308.]

[Bond of Sarah Hoyt, widow, with William Furber and Joseph Dam, both of Newington, yeomen, as sureties, in the sum of

£500, Nov. 30, 1768, for the administration of the estate of John Hoyt of Portsmouth, yeoman; witness, Joseph Moulton.]

[Warrant, Nov. 30, 1768, authorizing Benjamin Colbath of Portsmouth, yeoman, and John Nutter of Newington, cordwainer, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Dec. 5, 1768; amount, £129. 13. 10; not signed.]

BENJAMIN ODIORNE 1768

PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Benjamin Odiorne of Portsmouth granted to his widow, Lily Odiorne, Nov. 30, 1768.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 309.]

[Bond of Lily Odiorne, widow, and Gregory Purcell, both of Portsmouth, with James Cochran of Portsmouth, yeoman, and Andrew Craige of Chester as sureties, in the sum of £500, Nov. 30, 1768, for the administration of the estate of Benjamin Odiorne, mariner; witnesses, Joseph Moulton, Samuel Hale.]

[Warrant, Nov. 30, 1768, authorizing Samuel Penhallow and Alexander Morrison, baker, both of Portsmouth, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Dec. 27, 1768; amount, £168. 5. 3; signed by Samuel Penhallow and Alexander Morrison; an addition of £5. 1. 3 was made May 31, 1769.]

[Guardianship of Benjamin Odiorne, John Odiorne, and Susanna Odiorne, aged less than 14 years, children of Benjamin Odiorne, granted to Theophilus Dam Feb. 6, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 370.]

[Bond of Theophilus Dam, with George Dam, gentleman, and George Gains, joiner, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £1000, Feb. 6, 1769, for the guardianship of Benjamin Odiorne,

John Odiorne, and Susanna Odiorne; witnesses John Wentworth, Jr., Samuel Hale, Jr.]

[Warrant, July 26, 1769, authorizing Samuel Hale, Samuel Penhallow, William Whipple, merchant, Alexander Morrison, gentleman, and George Meserve to set off the widow's dower.]

Pursuant to the within Warrant we have sett off to the Widow Lilly Odiorne for her Thirds of her late Husbands Estate of which he died seized in fee being a House and Garden on the West Side of the Paved Street viz The South End of said House from the middle of the Chimney & the West half of the Cellar under the said Part with the Priviledge of using the fore Door, Entry & Stairs up to the Garret and down the Cellar in common with the other two Thirds and also a Passage of Nine feet and an half wide South & twelve feet wide west of said Part together with the Scullery are to be in common for the Use of her s^d third Part & the other two Thirds. We have also Sett off to her exactly one half of the Garden in weadth (on the North Side) to begin twelve feet west of the main Part of said House and to extend westerly forty six feet & no further.

Portsmouth Augt 30th 1769

Samuel Hale Sam¹ Penhallow Alexander Morison George Meserve W^m Whipple

[Account of the administrators; receipts, £68. 1. 0; expenditures, £70. 4. 11½; allowed June 10, 1772.]

[Additional account; receipts, £44. II. 4; expenditures the same; allowed Aug. 17, 1772.]

MOSES WINGATE

1768

PORTSMOUTH

[Bond of Elizabeth Wingate, widow, with Joseph Hixon and John Ley, mariners, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of

£500, Dec. 3, 1768, for the administration of the estate of Moses Wingate of Portsmouth, merchant; witnesses, Hugh Thornton, Joseph Moulton.]

[Inventory, attested April 3, 1769; amount, £486. 6. 0; signed by William Whipple and John Parker.]

[List of claims against the estate, March 20, 1770; amount, £1074. 12. 2½; signed by Samuel Penhallow and Joshua Brackett.]

To the Hon^{ble} John Wentworth Esq^r Judge of the Probate of Wills & for Granting Administrations in the Province of New Hamp^r

Humbly Shews William Torrey of Portsmo Esq. That Moses Wingate Late of Said Portsmouth mariner Deceased & himself were joint owners of a Certain Schooner which they had Employd in several Voyages for their joint Interest and were about fiting out for another voyage when Said Wingate Died in order to which Your Petition¹ Purchased with his own money (not then owing Said Wingate any thing) a certain Quantity of fish & Oyl which cost him £46. 16. Lawful money and Stor'd the Same for the Purpose aforesaid but the said Wingate Dying Suddenly prevented any further proceedings towards said Voyage. after his Decease the Widow of the Deceased took Adminⁿ of his Estate and Inventoried the Said Fish and Ovl as his Estate and disposed thereof accordingly which she had no more right to do than to have Inventoried & Disposd of the Goods of a mere Stranger — Wherefore your Petitioner Prays that so much may be Struck out of the said Inventory & not considerd as the Estate of said Deceasd, and the administrax in the account of administration to have Credit for that Sum accordingly as being Inventoried by mistake which will be doing Justice to her as well as to your Petitioner & he shall Ever Pray —

Will^m Torrey

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £776. 17. $6\frac{1}{2}$; expenditures, £586. 16. $7\frac{1}{2}$; allowed March 28, 1771.]

[Settlement of claims; amount of claims, £1023. 11. 7½; amount distributed, £192. 0. 0; allowed March 28, 1771.]

[Petition of Joseph Whipple in behalf of several creditors, April 24, 1771, for an appeal against the settlement of the estate.]

JOSHUA PERKINS

1768

DOVER

[Bond of Joshua Perkins of Dover, yeoman, with Elijah Bunker of Dover, yeoman, and John Sullivan of Durham as sureties, in the sum of £200, Dec. 13, 1768, for the administration of the estate of Joshua Perkins of Dover, yeoman; witnesses, Richard Cutts Shannon, William Parker.]

[Warrant, Dec. 13, 1768, authorizing William Hanson, gentleman, and Joseph Hanson, yeoman, both of Dover, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Dec. 28, 1768; amount, £23. 14. 3; signed by Joseph Hanson and William Hanson, Jr.]

[List of claims against the estate, Oct. 26, 1769; amount, £14. 19. $9\frac{3}{4}$; signed by Joseph Hanson and William Hanson, Jr.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £23. 14. 3; expenditures, £16. 4. 5; mentions a widow; allowed Dec. 4, 1769.]

[Settlement of claims; amount of claims, £14. 19. $9\frac{3}{4}$; amount distributed, £7. 9. 10; allowed Dec. 4, 1769.]

MICAH HOYT

1768

NEWTON

In the Name of God Amen the twenty fourth Day of December 1768 I micah hoyt of Newtown in the province of newhampsheir in Newengland Gentleman being In A poore State of bodily helth * * *

Item & in ye first place I Give to my well beloved son micah hoyt and his heirs in ye province abovesd fifty five acers of Land on the westerly Eand of my Lot my home stade Liveing bounded Southerly on a high way westerly on Land belonging to ye heirs of abraham merrill decsd northerly on Land of David Elliot Easterly on my own Land to ye highway first mentioned and the South East bounds next ye above sd highway is A stake & stons standing about twenty Rods to ve East of my said sons micah hoyts now Dweling house & So as ve high way goes westerly to ve sd Land belonging to ye sd merrills heirs & to Run from ye South East Corner twenty Rods to ye East of my sons house as above sd northerly to ve sd land of David Elliot as to make & Cumpleat ye above set fifty five acrs, with all ye right I have to ye buildings thereon standing he ye sd micah hoyt my above sd Sone fully Complying & fulling my order after named I also guive to my son micah hoyt above said one third parte in Quantity & Quallity of all the salt medow I now one in yo town of Salsbury & one third parte of abute two acers in ye pond medows Lying in amesbury and one third parte of a lote of land or medow I now one in ye floted land above trickling fals mill in newhampsheir which is the hole of my sd son micah hoyts portion out of my Estate he pantelly fulling my orders after mentioned that is I order my Said son micah hoyt to pay to the heirs of my Late Dafter mary ferrin Late ye wife of timothy ferrin of gooff's town in newhampsher decsd to pay to ye sd heirs Equally to them that shall be alive in one year after my Decease my sd son shall pay three pounds twelve Shillings Each heir his Eaqual part thereof in Live Stock or Dolers at Six Shillings per Doller or Stock at that Rate in one year after my Dcase which is with what their mother my Dafter maray ferrin hade in her Life time is ye whole of my said grand Children portion out of my Estate

Item I give to my well beloved sons benjamin hoyt & samuel hoyt & to their heirs & assigns all of the Remander parte of my homestade Living in Quantity and Quallity benjamin haveing y^e northerly half & y^e buldings thereon standing & samuel y^e

southerly half & ye buldings thereon Standing bounded westerly on Land I gave to my Son micah hoyt & southerly on a highway & Easterly on a high way & northerly partly on a high way & partly on Land of Nathaniel Colby & I give to my Said Sons benjamin & samuel hoyt two thords of all solt medow I own in salsbury & two thirds of two acers in ye pond medow in amesbury Eagually to be Divided between them they my two sons puntelly fulfiling my orders after mentioned I order my Son benjamin hovt to pay in one year after my Dease in Live stock at moneys price to my Dafter Dority Carter now ye wife of benjamin Carter or her heirs three pounds at ye Rate of Dollers at six shillings pr Doller & I further order my son benjamin hoyt to pay to my Daughter Susanna ve wife of Abram Dow of new salem in newhampsher to be paid in one year after my Deese in stock at moneys price five pounds Eaqual to Lawfull money in Dolers at six shillings per Doller & I order my son samuel hoyt to pay to my Dafter abagail feavouer ye wife of timothy favouer of newtown in one year after my Decase five pounds to be paid in money or Live Stock at moneys price I order my son samuel hoyt to pay to my Daughter Loues Carlton ye wife of moses Carlton in one year after my Dcase in Live Stock at moneys price or money five pounds Lawfull money or Dollers at six shillings or Doller or stock at that Rate and further more I give to my Daughter unice Carlton ye wife of thomas Carlton of newtown in newhampsheir I order & it is my will that my Executors after named Shall pay to my above Said Dafter or her heirs in one year after my Decess to pay to my sd Daughter unice Carlton ten shillings Lawfull money and where as my son thomas hoyt has Recived five pounds Lawfull money of me and has given his note of hand & Left it with me to pay my Daughter unice five pounds Lawfull money or Stock at moneys price which five pounds I paid for him to Ebenezer marting tords bying his place and further it is my will & I Do give to my Daughters namely Dority Carter above sd Susanna Dow abagail feavouer Louis Carlton & unice & to their heirs all my in Dower houshould Good my wife & I shall Die

seized of with what I have given above is ye whole of my above sd Daughters portion of my Estate and further my will is and I order my son micah hoyt to pay to my son thomas hoyt ten shillings Lawfull money or in stock At moneys price in one year after my Dcase with what I gave him in bying his place of martin is the whole of my said son thomas hoyts portion out of my Estate & my will is that my well beloved wife Susannah hoyt shall have ye use & Improvement after my Dease if she should out Live me of ye Easterly half of my now Dweling house and Chemly & Suller from top to bottom & I give to my said wife if she out lives me one Cow & four sheepe & to keep them will Summer & winter handy for her to be Cept will by my sa Executors after mentioned my Executors shall & I order my Executors to Deliver to my said wife yearly three bushels apeace of Rye & two of Indian Corn & my Son Samuel to find her two barels of Cyder & ten bushels of appels yearly & four bushels of purtaters yearly and I order my Exeturs after named to Deliver their mother my wife two Cords of good wood yearly well Cut & Corded up by her Door & my will is that my above sd son micah hoyt Do Deliver yearly to my above sa wife Eleven bushels of Indian Corn & one Cord of good wood well Cutt & Corded up at her Door & my son Samuel Shall Sow one peck of flax seed yearly in good Sutable ground for my wife all yo above that is to be paid to my wife is to be paid no longer than Shee Remains a widow in my name & my will is that my Son micah hoyt have one third parte of ye Iron worke of my Saw mill I give & bequath unto my two Sons namely benjamin hoyt & samuel hoyt all my parsonal & Real Estate that I heart here to fore Disposed of befor above of Every Coind Stock of Crators & all out Door uetensils & I Do Constitute & ordain my two sons benjamin hoyt & samuel hoyt Executors

micah Hoyt

[Witnesses] Isaac merrill, matthias merrill, Barzillai Colby. [Proved Feb. 22, 1769.]

[Inventory, signed by Isaac Merrill and Jonathan Ferrin; amount, £376. 4. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$; attested May 25, 1769.]

[Citation to the executors, May 16, 1787, to render an account of the estate of their father, and of his guardianship of Thomas Challis.]

JOHN ERSKINE

1768

WINCHESTER

[Inventory of the estate of John Erskine of Winchester; amount, £109. 14. 4; signed by Ebenezer Alexander and Philip Goss; attested Dec. 29, 1768.]

[Account of Hilkiah Grout, administrator; receipts, £59. 14. 4, personal estate; expenditures, £44. 16. 10; mentions widow and children; allowed Jan. 9, 1771.]

THOMAS WELLS

1768

CHESTER

In The name of God Amen I Thomas Wells of Chester in the Province of Newhampshire Gen^t Being in a Weake and Low State of Helth in Body but yet of a Sound Disposing mind and memory: Thanks be given to God for the same: This Twenty Seventh Day of December Annoq Domini 1768 * * *

Imprimes I Give and Bequeth to the Children of my Son Philip Wells Deceased the sum of five shillings Lawfull money Equally Between them to be Paid to them by my Executors Emediatly after my Deceas: and this with what I Have heretofore given to their father I account a Soficient portion for them out of my Estate —

Item I Give and Bequeth To my Son Wintrup Wells the sum of five Shillings Lawfull money to be Paid to him by my Execu-

tors Emediatly after my Deceass and this with what I Have Here to fore given to him I Judge a Soficient Portion for him out of my Estate —

Item I Give and Bequeth to my son Thomas Wells one full Quarter part of my Right of Land in Newchester be it more or Less and this with what I Have Before given to him I account a soficient portion for him out of my Estate

Item I Give and Bequeth to my son Henry Wells all the Land I own in Sandown where he now Lives. I also Give him the one full halfe of my Right of Land in Newchester be it more or Less —

Item I give and Bequeth to Two Sones Ruben Wells and Sam¹¹ Wells all my home sted place where on I Now Dwell Laying partely in Chester and part in Sandown with Twelve acres of Land that I Purchesed from Jacob Wells Containing about one Hundred acres in the whole. Togather with the Buildings that are on the same To be equelly Divided Between them after all my Debts Legacies and funurell Charges are first Paid out and Settled I also give to them my Two Sons all my stock of Cattel and other stock of Creturs with all my Husbendery Tooles and utencells of Husbandery of Every Kind not here in other ways given away and Disposed of. To be Equelly Divided Between them as afforesaid, They Taking Care and bringing up my young children on s^d place till they shall arive to the age of foreteen years old —

Item I Give to my Son Ebenezer Wells all the Land I own Laying in Goffstown Containing one Hundred acre Lot that I Purchesed from Daniel Hibbord: and a Seventy acre Lot that which I Purchesed from Moses Wells I also give him my said son one yoak of oxen one cow and four sheep I also give five Pounds Lawful money and my gun all to be Delivered and Paid to him by my Executors when he Shall arive to the age of Twenty years old.

Item I Give to my son Peter Wells my Hundred acre Lot in the second part of the second Division of Lands in Chester so called N° 106: Laid out to the Right of Ephriam Gile I also give him my said son half the Eighty acr Lot in the third Division Laying in the Parrish of Candia N° 113: Laid out to the Right of John Cull and Benjamen Ackerman: I also give him one yoak of oxen one cow four Sheep: and five Pounds Lawfull money to be Paid and Delivered to him by my Executors when he shall arive to the age of Twenty years old —

Item I Give to my Daughter Sarah Carr my home Lot or first Division of Land in New Chester which I call one Quarter part of my Right I also give her one third part of all my house hold goods and furniture she to Receive them at the End of four years after my Deceass, and this with what I Have before given to her I account a soficient Portion for her out of my Estate —

Item I Give to my Daughter Phebe Wells Two thirds of all my house hold goods and furniture I also give her one cow six sheep and four pounds Lawfull money all to be Paid and Delivered to her by my Executors when she shall arive to the age of Eighteen years old or Day of marriage I also give her all her mothers wearing apparel or cloths which I have not before given away and Disposed of — to be Delivered as afforesaid by my Executors —

And I Do constitute and appoynt my Two Sones Ruben Wells and Sam¹¹ Wells to be my Executors to this my Last will and Testament They To Receive and Pay all Just Debts Due to and from my Estate and all the Legacses which I Have here in given and ordred to be Paid, and my funurall charges

Renowncing all other and former wills Bequests and Executors by me named whatsoever, Ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my Last will and Testament In Witness to all above writen and here in Contained I Do here unto Set my hand and affix my seal this Twenty seventh Day of December Anno domini 1768 first above written

> his Thomas × Wells mark

[Witnesses] Thomas Wells Jn^r, John Hasseltine, Sam¹¹ Emerson.

[Proved May 8, 1769.]

[Inventory, May 12, 1769; amount, £618. 12. 0; signed by Samuel Emerson and Thomas Wells.]

[Guardianship of Phoebe Wells, aged less than 14 years, daughter of Thomas Wells, granted to Thomas Wells May 15, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 5. p. 232.]

[Bond of Thomas Wells of Chester, husbandman, with Samuel Emerson of Chester and William Rowell of Sandown, husbandman, as sureties, in the sum of £200, May 15, 1769, for the guardianship of Phoebe Wells, aged about 11 years; witnesses, Samuel Livermore, John Prentice.]

NATHANIEL PEVERLY 1769

PORTSMOUTH

In the Name of God Amen I Nathanael Peverly of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampsh^{re} Housewright being in health * * *

Item I give & bequeath to my Son Thomas the sum of five pounds Lawful money or that which was the Late Lawful money of this Province to be paid by Execut^r within three years after my Decease

Item I give and bequeath to Each of my Daughters viz Elizabeth Abigail & Mary the sum of five Shillings like money Each to be paid within One Year after my Decease

Item I give Devise & bequeath to my Son Nathanael Peverly all the rest Residue & Remainder of my Estate Real & Personal of every kind and wheresoever the Same is or may be found to hold to him his Heirs Executors and Adminst^r and Assigns — Lastly I constitute and Appoint my Said Son Nathanael Sole

Execut^r of this my Last Will and Testament and hereby Revoke all other wills and Testaments by me in any manner heretofore made —

In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and seal the Second Day of January Anno Domini 1769—

his Nathanael × Peverly mark

[Witnesses] George Sherburne, theodore Damm, William Parker.

[Proved June 19, 1769.]

[Bond of Nathaniel Peverly of Portsmouth, yeoman, with George Sherburne of Portsmouth, shipwright, as surety, in the sum of £500, June 19, 1769, for the execution of the will; witnesses, William Parker, John Wentworth, Jr.]

MOSES TUCKER

1769

NEW IPSWICH

In the Name of God, Amen the Second day of January A. D. 1769, I Moses Tucker of New Ipswich in the Province of New Hampshire yeoman being Sick and week in Body * * *

Imprimis I give and bequeath to Johanna my Dearly beloved wife the New House South of the old House from the Top to the bottom During her natural life and then to Return to my Son Joseph Tucker; and also all the Household Goods and my wearing Cloth Except my best Suite also my small white face mare with the bridle and Side Saddle; and when She fails of her labour my Son Joseph Tucker Shall provide another horse and keep it fit for Service for his Mother Tucker to Ride when She Needs during her natural life; also two Good Cows to be kept well winter and summer and their Increase to be for her use; also four good sheep to be kept well winter & sumer & their Lambs to be for her use; also ninty weight of good Beef and two hundred weight of

good Pork; and Eight Bushels of Indian Corn and four of Rye and two of wheat all Good and a bushel & half of mault also Sixteen weight of flax from the swingle also four Barriels of Cyder also Necessary firewood to be brought up and Cut & brought in and also as many apples as she needs for her use; also Sauce Convenient for the year through (and also ye flax the provision Now provided for this year with keeping my Son Joseph sd year) all the before mentioned Necessaries of life to be brought in yearly by my Son Joseph Tucker (whome I make Heir to my now dwelling place) to his Honourd Mother during her natural life and also my Son Joseph Tucker Shall provide a Nurse when his mother is Sick and pay ye Doctor She implyes and give her Decent Christian Burial after her Decease

Item I do give to my Son Joseph Tucker all my whomesteed which I purchased of Cap^t Benj^a Hoar (Exclusive of what I have given to my Son Reuben Tucker by a Deed), with all the Buildings thereon and all Stock of Creaters Except the two Cows & four Sheep and the Mare all Ready Disposed of and also a pare of two year old Stears and a Cow which will be after wards Dispos'd of, with all my Husbandry Tools, and one Saddle whome I appoint to pay the Legaces of this my My Last Will and Testament, and to pay my Funeral Charges

Item I do give to my Son Moses Tucker Twenty Pounds Lawful Money and also my best Suite of Cloaths and also Common mourning after my Decease; the above Sum to be one half in two years after my Decease the other halfe in four year after my Decease To be paid by my Son Joseph

Item I do give to my Son Reuben Tucker all my Carpenter and Coper Tolls and my New Saddle and a pare of two year old Steers and Common mourning after my Decease and also if my Gray mare brings a colt this year for him to have it at six months after it hath run with ye mare

Item I do give to my Daughter Phebe Webster a mourning suite of apparel (ie) Tamma for the Gound and other things answerable also four Pounds Lawful money one halfe to be paid in two years after my Decease ye other half in four after my Decease by my Son Joseph Tucker

Item I do Give to my Daughter Sarah Rowel a mourning Gound of good Tamma and other things answerable after my Decease and four Pounds Lawful money halfe to be paid in two years after my Decease ye other half in four years after my Decease paid by my Son Joseph Tucker

Item I do give to my Daughter Betty Colebe a mourning Gound of good Tamma and other things answerable after my Decease and also a note about five Dollors which was Due to me and also four Pounds Lawful money one half to be paid in two years after my Decease ye other half to be paid in four years after my Decease by my son Joseph Tucker

Item I do give to my Daughter Hannah Sleeper a mourning gound of good Tamma and other mourning Sutable and also four Pounds Lawful money one half to be paid in two years after my Decease yo other half to be paid in four years after my Decease by my Son Joseph Tucker

Item I do give to my Daughter Mary Start what household Stuff I have lately bought at Boston with what is provided leaving it to the Judgment of my wife to get as much more as to make her as Comfortable to keep house as her sisters formerly settled to be paid by Joseph Tucker my son what is wanting to make her Equal with her sisters and also as much and as good mourning Cloths as her other Sisters and also a Cow that hath been Called her Cow, also four Pounds Lawful Money one half to be paid in two years after my Decease ye other half to be paid in four years after my Decease to be paid by my Son Joseph

Item I do give to my Grand Son Parker Stevens thirteen Shillings and four pence Lawful money to be paid by my Son Joseph within three years after my Decease

Item I do give to my Grandaughter Mary Crage thirteen Shillings and four pence Lawful money to be paid in three years after my Decease by my son Joseph

I Do likewise Constitute and appoint Ephraim Adams and

Benjamin Adams both of The Town and Province before Said To be the Sole Executors * * *

Moses Tucker

[Witnesses] Reuben Kidder, Aaron Kidder, Nathan Cutter. [Proved March 8, 1769.]

[Warrant, March 8, 1769, authorizing Charles Barrett and Nathaniel Stone, both of New Ipswich, yeomen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Aug. 31, 1769; amount, £524. 7. 10½; signed by Charles Barrett and Nathaniel Stone.]

[Account of the executors; receipts, £174. 19. 4, personal estate; expenditures, £177. 17. 7; allowed Feb. 6, 1770.]

HUMPHREY WILSON 1769

BRENTWOOD

In the Name of God Amen I Humphrey Wilson of the Parish of Brentwood In the Township of Exeter, in the Province of New Hampshire In New England Yeoman * * *

Imprimis My Will is, that all my just debts be paid by my sons John Wilson and Humphrey Wilson out of that part of my Estate which I shall give them in this my last will and Testament; and y^t my sd sons John and Humphrey be at y^c care and Expence of Burying me and my Wife

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary Wilson the use and improvement of one third part of my now Dwelling House and Barns and Farm where I now live during her natural life also I give my said wife one third part of all my Indoor moveables to be at her disposal forever, as also one third part of my Stock of Cattle Sheep Horses and Swine after the payment of my Just Debts; and also the use and Improvement of one Third part of all My husbandrie Tools and Giers during her natural Life

Item I give devise and bequeath to my beloved Sons John Wilson and Humphrey Wilson their heirs and assigns forever, all my lands in Brentwood and Exeter to be Equally divided between them; they allowing their mother the Improvement of one third during her natural Life as aforesaid, and paying the debts and Legacies as mentioned in this my will —

The north side of my Sd lands and orchard with ye Buildings thereon I Give to my Son John Wilson his heirs and assigns forever. — The South Side of my sd Lands with ye Orchard and Buildings thereon I give to my Son Humphrey Wilson his heirs and assigns forever. — Or to be divided between them as they Shall harmoniously agree themselves.

Item I Give devise and Bequeath to my beloved Son Daniel Wilson his heirs & assigns forever all my lands in the Parish of Epping; also one Cow two Sheep; and I order my Sons John and Humphrey Wilson to procure for Daniel an Augree, a Chisel, a Gouge, a handsaw as soon as they can after my Decease

Item I give to my Son Nathanael Wilson his heirs &c Five shillings he having Received his ful portion of my Estate already; to be paid by my Executors in three years after my Decease

Item I Give and bequeath to my beloved Daughter Anna Jack Five Pounds Equal to Lawful money to be paid by my Sons John and Humphrey Wilson. I also order my Son Humphrey Wilson to give my sd Daughter Anna a Cow immediately after my Decease and also two Sheep

Item I give unto my beloved Daughter Elisabeth Thing Five Pounds to be paid my Sons John and Humphrey Wilson —

Item I Give and bequeath to my beloved Daughter Mary Wilson Twenty Five Pounds Lawful money to be paid by my Sons John and Humphrey Wilson

Item I Give to my beloved Daughter Deborah Sanborn Five Shillings lawful Money to be paid in one year after y° Decease of my Wife, to be paid by my Sons John and Humphrey wilson She having received her full portion of my Estate —

And my will is yt ye foresaid Sums I have given my Said

Daughters be paid in Such Species as shall best suite my said Daughters and my said sons can best procure the Legacy I have given my Daughter Anna Jack & Elisabeth Thing to be paid in one year After the Decease of my s^d wife Mary Wilson and the Legacy I have given my Daughter Mary Wilson to be paid in three Years after my Decease or Sooner if she should Marry and want it —

Item I Give to my Granson Jonathan Jack a Year old Colt to be delivered him by My son Humphrey Wilson when he arives at ye full age of Sixteen year's —

Item I give my Son Humphrey my best hat, and my Will is that all the rest of my Wearing Apparril be equally divided between my four Sons John Daniel Nathanael and Humphrey

Item I give to my Son Humphrey Wilson Immediately after my Decease all my Stock of Cattle Sheep Horses and Swine and all my moveable Estate in doors and out not before disposed off in this my last will and Testament, and also those husbandrie tools I have given the Improvement of to my wife Immediately after her Decease I also give to my s^d son Humphrey

Item Whereas I have given to my two Sons John Wilson and Humphrey Wilson their heirs and assigns forever my homstead, in this my last Will and as there is an unhappy Seperation, from the regular stated worship of God in this place; and one of my sons has already Joined in the same, and how it may be with the other I know not; I Do therefore order and my Will is, that my said sons (viz) John Wilson and Humphrey Wilson their heirs or assigns pay yearly for sd Lands ye Just proportion for said Farms of Rateable tax to ye settled minister of ye Parish of Brentwood, and pastor of ye sd Chh (which I am now a member of) for the time being forever, and if my said sons refuse under any pretence whatsoever I Then Give Devise and Bequeath the one Twentieth part of all the Lands I have given in this my Will to my two sons John Wilson and Humphrey Wilson, to the Church of Christ in Brentwood aforesd for ye Support of a regular Gospel minister forever

Finally I Do hereby Constitute and appoint my trusty and well beloved sons John Wilson and Humphrey Wilson Joint Executors of this my Last will and Testament; hereby revoking all former wills, and declaring this to be my last will and Testament — In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this fifth Day of January anno Domini 1769

Humphrey Wilson

[Witnesses] Tho⁸ Peabody, Samuel Harper, Nath^{e1} Trask. [Proved March 28, 1770.]

[Warrant, March 28, 1770, authorizing Hawley Marshall, blacksmith, and Jedediah Robinson, yeoman, both of Brentwood, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, April 10, 1770; amount, £1220. 14. 0; signed by Hawley Marshall and Jedediah Robinson.]

JOHN COLLINS, JR.

WINDHAM

[Rebecca Collins renounces administration on the estate of her husband, John Collins, Jr., of Windham in favor of John Armstrong of Windham Jan. 16, 1769; witness, Samuel Livermore.]

1769

[Administration granted to John Armstrong Jan. 21, 1769.] [Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 369.]

[Bond of John Armstrong, with James Betton of Windham and Samuel Clark of Londonderry as sureties, in the sum of £100, Jan. 21, 1769, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Samuel Livermore, Peter Green.]

[Warrant, Jan. 21, 1769, authorizing Samuel Campbell and Robert Hemphill, both of Windham, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Jan. 24, 1769; amount, £79. 2. 11; signed by Samuel Campbell and Robert Hemphill.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £98. 16. $0\frac{1}{2}$; expenditures, £88. 0. 6; allowed Oct. 25, 1769.]

[Additional account; receipts, £14. 19. $6\frac{1}{2}$; expenditures, £9. 19. $7\frac{1}{4}$; allowed July 12, 1771.]

JOHN LORD

1769

BERWICK, ME.

[Administration on the estate of John Lord granted to Nahum Marshall Jan. 25, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 345.]

[Bond of Nahum Marshall of Berwick, Me., merchant, with Jacob Treadwell and Nathaniel Treadwell, both of Portsmouth, merchants, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Jan. 25, 1769, for the administration of the estate of John Lord of Berwick, Me.; witnesses, Joseph Frost, Samuel Hale, Jr.]

[Warrant, Jan. 25, 1769, authorizing Moses Stevens and Moses Carr, both of Somersworth, gentlemen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory of estate in New Hampshire; amount, £65. o. o; signed by Moses Carr and Moses Stevens, and dated Somersworth, June 8, 1769.]

[Account of the administrator; expenditures, £3. 10. 6; allowed June 28, 1769.]

MOSES GILMAN

1769

EXETER

[Sarah Gilman, widow, and Moses Gilman, oldest son, renounce administration on the estate of Moses Gilman of Exeter Jan. 31, 1769, in favor of Walter Bryent of Newmarket.]

[Administration granted to Walter Bryent Feb. 22, 1769.] [Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 365.]

[Bond of Walter Bryent, with Joseph Chandler of Epping, gentleman, and Francis Harvey of Nottingham, husbandman, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Feb. 23, 1769, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Greenleaf Clark, Samuel Hale, Jr.]

[Inventory, June 24, 1769; amount, £419. 8. 0; signed by John Giddings and Theophilus Smith, Jr.]

[Warrant, July 25, 1770, authorizing John Giddings, Nicholas Gilman, gentleman, Theophilus Smith, Jr., Nathaniel Folsom, and Joseph Gilman, merchant, all of Exeter, to divide the real estate.]

Province of New Hampshire

Pursuant to a Warrant from the Honble John Wentworth Esquire Judge of the Probate of Wills for the Province aforesaid, appointing us the Subscribers a Committee to divide the Real Estate of Moses Gilman late of Exeter in said Province deceased. — We have divided the same in the manner following, Viz Beginning with the Home Place we have laid out a Way, for the benefit of the Widow, Children, and their Assigns, through part of the same; and bounded it as follows: beginning at a Stake in the Fence joining the High way leading from Exeter to Newmarket, distant Six Rods & three quarters Easterly from the middle of Norris's Brook so called, thence running North twenty two degrees and an half West forty Rods to a Stake; thence running North fifty two degrees West forty four Rods to a Stake; thence running North forty One degrees West fifty three Rods to an Elm Tree Spotted, carrying the breadth of twenty feet Eastward of said Bounds, as appears by the annexed Plan. —

To the Widow as her Right of Dower and Power of Thirds we have set off that part of the Mansion House which contains the Front or South Room, and the Chamber over it. Also the Barn. Also a piece of Land containing Seven Acres, and a piece of Land containing Eight Acres, each in the Home Place, and marked in Plan Lot number One, and Lot number Two. —

To Shuah a Daughter of the deceased, we have set off a piece

of Land in said Home Place containing five Acres & an half marked in the Plan Lot number Three. —

To Simon a Son of the deceased, we have set off that part of the Mansion House which contains the back or North Room with the Chamber over it with priviledge of egress & regress to and from the same. Also a piece of Land in said Home Place containing Four Acres, marked in the Plan Lot number Four.

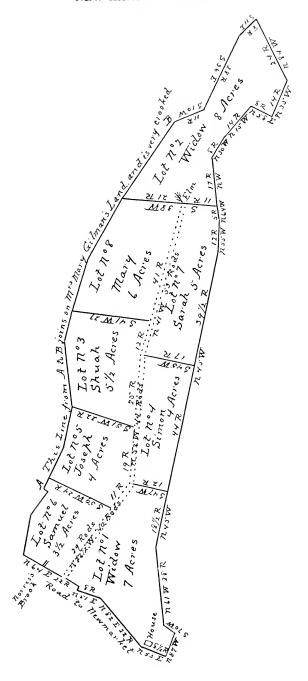
To Joseph a Son of the deceased, we have set off a piece of Land in said Home Place, containing Four Acres, and marked in the Plan Lot number Five. —

To Samuel a Son of the deceased we have set off a piece of Land in said Home place containing Three Acres and an half, marked in the Plan Lot number Six. —

To Sarah a Daughter of the deceased We have set off a piece of Land in said Home Place, containing Five Acres, marked on the Plan Lot number Seven. —

To Mary a Daughter of the deceased, we have set off a piece of Land in said Home Place containing Six Acres, marked on the Plan Lot number Eight.

To Moses Eldest Son of the deceased, we have set off as his two Shares a piece of Land containing forty two Acres, being a part of that piece of Land commonly called Moses Gilman's lower Oak Land adjoining Spruce Pond so called, bounded as follows, beginning at a Savin Tree at the South West corner of said Land, from thence running North Seventy four Degrees East, One Hundred and thirty eight Rods, to said Spruce Pond; and to extend Northerly an equal breadth until it compleats forty three Acres, One Acre being allowed, for so much set off to the Widow Looge as part of her Father's Estate. We have also set off to the said Moses One Acre and an half of Meadow Ground, bounded as follows, beginning at the middle of the Brook at the West corner of Ebenezer Swazy's Land, thence running North fifty two degrees East fifty four Rods binding on said Swazy's Land thence extending Northerly carrying an equal breadth until it compleats One Acre & an half as abovesaid —



We have also set off to the Widow as a part of her Dower and Power of Thirds a piece of Land, being a part of the Oak Land above mentioned, bounded as follows, beginning at the North East corner of the Land set off to Moses, thence running North until it comes to Thomas Haly's Fence as it now stands, thence extending Westward containing all the Land included between said Haly's Fence and the Northerly side Line of the Land set off to Moses as abovesaid, til it comes to the High Way.—

Exeter February 1st 1771 —

John Giddinge Nich^s Gilman Joseph Gilman Theophilus Smith Jr

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £137. 7. 1; expenditures the same; allowed March 26, 1777.]

AARON ROWELL

1769

SANDOWN

In the Name of God Amen

This third day of Feb^r Annoque Domini one thousand seven hundred and sixty nine: I Aaron Rowel of sandown in the Province New Hampshire yeoman, being advanced in years * * *

Imprimis I Give and be queath to Mary my well beloved Wife the sole Improvement of the one third part of my Real estate Dureing her natural Life and all my Houshold goods I Give to my said Wife free and clear to be at her own desposal

Item I Give to my Daughter Hannah osgood Wife of Benjamin osgood five spanish mil dollers which is in full of her portion with the use of the medow and other things she have had the said Dollers to be paid within three years after my Decease

Item I Give and bequeath to my son Thomas Rowel or his Heirs or Assigns four spanish mil dollers with what he have had the said Dollers to be paid at the end of one full year after my Decease it being his full portion off my estate Item I Give and bequeath to my son Aaron Rowel one third part of a Right of Land in a place Called New Almsbury in said Province in full of his Portion out of my estate

Item I Give and Bequeath to my son Phillip Rowel his Heirs or Assigns when he shall arive to Twenty one years old Twenty Acres at the east end of my whomstead Land and if he should die before he is Twenty one years old the said Twenty Acres to be equally Divided between my other three s^d sons or their Heirs or Assigns

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Ruth Wells and her Heirs and Assigns nine spanish mil^d Dollers with what she have had to be in full of her portion out of my estate the said Dollers to be paid at the end of one full year after my Decease

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Mary Currier nine spanish mil^d Dollers at the end of two full years after my Decease with what she have had to be in full of her portion out of my estate

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Rowel nine spanish mil^d Dollers and as much Housel stuff when she shall marry as I gave her s^d sisters when they was married the whole being in full of her portion of my estate the said Dollers to be paid at the end of three full years after my Decease

Item I Give and Bequeath to my son William Rowel or his Heirs or Assigns my Dwelling House and Barn and all my Buildings and all my Lands not other wise Disposed off and all my Cattil and Personall estate all things not disposed off he paying all my Honest Debts funeral Charges and Legases as above expresed

I also appoint my s^d Son William Rowel to be my Executor

Aaron Rowell

[Witnesses] Benjamin Tucker, Charles Pressey, Daniel Little. [Proved May 8, 1769.]

[Inventory, May 13, 1769; amount, £252. 11. 0; signed by Samuel Emerson and Thomas Wells.]

State of New Hampshire April ye 14th 1777 Pursuant to a warrant from the Honourabel Phillips White Esqr Judge of the probate of wills in and for the County of Rockingham then Set off to Mary Rowell widow her Dower which Happend to her of the Estate of her Late Husband Aaron Rowell Late of Sandown in Said County yeoman Deceased testate Having Respect to Quality as well as Quantity Laid off in three peaces and Bounded as followeth (viz)

first peace one full third of the Homstead Laying in Sandown Bounded firstly at a stake and stones standing by the High way Leading by the West End of said place thence Runing Northerly fourteen Rods and two thirds of a Rod to the north west Corner Bound of said place then Runing Easterly about one Hundred and sixty Rods by Land of thomas Wellses to a High way thence southerly fourteen Rods and two thirds of a Rod by said High way to a stake and stones then westerly about one Hundred and sixty Rods to the first Bound mentioned Keeping the Distance of fourteen Rods and two thirds from said Wells Land

Second peace one full third off of the northerly part of the orchard it Being a goar Contaning about one Hundred Squair Rods Bounded as followeth first at a white oak tree standing by the high way nearly oposit the Barn then Runing Northwesterly by said High way untill it comes to Land of John Stevens thence by said Stevens Land to a stake and stones then Runing Easterly to the first Bound mentioned

Third peace one full third off of the Southerly side of a peace of wood Land Laying in Sandown near Spencer Benits Containing by Estamation thirteen acres and a Quarter Bounded as followeth firstly at a stake and stones standing by the High way near Spencer Benits then Runing Southerly Eleven Rods and an Half by said High way to a stake and stones thence Westerly about forty foure Rods by Land of thomas Wellses to a white

oak tree thence northerly by Land Left for a High way twelve Rods to a witch Hassel tree marked then Running easterly streight to the first Bound mentioned

also one third of the Seller under the East End of the House the east Room and chamber over the same one third of the Back Room a Priveledge to Lay wood by the House also to go to the well for water unmolested and one full third of the Barn at the west End and the Priveledge of a yard at or near the west end of the Barn Convenant for what stock she Keeps

And thus we make our Return Rockingham ss. Chester April 14th 1777

Nath¹¹ Ingalls Jabez Hoit Ezekiel Currier

WHITCOMB POWERS 1769

MASON

[Inventory of the estate of Whitcomb Powers of Mason, gentleman, Feb. 20, 1769; amount, £204. 2. 8; signed by John Hale and Thomas Tarbell.]

[Administration granted to Elizabeth Powers, widow, June 16, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 256.]

[Bond of Elizabeth Powers, with Stephen Ames, gentleman, and Joseph Leslie, husbandman, both of Hollis, as sureties, in the sum of £500, June 16, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Samuel Hobart, William Poole.]

Province of \ Set off to Elisabeth Powers Widow & New Hampshire \ Relect of Whitcomb Powers late of Mason in said Province Gentleman Deceased Intestate her Dower or full thirds that happens to her out of said Estate by the following Meets & Bounds viz^t about forty two acres of Land laying in

said Mason be the same more or less Bounded as follows beginning at a stake & Stones, being the south west corner of the Premises, & being the southwest corner of said Powerses Farm, on the north side of the Road, thence Easterly by said Road Sixty two Rods to a stake & stones, thence north Twelve Degrees East Eighty Rods to a pine Tree with Stones about it, thence west thirteen Degrees North Eighty nine Rods to a heap of stones, thence South Eleven Degrees East Seventy one Rods to the first bound mentioned together with the Buildings &c thereunto belonging, excepting the New House and the west end of the Barn to the Great Floor, & half the scaffold over the floar way with Liberty of using the floar for threshing, & half the yard before said Barn, & Sufficient room to pass & repass with Teems, round the Barn, with liberty to pass & repass from the Barn to the Road which reservation is for the use & benefit of the Heirs to said Estate Mason April 1770

> Stephen Ames george rusell Amos Fisk Sam¹ Cumings Jr

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £44. 10. 8, personal estate; expenditures, £69. 11. 11 1/4; allowed June 25, 1777.]

[Bond of Joseph Bates of New Ipswich, gentleman, with John Hale and Amos Fisk, both of Hollis, gentlemen, as sureties, in the sum of £500, July 9, 1770, for the guardianship of Whitcomb Powers, minor, aged more than 14 years, son of Whitcomb Powers; witnesses, Stephen Powers, Samuel Hobart.]

LEMUEL CHESLEY

1769

DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of Lemuel Chesley of Durham granted to his son, Lemuel Chesley, Feb. 22, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 365.]

[Sarah Chesley renounces administration on the estate of Lemuel Chesley Feb. 22, 1769; witnesses, Tabitha Jenkins, Simon Randall.]

[Bond of Lemuel Chesley, husbandman, with Simon Randall, husbandman, and Ebenezer Thompson, physician, as sureties, all of Durham, in the sum of £500, Feb. 23, 1769, for the administration of the estate; witness, Walter Bryent.]

[Warrant, Feb. 23, 1769, authorizing Ebenezer Thompson of Durham and Ichabod Canney of Madbury, husbandman, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, June 27, 1769; amount, £1067. o. o; signed by Ichabod Canney and Ebenezer Thompson.]

[Warrant, May 23, 1778, authorizing Ebenezer Thompson, John Smith, gentleman, John Thompson, yeoman, all of Durham, Hercules Mooney of Lee, and Andrew Torr of Dover, gentleman, to divide the real estate.]

State of New Hampshire Pursuant to a Warrant from the Honble Philips White Esqr Judge of the Probate of Wills &c for the County of Rockingham Nominating & appointing the Subscribers a Committee to divide the Real Estate of Lemuel Chesley late of Durham then in sd County of Rockingham, but now in the County of Strafford deceased Intestate in which sd County of Rockingham, administration of the Estate of sd deceased was granted; we have made said Division in manner following.

To Sarah Chesley Widow of said Intestate for her Dower about sixty five Acres & three quarters of an Acre of the Homestead Farm, with the House, Barn, and Orchard thereon, bounded as followeth, beginning by the highway at a heap of stones Forty Rods distant south Easterly by said Road from Land belonging to the heirs of Joshua Chesley deceased, thence South Easterly by said highway until it Comes to land of Timothy Emerson, thence by said Emersons Land Southwesterly until it Comes to Land of Jonathan Woodman thence by said Wood-

mans Land Westerly Eighty Eight Rods to a heap of stones, and from thence on a Straight line to the Bound began at. Also About Seven Acres of Land in the Parish of Madbury, begining at a stake by Land of Col^o Sam¹¹ Chesley distant Thirty one Rods Southwesterly from the highway a little below the dwelling house of Solomon Emerson Esq^r Thence from said Stake Southwesterly as the fence Stands Forty four Rods to a Stake, thence South 36° East across the Lot to land in Possession of James Jackson Jun^r then by said Jacksons land North Easterly until it comes to a heap of Stones within Thirty one Rods distance from the afores^d highway, and then from said heap of Stones on a Straight line to the Bound began at.—

To Lemuel Chesley Eldest son of said intestate for his Double Share About Fifty Six Acres and a half acre of Land at a place called newtown in the Parish of Lee, Bounded as followith beginning by the highway at the Dam of Newtown Mill pond thence by the Highway Southwesterly until it comes to a heap of Stones within the distance of Forty Three Rods from the Land of Daniel Warner Esq^r thence from said heap of Stones North 67° West across the Lot until it comes to the Mill pond aforesd being by said Pond distant from the aforesd Warners land Fifteen Rods, Thence by said Pond, to the Dam, where it began. Also the one Sixteenth part of New Town Sawmill, and the one Eighth part of Dishwater Sawmill (so called) in Madbury aforsd.

To Samuel Chesley one of the sons of said Intestate for his share Two Hundred Acre Lots in the Town of Barnstead, Bo't by s^d Intestate of John Decker, and Isaacher Dam, (Excepting about Ten Acres sold to Daniel Delan,) and with any Incumbrance or Claim thereon by the Proprietors of the Town of Chichester, which if recovered by said Proprietors, no part thereof to be made good to him the said Samuel by the other heirs of said Intestate.

To Benjamin Chesley one of the Sons of said Intest^e for his Share one half of the Second Division Lot, & one half of the Third Division Lot laid out to the Original Right of Cap^t Thomas Westbrook, in the Town of Rochester in s^d County of Strafford.

Also About Six Acres & one half acre of Land in Madbury Afores^d bounded as follows viz. Beginning by the Highway a little below the dwelling house of Solomon Emerson Esq^r by land of Samuel Chesley thence by s^d Sam¹ Chesleys land Southwesterly Thirty one Rods, to land set off by these presents to the widow, thence by s^d Widow's dower across the Lott to land in possession of James Jackson Jun^r and then by said Jacksons land to the highway & by that to the first Bound.

To Isaac Chesley one of the Sons of said Intestate for his Share about Twenty Seven Acres of the Homestead Farm Bounded as follows viz. Beginning by the highway at a heap of Stones, thence by said Highway Forty Rods to land in Possession of the heirs of Joshua Chesley Deces^d thence by land of said heirs Southerly one hundred & fourteen Rods to Land of Jonathan Woodman, thence by said Woodmans land Easterly Forty Rods to a heep of Stones, thence by the Widows Dower on a Straight line to the first bound, also half a Sixty Acre Lot in the Town of Barnstead purchased by s^d Intestate of Issacher Dam.

To Patience Woodman wife of Jonathan Woodman one of the Daughters of said Intestate for her Share, About Seventeen Acres of land at Newtown Afores^d Bounded as follows viz beginning at Land of Daniel Warner Esqr by the highway, thence by sd highway North Easterly Forty Three Rods to a heap of stones thence across the Lot North 67° West to the Mill pond, thence by sd pond Fifteen Rods to sd Warners land & by that to the first bound. Also about Eleven Acres on the west side of the Afores^d mill pond, Bounded as followeth, beginning at said mill pond thence Westerly by land of Sam¹¹ Lamous, and land of Joseph Atkinson Esq^r fifty four Rods, to a maple Tree marked, thence South 5° West across the lot to land of the aforesd Daniel Warner Esq^r thence Easterly by said Warners land to the afores^d Mill pond, and by that to the first bound, also about three acres at Madbury afores^d Bounded as follows viz Beginning at the S W end of the Lot at land formerly Isaac Bussels thence by land belonging to the heirs of Joshua Chesley Northeasterly 44 Rods to land set off as part of the widow's Dower thence by s^d Dower S 36° East across the lot to land in possession of James Jackson Jun^r thence by s^d Jacksons land to the first bound. Also one half of a Sixty acre Lot in the Town of Barnstead purchased by s^d Intestate of Issacher Dam.

To Sarah Meserve wife of John Meserve Jr one of the Daughters of said Intestate for her Share about Thirty four Acres & 3/4 of an Acre of Land, on the west side of the mill pond at Newtown afores^d Bounded as follows viz. Beginning at the afors^d maple Tree the Bound of Land set off to Patience from thence by land of s^d Joseph Atkinson southerly by land of Thomas Willey and Easterly by Land of Daniel Warner to the afores^d Land set off to patience, and by that to the maple Tree first mentioned. Also a Sixty Acre Lot of Land in the Town of Barnstead afors^d purchased by said Intestate of John Decker.

Witness our hands at Durham the 26th day of September A D 1778.

John Smith Andrew Torr Ebenezer Thompson

[Account of the administrator, "exhibited by Hannah Chesley administratrix of the estate of the said Lemuel Chesley the younger who is also deceased"; receipts, £145. 4. 0, personal estate; expenditures, £201. 5. 8; allowed Oct. 19, 1791.]

[Bond of Hannah Chesley, widow, with Smith Emerson, gentleman, and Simon Randall, yeoman, as sureties, in the sum of £1000, Aug. 29, 1792, for the administration de bonis non of the estate; witnesses, Nathaniel Parker, William Parker.]

DANIEL WESTON

1769

AMHERST

[Administration on the estate of Daniel Weston granted to Mary Weston, widow of the deceased, and Thomas Wakefield Feb. 27, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 368.]

[Bond of Mary Weston, widow, and Thomas Wakefield, husbandman, with Nathan Kendall, gentleman, and Ebenezer Weston, husbandman, as sureties, all of Amherst, in the sum of £500, Feb. 27, 1769, for the administration of the estate of Daniel Weston of Amherst; witnesses, Anna Dodge, A. Nichols.]

[Inventory, attested May 31, 1769; amount, £205. 5. 4; signed by John Shepard, Jr., and Joseph Boutell.]

[Bond of Thomas Wakefield, yeoman, with Robert Read of Amherst, yeoman, and John Goffe of Derryfield as sureties, in the sum of £500, Feb. 4, 1771, for the guardianship of Judith Weston, Daniel Weston, Mary Weston, and David Weston, aged less than 14 years, children of Daniel Weston; witnesses, William Parker, Joseph Boyd.]

JONAH FRENCH

1769

KEENE

[Administration on the estate of Jonah French granted to Josiah Willard March 13, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 369.]

[Bond of Josiah Willard of Keene, with Josiah Willard of Winchester and Simon Stevens of Charlestown, gentleman, as sureties, in the sum of £500, March 13, 1769, for the administration of the estate of Jonah French of Keene, husbandman; witnesses, none.]

[Warrant, March 13, 1769, authorizing Jesse Clark and Josiah Ellis, both of Keene, husbandmen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, June 23, 1769; amount, £160. 14. 2; signed by Jesse Clark and Josiah Ellis.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £87. 12. 4, personal estate; expenditures, £50. 7. 9; mentions "Nursing & Cloathing one of the Children from Eighteen month's old Till it was Seven

Years of age. . . . boarding & Cloathing another Of the Children from five Years & two Months till it was Seven Years old"; allowed May 26, 1773.]

JOHN WHIDDEN

1769

GREENLAND

[Administration on the estate of John Whidden granted to Bridget Whidden March 15, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 368.]

[Bond of Bridget Whidden, widow, with Nathan Johnson of Greenland, gentleman, and Jacob Treadwell of Portsmouth, merchant, as sureties, in the sum of £500, March 15, 1769, for the administration of the estate of John Whidden of Greenland, gentleman; witnesses, John Wentworth, Jr., Samuel Parker, David Simpson.]

[Inventory, April 5, 1769; amount, £549. 18. 4; signed by Nathan Johnson and William Cate.]

[Warrant, May 18, 1769, authorizing Nathan Johnson, Enoch Clark, gentlemen, Simeon Dearborn, Eleazer Cate, and William Cate, yeomen, all of Greenland, to divide certain lands held in common by John Whidden and Samuel Whidden as a legacy from their father, John Whidden.]

Agreable to the within Warrant, we the subscribers have proceeded to Divide the premises mentioned & have set off to the Heirs of John Whidden late of Greenland Deceas'd to them to hold in Severalty that part of the Estate mentioned in the Will of the father of the said John as given to him & his heirs — viz. We have set of to the said heirs that part of the farm the north west side of the Road that is now in possion of the said heirs as mentioned in the said Will & as it is now Enclosed by fence — and the other side the Road we began one Rod & one third of a Rod westwardly of a large Apple Tree the westward side of the

little orchard mentioned in the S^d Will adjoyning to the s^d Road & Runing from thence on a strait Line to the Southwardly End of the stone Wall between said Testator's Land & Thomas Sherburnes Land — the sd Heirs to hold the Land on the westward side of said Line in severalty — We have set off the Ten acres mentioned in said Will in the following manner, viz. we began at the Road next to the Land that was formerly Cap^t James Johnsons & Run westwardly twenty four Rods & three quarters of a Rod to a stake, then we began at a large white Oak standing in the fence that Runs between s'd Testators Land & the Land that was formerly said Johnsons near Col¹ Marches Land. & Run westwardly seventeen Rods & two thirds of a Rod on a perpendicular Line to the said fence and a strait Line from s^d stake at the Road to the End of S^d perpendicular to be continued untill it comes to Col¹ Marches Land — all the Land on the Eastward side of said Strait Line we have set off to the said Heirs to them to hold in severalty We have also set off to the said Heirs the westward end of the Land that the said Testator Purchased of James Jaffrey Lying in Portsmouth Begining at Samuel Cates Land & Runing Eastwardly the whole wedth of the Land forty Seven Rods & an half to a stake on each side of the said Land — To them the said heirs to hold in severalty —

Given under our hands at Greenland the 28th day of June 1769 —

Simeon Dearborn Nathan Johnson William Cate

Province of New Hampshire

To the Honble John Wentworth Esq^r Judge of the Probate of Wills and Granting Administrations within and for the Province of New Hampshire. —

Humbly Shews Pelatiah Ayers of Greenland in the Province aforesaid That in May 1767 the Will of John Whidden of Greenland aforesaid Gen^t was at a Court of Probate held at Portsmouth within & for the Province aforesaid, duly proved, approved, and Allowed & Administration on said Estate was Granted to Sam¹ Whidden of Greenland aforesaid, son of the said John, now decd—That in and by the same will a Legacy was given to Elizabeth Whidden now the wife of your Petitioner and as the said Samuel in his Life time never paid the aforesaid Legacy, or otherwise administred said Estate according to Law, or has the Executor of the said Samuel Since his decease paid said Legacy, Your Petitioner Therefore prays your honour that the Administration bond Given by the said Samuel may be put in suit, and your Petitioner will indemnify your honour from all Cost or Damage which may Arise by Reason thereof, and your Petitioner will Ever pray &c—

Portsmo May 17th 1771 —

Eliph^t Neal In behalf of the Petitioner

IOSHUA HICKS

1769

SALEM, MASS.

[Administration on the estate of Joshua Hicks granted to James Grant March 15, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 368.]

[Bond of James Grant of Salem, Mass., gentleman, with Mark Hunking Wentworth and Daniel Peirce, both of Portsmouth, as sureties, in the sum of £500, March 15, 1769, for the administration of the estate in New Hampshire of Joshua Hicks of Salem, Mass.; witnesses, Peter Babb, Jr., John Wentworth, Jr.]

[Warrant, March 15, 1769, authorizing John Shepard, Jr., William Peabody, Samuel Stewart, all of Amherst, John Stimpson, and Jonathan Cram, both of Lyndeborough to divide the real estate.]

[Inventory, Oct, 26, 1769; amount, £253. 19. 8; signed by William Peabody and Samuel Stewart.]

November 3^d 1769 Pursuant to an Order to us from the Hon^{lo} Judge above named, herewith Return'd have Divided and Set off the Estate above Inventoried and Appraised in man'er following — that is to say —

To George Walter Burns a Great Grand-Son of said Intestate Lot N° 102 and N° 52 lying in said Lyndeborough — In said Amherst Lot N° 49 in the third Division N° 10 in the first Division N° 33, in the first Division N° 91, in the second Division, and N° 88 in the Second Division, Together with three full shares in the Common & undivided Lands —

To James Grant in the Right of Mary his Wife, in said Lyndeboro^h Lot N° 97 — In said Amherst Lot N° 31 in the Second Division, and N° 115 in the third Division

To Daniel Mackey in the Right of Elizabeth his late wife (now Deceased which Mary and Elizabeth were Daughters of said Intestate) In Lyndeborough afores'd Lot N° 114 — In said Amherst Lot N° 70 in the Third Division and N° 72 in the first Division —

Witness our hands —

John Shepard junr Jonathan Cram Samuel Steward William Peabody

[Bond of Robert Read, gentleman, with Nathan Kendall, gentleman, and Timothy Smith, husbandman, as sureties, all of Amherst, in the sum of £1000, March 15, 1769, for the guardianship of George Walter Burns, minor; witnesses, Archelaus Towne, John Shepard, Jr.]

JOHN FIFIELD

1769

KINGSTON

In the name of God Amen this 20th Day of March 1769 I John Fifield of Kingston in the province of New Hampshire Husbandman * * * 2^{ndly} I Give & Bequeath unto Hannah my Beloved wife the whole of the Estate which she Brought to me that shall be in my possission at my Decease to her, her Hiers & assigns forever, also the use and improvement of the Back part of my Dwelling House viz the Back Chamber Lower Rooms & Cellar, also the west End of my Barn so as to Contain the westermost floor, During the whole of the time that She Remains my widow: I also Give her Seven pounds ten Shillings Proclamation money pr Annum During the time that She Remains my widow, to be paid her yearly in Necessaries for House keeping by my Executor hereafter named

3^{dly} I Give & Bequeath unto my Beloved son John Fifield five shillings lawful Proclamation money to be paid by my Executor in ten years after my Decease:

4th I Give to my Beloved Daughter Sarah now the wife of Jacob Bohonon five shillings to be paid by my Executor in ten years after my Decease

5th I give unto my Beloved Daughter Dorothy Seven pounds ten shillings to be paid within ten years after my Decease by my Executor:

6th I Give unto my Beloved Son Joseph Fifield five shillings to be paid him by my Executor in ten years after my Decease:

 $7^{\rm th}$ I Give unto my Beloved Daughter Elizabeth now the wife of Joseph Bean five shillings to be paid by my Executor in ten years after my Decease.

8th I Give unto my Beloved Daughter Martha now the wife of Daniel Hunton Seven pounds ten Shillings to be paid by my Executor in ten years after my Decease.

9th I Give unto my Beloved son Edward Fifield five shillings to be paid by my Executor in ten years after my Decease

10th I Give unto my Beloved Daughter Shuah fifteen pounds to be paid by my Executor in ten years after my Decease

11th I Give & Bequeath unto my Beloved son Abraham Fifield to him his Hiers & assigns forever that Eighty acre Lot of Land which was Laid out to my Original Right in Stevens Town now

Salsbury in Said Province also my Right in the Undevided Lands in Said Salsbury

12 I Give & Bequeath unto my Beloved Daughter Mary Twenty pounds lawful money to be paid by my Executor the one half when she shall arrive at the age of Eighteen years or the Day of her marriage which shall first Happen and the other Half in three years after.

13th I Give & Bequeath unto my Beloved Son Jonathan Fifield to him his Hiers & assigns forever, the whole of my Real Estate in Kingston afors^d also all my moveable Estate (Except the House Hold Goods, those of them which I have not Before in this my will, Given to my wife I order to be Equally Devided between all my six Daughters)

I also Give my said son Jonathan my Desk He paying all my Just Debts & funeral Charges also all the Legacies which I have or shall order in this my last will & testament to be paid

Lastly I Do Constitute and appoint my said son Jonathan Fifield to be Sole Executor to this my last will & testament hereby Revoking & making void all former wills by me made Ratifying & Confirming this to be my last will & testament: In witness whereof I Do here unto Set my hand & Seal the 20th Day of March in the ninth year of his majesty's Reign 1769 before mentioned:

John fifield

[Witnesses] Amos Gale, Daniel Colcord, Josiah Bartlett. [Proved Dec. 27, 1769.]

[Inventory, Jan., 1770; amount, £381. 7. 3; signed by Samuel Colcord and Josiah Bartlett.]

MATTHEW REID

1769

LONDONDERRY

In the Name of God Amen: I Mathew Reid of Londonderry in the Province of New Hampshire Glasier this Twenty third Day of March one Thousand seven Hundred and sixty nine Being weak of Body * * *

Imprimes I give & Bequeath to my well Beloved wife Mary ann Reid the one halfe of my House Duering her Life twenty Bushels of Grain Yearly (viz) fifteen of Indian Corn & five of rie three Barrels of syder & seven score pounds of meat (the one Halfe Beef the other pork) yearly with two Cowes & them kept winter and summer and a Horse at her Command when shee pleases to use it with sufficiency of wood Haul'd to her Door & made ready for the fire as also all my Houshould furniture — The afforesaid Cowes & Houshold Furniture to be at her Disposel at her Desceas (with this provisio) that if my wife Mary anne should Marry I order and allow that she shall have with her two Cowes her Bed Case of Drawers pewter & her thirds or Dowerry as in that Case the Law provids —

Item, I give and Bequeath to my Beloved son Abrm Reid one peice of meadow Lying in flat Rock so Called which goes under the Name of Chamber's & patersons meadow

Item I give and Bequeath to my Beloved son John Reid all my Land that lyes together wher my Building stand with the Buildings & all my personal Estate him paying all my Just Debts Funerall Charges what I have already will'd to his mother and what I shall will to his Brethren & sisters as also I Bequeath to my son John two thirds of Alison Meadow (so Called) off the upper End —

Item I give and bequeath to my Beloved son Mathw Reid twenty five pounds Lawfull money & one Yoak of Oxen to be paid by my son John, five pounds & the Oxen to be paid Imediatly After my Disceas the one half of the Remainder in one year & the other halfe in two years after my Disceas

Item I give & Bequeath to my Beloved Daughter Isebela Hopkin thirty shill^a Lawfull Money in two years after my Death to be paid by my son John

Item I give & Bequeath to my Beloved Daughter Sarah Reid Nine pounds Lawfull money to be paid by my son John the one Halfe to be paid in one year and the other halfe to be paid in two years after my Desceas as also one Case of Drawers & Large ovel Table when the Said Sarah Requests it

Item I give & Bequeath to my Beloved Daughter Margret Reid Nine pounds Lawfull Money one Case of Drawers & Table to be paid by my son John the one halfe of the money to be paid in two years & the other half to be paid in three years after my Desceas & the Drawers & Table to be paid in one Year after my Desceas —

Item. I give and Bequeath to my sons Sam¹¹ & Stephen all my out Land & meadows yet unbequeath^d to be Equaly Devided Betwixt the said sam¹¹ & Stephen as allso fifteen pounds Lawfull money to Each of the above Sam¹¹ & Stephen to be paid to them (when they araive to the age of twenty one years) by my son John with Lawfull Intrest from the first of April one Thousand seven Hundred and Seventy one till paid I also alow that if my Exec^{trs} thinks it for the Benifit of my sons Sam¹¹ & Stephen they will sell my out Lands & Meadows and put the money thereof to the use of the s^d Sam¹¹ & stephen

I give & bequeath to my Beloved Daughter Maryane Reid Nine pounds Lawfull money & a Case of Drawers & Table to be paid by my son John the Case of Drawers & table and four pounds ten Shill* to be paid when shee arraives to the age of Ninteen years & the Remainder at the age of twenty

Itim I give and Bequeath to my Grandson Hennery Campbell five shillings starling or as much as will prevent the Breaking this my Last will & Testament to be paid by my son John

Finaly I Ordain and appoint My Dear wife Mary ann & my sons Abrm and John Reid Executors * * *

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[Witnesses] Geo Reid, Robert Clinding, John Morison. [Proved Sept. 6, 1769.]

[Bond of John Reid, with George Reid and Robert Clendenin as sureties, all of Londonderry, in the sum of £500, Sept. 6, 1769, for the execution of the will; witnesses, John Wentworth, John Peirce; mentions Matthew Reid as executor of the will of his daughter, Mary Campbell.]

JEREMIAH HALL

1769

WINCHESTER

[Administration on the estate of Jeremiah Hall granted to Josiah Willard March 27, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 552.]

[Bond of Josiah Willard, with Samuel Ashley and Ebenezer Alexander as sureties, all of Winchester, in the sum of £500, March 27, 1769, for the administration of the estate of Jeremiah Hall of Winchester; witnesses, Prentice Willard, Jonathan Willard.]

[Inventory, attested Jan. 15, 1770; amount, £77. 6. 11; signed by Hilkiah Grout and Henry Foster.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £77. 16. 0; expenditures, £11. 14. 0; mentions a widow; allowed July 9, 1770.]

[List of claims against the estate, attested Jan. 15, 1770; amount, £88. 15. 11; signed by Samuel Smith and Reuben Alexander.]

[Settlement of claims; amount distributed, £66. 2. 0; allowed July 10, 1770.]

BENJAMIN BARRETT 1769

HINSDALE

In the Name of God Amen, the twenty Eighth day of March Anno Domini 1769. I Benjamin Barrett of Hindsdale in the Province of New Hampshire Husbandman being Weak in Body * * * I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Susanna Barrett the Use and Improvement of one third part of my dwelling House and Homelot in Hindsdale afores^d during her Natural Life —

Item I Give Bequeath & devise to my Three Sons Benjamin Barrett Moses Barrett and Nathan Barrett their Heirs and Assigns forever, Equally to be divided between them the following Tracts of Land lying in Hindsdale aforesaid viz a Fifty Acre lot of Land laid out at a place called the Ash Swamp, to the original Right of Timothy Dwight Esq & by him Conveyd to the revd Sam¹¹ Hopkins and Since Conveyd to me and also a Five acre Lot laid out to ye Right aforesaid and adjoins to the lot aforesaid

Item — I Give Bequeath & Devise to my son Benjamin Barrett his Heirs & Assigns forever part of my East Boggy meadow Lot so called lying in said Hindsdale it being that part of said Lot which lies North of the Brook —

Item, I Give & devise to my two Sons John Barrett & Oliver Barrett their Heirs and assigns forever the Remaining part of the beforementiond Lot of land in Boggy meadow aforesaid it being all that part of said Lott which lies South of the Brook afores^d said Land to be Equally divided between them —

Item I give Bequeath and Devise to my son John Barrett his Heirs and Assigns forever my Five acre lot laid out in the Pond East of Boggy meadow aforesaid

Item I give Bequeath & divise to my son Moses Barrett his Heirs and Assigns part of my West Boggy Meadow Lot of Land lying in said Hindsdale it being all that part of said Lot which lies south of the Brook

Item I Give & Bequeath to my son Nathan Barrett his Heirs and Assigns forever the Remaining part of the before mentiond lot of land lying in Boggy Meadow aforesaid it being that part which lies North of the Brook aforesaid also I give to my son Nathan Barrett his Heirs & Assigns my Home lot in Hindsdale aforesaid on which I now dwell with a House and Barn standing on the same with all the priviledges thereto belonging Except that my Beloved Wife is to have ye use & improvement of one

third part of said Home Lot and one third part of the House during her life

Item, I give Bequeath & Devise to my Daughters Hannah & Rebeccah their Heirs and Assigns forever equally to be divided between them my Fifty Acre Lot of Land laid out on Brush hill so Called in Hindsdale aforesaid laid out as part of ye first mention'd Right of Land

Item I give and Bequeath to my Five sons & Four Daughters viz Benjamin Oliver John Moses Nathan Mary Tuttle wife to Nathan Tuttle Susanna Wife to John Scott Hannah Barrett & Rebeccah their Heirs And Assigns Equally to be divided between them all the after draughts or Divisions not Yet laid out which belong to the Right before mention'd and are to be laid out by ye proprietors of Winchester in their Common & undivided Lands.

Item I give to my beloved Wife Susanna Barrett the use & Improvement of all my Household Furniture during her natural life and at her Death I will the same to my two Daughters Hannah & Rebeccah Equally to be divided between them

Item, I give & bequeath to my son Benjamin & his Heirs all my Blacksmith Tools

Item I Give and bequeath to my sons Benjamin, Oliver John Moses & Nathan all my Carpenter Tools

Item I Give & Bequeath to my son Nathan & his Heirs all my Tools or Implements of Husbandry Cattle Horses Sheep & Swine & all other my personal Estate not before now Bequeath^d after my Just debts &c are paid out of the Same I hereby Constitute & Appoint my Two Sons Oliver Barrett & Moses Barrett Executors of this my last will & Testament hereby Revoking all former wills In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 28th Day of March 1769

Benja Barret

[Witnesses] Stephen Tuttle, Thomas Butler, Danl Jones. [Proved June 14, 1769.]

[Bond of Oliver Barrett and Moses Barrett, with Benjamin Barrett as surety, all of Hinsdale, yeomen, in the sum of £500, June 14, 1769, for the execution of the will; witnesses, Israel Houghton, Daniel Jones.]

JOHN TILTON

1769

HAMPTON FALLS

[Administration on the estate of John Tilton granted to Sarah Tilton March 29, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 367.]

[Bond of Sarah Tilton, widow, with Jonathan Tilton and Samuel Prescott, gentlemen, as sureties, all of Hampton Falls, in the sum of £500, March 29, 1769, for the administration of the estate of John Tilton of Hampton Falls, yeoman; witnesses, Meshech Weare, James Prescott.]

[Warrant, March 29, 1769, authorizing Jonathan Tilton and James Prescott to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, April 19, 1769; amount, £516. 7. 3; mentions Benjamin Tilton, brother of the deceased; signed by Jonathan Tilton and Samuel Prescott.]

[Warrant, Nov. 3, 1772, authorizing Jonathan Tilton, Henry Roby, Jeremiah Lane, Samuel Prescott, and Benjamin Sanborn, all of Hampton Falls, gentlemen, to divide the real estate.]

[Warrant, Nov. 23, 1772, authorizing Henry Roby, Jonathan Tilton, and Jeremiah Lane to divide the real estate held in common by the deceased and Benjamin Tilton.]

Rockingham ss Pursuant to an Order from the Hon^{ble} John Wentworth Esq^r Judge of the Probate of Wills &c for Said County to us the Subscribers, Authorizing us to Divide the Real Estate of John Tilton Late of Hampton Falls Deceased Intestate to and among the widow and Children of said Intestate —

Upon Examination We finding that a part of said Estate was Lying in Common & undivided with the Estate of Benjamin Tilton of Hampton falls aforesaid; Wherefore Application being made to the Hon^{ble} Judge on Account thereof — We are hereupon Authoriz'd by the Said Hon^{ble} John Wentworth Esq^r Judge &c. (previous to the Division of the Estate of the Intestate aforesaid) to make a Division of the Estate of Said Deceased with the part thereof belonging to said Benjamin —

Accordingly We together with the Said Benjamin have done as follows (viz^t)

First — We have by and with the Consent of the Said Benj^a set off to the Heirs of said Intestate for their part of a sixty Acre Lot of Land in the Township of Chester in the Fourth Division Lying by the Pond the North Westerly half thereof; (the length being West North west) And the Said Benjamin for his part of said sixty Acre Lot has taken the South Easterly half which Lot is to be Divided Equelly in quantity a Cross the middle from one side thereof to the other

Secondly — We have by and with the Consent of the Said Benjamin Set off to Said heirs for their part of a Forty Acre Lot in said Town ship of Chester in the Fifth Division of Lots in said town ship which Lot is Number 77, the North easterly end thereof (the length being North 29 Degrees East) and the said Benjamin for his part of said Forty Acre Lot has taken the Southwesterly half which Lot is to be Divided Equelly in quantity a Cross the middle from one side thereof to the Other.

Thirdly — We have by and with the Consent of the Said Benjamin set off to said heirs for their part of Sixty Acres of Land Lying in Raimond, being part of a Hundred Acre Lot in said Raimond (viz^t the whole Remaining part after Forty Acres are taken off on the Easterly End) namely the Westerly half to said Heirs: And the Said Benjamin for his part of said Sixty Acres has taken the Easterly half which Sixty Acres is to be Divided Equelly in quantity across the middle from one side

there of to the other, said heirs to have the Westerly End and the said Benjamin the Easterly End

Forthly — We have by and with the Consent of the said Benjamin Set off to the said Heirs for their part of a One Hundred & Twenty Acre Lot of Land in the township of Weare, the Southerly half thereof And the Said Benjamin for his part of said one hundred & twenty Acre Lot has taken the Northerly half thereof which Lot is to be Divided Equelly in quantity a Cross the middle from side thereof to the other, said heirs to have the southerly End & the said Benja the Northerly End which Lot is N° 63.

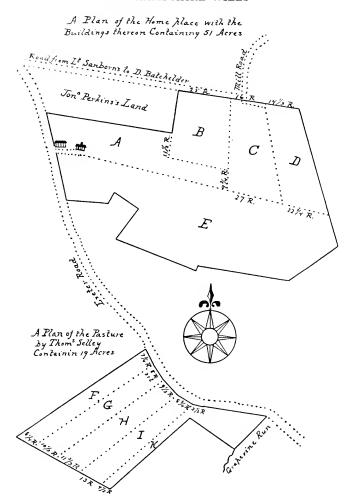
Thus have We made a Division of the part of the Estate of the said John Tilton Deceased Intestate Lying in Common & not before Divided with the Estate of the said Benjamin Tilton; With the said Benjamin And this We as a Committee together with the Said Benjamin make as a Return of our Doings herein Under our Hands as an Establishment of Said Division.

Dated at Hampton falls December 29th 1772

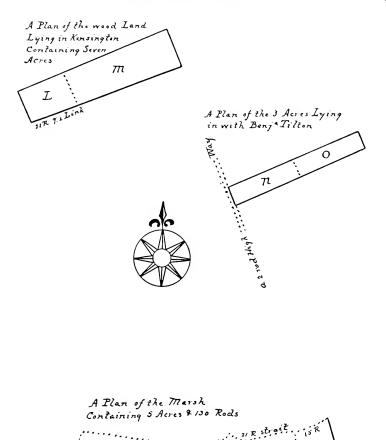
Jonathan Tilton
Henry Robie
Jeremiah Lane
Benjamin Tilton

The following are Plans of the Real Estate of John Tilton Late of Hampton falls Deceased Intestate with the Division thereof to & among the Heirs of said Intestate &c.

- A. Contains 8 Acres Set to John
- B. 5½ Acres Set to Daniel
- C. 6 Acres Set to Asa
- D. 5½ Acres Set to Lydia
- E. 26 Acres set to the Widow
- F. 3 Acres & 90 R. set to Lucretia
- G. 4 Acres Set to Anna
- H. 4 Acres Set to Mary
- I. 3 Acres & 115 R. Set to Sarah



- K. 3 Acres & 115 R. Set to Dorothy
- L. 2 Acres Set to John
- M. 5 Acres Set to the Widow
- N. 1 1/2 Acre Set to Anna
- O. 11/2 Acre set to Mary
- P. I Acre & 150 R. set to Lucretia



Q. I Acre & 150 R. set to Sarah R. I Acre & 150 R. set to Dorothy

These Plans are laid Down by a scale of 20 Rods to One Inch and the Compass with Each Plan the Flour deluce to yo North &c.

Rockingham ss We the Subscribers after having made the Division of the part of the Estate of John Tilton Late of Hampton falls Deceased Intestate which was Lying in Common and Undivided with the Estate of Benjamin Tilton According to the foregoing Return herewith Connected, Have (Agreable to a Warrant from the Honble John Wentworth Esqr Judge of the Probate of Wills &c. for Said County as aforementioned) Proceeded to make the Division of the whole Real Estate of the Intestate aforesaid to and among the Widow and Children of Said Intestate In Manner following viz^t

First — We have Set off to Sarah Tilton Widow of Said Intestate for her third part of Said Estate the Southerly part of the Home place from End to end Containing Twenty Six Acres taking the whole wedth of that part of the Lot before the house as the yard fence stands from the Road in before the house, even with the Easterly End of the house to a stake and stones even with said Easterly End two Rods and a half Distance from the fore side of said house: from thence Easterly on a strait Line through the Lot & Pasture to the Easterly End of Said homeplace to a stake & stones by Land of Ralph Cross Fifteen Rods Northerly from the Southeasterly Corner of said homeplace all to the south of Said Line: the situation of which together with the other parts of Said Estate may more clearly & fully appear by the Foregoing Plan hereto Annexed; this Piece being mark'd in said Plan with the Letter E.

We have Also Set to the said widow a piece of wood Land Lying in Kensington Containing five Acres which is five Acres off at the Easterly End of the seven Acre Piece of wood Land belonging to said Estate Lying in Kensington as Afores^d beginning at the Easterly end at a hemlock stake spotted on four sides at Each Corner, & Runing westerly Carrying the whole wedth of said seven Acres forty Eight Rods & 19 Links & a half to a hemlock stake spotted on four sides, on the Southerly Side & a small hemlock tree spotted on four sides on the Northerly Side, which are the Easterly Bounds of two Acres on the West-

erly End Set to John hereafter Named which five Acres is mark'd in the foregoing Plan with the Letter M.

We have also Set to Said widow the westerly End of the house in which the Said Intestate lived begining at the middle of the fore door & Runing through the Middle of the Chimney thence to a Post of the house by said chimney in the Cellar way and from Said Post on a strait line to the Easterly Side of the back Door all on the Westerly part of said line thro' the said house from Top to bottom Including the Cellar under the fore Room (Reserving the back Cellar with the Priviledge of the use of the cellar way & stairs to Sarah Dorothy & Lydia hereafter Named) Also Said Widow to have and Enjoy the Priviledge of the use of the Chamber Stairs as there shall be Occasion Also the Priviledge of the use & Improvement of the Well at the back Side of the house at all times as there shall be Occasion. Also the Priviledge of the yard before the house & out to the Road for Carrying wood & other Conveniences: We have also Set to said Widow the Easterly One third part of the Barn viz^t Twenty feet in length or to the third Beam So as to Include the Easterly floor with a proportionable part of the barn yard Adjoining thereto and the priviledge of passing and Repassing in & out at the great Doors at the Northerly side as there shall be Occasion

Secondly — We have set off to Mary Eaton Daughter to Said Intestate for her share in said Estate a Piece of Land Lying in Hampton falls aforesaid Containing four Acres, being part of the Pasture by Thomas Silleys and is the middle share of the five shares in said pasture, Bounded as follows viz^t North Easterly on the highway nine Rods & one third as stakes and stones are there fix'd and to Extend south westerly between the shares of Anna & Sarah after Named thro' said Pasture to Land of Henry Robie to stakes & stones there fix'd at Each Corner by the fence being Eleven Rods & two thirds of a Rod wide Square a Cross at the south westerly End mark'd in the Plan with the Letter H. Also a piece of Land Lying in Hampton

falls aforesaid Containing one Acre and a half, being the Easterly half of the three Acre piece of Land belonging to said Estate which is Lying in with Land of Benj^a Tilton, Bounded as follows viz beginning at the Easterly End & Runing westerly the whole wedth of said three Acres by Land of Benj^a aforesaid on Each Side to a hemlock stake set up in the middle of the length of said three Acres on the southerly side line, with the priviledge of passing and Repassing to & from the highway at the westerly End of said three Acres thro' the westerly half thereof as there shall be Occasion which piece of Land is mark'd in the afores^d Plans with y^e Letter O Also Ten feet square of the Barn at the Northwesterly Corner: Also the southwest third part of the half of a sixty Acre Lot in Chester belonging to said Estate —

Thirdly — We have set off to Anna Leavitt Daughter of Said Intestate for her part of said Estate a piece of Land Lying in Said Hampton falls Containing four Acres being part of the Pasture by Thomas Silleys and is the second share of five from the N westerly side of said Pasture Bounded as follows viz begining at a stake and stones by the Road Seven Rods and three quarters from the North Easterly Corner of Said Pasture, thence by said highway Eight Rods & twenty one Links of the chain to stake and stones, thence Runing south westerly from said highway carrying the whole wedth between the share of Mary aforesaid on the Southeasterly Side & Lucretia after named on the Northwesterly side thro' said Pasture to Land of Henry Roby aforesaid to stake & stones at Each Corner on the Southwesterly End by the fence, being Ten Rods and one third part of a Rod square a Cross at said Southwesterly end which piece is mark'd in the foregoing Plan with the Letter G.

Also a Piece of Land Lying in Hampton falls afores^d Containing one Acre and a half being the westerly half of the three Acre piece of Land belonging to said Estate which is Lying in with Land of Benj^a Tilton aforesaid Bounded as follows viz^t begining at the highway at the westerly End and Runing Easterly Carry-

ing the whole wedth of said three Acres by Land of the Said Benj^a on Each Side to a stake on the southerly Side in the middle of Said three Acres viz half the Length which piece is mark'd in said Plan with the Letter N. Also one third part of the westerly Ten feet of the Barn viz the middle third part of said ten feet in length which is ten feet square. Also one third part of the half of a sixty Acre Lot in the township of Chester in the fourth Division Lying by the Pond viz^t the middle third part of that which belonged to said Estate

Fourthly — We have Set off to Sarah Tilton Daughter of Said Intestate for her share in said Estate a Piece of Land Lying in Hampton falls Containing three Acres & one hundred and fifteen Rods being the second share from the southeast of the five shares in the Pasture by Thomas Silleys Bounded as follows viz begining at a stake and stones by the Road on the hill about five Rods and a half Northwesterly from where the Range of the Parsonage fence strikes the highway fence thence Northwesterly by said highway Eight Rods and three quarters to stake and stones from thence south westerly Carrying the whole wedth between the share set to Mary aforesaid & Dorothy after named thro' said Pasture to said southwesterly End by Land of the said Robie to stake & stones there fixed by said fence at Each Corner of said S. Westerly End being thirteen Rods a Cross said end as the fence goes which piece is mark'd on the Plan with the Letter L.

Also a Piece of Marsh Lying in Hampton falls afores^d Lying below the falls Rivers mouth Containing One Acre & one hundred and Fifty Rods being about one third part of the marsh belonging to said estate and is the middle share of three Bounded as follows viz^t begining at a stake fix'd on the southerly line fourteen Rods from the great Creek at the Easterly end & from thence Northerly a Cross said marsh to a stake by the Creek then fifteen Rods strait from the Easterly End there, and from said stakes to Extend Westerly Carrying the whole wedth of Said marsh twenty one Rods strait on the southerly & Northerly

sides to the stakes there fixed on each side which piece is markd in the Plan with the Letter Q. Also one third part of the half of the sixty Acres of Land Lying in Raimond which belonged to said Estate viz the Northerly third part —

Also the Bed room in the Northeasterly Corner of the back house with the fireplace in it and the Chamber over it with the Priviledge of Passing & Repassing thro' the great Room in said back house to & from Said bedroom and to Improve the Outer Door facing to the Road and to Enjoy the Priviledge of the Improvement of the well as she shall have Occasion which belongs to said house and of Passing and Repassing to and from the yard before the great house which is to be Enjoyed in Common among all said heirs, we have Also Set to the said Sarah the westerly third part of the back Cellar under the great house & the Priviledge of the Cellar way —

Also ten feet square in the Barn viz^t from the third to the fourth Post the south side & Ten feet back with the priviledge of the use of the barn floor & a proportionable part of the barn yard also liberty of the use and Improvement of the Oven in the said back house as she shall have Occasion —

Fifthly — We have Set off to Dolly Tilton Daughter to said Intestate for her share of said Estate a Piece of Land Lying in Hampton falls aforesaid Containing three Acres and one hundred and fifteen Rods being the Southeasterly share of the five shares in the Pasture by Thomas Silleys Bounded as follows viz^t begining at stake & stones by the highway about five Rods & a half Northwesterly from where the Range of the Parsonage fence strikes the highway fence from thence south westerly on a strait line to Land of Henry Robie aforesaid to stake and stones by the fence there fixd, from thence south Easterly by said Robies to the Parsonage aforesaid four Rods and a half as the fence goes, thence N. Easterly & S. Easterly by said Parsonage to grapevine Run and thence by said Run to the highway & then by said highway to the stake and stones first mentioned, which is mark'd in the Plan with the Letter K.

Also a Piece of Marsh Lying in Hampton falls aforesaid near falls Rivers mouth Containing one Acre & one hundred and fifty Rods being about one third part of the marsh belonging to said Estate and is the Easterly share of the three, Bounded as follows viz^t Begining the Easterly end of said marsh & Extending westerly Carrying the whole thereof fourteen Rods on the southerly side line to a stake there fix'd And fifteen Rods on the Northerly Side from the End up on a strait line to a stake there fix'd which piece is mark'd in the Plan with the Letter R.

Also one third part of the half of the sixty Acres of Land Lying in Raimond which belonged to said Estate viz the middle third part.

Also one third part of the back house aforesaid the westerly third part, begining at the Southeasterly Corner of the great Room of said house thence Runing to the middle of the fire place, and the Chamber over the same also the Priviledge of the use and improvement of the well belonging to said house & of passing and Repassing to the yard before the great house & the improvment of said yard for conveniency with others, also the middle third part of the Cellar under the back room of the great house with the priviledge of the improvment of the Cellar way as there shall be occasion—Also ten feet square in the Barn viz the middle ten feet adjoyning to the Easterly side of the west barn floor with a proportionable part of the barnyard & use of the barn floor

Sixthly — We have set off to Lucretia Hill Daughter to said Intestate for her share of Said Estate A Piece of Land Lying in said Hampton falls Containing three Acres & Ninety Rods being the Westerly share of the five, in the Pasture by Thom[®] Silleys Bounded as follows; begining at the Road being Seven Rods and three quarters wide at said Road to stake and stones there fix'd and to extend Southwesterly by Land of James Prescut the whole length of said Pasture to Land of the said Henry Robie, being Eight Rods & a quarter wide at said s. westerly end square a cross from said Prescuts Land to stake & stones there fix'd which piece of Land is mark'd in the Plan with the Letter F.

Also a piece of marsh Lying in Hampton falls near the Rivers mouth containing one Acre & one hundred and fifty Rods being about one third part of the marsh belonging to said Estate and is the westerly share of three, Bounded as follows vizt Begining at the westerly end of said marsh & to extend Easterly Carrying the whole wedth thereof to stakes at the easterly end there fix'd at each side of said marsh which are the westerly Bounds of Sarahs share aforesaid the stake on the southerly side is thirty five Rods from the Easterly End of said marsh & that on the Northerly side thirty Six Rods which are the length of the two easterly shares; said piece of marsh mark'd in the Plan with ye Letter P Also one third part of the half of a sixty Acre Lott of Land Lying in Chester in the forth Division belonging to said Estate viz the third part on that side Adjoyning to the Pond, Also Ten feet square of the Barn vizt the Southwesterly Corner thereof

Seventhly — We have set off to Lydia Tilton Daughter to said Intestate for her share in said Estate a Piece of Land Lying in said Hampton falls Containing Five Acres and a half being part of the home place viz at the North Easterly Corner thereof, Bounded as follows vizt Begining at the stake and stones at the Northeasterly Corner of the said widows thirds thence Runing Northerly by Land of the aforesaid Ralph Cross to the said Northeast Corner of said home place, thence Westerly as the fence goes fourteen Rods & one third of a Rod to stake & stones there fix'd, from thence Southerly by a share set to Asa after named to the Line of the widows thirds aforesaid to stake and stones there fix'd, and from thence Easterly by said Widow's Twenty two Rods and three quarters to the place first mentioned, together with the Priviledge of a way one Rod wide at the Northerly End of said Asa's share from the lower End of the Road where the gate is against the said Asa's share to come to the sd Lydia's which piece of Land to the Said Lydia is mark'd in the Plan aforesaid with the Letter D.

Also one third part of the half of the sixty Acres of Land in

Raimond belonging to said Estate viz the third part on the Southerly Side thereof —

Also One third part of the back house aforesaid viz^t the Dary room at the southeasterly Corner and the Northeasterly part of the great Room in said back house viz begining at the Southeasterly Corner thereof thence on a strait line to the middle of the fire place with the priviledge of the use of the oven therein also the use of the fore door of said back house and liberty to pass & Repass to the yard before the great house and the improvement of a Proportionable part of said yard with other for Conveniency and the Priviledge of the use and improvement of the well as she shall have Occasion which belongs to s^d house — and the Easterly third part of the back Cellar under the great house with the priviledge of the use & Improvement of the Cellar way as there shall be Occasion — Also Ten feet square of the barn viz the southerly ten feet of the westerly barn floor & scaffold over it with a proportionable part of the barn yard —

Eighthly — We have Set off to John Tilton Eldest son to said Intestate for his Double share in said Estate a Piece of Land Lying in said Hampton falls aforesaid Containing Eight Acres being part of the home place Bounded as follows vizt begining at the highway at the Northwesterly Corner of the part set to the widow of said homeplace, thence Easterly by said widow as the yard fence goes before the house to stake & stones even with the Easterly End of the house, thence Easterly by said widows still, thro' the Lot into the Pasture Down to the watering to a stake & stones by said widows line, which stake & stones is the Southwesterly Corner bound of the share set to Asa aforesaid. thence Northerly on the said Asa's westerly side nine Rods & three quarters to stake & stones which is the Southeasterly Corner bound of the share set to Daniel after named, thence westerly by Said Daniels parrallel with the said widows Northerly line to a stake & stones even with the East End of Jona Perkins's Land, thence Northerly to said Perkins's southeast Corner Eleven Rods & a half, thence by said Perkins to the highway and by said highway to the place first mentioned Reserving the way in from the Road, the yard before the house & barn yard as prick'd out upon the afores^d Plan to be enjoyed in common and other Priviledges before & after named given to others, which are within the before Described Boundaries; as the Buildings are upon the said Eight Acres as appears by the Plan aforesaid, which Piece is mark'd therein with the Letter A. Also the Easterly fore Room of the House with the Chamber & Garret over it and the southerly half of the Cellar with a Priviledge of the improvement of the Cellar way Also Ten feet of the length of the barn & twenty feet in the wedth which is next to the widows third part of said Barn being on the southerly part of said ten feet of s^d barn with the priviledge of the use of the barn floor & barn yard

Also a Piece of Land Lying in Kensington aforesaid being part of the Seven Acres of wood Land Lying there belonging to said Estate the westerly two Acres begining at the westerly End & Extending Easterly Twenty one Rods & Nine Links & a half to a hemlock stake spotted on four sides on the south side and a small hemlock tree spotted on four sides on the Northerly side which piece is mark'd in the Plan with the Letter L.

Also the half of the Forty Acre Lot of Land in Chester in the fifth Division Number 77.

Ninthly — We have Set off to Daniel Tilton son to the said Intestate for his share in said estate a Piece of Land Lying in said Hampton falls Containing five Acres And a half bounded as follows viz^t begining at the highway which leads to the Saw mill by the North Easterly Corner of the said Jon^a Perkins's Lot, thence Southerly by said Perkins's & Extending Eleven Rods & a half further on the same Course to a stake & stones thence Easterly Parrallel with the aforesaid widows Northerly Line Down into the watering to a stake & stones by the westerly side of the share set to Asa aforesaid Nine Rods & three quarters northerly from the said widows Line, from thence Northerly by said Asa's share to the aforesaid highway thirty Rods and a

third from the North Easterly Corner of said homeplace thence westerly by said highway to the place first mentioned twenty five Rods which piece of Land is mark'd in the Plan with the Letter B.

Also One half of the half of One hundred and twenty Acre Lot Lying in the Township of Weare N° 63 viz the Westerly half of that half which belongs to said Estate.

Also the westerly half of the back room under the Roof of the great house where the fire place is with half of said fire place and the Southerly half of the bed room at the Northeasterly Corner of said great house with such a part of the Chamber and garret over said parts of Rooms also the Northwesterly quarter part of the Cellar under the Easterly End of the house with the Priviledge of the use of the Cellar way into the same with the priviledge of the use of the well & the yard before said house also of passing & Repassing thro' ye fore Room

Also ten feet square of the barn viz the next 10 feet on the back side of the barn next to the widows third part with the priviledge of the use of the barn floor & a proportionable part of the Improvement of the barn yard —

Tenthly — We have Set off to Asa Tilton Son of the said Intestate for his share in said Estate a Piece of Land Lying in Said Hampton falls Containing six Acres being part of the home place Bounded as follows, viz begining at the highway which leads to the sawmill aforesaid at a stake and stones by said way Twenty five Rods Easterly from the Said Perkins's N. East Corner from thence southerly by the share of Daniel aforesaid in part and part by said Johns to the said widows Northerly line to stake and stones there fix'd forty nine Rods and three quarters from the N. Easterly Corner of the said widows aforesaid, thence Easterly by said widows twenty seven Rods to stake & stones, thence Northerly by the share set to Lydia aforesaid to stake and stones by the fence fourteen Rods & one third of a Rod westerly from the North Easterly Corner

of said home place & from thence westerly by the fence to a stake and stones by the way aforesaid which is the place first mentioned Reserving the priviledge of the one Rod way on the Northerly End given to Lydia as aforesaid which piece of Land is mark'd in the Plan with the Letter G.

Also one half of the half of that One hundred and Twenty Acre Lot Lying in the township of Weare N° 63 which belonged to Said Estate viz the Easterly half

Also the Easterly half of the back room in the great house where the fire place is with the Easterly half of s^d fire place also the northerly half of the bedroom at the Northeasterly Corner of said house with the parts of the chamber & garret that is over said Rooms

Also the Northeasterly quarter part of the Cellar under said Easterly end of the house with the priviledge of the use of the Cellar way into the same and the Priviledge of the use of the well & the yard before said house also of Passing & Repassing thro' the fore room to come to said back room

Also Ten feet square of the barn viz the Northerly side Ten feet by the easterly side of the westerly barn floor with the Priviledge of the use of the barn floor and a proportionable part of the barn yard.

The meaning is that the three Daughters viz Mary Anna & Lucretia to whom we have set the westerly ten feet of the Barn shall Enjoy liberty of Passing and Repassing to and from the same by Enjoying a proportionable priviledge in the barn yard & use of the barn floor — & one passing thro' the others part as they shall have occasion —

Thus have we made the Division of the Real Estate of the said John Tilton Deceased Intestate to & among the widow & Children of said Intestate first setting off one full third part thereof to the said widow, & Dividing the other two thirds into Ten Equel parts & setting off two of those parts to the Eldest son and a single part or share to each of the other Children

And this we make as a Return of our Doings herein Dated at Hampton falls January 1st 1773.

Jonathan Tilton Henry Robie Jeremiah Lane

THEODORE HILTON 1769

NEWMARKET

[Administration on the estate of Theodore Hilton granted to Joseph Hilton March 29, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 369.]

[Bond of Joseph Hilton, with Bradstreet Gilman and Josiah Adams as sureties, all of Newmarket, husbandmen, in the sum of £500, March 29, 1769, for the administration of the estate of Theodore Hilton of Newmarket; witnesses, William Parker, Samuel Hale, Jr.]

[Warrant, March 29, 1769, authorizing Edward Hilton and Henry Wiggin, both of Newmarket, husbandmen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, April 12, 1769; amount, £221. 1. 0; signed by Henry Wiggin and Edward Hilton.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts as per inventory; expenditures, £523. 7. 0; mentions "Bringing up four Children from their father's Death till 7 years old"; filed April 26, 1769.]

[Petition of Joseph Hilton, administrator, Aug. 10, 1774, for a commission in insolvency. The court appointed Walter Bryent and Joseph Doe, trader, both of Newmarket.]

[List of claims against the estate, Jan. 10, 1775; amount, £10. 14. 4; signed by Walter Bryent and Joseph Doe.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £19. 6. 01/2; expendi-

tures, £18. 6. $0\frac{1}{2}$; mentions a widow and a coroner's inquest; allowed Jan. 14, 1775.]

SAMUEL GILMAN

1769

EXETER

In the Name of God Amen. The first day of April in the Year of our lord one Thousand Seven hundred & Sixty nine — I Samuel Gilman of Exeter in the Province of New Hamp' Yeoman, Being Sick & weak in Body * * * And as Touching such worldly Estate wherewith it Hath Pleased God to Bless me in this life, I give, Devise, and Dispose of the Same in manner & form following; that is to Say, in the first place I give & Bequeath to my Honrd mother one Eighth part of a Gristmill in the parish of Brentwood at a place Call'd Coppyholt and all so one Eighth part of the privilidge and appurtenances to the Same belonging, And Allso Three pounds Lawfull money which is in the Hands of my Father —

Secondly, — I give to my Brother Bartholomew Gilman one Quarter part of a Sawmill in Brentwood at a place Call'd Coppyholt and one Quarter part of the privilidge Iron work & appurtenances belonging to the Same, and allso a mill Saw which is at Said mill, And Allso five Sheep that are let out to Henry Stell, And Allso all my book Accounts, — And whoom I likewise Constitute, make, & ordain my only & Sole Executor, of this my last will & Testament —

Third^{1y} I give to my Brother Nathaniel Gilman a forty Acre lott of land in Gilmantown which lott is Number Twenty Eight in the first Range of lotts in the first proposed parish & was laid out to the original Right of Joseph Baker Deceas'd, and allso one Eighth part of a Gristmill in Brentwood at a place Call'd Coppyholt and one Eighth part of the privilidge & apurtenance's belonging to the Same — and allso my Shoe & Knee buckels & Sleve buttons and all my wearing apparell Except what Shall be

hereafter mentioned, and allso my Desk and three pounds Lawfull money which is in the hands of my Father —

4^{thly} I give to my Brother Joseph Gilman one Yoak of oxen and one large Timber Chain, and a Note of Hand against Daniel Clerk of Brentwood for Six thousand feet of Boards & three Thousand Shingles, and allso my gun, & five Sheep which are in the Posession of my Father.

5^{thly} I give to my Brother Summersbee Gilman my great Coat and Lapell Broadcloth Ditto and my Second best Hatt & wigg —

6^{th ly} I Give to my Nephew Samuel Gilman Son of my Brother Nicholas Gilman, one Hundred acre Lott of Land in Gilmantown it Being the lott Number Two in the Seventh Range of lotts in the last Division or Laying out of Said Township, and allso five Sheep which are now in the hands of John Glidden of said Exeter * *

Samuel Gilman

[Witnesses] Nicolas Nicolls, Mary Gage. [Proved July 26, 1769.]

NATHANIEL ADAMS

PORTSMOUTH

[Inventory of the estate of Nathaniel Adams of Portsmouth, merchant, attested April 3, 1769; amount, £4749. 1. 8½; signed by Thomas Martin and William Whipple; attested by John Parker as administrator.]

1769

[Warrant, Oct. 13, 1769, authorizing Thomas Martin and William Whipple, both of Portsmouth, merchants, to receive claims against the estate.]

[Warrant, March 22, 1771, authorizing Samuel Hale, Samuel Penhallow, and Joshua Brackett, physician, all of Portsmouth, to set off the widow's dower.]

Pursuant to the within Warrant We have set off to the said Elizabeth Adams Widow of the said Nath¹ Adams Dec^d for her

full Third of said Deceased's Real Estate that part of said Estate joining to Queen Street in Portsmouth with the Buildings thereon Bounded Southerly by Queen Street, Westerly sixty eight feet by the Street Leading to the Parade, Northerly by said Deceased's remaining Land, Easterly thirty nine feet by Jacob Sheafes Land, and the Pew Below in the South end of Doctor Langdon's Meeting House, We have also Set off to said Widow about half an acre of Land in Durham with the House and other Buildings thereon formerly owned by Derry Pitman, and about Six Acres of Land in said Durham belonging to said Estate Purchased of Winborn Adams by the Deceased—

Portsmouth April 11th 1771 —

Samuel Hale Sam¹ Penhallow Joshua Brackett

[List of claims, April 13, 1771; amount, £5711. 18. $1\frac{1}{4}$.]

[Settlement of claims; amount distributed. £2855. 19. 0½; allowed Oct. 1, 1773.]

[Petition of Joseph Whipple of Portsmouth, Sept. 6, 1773, for the recovery of his property amounting to £69. 15. 0, inventoried as property of the deceased.]

[Additional inventory, filed Sept. 29, 1773; amount, £127. 10. 0; signed by Thomas Martin and William Whipple.]

[Warrant, April 12, 1814, authorizing Samuel Newhall, trader, Benjamin Akerman and Joseph Y. Burgin, gentlemen, all of Portsmouth, to appraise the remaining estate.]

[Petition of Elizabeth Adams, April 13, 1814, that administration be granted to her son, Nathaniel Adams of Portsmouth, John Parker, former administrator, being deceased; witness, Deborah Sparhawk.]

[Administration de bonis non granted to Nathaniel Adams April 16, 1814.]

[Bond of Nathaniel Adams, with James Sheafe and John Haven as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of \$4000, April 12, 1814, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Benjamin W. Adams, Thomas Cooper.]

[Petition of the administrator, April 16, 1814, for license to sell the reversion of the widow's dower; granted the same day.]

[Inventory, attested June 14, 1814; amount, \$1353.00; signed by Benjamin Akerman and Samuel Newhall.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, \$2429.00; expenditures, \$166.50; allowed June 15, 1814.]

[Additional distribution of \$2265.90 to creditors; allowed Aug. 19, 1814.]

JOHN FERGUSON

1769

PELHAM

In the Name of God, Amen, I John Forgason of Pellham In The Province of New Hampshire Esqr Being Verry Sick & Week In Body * * *

Imprimis I Give and Bequeath unto Jane my Dearely Beloved Wife The Use and Improvement of All my Estate Both Real & personal Till my Eldest Son John Forgeuson Jun^r shall arive To y^o Age of Twenty one years (if she shall Remain single Till that Time) or till the Time That he would arive to That age if then Surviveing, she paying my Just Debts Funerall Charge & To Bring up my Children out of the Incum of my Estate without making any Embarrasments thereon on Further Demands on s^d Estate for the Bringing up my S^d Children (then the Incum of my s^d Estate) I allso Give to her my s^d wife the use and Improvement of my s^d Estate as much Longer then That Term as she Shall Keep my s^d Family together and Maintain my said Children & Keep my Buildings In Repare: And if my s^d wife Shall marry Before That Time is expired She Is then to have only her Thirds In my s^d estate as In Case of Intestates, and

the other Two Thirds of sd estate the use & Incum thereof Is to be Laid out for the maintainance of my Chilldren: & if she Remains single Til my sa Eldest Son John Shall arive To Twenty one years (if He Shall Survive) & if he Shall not Survive to that age at yo Time my oldest Surviving Son Shall Arive To yo Age of Twenty one years My will is That the whole of my sd estate That Shall Then Remain Both Real and personall Shall be Divided In the Following maner (viz) The one Third part thereof to be set of To my Said wife as In Case of Intestats (provided she Doth not marry & Take her Thirds as aforesd Before that Time) And the other Two Thirds of sa Estate I Give & Bequeath To my Five Sons and Two Daughters Namely To John Forgoson Jun^r, James Forgoson, David Forgoson, George Forgoson & Jonathan Forgoson (ye sd Jonathan being an Infant about fourteen Days old) & To Sarah Forgoson and Betty Forgoson Daughters of me yo sd Testator my sd Five Sons to Have Equal shares and my said Two Daughters is To have but only one half so much each as one of my said sons That Is To Say To my sd sons before named one Sixth part Each and my Said Two Daughters one Twelfth part each of sd estate.

Item I allso Give & Bequeath to my s^d sons and Daughters all y^e Reversion of my s^d estate That Shall Remain after my s^d Wifes Deceass To be Divided In the Same Manner as above mentioned, And if any of my s^d Chilldren Shall Decease befor they arive To Twenty one years of age their part so Deceast To be equally Divided amongst their surviveing Brothers and Sisters

And whereas I Some Time Since Took a Deed of Jabesh Gage of a Certain Tract of Meadow and upland Situate In s^d Pellham being part of y^e meadows Called Gouldings Meadows For the Security of Certain Debts Due from him to me The Ballance whereof Now Remaining Due to me being Six pounds Thirteen Shillings Sterling mony of Great Britain, I Do Therefere Authorise and Impower my s^d Executrix on y^e s^d Jabeshs or his Heirs paying the afors^d sum of Six pounds Thirteen Shillings Sterling

mony as afores^d with the Lawfull Intrest for the Same In one year from the Date hereof To Give a Releass Back to him or his Heirs of s^d Lands and Meadows so Rec^d of him (if paid in one year from this Date).

Item I Do Hereby Constitute appoint ordain and make my Said Wife my Sole Executrix of This my Last will and Testament, And Do Hereby utterly Revoak, Disalow, and Disanull All & every other & Former Testaments wills Leagacys and Bequest and executors by me any ways before Named willed and Bequeathed Rattifying & Conferming this and no other to be my Last Will & Testament. In wittness whereof I the Said John Forgorson have Hereunto Set my hand and Seal this fourth Day of April In the Ninth year of His Majisty's Reign Annoqu domini: 1769.

John Fergoson

[Witnesses] Robert Stuart, Robet Nevens Ju, Jnº Varnum. [Proved June 7, 1769.]

[Warrant, June 7, 1769, authorizing Robert Moore of Londonderry and Robert Nevins of Pelham, yeomen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, June 27, 1769; amount, £338. 15. 8; signed by Robert Moore and Robert Nevins, Jr.]

[Bond of James Gibson of Pelham, with Robert Nevins, Jr., of Pelham and Joseph Wright of Salem as sureties, in the sum of £1000, Feb. 1, 1774, for the administration of the estate, with will annexed; witnesses, John Parker, Samuel Hale, Jr.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £239. 14. 7; expenditures, £36. 9. 2; mentions "2 Days settling with M' Wall who married the widow"; allowed Oct. 29, 1778.]

[Warrant, Feb. 24, 1779, authorizing David Butler, Jacob Butler, Jr., Joshua Atwood, Barnabas Gibson, and Caleb Butler, all of Pelham, to divide the real estate.]

State of New Hampshire Rockingham ss

Whereas we the Subscribers being a Committee Appointed by the Honble Phillips White Esq^r Judge of the Probate of Wills, &c. for Said County to divide the Real Estate of John Ferguson late of Pelham in Said County Esq^r deceased, among his Children according to his last Will and Testament —

In Obedience theirunto we have Proceeded to divide Said Estate accordingly, and make Return of the Same as followeth (viz)

To John Ferguson we have Set off 2/10 of the whole of Said Real Estate, Bounded as followeth (viz) beginning at a Stake and Stones Standing on the westerly Bank of Beaver Brook So Called, it being the South Easterly Corner of Said division thence W. 11d S. 43 Poles, to a Stake and Stones, thence N 6d W. 34 Poles to a Stake and Stones, thence W 18d N. 34 Poles to a Stake and Stones, Standing by the Road from the Meeting House to Philip Richardson's thence Southerly by Said Road untill it comes to the Road from Said Meeting House to Daniel Barker's, thence westerly by the last mentioned Road to the land of James Barnard thence Easterly by land of Said Barnard and Philip Richardson to Beaver Brook, thence Down Said Brook to the Bound first mentioned — also another Lott of Land Lying South westerly from Said Meeting House Called Broad Meadow Lott, Bounded as followeth (viz) Beginning on Dracutt line at a Stake and Stones Standing by the Northeasterly Side of the Meadow, thence Northeasterly on Said Dracutt line to land of Thomas Spafford thence Southeasterly by land of Said Spafford and William Wyman about 63 Poles to a Pine Stump, thence Northeasterly by land of Said Wyman 22 Roads to a Pine tree, thence Southerly by land of the Gages about 62 Poles to a Pine tree, thence Northwesterly by land of Samuel Davise about 60 Rods to a Pine Tree thence Northwesterly through Said Lott, to the Bound first mentioned Together with 3/4th of all the Buildings on the Meeting House Farm So Called, which Belonged to Said Deceased.

To James Ferguson we have set off 2/10th of y^e whole of said Estate Bounded as followeth (viz) Beginning at a stake & stones

on ye Westerly Bank of Beaver Brook The Southeasterly Corner of John⁸ Division and from thence Westerly by said John⁸ Line and Bounds, to the Road from ye meeting House to sd Philip Richardson^s and thence southerdly by s^d Road about 41 Poles to a stake & stones and thence E 22d N 49 Pole, & thence E 1/2 Degree North to an Ash Tree standing on ye Bank of ye aforsd Brook 361/2 Poles and thence Northerdly up sd Brook to the Bounds first mentioned also another Piece of Land Lying Westerly of said Meetinghouse Bounded thus (viz) Beginning at a Pine Stump the southwesterly Corner of ye Premises and thence Northeasterly by Land of Joseph Richardson to the Road From Dan¹ Barkers to said meetinghouse and thence by s^d Road to said house and thence Westerly of sd House and by Land of the Rev^d Amos Moody to the southerly Line of y^e Whole Farm and thence Northwesterly by the last mentioned line to the Bound First mentioned — Also another Piece of Land Lying Southwesterly of said Meetinghouse Being a Part of a Lott Known by ye name of broad Meadow Lott the Part is bounded as Followeth (viz) Beginning at a stake and stones on Dracutt Line yo Northwesterly Corner of John^s Division and thence South Easterly Through said Lott to a Pine Tree and thence south Westerly by Land of Sam¹ Davis & Dan¹ Butler to a Stake and Stones on a Cobble Hill about 72 Pole and thence Northerly by said Butlers Line to ye aforsd Dracutt Line about 48 Pole and Thence Northeasterly by Dracutt line to ye Bound first mentioned To Gether with the 2/5th Part of all the Buildings on this Farm Called the Meetinghouse farm

To Sarah Ferguson we have Set off I/Ioth of the whole of Said deceasd real Estate, Bounded as followeth (viz) Beginning at an ash Tree Standing on the westerly Bank of Beaver Brook so calld, it being the southeasterly Corner Bound of James's division, thence westerly by James's line & bounds to the Road from the Meeting House to Philip Richardsons, thence Southerly by Said Road to the Dwelling House, thence Easterly on the Northerly Side of Said dwelling house to the Northeasterly Corner of

the School-house, thence Southerly Crossing the road by the Rev. Mr Moody's Easterly line to the Southerly line of the whole Farm, thence Easterly by Said line to Beaver Brook, thence up said brook Crossing the Road To the Bound first Mentioned, together with the one fifth part of all the Buildings Standing on the Farm Call'd the Meeting House farm. —

To Betty Ferguson we have Set off 1/10th of the Real Estate of the Said deceased bounded as followeth (viz) beginning at a Stake and Stones on the westerly side of the Road it Being the Northeasterly Corner Bound of Said division, thence S. 50^d W. to a Stake Standing on the Southwesterly line of the whole farm. thence S. 62d E. by land of John Butler Ir to a heap of Stones 21 Rods, thence N. 48d E. by Said Butlers land to the road thence Northerly about 17 Roads to the Bound first Mentioned. together with another Peice of land Lying Round the Barn, bounded as followeth (viz) beginning at the Road on Dracutt line, thence Southerly by Said Road about 18 Rods to a Stake and Stones, thence W 11/2 N 20 Rods to a stake and Stones Standing on dracutt line thence Northeasterly by Dracutt line to the first mentioned Bound, also one fifth Part of all the Buildings on the farm Called Gumpass farm, Still Reserving to the three Heirs whose divisions fall in this farm a Priviledge Peaceabley to Injoy their Parts in the Buildings on Said farm

To George Ferguson we have set off 2/10th of the whole Real Estate of the said Deceased Bounded as followeth (viz) Beginning at a stake and stones at ye Northwest corner of this division and thence by land of John Butler Jr south 62^d East 32 Pole to a stake & stones thence North 46½ East 150 Poles to a stake and stones thence south 66^d East 13 Pole to an Ash Tree standing by the Brook thence up and by said Brook about 66 Pole to a stake and stones by the Old Causeway and thence N 51^d E 20 Poles to a stake & stones by the road thence N 59^d East 52 Poles to a stake and stones thence Northerly by land of Daniel Butler to a heap of stones 46 Pole thence Southwesterly by the north line of the whole farm to the road, and thence South by the Road 16

Pole to a stake and stones on ye Westerly side of sd Road thence West I ½d North 20 Poles to Dracutt line so Called to a stake and stones thence By said Dracutt Line to the Bound First mentioned. Also ½th Part of all the Buildings on the farm Called Gumpass farm still reserving to the three Heirs whose Division fall on this farm a Priviledge Peaceably to Injoy their Part in the Buildings on said farm —

To Jonathan Ferguson we have sit off 2/10th Part of the whole Estate Real of the said deceased which Part is Bounded as Followeth viz Beginning at a stake and stones at the North west corner of this Division and the south west Corner of Georges Division and thence South 62d East 32 Pole to a stake and stones Being ye North West Corner of Bettye Division thence North 50d East to a stake and Stones on ye Westerly side of the Road, thence south by said Road 16 Poles to the southerdly Line of ye whole farm thence Easterly by Land of John Butler Jur by a Pine Tree marked to a heap of stones thence by Land of Daniel Butler North 62 Poles to a heap of stones thence S 59d West 52 Poles to a stake and stones on the westerly side of the road thence south 51d west 20 Poles to a stake and stones by the Causeway and thence by and Down the Brook to an Ash Tree standing by sd Brook about 66 Poles thence North 66d west 13 Poles to a stake and stones and thence south 461/2d West to the Bound First mentioned Together with Two Fifth Parts of all the Buildings on this Farm Called Gumpass farm —

All and severally the Division within and above Described are made to the Best of our Judgment agreeable to the warrant Directed to us under y° hand of the Hon¹ Philips White Esqr Judge of Probate for this County — and in Testimony of this our Doings We have hereunto set our hand this 6th Day of December Annoque Domini 1779

David Butler Jacob Butler Jur Caleb Butler Bars Gibson [Additional account of the administrator; receipts, £234. 19. 5; expenditures, £227. 16. 0; allowed June 28, 1780.]

JOSEPH GRAVES

1769

DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of Joseph Graves granted to Martha Graves April 4, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 368.]

[Warrant, April 4, 1769, authorizing Joseph Young, gentleman, and Walter Bryent, Jr., both of Newmarket, to appraise the estate.]

[Guardianship of Phineas Graves, minor, aged more than 14 years, granted to William Graves April 22, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 367.]

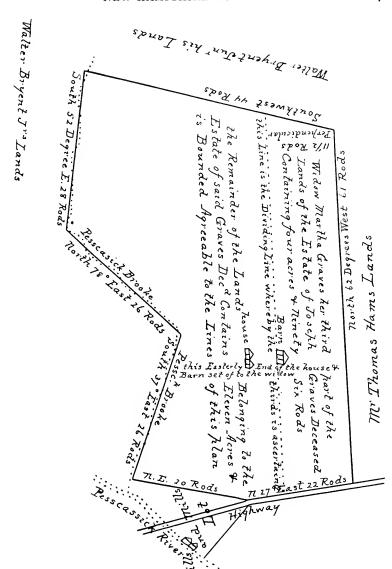
[Inventory, July 24, 1769; amount, £65. 17. 0; signed by Joseph Young and Walter Bryent, Jr.]

[List of claims against the estate, Sept. 4, 1769; amount, £148. 14. 8; signed by Joseph Smith and Walter Bryent, Jr.]

[Settlement of claims; amount distributed, £18. 19. 1; allowed April 27, 1770.]

Province of New Hamp' Durham March 19th 1770 —

We the Subscribers haveing Surveyed the whole of the Real Estate Belonging to the Estate of Joseph Graves Late of said Durham Deceas⁴ In order to Proportion Set of and Ascertain the widow Martha Graves Relict to said Deceased her Right of Dower Or thirds In said Real Estate which we have Done in the follow^g Manner (viz) of the Lands of the said Graves which Contains fifteen Acres and Ninty Six Square Rods In the whole as by the Plan hereunto Annexed we Have Set of four Acres and Ninety Six Square Rods of said Land & Bounded the Same as follows Beginning at the Easterly Corner of said Land, & on the



The Above Plan is Laid Down By a Scale of ten rods to one Inch

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Highway & to Run by said way South 27 Degrees West Eleven Rods & one half rod then to Run North 62 Degrees West Carrying the full wedth of Eleven rods & one half rod from Land of Mr Thomas Ham's on the Northerly side thereof untill it Meet the Lands Belonging to Walter Bryent I^r Agreeable to a pricked Line In the Plan annexed — Also of the House we have set of to said widow the Small Addition Consisting of one room set up at the Easterly End of the old part of said house Also of the Barn we have set of as aforesaid the Easterly End thereof as far as the East post & Girt of the floor of said Barn and also of a Small Share in Pisscasseck Mills & Lot Belonging to said mills which was the Estate of said Deceased we do set of to said Widow to Improve the said Mills one third part of that Proportion of time which Appertaineth to the Estate of said Graves Deceased According to the usual Costom of said mills & to follow in Improvement the Other two third parts Belonging to the said Estate — and Also do Allow said widow to have a way of one rod wide from the house to the Barn aforement

> Joseph Smith Walter Bryent J^r

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £44. 14. 0; expenditures, £25. 14. 11; allowed April 26, 1770.]

BENJAMIN BARKER 1769

PELHAM

[Administration on the estate of Benjamin Barker of Pelham, husbandman, granted to his widow, Mary Barker, April 10, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 5, p. 232.]

[Bond of Mary Barker, with David Cummings and Caleb Butler, husbandmen, as sureties, all of Pelham, in the sum of £300, April 10, 1769, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Daniel Barker, Ebenezer Webster.]

[Inventory, April 9, 1769; amount, £494. 15. 11; signed by Samuel Butler and Amos Gage.]

SHADRACH WEYMOUTH 1769

DURHAM

In the Name of God Amen the fifteenth day of April Annoque Domini One thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty Nine I Shadrach Waymouth of Durham in the Province of New Hampshire in New England Ship Wright Being Weak of Body * * *

Item I Give and Bequeath to Elizabeth my well Beloved wife all my Estate Both real Personal & mixed —

Item I Give and Bequeath to my son Joseph Waymouth five shillings to be paid By my Executrix hereinafter named within ten Years Next after my Decease —

Item I Give to my Daughter Hannah Johnson five shillings to be paid By my Exec* herein After Named within fourteen Years Next after my Decease —

Item I Give to my Son George Waymouth five shillings to be paid By my Exect* hereinafter Named within fourteen Years Next after my Decease —

Item I Give to my Son Timothy Cotten Waymouth five shillings to be paid By my Exec* hereinafter Named at the time Last ment^d

Item I Give unto my Daughter Eunice Waymouth five Shillings to be paid By my Exec* hereinafter Named within fourteen Years Next after my Decease

Item I Give to my Son James Waymouth five Shillings to be paid By my Exec* hereinafter Named within fourteen Years Next After my Decease

Item I Give to my son Samuel Waymouth five shilling to be paid by my Execut* hereinafter Named within fourteen Years Next After my Decease

Item I Give to my Daughter Sarah Waymouth five shillings to be paid By my Execut* hereinafter Named within fourteen Years Next After my Decease —

Lastly I Appoint my Well Beloved wife Elizth Waymouth sole Executrix * * *

Shadrach Wamouth

[Witnesses] John Tash, Andrew Sherburn, Walter Bryent Jr. [Proved May 26, 1769.]

GEORGE RICKER

1769

SOMERSWORTH

In the Name of God Amen, the Seventeenth Day of April one Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty Nine I George Ricker of Somersworth in the province of New Hampshire in New England Husbandman, being weak in Body * * *

Imprimis, I give & bequeath to My dearly beloved Wife Zebina Ricker the improvement of all my lands together with y° buildings thereon standing, & all y° appurtenances & priviledges thereunto belonging, during her Natural life.

Item, I give & bequeath to My S^d beloved Wife Zebina all my stock of Creatures

Item, I give & bequeath to my s^d beloved Wife Zebina y^e use & improvement of all My Household good during her Natural life.

Item its my Will that My S^d Wife Zebina receive all My outstanding debts Bills or bonds & that she discharge my lawfull Debts with y° same, so far as they will go, & what shall be lacking towards y° discharging of all my debts, it is my will that she sells so Much of My lands as is Needfull in order to the discharging of all My debts.

Item, I give & bequeath to My beloved Son Ephraim Ricker the one half of my lands which shall remain after all my debts are discharged, lying all along upon the Notherly side of my Remaining lands, after ye dicease of My Sd beloved wife, to him his Heirs And assigns for ever.

Item, I give & bequeath to my beloved Son James Ricker ye

other half My lands which shall remain after all my debts are discharged lying all a long upon the Southerly side of My remaining lands with the House barn & orchard thereon standing (excepting y° improvement of part of the House as may be hereafter Mentioned) after y° decease of my said beloved wife, to him his Heirs and assigns forever.

Item I give and bequeath to My three beloved Daughters, Betty Fall, Dorothy Moore & Molly Ricker three Cows, that is to say, one Cow to each of them, to be equally paid to them by my two s^d beloved sons Ephraim Ricker & James Ricker, within one Year after the decease of My said beloved wife Zebina

Item I give and bequeath to My S^d beloved Son James Ricker one bed with the furniture to the same belonging, after y^e decease of My Said beloved Wife Zebina.

Item I give & bequeath to my s^d beloved Daughter Molly Ricker one bed with y^e furniture to the same belonging after y^e decease of My s^d beloved Wife Zebina.

Item I give & bequeath to My s^d beloved Daughter Molly Ricker the use & Improvement of y^e west room in my dwelling House after y^e decease of my Said beloved wife Zebina so long as she shall remain in a single state of life.

All ye rest of My Estate I give & bequeath to my sed beloved Wife Zebina, her Heirs & assigns for ever.

Item I do hereby make & ordain my s
d Wife Zebina Ricker my Sole Executrix * * *

His George × Ricker Mark

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[Witnesses] Samuel Jones, Daniel Pike, Benjamin \times Jones. Mark

[Proved July 26, 1769.]

[Warrant, July 26, 1769, authorizing John Wentworth and

Moses Carr, physician, both of Somersworth, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Sept. 22, 1769; amount, £158. 2. 6; signed by John Wentworth and Moses Carr.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 2.]

HANNAH JACKSON

1769

MADBURY

In the Name of God amen this Seventeenth Day of April annoque Domini one Thousand Seven Hundred & Sixty Nine. I Hannah Jackson of Madbury in the Province of Newhampshire Widow Being Sick & weak in Body * * *

Imprimis I will and Bequeath all my Estate Both Real and Personal whersoever the Same may be found to my three Grand Children, Namely, Merebah Leathers Louis Leathers and Enoch Leathers Equally Divided Between them, and to their Hiers and assigns forever.

I Do hereby Constitute and Appoint Benjamin Hill of Madbury afors^d Yeoman to be my Executor * * *

her Hannah × Jackson Mark

[Witnesses] Eb^r Demerit, Joseph Bussell, Frances Drew Juner. [Proved Dec. 26, 1770.]

PATRICK TAGGART

1769

MERRIMACK

[Administration on the estate of Patrick Taggart of Merrimack granted to John McLaughlin April 18, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 366.]

[Bond of John McLaughlin of Bedford, yeoman, with John

Goffe of Derryfield and Thomas Simpson of Deerfield as sureties, in the sum of £500, April 18, 1769, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Clement March, William Parker.]

[Inventory, attested July 24, 1769; amount, £147. 4. 1; signed by Daniel Moore and Robert Walker; mentions John Mc-Laughlin, Jr., administrator, as son-in-law of the deceased.]

[Warrant, Oct. 27, 1769, authorizing John Goffe of Derryfield and James Underwood of Litchfield to receive claims against the estate.]

[List of claims, May 2, 1770; amount, £42. 6. $11\frac{3}{4}$; signed by John Goffe and James Underwood.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £121. 19. 3; expenditures, £62. I. I; mentions John Taggart, brother of the deceased, and "allowance for Martha Taggarts sickness & funeral Charges Paying the Doc^r &c... allowance to the accountants wife being a Daughter of the Deceased of a Gown which the other Daughters had remainder to be Divided among the accounts wife & the other Sister"; allowed May 18, 1770.]

SETH JOHNSON

1769

PELHAM

In the Name of God Amen, I Seth Johnson of Pellham in ye Province of New Hampshire In New England; yeoman: Being verry Sick & Weak In Body * * *

Imprimis I Give & Bequeath unto Mary my Dearely Beloved Wife The Use & Improvement of the westerly part of my Dwelling House to the middle of the Chimny way with youse of the one halfe of yo Celler under the Said House and a Liberty of useing the yard at yo Fore Door & passing In and out at sd Door and from thence to yo Road as she Shall have occasion for yo useing of sd House & yard & a priviledge of useing watter at the well Neare sd House & a Liberty of Passing & Repassing to &

from sd well as there shall be occasion from Time to Time for the use of the Same; and the priviledge of yo Use of a Garden Before sd Door the wedth of sd House the Same sd Garden to be Kept well fenced and manured for her by my Executor so Long as shee shall Remain my widow. I allso Give to her my sd wife my Neagro Servant Garl Named Rose to Serve her my sd wife Dureing her nattureal Life and at her Decease the sd neagro Garl is to be Sold by my executor To Such master as Shee Shall Choos if she will Choos one provided he will Give as much as any other person & the sum That she is Sold for is to be Equally Divided amoungst my five sons and my Yongest Daughter, And if you set Servant Garl Should Have any Children while In my Said wifes Service My will Is That all the sd Children that sd Rose Shall have In sd Term while In my sd wifes Service Shall be sold by my Executor to yo Best advantage & the money That sd Child or Children shall fetch (if any there be) to be Divided as afore sd amoungst my sd Five Sons and my yungest Daughter

Item I give to my sd wife one Cow Such as She Shall Choose out of my stock & the same sd Cow or any other In her sted If my sd wife shall se Cause to exchange her to be kept for her my sd wife by my executor on my Homested Farm In sd Pellham Both summer and winter with Grass & Hav as well as he Keeps his own Cows And she my sd wife to have the full Bennifit of ve use of sd Cow & allso the priviledg of ye Service of a Horse to ride to meeting and Else where as Shee Shall have Occasion to be Kept for her by my Executor & allso a privilege of Keeping one pigg Each yeare and Suffering him to feed In the Lane Southerly of my sa Dwelling House Dureing the full Term That She Shall Continue my widow. I allso Give to her my sd Wife my Two best Feather Beds & the Furniture to them Belonging and my meanest Bed & Beding & allso the use & Improvement of all my Peuter Brass & Iron furniture and one third part of the Remainder of all my Household Goods Dureing the full Term that Shee Shall Remain my widow, and allso a Cyder Barril a Bear Barrill

& a powdering Tub. I allso Give to her my s^d wife Ten Bushill of Indian Corn five Bushil of Rie four Bushil of Petatoes Four Bushil of Turnips & one Barril of Cyder annually That is To Say That Quantity of Corn Rie petatoes Turnips & Cyder To be Delivered to her annually by my executor so long as she shal Remain my widow and if my orchard shall make Eight Barrills of Cyder in a year then She is to have Two Barrils of Cyder In a year out of y° same

I allso Give to her one of my yung swine that I now have such as shee shall Choose, And if she shall Marry and by misfortune or otherways be Redused & Become poor & Needy she may Return & Dwell in s^d House & Receive her Legacy as if She had not Married provided her s^d Husband Doth not Return with her. I allso Give to her my said wife Eight Shillings Lawfull money annually To be paid to her; that sum to be paid to her each year so Long as she Shall Remain my widow.

Item I Give to my Son Silas Johnson The sum of Six pounds Thirteen Shillings and four pence Lawfull money In full of his part & portion in my estate s^d sum To be paid to him In Two years after my Decease by my Execut^r.

Item I Give To my Son Abel Johnson the sum of Six pounds Thirteen Shillings and four pence Lawfull mony to be paid to him By my Executor In Two years after my Decease In full of his you Abels part and portion In my estate.

Item I Give To my Son Jonas Johnson the sum of Fourteen pounds Thirteen Shillings & four pence Lawfull mony To be paid to him by my executor In Two years after my Decease In full of his the said Jonases part and portion In my estate

Item I Give To my Son Jesse Johnson the sum of Fourteen pounds Thirteen Shillings and four pence Lawfull mony to be paid to him by my executor In Two years after my Decease In full of his part and portion In my estate

Item I Give To my Daughter Mary Wyman the wife of Joseph Wyman Jun^r the Sum of Five Shillings Lawfull mony which with what I have Before and otherways Given to her is in

full of her part and portion in my estate the same to be paid to her by my executor In Two years after my Decease.

Item I Give To my Daughter Martha Wood wife of Solomon Wood of Wooburn the sum of Five Shillings Lawfull mony to be paid to her by my executor In Two years after my Decease which with what I have before and otherways Given to her is In full of her part and portion In my estate.

Item I Give to my Daughter Phebe Johnson the Sum of Twelve pounds Lawfull mony To be paid to her when she arives to y° age of eighteen years (by my executor) In full of her part and portion In my estate

And my Will Is That my Wareing apparill be Equally Divided amongst my Five Sons I Do therefore Give my s^d wareing apparril to my s^d Five Sons to be Equally Divided amungst them

Item I Give my Books To my Five Sons & Three Daughters to be Equally Divided amungst them.

And my Will Further Is That my Children & Family That Live at home shall have the Benifit of eating the provisions Now in my House & stores without Being accountable for the same.

Item I Give & Bequeath all the Remainder of my estate Both Real & personal of what Name or Nature Soever wheresoever & Howsoever the same shall or may be found unto my Son Amos Johnson (whom I allso Constitute ordain & make my sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament) And To his Heirs and assignes for ever, (That is not before Willed and Bequeathed in this Will) That Is To Say all my Lands Buildings & Improvements Mony Bills Bonds Notes accounts sum & sums of mony anyways Due owing Cuming payable or Belonging to me or That Shall be any ways Due to me at my Decease with all my Goods & Chattles That I have Not Before & other ways Given and Disposed he ye Said Amos and his Heirs and assignes paying all my Just Debts my Funeral Charges & the Legacys mentioned In this Will. — And I Do Hereby utterly Revoak Disalow & Disanull All & Every other & Former Testaments wills Leagacys

& Bequest & Executors by me any ways Before named willed & Bequeathed Rattifying & Conferming this & No other To be my Last Will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I the Said Seth Johnson have hereunto Set my hand & Seal this Twenty Second Day of April In the Ninth year of His Majisty's Reign Annoqu Domini 1769.

Seth Johnson

[Witnesses] Daniel Coburn, Parker Varnum, Jonas Richardson. [Proved April 19, 1770.]

[Bond of Amos Johnson, with Jonas Richardson and Daniel Coburn as sureties, all of Pelham, yeomen, in the sum of £500, April 19, 1770, for the execution of the will; witnesses, John Wentworth, George Libby.]

OTIS VARNEY

1769

SOMERSWORTH

[Administration on the estate of Otis Varney of Somersworth granted to Moses Yeaton April 26, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 366.]

[Bond of Moses Yeaton of Somersworth, with David Lyford of Somersworth and Nehemiah Kimball of Dover as sureties, husbandmen, in the sum of £500, April 26, 1769, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Samuel Hobart, Samuel Hale, Jr.]

[Inventory, April 29, 1769; amount, £42. 14. 6; signed by Moses Carr and Benjamin Warren.]

SAMUEL APPLETON

1769

PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Appleton of Portsmouth granted to Gregory Purcell and Mary Appleton May 3, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 366.]

[Bond of Gregory Purcell and Mary Appleton, widow, with Leverett Hubbard and Thomas Martin, merchant, as sureties, in the sum of £500, May 3, 1769, for the administration of the estate of Samuel Appleton, mariner; witnesses, Benjamin Churchill, Jane Davis.]

[Inventory, May 8, 1769; amount, £108., 2. 11; signed by John Wendell and Thomas Martin.]

[Warrant, May 10, 1769, authorizing John Wendell and Thomas Martin, both of Portsmouth, to receive claims against the estate.]

[List of claims, Jan., 1770; amount, £4451. 16. 1; signed by John Wendell and Thomas Martin.]

[Settlement of claims; amount distributes, £42. 0. 0; allowed Dec., 1771.]

[Account of the administrators, Gregory Purcell, John Clapham, and Mary Clapham, formerly Mary Appleton; receipts, £107. 9. 7; expenditures, £65. 9. 7; mentions "support of three Children under seven years of age"; allowed Dec. 12, 1771.]

JAMES KENNEY

1769

SOMERSWORTH

[Administration on the estate of James Kenney granted to John Kenney May 6, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 368.]

[Bond of John Kenney of Somersworth, yeoman, with Thomas Wallingford, Jr., of Somersworth, gentleman, and John Sullivan of Durham as sureties, in the sum of £1000, May 6, 1769, for the administration of the estate of James Kenney of Somersworth, yeoman; witness, William Parker, Jr.]

[Warrant, May 6, 1769, authorizing Moses Carr, physician, and Moses Stevens, tanner, both of Somersworth, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, June 6, 1769; amount, £236. 2. 6; signed by Moses Carr and Moses Stevens.]

THOMAS ATYOE

1769

PORTSMOUTH

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Atyoe of the Parish of Othrey near Bridgwater in Somersetshire in Great Britain mariner now Residing in Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire being Sick & weak * * *

Item as I have no Relation living so near as my beloved Brother William Atyoe I give Devise and bequeath all my Estate Real & Personal wherever the Same is and Shall be found to him my Said Brother his heirs Execut¹⁸ admin¹⁸ and assigns Lastly I constitute and appoint my Said Brother & M¹ Peter Pearse of Portsmouth aforesaid Executors of this my last Will & Testament Revoking all other Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal the Eighth Day of may Anno Dom. 1769

Thomas Atyoe

[Witnesses] William Parker, William Hart, Jo^s March, Elisabeth Parker.

[Proved July 26, 1769.]

[Inventory, attested Aug. 21, 1769; amount, £164. 4. $2\frac{1}{2}$; signed by William Whipple and John Parker; an addition of £5. 8. 0 was filed later.]

[Account of the executor; receipts, £150. 3. $8\frac{1}{2}$; expenditures, £126. 2. 6; allowed Oct. 27, 1770.]

SAMUEL BRACKETT, JR. 1769

RYE

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Brackett, Jr., granted to Eleanor Brackett May 8, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 551.]

[Bond of Eleanor Brackett, widow, with Joseph Jenness of Rye, yeoman, and Jacob Tilton of Portsmouth, innholder, as sureties, in the sum of £500, May 8, 1769, for the administration of the estate of Samuel Brackett, Jr., of Rye, yeoman; witnesses, John Marshall, Timothy Watson.]

[Warrant, May 8, 1769, authorizing Samuel Wallis and Jeremiah Berry, both of Rye, yeomen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, May 17, 1769; amount, £780. 17. 0; signed by Samuel Wallis and Jeremiah Berry.]

SAMUEL BRACKETT 1769

RYE

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Brackett granted to Lydia Brackett May 15, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 551.]

[Bond of Lydia Brackett, widow, with Jonathan Brown and Jonathan Locke, Jr., yeomen, as sureties, in the sum of £500, May 15, 1769, for the administration of the estate of her husband, Samuel Brackett of Rye, husbandman; witnesses, Nathaniel Rand, Thomas Edmunds.]

[Inventory, May 16, 1769; amount, £935. 4. 0; signed by Joseph Brown and Francis Locke.]

[Warrant, Aug. 15, 1769, authorizing Samuel Wallis, Jeremiah Berry, Mark Randall, Reuben Moulton, and Peter Garland, all of Rye, yeomen, to set off the widow's dower.]

Province of New Hampsher

Agreable to an Order from the Honble John Wentworth Esqr Judge of the Probate of wills for Said Province to us the Subscribers to Set of & assign to Lydia Bracket wedow her Dower being one full third part of the Real Estate of Sam¹¹ Bracket Late of Rye in Said Province Gen¹ Deceased we have Set off to

said Lydia her full third Part of Said Deceased Estate which is Bounded as Followeth viz.

Begining at the heigh Way that Leads from Joseph Seveys to Job fosses at the Corner of Sam¹¹ Rands Land and Runing by Said Rands Land Sixty Six Rods to a heep of Stones then Runing Southerly to the East End of the Stone worl on the South Side of the farm Seventy Rods from the afore Said High Way Containing Sixty three acres

also the Land & Marsh on the East Side of the afore Said Heigh Way Begining at the North post of the barres Near the Graves and Runing to a Stake by the Beach from said Stake to the Crick taking all the Land & marsh on the South Side of Said Crick Bounding Easterly on marsh of John Sanders Southerly on Land of Job foss and Westerly on the afore Said Heigh way

also the East End of the Dwelling house as far as the Chemney and the East End of the Greate Barn So fur as the west End of the Barn flooer and the Sheeps Barn and one third of the Dong Round the afore Said Barnes

the oner of the other two thirds of the farm to have Liberty to Pase to & from Said house & Barn

Rye August 18th 1769

Sam¹ Wallis Jeremiah Berry Reuben Moulton

BENJAMIN SEWARD 1769

PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Benjamin Seward granted to Elizabeth Seward May 15, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 552.]

[Bond of Elizabeth Seward, widow, with Thomas Nock and John Seavey, yeomen, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £500, May 15, 1769, for the administration of the estate of Benjamin Seward of Portsmouth, mariner; witnesses, none.]

[Warrant, May 15, 1769, authorizing Daniel Rogers and Jacob Treadwell, merchant, both of Portsmouth, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Aug. 2, 1769; amount, £78. 19. 0; signed by Daniel Rogers and Jacob Treadwell.]

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £64. 14. 0; expenditures, £68. 8. 0; mentions "Maintenance of Two Children for 572 week in all"; allowed Aug. 17, 1769.]

MOSES ROWE

1769

KENSINGTON

[Administration on the estate of Moses Rowe granted to Elizabeth Rowe May 22, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 550.]

[Bond of Elizabeth Rowe, widow, with Joseph Rowe and Elisha Blake, yeomen, as sureties, all of Kensington, in the sum of £200, May 22, 1769, for the administration of the estate of Moses Rowe of Kensington, yeoman; witnesses, James Hadlock, William Parker, Jr.]

[Inventory, July 3, 1769; amount, £636. 10. 6; signed by Joseph Tilton and Elisha Blake.]

[Warrant, March 20, 1770, authorizing Josiah Brown, Elisha Blake, Moses Shaw, Samuel Dearborn, all of Kensington, and Jeremiah Lane of Hampton Falls to divide the real estate.]

Pursuant to an Order from the Honble John Wentworth Esqr Judge of the Probate of Wills &c. for the Province of New Hampshire Bearing Date the 20th of March 1770 Authorizing us to Set off to Elisabeth Rowe of Kensington in Said Province widow, her Dower which happens to her in the Real Estate whereof her Late Husband Moses Rowe Late of said Kensington Yeoman Deceased, Died Seized & Possessed and the Remaining two thirds

of said Estate to Divide Equally between the three Daughters of said Deceased &c

We have accordingly made the Division as is hereafter Described and Bounded (viz) Firstly, we have Set off to the said Widow for her third part of the Land, Twelve Acres & one hundred Rods Lying on the Easterly Side by Joseph Row's Land, Bounded Easterly on Said Rowe's Land, Southerly on the highway & Westerly begining at a stake & stones by the highway Eleven Rods & a half from the southwest Corner of the Lot & from thence Runing strait thro' the Barn to the Post of said Barn standing at the North East Corner of the Barn floor & from thence on a strait line to a stake & stones which is about one hundred & two Rods Distance from the Road aforesaid, and Twenty Rods & three quarters west from the aforesaid Joseph Row's fence which is the wedth of the said widows Land & from said stake & stones Square in to a beech tree spotted standing near the fence and from thence Runing Down by said Joseph Row's Land a strip one Rod wide for the Priviledge of watering, about forty one Rods which comes to the brook, the trees on said strip to belong to the Respective shares against which they stand; which piece of Land is mark'd in the foregoing Plan herein Refer'd to with the Letter (A.) And for her part of the buildings we have set off as follows (viz) the Easterly or southeasterly lower Room in the house with the fireplace thereto belonging and also the chamber over it & priviledge of the stairs to go into the same also the Northeasterly quarter part of the Celler which is under the west Room with the Priviledge of passing & Repassing to & from the same as there shall be occasion Westerly half of the Dary with the priviledge of passing & Repassing to & from the same as there shall be occasion also liberty of the use of the Oven in the backroom as she shall have Occasion. And also the Easterly End of the Barn So far as to the floor place with one third part of the priviledge of the floor place And likewise to have the third part of the Priviledge of the yard round the house for laying wood and other conveniencies which we

have laid out two Rods wide before the house & one Rod & a half at the East End and back side so also of the Barn yard three Rods wide & the way from the house to the Barn which is one Rod & half wide as prick'd out upon the aforesaid Plan —

Secondly We have Set off to Susanna Prescut Daughter of the Deceased, for her share of said Estate, Ten Acres & one hundred & Twenty two Rods of Land (viz) the five Acre piece (so Calld) & five Acres & 122 Rods more of the Northerly End of the other Land adjoyning to said five Acres, coming up on the Easterly Side thirteen Rods & a half to a small hemlock tree by the fence spotted, from thence on a strait line to the southeasterly Corner of the Acre & a quarter piece (so Call'd) as prick'd off in the said foregoing Plan which is mark'd therein with the Letter (D) and also Ten square Rods of Land where the Tan house now stands begining at the Northwest Corner of said Tan house Runing East two Rods & a half, then Runing south Carrying the same wedth four Rods as prick'd out in said Plan & mark'd with the Letter (e) with the Priviledge of Passing and Repassing to & from said Lands where it shall be most Convenient and least Prejudicial to the other shares; We have also set off to the said Susanna for her part of the Buildings the Southwesterly lower Room in the house with the fireplace thereto belonging, and the Chamber over said Room & the privilege of the stairs to go into the same; also the southwesterly quarter of the Celler, & also the southwesterly Corner of the Barn Containing one half of that part of the Barn which is west of the floor place, together with a Proportionable part of the privilege of the said floor place; and the like priviledge of the house & Barn yards together with the way for passing & Repassing to & from Each other as before Described

Thirdly We have set off to Mersey Rowe for her share of said Estate Ten Acres & one hundred & thirty five Rods of Land (viz) the piece Call'd the Oak swamp together with part of the other Land adjoyning thereto which is Bounded Northerly on the aforesaid Susanna's share and Runing up on the East Side

to a stake & stones against a large Rock near the fence twenty four Rods & from thence on a strait Line to the southeasterly Corner of the Said Oak Swamp Land (so Calld) as pricked off in said plan which is markd therein with the Letter (C) with the Priviledge of Passing & Repassing to & from said Land where it shall be most convenient & lest prejudicial to the other, we have also set off to the said Mersey for her part of the Buildings the Westerly half of the Back room with one half of the fire place thereto belonging with the Bed Room at the westerly End & the Chamber over the said half of the whole back part, also the southeasterly part of the aforesaid Celler under the west Room aforesaid with the Priviledge of passing & Repassing to and from the same as there shall be Occasion as also the Priviledge of passing & Repassing into the chamber, Also the Northeasterly quarter part of the Dary at the Northeast Corner of the house with ye liberty of using the same as there shall be Occasion; also the Northwesterly Corner of the Barn Containing one half of that part of the Barn which is west of the Barn floor together with a Proportionable part of the Priviledge of the said floor place and the like priviledge of the house and Barn yards together with the way for passing & Repassing to and from Each other as before Described

Fourthly We have set off to Anne Rowe for her share of said Estate that part whereon the house stands Excepting the Priviledges before mentioned which Including them Contains Nine Acres & is Bounded as follows (viz) westerly on the way which leads to m^r Elisha Blakes house & on said Blakes Land Southerly on the highway Eleven Rods & a half to the forementioned Bound of the widows third part thence by said thirds to the stake & stones at the Northwest Corner thereof which is Twenty Rods and three quarters west from Joseph Rowe's fence & from thence square to said fence by the End of said thirds to the aforesaid Beech tree spotted then Down to the Bounds of the aforesaid share set off to Mersey which is Seventeen Rods and a half and from thence on a strait line by the other share to the

Northeasterly Corner of the said Blakes Land together with the Priviledge of the way one Rod wide to the watering as prick'd off upon the Plan which piece is mark'd therein with the Letter (B) We have also set off to the said Anne for her part of the Buildings the Easterly half of the back room with one half of the fire place thereto belonging with the Bed room at the Easterly End and the Southeasterly quarter part of the Dary under Said Bedroom with the priviledge of improving the same also the Chamber over the said half of the Back room with the Priviledge of passing & Repassing to & from the same as there shall be Occasion Also the Northwesterly quarter part of the aforesaid Celler under the said West Room with the Priviledge of Passing & repassing to & from the same as there shall be occasion; also the Scaffold in the Barn over the floor place with the Priviledge of the use of the said floor place also the hovel built out from the Barn standing at the southeasterly Corner thereof with the Priviledge of passing to & from the same also of the yard belonging thereto

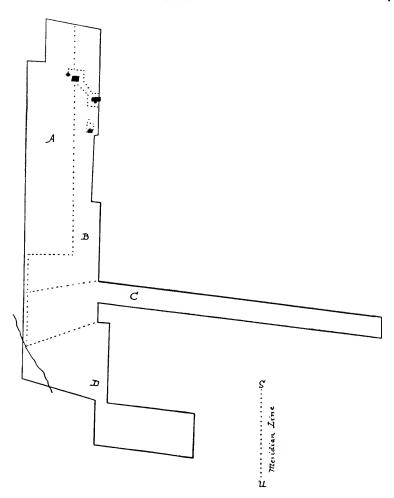
And this we make as our Return Dated the 17 Day of April Anno Domini 1770 As witness our hands

Elisha Blake Jeremiah Lane Samuel Dearborn

A Plan of the Estate of Moses Rowe Late of Kensington Deceased &c Containing Forty three Acres & 37 Rods with the Division thereof &c —

- A. Contains 12 Acres & 100 Rods Including the way as prick'd out to the watering 1 Rod wide —
- B. Contains 9 Acres Including the house Barn Priviledges about them &c as prick'd out &c
 - C. Contains 10 Acres & 135 Rods —
 - D. Contains 10 Acres & 122 Rods —

The black spots are the house Barn &c. the square spot prickd out & mark'd with (e) is yo tanyard & the black spot in it is the Tan house &c



Laid Down by the scale of 20 Rods to an Inch

J Lane Surveyor

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £95. o. 6; expenditures, £29. 70. 41/4; mentions "maintains one of the Children under 7 Years of Age 13 Weeks"; allowed Sept. 27, 1780.]

RICHARD RAND

1769

RYE

[Administration on the estate of Richard Rand granted to Nathaniel Rand May 31, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 431.]

[Bond of Nathaniel Rand of Rye, mariner, with Hunking Wentworth of Portsmouth and Walter Bryent of Newmarket as sureties, in the sum of £500, May 31, 1769, for the administration of the estate of Richard Rand of Rye, gentleman; witnesses, Samuel Kimball, William Ayer.]

JOSEPH WHEELER

1769

DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of Joseph Wheeler of Durham granted to Valentine Mathes May 31, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 432.]

[Bond of Valentine Mathes of Durham, yeoman, with Daniel Warner and Samuel Warner, gentleman, both of Portsmouth, as sureties, in the sum of £500, May 31, 1769, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Stephen Webster, Elias Warner, Pierse Long, Frederick M. Bell.]

[Inventory, Aug. 20, 1769; amount, £37. 10. 0; signed by John Smith and John Burnham Hanson.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 64.]

[List of claims against the estate, June 26, 1770; amount, £70. 2. 11; signed by John Smith and John Burnham Hanson.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £53, 6. 0; expenditures, £15. 6. 0; allowed Nov. 27, 1771.]

[Settlement of claims; amount of claims, £77. 11. 7; amount distributed, £38. o. o; allowed Dec. 13, 1771.]

BENJAMIN JONES 1769 NEWCASTLE, ME.

[Administration on the estate of Benjamin Jones granted to Jonathan Jones May 31, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 413.]

[Bond of Jonathan Jones of Newcastle, Me., yeoman, with Kingsley Jones and David Burleigh, both of Stratham, yeomen, as sureties, in the sum of £500, May 31, 1769, for the administration of the estate of Benjamin Jones of Newcastle, Me.; witnesses, Samuel Hale, Jr., Joseph Baker.]

[Warrant, June 5, 1769, authorizing Jonathan Chase, Daniel Clark, and William Chase, Jr., all of Stratham, yeomen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory of estate in New Hampshire; land in Stratham, part of the home place of Jonathan Jones, father of the deceased, and land in Exeter, £62. I. 0; signed by Daniel Clark, Jonathan Chase, and William Chase, Jr.]

[Account of Daniel Clark of Stratham as guardian of Benjamin Jones, minor, late of Stratham; receipts, £14. 13. 0; expenditures, £29. 15. $3\frac{1}{4}$; allowed Jan. 25, 1769.]

Rockingham ss To the Hon'ble John Sherburne Esq^r Judge of the Prob^t of Wills &c for the County of Rockingham—

Humbly shews Abraham Tilton & Mary his wife that the said

Mary is Sister of Benjamin Jones late of New Castle in the County of Lincoln & province of the Massachusetts bay yeoman deceased who left Estate in Stretham in the County of Rockingham & that in the year A D 1769 Admⁿ of said Estate was granted unto Jonathan Jones brother of said deceased who gave bond for the faithful discharge of that trust & afterward viz^t on the 16th Aug^t 1769 an Inventory of said Estate was returned into the office of the Court of Probate since which Time nothing has been done by the adm^r to settle & adjust the Estate of said dec^d nor any Division made among the Heirs part of whom your Petitioners are these are therefore to request your Honour to make such order in the premises as to Law & Justice appertains dated at Portsm^o the 22^d Day of Feb^{ry} 1775

Abraham Tilton & Mary his wife Daniel Clark their Att^y

NATHANIEL PEVEAR 1769

SANDOWN

In the name of God amen, I Nathaniel Pavere of Sandown in the Province of New-Hampshire Husbandman being under bodily weakness * * *

I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Deborah Pavere all my lands in Sandown aforesaid, and all my Personal estate to be at her disposal after my decease

I do make ordain and Constitute my beloved wife Deborah Pavere to be sole Executrix of this my last will and Testament to pay all my Just Debts and funeral Charges, and do ratify and confirm this and this only to be my last will and Testament, In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this second Day of June, Anno Domini 1769 and in the ninth year of his Majestys Reign George the third

his Nathaniel × Pavere mark [Witnesses] Ephraim Webster, Challis Dow, Nicodemus Watson.

[Proved Sept. 27, 1769.]

[Warrant, Sept. 24, 1769, authorizing Joseph French and Timothy Stevens, both of Hampstead, husbandmen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Sept. 12, 1769; amount, £35. 11. 3; signed by Joseph French and Timothy Stevens.]

[Account of the executrix; receipts, £36. 8. $7\frac{1}{4}$; expenditures, £23. 19. 0; allowed Sept. 26, 1770.]

[List of claims against the estate; amount, £19. 15. 0; signed by Jethro Sanborn and Reuben Clough.]

[Settlement of claims; amount distributed, £12. 9. 2. 1; allowed Oct. 17, 1770.]

MESHECH WEARE 1769 HAMPTON FALLS

[Petition of Meshech Weare of Hampton Falls, June 3, 1769, for the division of 240 acres of land in Salem held as tenants in common by him in the right of his wife, with Ann Cushing, widow, the children of Hannah Webster, deceased, and Bradley Mitchell of Haverhill, Mass.]

[Warrant, Sept. 8, 1769, authorizing Major Joseph Wright, Daniel Massey, husbandman, Evan Jones, joiner, Daniel Poor, gentleman, all of Salem, and Samuel Morrison of Windham, gentleman, to divide the land.]

Provence of Newhamsher

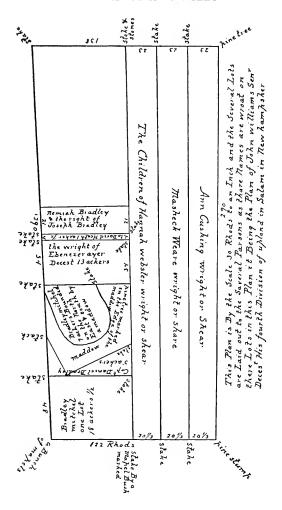
To the Hon^{ble} John Wintworth Esq^r Judge of Probetes of wills &c for said Provence—

Pursuent to your order Dated the 8th Day of September anno Domini 1769 for Dividing a cartain Lott of Land Situate in

Sallam in Said Provence Containing a Bout Two Hundred and forty acres Laid out to the wright of John Williams Sen^r Called a fourth Division Lott among the Parties Interested according to there Several and Respective Rights to Hold in severalty: we have accordingly Examined the Claims of the Several Persons and survayed said Lott of Land and it Being made to appear to us That the said Mashech weare anne Cushing & the Children of Hannah Webster Deceased are owners of one Half of Said Lott of Land in Equal Shares we have accordingly Divided said Lott of Land into two Equal Parts By a Line Passing Through the middle thereof from the Easterdly to the westerdly End Bounded By a Stake and Stones at the west End and By a stake standing By a mapel bush spotted at the East End, and the Northerly Half of said Lott we Have Divided into Three Equal parts to Run the whole Length of said Lott Each share to be of Equal wedth and is Bounded By stakes set up at Each End at Equel Distances and we have allotted to the said anne Cushing the Northerdly Share and to the said Mashech weare in the wright of his wife the middle Share and the share Next to the middle of the Lott to the Children of said Hannah webster and it Being further made to appear to us that the Said Bradley mitchel is the owner of Eighteen acres and a half in the other half of Said Lott we have Divided and set of the same to him at the Easterly End of the Southerly half of Said Lott Bounded at the Easterdly End in the middel of said farm or Lott of Land with a stake standing By a mapel Bush spotted thence southerly one the Line of Said Lott sixty one Rhods to a Bunch of mappels that is a Bounds of the Lott of Land Thence westerdly on the Line of Said Lott of Land forty Eight Rhods to a Stake thence Northardly a Bout sixty two Rhods to a stake one the middel Line of said Lott of Land thence Easterdly forty Eight Rhods to the Bounds furst mentioned — and it Being further made to appear to us that Cap^t Daniel Bradley is the owner of five ackers of the Southerly Half of said Lott we have Divided and Set of

the same to him Bounded with a stake By the side of the maddow on the middel Line of said Lott thence Easterdly on the middel Line of sd Lott Twenty three Rhods to a Stake that is Bradley mitchels Bounds thence Southardly on mitchels Line sixty two Rhods to a stake on the Line of sd Lott of Land thence westerdly on the Line of sd Lott of Land twenty Eight Rhods to a stake By a maddow thence North Easterdly and Nortwesterdly Bound By the maddow to the furst Bounds mentioned — and it Being further made to appear to us that Bradley mitchel is the owner of Seven ackers more of said Lott of Land we have Divided and set of the same to him Bounded as followeth Beginning at a stake on the South Line of said Lott of Land thence Northerly Thurty Eight Rhods to a stake By a maddow thence Easterdly Southerdly and Southwesterdly By said maddow untill it Coms to the south Line of said Lott of Land then on the Line of said Lott of Land westerdly to the furst Bounds mentioned —

and it Being further made to appear to us that Ebenezer ayer Decest was the owner of Thurteen ackers of said Lott of Land we Have Divided and set of to his Heirs the same Bounded as followeth at a stake one the south Line of said Lott of Land it Being Bradley mitchels Bounds Thence Northardly Sixty fower Rhods to a pine tree marked Near the midel Line of said Lott of Land which Tree Stands in the Edge of the maddow thence westerdly on the middel Line of said Lott of Land thurty fower Rhods to a stake thence southerdly Sixty fower Rhods to a stake one the South Line of said Lott of Land thence Easterdly one the south Line of said Lott of Land thurty fower Rhods to the Bounds furst mentioned — and it Being further made to appear to us that Daved Heath is the owner of one acker and a half of said Lott of Land we Have Divided and set of the same to him Bounded as followeth Begining at a stake one the middel Line of said Lott it Being a Bounds of Land Laid out to the wright of Ebenezer ayer thence southerdly sixty fower Rods to a stake one the south Line of said Lott of Land thence westerdly about



fower Rhods to a stake thence Northwardly sixty fower Rhods to a stake one the middel Line of said Lot of Land thence Easterdly one the middel Line of said Lott of Land a Bout fower Rhods to the Bounds furst mentioned—and it is further made to appear to us that Nemiah Bradley and the ayers of Joseph Bradley Deces^t

are the owners of Eight ackers and a Half of said Lott of Land we have Divided and set of the same to Him Butted and Bounded as followeth — Begining at a stake one the middel Line of said Lott of Land which stake is Daved heaths Bounds thence southardly about sixty fower Rhods to a stake on the south Line of said Lott of Land Twenty one Rhods to a stake thence Northardly a Bout sixty fower Rhods to a stake on the middel Line of said Lott of Land thence Easterdly Twenty one Rhods to the Bounds furst mentioned —

all which will more plainly appear by a plan Herewith Returned —

No other Right to said Lott Being made to appear we Have Left the Remainder of said Lott undevided —

Dated Salem November 30th 1769 —

Joseph wright Daniel Massey Daniel Poor

JOSHUA FOLLANSBEE 1769 SALISBURY, MASS.

[Administration on the estate of Joshua Follansbee granted to Thomas Follansbee June 22, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 552.]

[Bond of Thomas Follansbee of Plaistow, gentleman, with Nathaniel Peabody, physician, and Daniel Richards, husbandman, both of Atkinson, as sureties, in the sum of £500, June 22, 1769, for the administration of the estate of Joshua Follansbee of Salisbury, Mass., yeoman; witnesses, Samuel Hale, Jr., Henry Foss.]

[Inventory, June 27, 1769; amount, £226. 8. 0; land in Epsom and Pembroke; signed by William Cochran and Nathaniel Peabody.]

[License to the administrator, June 30, 1769, to sell real estate; mentions the administrator as father of the deceased.]

[Citation to Nathaniel Peabody and Hannah Richards, administratrix of the estate of Daniel Richards, April 3, 1790, to appear and show cause why the bond of Thomas Follansbee should not be sued, he being dead and leaving no estate.]

[Petition of Joshua Follansbee and Samuel Follansbee, principal creditors, April 17, 1790, that administration be granted to Joseph Kimball.]

[Bond of Joseph Kimball of Bradford, Mass., yeoman, with Daniel Reynolds of Londonderry and William White of Chester as sureties, in the sum of £500, April 21, 1790, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, N. Parker, Peter Clement.]

[Citation to Jonathan Poor of Atkinson, gentleman, administrator of the estate of Daniel Richards, Aug. 27, 1790, to appear and show cause why the bond of Thomas Follansbee should not be sued.]

[Citations to Jonathan Poor and Nathaniel Peabody Dec. 30, 1790.]

[Bond of Jonathan Poor, with Moses Greenough and John Dow as sureties, all of Atkinson, in the sum of £50, April 15, 1791, to prosecute the appeal of Nathaniel Peabody; witnesses, Nathaniel Parker, William Parker.]

[Agreement, April 23, 1792, signed by Nathaniel Peabody, Jonathan Poor, and Joseph Kimball; witness, Jonathan Payson.]

----- DAVIS

1769

HAMPSTEAD

[Guardianship of Thomas Davis, minor, aged more than 14 years, granted to Jesse Johnson June 23, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 413.]

[Bond of Jesse Johnson of Hampstead, with Edmund Morse of Hampstead and Samuel Hale, Jr., of Portsmouth as sureties, in the sum of £50, June 23, 1769, for the guardianship of Thomas Davis of Hampstead; witnesses, Zachariah Foss, Henry Foss.]

JONATHAN CUSHING 1769

DOVER

[Administration on the estate of Jonathan Cushing granted to Peter Cushing June 28, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 552.]

[Bond of Peter Cushing, with Elijah Estes and Moses Varney as sureties, all of Dover, in the sum of £500, June 28, 1769, for the administration of the estate of his father, Jonathan Cushing; witnesses, none.]

[Warrant, June 28, 1769, authorizing Ephraim Hanson and Joseph Hanson, both of Dover, yeomen, to appraise the estate of Jonathan Cushing of Dover.]

[Inventory, Sept. 23, 1769; amount, £772. 1. 10; signed by Joseph Hanson and Ephraim Hanson.]

JAMES HANSON

1769

MADBURY

[Administration on the estate of James Hanson granted to Abigail Hanson June 28, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 468.]

[Bond of Abigail Hanson, widow, with John Hanson and Jedediah Varney, both of Dover, yeomen, as sureties in the sum of £500, June 28, 1769, for the administration of the estate of James Hanson of Madbury, yeoman; witness, William Parker.]

[Inventory, July 24, 1769; amount, £412. 19. $10\frac{1}{2}$; signed by John Wingate and Elijah Austin.]

OLIVER KING

1769

SALISBURY, MASS.

[Guardianship of Abigail King, minor, aged more than 14 years, granted to Moses Cass June 28, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 468.]

[Bond of Moses Cass of Raymond, with Joseph Cass of Raymond and Benjamin Smith of Epping as sureties, in the sum of £500, June 28, 1769, for the guardianship of Abigail King, daughter of Oliver King of Salisbury, Mass., yeoman, deceased; witnesses, John Hanson, Samuel Hale, Jr.]

EZEKIEL VARNEY

1769

DOVER

[Administration on the estate of Ezekiel Varney granted to Susanna Varney June 28, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 469.]

[Bond of Susanna Varney, widow, with Paul Welland and Samuel Heard, Jr., as sureties, all of Dover, in the sum of £500, June 28, 1769, for the administration of the estate of Ezekiel Varney of Dover, yeoman; witnesses, John Pickering, Samuel Hale, Jr.]

[Warrant, June 27, 1769, authorizing Elijah Estes and Jacob Sawyer, both of Dover, blacksmiths, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Nov. 21, 1770; amount, £340. 5. 3; signed by Elijah Estes and Jacob Sawyer.]

---- CURRIER

1769

[Guardianship of Lydia Currier, aged less than 14 years, granted to Nicholas Currier June 28, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 469.]

[Bond of Nicholas Currier of South Hampton, husbandman, with Jeremiah Eastman, yeoman, and Nathaniel Healey, both of Kensington, as sureties, in the sum of £300, June 28, 1769, for the guardianship of Lydia Currier; witnesses, Samuel Hale, Jr., Moses Cass.]

BENJAMIN WILSON

1769

FALMOUTH, ME.

[Administration on the estate of Benjamin Wilson granted to James McMurphy June 28, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 468.]

[Bond of James McMurphy, with Thomas Christie and John Kelsey as sureties, all of Londonderry, yeomen, in the sum of £500, June 28, 1769, for the administration of the estate of Benjamin Wilson of Falmouth, Me., mariner; witnesses, Joseph Tilton, Samuel Hale, Jr.]

[Guardianship of John Wilson, minor, aged more than 14 years, granted to John Rice June 30, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 553.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £51.8.4; expenditures the same; mentions "pd Jane Wilson now Cochran in Part. . . . pd Jennet Wilson in Part. . . . pd Elizabeth Wilson in Part. . . . Mary Mcmurphys Part of said Estate being admin" wife & coheir"; approved by "Elizabeth Wilson one of the Heirs of Benja Wilson. . . . in Behalf of herself & her Sisters"; allowed July 30, 1772.]

WARD COTTON

1769

HAMPTON

[Administration on the estate of Ward Cotton granted to Joanna Cotton June 29, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 547.]

[Bond of Joanna Cotton of Greenland, with Ebenezer Fisk of Epping, physician, and John Adams of Portsmouth, merchant, as sureties, in the sum of £500, June 29, 1769, for the administration of the estate of Ward Cotton of Hampton, clerk; witnesses, Hunking Wentworth, William Parker.]

[Inventory, July 12, 1769; amount, £111. 16. 7, personal estate, including long list of books; signed by Rev. Samuel Mc-Clintock and Deacon Samuel Brooks.]

DORCAS BRADFORD

1769

PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Dorcas Bradford granted to John Bradford July 5, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 554.]

[Bond of John Bradford of Boston, Mass., merchant, with Samuel Hale and John Langdon, merchant, both of Portsmouth, as sureties, in the sum of £500, July 5, 1769, for the administration of the estate of his mother, Dorcas Bradford of Portsmouth, widow; witnesses, Joshua Brackett, Charles Hall.]

WILLIAM McCLURE

1769

MERRIMACK

In the Name of God Amen I William McCluer of Merrymac in the Province of New Hampshire Husbandman being Weak in Body * * *

Imprimis Tomy Son William McCluer I give and bequeath the One Third of the Value of my place as it is Sold by My Executor hereafter named.

Item To my Son James McCluer I give & bequeath Twenty

Dollars or Six pounds Lawful money, to be paid him after my place is Sold by my Sons William & Thomas

Item To my Beloved Wife Elisabeth I give & bequeath the One Third of What my Real Estate is Sold for by my Executor & all my Household Furniture & One Cow to her & her Heirs & Assigns forever.

Item To my Son Thomas I give & bequeath the whole of my Estate both Real & Personal forever Except what is above Dispos'd of he paying out what he is above Ordered.

Lastly I make & ordain my Said Son Thomas McCluer Executor to this my last will & Testament, and Order my said executor to Sell my Real Estate for the most he can within four Years after my Decease & Dispose of the Money as above said paying my Just Debts and Funeral Charges out of my personal Estate as soon as may be.

And Further my Will is that the Twenty Dollars I have given to my Son James be paid to the Selectmen of this Town when it becomes due, to be paid him when they think he Stands in need and if he dont stand in need to his Heirs.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand & Seal hereby Revoking and Disannulling all other Wills & Testaments by me made and Declaring this to be my only & my Last Will & Testament this Tenth Day of July in the Tenth Year of His Majestys Reign Annoque Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred & Sixty Nine

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[Witnesses] William Patten, Harris Ellery Tudger, John Neal. [Proved Jan. 25, 1770.]

ELIAS MERRILL

1769

STRATHAM

[Bond of Margaret Merrill of Stratham, widow, with Jonathan Piper of Stratham, yeoman, and Walter Bryent, Jr., of

Newmarket as sureties, in the sum of £500, July 26, 1769, for the guardianship of Esther Merrill, aged less than 14 years, daughter of Elias Merrill of Stratham, yeoman, deceased; witnesses, Samuel Hale, Jr., Joseph Moulton.]

MARTHA BOGLE

1769

PETERBOROUGH

[Administration on the estate of Martha Bogle granted to David Clendenin July 26, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 553.]

[Bond of David Clendenin of Londonderry, husbandman, with James Alexander of Londonderry, husbandman, and John Cochran of Portsmouth, mariner, as sureties, in the sum of £500, July 26, 1769, for the administration of the estate of Martha Bogle of Peterborough, single woman; witnesses, Noah Emery, Samuel Hale, Jr.]

[Warrant, July 26, 1769, authorizing John Wiley and John Gregg, both of Peterborough, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Feb. 15, 1770; amount, £16. 7. 6, personal estate; signed by John Gregg and John Wiley.]

[Warrant, March 28, 1770, authorizing Samuel Allison, gentleman, and Moses Barnett both of Londonderry, to receive claims against the estate.]

[List of claims, Dec. 15, 1770; amount, £1. 11. 10; signed by Samuel Allison and Moses Barnett.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £16. 7. 6; expenditures, £14. 5. 0; allowed Dec. 26, 1770.]

NATHANIEL ABBOTT 1769

CONCORD

I Nathaniel Abbott of concord in y° Province of New Hampshire in New England Gentleman * * *

Imprimis I order that my beloved wife mehetabel shall be comfortably maintained out of my estate with her Industry by my executor so long as she remains my widow

Item I give my bloved son Nathaniel yo one half of all yo mony that shall either be in my possession at my decease or shall be due to me to be paid him by my executor after my Just debts & funeral charges are first paid

Item I give my beloved son Jeremiah yo other half of my money under yo same restrictions & limitations as in yo article last mentioned

Item I give my beloved Daugter Dorcas merrill one spanish mild Dollar to be paid my executor which with what she has already had is yo whole of her Portion

Item I give my beloved Daughter Rebecca Doyen four spanish mil^d Dollars to be paid by my executor

Item I give my beloved Daughter Elisabeth Hazeltine four spanish mil^d Dollars to be paid my executor

Item I give my beloved Daughter mary Walker yo sum of four spanish mild Dollars to be paid by executor

Item I give my beloved Daughter Hannah moor four spanish mil^d Dollars to be paid by my executor

Item I give my beloved Daughter Rachel Abbott ye sum of two spanish mild Dollars to be paid by my executor

Item I give my beloved Daughter Ruth Walker two spanish mil^d Dollars to be paid by my executor

Item I give my beloved Daughter Dorathy George four spanish mild Dollars to be paid by my executor

Item I give my beloved Daughter Sarah Farnham ye sum of four spanish mild Dollars to be paid by my executor

Item I order that all my House hold furniture shall be Equaly divided among my Nine Daughters before mentioned after my & my wives decease

Item I give my belovd son Joshua all yº Land & building in sd concord which I shall die seized of to him & his heirs for ever as also all my Husbandry utensils as also all my stock of cattle

whom also I appoint the sole executor of this my last will & Testament he paying my s^d Nine Daughters y^e several sums I have before ordered them & also taking care that my s^d wife be comfortably maintained out of my estate so long as she shall remain my widow & also give her a decent christian burial if she shall die my widow — & also pay his two s^d Brothers Nathaniel & Jeremiah in equal shares y^e neat residue of my monies as before mentioned after my Debts & funeral charges are paid In Testimony whereof I set my Hand & seal to this Instrument & doe declare it to be my last will & Testament this twenty fift Day of August Anno Domini 1769

Nath¹ Abbott

[Witnesses] David Gage, Timo Walker Junt, Timo Walker.

I the Subscriber widow Relict of the above Testator consent to this his last will & Testament this $28^{\rm th}$ Day of August 1770 as witness my Hand

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[Witnesses] Tim^o Walker, David Gage. [Proved Aug. 29, 1770.]

[Inventory, Nov. 1, 1770; amount, £509. o. 11; signed by Timothy Walker, Jr., and Benjamin Emery.]

CALEB BECK

1769

PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Caleb Beck granted to Alice Beck Aug. 30, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 518.]

[Bond of Alice Beck, widow, with William Blunt and Nathaniel Furber, boat-builders, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £500, Aug. 30, 1769, for the administration of the

estate of Caleb Beck of Portsmouth, shipwright; witnesses, none.]

[Inventory, Jan. 23, 1770; amount, £100. 6. 9; signed by George Boyd, Jr., and William Blunt.]

[Warrant, Aug. 19, 1771, authorizing John Wendell and George Wentworth, merchants, both of Portsmouth, to receive claims against the estate.]

[Warrant, May 8, 1772, authorizing John Wendell, Thomas Peirce, gentleman, George Wentworth, mariner, John Marshall, boat-builder, and Ephraim Ham, blockmaker, all of Portsmouth, to set off the widow's dower.]

Pursuant to a Warrant to us Directed from the Hon. John Wentworth Esq. Judge of Probate &c for the County of Rockingham, Wee have sett off to Allice Beck Widow one Third part of the Real Estate of her Deceas'd Husband Caleb Beck Ship Wright Late of Portsmouth in Said County, in the Following manner Viz^t The Room Below at the North End of the House, with the Clossett & Entry Way in to the House, also The North East Room Below, which is Adjoining to Said Entry, and a peice of Land bounded as Follows, Beginning at the North West Corner of said house, & Running on the Bounds to the Stone Wall or high Water mark, thence Easterly Twenty Seven feett, thence Southerly the same Wedth to the Door of the House, also the Boards on the old Barn for a partition Fence.—

Portsmouth May 27th 1772. —

John Wendell Eph^m Ham Geo Wentworth Commissioners

[List of claims against the estate, May 27, 1772; amount, £17. o. 2; signed by John Wendell and George Wentworth; amount distributed, £3. 15. 6; allowed May 29, 1772.]

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £36. 18. 0; expenditures, £33. 2. 6; mentions "18 Months Support of a Minor Child before it was 7 years Old"; allowed May 28, 1772.]

BENNING WENTWORTH 1769

PORTSMOUTH

In the name of God Amen the Sixth day of September 1769 & in the ninth year of His Majesty's Reign, I Benning Wentworth of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire in New England, late Governor of Said Province, being in bodily health * * *

Item I give to my beloved Wife Martha Wentworth my whole Estate, both real & personal, whatsoever and wheresoever, together with all Such Sum & Sums of money as shall be due to me at my decease either by Sea or by land.

And finally, I do hereby appoint my beloved Wife Martha Wentworth aforesaid to be Sole Excutrix * * *

B Wentworth

[Witnesses] Michael Wentworth, Geo: Ffrost, John Lang, mark

John X Saltrige.

[Proved Oct. 31, 1770.]

[Bond of Martha Wentworth, widow, with Thomas Packer and George Frost as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £1000, Oct. 31, 1770, for the execution of the will; witnesses, William Parker, Samuel Livermore.]

MOSES DAVIS

1769

LEE

[Administration on the estate of Moses Davis granted to Elizabeth Davis Sept. 6, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 553.]

[Warrant, Sept. 6, 1769, authorizing Ebenezer Thompson, physician, and Ebenezer Jones, yeoman, both of Durham, to appraise the estate of Moses Davis of Lee.]

[Inventory, Sept. 25, 1769; amount, £891. 3. 1; signed by Ebenezer Jones and Ebenezer Thompson; mentions Moses Davis, father of the deceased.]

Pursuant to a Warrant from the Honble Philips White Esqr Judge of the Probate of Wills & for the County of Rockingham Appointing the Subscribers a Committee to divide the Real Estate of Moses Davis late of Lee (at the time of his death) in the County of Rockingham, Deceased intestate among the Widow & Children of said Intestate: We have done it in manner following

To Elizabeth Demerit late widow of said Intestate for her Dower in said Estate about Thirty Two Acres & one half Acre of Land in Durham Commonly known by the name of Pitmans Grant & is bounded Easterly & Southerly by land of the heirs of Samuel Demerit Deceased and Westerly by land belonging to said Heirs and Northerly by Land lately belonging to Jonathan Munsey — Also about Twelve Acres and one Quarter of an Acre of land in Durham aforesd Bounded as follows Beginning at a Stake & heap of Stones by the highway near the Bridge over Oyster River called Munseys Bridge thence by the Highway Fifty one Rods to land lately belonging to Jonathan Munsey thence South by said Munsey's Land Fifty one Rods to an oak tree thence Easterly by said Munseys land Sixteen Rods thence south Two Rods to land belonging to the heirs of Samuel Demerit deceased thence Westerly by said Demerits land as the fence stands to the Aforesaid Oyster River thence on a Straight line to the place began at Reserving liberty to Aaron Davis one of the heirs to cut & haul off Pine Trees from the last mentioned Tract in the Manner herein after described — Also about Seventy Acres of Land in Lee afores^d Adjoining to Wheelwrights Pond (so called) being the whole Tract purchased by said Intestate of one Ichabod Denbo Also one hundred Acres of Land in Barrington in said County being the Lot Numbred Twenty Two in the Hundred Acre Lots and was laid out to the Original Right of Joshua Peirce.

To Aaron Davis Eldest son of said Intestate for his double Share about Fifty nine acres of land part of the homestead of said Intestate in Lee aforesaid with a dwelling house & other buildings thereon, bounded as follows northerly by the highway Westerly by land of Simon Rendal, Southerly by land of Benjamin & Anthony Jones, Easterly by land belonging to the heirs of Samuel Demerit deceased in part & part by the widows Dower herein before described — Also liberty to cut & haul off rails and any other pine Timber from the Pasture set off to the widow from the afores^d Demerits land the distance of Eight rods all the way across adjoining s^d Demerits land —

To Elisha Davis one of the sons of said Intestate for his share one hundred Acres of land in New Durham being the lot Number Ninety in the first division of land in said Town & was drawn to the right of Stephen Jones — Also one Third of the Lot Number Seventy in the Third division of land in Rochester & was drawn to the right of Moses Davis Jun^r William Jackson & Daniel Meserve — Also one Third of the lot Num^r one hundred & Ten in the third division of land in said Rochester & was drawn to the right of Moses Davis, Samuel Williams & James Huckins —

To Martha Woodman wife of Jonathan Woodman Jun^r one of the Daughters of said Intestate for her Share Thirty one Acres of land in Durham bounded Northerly by land of James Leighton Westerly by land of Robert Rogers Southerly & Easterly by the Several lands of John Stephenson & Isaac Medar and is the same land that was purchased by said Intestate & his brother Aaron Davis of one Jabez Davis —

To Elizabeth Demerit wife of Paul Demerit one of the Daughters of said Intestate for her share, one Third of the lot Numr Seventeen in the Second division of land in the Town of Rochester & was drawn to the right of Moses Davis, Samuel Wil-

liams & James Huckins — Also one hundred acres of land in Barrington part of the lot Number Thirty nine laid out to the original Right of George Walker — Also one third of the lot in the fourth division of land in Rochester drawn to the rights of Moses Davis Jun^r William Jackson and Daniel Meserve — Also one Third of the lot in the Second division of land in said Rochester laid out to the original Right of Nathaniel Lamous & others — Also the whole lot in the Second division of land in the Town of New Durham laid out to the original right of Stephen Jones —

To Lois Davis one of the heirs of said Intestate for her share one Third of the lot Number Seventy Eight in the Second division of land in Rochester drawn to the right of Moses Davis Jun^r William Jackson & Daniel Meserve — Also one hundred Acres of land in the Town of Barrington being Number fourteen in the 100 acre lots drawn to the right of George Walker — witness our hands at Lee the 15th of September A D 1784 —

Ebenezer Thompson Miles Randel Jacob Joy John Kielle

GILES SEWARD

1769

SOMERSWORTH

[Petition of Jonathan Warner of Portsmouth, principal creditor, Sept. 15, 1769, for administration on the estate of Giles Seward of Somersworth, trader, stating that the widow has removed to Massachusetts.]

[Administration on the estate of Giles Seward granted to Jonathan Warner Oct. 6, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 550.]

[Inventory, Sept. 13, 1769; amount, £45. o. 6; signed by John Wentworth and Moses Carr.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 1.]

WILLIAM McILVAINE 1769

CANTERBURY

[Administration on the estate of William McIlvaine granted to Mary Billings and John Sullivan Sept. 22, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 549.]

[Bond of Mary Billings of Falmouth, Me., widow, and John Sullivan of Durham, with George Wentworth, mariner, and George Gains, joiner, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Sept. 22, 1769, for the administration of the estate of William McIlvaine of Canterbury, yeoman; witnesses, Samuel Hale, Jr., Henry Foss.]

JEREMIAH SWAN

1769

PETERBOROUGH

[Guardianship of John Swan, minor, aged more than 14 years, granted to John Morrison Sept. 22, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 548.]

[Bond of John Morrison, with the same sureties, in the sum of £500, Sept. 22, 1769, for the guardianship of John Swan, son of Jeremiah Swan; witnesses, Samuel Cunningham, Alexander Scott, William Robbe, Jr.]

[Guardianship of Margaret Swan, minor, aged more than 14 years, granted to John Morrison Oct. 28, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 67.]

[Bond of John Morrison of Peterborough, clerk, with Samuel Gregg, Jr., of Peterborough, trader, and Ebenezer Champney of New Ipswich, gentleman, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Oct. 28, 1769, for the guardianship of Margaret Swan, daughter of Jeremiah Swan of Peterborough, deceased; witnesses, William Robbe, Jr., Matthew Templeton.]

To the Honorable John Wentworth Esq^r Judge of Probates in and for the province of Newhampshire

The Humble petition of the Nearest Relations of Jeremiah

Swan Late of Peterborough Decesed and those that have in time past been trustee to the Estate of the Decesed and have had the Care of the Children of the Said Deceased Humbly Sheweth that Whereas the Estate of Said Children the heirs of the Decesed was and is in a very good hand it was not the Intent of any of these parties that it should be Collected and taken out of his hand by vertue of Gardeenship neither was it the intent of the heirs as this doth Shew they acknowledgeing themselves unacquainted with the affairs untill after having Chosen the Rev^d m^r morrison he now acting Contrary to their intent in pushing the Honist Creditor he having lent out said Estate being in money which will Cause much Defictally as wee percive and wee desire not any to be a Sufferer as wee or our Relations in minority Standing in no need of the money untill wee or they Com of age prays your Honour by the bearer the only uncle they have alive to Dismiss m^r morrison and his Bonds and give them another Choice as one of them being by Law as yet Excluded from Choosing your Complyance will oblidge Your Humble Sarvants and they as in Duty bound Shall Ever pray —

Petersborough December 1th 1769

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NATHANIEL SHERBURNE 1769

PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Nathaniel Sherburne granted to Nathaniel Sherburne and Sarah Sherburne Sept. 26, 1769.]
[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 551.]

[Bond of Nathaniel Sherburne, yeoman, and Sarah Sherburne, widow, with Samuel Cate, gentleman, and Nathaniel Peverly, yeoman, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Sept. 26, 1769, for the

administration of the estate of Nathaniel Sherburne of Portsmouth; witnesses, Samuel Hale, Jr., Thomas Page.]

[Inventory, Oct. 5, 1769; amount, £287. I. 0; not signed.]

[Account of the administrators; receipts, £37. 13. 0, personal estate; expenditures, £35. 17. 5; allowed Dec. 26, 1770.]

JOHN COCHRAN

1769

PEMBROKE

[Account of Thomas Cochran, executor of the will of his father, John Cochran; receipts, £125. 6. 1; expenditures, £53. 13. 7; mentions a widow; allowed Sept. 27, 1769.]

[List of claims against the estate of John Cochran of Pembroke, millwright; amount, £90. 3. 10¾; signed by Stephen Swett and Benjamin Norris.]

[Settlement of claims; amount of claims, £75. 4. $7\frac{1}{4}$; amount distributed, £69. 12. 6; allowed Oct. 21, 1769.]

[This will has not been found. — Ed.]

BENJAMIN WHITTEMORE 1769

HUDSON

[Administration on the estate of Benjamin Whittemore of Nottingham West granted to Benjamin Whittemore Oct. 5, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 105.]

[Bond of Benjamin Whittemore of Nottingham West, yeoman, with Ezekiel Greeley of Londonderry and Nehemiah Lovewell of Dunstable, gentlemen, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Oct. 5, 1769, for the administration of the estate; mentions Sarah Whittemore, widow; witnesses, Jonathan Lovewell, Daniel Warner.]

[Inventory, attested March 5, 1770; amount, £664. 18. 6; signed by Moses Barrett and Jeremiah Blodgett.]

[Warrant, March 21, 1770, authorizing Jonathan Lovewell of Dunstable and Moses Barrett of Londonderry, gentlemen, to receive claims against the estate.]

[Warrant, Nov. 7, 1770, authorizing Samuel Greeley of Nottingham West, gentleman, and Joseph Whiting of Dunstable, yeoman, to receive claims against the estate.]

[List of claims, Nov. 5, 1771; amount, £78. 12. 2; mentions Benjamin Whittemore, son of the deceased.]

MARY WILKINS

1769

AMHERST

In the Name of God Amen the fourteenth Day of october one Thousand seven Hundred and sixty Nine I Mary Wilkins of amherst In the Province of New-Hampshire * * *

Imprimis I Give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Carrol my Bed bed steed and Cord as also all the bed Cloaths belonging thereto namely one Coverled the under bed and the Bed map and three pair of sheets and Likewise I Give and Bequeeth to my Daughter Sarah above mentioned a part of my wairring apparriel Viz two Gounds two Quilted pettecoats one bonnet and all that is in my Red Chist as also one white Table and four Chairs: and Likewise one trammel one fire Shovel and one pair of tonges; as also one Puter platter four puter plats and one puter Bason and also my hood vail handcarchief one Ribin and one fan —

Item I Give and Bequeath, to my Daughter mary Bradford two Aporns and my Brass Scimer and Candlestick and also my Small Iiron Kittle

Item I Give and Bequeeth to my Grandaughter Betty Lamon my Iiron pot and my box Iiron

Item I Give and Bequeeth to my Grandaughter mary Wilkins my silk poplin Goun and also one silk handcarchief

Item I Give and Bequeeth to my Grandaughter sarah washor one single pettecoat Blew and white striped

Item I Give and Bequeeth to my son in Law William Bradford with whom I now Live all my money and Riteings to be for him and his only Use Benefit and Disposal only the said william is to pay to my granson philip Thomas thirteen shillings and four pence Lawfull money.

I Do Likewise Constetute make and ordain william Bradford my son in Law my sole Executor * * *

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[Witnesses] Benj^a Taylor, Susannah X Lovejoy, Elisabeth mark

Taylor.

[Proved April 24, 1770.]

[Bond of William Bradford, with Benjamin Taylor as surety, both of Amherst, housewrights, in the sum of £100, April 24, 1770, for the execution of the will; witnesses, William Parker, John Wentworth.]

JOHN KYLE

1769 COURAGE BROOK, N. Y.

[Guardianship of Ephraim Kyle and William Kyle, minors, aged more than 14 years, granted to John Kyle Oct. 25, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 550.]

[Guardianship of Mary Kyle and Janet Kyle, aged less than 14 years, granted to John Kyle Oct. 25, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 549.]

[Bonds of John Kyle, with James Betton and John Armstrong as sureties, all of Windham, in the sum of £300 each, Oct. 25, 1769, for the guardianship of Ephraim Kyle, William Kyle,

Mary Kyle, and Janet Kyle, children of John Kyle of Courage Brook, N. Y., deceased; witnesses, Samuel Hale, Jr., Hugh Montgomery.]

SAMUEL PAGE, JR.

1769

KENSINGTON

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Page granted to Mary Page Oct. 25, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 549.]

[Bond of Mary Page, widow, with Jonathan Purington of Kensington, gunsmith, and Abner Clough of Brentwood, yeoman, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Oct. 25, 1769, for the administration of the estate of Samuel Page, Jr., of Kensington; witnesses, James Betton, Samuel Hale, Jr.]

[Warrant, Oct. 25, 1769, authorizing Jonathan Purington and Samuel Clifford, yeoman, both of Kensington, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Jan. 19, 1770; amount, £301. 7. 1, also "Housel goods that Did Belong to the Former Wife", £33. 14. 8; signed by Samuel Clifford and Jonathan Purington.]

[Guardianship of Patience Page, daughter of Samuel Page, granted to Theophilus Page of Kensington, yeoman, April 13, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 219.]

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £142. 9. 6; expenditures, £80. 16. 11; mentions "Maintenance of three Children under Seven Years of age 53 weeks each"; allowed Sept. 27, 1770.]

[Warrant, Nov. 15, 1782, authorizing Jonathan Purington, Ebenezer Lovering, Jeremiah Batchelder, Joseph Clifford, and Nathan Dow, all of Kensington, to divide the real estate.]

[Report of committee, Dec. 16, 1782, against division, and

appraising the estate at £419. 5. 0; signed by Jonathan Purington, Ebenezer Lovering, and Nathan Dow.]

[Decree of court, Dec. 18, 1782, settling the real estate on Eliphalet Page, oldest son.]

[Bond of Eliphalet Page, with Obadiah Gove and Nathan Gove as sureties, all of Kensington, yeomen, in the sum of £800, Dec. 18, 1782, to pay the other heirs their shares; witnesses, Benjamin Rowe, Jr., Abraham Sanborn.]

HUGH MONTGOMERY 1769

WINDHAM

[Administration on the estate of Hugh Montgomery granted to Martha Montgomery and Hugh Montgomery Oct. 25, 1769.] [Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 549.]

[Bond of Martha Montgomery, widow, and Hugh Montgomery, yeoman, with James Betton and John Kyle, husbandmen, as sureties, all of Windham, in the sum of £300, Oct. 25, 1769, for the administration of the estate of Hugh Montgomery of Windham; witnesses, Joseph Churchill, Samuel Hale, Jr.]

[Warrant, Oct. 25, 1769, authorizing William Campbell, yeoman, and Joseph Clyde, gentleman, both of Windham, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Nov. 1769; amount, £57. o. $7\frac{3}{4}$; signed by William Campbell and Joseph Clyde.]

[Account of the administrators; receipts, £39. 13. 3½; expenditures, £55. 8. 1; mentions "Support of 2 Children under seven years of Age"; allowed March 30, 1774.]

JOHN BURNHAM

1769

DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of John Burnham granted to Jeremiah Burnham Oct. 25, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 549.]

[Bond of Jeremiah Burnham, Jr., yeoman, with John Burnham Hanson, yeoman, and Abijah Pinkham of Barrington, husbandman, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Oct. 25, 1769, for the administration of the estate of John Burnham of Durham; witnesses, Susanna Burnham, Elizabeth Light.]

[Warrant, Oct. 25, 1769, authorizing John Smith, 3d, merchant, and John Burnham Hanson, gentleman, of Durham to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Nov. 12, 1769; amount, £640. 5. 10; signed by John Smith and John Burnham Hanson.]

[Guardianship of Ebenezer Burnham, less than 14 years of age, son of John Burnham, granted to Valentine Mathes Feb. 6, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 259.]

[Bonds of Valentine Mathes, yeoman, with James Gilmore and Daniel Meserve, gentlemen, as sureties, all of Durham, in the sum of £500 each, Feb. 6, 1770, for the guardianship of John Burnham, minor, aged more than 14 years, and Ebenezer Burnham, aged less than 14 years, sons of John Burnham; witnesses, William Earl Treadwell, John Emery.]

[Warrant, April 12, 1771, authorizing Stephen Jones, James Gilmore, Ebenezer Thompson, physician, Thomas Chesley, gentleman, all of Durham, and Joseph Sias of Lee to set off the widow's dower.]

Province of New Hampshire John Wentworth Esqr Judge of the Probate of Wills &c for said Province authorizing and appointing the subscribers a Committee to Set off to Susanna Burnum Widow & Relict of John Burnum late of Durham Deceased one third part of the real Estate of the said Deceased, we have done it in the following manner viz. About Ten acres more or less of wood land bounded as followeth beginning by a Highway that leadeth

from Long Marsh (so called) to Durham Point adjoining land of Jeremiah Burnum Senior thence by the road South fifty degrees West Twelve rods thence South Seventy three degrees west Fifty rods thence North Twenty degrees East Sixty six rods thence south seventy degrees East to the aforsaid Jeremiah Burnums land and by that to the first bounds. Also about Thirty one acres of Pasture land as follows Beginning at the highway that leads from Durham Falls to Durham Point adjoining Land of Jeremiah Burnum Junior thence By said Burnums land South four degrees East Twenty one rods thence South Seventeen degrees West Thirty four rods thence South Seventy degrees East Sixty rods to Land in Possession of Nathaniel Norton Thence Northerly by said Nortons land to the aforsaid Highway and by that to the first bounds. Likewise one third of the Arable & Meadow Land bounded as follows viz. Beginning by Oyster River (so called) adjoining land of Jeremiah Burnum Jun^r and so by the dividing line between the said Jeremiah and land of said Deceas'd until it comes to a Rock by a little Barn a Bound between the said Parties thence on said dividing line Eighteen rods to a rock thence East Twelve rods thence North Thirty Two degrees East to the Aforsd river and by that to the first bounds. Likewise the little Barn (so called) on said Estate, with the following rooms in the House viz the South East room on the Lower floor and the Back Closet adjoining it, the South Westerly Chamber, and one third of the Garret at the Westerly End thereof, the Cellar under the South East room, with Liberty to use the Kitchen for Washing and Baking. Also one third Part of the open or vacant land round the house for the privilege of Laving wood vards &c. Also all the apple Trees in the nursery before the Door that is in the Pasture & in the Green (so called).

Witness our hands at Durham the 14th of May 1771

Joseph Sias

Jas Gilmor

Ebr Thompson

Committee

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £258. I. 10; expenditures, £274. 15. $6\frac{1}{4}$; allowed June 24, 1772.]

JOHN CHURCHILL

1769

PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of John Churchill granted to his son, Joseph Churchill, Oct. 27, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 548.]

[Bond of Joseph Churchill, mariner, with Benjamin Parker, merchant, and Samuel Hale, Jr., gentleman, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £100, Oct. 27, 1769, for the administration of the estate of his father, John Churchill of Portsmouth; witnesses, Ebenezer Burdin, Samuel Jones.]

[Inventory, Oct. 28, 1769; amount, £129. 18. 9; signed by John Marshall and Ephraim Ham.]

[Administration before granted to Joseph Churchill revoked and granted to John Taylor of Stratham Aug. 2, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 568.]

[Bond of John Taylor, with Benjamin Parker, merchant, and Samuel Hutchins, trader, both of Portsmouth, as sureties, in the sum of £300, Aug. 2, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, John Wentworth, Samuel Hale, Jr.]

Province of Pursuant to an order from the Honourable New Hamshire John Wentworth Esq^r Judge of Probate for the Province Afors^d Wee the subscribers have Set of to Elizbeth Churchill Widow of John Churchill Late of Portsmouth Mariner Deceased her third Part of the Real Estate of which the S^d John Died seised of and is Bounded as followeth V^z the South Lower Room and Chamber Over it with the Privilidge of the fire Places above and Below with the Closet in the Lower Room with the Benefit of the Street door the Entry way and staire way to be in Common to her the sd Elizb & these that do or may live in the

other end of sd House likewise the Land at the south End of sd House till it meets the Land of Daniel Ringe Esqrso to Run Back by Sd Rings Land thirty feet then Notherly Eighteen feet then west to the House

Mark Langdon Eph^r Ham Tho^s Peirce

[Warrant, Jan. 4, 1771, authorizing John Wendell and John Pickering, millwright, both of Portsmouth, to receive claims against the estate of John Churchill, cordwainer.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £60. 3. 9; expenditures, £43. 12. 11; mentions "Paid Mark Seavy for his Wife's Right in the House & Land besides what was p^d by Jos: Churchill"; allowed Dec. 10, 1772.]

[List of claims against the estate, Feb. 27, 1773; amount, £34. 4. 8½; signed by John Pickering and John Wendell.]

[Settlement of claims; amount distributed, £16. 10. 10; allowed March 2, 1773.]

BENONI GORDON

1769

FREMONT

In the Name of God Amen the 28th Day of Octobr 1769 I Benoni Gorden of Poplin in the Province of New Hampshire Husbandman being by the Goodness of God of a Sound mind & Memory tho weak & Indisposed in Body * * *

2^{ndly} I Give Devise & Dispose unto Abigail my Beloved wife the use & improvement of the whole of my Estate During the time that she Remains my widow.

3^{dly} I Give & Bequeath unto my Beloved son Alexander to him his hiers & assigns forever five pounds Lawful money to be paid him by my Executor in three months after my wife's Decease.

4thly I Give & Bequeath unto Elizabeth my well Beloved

Daughter now the wife of Jeremy Bean five shillings lawful money to be paid by my Executor in three months after my said wife's Decease.

5th I Give & Bequeath unto my Beloved Daughter Mary now the wife of Thomas Blake to her, her hiers & assigns fifteen shillings lawful money to be paid as before mentioned also one third part of the Household Stuff that shall be left at my Said wife's Discease or otherways quitting them.

6th I Give & Bequeath unto my Beloved Daughter Abigail now the wife of Edward Critchet to her, her hiers & assigns forever fifteen shillings Lawful money to be paid as before mentioned also one third part of the House hold stuff that shall Remain when my wife shall have Done with them.

7th I Give & Bequeath to my Beloved Daughter Tabitha now the wife of William Mudget fifteen shillings lawful money to be paid as before mentioned & one third part of the House hold Stuff that shall Remain when my wife Shall have Done with it.

8^{thly} I Give & Bequeath unto my Beloved Son Thomas Gorden to him, his hiers & assigns forever A piece of Land in said Poplin Lying on the Southerly Side of the Higway opposite to my Dwelling House to Begin at the Easterly End of said Land and so to run westerly having the said highway on the north & Exeter River on the south so far as to Contain the one half of what I now own on that side the way excepting two acres, which I order the westerly half to Contain more than the other, and to Come into his Possession when my wife shall have Done with it.

9th I Give & Bequeath unto my Beloved Son Enoch Gorden to him his hiers and assigns forever, all the Remainder viz the aforsaid Westerly half of the Lands which I now own on the Southerly Side of the said Highway, and to Come into Possession as aforsaid.

10th I Give & Bequeath unto my Beloved son Josiah Gorden and to his hiers & assigns Twenty Shillings Lawful money to be paid by my Executor in three months after my wifes Discease, out of my estate.

11th I Give & Bequeath unto my Beloved Son Benoni, to him his hiers and assigns forever, all the Lands which I now have on the Northerly Side of the aforsaid Highway where my Dwelling House now Stands togather with the Buildings thereon, and to Come into his Possession when my wife shall Have Done with it as aforsaid.

Moreover my will is that my Just Debts & funeral Charges and Legacies be paid in the following manner viz that there be paid by my son Benoni, or out of the Estate which I have Given him, ten pounds Lawful money, and that what moveable Estate I Shall Leave except what I have otherways Disposed of in this my last will, be sold for the Same purpose; and if that is not Sufficient I order the Remainder of the said Debts & Legacies to be paid Equally by my Sons Thomas, Enoch & Benoni, or out of the Lands I have given them in this my will. Lastly I Do hereby Constitute & appoint My Brother Nathaniel Gorden of Exeter sole Executor to this my last will & testament and I hereby Revoke & make void all other & former wills by me made Ratifying & Confirming this to be my last will & testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal the 28th Day of October 1769 first mentioned and in the tenth year of his majesty's Reign.

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[Witnesses] Josiah Bartlett, Nicholas X Gorden, Benjamn mark

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[Proved Dec. 27, 1769.]

[Warrant, Dec. 27, 1769, authorizing Theophilus Smith, Jr., and Jonathan Norris, yeoman, both of Exeter, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Jan. 1, 1770; amount, £185. 10. $7\frac{1}{2}$; signed by Theophilus Smith, Jr., and Jonathan Norris.]

[Account of the executor; receipts, £51. 10. $7\frac{1}{2}$, personal estate; expenditures, £76. 9. $10\frac{1}{2}$; allowed June 28, 1776.]

GEORGE SHERRIFF

1769

PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of George Sherriff granted to Hannah Sherriff Oct. 31, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 548.]

[Bond of Hannah Sherriff, widow, with Peter Pearse, merchant, and Joseph Akerman, cordwainer, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £500, Oct. 31, 1769, for the administration of the estate of George Sherriff of Portsmouth, tailor; witnesses, none.]

[Warrant, Oct. 31, 1769, authorizing Benjamin Parker, merchant, and Samuel Hutchins, trader, both of Portsmouth, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Nov. 8, 1769; amount, £381. 10. $9\frac{3}{4}$; signed by Benjamin Parker and Samuel Hutchins.]

OLIVER DAVIDSON

1769

LEBANON

[Administration on the estate of Oliver Davidson granted to Aaron Storrs Nov. 3, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 548.]

[Bond of Aaron Storrs of Lebanon, husbandman, with Samuel Penhallow and William Knight, merchant, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Nov. 3, 1769, for the administration of the estate of Oliver Davidson of Lebanon, husbandman; witness, Samuel Hale, Jr.]

[Warrant, Nov. 3, 1769, authorizing John Slapp and Charles Hill, husbandman, both of Lebanon, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, attested Oct. 29, 1770; amount, £175. 9. 6; signed by John Slapp and Charles Hill.]

Province of Lebanon Ap¹ ye 7th 1770 To The Hon^{ble} New Hampshire John Wentworth Esq^r Judge of Probate —

We the Subscribers freeholders of the Town of s^d Lebanon, Being Desired by M^r Aaron Storrs Administrator to the Estate of M^r Oliver Davison Late of s^d Lebanon Deceas^d To Lay Out, And set off to Eunice Davison Widow and Relict to s^d Davison Her Thirds in the Real Estate Left by s^d Davison; & being Under Oath to Our Fidelity in y^e same; have set off & Divided to her the whole of the home Lot and New addition sav^g Twenty & Eight Acres of the West End, Divided By A North Line Proceeding from A Rock Maple Bush & heap of Stones stand^g in the North Line of Relhan Rode forty Rods E^{1y} from the East Line of y^e Entervail Lott Wh^h Belongs to s^d Estate, & Runing North to y^e North Line of the s^d New Addition by us

Charles Hill Silas Waterman John Griswold Samuel Estabrook Levi Hyde

[Citation to the administrator, Aug. 18, 1788, to render an account of the estate.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £147. 19. $9\frac{1}{2}$; expenditures, £163. 8. 8; allowed Sept. 16, 1789.]

[Citation, Sept. 16, 1789, to Roger Hibbard and Silvanus Willis, heirs, to show cause against the allowance of the account; service acknowledged Sept. 19, 1789, by Sarah Hibbard, wife of Roger Hibbard, and Silvanus Willis.]

BENJAMIN PHILBRICK 1769

EXETER

[Administration on the estate of Benjamin Philbrick granted to Lydia Philbrick Nov. 21, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 68.]

[Bond of Lydia Philbrick, widow, with John Rice and Edward Colcord, yeoman, as sureties, all of Exeter, in the sum of £500, Nov. 21, 1769, for the administration of the estate of Benjamin Philbrick of Exeter, blacksmith; witnesses, Charles Rundlett, Noah Emery.]

[Inventory, Nov. 28, 1769; amount, £420. 7. 0; signed by John Rice and Charles Rundlett.]

[Bond of Jabez Dodge, with Stephen Thing, yeoman, and Trueworthy Gilman, gentleman, as sureties, all of Exeter, in the sum of £100, March 27, 1777, for the administration de bonis non of the estate; witness, Nathaniel Parker.]

State of New Hampshire Rockingham ss

We the subscribers being appointed a committee by the Hon^{ble} Phillips White Esq^r Judge of the Probate of wills &c for said County, to Divide the Real Estate of Benjamin Philbrick late of Exeter, Blacksmith Deceased among the Heirs of said Deceased.

We have accordingly Divided the said Real Estate in manner Following (Viz) first we have set off to the Heirs of Joseph Philbrick late of Gilmantown in the County of Strafford Deceas'd for their Double Share of said Estate the following Peices of Land in said Gilmantown (Viz) one Forty acre lot in the Lower Division and is the Lot Number twenty six in the first Range and half a hundred acre lot in the uper Division and is the North side of the Lot number five in the Seaventeenth Range also another half of a hundred acre lot in said Division and is the Northwest side of the Lot number Fourteen in the fourth Range

2^d To Samuel second son of the said Deceased we have sett off for his single Share of said Estate, one acre and three Quarters

of Land Lying in Exeter and is the south side of the Highway leading from Exeter meeting House to Kingston and is Bounded as follows (Viz) begining at a stake at the Said highway against the middle of the fore Doors from thence to Run south thirty one Degrees west through the middle of the House six Rods to a stake, thence south thirty six Degrees East three Rod to a Stake thence south forty one and a half degrees west about forty Rods to a stake thence East thirty one and a half Degrees south four Rods to Ens. Joseph Swazeys Land thence Northerly Binding on said Land forty Eight Rods to the highway afforesaid thence North fifty nine Degrees west binding on said highway Eleaven Rods and three Quarters to the bounds begun at with half the house and all other priviledges Except the potters shop & half the cellar

3^{edy} To John third son of said Deceased, we have set off for his single share of said Estate Six acres and Sixty five Rods of Land in said Exeter Lying the south side of the little River and west side of the Neck Road (so call'd) and is Bounded as follows (Viz) Begining at the highway by the River near the Bridge from thence to Run Westerly Binding on said River forty two Rods and a half to an ash tree by the River thence south twenty one Degrees west to the Northwest corner of one acre and one hundred and thirty four Rods of Land hereafter sett off to Edward the youngest son thence south sixty six Degrees East Binding on said Land about forty nine Rods to the highway afforesaid thence Northerly Binding on said highway to the Bounds begun at

4th To Edward the youngest son of said Deceased we have set off for his share of said Estate one acre and one hundred and thirty four Rods of Land in Exeter adjoyning to the Six acres and Sixty five Rods of Land heretofore set off to John and Bounded as follows (Viz) Begining at the southeast corner of Said Johns Land at the Highway, from thence to Run Southerly by said highway Six Rods and two feet to a twenty futt way (that was Laid out of the Estate of Ephraim Philbrick De-

ceased for the more conveniency of Divideing said Estate) from thence to Run Northerly binding on said twenty futt way forty nine Rods to a Stake and stones thence North twenty one Degrees East Six Rods to a stake and stones thence Southerly on a Straight Line to the bounds begun at also a Forty acre lot of Land in Gilmantown in the County of Strafford and is the Lot number nineteen in the fourth Range in the uper Division —

5th To Lydia Dodge oldest Daughter of said Deceased we have set off for her single share of said Estate about nine acres of Land more or less in Exeter afforesaid Lying the North side of the Neck Road (so called) between Collo. Daniel Gilmans Dwelling house and the little River and bounded as follows (Viz) Begining at the southerly corner of Joseph Swazeys Land at the highway, from thence to Run southerly Binding on said high way thirty two Rods & a half to Josiah Ladds Land, thence North fifty six Degrees west twenty one Rods, thence North forty six Degrees East twenty four Rods, thence North forty Eight Degrees west Sixteen Rods and three Ouarters thence South forty five Degrees west to the River thence westerly by said River ten Rods thence Northerly Binding on Collo Daniel Gilmans Land sixty five Rods to the westerly corner of two acres and a Ouarter of Land hereafter set off to mary thence south fifty nine Degrees East Binding on said Land and Land heretofore set off to Samuel Twelve Rods & two tenths to Joseph Swazeys Land thence Southerly and Easterly Binding on said Swazevs Land to the bound begun at —

6th To Mary 2^d Daughter of said Deceased we have set off for her single share of said Estate two acres and a Quarter of Land in Exeter with half the house and the Barn standing on the same, and half the cellar under the other End of the house, said Land is Bounded as follows (Viz) begining at the highway against the middle of the fore Doors thence to Run south thirty one Degrees west through the House six Rods to a stake thence South thirty six Degrees East three Rods thence south forty one and an half Degrees west binding on Land heretofore set of to Samuel about

forty Rod to a Stake thence North fifty nine Degrees west Eight Rod and two tenths to Coll^o Daniel Gilmans Land thence Northerly Binding on said Land to the highway thence Easterly by said highway three Rods and Three Quarters to the bound begun at —

6th To Mehitable youngest Daughter of Said Deceasd we have set off for her single share of said Estate a piece of Land in Exeter containing six acres and sixty five Rods Lying the South side of the little River and is Bounded as follows (Viz) Begining at the westerly Corner of the one acre and one hundred & thirty four Rods heretofore set off to Edward at the twenty futt way from thence to Run North twenty one Degrees East Binding on said Land and Land heretofore set of to John to a spotted ash tree by the River thence westerly binding on said River about seaventy nine Rods to Land belonging to the Heirs of Nathaniel Bartlet Deceased thence southerly and Easterly Binding on said Land seaventy four Rods and an half to the said twenty futt way thence Southerly Binding on said way Eleaven Rods to the Bounds Begun at

as witness our hands this 25th Day of Novem 1778

Trueworthy Gilman
Stephen Thing
Eliphalet Giddings

Committee

[Account of Lydia Philbrick, administratrix, deceased; receipts, £95. 7. 0; expenditures, £20. 17. $6\frac{1}{2}$; allowed Dec. 31, 1778.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £129. 4. $5\frac{1}{2}$; expenditures, £110. 0. 9; allowed Dec. 31, 1778.]

HENRY WALLACE

1769

FALMOUTH, ME.

[Administration on the estate of Henry Wallace granted to John Sullivan Nov. 29, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 554.]

[Bond of John Sullivan of Durham, with Daniel Meserve of Madbury, and Joseph Pattinson of Newington, gentlemen, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Nov. 29, 1769, for the administration of the estate of Henry Wallace of Falmouth, Me., yeoman; witnesses, Zachariah Foss, Samuel Hale, Jr.]

BENJAMIN SCRIBNER 1769

BRENTWOOD

[Administration on the estate of Benjamin Scribner granted to John Scribner Nov. 30, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 548.]

[Bond of John Scribner of Poplin, yeoman, with Samuel Stevens of Brentwood and Francis Chase of Newton, yeomen, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Nov. 30, 1769, for the administration of the estate of Benjamin Scribner of Brentwood, yeoman; witnesses, Catherine Parker, William Parker.]

[Warrant, Nov. 30, 1769, authorizing John Folsom and Samuel Dudley, Jr., both of Brentwood, yeomen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Feb. 27, 1770; amount, £20. 12. 9; signed by Samuel Dudley, Jr., and John Folsom.]

[Guardianship of Nathaniel Scribner, minor, aged more than 14 years, granted to John Scribner Nov. 30, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 25, p. 547.]

[Bond of John Scribner of Poplin, yeoman, with Samuel Stevens of Brentwood and Francis Chase of Newton, yeomen, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Nov. 30, 1769, for the guardianship of Nathaniel Scribner, son of Benjamin Scribner; witnesses, William Parker, Catherine Parker.]

[Warrant, Jan. 30, 1771, authorizing Jeremy Webster and Josiah Bartlett, both of Kingston, to receive claims against the estate.]

[List of claims, Nov. 8, 1771; amount, £23. 10. 10; signed by Jeremy Webster and Josiah Bartlett.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £48. 14. 0; expenditures, £28. 0. 0; mentions a widow; allowed Dec. 16, 1771.]

[Settlement of claims; amount distributed, £20. 14. 0; allowed Dec. 19, 1771.]

SARAH McBRIDE

1769

PORTSMOUTH

In the Name of God Amen, I Sarah Mackbride of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire Widow, being Sick and weak in Body * * *

I give and devise to my Son in Law Daniel Grant of said Portsmouth Cooper and to his Heirs and Assigns forever my Dwelling House wherein I now live and the Lot of Land belonging to it Situate in said Portsmouth and all my real Estate wherever the Same is Situate or may be found. Item I give my said Son in Law my money which I shall leave at my Decease, (after my Debts and my funeral Charges are paid) Item I give and bequeath to Sarah Wood wife of Richard Wood of said Portsmouth Hatter my Red and white chints Gown, my looking Glass and one Pewter Platter. Item I give to Martha Grant wife of said Son in Law, my dark colour'd Resset Gown my Silver Cup, and half a Dozen of Pewter Plates. Item I give to Anne Partridge of said Portsmouth Singlewoman my Cousin, my dark coloured Calemanca Gown and Nine Pewter Plates. Item I give and bequeath to the said Sarah Wood my Bed and Bedding belonging to it. — All the Rest and Residue of my Estate both real and personal except what I have already given to others herein, I give Devise and bequeath to my said Son in Law Grant and to his Heirs and Assigns. Lastly I hereby appoint and Constitute Jacob Sheafe of said Portsmouth Merchant, Executor of this my last Will and Testament. And I do hereby revoke and disallow

all other and former Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made, ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereto Set my hand and Seal the fourth Day of December in the Year of our Lord Christ one thousand Seven hundred and Sixty Nine —

her Sarah × Mackbride Mark

[Witnesses] Tho Hatch, John Jackson, Dan Jackson. [Proved Dec. 27, 1769.]

[Bond of Daniel Grant, cooper, with Jacob Sheafe, merchants, and Hunking Wentworth as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £500, Dec. 27, 1769, for the administration of the estate, Jacob Sheafe declining to act as executor; witnesses, Daniel Brewster, William Winter.]

[Warrant, Dec. 27, 1769, authorizing Samuel Watson and John Beck, hatter, both of Portsmouth, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Jan. 10, 1770; amount, £87. 8. 3; not signed.]

[Warrant, Dec. 3, 1770, authorizing John Parker and Woodbury Langdon, both of Portsmouth, merchants, to receive claims against the estate.]

[List of claims, June 4, 1771; amount, £3. 15. 0.]

JONATHAN STICKNEY 1769

PELHAM

[Administration on the estate of Jonathan Stickney of Pelham granted to Asa Stickney Dec. 14, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 105.]

[Bond of Asa Stickney, with Amos Gage, Jr., and Josiah Gage, Jr., as sureties, all of Pelham, yeomen, in the sum of £500, Dec. 14, 1769, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Nathaniel Gage, Benjamin Gage.]

[Inventory, Dec. 28, 1769; amount, £163. 16. 1; signed by Amos Gage and Ebenezer Varnum.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £183. 4. 2; expenditures, £66. 4. 2; mentions a widow; allowed Nov. 8, 1769 [1770.]

[List of claims against the estate, Sept. 28, 1770; amount, £156. 10. 9; signed by Amos Gage and Ebenezer Varnum.]

[Settlement of claims; amount distributed, £117. o. o; allowed June 29, 1771.]

[Additional account of the administrator; receipts, \$110.00; expenditures, \$15.00; allowed April 20, 1803.]

[Additional settlement of claims; amount of claims, \$496.66; amount distributed, \$94.45; allowed May 16, 1803.]

HENRY SANDERS

1769

SALEM

[Administration on the estate of Henry Sanders of Salem granted to William Sanders Dec. 14, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 105.]

[Bond of William Sanders, yeoman, with Joseph Wright and Oliver Sanders, yeoman, as sureties, all of Salem, in the sum of £500, Dec. 14, 1769, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Evan Jones, Joshua Sanders.]

[Warrant, Dec. 14, 1769, authorizing Jonathan Frye, gentleman, and Thomas Douglas, yeoman, both of Salem, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Feb. 9, 1770; amount, £14. 7. $8\frac{1}{2}$; signed by Jonathan Frye and Thomas Douglas.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £14. 7. $8\frac{1}{2}$; expenditures, £12. 2. $10\frac{1}{2}$; allowed Nov. 28, 1770.]

[List of claims against the estate, Nov. 26, 1770; amount, £49. 16. 0. 2; signed by Jonathan Frye and Thomas Douglas.]

[Settlement of claims; amount distributed, £2. 13. 4; allowed Feb. 8, 1773.]

SAMUEL WHIDDEN 1769 GREENLAND

In the Name of God Amen. I Samuel Whidden of Greenland in the Province of New Hampshire Husbandman being weak & infirm in Body * * *

Item, I give and bequeath to Hannah my beloved Wife, the whole Use & Improvement of my home place containing all my Land in Greenland, with all my Stock of Cattle & Implements of Husbandry, to be used & improved by her for her own maintenance & Support & for the Maintenance Support & Education of my children who are under Age, until my Son James Whidden arrives to the Age of twenty one years; after which Time my will is that my said Wife shall have an handsome & honourable Support out of the Income of my said Homeplace as long as she shall live on said Place. I also give to my said Wife all my household Furniture to be disposed of by her among my children when & as she shall see proper.

Item I give & bequeath to my Son Joseph Whidden four Acres of Land in Portsmouth being Part of my Cedar Swamp (so called) to be taken off of the Southerly Side thereof. And as my said Son Joseph is already provided for by the Reversion of ye Farm which he now possesses, upon that Consideration I give him no more of my Estate.

Item I give devise & bequeath unto my Son Samuel Whidden all my Land in the Town of Portsmouth (except the four Acres of Cedar Swamp given to my Son Joseph & what is herein afterwards given to my Son James Whidden) To have & to hold all my said Land in Portsmouth (except as aforesaid) with all the Buildings & Appurtenances, to him my said Son Samuel Whidden his Heirs & Assigns forever.

Item I give and devise to my Son John Whidden a Right of

Land in the Township of Cornish being the Lot N° 11 in the fourth Range to him my said Son his Heirs & Assigns. I also give him a yoke of three year old Steers to be delivered to him by my Executrix, within one year after my Decease.

Item I give devise & bequeath to my Son James Whidden, my Home place containing all my Land in the Town of Greenland with the Buildings and Appurtenances thereto belonging, he my said Son to be put in Possession thereof by my Executrix as soon as he shall arrive at the Age of twenty one Years. I also give him all the Implements of Husbandry & one half the Stock of Cattle Sheep & Swine which shall be on said Place when he arrives at said Age. I also give to my said Son ten Acres of woodland lying in Portsmouth bounded Southeasterly on the new Road leading to Portsmouth, Southwesterly on Land given to my Son Samuel Whidden, Northwesterly on Land belonging to the Estate of my Brother John Whidden Deceased & Northeasterly on Peter Ball's Land. Also Sixteen Acres of my Cedar Swamp (so called) lying in Portsmouth to be taken off of the Southwesterly End thereof, also four Acres of Cedar Swamp bounded Southwesterly & Northwesterly on Land of William Jenkins, Easterly on Land of Enoch Clark Esq. & Southerly on Robert Tufton Philbrook's Land, To have & to hold the said pieces of Land together with my Homeplace with all the Buildings & Appurtenances to him my said Son James Whidden his Heirs & Assigns forever. My Will is that my said Son James shall provide an handsome & honourable Maintenance & Support for his Mother, as long as she lives with him & also pay to his Sisters the Legacies hereafter mentioned

Item I give & bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Whidden twenty five Pounds Lawful money to be paid her by my Executrix in such houshold Furniture as she shall chuse on the Day of her Marriage. I also give her twenty five Pounds Like money more to be paid her by my Son Samuel with in eight years after my Decease that is to say five Pounds thereof within three years

and five Pounds yearly & every year afterwards till the Said Sum of twenty five Pounds is paid.

Item I give & bequeath to my Daughter Mary Whidden twenty five Pounds Lawful Money to be paid her on the Day of her marriage in such houshold Furniture as she shall chuse by my Executrix. I also give her twenty five Pounds like Money more to be paid her by my Son James, five Pounds thereof within one Year after he arrives to the Age of twenty one Years & five Pounds thereof yearly & every year afterwards till the said twenty five Pounds are paid.

Item I give & bequeath to my Daughter Ann Whidden the like Sum to be paid in manner aforesaid by my Executrix on the Day of her Marriage and also twenty five Pounds Lawful Money to be paid by my Son James that is to say five Pounds thereof within Six Years after he arrives to the Age of twenty one Years & five Pounds yearly & every year afterwards till the said Sum is paid And my will is that in Case either of my said Daughters should die before they have received their respective Legacies, and leave no Issue lawfully begotten on their Bodies, that the said Legacies shall be paid to the surviving Sisters in manner aforesaid to be equally divided between them.

Item All the Rest Residue & Remainder of my Estate both real & personal I give to my beloved wife Hannah Whidden to be disposed of as she shall think best & hereby recommend it to my said wife that in Case the Income of my Homeplace & her circumstances will afford & allow more to be given to my Daughters at the Day of their Marriage, than what I have herein ordered to be paid them in houshould furniture, that she give them & each of them as much more as she thinks can be afforded them. And I hereby constitute & appoint my said Wife sole Executrix of this my last Will & Testament, hereby revoking & disannulling all other wills by me in any manner heretofore made, ratifying & confirming this & no other to be my last Will & Testament.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand & Seal the Sixteenth Day of October, Anno Domini 1769.

Samuel Whidden

[Witnesses] Joseph Pickering, John Weeks Jun^r, Samuel Parker.

In the Name of God Amen I Samuel Whidden of Greenland in the Province of New Hampshire Husbandman having made & executed my last Will & Testament on the Sixteenth Day of October last do upon further Consideration think proper to make the following Codicil & Addition thereto. Imprimis I give & bequeath to my Sons Samuel & John Whidden to each of them a three year old Heifer, that to my Son Samuel to be delivered to him by my Executrix within one year after my Decease, & that to my Son John within two years after my Decease, out of the Stock which shall be then upon my Homeplace. Item I give to my four Sons viz Joseph Samuel John & James my four Guns, that is to say one to each of them, the eldest to have his choice, only my will is that my Son James should have the longest. I also give to my Son James my Sword, These Legacies are given them in Addition to what is already given them in my said will. In all other Respects I hereby ratify & confirm my said last will & Testament. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this fifteenth Day of December in the Tenth Year of his Majesty's Reign Annoque Domini 1769

Samuel Whidden

[Witnesses] Nathan Johnson, Abner Haines, Ichabod weeks, Samuel Parker.

[Proved April 2, 1770.]

[Caveat of John Whidden, Jr., of Greenland, yeoman, March 28, 1770, against the probate of the will of his father, alleging that he was non compos mentis.]

[Bond of Hannah Whidden, widow, with William Weeks and

Nathan Johnson, gentleman, as sureties, all of Greenland, in the sum of £500, April 2, 1770, for the execution of the will; witnesses, William Haines, Samuel Parker.]

BENJAMIN SMITH

1769

DURHAM

[Guardianship of Samuel Smith, aged less than 14 years, granted to Benjamin Smith Dec. 27, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 67.]

[Bond of Benjamin Smith of Durham, with Walter Bryent and Edward Smith, yeoman, both of Newmarket, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Dec. 27, 1769, for the guardianship of his son, Samuel Smith; witnesses, Jeremy Bryent, Gideon Glidden.]

SAMUEL TWOMBLY

1769

ROCHESTER

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Twombly granted to Tobias Twombly Dec. 27, 1769.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 68.]

[Inventory, Jan. 25, 1770; amount, £39. 9. 6; signed by Joseph Hanson and Ichabod Canney.]

[List of claims against the estate, May 30, 1771; amount, £21. 19. 4; signed by Ichabod Canney and Joseph Hanson.]

[Warrant, May 30, 1771, authorizing Ichabod Canney of Madbury, Joseph Hanson of Dover, Jonathan Dam of Rochester, Joseph Cook of Somersworth, and Solomon Varney of Dover, husbandmen, to set off the widow's dower.]

Province of New Hampshire Rockingham ss

Pursuant to a Warrant From the Judge of Probate of Wills for said County and Province we have sat off To the Widow Judith Twombly Relict of Samuel Twombly Late of Rochester in said County and Province Cooper Deceased Her Thirds of of her Late Husbands Real Estate Begining at the North East Corner of his Land he Lived on and Died seiz^d in Possesion of at a small white Pine Tree spotted for the Bound and from said Tree Ran East Forty Two Degrees South Twenty three Rods to a High way Plan^d on the south east side the Town being the full Breadth of his Land that way then Turned and Ran by said high way south Forty Two Degrees west Twenty six Rods and six feet to a stake then Turned and Ran North Forty three Degrees west Twenty three Rods to a stake then Turned and Ran North Forty Two Degrees East to the First Bound —

also set off Thirteen feet and a half of the West End of the Barn the full Breadth of the same which Barn Standing on said Premises or thirds we allow the Purchesor of the other Two thirds of said Barn the Liberty of Takeing it off any time in six Months from said Date

Sat off April 23d 1772 by

Ichabod Canney Jos: Hanson Jon^a Dame

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £33. 6. 0; expenditures, £21. 16. 0; allowed March 22, 1774.]

[Settlement of claims; amount distributed, £10. 19. 8; allowed April 9, 1774.]

JOSEPH BERRY

1770

GREENLAND

[Administration on the estate of Joseph Berry of Greenland, yeoman, granted to James Berry of Greenland, yeoman, Jan. 11, 1770.]

[Bond of James Berry, with Francis Berry, yeoman, and Daniel Mason, joiner, as sureties, all of Greenland, in the sum of £500, Jan. 11, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, William Parker, John Wentworth.]

JOHN SMITH

1770 NORTH HAMPTON

[Administration on the estate of John Smith of North Hampton, yeoman, granted to Rachel Smith Jan. 17, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 257.]

[Bond of Rachel Smith, with Jonathan Wedgewood and Ebenezer Sanborn as sureties, all of North Hampton, in the sum of £500, Jan. 17, 1770 'for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Christopher Toppan, John Wentworth.]

[Inventory, Feb. 20, 1770; amount, £606. 8. 6; signed by Ebenezer Sanborn and Jonathan Wedgewood.]

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £299. 8. 6, personal estate; expenditures, £80. 2. 2; allowed April 29, 1772.]

[Warrant, Nov. 12, 1772, authorizing Abraham Drake, gentleman, Levi Dearborn, physician, and Joseph Hobbs, yeoman, all of North Hampton, to set off the widow's dower.]

Rockingham ss We the subscribers being appointed by the Honour^{1e} John Wentworth Esq^r Judge of Probate of Wills &^e a Committee to set off to Rachel Smith of North Hampton in said County her Dower which happens to her of the real Estate of John Smith late of North Hampton aforesaid Yeoman Deceas^d being one full third part according to Quantity & Quality (and being sworn) have set off as followeth Viz. on the south side the road a piece of land containing Nine Acres and thirty six Rods Begining thirty Eight Rods from the East end of said farm from thence by the Road to the North west corner of the east Barn (call^d the old Barn) thence by the west end of said Barn to the south side of the cow yard, from thence as the fence

now runs between the field and the pasture call^d the old pasture Orchard, thence to the East end of the wall between said Land and land of Samuel Chapman thence by said Chapmans land forty Rods to an Elm tree standing in said fence (which tree is thirty seven rods from the East end of said fence) from thence to the Bounds first mentioned, together with the said East Barn — And on the North side the Road we have set off the little field and pasture as it is now fenced containing thirteen Acres, with the new Addition on the North side the Dwelling house and three feet & an half square in the North East corner of the large West room with the stares where they now are — Also twenty Acres in the great pasture bounded sotherly on the road thirty Seven Rods, westerly by land of Samuel Chapman Eighty six Rods to Land of John Wingate then by land of said Wingate thirty seven Rods to a large pine stump, and from thence to the Bounds first mentioned — Also Three Acres of salt marsh in Hampton in the County aforesaid Bounded Easterly on marsh of Col¹ Moulton Northerly on Foggs Marsh, Westerly on Marsh of John Dearborn, southerly on Browns River (so calld) — This we make our Return as witness our Hands —

North Hampton December 9th 1772.

Abraham Drake Joseph Hobbs Levi Dearborn

N B Rachel Smith agreed 27th April 1773 to give up her Dower as herein severed & to have it set off by a new Committee at Col Moultons Expence & a new Return was made 26th May 1773.

[Additional account of the administratrix; receipts, £234. 6. 4: expenditures, £152. 13. 6; allowed Dec. 19, 1772, mentioning that the deceased left no children.]

[Agreement, April 24, 1773, between Rachel Smith, Jonathan Moulton of Hampton in behalf of the heirs of three shares, and

Benjamin Leavitt of North Hampton in behalf of the heirs of four shares, for a new division; signed by Mayhew Clark in behalf of Rachel Smith, Jonathan Moulton, and Benjamin Leavitt; witnesses, Nathaniel Folsom, Samuel Parker.]

[Warrant, April 28, 1775, authorizing John Haven, William Weeks, both of Greenland, Samuel Jenness of Rye, Jonathan Tilton, gentleman, and Jeremiah Lane, yeoman, both of Hampton Falls, to divide the estate.]

Province of New Hampshire Rockingham ss

Pursuant to an order from the Honble John Wentworth Esqr Judge of the Probate of Wills &c for said County, To us the subscribers Authorizing us to Divide & set off one full third part of the Real Estate of John Smith Late of Northampton in said County Deceased Intestate to Rachel Smith Relict of said Deceased and the other two thirds to Divide into Seven Equel shares &c. — Accordingly we have done as follows viz^t

First We have set off to the said Rachel for her third part of said Estate Eight Acres & a half in the field on the southerly side of the highway before the house being the Easterly end of said field beginning at the Easterly side of the Easterly Barns floor from thence south about sixteen Degrees west on a strait line a Cross said field to an Elm tree standing by the fence, which tree is Fifty Six Rods from the Easterly end of said field, with the orchard thereon, which piece of Land is mark'd in the foregoing Plan hereto Annexed with the Letter W. — Also a Piece of Land in the Little Pasture (so call'd) adjoyning to the house Containing three Acres beginning at the Northeasterly Corner of the back house after named & from thence North about thirteen Degrees West a Cross said Pasture to a large Pine tree standing by the fence all to the westward of said Line which is contain'd in said little Pasture the said Pine tree being Twenty Seven Rods from the westerly end thereof Bounding Southerly upon the highway some part thereof being improved for Tillage which piece is mark'd in the aforesaid Plan with W. —

Also a Part of the great Pasture (so call'd) Containing Twenty two Acres and a half Including part of the swamp, Bounded as follows viz^t Beginning at an Oak stump at the Southeasterly Corner of said great Pasture by the highway, from thence westerly by said highway Twenty four Rods & seven eights of a Rod to stake & stones by the Road from thence North about Ten Deg. West thro' said Pasture about 112 Rods to a stake by the fence Nine Rods & two thirds of a Rod to the Eastward of a Northerly Corner of said Pasture from thence Easterly by said Pasture fence Forty Seven Rods & a half to a stake by said fence, in the Swamp, from thence south about 10 Deg. East thro' said swamp to a stake by the fence thence Westerly by said fence Twenty three Rods to a Corner & from thence as the fence goes to the place first mentioned at the Road which piece is mark'd in said Plan with the letter W. — Also a Piece of marsh Lying in Hampton Containing two Acres & one hundred & Ten Rods which is the piece that lies near Browns Mill, Mark'd in the Plan with W. We have also set off to the said Rachel for her third part of the Buildings the back house built out by itself with a Cambrel Roof the whole of it with the Cellar under it. (Reserving Liberty of the use of the Oven therein to the owners of the forepart of the house as after Express'd. Also the said Rachel to enjoy the Priviledge of the use and improvement of the chamber way & stairs which leads out of the foreroom into the chamber, and also the Improvement of the small out-houses belonging to said house in common with the other owners thereof. And for her part of the Barn we have set off the Easterly End of the Easterly Barn so far as to the barn floor Including the hovell at the East end thereof and the Ten feet scaffold over the floor with the Priviledge of the use & improvement of the said Barn floor in Common with the owner or owners of the Remaining part of said Barn & a proportionable part of the barn yard for Conveniency — Also the said Rachel to Enjoy the use and Improvement of the Garden before the house Reserving liberty for Jedidah Smith after named to Enjoy one third part thereof so long as she shall have occasion for her self which garden is mark'd in the Plan thus (\times) —

Secondly — We have set off to Jedidah Smith for his share of the Remaining two thirds of said Estate a Piece of Land Lying on the southerly Side of the highway in the field Adjoyning to the Barns viz the Easterly share next to the part of said field set to the widow as aforesaid Containing four Acres & 10 Rods Bounded as follows viz Easterly on the widows aforesaid being thirteen Rods and two thirds wide at the Northerly End to a stake by the Road & fourteen Rods wide at the southerly End the Division Line between sd share & the next being a strait Line from the stake by said Road to another stake on the Southerly End which Piece is mark'd in the aforesaid Plan with No 5 -Also another piece of Land in the great Pasture aforesaid Containing five Acres & 136 Rods being the second share from the West in said great Pasture being Ten Rods wide at the southerly End by the Road to stake and stones there fix'd and Twelve Rods and a half at the Northerly End to stakes by the fence which piece is also mark'd in the Plan with No 5. Also a Piece in the swamp which lies at the Northeasterly end of said great Pasture containing one Acre and sixty five Rods which is the southerly share in said swamp Bounded Westerly on the part set to the widow Seven Rods & to Extend Easterly to the fence where it is Eight Rods wide to a Dry hemlock tree spotted which piece is likewise mark'd in the Plan with No 5. Also a Piece of marsh Lying in Hampton containing 155 Rods being the Easterly part of the spring marsh (so calld) being about Eight Rods wide at the Southerly End to a stake & nine Rods and a half wide at the Northerly end to a stake there fix'd which piece is mark'd in the Plan with No 3. We have set to the said Jedidah for his share of the Buildings Nine feet wide of the Westerly Barn on the Northerly side the whole length of said Barn from top to bottom the said nine feet wide with the Priviledge of the use of the barn floor in Common with the other

owners of said Barn and a Proportionable part of the Barn yard which is to be Enjoy'd in Common for the use of all the owners of said Barns so long as they Remain standing there—

This and every one of the Owners of the seven shares in the said swamp are to have the Priviledge of passing and Repassing to & from the same through the part set to the widow in the great Pasture and said swamp as there shall be occasion —

Thirdly. We have set off to the Heirs of Benjamin Smith a Piece of Land Lying in the little Pasture (so calld) on the Northerly side of the highway where the house stands Containing four Acres Bounding Westerly on the part set to the widow as aforesaid from thence to Extend Easterly from the aforesd large Pine tree on the Northerly side Eighteen Rods and a half to a stake seven Rods short of the Corner from said stake on a strait Line to the said highway to a stake there fix'd Nine Rods up Northwesterly from the southeasterly corner of said little Pasture all to the westward of said strait line up to the widows aforesaid Except the use of the garden to the widow as aforesaid which is before the house which piece is mark'd in the Plan with Nº 6 — Also another piece of Land Lying in the great Pasture so call'd Containing Five Acres & 136 Rods being the third share from the west in said great Pasture & is 10 Rods wide at the southerly end by the Road where there are stake & stones at each corner & Twelve Rods & a half wide at the Northerly end where there are also stakes by the fence at sd North end which is mark'd in the Plan as aforesaid with No 6. - Also a Piece in the said swamp at the Northeasterly Corner of sd great Pasture Containing One Acre & three quarters which is the Northerly swamp share being six Rods & half wide at the Easterly end from the Northeasterly Corner to a small white maple spotted on four sides from said maple westerly on a strait line to the first Corner which piece is also mark'd in said Plan with No 6. — Also a Piece of marsh Lying in Hampton aforesaid at the place call'd the Glade or fullar Marsh Containing 142 Rods being the second share from the West of said fuller marsh and Runs a Cross the whole wedth of said marsh 10 Rods wide with a stake set Down at Each Corner which is mark'd in the Plan with N° 5, & for said Heirs part of the Buildings we have set off the Lower Room of the forepart of the house and the Cellar which is under the Entry of said house with the Priviledge of improving the Oven in the back house as there shall be occasion & the Priviledge of the use and Improvement of the well belonging to said house & also the use & improvement of the small out houses belonging thereto in Common with the other owners of said house —

Fourthly We have Set off to Huldah Daughter of Silvanus Smith for her share a Piece of Land Lying in the field on the southerly side of the highway Containing three Acres and 105 Rods being the Westerly share of said southerly Side and is twelve Rods and three quarters wide at the Road Down from the N. West Corner twelve Rods and a half to stake and stones and from thence Southerly to a corner of the field Including all that part which runs Down further southward than the rest at said westerly End as may more plainly appear by the Plan herein Refer'd to which piece is mark'd therein with No 1. — Also a Piece of Land in the said great Pasture on the Northerly side of the Road which is also the westerly share therein containing Six Acres & 99 Rods being thirteen Rods wide at the southerly end by the Road and twelve and a half at the Northerly end Reckoning from where the Range of the fences meet down to a stake set for the Northeasterly Bound which is also markd in sd Plan with No I. — Also a Piece in the aforesaid swamp containing one Acre and 72 Rods being the third share from the south of the seven swamp shares Bounded westerly on the part set to the widow Eight Rods to a Burch tree spotted on four sides being the southwesterly Corner Bound & another small burch tree spotted on four sides for the N. Westerly corner Bound from which Running Easterly to a Pine tree standing in the Corner at the Easterly end from thence southerly by the fence five Rods to a stake spotted mark'd in the Plan with No 1. — Also a Piece of marsh Lying in Hampton Containing 150 Rods being the westerly side of the piece call'd the spring marsh from End to End being three Rods & a half wide at the Northerly end to a stake there set down from which on a strait Line southerly to another stake by the Creek where it is 5 Rods wide and from thence southerly by said Creek taking the whole wedth mark'd in the Plan with N° 2. And for her share in the buildings we have set off to her the Easterly part of the west Barn so far as to the barn floor westward and so far back in wedth as to come to the nine feet in wedth set to Jedidah as before Express'd of said Barn with the priviledge of the use of the barn floor in common with the Rest and a Proportionable part of the Barn yard —

Fifthly — We have set off to Abigail Daughter of Paul Smith for her share a Piece of Land in the field on the southerly side of the Road Containing four Acres & 50 Rods being the second share from the East of the five therein Contain'd being fifteen Rods and two thirds of a Rod wide by the Road & Running southerly thro' said field to stakes by the fence on the southerly End being Ten Rods in wedth there by said fence which piece is mark'd in the Plan with No 4. - Also a Piece of Land in the great Pasture on the Northerly side Containing Six Acres & 36 Rods it being the Second share from the East of the Seven that are west of the widows being Ten Rods & one sixth part of a Rod wide at the southerly end by the Road to stake & stones at Each Corner there, from thence Running Northerly first on the Easterly side thereof from the southeasterly corner bound thro' said Pasture to a Northerly corner thereof from thence southwesterly by the fence to another Corner from thence West about two Rods to a stake by the fence and from thence Southerly to a stake by the Road before mentioned which is the southwesterly Corner Bound of sd share which share comes to a Point at the North End as may be seen by the Plan which is mark'd therein with No 4. — Also a Piece in the aforesaid Swamp Containing one Acre and Seventy four Rods being the second share from the south of the Seven shares in said swamp being Eight Rods wide

at the westerly end by the said widows part a stake spotted on four sides for the southwesterly corner Bound and a burch tree spotted on four sides for the Northwesterly Bound thence Running Easterly carrying the wedth of Eight Rods to the fence to a Dry hemlock spotted on four sides for the southeasterly Corner Bound & a stake spotted likewise for the N Easterly Bound mark'd in the Plan with No 4. — Also a Piece of Marsh lying in Hampton at the place Call'd the glade, Containing 135 Rods being the second share from the East of the four shares in the fullar Marsh (so Calld) Bounded as follows viz^t Beginning at a stake on Each side of said fuller Marsh thirty Rods from the Westerly End & from said stakes Running up westerly one third part of the way to the Said West End vizt 10 Rods to a stake on either side there fix'd which piece is mark'd in the Plan with No 6. — And for her share of Buildings We have set off to her the westerly End of the East Barn so far as to the Barn floor with the Priviledge of the Barn floor the use & improvement thereof as there shall be Occasion in common with the owner of the other part thereof and a Proportionable part of the Barn vard with the rest —

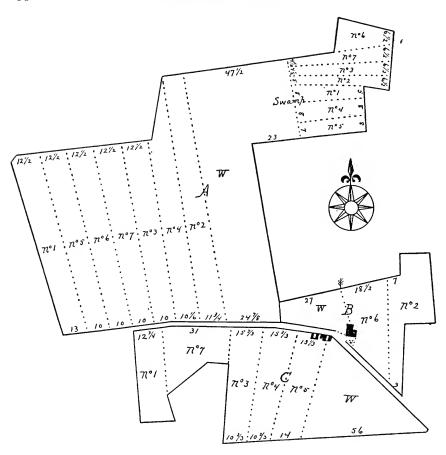
Sixthly — We have set off to Abigail wife of William Pottle for her share a Piece of Land Lying in the little Pasture (so calld) Containing Five Acres & 20 Rods being the Easterly part of said little Pasture Bounding as follows viz^t beginning at the southeasterly corner of said Pasture by the Road & Running by said Road westerly Nine Rods to a stake by the fence & thence Northerly a Cross said Pasture to a stake by the fence which stake is Seven Rods Westerly from a corner by the three Acre piece (so calld) all to the Eastward of said line which is the Division line between this and the other share this being mark'd in the Plan with N° 2 — Also a Piece of Land in the great Pasture aforesaid Containing seven Acres and a half being the Easterly share of the seven in said great Pasture lying westerly of the Part set to the widow therein being Eleven Rods and three quarters wide at the Southerly End by the Road from thence

Northerly by the said widow through the said Pasture to the fence on the Northerly part, to the corner for the Northwesterly Bound & from thence Easterly by said fence nine Rods and two thirds of a Rod to a stake there fix'd which is the Northeasterly corner Bound of said share mark'd in the Plan with No 2. -Also a piece in the said swamp Containing one Acre & 74 Rods being the middle share of the Seven in said swamp being 5 Rods wide at the westerly End by the widows ve N. Westerly Corner Bound a small maple tree spotted on four sides the Southwesterly Corner a small burch tree spotted & Running Easterly thro' said swamp to the Easterly End, the Corner of the fence being the southeasterly Corner, thence Northerly by said fence Six Rods and a half to an ash tree Spotted which is the Northeasterly Corner Bound which is also mark'd in the Plan with N° 2. a Piece of Marsh Lying in Hampton aforesaid at the place call'd the Glade Containing one Acre & 50 Rods being the Easterly share of the four in the Piece call'd the Fuller Marsh beginning at the Easterly end and Running Westerly Carrying the whole wedth Twenty three Rods to a stake on Each side there fix'd which is mark'd in said Plan with No 7 — and for her share of the Buildings we have set to her the Chamber and Garret over the fore Room with the priviledge of the Improvement of the Chamber way & stairs and also the use of the oven in the back house as there shall be Occasion and the use and improvement of the Well belonging to said house also the improvment of the small out-houses belonging to the same in Common with the other owners of said house —

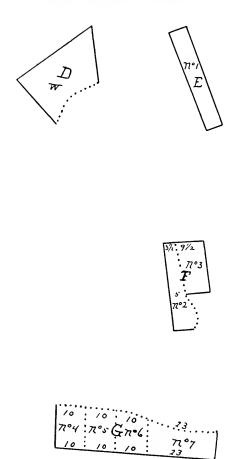
Seventhly — We have Set off to Paul Smith Marston for his share a Piece of Land Lying on the southerly side of the Highway Containing thereon the old Orchard and part of the field which Contains three Acres and one hundred and Thirty Eight Rods being thirty one Rods upon the Road to stake & stones there fix'd and from Said Road Runing both the East and West side to Certain Corners of said field taking into this share the short or narrow part thereof as may more plainly & fully appear by the

aforesaid Plan which piece is mark'd therein with the No 7.— Also a Piece of Land in the Great Pasture on the Northerly Side of said highway Containing Five Acres & 136 Rods being the middle share of the Seven in said great Pasture being Ten Rods wide at the southerly End by the Road to stake & stones there fix'd at Each Corner thence Running Northerly through said Pasture to stakes by the fence on the Northerly End being Twelve Rods & half wide at said Northerly End which is mark'd in said Plan with No 7. — Also a Piece in the Swamp aforesaid Containing one Acre and Seventy two Rods being the Second share from the North of the Seven shares in said swamp And is four Rods and a half wide at the Westerly End butting upon the widows part the Northwesterly Bound being a stake by the fence the Southwesterly bound a small maple spotted on four sides thence Runing Easterly thro' Said Swamp to the fence at the Easterly End to an ash stumpt spotted on the Southeasterly Corner and a small white maple tree Spotted on four Sides for the N. Easterly bound which Piece is mark'd in the Plan with No 7. — Also a Piece of Marsh Lying in Hampton aforesaid Containing One Acre and Fifty Rods Being the piece call'd the fresh Medow mark'd in the Plan with No 1. — And for his part of the Buildings we have Set off to him the west End of the Westerly Barn so far as to the barn floor & so far in wedth as to come to the Nine feet set to Jedidah aforesaid with the Privilege of the use & improvment of the Barn floor in Common with the other owners of said Barn and a Proportionable part of the barn floor

Eighthly — We have Set off to the heirs of Ruth Late wife of David Page a Piece of Land Lying on the southerly Side of the highway which is part of the field Containing four Acres and 50 Rods being the middle share of the five west of the widows part in said field and is fifteen Rods and two thirds of a Rod wide at the Northerly End by the Road to a stake & stones at Each Corner and Runing southerly a Cross said field in the widest part thereof a Corner of the field being the Southwesterly corner of said share from thence Easterly by the fence ten Rods & two



thirds of a Rod to a stake by said fence which is the wedth of the southerly End of said share; which is mark'd in the Plan with N° 3. — Also a Piece of Land in the great Pasture on the Northerly Side of said Road Containing Five Acres and 136 Rods being the third share from the East of the seven shares in said great Pasture west of the widows and is Ten Rods in wedth at the southerly end by the Road stake and stones being there fix'd at each corner & from thence Runing Northerly through said Pasture to stakes by the fence there fixed at Said Northerly End



at Each corner of said share being twelve Rods and a half wide at said End which piece is also mark'd in the Plan with N° 3. — Also a Piece in the said swamp Containing one Acre and 74 Rods being the third share from the North of the seven shares in said swamp the westerly end butting upon the part set to the widow four Rods & half the Northwesterly corner Bound being a maple tree spotted on four sides the southwesterly corner also a small maple spotted on four sides thence Running Easterly thro' said

swamp to the Easterly End to an ash tree spotted on four sides for the southeasterly corner Bound thence by the fence northerly six Rods and a half to an ash stump spotted which is the N. Easterly Corner Bound of said share mark'd in the Plan with N° 3. — Also a Piece of Marsh Lying in Hampton aforesaid at the place call'd the glade Containing 142 Rods being the westerly share of the four in the Piece call'd the Fuller Marsh beginning at the westerly end & Runing down Easterly ten Rods to a stake on each side mark'd in the Plan with N° 4. — And for their Part of the Buildings we have set off the Little barn which stands at the westerly end of the East Barn with a Proportionable part of the priviledge of the use & improvement of the barn yard in common with the owners of the other Barns —

Thus have we made the Division of the Real Estate of the said John Smith &c and this we make as the Return of our Doings herein: Dated at Hampton falls the 24th Day of May Anno Domin 1773

Jonathan Tilton
Wm Weeks
Sam¹ Jenness
John Haven
Jeremiah Lane

A. Plan of the Estate of John Smith Late of Northampton Deceased Intestate with the Division thereof: the upland Lying in three pieces mark'd in the following Plan with A. B. and C.

A. the great Pasture (so call'd) Including the swamp which is the Northeasterly part thereof contains 76 Acres & 133 Rods

B. the little Pasture the house standing thereon which Contains 12 Acres & 20 Rods —

C. the field Orchards &c. on the south side of the Road Contains 28 Acres & 112 Rods —

The widow a part in Each piece mark'd in Said Plan with ye Letter W. the other two thirds Divided into seven equel shares each share Containing three pieces & Each piece belonging to

the same share Number'd with the same figure as 1, 2, 3 & so on to 7 with the wedth of each share at each end &c.

The whole upland & Marsh Contains 127 A. 76 R.

N. B. The East end of the house comes not into this Division —

The following are Plans of the Marsh Belonging to the Estate of the Said John Smith Lying in four Pieces

D. the piece near Browns mill which Contains 2 Acres & 110 Rods set to ye widow

E. the piece Call'd the fresh medow Contains one Acre & 50 Rods —

F. the piece Call'd the Spring Marsh Contains one Acre & 145 Rods —

G. the piece call'd the fullar Marsh contains 3 Acres & 146 Rods the whole Divided into 7 shares beside the widows &c. The whole laid down by a scale of 20 Rods to one Inch

pr J Lane surveyor

SAMUEL SMITH

1770

DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Smith of Durham granted to John Smith of Durham Jan. 18, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 255.]

[Bond of John Smith, with Hunking Wentworth and George Hart, gentleman, both of Portsmouth, as sureties, in the sum of £1000, Jan. 18, 1770, for the administration of the estate of Samuel Smith, gentleman; witnesses, Ebenezer Love, John Gray.]

[Inventory, Jan. 27, 1770; amount, £163. 11. 5; signed by Walter Bryent and Joseph Young.]

[Petition of John Shepard, one of the heirs, May 30, 1771, for an account of the estate; citation issued.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £184. 14. 5; expenditures, £126. 4. 1; allowed April 28, 1772.]

MATTHEW TAYLOR 1770 LONDONDERRY

In the Name of God amen, I Mathew Taylor of Londonderry in the province of Newhampshire in New england being at present in somewhat of pain and Disorder of Body but of Perfect mind and memory Thanks be Given to allmighty God for the same thiss twenty second Day of January one thousand seven hundred and seventy * * *

Imprimis I Give and Bequeath to my well beloved wife Jennet Tayler Two Cows and the Horse that I am at present owner of To be for hir use During hir Natural Life and to be at hir Disposal amongst hir Children at hir Death besides the provision I have all ready made for hir by a Bond from my Son adam Tayler and another from my Son Samuel Taylor Towards hir Support —

item I Give and Bequeath to my Son John Taylor Seven pounds Ten shillings Lawfull Money —

item I Give to My Son Mathew Taylor Now in Nova Scotia Six pounds five Shillings Lawfull Money —

item I Give to My Son william Taylor, two pounds Ten Shillings Lawfull Money —

item I Give to My Six Grand Chilldren Viz Jean anderson Mathew anderson John anderson Hugh Finley Samuel Finley and Robert Finley in Equall Shares ten pound Lawfull Money to be divided amongst them —

item I Give to My son David Taylor twenty shillings Lawful Money —

item I Give to My Son adam Taylor one pound Lawfull money —

item I Give to My Son Samuel Taylor one pound Lawfull

Money and allso the one half of all My farming Tools that I at present posses and the other half of said farming Tools I Give to My Son adam Taylor —

item I Give to My Grand Daughter Agnass Cuningham Nine Dollars or a Heifer with Calf —

item I Give and Bequeath to My Daughter Ellenor archbold that was for Gott in the first of My Bequeathment as She was my oldest Daughter, Eighteen shillings Lawfull money and if there is any of my personal Estate Left after My Just Debts and funeral Charges as before Mentioned and the before Mentioned Legasys are paid I allow the same to be Divided in the following Manner Viz John Taylor one part Ellenor archbold one part Mathew Taylor one part william Taylor one part My Daughter Jennets Six Children before Mentioned one part to be Divided amongst them in Equal shares David Taylor one part adam Taylor one part Samuel Taylor one part of the Remains of My aforessaid personal Estate and I allow all My out Lands To be sold By my Executor hereafter to be mentioned in any manner that He shall Think most proper and Divided in the Same manner as the aforesaid Remains of My personal Estate the above Legasys to be paid in Eighteen months after my Decease or Sooner if practicable —

And I allow My well Beloved Son John Taylor to be My Sole Exec^r of thiss my Last will and Testament hereby Renouncing all other wills forms Requists and Executors In wittness to all herein Contained I have hereunto affixed my hand and Seal this twenty Second Day of January annoque Domini 1770

his Mathew × Tayler Mark

[Witnesses] John McKeen, John Barnet, James MacGregore. [Proved Jan. 31, 1770.]

[Inventory of real estate, attested April 24, 1770; amount,

£74. 19. 0; signed by Samuel Barr and James McGregore; another of personal estate, attested May 9, 1770; amount, £66. 14. 4; signed by James McGregore and John McKeen.]

ABRAHAM SANBORN 1770

HAMPTON

[Administration on the estate of Abraham Sanborn of Hampton, husbandman, granted to Christopher Toppan Jan. 26, 1770.] [Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 257.]

[Bond of Christopher Toppan of Hampton, with Jonathan Moulton of Hampton and John Webster of Chester as sureties, in the sum of £500, Jan. 26, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, John Sherburne, Thomas Westbrook Waldron.]

[Inventory, attested April 2, 1770; amount, £19. 3. 10; signed by Amos Coffin and Joshua James.]

STEPHEN PARSONS

1770

PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Stephen Parsons of Portsmouth granted to Martha Parsons, widow, Jan. 26, 1770.]
[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 257.]

[Bond of Martha Parsons, with Joshua Brackett and Peter Pearse as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £500, Jan. 26, 1770, for the administration of the estate of Stephen Parsons, mariner; witnesses, William Stilson, William Parker.]

[Inventory, Jan. 29, 1770; amount, £3. 4. 6; signed by A. R. Cutter and Ebenezer Deering.]

[List of claims against the estate, Aug., 1770; amount, £39. 11. 11¼; signed by Joshua Brackett and Peter Pearse.]

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £2. 8. 0; expenditures, £2. 10. 0; allowed Aug. 29, 1770.]

AARON TIBBETTS

1770

ROCHESTER

In the Name of God Amen the Thirtthe Day of January in the year of our Lord 1770: I Aaron Tebets of Rochester in the Province of New Hampshier in New England yeoman being very Sick & weak in Body * * *

Imprimis I Give & bequeth to my beloved wife the improvement of one Third of my whole Real Estate During her naturerell Life —

Item I Give & bequeth to my Son Stephen Tebets one fifth Part of my whol Real Estate & Persnal Estate after all my Just Debts is paid

Item I Give & bequeth to my Son David Tebets one fifth Part of my whole Real Estate & Persnael Estate after all my Just Debet is paid

Item I Give & bequeth to my Son aaron Tebets one fifth part of my whole Real Estate & Persnael Estate after all my Just Debets is paid

Item I Give & bequeth to my Son moses Tebets one fifth part of my whole Real Estate & Persnael Estate after all my Just Debets is paid

Item I Give & bequeth to my Son Jonathan Tebtes one fifth part of my whole Real Estate & Persneael Estate after all my Just Debts is paid:

Item I Do hereby Constitute make & ordain my two Sons viz moses Tebtes & Jonathan Tebtes my Soul Executors * * *

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aaron × Tebets Mark

[Witnesses] Joseph Tebbets, John Trickey, william allin. [Proved Feb. 28, 1770.]

[Warrant, Feb. 28, 1770, authorizing John Wentworth of Somersworth and Ichabod Kenney of Dover to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, signed by John Wentworth and Ichabod Kenny; amount, £428. 4. 0; attested May 22, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 445.]

EDWARD SMALL

1770

DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of Edward Small of Durham granted to Samuel Pitman, yeoman, Jan. 31, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 255.]

[Bond of Samuel Pitman, with Ebenezer Thompson and Jonathan Chesley, yeoman, as sureties, all of Durham, in the sum of £500, Jan. 31, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, James Stoodley, Samuel Hale, Jr.]

[Inventory, July 15, 1770; amount, £229. 10. 9; signed by Jeremiah Burnham and Ebenezer Thompson.]

Province of New Hampshire Rockingham ss

Pursuant to a Warrant from the Honble John Wentworth Esqr Judge of the Probate of Wills &c for the County aforesaid appointing us the Subscribers a Committee to divide the Real Estate of Edward Small late of Durham Yeoman Deceased who died Intestate we have done it in manner following viz

To Hannah Small Widow and Relict of Said Intestate we have set off one third part of his said real Estate being part of the said Intestates Homestead Beginning at Land Purchased by John Burnum Hanson of Joseph Small adjoining Land set off by these Presents to Sarah Pitman wife of Samuel Pitman one of the Daughters of said Intestate thence Westerly by said Sarah's land about one Hundred rods to Land of George Chesley thence Northerly by said Chesleys land Thirty four rods to Land set off by these Presents to Mary Small one of the Daughters of said

Intestate thence by that Easterly about one hundred and ten rods to the afores^d Hansons Land and then by that Southerly Twenty Two rods to the place where it began also the Northerly half of the New House or Easterly frame on said premises with one third of the Cellar and one third of the Barn.

To Sarah Pitman wife of Samuel Pitman Daughter of said Intestate one third part of said Estate as follows viz Beginning at the Aforesaid Hansons Land adjoining Land sold by Joseph Small to Jeremiah Burnum thence Westerly by said Burnums Land about one Hundred rods to Land of Francis Mathes and then Northerly by said Mathes Land and Land of George Chesley Forty Seven rods thence Easterly about one Hundred rods to the aforesaid Hansons Line and by that Twenty three rods to Burnums Land where we began also the old or Westerly House on the premises one third of the Cellar and one third of the Barn with Liberty to Lay wood by said House pass repass &c.

To Mary Small Daughter of Said Intestate one third of said Estate as follows viz Beginning at the aforesaid Hansons Line by land sat off by these Presents to the Widow thence Northerly by said Hansons line Twenty four rods to Oyster River (so called) thence up by said River Northwesterly until it Comes to a small Brook the Boundary of Land Claim'd by Benjamin Small thence up by said Brook Southwesterly until it comes to the Aforesaid George Chesleys Land thence by that Southerly sixteen rods to Land sat off to the Widow thence by that on a streight line to Hansons land where it began also the southerly half of the New or Easterly house one third of the Cellar and one third of the Barn allowing Each of the owners of Said Houses & Land Liberty to Lay Necessary firewood & by the House, pass & repass through Each others Land respectively as much as is necessary for their convenience in Improving the same

Witness our hands at Durham the 23^d of November 1771
Ebenezer Thompson
Samuel medar
Winborn Adams

JOSIAH SHAW

1770

HAMPTON

In The Name of God Amen This first Day of February 1770 I Josiah Shaw of Hampton in the Province of New Hampshire Yeoman being appresensive of my approaching Dissolution * * * And as touching my worldly Goods & Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me I Do hereby Despose of in the following manner & Do hereby Constitute & appoint Bersheba Shaw my well Beloved wife & my Brother Jonathan Shaw Executors to this my Last will & Testament * * *

Item I Give to my well beloved wife the Improvement of all my Estate Real & personal So long as till my Son Josiah shall arive to the age of twenty one years Except what is hereinafter otherwise Desposed of and provided my Said Son Josiah Should Decease Leaving no Heirs Lawfully Begotten of his Body then my Said wife to have the Improvement of my Estate as above mentioned During her natural life & if my Said Son Josiah Should live to have a lawfull Heir then my Said wife to have the Improvement of one third of all my Said Estate Dureing her life

Item I Give to my Daughter Elline Shaw one hundred pounds Lawfull money to be paid her out of my Estate at the age of Eighteen by my said Executors

Item I Give to Noah marsh Son of Henry marsh of Exeter fifty acres of Land Lieing in Chichester Provided he Continues to live with & faithfully Serve my wife above named till he Shall be twenty one years of age

Item All the Residue of my Estate Real & personal I Give to my Son Josiah Shaw to him & his Hiers & assigns forever

Item Provided my Son & Daughter above named both Die Leaving no Heir Lawfully Begotten of their bodys in that Case I Give to Jerediah Robbinson of Brintwood all my Lands lieing in Said Brintwood & all the Residue of my Said Estate which I have not otherwise Desposed of I Give to my Cousin Josiah Shaw son of my Brother Jonathan Shaw to them & their Heirs

and assigns forever from & after the Decease of my wife above Named * * *

Josiah Shaw

[Witnesses] John Taylor Jun^r, John Fogg, Henry Dearborn Taylor.

[Proved March 28, 1770.]

[Warrant, March 28, 1770, authorizing John Fogg and Simon Sherburne, both of Hampton, yeomen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, attested June 27, 1770; amount, £577. 9. 6; not signed.]

SARAH PHILLIPS

1770

EXETER

[Warrant, Feb. 2, 1770, authorizing Nathaniel Folsom, John Giddings, Daniel Tilton, Thomas Odiorne, merchants, all of Exeter, and Hubartus Neal of Newmarket, gentleman, to divide the real estate of Mrs. Sarah Phillips and Tabitha Gilman.]

We the Subscribers being appointed by the Honble John Wentworth Esq. Judge of the Probate of Wills &c for the Province of New Hampshire to divide all the Real Estate that was owned by Mrs Sarah Phillips and her Daughter Tabitha Gilman Consort of Samuel Gilman Junr Esqr as Tenants in common, which derived to them by the Death of Nathaniel Gilman Son of the late Nath Gilman of Exeter Esq. deceas'd, One Half of said Estate to Samuel Gilman Junr Esqr to hold as Tenant by the Curtesy during his Life, The other Half of said Estate to the Heirs of Mrs Sarah Phillips deceas'd; in pursuance thereof we have made a division & partition of said Estate in manner following Vizt —

To Samuel Gilman jun^{*} Esq. to hold as Tenant by the Curtesy during his Life we have allowed & set off as his share in said Estate One Half of the Mansion House of the said Nath¹ Gilman

viz the westerly end of said House and part of the Garden bounded as follows begining at the easterly corner of Doct^r Josiah Gilman's Land from thence to run north Thirty eight Degrees East four Rods and nine Tenths to the middle of the Gate from thence north fifty six degrees West to the middle of the Door, and a straight Line thro' the middle of the House, from thence a straight Line thro' the middle of the Well, to the northerly part thereof, from thence South Thirty two degrees West to Doct^r Josiah Gilman's Land, from thence South sixty six degrees East, binding on said Land to the Bounds first mention'd; with a priviledge of passing up and down the Chamber & Garret Stairs; reserving for the Owners of the easterly end of said House the priviledge of passing up & down the Chamber Garret & Cellars Stairs. Also nine Acres and three fourths of Land on the eastermost side of the Great River which Land said Nath¹ Gilman Esq. bought of John Saintclair — Also Two Thirds of a Pew in the Old Meeting House being the Pew that belonged to Nath¹ Gilman Esq. Also One eighth part of the Great Mill (so called) with the mill Priviledge and Stream, all which premises are in Exeter — And One fourth part of Copy-hold Saw Mill with the priviledge of the Stream &c in Brintwood — And One Sixth part of Clement Moody's common Right of Land in Exeter, which Jeremy Brown & his Wife sold & convey'd to Nathaniel Gilman Esqr.

To the Heirs of the said Sarah Phillips we have allow'd and set off as their Share in said Estate all the remaining part of said Mansion House with the remaining part of said Garden and the Barn — Also fifty three Acres of Land on the south side of the great fresh River which was given to the said Nath¹ Gilman Esq. by his Father Nicholas Gilman Esq. deceas'd — Also a Wharfe and Ware House nearly opposte to said Mansion House and Garden — And one Third of a Pew in the old meeting House in Exeter which belonged to Nath¹ Gilman Esq.

And whereas we the Subscribers are likewise appointed by the Honble John Wentworth Esq. Judge of the Probate of Wills &c

to divide the foregoing premises (that we have set off to the Heirs of Sarah Phillips) together with all the remainder of the Real Estate said Sarah Phillips died seiz'd of, in equal shares to and amongst the Grand Children of the said Sarah Phillips, allowing to the Eldest Grand Son a double share, to them to hold respectively in severalty; in pursuance thereof we have made Division and partition of said Estate in manner following Viz —

To Phillips Gilman, Eldest Grand son of the said Sarah Phillips deceas'd we have allow'd and set off as his two shares in said Estate, The Easterly End of the Mansion House of Nathaniel Gilman Esq. deceas'd, with the Barn, and part of the Garden, bounded as follows Viz begining at the middle of the Front Door of said House, and from thence a straight Line thro' the middle of the House and a straight Line through the middle of the Well to the northerly part thereof, from thence South thirty two degrees West to Doct^r Josiah Gilman's Land, from thence north sixty six degrees West to John Phillips Esqrs Land, from thence North twenty five degrees East Six Rods and one half to the Road, from thence South Seventy two degrees East by the said Road to the Corner of the Wall, from thence South Thirty eight degrees west three Rods to the middle of the Gate, from thence North fifty six degrees West to the middle of the Front Door, with the priviledge of passing up and down the Chamber, Garret and Cellar Stairs; reserving for the Owner of the westerly End of said House the Priviledge of passing up & down the Chamber & Garret Stairs. Also about twenty five Acres of Land being the westerly part of Grass Swamp Meadow (so Called) bounded as follows Viz begining at a Hemlock Tree near the great fresh River and from thence to Run South Ten degrees West by Capt Nichs Gilman's Land, Ninety eight Rods to Capt James Leavit's Land, and from thence to run South Eighty Six & one Half degrees East by said Leavit's Land forty Rods to a Stake, from thence North Ten degrees East to a Willow by the said River, and binding on said River to the Bounds first mention'd; reserving for the Owner of the Easterly

part of this Meadow (which Nicholas Gilman Esq. gave to his Son Nath¹ Gilman Esq.) the Priviledge of passing and repassing from the End of the large Point to said easterly part of the Meadow — Also Two Thirds of the one Half of the Original Right of Mary Somersby in the Township of Nottingham, except the Home Lott which two Thirds was convey'd to Nath¹ Gilman Esq. by Moses Norris by Deed dated May 9th 1737. Also about Twenty Acres of Land in Epping at petuckaway Plains be the same more or less which Land Joseph Leavitt sold and convey'd to Nath¹ Gilman Esq. by Deed dated May 8th 1732. And also forty nine acres of Land in the Northwesterly end of a certain Grant of Land (Common called) Folsom's Meadow Grant in Exeter to begin at the Northwest Corner bounds of said Grant, from thence to run East by North, One Hundred and seventy Rods, to the East side of said Grant, thence to extend South & by East the whole breadth of the Grant Forty six Rods and one Quarter, which will compleat the forty nine Acres, with the Priviledge of a Way on the westermost side of the Grant to lead to the Road that goes to the Black Rocks.

To Sarah Gilman the wife of Josiah Gilman and Grand Daughter to the said Sarah Phillips, we have allow'd and set off as her share in said Estate, Fifty Five Acres of Land in the seventh Range of Lotts in Exeter begining at Number Thirty seven and ending at Number Forty two, and is that Lot of Land John Scribner jun¹ Sold and convey'd to Nath¹ Gilman Esq¹ deceas'd by Deed dated December 19th 1734. And Twenty eight acres of Land in Folsom's Meadow (so called) adjoining to that part we have set off to Phillips Gilman, begining at the south west corner of Phillips Gilman's Share, and from thence to run east & by North One Hundred & seventy Rods to the East side of said Grant, from thence to extend South & by East the whole breadth of the Grant Twenty six and One half Rods which will compleat the Twenty eight Acres with the priviledge

of a Way on the westermost side of the Grant, to lead to the Road that goes to the Black Rocks.

To Nathaniel Gilman Grandson of the said Sarah Phillips, we have allowed and sett off as his share in said Estate a Wharfe and Ware House thereon in Exeter, which Nicholas Gilman Esq. gave to his Son Nath¹ Gilman Esq^r — Also Seventy three and one Half Square Rods of Land in Exeter which Land Ionathan Gilman sold to Nath¹ Gilman Esq² and is in the Common Field adjoining Capt Jonathan Gilman's Land by his dwelling House — Also One Third part of a Pew in the Old Meeting House in Exeter, and is the Third Wall Pew on the Right Hand as we enter the front Doors — Also Forty four Acres and one half of Land in Folsom's Meadow (so called) adjoining to that part we sett off to Sarah Gilman, begining at the South west corner of her part from thence to run East and by North One Hundred and seventy Rods to the East side of said Grant, thence to extend South and by East the whole breadth of the Grant Forty two Rods which will compleat the forty four Acres and one half, with the Priviledge of a Way on the westermost side of the Grant to pass to the Road that leads to the black Rocks. Also Two Lotts of Land in the Township of Nottingham each containing Thirty Acres (Viz) the first Thirty Acres of Land, belonging to the Original Right of Joseph Maylem and is in Lott Number Twenty Nine in Winter Street and is to be taken off of that end of said Lott Number 29 that lays next to Summer Street in the second division of Lands in said Town. The other Thirty Acres to be taken out of, and be a part of the Third division of Lands which Two Thirty Acre Lotts Samuel Land convey'd to Nath¹ Gilman Esqr by Deed dated Janry 18, 1732/3 — Also One half part of that common Right that was Allotted to Jonathan Young for his common Right in Exeter Commons lying in the sixteenth Range and begins at number forty eight and ends at No fifty three in said Range said Half part containing about Thirty four Acres and is the northerly part of said Common Right.

To Rebecca Gilman Grand Daughter of the said Sarah Phillips we have allowed & Set off to her as her share in said Estate An Original Proprietors Share of Lands & priviledges in the Township of Chichester which Samuel Thing Esq. Convey'd to Nathaniel Gilman Esq. by Deed dated Septem^r 4th 1732. Also one Third part of a One Hundred and eighty Acre Lott in Nottingham in Range Number Ten Lott Number Thirteen, which Lot was laid out to Job Giddinge — Also Forty six Acres of Land in Folsom's Meadow (so called) adjoining to that part of said Meadow we have set off to Nath¹ Gilman, begining at the south west corner of his part from thence to run East & by North One Hundred and seventy Rods to the East side of said Grant, from thence to extend South and by East the whole breadth of said Grant Forty four Rods which will compleat the said forty six Acres, reserving the priviledge of a Way on the westermost side of the Grant to pass to Phillips Gilman's part of said Grant — And also a piece of Grass Swamp Meadow containing Twenty seven Acres bounded as follows, begining at a Willow by the South side of the great fresh River and is the Northeasterly corner Bounds of that part of said Meadow we have set off to Phillips Gilman, from thence runing South Ten degrees West One Hundred and four Rods by Phillips's part to Capt James Leavitt's Land thence South Eighty six and one half degrees East to Grass Swamp Brook thence binding on said brook and on said River to the Bounds first mention'd, and about half an Acre of said meadow that lays on the Easterly side of said Grass Swamp Brook adjoining to Land belonging to John Hopkinson.

To Samuel Gilman Grand Son of the said Sarah Phillips, we have allowed and Set off to him as his share in said Estate, The whole of the Original Right of Lands in the Township of Gilman Town which was granted to Nehemiah Gilman, who convey'd it to Nath¹ Gilman Esq. July 17th 1738. Also Forty Nine Acres of Land in Folsoms Meadow so Called Adjoining to that part of said Meadow we have set off to Rebecca for her part, begining at the south west corner thereof, from thence to Run East and by

North, One Hundred and seventy Rods to the east side of the Grant, thence to extend South and by East the whole breadth of said Grant forty six Rods and one Quarter which will Compleat the Forty Nine Acres. Also One Third part of a Lot of Land in Nottingham in Winter Street Lott Number forty, likewise One Third part of another Lot in said Nottingham in Cross Street Range Number One, Lott N° Two, both which Lots were laid out to the Right of Job Giddinge and convey'd to Nath¹ Gilman Esq. by Forgus Smith by Deed Sep¹ 13th 1731. And also the Southerly Half part of Jonathan Young's Common Right in Exeter Commons lying in the sixteenth Range begining at Number forty eight and Ends at Number fifty three in said Range, said Half part contains about Thirty four Acres of Land.

All which divisions are made according to the best of our Judgment this Twenty fifth Day of April 1770.

Hubartus Neal Nath¹¹ Folsom Daniel Tilton

[Probate Records, vol. 5, p. 292.]

[See estate of Nathaniel Gilman of Exeter, 1741.]

JOSEPH JUDKINS

1770

NEWMARKET

In the Name of God Amen the Twenty second Day of February Anno Domini One thousand siven hundred and seventy I Joseph Judkins of New Market in the Province of New Hampshire in New England Yeoman being Weak & Sick in Body * * *

Imprimis. I give and bequeath to Sarah Judkins my beloved Wife, my Mear, one yoak of oxen, my Hogs and Provision of all kinds, and all my Flax wool, yarn, & Chests, Two Cows, togeather with all those things of every kind that she brought with her to Me when & after I had married her and belonged to her before marriage, and also a Compleat suit of mourning Attire all to be to her sole right and use forever, over above & exclusive

of all her right of Dower and Power of thirds of in or unto my Estate, which She might, or ought by Law to have had in Case this my last will & Testament had not have been made I also give & bequeath unto my said Wife all my Houshold Furniture not otherways herein bequeathed, and so much of my Mansion House at the Southwesterly End thereof as shall with her wright of Dowry or Thirds fully Contain one half thereof during her natural Life in this world —

Item I Give and bequeath unto my loving Cousen James Folsom of Newmarket aforesaid yeoman the use and Improvment of all my other Real Estate from and after my decease, for and during my said Wifes Term in the Premises —

Item I give and bequeath unto the said James Folsom and his Heirs and Assigns Forty Acres of Land togeather with all the Buildings thereon Situate in Newmarket aforesaid being Part of my Homsted Estate and is bounded as Follows vizt begining on Wadleighs Road (so Called) at Land in possession of Benjamin Chapman, thence bounding on said Chapmans Land to the high way leading to Piscasick Mill so Called, thence bounding on the said high way to land in Possession of William Skriggens, thence on a Direct Line to Wadleighs Road aforesaid such a Course as that being from thence bounded on said Road to the Bounds first mentioned shall fully and Compleatly Contain the said Forty Acres: with all the Priviledges thereto belonging; togeather with one half of my Land in Newmarket aforesaid which I bought of the heirs of Deacon John Folsom deceased, all to be to him the said James Folsom his Heirs and Assigns from & after the decease of my said Wife forever, I also bequeath unto the said James, one Yoak of oxen, and my best great Coat —

Item I give and bequeath unto Joseph Judkins son of my late Brother Joel Judkins, that Half Lot of Land in Nottingham which was formaly Possessed by James Bryent, to be to him his Heirs and Assigns from and after the Decease of my said wife forever—

Item I Give & bequeath unto Hannah Gordon that now lives

with me Five Pounds Lawful Money and one good Feather Bed within one year after my decease

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Daughter in Law Molley Foss Forty Shillings Lawful Money to be paid her by my Executors within one year after my Decease —

Item I Give & bequeath unto my son in Law Jacob Foss my best Wig —

Item I Give & bequeath unto Joseph Garmon of Newmarkett aforesaid Labourer Two Pounds Ten Shillings Lawful Money to be Paid him by my Executors within one year after my Decease—

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Sister Katharine Quinby Ten Pounds Lawful Money to be Paid her within one Year after my Decease —

Item I Give & bequeath unto the Church of our Lord Jesus Christ in Newmarket, whereof my Antient, Cordial & Faithful Friend the rev^d M^r John Moody is now Pastor, a Handsom Silver Communion Cup at the Discresion of my Executors in Convenient Time after my decease—

Item I Give and bequeath unto the right Heirs at Law of my Sister Katharine Quinby and of my late Brethern Samuel Job, John, Benjamin, & Joel Judkins & of my late Sisters Mary Welch, Sarah French, and Hannah Webster and their Heirs & Assigns all my Real & Personal Estate not herein otherways bequeathed in Equal Shares betwen them —

And I do hereby Constitute appoint make and ordain my Friend Wentworth Cheswill, and the said James Folsom, both of Newmarkett aforesaid Yeomen, Executors of this my last Will and Testament. * * *

Joseph Judkins

[Witnesses] Tho⁸ Tash, Joseph Ham, Enoch Remick. [Proved March 28, 1770.]

[Inventory, April 10, 1770; amount, £969. 6. 1; signed by John Burleigh and Thomas Tash.]

[Account of the executors; receipts, £563. 6. 1, personal estate; expenditures, £146. 17. 8; allowed March 27, 1771.]

[Petition of Sarah Judkins of Newmarket, widow, Aug. 28, 1771, for the setting off of her dower, stating that her husband died leaving no children nor any legal representative of them.]

[Warrant, Sept. 25, 1771, authorizing Joseph Smith, John Burleigh, gentleman, Thomas Tash, John Mead, yeoman, and John Bennett, yeoman, all of Newmarket, to set off the widow's dower.]

[Decree of court, Nov. 29, 1771, awarding to the widow half the balance of the personal estate.]

Rockingham ss November 11th 1771

Pursuant to a Warrant to us Directed from the Honble John Wentworth Esq^r Judge of the Probate of Wills &c for said County, to set off to Sarah Judkins Widow of Joseph Judkins late of Newmarkett deceased her Right of Dower & power of thirds that Happens to her of the Real Estate of the s^d Joseph —

We have viewed the Homestead Estate of the s^d deceased and are of opinion that the said Widows Dower of s^d Homstead only shall be bounded as follows Viz^t begining on Wadleys Road at a large red oak Stump at the upper End of the Stone Wall & from thence Runing N 29° W to a Rock in the S W End of a little Hill in the Field, and from thence on a Direct Line to Piscasick River at a small stooping Elm Stump about Four Rods to the Eastward of two croched white oak Trees, & the Widow to have all the Land to the S W. of said Line — & also part of the orchard bouned as follows viz^t begining on the s^d Road at a large Rock and Runing Cross the orchard to a large Flat Rock, & the Widow to have the Part next the House —

and accordingly we beg leave so to Report —

Joseph Smith Tho^s Tash John Mead [Additional account of the executors; receipts, £416. 8. 5; expenditures, £290. 4. $5\frac{1}{2}$; allowed Jan. 27, 1773.]

ORLANDO BAGLEY

1770

KINGSTON

[Administration on the estate of Orlando Bagley of Kingston, gentleman, granted to Jacob Gale, gentleman, Feb. 23, 1770.]
[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 258.]

[Bond of Jacob Gale of Kingston, with William Parker, Jr., of Kingston and Elisha Hill of Portsmouth, blacksmith, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Feb. 22, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Jacob Tilton, Thomas Achincloss.]

[Warrant, Feb. 23, 1770, authorizing Nathaniel Batchelder, gentleman, Ralph Blaisdell, and Jeremiah Currier, yeomen, all of Kingston, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, March 3, 1770; amount, £121. 13. 4; signed by Nathaniel Batchelder, Ralph Blaisdell, and Jeremiah Currier.]

[List of claims against the estate, May, 1771; amount, £271. 7.01/4; signed by Nathaniel Folsom and William Parker, Jr.]

[Settlement of claims; amount distributed, £87. 4. 5; allowed Dec. 31, 1772.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £121. 11. 4; expenditures, £34. 6. 11; allowed Dec. 30, 1772.]

PHILIP CHALLIS

1770

NEWTON

Province of \ To the honble John Wentworth Esqr Judge New Hampshire \) of the Probate of Wills &c for Said Province Humbly Shew the Subscribers Children of Philip Challis late of Newton in said Province Yeoman Deceased That the said

Philip lately died Intestate leaving a very Considerable Estate both real & Personal within said Province That he left no Widow nor Son but only five Daughters three whereof are Married, two of whom with their husbands live at a Considerable Distance from said Newton which (not to mention other Impediments) would render it inconvenient for either of them to take the Administration of said Estate Wherefore we pray your honour that the Administration said Estate may be Granted to our Trusty friend Mr Francis Chase of Said Newton & as in Duty bound Shall Pray &c

Newton March 1st 1770

His
Isaac × Eliot
mark
Judith Elliot
Elisabeth Challis
Anne Challis

Witnesses — Andrew Whittier Timothy Whitter

[Administration granted to Francis Chase March 3, 1770.] [Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 258.]

[Bond of Francis Chase, with Andrew Whittier and Timothy Whittier, yeomen, as sureties, all of Newton, in the sum of £500, March 3, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Moses Badger, William Parker, Jr.]

[Warrant, March 8, 1770, authorizing Timothy Whittier and Daniel Goodwin, both of Newton, yeomen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, March 10, 1770; amount, £300. 0. 0; signed by Daniel Goodwin and Timothy Whittier.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £208. 19. 6; expenditures, £212. 8. 1; allowed Oct. 8, 1771.]

Province of \ By virtue of a warrant from the Honour-New Hampshire \ able Judge of the Probate of Wills &c for said Province we the Subscribers as a committee have Divided the

Homestead Land of Philip Challis late of Newtown yeoman Dec^d & have Set off to the Heirs of the said Deceased Each their Shares in the manner following viz

Ist we have set off to Daniel Shepard of Boscwan & Mary his wife Daughter of the said Deceased Seven Acres bounded Southerly on David Sergeant's land about sixty five Rods westerly on land of said Homestead sold to Charles Sergeant Seventeen Rods easterly on land of Thomas Williams seventeen Rods Northerly on land set off to Tristram Barnard & wife about sixty nine Rods & one half which we value at Twenty four Pounds one shilling to make them an Equal Share with the other Heirs with what they have already had

2^{1y} we have set off To Tristram Barnard of Goffe's Town so called & Dorothy his wife Daughter of the said Deceased four Acres & about one Hundred & forty Rods which we value at Ten Pounds nine shillings to make them an Equal Share with the other Heirs what they have already had bounded Southerly on land set off to said Shepard & wife about Sixty nine Rods & one half westerly on land sold to said Charles Eleven Rods Easterly on land of said williams about Eleven Rods to a maple Tree marked is the Northeast corner bound & Northerly on land set off to Elizabeth Challis about Seventy Two Rods

3^{1y} we have Set off To Isaac Eliot & Judith his wife Daughter of the said Dec^d who live on the premises Thirty Three Acres which we value at Seventy Six Pounds Seven Shillings bounded Northwesterly on a highway about Seventy Seven Rods westerly on land of w^m williams forty Six Rods easterly on land sold to Timothy George thirty Rods then Runing from said Georges so west corner southerly by land set off to said Elizabeth about sixty four Rods & half to a stake & stones then westerly by land set to said Elizabeth about forty Eight Rods to a stake & stones said Charlis No East corner then turning a little toward the so west & by land of said Charles about Thirty Six Rods to a stake & stones by land of said w^m williams

41y we have Set off to Anna Challis Daughter of the said De-

ceased about Twenty Two Acres with one half the Dwelling House of the said Dec^d & half the Barn which we value at Seventy Six Pounds seven shillings Preserving the other half of the Buildings for another share bounded Easterly on a Road about ninety five Rods N° westerly on land sold to Benj. morse & Twelve Rods on land of said George to a stake & stones then Southerly by land set off to said Elizabeth about forty Rods & one half to a stake & stones then Easterly Six Rods to an Elm tree marked by land of said Thomas williams then N° Easterly Twelve Rods & one quarter to a large ash stump then s° easterly by land of said Thomas about fifty Eight Rods to said Road Reserving in said Anna's share for said Elizabeth her Heirs & Assigns free Liberty to Pass & Repass from said Road forever through where they can well Pass & do least Damage

51y we have set off to Elizabeth Challis Daughter of the said Deceased about Twenty Three acres & sixty Rods with half the said House & Barn with Liberty of improving the same half as long as they shall stand where they do & one half when they are take down or moved with free liberty of Passing through said Anna's Part to the main Road for said Elizabeth her Heirs & Assign forever said land & Priviledges we value at Seventy six Pounds seven shillings bounded No. westerly on land sold to said George about forty one Rods & half westerly on land set off to said Eliot about sixty four Rods & half then from Eliot's so east corner westerly by his land about forty Eight Rods to said Charles's land then southerly about eighteen Rods to a stake & stones then Easterly by land set off to said Barnard & wife about seventy two Rods to a maple tree marked then No Easterly by land of said Thomas about fifty Eight Rods to an Elm tree marked then westerly six Rods to a stake & stones then Northerly by land Set off to said Anna about forty Rods & one half to a stake & stones by land sold to said George twelve Rods from said morse's so west corner

Notwithstanding we have Divided the Homestead land of the

within Named Philip Challis to his Children within Named that if any Person or Persons shall lawfully Claim & Recover by law any share set off or any part of any share that Each of the Children within Named shall bear an Equal Part in that case if such should happen of Loss as they will share Equally in any gain that may happen to or belong to said Deceased

December 31st 1770

Andrew Whittier Timothy Whitter John Knight

JOHN LEAVITT

1770

HAMPTON

[Petition of Mary Leavitt, March 5, 1770, that administration on the estate of her husband, John Leavitt of Hampton, be granted to her son, Jonathan Leavitt.]

[Administration granted to Jonathan Leavitt, mariner, March 7, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 258.]

[Bond of Jonathan Leavitt, with Christopher Toppan and William Davidson, cordwainer, as sureties, all of Hampton, in the sum of £500, March 7, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, William Parker, John Wentworth.]

[Inventory, attested March 27, 1770; amount, £90. 7. 0; signed by Christopher Toppan and Jeremiah Marston.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £53. 4. 0; expenditures, £22. 12. 7; allowed Nov. 27, 1771.]

[List of claims against the estate, Nov. 26, 1771; amount, £73. 3. $7\frac{1}{4}$; signed by Jeremiah Marston and Joseph Dow.]

[Settlement of claims; amount distributed, £30. 1. 5; allowed Nov. 27, 1771.]

JOHN AYERS, JR.

1770

PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of John Ayers, Jr., of Portsmouth, gentleman, granted to Henry Sherburne of Portsmouth, blacksmith, March 8, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 255.]

[Bond of Henry Sherburne, with John Dennett and Nathaniel Shannon, boat-builder, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £500, March 8, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Samuel Hale, Jr., George S. Homans.]

[Warrant, March 8, 1770, authorizing John Marshall, boat-builder, and Ephraim Ham, gentleman, both of Portsmouth, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, filed Dec. 18, 1770; amount, £81. 5. 2; signed by John Marshall and Ephraim Ham.]

EPHRAIM DENNETT 1770

PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Ephraim Dennett of Portsmouth granted to Lydia Dennett, widow, March 13, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 256.]

[Bond of Lydia Dennett, with George Gains, joiner, and George Hart, blacksmith, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £500, March 13, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, William Parker, John Wentworth.]

[Warrant, June 26, 1770, authorizing Samuel Hale, Samuel Penhallow, James Stoodley, John Sherburne, and Woodbury Langdon, all of Portsmouth, to divide the real estate between the oldest son, John Dennett, and the grandson, son of Ephraim Dennett, deceased, son of the intestate, the other children having quitted their claims.]

Province of Pursuant to Warrant to us Directed Dated New Hampshire J June the 26th 1770 We have Divided the Real Estate of Ephraim Dennet Late of Portsmouth in said Province Esqr Deceas'd Intestate Between John Dennit Esqr Eldest Son of said Intestate and Jeremiah Dennet Grandson of the said Intestate, the Son of his Son Ephraim Deceas'd, and have set off the same in the following manner viz To John Dennit Esq^r for his two thirds of said Estate, the whole of the Land on the North side of Levius's Mill Pond being about Fifty one acres with the mansion House and other Buildings on said Land Except about three acres of Land and House being the East side of said Land Adjoining Nathaniel Jacksons Land, hereafter Set off to Jeremiah Dennit, also about Fifty one Acres of Land lying Northerly of said Mansion House called the Pasture, also about Six & one half Acres of Wood Land in the North West corner of a Tract of Land at Gravelly Ridge so called, Bounded Westerly Thirty two Rods by Thompsons Land, Northerly Thirty two Rods by Land belonging to the Estate of Charles Dennet Deceas'd. Easterly Thirty two Rods and Southerly Thirty two Rods by Land hereafter Set off to the said Jeremiah Dennet with the Liberty of passing through said Jeremiahs Land to said Wood Land to the said John Dennet his Heirs and Assigns forever —

We have Set off to the abovenamed Jeremiah Dennet for his Third part of said Estate viz about Three Acres of Land & House North of Levius's Mills being part of the Homestead, Bounded Southerly Twenty four Rods by a Street Laid out from the abovesaid John Dennits House down to the creek South of Nath¹ Jacksons Land which Street is to be Fifty feet wide and to be opened down to the Creek at the desire of either of the Parties, North Easterly about Thirty one Rods by said Jacksons Land, Northerly Sixteen Rods by the high Way to Hams and Westerly about Twenty four Rods by said John Dennits Land, also the whole of the Land at Gravelly Ridge so called being about Eighty one Acres, except about Six and one half acres Set

off as above to John Dennet with a passage through to said Six and one half acres to said Jeremiah Dennet his Heirs & assigns forever

Dated at Portsmouth July 26th 1770 —

Samuel Hale Sam¹ Penhallow James Stoodly John Sherburne W^y Langdon

JOHN HOLT

1770

WILTON

In the Name of God, Amen. I John Holt of Wilton in the Province of New Hampshire in New England Husband Man, Being advanc'd in Years, and labouring under great Indisposition of Body * * *

Item I give and Bequeath to my well beloved Wife Mary all my House-hold Goods of every Sort belonging to Womens Use to be at her disposal —

Item I give to my Wife afores^d the Use and Improvement of the East End of my now dwelling House, So long as She Shall Remain my Widow —

Item I give to my Wife afores^d One good Cow and three Ewes and Order my Son Daniel Holt to keep them for her So long as She Shall remain my Widow, and at her Decease or Marriage to be my s^d Son Daniels, also reserving the Calves and Lambs to my s^d Son Daniel.

Item I give to my said Wife Eight Bushel of Indian Corn five Bushels of Rye, One Bushel of Malt One Hundred pounds of Pork, Fifty pounds of Beef, half a Bushel of Salt, Ten pounds of Flax, two Gallons of Moloses, One Gallon of Rhum four pounds of Sugar, One pair of good Shoes, and Sufficient Fire Wood fit for the Fire and at the Door; All these Articles aboves^d I Order my Son Daniel Holt to provide for & deliver them to my s^d Wife Yearly So long as She remains my Widow and no longer.

Item My Will is and I Order my sd Son Daniel to provide

for my Wife afores^d Physick and Attendance in Case of Sickness whilst my Widow, and to give her a decent Burial if She dies my Widow.

Item. I give to my Wife afores^d the Service of my Maid Servant Rebecca Spaulding, whilst my Widow, and if her Time of Service is not then expired I give her Service to my s^d Son Daniel and I Order my s^d Son to fulfil her Indenture.

Item I give to each of my Children hereafter Named, viz Jeremiah Holt, Amos Holt, Samuel Holt, Mary Pettingil and Nelly Blanchard, the Sum of Five Shillings lawful Money, to be paid them in One Year after my Decease, by my Son Daniel which Sums together with What they have heretofore had completes their Portion out of my Estate.

Item I give to my Grand Children the Children of my Son John Holt late Dec^d viz Nehemiah, Rachel, Solomon Daniel & Joel the Sum of Five Shillings lawful Money to be paid them by my Son Daniel when they all arive to the Age of Twenty one Years their Father having before had his full Portion out of my Estate.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son Daniel Holt and to his Heirs and Assigns forever; all the Remainder of my Estate both Real and personal wheresoever and howsoever the Same shall or may be found, after paying my Just Debts, funeral Charges, and the Legacies Mentioned in this Will.

lastly I constitute make & ordain my s^d Son Daniel Holt Sole Executor to this my last Will and Testament.

And I do hereby revoke and disannul all and every other and former Will or Wills by Me heretofore made, 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 this Fourteenth Day of March A.D. 1770 and in the Tenth Year of his Majesty's Reign.

John Holt

[Witnesses] William Brown, Oliver Holt, Joseph Holt. [Proved June 27, 1770.]

[Inventory, signed by Joseph Holt and William Brown; amount, £166. 12. 9; filed June 27, 1770.]

DAVID WEDGEWOOD 1770 NORTH HAMPTON

In the Name of God Amen The 20th Day March in the tenth Year of Reign of King George the third over Great Britain &c Annoque Domini 1770. I David Wedgwood of North Hampton in the Province of New Hampshire Yeoman being at this time tho' weak in Body * * *

Item I give and Bequeath to my well Beloved Wife Mary the improvement of all my Real Estate while she Remains my Widow, and all my Personal Estate I give to her except what is herein Disposed off other ways

Item I give to my son Jonathan Wedgwood one half of all my Real Estate and also one Bed & Beding and all my farming Utensels

Item I give to my son David Wedgwood the other half of all my Real Estate to be equelly Divided between the said Jonathan & David their Heirs and Assigns I also give the said David my Desk and a large Pewter Platter mark^d D. W.

Item I give to my Daughter Mary Wedgwood one Bed & Beding one Cow two Sheep one Case of Draws five Pewter Platters one Dozen of Pewter Plates two Pewter Basons, two Iron Pots one Brass Kettle, two gouns and all that was my sister Hannah Marston^s Deceas^d

Lastly I constitute and appoint my father Jonathan Wedgwood and my wife Mary to be Executor & Executrix * * * David Wedgwood

his

[Witnesses] David knowles, Sam 11 \times Davis, Levi Dearborn. marke

[Proved June 27, 1770.]

[Warrant, June 27, 1770, authorizing Levi Dearborn of North Hampton, physician, and Samuel Jenness of Rye to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Aug. 13, 1770; amount, £144. 14. 0; signed by Samuel Jenness and Levi Dearborn.]

JEREMIAH SPENCER 1770

CLAREMONT

[Administration on the estate of Jeremiah Spencer of Claremont, yeoman, granted to John Spencer March 21, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 257.]

[Bond of John Spencer, with Barney Ellis and Ebenezer Skinner as sureties, all of Claremont, yeomen, in the sum of £500, March 21, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Benjamin Sumner, Jeremiah Spencer.]

[Inventory, March 24, 1770; amount, £176. 2. 11; signed by Joseph York and Benjamin Sumner.]

[Warrant, June 18, 1770, authorizing Benjamin Sumner, gentleman, and Ebenezer Skinner, yeoman, both of Claremont, to receive claims against the estate.]

[Warrant, Aug. 13, 1772, authorizing Benjamin Sumner, gentleman, Ebenezer Skinner, and Gideon Lewis, yeomen, all of Claremont, to set off the widow's dower.]

Claremont october 10th Ano Domeni 1772

To the Honorable John Wintworth Esqr

Sir agreable to Your Directions Given us in Serving as a Committee To make an Equal Distribution or Sett off To Elisabeth Spencer widdow her Dower which happens to her of the Eastate of her Late Husband Jeremiah Spencer Late of Said Claremont Deceased after Having ben Duly Sworne Wee have Carfully

Examinned all the Real Estate of the Said Spencer and Seperated to the widow one Third part of the Whole and Hear Discribe the Premises Perticularly one Third Part of the Dwelling House Sixteen acres and Three quarters of Land Taken of from the North Side of fifty acre Lott Number fifteen Belonging to the oregenal Wright of Abijah Willard Lying North and South 16 Rods and 3/4 and East and west 160 Rods Prised at £11. 0 one medow Lott Containing Nine acres No 51 Prised att £3. 10. 0 one Hundred acre Lott of upland No 2 and all the undivided Land Belonging to Said Abijah Willards Wright in Said Claremont Prised att £10. 0. 0

and Likewise medow Lott Number Twelve Containing Three acres Belonging to the oregenall wright of Benjamin freeman Prised at £8. o. o

The one Half of medow Lott Containing Nine acres No 9 Taken of from the South End of Said Lott att £3. o. o and fifteen acres of Land Lying in a Hundred acre Lott No. 31 Belonging to the oregenall wright of John Ellis or Other wais To Describe the Said Lands as is Recorded in the Proprietors Record of Said Township of Claremont which Severall Tracts of Land as they waire att first Prised with the one Third Part of the affore said House att £4. 11. 4 makes the £42. 11. 4 which is the one third of the Real Estate belonging to the affor Said Jeremiah Spencer Deceased

Benj^a Sumner Ebenzer Skinner Gideon Lewis

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £176. 12. 11; expenditures, £139. 6. $5\frac{1}{2}$; mentions "Maintenance of two children under 7"; allowed Aug. 13, 1772.]

[List of claims against the estate; amount, £66. 11. 103/4.]

[Settlement of claims; amount distributed, £37. 6. $5\frac{3}{4}$; allowed Oct. 14, 1772.]

JOSEPH EASTMAN

1770

KINGSTON

[Administration on the estate of Joseph Eastman of Kingston granted to Sarah Eastman, widow, March 21, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 256.]

[Bond of Sarah Eastman, with Abraham Smith and Josiah Tilton, gentlemen, as sureties, all of Kingston, in the sum of £500, March 21, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, William Parker, Jr., Nathaniel Batchelder.]

[Inventory, March 26, 1770; amount, £951. 15. 10; signed by Josiah Tilton and Nathaniel Batchelder.]

[Account of Jeremiah Bean and Jemima Eastman, administrators; receipts, £146. 6. 7, personal estate; expenditures, £38. 18. 7; mentions "maintaining Joseph one of the Children of the Deceased 2 years to this Day Do Elizabeth to this time 2 Years"; allowed Oct. 30, 1776.]

ELIPHALET CURRIER 1770

KINGSTON

In the Name of God Amen I Eliphalet Currier of Kingston in the Province of New hamp' in New England Being ill & Weak in Body * * *

Item To my Hon^d Mother Anne Currier I Will & Bequeath the Sum of five Pounds Lawfull money to be paid her by my Executor when demanded by her but if it Should not be demanded in her life time by her my Will is that he be not oblig'd to pay it to any after her as heirs in Law to her —

Item To my Brother Moses Currier to whom I owe to the Value of fifty dollars or thereabouts I Will & bequeath the One half of the Value of a Tract of land which I own in the parish of Deerfield in the town of Nottingham East in Newhampr aforesaid the Said debt of about fifty dollors which I owe him to be included & reckond As part of it & as though already paid him

Item To my two Sisters Hannah Currier & Anne Graves Now the wife of Wiliam Graves of Southhampton I will & Bequeath to Each of them the Sum of four Pounds Lawfull money to be paid them by my Executor with in the Space of three Years after my decease —

Item to my Brother Jeremiah Currier I Will & Bequeath the remainder of the Value of my land in Deerfield before mention'd & also all & whatsoever Shall be found Justly owing to me by book debts Notes or otherwise —

Item whereas I have already Sow'd two Bushels of Winter Rye Upon my aforesaid land at Deerfield my will is that in Case I should decease before the growth & increase of it that my Brother Jeremiah should have two thirds of the Increase & my Brother Moses the other third they being Equal in Working Upon it —

Item my Will is that my Brother Jeremiah pay to my Brother Moses the part of the land before in this my Will bequeathed by me to him that is to Say the value of it as before expressed in this my will by me As soon as by the Sale of Said land he may be able to do it —

Item my Will is & I do hereby Appoint my Brother Jeremiah before mentiond to be Sole Executor of this my Will he paying the debts charges & legacies therein appointed him by me to do

Finally I do hereby (revoking all other Wills by me heretofore made) Ordain this to be my last Will & Testament in testimony whereof I do hereunto set my hand & Seal this twenty second day of March Anno Domini One Thousand Seven hundred & Seventy & in the tenth year of his majesties Reign —

Eliphalet Currier

[Witnesses] Peter Coffin, Nath¹ Bachellor, Jacob Gale. [Proved June 27, 1770.]

[Warrant, June 25, 1770, authorizing Nathaniel Batchelder and Jacob Gale, both of Kingston, gentlemen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, attested July 25, 1770; amount, £67. 18. 0; signed by Nathaniel Batchelder and Jacob Gale.]

DUDLEY WATSON

1770

DOVER

[Administration on the estate of Dudley Watson of Dover, gentleman, granted to Christian Watson March 28, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 257.]

[Bond of Christian Watson, widow, and Thomas Watson, yeoman, both of Dover, with Otis Baker of Dover and James Knowles of Rochester, gentleman, as sureties, in the sum of £500, March 28, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, William Parker, Samuel Hale, Jr.]

[Inventory, June 27, 1772; amount, £1395. 4. 6; signed by Joshua Wingate and John Gage, Jr.]

NATHANIEL SHERBURNE 1770 PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Nathaniel Sherburne of Portsmouth, mariner, granted to Elizabeth Sherburne March 29, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 257.]

[Bond of Elizabeth Sherburne, widow, with William Shackford and Woodbury Langdon, merchant, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £500, March 29, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, John Marshall, George Wentworth.]

[Warrant, March 28, 1770, authorizing Woodbury Langdon and John Marshall, boat-builder, both of Portsmouth, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, June, 1770; amount, £834. 16. 0; signed by Woodbury Langdon and John Marshall.]

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £513. 4. 9; expenditures, £244. 13. 9¾; mentions "Maintenance of Nathaniel Sherburne son of said deceased from Jany the 11th 1770 To Octobr the 8th 1770 Maintenance of Joseph Sherburne Son of said Deceased from Jany 11th 1770 to the 17th August 1772 Maintenance of Tobias Sherburne Son of Said Deceased from Jan 11th 1770 to the 27th April 1773 Maintenance of Elizabeth Sherburne Daughter of said deceased from the 17th Februy 1770 to the 27th April 1773"; allowed April 29, 1773.]

MARTHA TAGGART

1770

MERRIMACK

[Administration on the estate of Martha Taggart granted to Robert Griffin of Bedford, husbandman, March 29, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 256.]

[Bond of Robert Griffin, with James Carr of Goffstown, gentleman, and James Dwyer of Portsmouth, innholder, as sureties, in the sum of £500, March 29, 1770, for the administration of the estate of Martha Taggart of Merrimack, spinster; witnesses, Samuel Hale, Jr., Thomas Seavey.]

JOHN FOSTER

1770

PELHAM

[Administration on the estate of John Foster of Pelham granted to his widow, Catherine Foster, and Alexander Simpson April 4, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 218.]

[Bond of Catharine Foster of Pelham, widow, and Alexander Simpson of Londonderry, yeoman, with Mark Coen of Londonderry and Amos Gage of Pelham, yeomen, as sureties, in the sum

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of £500, April 4, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Josiah Gage, Jr., James Gage.]

[Inventory, April 13, 1770; amount, £135. 3. 8; signed by Josiah Gage, Jr., and James Gage.]

[Warrant, Nov. 21, 1770, authorizing Amos Gage of Pelham, yeoman, and Samuel Morrison of Windham, gentleman, to receive claims against the estate.]

[List of claims, Sept. 18, 1771; amount, £128. 12. 6½; signed by Samuel Morrison and Amos Gage.]

[Account of Alexander Simpson, administrator; receipts, £101. 17. 0; expenditures, £42. 0. 0; allowed Sept. 25, 1771.]

[Account of the administrators; receipts, £132. 1. 10; expenditures, £49. 6. 2; allowed April 28, 1773.]

[Settlement of claims; amount of claims, £102. 13. 0; amount distributed, £82. 15. 8; allowed May 4, 1773.]

JONATHAN CUTTER 1770

[Guardianship of Jonathan Cutter, son of Jonathan Cutter, granted to John Cutter of New Ipswich, glazier, April 6, 1770.] [Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 218.]

[Bond of John Cutter, with Nathaniel Stone, gentleman, and Stephen Parker, tanner, as sureties, all of New Ipswich, in the sum of £200, April 6, 1770, for the guardianship of Jonathan Cutter, minor, aged more than 14 years, son of Jonathan Cutter, deceased; witnesses, John Brown, John Cutter, Jr.]

JOSEPH HICKS 1770

In the Name of God Amen I Joseph Hicks of Madbury in the Province of New Hampshire Gentleman being Sick & weak in body * * *

Item I give & Devise to my Son in Law Francis Drew That Thirty Acres of Land more or Less where he lives which he has Improvd ever Since he married my Daughter Sarah now Deceased to hold to him during his Life and after his Decease to Descend to his Son Francis his heirs & Assigns and to Each of his other Children which he had by said Daughter I give them five Shillings—

Item I give to my Son in Law Samuel Chesla five Shillings & to his Youngest Child by my Daughter Mary now Deceasd I give ten Pounds Lawful money to be paid to her by my Executors at the time of her marriage or at her attaining to the age of Eighteen which ever of those events shall first happen and to Each of his other Children by my said Daughter I give the Sum of five Shillings

Item I give to my Grand Sons Samuel Dam & Joseph Dam the two hundred acres of Land in Canterbury which I purchased of John Giles to hold to them in Equal moieties & to their respective Heirs & assigns and to my Grand Daughter Sarah Folsom I give ten pounds old Tenor money to be paid to her at her age of Eighteen Years —

Item I give & Devise to Sarah my beloved wife the use & Improvement of half my Real Estate wheresoever the same is not before Disposed of during her natural Life and all my Personal Estate only desiring her that what part thereof she shall not have Occasion to use for her Comfortable Support during her life she woud Dispose of the same to my Son Joseph Hicks & my Grand Children as she shall judge they shall have Occasion & may Deserve

Item all the rest of my real Estate wheresoever the same is or may be found with the reversion & Remainder of the Part thereof before given to my wife I hereby give & Devise to my Son Joseph Hicks his Heirs & assigns forever and Lastly I constitute & appoint my Said Wife Sarah & my Son Joseph joint Executors of this my last Will & Testament Revoking all other Wills bi me heretofore made — In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set

my hand and Seal the Sixth day of April Anno Domini 1770 —

Joseph hicks

[Witnesses] John Furnald, Dorothy Furnald, William Parker. [Proved Oct. 12, 1770.]

[Bond of Sarah Hicks and Joseph Hicks, both of Dover, with Otis Baker of Dover and Samuel Hale of Portsmouth as sureties, in the sum of £1000, Oct. 12, 1770, for the execution of the will; witness, John Fernald.]

JACOB TREADWELL

PORTSMOUTH

In the Name of God Amen I Jacob Treadwell of Portsmouth in the Province of New-Hampshire Tanner * * *

1770

Item I Give and Bequeath to Sarah my beloved wife the use and Improvement of all my Estate (except what is herein otherwise given) with a power to Dispose of such part thereof as she shall find necessary for her Comfortable Subsistence during her Life. I Also Give her my Servant Caesar to Serve her during her life, and at her Death I Give him his Freedom if he then chuses it, if not I Give him to my Son Nathanael as he has been used to his Business—

Item, I Give to my Son William Earle Treadwell the sum of Twelve Pounds Lawful Money (which I paid for him to James Dwier) in full of his share in my Estate as he has a valuable Farm near the Creek —

Item, I Give to my Son Nathanael The Tan Yard & Land I purchased of William Parker Esq^r and half my Stock of every kind which shall be therein at the time of my Decease, and order him to Tan fully fit for Sale the other half thereof & to Deliver the same to my wife aforesaid which I hereby Give her to apply to her own use — I Also Give to my said Son Nathanael the Lot of Land and the House which I Purchased of the Town of Portsmouth heretofore called the Alms House — And a Lot of Land

adjoining bounded as follows Viz^t beginning on the Lane or Street called Prison Lane, running from the Almshouse lot Fifty one feet then running northerly Seventy one feet on such a Course as that a Line of Fifty feet will come to the said Alms house Lot at the Northerly end thereof then Southerly by the s^d Alms house Lot to the place where it begins — To Hold to him his heirs and Assigns for ever —

Item I Give and Devise to my Son Samuel the Reversion of the House and Land where I now live being the Lot of Land I purchased of Thomas Phipps and is part of that called the Glebe reserving the use of part thereof to my Daughter Sarah Weekes as hereafter express'd after my wife's Interest therein is ended, And a Lot Adjoining being Fifty feet in breadth extending westerly on the Street leading out of Town and carrying that breadth Southerly 'till it meets with the Lot I have herein given to my Son Nathanael as aforesaid To Hold to the said Samuel his heirs & assigns forever—

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Weekes besides what I have already given her the use and Improvement of One third part of my Dwelling house if she should be left a Widow by the said Weekes during her Widowhood and no longer, and this is to be understood to be only after my wife's decease and not to have a right of Entry there during my said wife's life time — I Also Give my said Daughter my best Silver Tankard after my wife's decease —

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Anna Walden Twenty Pounds Lawful Money to be Paid her out of the Debts due to me by my Executors as soon as they may be conveniently recover'd—

Item I Give and Devise to my Daughter Elizabeth Blanchard a Lot of Land Joining to the Lots above mentioned given to my Sons Nathanael & Samuel lying between them & the Land belonging to the heirs of Jotham Odiorne dec^d and running from the Street aforesaid leading out of Town Southerly to Prison Lane

aforesaid These three Lots of Land are contained in the Lot I purchased of Nathanael Peirce & Ann his wife To hold to her, her heirs and Assigns forever —

I Also Give her after my said wife's decease all the Furniture belonging to my Hall or westerly Room in my House only the hangings which belong to my Son William I Give her also the Furniture in the Chamber over it with the addition of One Bed & Bedding to it, and half the Furniture in my Kitchen —

Item I Give and Devise to my Four Grand Children Jacob Walden, Daniel Treadwell John Blanchard and Anna Walden all my Land in Barrington to be Divided between them in such manner and proportion as my said wife shall Judge most Equitable To hold to them, and their heirs & Assigns forever

I Also Give my said Grand Daughter Anna after my said wife's decease All the Furniture belonging to my lower Room & Chamber over it in the Easterly part of my dwelling house, as also the other half of the furniture in my Kitchen

Item I Give and Devise after my said Wife's decease all the Residue of my Estate to my Three Daughters Anna Walden, Sarah Weekes & Elizabeth Blanchard

Lastly, I hereby Constitute and appoint my said Wife Sarah, and my said Son Samuel to be Executors of this my last Will & Testament and I hereby Revoke all other wills by me heretofore made and Confirm this to be my last Will and Testament — In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the Eighteenth day of May Anno Domini 1769 and In the Ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign

Jacob Treadwell

[Witnesses] Nehemiah Wheeler, Sam¹ Lunt, W^m Winter Not^r Pub^{cus}

I Jacob Treadwell above named considering the alteratiom of the circumstances of my Family Since I made the foregoing Will Do Judge it proper to make this as Codicl to the Same as follows viz that as my wife is Deceased Since my Signing Said will the Goods & gifts which were to take Effect after her Decease shall be in full force as soon as may be after my Decease and the Executorship of my said will & this Codicel to Devolve upon my Son Samuel who is hereby appointed to be My Sole Executor — and the half of the Stock in my Tan yard which I gave to my Said Wife I give to my Son Nathanael & order him to pay to his Brother Samuel two hundred pounds worth of Leather meaning old Tenor in proportion of upper leather and Sole leather within two years at the Market Cash price at the time of payment and give & bequeath to the said Samuel the aforesd Sum to be so paid — And I hereby revoke the gift of twenty pounds given in my Said will to my Daughter Anna Walden and give & bequath to her and her Daughter Anna one third part of the residue of my estate which in my Said will is given to her my said Daughter only, so that it is my will that her said Daughter shall have half the said third It is my will that my negro man Caesar shoud have his freedom after my Decease and I hereby Give & grant the same to him accordingly from & Immediately after my Decease In all other matters & things I Confirm my said Will In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal the Seventh day of April 1770.

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Jacob Treadwell

[Witnesses] Sarah Ross, A. R. Cutter, William Parker. [Proved April 25, 1770.]

[Warrant, April 25, 1770, authorizing Samuel Penhallow and Peter Pearse, both of Portsmouth, merchants, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, July 3, 1770; amount, £691. 8. 2; signed by Samuel Penhallow and Peter Pearse.]

[Additional inventory, Feb. 4, 1772; amount, £188. 12. 0; signed by the appraisers.]

[Account of the executor; receipts, £287. I. 2; expenditures, £219. 8. 9; allowed Feb. 7, 1772.]

JONATHAN HILLIARD 1770

KENSINGTON

In the Name of God Amen the Seventh day of April Anno Domine one thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy I Jonathan Hilyard of Kensington in the Province of New hampshire Husband man by the faveour of Heaven being in health * * *

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Sister Elisabeth melcher my Best Sute of Cloths —

Item I Give and Bequeath to my uncel Joseph Ch Hilyard my Carsey Cloath which I Bought for a grat Coat and also four Pare of Shoes

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Brother Benjamin Hilyard and my Sister nancy Brown all my land that I Have in Weare Town Equally to be Devided betwen them and also the Remaining part of my Cloaths which I have not Disposd of already Equally to be divided Betwen them —

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Sister Rachel the wife of abraham Sanborn five Shilings lawfull money —

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Sister Hannah the wife of Coffen Sanborn five Shilings lawfull money —

Item I Give and Bequeath to Sarah Shaw the Daughter of moses Shaw Ten Pounds lawfull money within one year after my Deceas

Item I Give and Bequeath to Joseph Hilyard my Beaver hat and also my Calvs Skinn Shoes —

Item I Give and Bequeath to Sarah Hilyard my Chist —

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Sister mary Hilyard fifteen Pounds lawfull money within one year after my Deceas —

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Sister marsey Hilyard fifteen Pounds lawfull money at the age of Eighteen years or at her marriag Day and also the Remaining part of my money which is not Disps^d of already to goe to my Two sisters namely mary and marsey after the above Said Charges is paid if there be any left —

Lastly and further more I Do Constitut and appoint my Uncel Joseph Ch Hilyard to be my Executor * * *

Jonathan hilyard

[Witnesses] Joseph Tilton, onesiphorus Page, Nathan Chase. [Proved May 30, 1770.]

[Bond of Joseph Chase Hilliard, yeoman, with Joseph Tilton, gentleman, and Onesephirus Page, yeoman, as sureties, all of Kensington, in the sum of £500, May 30, 1770, for the execution of the will; witnesses, John Wentworth, Samuel Hale, Jr.]

CALEB WHITING

1770

NEW BOSTON

In the Name of God Amen I Caleb Whiting of New Boston within the Province of New-Hampshire in New England Husband man being Sick and Indisposed of Body * * *

Item My Will is that my Beloved Wife Susannah Whiting shall Enjoy the Benefit of all my Real & Personal Estate If She Shall Stand in need of it for Her maintainance & if She doth not Spend it all my Will is that She Shall Dispose of the remainder of it to my Brothers or Sisters or Either of them as She Shall See fit and if in Case my Estate Should be Sold my will is that my Dear wife Execute a Good Deed of the Same — And I Do hereby utterly Revoke & Disannul all other Wills Legacies & Bequests by me heretofore named & Bequeathed Ratifying Confirming & Allowing this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament and do Nominate Constitute & appoint David Lewis William Strrett & my Dear Wife Susannah Whiting all of New Boston in the province aforesaid Executors of this my Last Will & Testament In Witness Whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal this Eleventh day of April and in the tenth

year of His Majestyes Reign Anno Domini one thousand Seven Hundred & Seventy Caleb Whiting

[Witnesses] William Leer, James Dickey, Isaac Lewis. [Proved June 27, 1770.]

[Bond of Susanna Whiting, widow, with James Dickey and Isaac Lewis, yeomen, as sureties, all of New Boston, in the sum of £500, June 27, 1770, for the execution of the will; witnesses, Samuel Hale, Jr., John Wentworth.]

DANIEL WILKINS

1770

AMHERST

[Robert Bradford Wilkins of Amherst, aged more than 14 years, son of Daniel Wilkins of Amherst, deceased, and his wife, Lucy Wilkins, makes choice of his uncle, William Bradford of Amherst, gentleman, as his guardian April 20, 1770; witnesses, Hannah Rollins, John Shepard, Jr.]

[Guardianship granted to William Bradford April 24, 1770.] [Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 219.]

[Bond of William Bradford, with Benjamin Taylor as surety, both of Amherst, in the sum of £200, April 24, 1770, for the guardianship of Robert Bradford Wilkins; witnesses, William Parker, John Wentworth.]

CALEB DRURY

1770 FRAMINGHAM, MASS.

[Guardianship of Needham Drury, minor, aged more than 14 years, son of Caleb Drury of Framingham, Mass., granted to Ephraim Heald of Temple April 20, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 256.]

[Bond of Ephraim Heald, with Francis Blood as surety, both

of Temple, gentlemen, in the sum of £500, April 20, 1770, for the guardianship of Needham Drury; witnesses, William Parker, Benjamin Adams.]

EBENEZER TAYLOR 1770

[Administration on the estate of Ebenezer Taylor granted to James Berry April 24, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 535.]

MOSES CURRIER

1770

KINGSTON

[Administration on the estate of Moses Currier of Kingston, yeoman, granted to Elizabeth Currier, widow, April 24, 1770.] [Probate Records, vol. 5, p. 296.]

[Bond of Elizabeth Currier, with Elijah Clough, yeoman, and Jonathan Greeley, Jr., joiner, as sureties, all of Kingston, in the sum of £200, April 24, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Mary Fogg, William Parker, Jr.]

[Warrant, April 24, 1770, authorizing William Whitcher and Elijah Clough, both of Kingston, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, July 3, 1770; amount, £112. 11. 63/4; signed by William Whitcher and Elijah Clough.]

[Account of Jonathan Hoyt and his wife, Elizabeth Hoyt, administratrix; receipts, £133. 11. 6½, including "Cash received of Jerh Currier a Legacy to the Decd from his Brother Eliphalet"; expenditures, £81. 16. 3; mentions "maintains child while under Seven years of age being seven years necessaries for laying in & nursing"; allowed Feb. 26, 1778.]

CALEB MARSTON

1770

NEWMARKET

In the Name of God Amen I Caleb Marston of Newmarkett in the Province of New Hampshire in New England Yeoman being very sick & week in Body * * *

Item I Give & bequeath unto Jemima Marston my beloved Wife all the Remainder of my Personal Estate over what shall Pay my Debts & funeral Charges as above, over, above and Exclusive of all her Right of Dower & Power of thirds of in or unto my Estate—

Item I Give & bequeath unto Comfort Marston my Daughter Five Pounds Lawful Money to be paid her by my Son Caleb Marston, within one year next after my said Son shall arrive at the age of Twenty One years —

Item I Give & bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Five Pounds Lawful Money within one year next after my said Son shall arrive to the age of Twenty One years to be paid by him —

Item I Give & bequeath unto my son Caleb Marston all my Real Estate wheresoever the Same may or shall be so found, to be to him my said Son Caleb Marston & his Heirs and Assigns Forever, but if he my said Son Shall not Survive untill he Shall have Heirs Lawfully begotton, or arrive to the age of Twenty one years then in such Case & not otherways my will & Pleasure is that the whole of my said real Estate shall go to & be for my other Children & their Heirs in Equal Shares—

Item I Give & bequeath unto my Daughter Phebe Marston Five Pounds Lawful Money to be Paid her within one year next after my said Son shall arrive to the age of Twenty One Years out of the Estate herein bequeathed him —

Item I Give & bequeath unto my Daughter Susana Marston Five Pounds Lawful Money to be Paid her by my said Son within one year next after he shall arrive to the age of Twenty one years—

Item I Give & bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Marston Five Pounds Lawful Money to be Paid her by my said Son within one year after he shall arrive to the age of Twenty one years —

And I do hereby Constitute appoint make & Ordain Jonathan Colcord of Newmarkett aforesaid Gent. & My said Wife Jemima Marston to be Executors of this my last will & Testament —

And I do hereby revoke disallow, disannul & make void all & every other former Will Testament, Legacies bequeaths & Executors by me before Willed, made or ordained, ratifying and Confirming this & no other to be my last will & Testament In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal This fifth Day of May Anno Domini 1770—

his Caleb × Marston Mark

[Witnesses] Edward Colcord, John Merril, Wentworth Cheswill.

[Proved May 30, 1770.]

[Inventory, June 11, 1770; amount, £417. 2. 3; signed by Hubartus Neal and John Marstes.]

[Warrant, May 30, 1771, authorizing Samuel Baker, innholder, Hubartus Neal, gentleman, Wentworth Cheswill, yeoman, Caleb Clark, gentleman, and John Marstes, physician, all of Newmarket, to set off the widow's dower.]

[List of claims against the estate, May 30, 1771; amount, £296. 13. 0½; signed by Samuel Baker and Wentworth Cheswill.]

[Account of the executor; receipts, £209. 3. 5, personal estate; expenditures, £96. 11. 9; allowed May 30, 1771.]

We the subscribers Being Appointed by the Honolo John Wintworth Esq^r Judge of the Probate of Wills &c for the Province of New Hampshire to satt off to Jemima marston Widow

and Relect of Caleb marston Late of Newmarket yeoman Deceased Intestate her Dower and Power of thirds that happens unto her of all the Real Estate Which the said Caleb marston Died seized of.

In Pursuance thereof, we have Satt off to the Said Jemima marston for her Dower and Power of thirds in all the Real Estate of the said Caleb marston as followeth, viz. we have allowed and satt of to her the south easterly Lore Rum in the mansion House, and the Chamber over it, also a small Bad Rum ajoining to said Lore Rum, with a prevelidge in the siller, oven, and Front Dores, Chamber and siller stars of the said mansion House, also twenty feet across the Barn from the Easterly End Extending westward the whole Bradth of said Barn.

also about Twelve acres of Land Belonging to said Calebs Farm being the full third Part Remaining of said estate in Ouantety for Quality, and is Bounded as follows viz. Begining at Edward Colcords Land on the east side of the Rode that Leads from Passack Bridg, Near Halls mill so cauled, to the Rode Near Josiah Hiltons House and Runs south sixty seven Degrees East thirty two Rods, then south forty seven Degrees East to the Southerly Corner of the said mansion house thence from said Corner of said house south Sixty three Degres east to said Passack River, thence Down the River, and bounds on said River Twelve Rods to a stooping Beach tree, the Corner of the widow sarah marstons thirds then North Sixty Degrees West to the said Edward Colcords Land, then on Said Colcords Land South Twenty Nine Degrees East to the said Rode or Bounds first began at, also the prevelidge of Cutting and halling wood for her fire on the Land Satt off for the widow Sarah marstons thirds Eight Rods from said Edward Colcords Land —

also two third Parts of one third Part of a Grismill on Passack River Comonly Cauled Halls Mill and is owned with Colloⁿ Winthoup Hilton and Elezabath Hall

also the Privelidge of Passing and Repassing to and from said house and barn and for halling fire wood and Watter all which Division of thirds are made acording to the Bast of our Judgments this seventeenth Day of June 1771

> Hubartus Neal John Marstes Samuel Baker

[Additional account of the executor; receipts, £210. 0. 2; expenditures, £66. 0. 2; allowed Oct. 30, 1771.]

[Settlement of claims; amount distributed, £144. o. o; allowed Dec. 2, 1771.]

DANIEL WHITTAKER 1770

ATKINSON

In the name of God Amen The Eighteenth day of May in y° Year of Our Lord one thousand seven hundred & seventy & in y° Tenth Year of his Majesties Reign, I Daniel Whitaker of Atkinson in y° Province of New Hampshire Yeoman — being weak & sick in body * * *

Also I give & bequath to Mary Whitaker my present beloved Wife one third part of all my real & personal Estate after all my Just Debts are discharged — for her Use during her natural Life —

Also I give & bequath to Tamer Hadley my eldest Grand daughter ye sum of Thirteen pounds six shillings & eight pence Lawful money to be paid her by Jonathan Eaton hereafter to be named, when he shall arrive to ye Age of Twenty two Years of Age

Also I give & bequeath to Mehetable Hadley my youngest Grand daughter other Thirteen pounds six shillings & eight pence like money to be paid her by ye sd Jonathan when he ye sd Jonathan shall arrive to ye full age of twenty three years —

Furthermore I give & bequeath to Jonathan Eaton Jun^r & Minor y^e reputed son of my Daughter Mehetabel now deceas^d y^e whole of my Estate Real & Personal — that is to say — y^e

two third parts thereof to descend to him yo sd Jonathan at yo time of my Decease — and yo other third part thereof at yo Decease of Mary my beloved Wife above mentiond —

Moreover I do by these presentes nominate & appoint Mr Joseph Emerson of Haverhill in yº County of Essex & Province of the Massachusetts Bay Yeoman to be the sole Excutor to this my last Will and Testament requiring him to pay all my just Debts out of my Personal and real Estate

Lastly my earnest desire and request to his honor y° Judge of y° Probate of Wills in the sd Province of New-Hampshire is that y° sd Joseph Executor may be appointed guardian to y° sd Jonathan untill he y° sd Jonathan shall arrive to a Capacity of acting for himself in such affairs

In Witness whereof I have set my hand and Seal ye day and date above written

his
Daniel × Whitaker
Mark

[Witnesses] Sam¹ Bacheller, John Currier, Moses Dow. [Proved Aug. 29, 1770.]

[Inventory, Sept. 5, 1770; amount, £233. 12. 1; signed by Daniel Poor and Timothy Ladd.]

[Account of the executor; receipts, £69. 12. 1; expenditures, £77. 12. $6\frac{1}{2}$; allowed May 7, 1772.]

BENJAMIN GORDON 1770

EXETER

In the name of God Amen this Twenty sixth day of May Anno Domini 1770 I Benjamin Gorden of Exeter in the Province of New Hampshire yeoman being weak in Body * * *

Imp^s I give and bequeath unto my Beloved Wife Mary so long as she remains my Widow the Use and Improvement of my

Farm where I now live & also the Improvement of my meadow Lying in Exeter aforesaid and adjoyning to the medow belonging to my Brother Nathaniel Gorden and also the Use of my Buildings standing on my Farm during the Teirm aforesaid Likewise I give unto my said Wife the Use of that land I purchased of Joseph Lovering and Joseph Kimbal Lying partly in Exeter and partly in Kingston also I give unto my said Wife the Use and Improvement of my Household goods during the Teirm afore said — my Will is that if my Wife continues my Widow untill my son Benjamin arrives at the full age of Twenty one Years then my said son be allowed the Improvement of the full one half of my Lands & Building as afore said Untill my son Joseph shall arrive at Twenty one Years of age also I give unto my Wife and to her disposal my Wearing Apparel —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my son Benjamin Gorden to his Heirs and assigns for ever Thirty six acres of Land in my Home stead if my said home stead Contain Thirty six acres and if not then my said son Benjamin to have so much of my meadow or else where to make the said Thirty six acres and to come into Possession thereof when his Brother Joseph shall arrive at the full age of Twenty one Years—

and also I give unto my said son Benjamin the Improvement of the one half of my Buildings after he shall arrive at Twenty one Years untill his Mother's Decease or Marriage & then to come into full Possession of the Whole of my Buildings he my said son paying unto his sister Mary fifteen Pounds Lawfull money one Cow and Three Sheep When she shall arrive at Twenty one Years.

Item I give unto my son Josiah Gorden and to his Heirs & assigns forever (after my Just debts are paid) the one Half of my Lands not allready disposed off and to come into Possession at his mothers Decease or marriage he my said son paying unto my son Joseph Gorden twelve Pounds ten Shillings Lawfull money when my said son Joseph shall arrive at Twenty one Years of Age

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Simeon Gorden and to his Heirs and assigns for ever all the Remainder of my Lands not allready disposed off in this my Last Will and to come into Possession thereof at his Mother's Decease or Marriage he my said son Paying unto my son Joseph Gorden Twelve Pounds ten Shillings Lawfull money when my said son Joseph shall arrive at Twenty one years of Age —

Item I give unto my son Joseph Gorden Twenty five pounds Lawfull money when he shall arrive at Twenty one Years and to be paid to him by my two sons Viz Josiah and Simeon as above mentioned equally Between them

Item I give unto my Daughter Mary Gorden fifteen pounds Lawfull money also one Cow and three sheep to be paid to her my son Benjamin when my said Daughter shall arrive at Twenty one Years—

Item I give unto my son Joseph Gorden and to my Daughter Mary Gorden equally between them all my House hold goods at their mothers Decease or Marriage

Item my Will is that my three sons (Viz) Josiah Simeon & Joseph Gorden shall be put out to such Trades as they shall chuse at fourteen Years of Age — and that my Just Debts funeral charges &c be paid by my Executor hereafter mentioned out of my Personal Estate —

Lastly I do hereby constitute my Brother Nathaniel Gorden sole Executor * * *

Benjamin Gorden

[Witnesses] Benj magon, Elijah Moulton, Theophilus Smith Jun^r.

[Proved Aug. 29, 1770.]

[Bond of Mary Gordon, widow, with Elijah Moulton of Exeter, joiner, and Benjamin Magoon of Kensington, yeoman, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Aug. 29, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, John Wentworth, Nathaniel Gordon.]

[Inventory, Oct. 3, 1770; amount, £419. 10. 1½; signed by Benjamin Kimball and Theophilus Smith, Jr.]

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £103. 3. 7½; expenditures the same; allowed Jan. 17, 1797.]

JOSIAH SANBORN

1770

EPPING

In the Name of God Amen The twenty Nineth Day of May A.D: 1770. I Josiah Sanborn of Eppin in the Province of New Hampshire Husbandman, being weak in Body * * *

in the first place — I order that my Horse Cattle & Sheep Shall be Sold Soon after my Decease to Pay my Debts and funeral Charges; and if any Remains after the Debts and funeral charges is Paid, of what Remains I give to my Son Josiah

Imprimiss I give and Bequeath to my Dearly Beloved wife Jemimah all my House hold goods to her Despose for ever —

Itm, I give and Bequeath to my well beloved Son Josiah and unto his Heirs & Assigns for ever all my Land Belonging to my Home Stead where I now Live, Containing fifty one acres be the Same more or Less and Like wise the Dwelling house and Barn Standing thereon and also all my implyments of Husbantery and also one half Part of a pair of iron Bound Cart Wheels which I Built in Partnership with Jeremiah Samborn: and also my gun, and Powder horn: and Likewise all the undivided Land belonging to the original Right of Marsten Samborn Lying in a township known by the Name of Samborntown in Said Province

Itm: I give to my well beloved Son Andrew and unto his Heirs and Assigns for ever all that one hundred acre Lot of Land be the same more or Less Lying and being in the township of Samborntown aforesaid being the Lot No 62: in the one hundred acre Lots: belonging to the original Right of marsten Samborn and Likewise my Stilyards Itm: I give to my well beloved Daughters Jemimah molly and Roda all that two hundred acre Lot of Land be the Same more or Less Lying and being in Said Sam-

borntown: excepting fifty acres in Said Lot that I Sold to Benjamin Darling: and is the Lot N° 72 in the Lower Range of Lots in Said Samborntown which Lot was Laid out to the original Right of marsten Samborn; which tract of Land is to be equilly Devided between my three Daughters Jemimah molly & Roda according to Quantity and Quality: excepting the fifty acres which I heretofore Conveyed as is within mentioned And I do therefore appoint Constitute make and ordain my brother Abraham Samborn of Exeter in Said Province Husbandman to be my Executor of this my Last will and testament all Singular my Lands messuages and testaments * * *

his Josiah X Samborn mark

[Witnesses] Jeremiah Maston Sanborn, John Crown, Abraham Perkins.

[Proved Oct. 31, 1770.]

[Inventory, Nov. 13, 1770; amount, £325. 8. 0; signed by Josiah Robinson and Abraham Perkins.]

SAMUEL EASTMAN

1770

HOPKINTON

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Eastman of Hopkinton granted to Stephen Eastman May 30, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 230.]

[Bond of Stephen Eastman, yeoman, with Joseph Eastman, husbandman, and John Putney, gentleman, as sureties, all of Hopkinton, in the sum of £500, May 30, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, John Wentworth, Samuel Hale, Jr.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £5. o. o; expenditures, £37. 6. o; mentions "supporting the 2 dec^d Children 137 weeks allowance the Widow"; allowed May 30, 1770.]

OLIVER MORSE

1770

CHESTER

[Administration on the estate of Oliver Morse of Chester, gentleman, granted to Elizabeth Morse, widow, and Josiah Morse, yeoman, May 30, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 230.]

[Bond of Elizabeth Morse and Josiah Morse, both of Chester, with Stephen Morse of Chester, yeoman, and Joseph Eaton of Hawke as sureties, in the sum of £500, May 30, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Wentworth Cheswill, John Wentworth.]

[Warrant, May 30, 1770, authorizing Samuel Emerson and Benjamin Hills, yeoman, both of Chester, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, June 18, 1770; amount, £438. 1. 2; signed by Samuel Emerson and Benjamin Hills.]

[Account of the administrators; receipts, £90. 10. 2, personal estate; expenditures, £38. 14. 7; allowed May 29, 1771.]

[Additional account of Josiah Morse, Taylor Little, and Elizabeth Little, administrators; receipts, £87. 15. 7; expenditures, £49. 12. 6; mentions "Supporting James Morse one of the Children untill seven years of age being 2 months Do True Morse another son one year & 10 months Supporting Sarah Morse 3 year Allowed Pearly Morse support for three years"; allowed June 29, 1774.]

NATHANIEL DUNKLEE 1770

MONSON

[Administration on the estate of Nathaniel Dunklee of Monson, yeoman, granted to Ruth Dunklee, widow, June 5, 1770.] [Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 256.]

[Bond of Ruth Dunklee of Monson, with John Chamberlain, gentleman, and Samuel Spaulding, yeoman, both of Merrimack,

as sureties, in the sum of £500, June 5, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, John Coombs, John Dunklee.]

[Inventory, attested June 25, 1770; amount, £20. 16. 6; signed by William Patten and John Coombs.]

[Warrant, June 27, 1770, authorizing James Underwood of Litchfield and John Coombs of Merrimack, yeoman, to receive claims against the estate.]

[List of claims, Sept. 25, 1770; amount, £4. 12. 0; signed by James Underwood and John Coombs.]

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £20. 16. 6; expenditures, £23. 18. 2½; mentions "Bringing up two Children under seven years old 22 weeks"; allowed Sept. 27, 1770.]

EDWARD HALL

1770

NEWMARKET

To the Honble John Wentworth Esqr Judge of The probate of wills &c in the province of Newhamsphire In Newengland, The Humble petition of us the subscribers The widow and major part of the Children & Grandchildren, Heirs of the Estate of Edward Hall Esq[†] late of Newmarket in the Province aforesaid Deceased Intestate Humbly sheweth that Whereas it is Necessary that Administration on said Estate be granted To some person therefore your humble petitioners Earnestly Desire & pray that your honnor would be pleased to grant Administration On said Estate To Walter Bryent of Newmarket aforesaid Esq. He being A Creditor, and Father in law to two of the heirs and Guardian to one other of said heirs, And a person of Known Integrity and Acquainted with such Affairs & may be Depended upon to perform the buseness well & with Dispatch: we have heard that m^r Joseph Merrill hath Desired that Administration Might be granted him, But we Pray that it might not be Granted to him

we Being perswaded by his former conduct Towards Us & the Estate that his Administering would be very Detremental for he hath Receiv'd all his wife's Portion in said Estate many Years ago & there hath been such misunderstanding Between Us & Mr Merrill with regard to sd meriells Comeing On said Estate, that we Cant harbour a thought that he will Seek the Intrest of said Estate or Us, & Mr Merrill held the Estate Many Years by lease & hath not accounted therefor that we Know off: For these reasons and many more that may be offered, Your Petitioners Desire your honnor would grant the prayer Of your Petitioners & We as in Duty Bound shall ever Pray

Newmarket ye 20th of January A.D. 1770 —

Hannah Hall wedow Elizabeth weeks Edward Smith John Smith Ede Hall Bergin Mary Bergin John Bergin

[Warrant, March 21, 1770, authorizing Hubartus Neal, gentleman, and James Cram, blacksmith, both of Newmarket, to appraise the estate.]

[Administration granted to Elizabeth Weeks March 28, 1770.] [Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 257.]

[Bond of Elizabeth Weeks, widow, with Walter Bryent and Joseph Young, gentleman, as sureties, all of Newmarket, in the sum of £500, March 28, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Edward Smith, Ede Hall Bergin.]

[Inventory, March 30, 1770; amount, £211. 13. 5½; signed by Hubartus Neal and James Cram.]

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £192. 6. $5\frac{1}{4}$; expenditures, £179. 0. 4; allowed May 26, 1775.]

SAMUEL EASTMAN

1770

WINDHAM

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Eastman of Windham, blacksmith, granted to Elizabeth Eastman of Windham, widow, June 20, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 403.]

[Bond of Elizabeth Eastman, with Joseph Butler of Pelham and David Gregg of Windham, gentlemen, as sureties, in the sum of £500, June 20, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, James Underwood, Noah Lovewell.]

[Inventory, attested July 2, 1770; amount, £477. 1. 0; signed by Joseph Butler and David Gregg.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 317.]

Rockingham ss: Pursuant to a precept to us Directed appointing us the Subscribers A Committee to set off to Elisabath Sheed her Dower which happeneth to her of the Estate of her late Husband Samuel Eastman late of Windham in Said County Blacksmith Deceased intestate & having Viewed the primeses and Do agree to Set off to her the same by the following Metes & Bounds (viz.) Begening at a stake at Beaver Brook so Called then east south east about forty five rods to the Highway then northerly by Said Highway three rods to a stake then East South east about one Hundred and fifty rods to the line of James Hobs land then north 59 Degs East about seventy rods to a heap of stones then north north east fifty eight rods to a pish pine then east by south forty eight rods to a stake then north Eighteen Degs east thirty eight rods to a pine tree Marked then west seventy two rods then South By west forty nine rods to a stake then west by north sixty rods to a pitch pine tree then north by east thirty five rods to a heap of stones then west one hundred & Eighteen rods to the Highway then by the Bounds of William Sheeds land to Beaver Brook aforesaid then Down said Brook to the Bounds first mentioned Containing about sixty acres more or less Together with the south west room in the Dwelling House with the Celler underneath the same with the Chamber over Said room with the priveledges thereto belonging with the East part of the Barn (viz) the Tyeup & Scaffold over the same Dated April 25th 1788

> James Betton James Gibson Nehemiah Butler

[Warrant, May 16, 1770, authorizing David Gregg of Windham and Joseph Butler of Pelham, gentlemen, to appraise the estate of Samuel Eastman of Windham, blacksmith, of whose will his widow, Elizabeth Eastman, is executrix.]

[Inventory, June 22, 1770; amount, £467. 11. 9; signed by Joseph Butler and David Gregg.]

JOHN NOYES

1770

BOW

[Administration on the estate of John Noyes of Bow granted to Benjamin Noyes of Bow, gentleman, June 27, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 256.]

[Bond of Benjamin Noyes, gentleman, with Benjamin Norris, gentleman, and Richard Bartlett, physician, as sureties, all of Bow, in the sum of £500, June 27, 1770, for the administration of the estate of John Noyes of Bow; witnesses, Levi Dearborn, John Wentworth.]

[Inventory, July 4, 1770; amount, £386. 10. $8\frac{1}{2}$; signed by David Abbott and Thomas Cofran.]

[Warrant, Aug. 29, 1770, authorizing Benjamin Norris and Richard Bartlett to receive claims against the estate.]

[Warrant, Sept. 3, 1771, authorizing David Abbott, Benjamin Norris, and Richard Bartlett, all of Pembroke, to set off the widow's dower.]

Rockingham ss we the Subscribers Being appointed by the Honourable John wentworth Esq^r Judge of Probate of wills &c for Said County, to Set off to the widow Abigail Noves's thirds which belongs to her out of the Real Estate of John Noves Esq^r of Bow Decease do adjudge to her about thirty acres of Land Lying in Pembroke Be the same more or Less Bounded as followeth viz. Beginning at the Southeasterly corner of Andrew Gaults Lot where he Now Dwells then Runing South 25 Degrees East by the Cuntry Road fifty one Rods and a half to a stake & stones, then Runing South 74 Degrees west about Seventy Six Rods to a Pitch Pine Tree Spoted, then Runing to a white oak Tree spoted standing at the foot of the Intervail hill, then Runing South Sixty Degrees west about fifty Rods to merrimack River then Runing up said River twenty four Rods to Land owned by Stephen Bartlet, then Runing Easterly as the Line goes by said Bartlets & Gaults Land to the first mentioned corner togather with the whole of the westerly part of the house standing on the Premises, Excepting the cellar under the southerly Room, with an Equal Previledge of the well and yard Before said house. Witness our hands the 20th Day of March 1772

> David Abbot Benj^a Norris Rich^d Bartlet

[List of claims against the estate; amount, £135. 2. 1. 1; signed by Benjamin Norris and Richard Bartlett.]

AARON BROWN

1770

CHARLESTOWN

[Administration on the estate of Aaron Brown of Charlestown, yeoman, granted to Aaron Brown of Charlestown, blacksmith, July 1, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 427.]

[Bond of Aaron Brown, blacksmith, with Thomas Swan, mer-

chant, and David Brown, yeoman, as sureties, all of Charlestown, in the sum of £100, July 1, 1770, for the administration of the estate of Aaron Brown, Jr., of Charlestown, yeoman; witnesses, Daniel Adams, Dennis Ryan.]

[Inventory, Dec. 1, 1770; amount, £11. 9. 6; signed by Silvanus Hastings and Moses Willard.]

[Warrant, June 18, 1770, authorizing Stephen Alvord, hatter, and Enos Stevens, gentleman, both of Charlestown, to receive claims against the estate.]

[List of claims, Dec. 1, 1770; amount, £24. 10. 2; signed by Stephen Alvord and Enos Stevens.]

HUBBARD STEVENS

1770

DURHAM

In The Name of God Amen I Hubbard Stephens of Durham in the prov^{ce} of New Hampshire Tanner being aged * * *

I Give to my Son Jos Stephens all my land in Durham where I now live, with the buildings standing thereon except what part of my dwell'g House I shall hereafter assign & allow to my neice Hannah Stephens during the term she shall live a single Life Likewise my pasture in Durham aforesaid conts about thirty acres about which I purchased of Co¹ Jos Smith joining on land of Francis Mathes on the northerly side & on land of Theophilus Hardy on the westerly End on land of s'd Smith on the southerly side & on land of Small &c on the easterly end also my whole stock in my tanyard together with the tools. I Allso Give to my said Son Joseph all my Husbandry Utensils together with my live stock & Household furniture except what I shall herein hereafter Bequeath to my neice Hannah Stephens all before mention'd to be & remain to him my s'd Son Joseph his heirs & assigns forever.

Item I Give to my Son Hubbard Stephens his heirs all my wearing apparel, having already made provision for my said Son Hubbard by a deed of gift of the land & buildings he afterwards sold to Ebenezer Jones jun^r

Item. I Give to my Grandaughter Abigail Clough the value of eighteen pounds lawful money to be paid s'd Abigail by my Execut either in Cattle or Household furniture when she arrives to eighteen years of age or if she is married sooner said sum to be paid her at her marriage but if said Abigail should die before said payment becomes due then said sum is to remain in the hands of my Executor.

Item I Give to my Neice Hannah Stephens Daughter of my brother Moses one feather bed bedding & Curtains also one standing looking glass & four sheep & one cow, together with the priviledge of pasturage & winterin for said Cow & winterin for the sheep on the farm where I now live at the charge of my Executor yearly & every year so long as she shall continue unmarried & reside in the House where I now dwell. I Also Give said Hannah the priviledge of the southeast Chamber in my dwelling house for her to live in during the term she remains unmarried said Chamber to be maid comfortable for her residence by my Executor I further give to her priviledge of Bak's washing &cc in the Kitchen & as much cellar room as shall be necessary for her during her Continuance in my said dwelling House together with the priviledge of fruit in the orchard sufficient for her own use & two bbls of cyder if the orchard produces it & two cords of good wood to be deliver'd her yearly by my Execut in proper season so long as she remains unmarried & in my said dwelling house & also four bushels of indian Corn to be provided for her yearly by my Execut during said term & whensoever said Hannah shall marry or move from said House then said Chamber & other priviledges to be & remain to my Son Joseph his Heirs & assigns forever. And I do Hereby ordain Constitute & appoint my Son Joseph Stephens to be my sole & lawful Execut to see this my last Will & Testament performed in all things aforemention'd & I do Hereby Revoak & disallow all other & former wills by me made at any time whatsoever

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this twelvth day of july in the 10th year of his Majestys Reign Anno Domini One thousand and seven Hundred & seventy Hubbard Stephens

[Witnesses] John Griffen, Joseph Parsons, John Smith. [Proved April 11, 1770 (1771.)]

BENJAMIN ABBOTT 1770

HOLLIS

[Administration on the estate of Benjamin Abbott of Hollis, gentleman, granted to Elizabeth Abbott of Hollis, widow, July 13, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 403.]

[Bond of Elizabeth Abbott, with John Boynton and William Poole, yeomen, as sureties, all of Hollis, in the sum of £500, July 13, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Nicholas Youngman, Samuel Hobart.]

[Inventory, attested March 16, 1771; amount, £521. 5. 11; signed by John Hale and John Boynton.]

[Petition of Elizabeth Abbott, widow, June 24, 1771, that administration on the Middlesex county estate of her husband, Benjamin Abbott of Hollis, be granted to Lieut. William Prescott of Pepperell, Mass.; witnesses, William Poole and Samuel Hobart.]

[Middlesex Co., Mass., Probate Files.]

[Bond of William Prescott of Pepperell, Mass., gentleman, with James Prescott of Groton, Mass., and Joseph Reed of Westford, Mass., gentleman, as sureties, in the sum of £500, June 27, 1771, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Elizabeth Kneeland and William Kneeland.]

[Middlesex Co., Mass., Probate Files.]

[Warrant, June 27, 1771, authorizing William Green, John

Nutting, and John Shedd, all of Pepperell, Mass., to appraise the estate and set off the widow's dower.]

[Middlesex Co., Mass., Probate Files.]

To the Honourable Samuel Danfort Esq Judge of Probats for the County of Middlesex in the Provience of the Masechusets Bay in pursuance to a Commission from your Honour Dated Cambridge the Twenty Seventh Day of June A D 1771 we the Subscribers have this day met and Apprized the Estate of Cap^t Benjamin Abbot Late of Holis in the Provience of New Hampshier, the whole of Said Deceased Estate which he died seazed and Posses^d of in the Provience of the Massechusets Bay which is about 70 Acres Being in Pepperrell Bounded as followeth viz Begining at New-Hampshire Line thence Running Southerly by Land Clamed by Josiah Hunt and by Land of Dn Jeremiah Lawrences Heirs thence Easterly by Land of Dn Josiah Fisk and by Land of Ebenezer Pierce thence Northerly by the Highway til it comes to New Hampshier Line thence by said Hampshire Line til it come to the Bounds first mentioned which we Apprized at the Sum of £200

Then we perceeded and Set of to the Desces^d Widow Elisabath Abbot about 23 Acres of said Land Bounded thus begining at a stake and stones in New Hampshier Line by Josiah Hunts Land thence Runing Southerly about 100 poles by Land of s^d Hunt and Land Clamed by Dⁿ Jeremiah Lawrences Heirs to s^d Dⁿ Fisks Corner thence Easterly about 42 Poles by Land of said Fisk to a stake and stones thence Northerly about 100 Poles upon the Land above Described to a Stake and stones in s^d Hampshire Line thence about 32 Poles by S^d Hampshire Line to the Bounds first mentioned All which we Humbly Submit &c.

Pepperrell Sept^r y^e 17 A. D 1771

W^m Green John Nutting John Shed

[Middlesex Co., Mass., Probate Files.]

[Account of Elizabeth Pollard, administratrix; receipts, £171. 5. 11, personal estate; expenditures, £96. 10. 7; allowed Oct. 31, 1782.]

[Administrator's account of the settlement of the estate; amount of estate, £344. 16. 2; expenditures and claims against the estate, £345. 11. 2; allowed Oct. 21, 1794.]

[Middlesex Co., Mass., Probate Files.]

MARTHA PHILBRICK 1770

EXETER

[Warrant, July 18, 1770, authorizing John Rice, Noah Emery, and Samuel Brooks, all of Exeter, to divide the real estate of Martha Philbrick of Exeter.]

Province of New Hampshire John Wentworth Esqr Judge of the Probate &c For Said Province Appointing us the Subscribers a Committee to Divide the Real Estate of Martha Philbrick late of Exeter Deceas'd Intestate among her Children and the Legal Representatives of Such of them as are Deceased, allowing to Such Representatives the Share only that the Parent would have had if he or She had been living, Setting off to the Eldest Son or his representatives a Double Share, and to Each of the other Children of Said Martha a Single share as the Law of Said Province Directs Relative to Real Estates of Persons Dying Intestate, and to Set forth Each Share by metes & bounds to Hold to them in Severalty &c—

We have Accordingly Divided the Said Real Estate and have Sett off

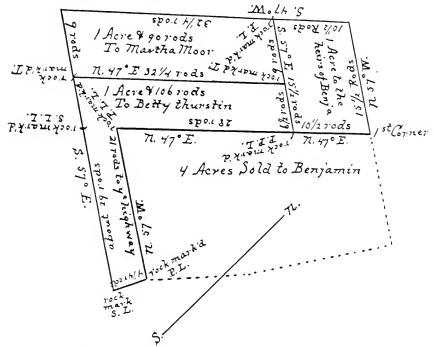
Ist To the heirs and Legal Representatives of Benjamin Philbrick Deceased the Eldest Son of the Said Intestate a Certain Peice of upland & orchard in Said Exeter Containing one acre and Bounded as Follows vizt begining at the Northwesterly Corner of that Four Acres of Land which the Said Martha Philbrick in her lifetime Sold & Convey'd to the Said Benjamin

Philbrick in his lifetime, and from thence to run North fifty Seven Degrees West Fifteen rods & an half to the head line of the Said Real Estate, and from thence to Run South about forty Seven Degrees West upon the Said head line Ten rods & an half to a Stake, Thence South Fifty Seven Degrees East Fifteen rods & an half to the Said four Acres, and thence North Forty Seven Degrees East by the Said four acres to the bounds begun at To Hold to the Said Heirs & Legal Representatives of the Said Benjamin Philbrick for their Double Share of the Said Real Estate in Severalty Forever.

2^{dly} And to Martha Moor a Daughter of the Said Intestate We have Sett off for her Single Share of the Said Real Estate a Piece of Land Containing about one Acre and about Ninety rods bounded as Follows viz begining at the Southwesterly Corner of that one acre of upland & orchard herein before Sett off to the Heirs & Legal Representatives of Benjamin Philbrick, at a Stake, and from thence to run South Forty Seven Degrees West Thirty two rods and a quarter to Martha Moore's Share of her mother's dower, and from thence South Fifty Seven Degrees East by Said Share Nine rods to a Stake, Thence North Forty Seven degrees East Thirty two rods & a quarter to the aforesaid one acre sett of to Benjamin's heirs, and then by that acre Nine rods North Fifty Seven Degrees West to the bounds begun at, To Hold to the Said Martha Moore in Severalty Forever. —

3^{1y} And to Betty Thurstin the other Daughter of the Said Intestate We have Sett off for her single share of the Said Real Estate A Certain Piece of Land Containing one Acre and about one hundred & Six rods of Land bounded as Follows viz^t begining at the Southermost Corner of the aforesaid one acre & Ninty rods of Land herein before Sett off to Martha Moore and from thence to run North Forty Seven Degrees West by said Martha's Share Thirty two rods & a quarter to that acre before Sett off to the heirs of Benjamin, Then South Fifty Seven Degrees East by the Said Acre Six rods & an half to the aforesaid Four Acres Sold to the Said Benjamin in his lifetime, Thence South forty Seven Degrees West about Twenty Eight rods to a Stake

A Plan of the Premisses Divided



at the Westermost Corner of the said Four Acres, and from thence South Fifty Seven Degrees East by the Said four acres, about Twenty one rods to the Highway leading to the Neck so Called to a Stake. Thence by the Said highway Southerly Four rods and a quarter to a Stake, and from thence North Fifty Seven Degrees West about Twenty nine rods to the bounds begun at, To Hold to the said Betty Thurstin in Severalty Forever. Done at Exeter aforesaid the Fifth day of November Anno Domini 1771

John Rice Noah Emery Sam¹ Brooks Com'ittee

[See estate of Ephraim Philbrick of Exeter, 1747.]

JONATHAN EATON

1770

ATKINSON

[Guardianship of Jonathan Eaton, aged less than 14 years, granted to Joseph Emerson of Haverhill, Mass., yeoman, Aug. 29, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 405.]

[Bond of Joseph Emerson, with Stephen Thing of Epping and Samuel Page of South Hampton, yeomen, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Aug. 29, 1770, for the guardianship of Jonathan Eaton of Atkinson; witnesses, John W. Gilman, John Wentworth.]

[Bond of Nathaniel Peabody of Atkinson, gentleman, with Jesse Page of Atkinson and Benjamin Kimball of Plaistow, gentlemen, as sureties, in the sum of £500, March 14, 1777, for the guardianship of Benjamin Eaton, minor, aged more than 14 years, son of Jonathan Eaton of Atkinson, yeoman, deceased; witnesses, Benjamin Stone, Jonathan Blake.]

JOHN TRUE

1770

SEABROOK

[Administration on the estate of John True of Seabrook, yeoman, granted to Mary True, widow, Aug. 29, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 499.]

[Bond of Mary True, with Samuel Page and Enoch Page, both of South Hampton, yeomen, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Aug. 29, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, John Pickering, Jr., John Wentworth.]

[Inventory, Oct. 8, 1770; amount, £268. 12. 0; signed by Abraham Dow and Benjamin Brown.]

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £130. 12. 0; expenditures, £125. 3. 10. 1; allowed Nov. 27, 1776.]

State of New Hampshire Rockingham ss

Pursuant to a warrant from The Hon: Philips White Esqr

Judge of the Probate of wills &c for said County We the Subscribers Have Divided the Eastate of John True Late of Seabrook in sd County Deceased Intestat in manner Following (Viz.) To the widow the East Room in the House, the East Chamber, the Bed Room at the North East Corner of the house; with the Privelage to Go into the same thrue the Back Room; and to the well; and A Priveleg of the fier Place in the back Room to Do Large worck in; also one half of the sellars the East Part thereof and one third Part of the Barn, the North Side thareof The orchard and home Lot, about fifteen acres, and the Pew in the Presbetery meeting house in said Seabrook; It appears that Thomas has Reseved his share by Deed From his Father: To John one third of an acre on the East Side of the Cow Pastuare Lot so called which appears to be his share with what his Father Gave him by Deed; To the Heirs of Miriam the Remander of the Buildens which is not sot of to the widow; with A Priveleg to go into the sellars; and to the well; and two acres and one hundred & twelve Rods of Land Adjoining to Johns Land on the west in the Cow Pastuare afores^d also six acres of salt marsh in the Cow Commons so Called — To Susanna Six acres and one 100 Rods adjoining to Miriams on the west in sd cow Pastuer Lot —

To Moses the Remaindor of s^d Lot on the west side and one acre at the South End of the Beach hill Lot so called To Ephraim adjoining on the North side of Moses at Beach hill Six acres and one hundred and twelve Rods To Mary the wife of Jacob Morrill Fore acres and about 88 Rods Being the Remainder of s^d Beach Hill Lot It appears that Abner has Received of his Father by Deed Seven Pounds more than his Share

Witness our hands this 12 Day of Janry 1778

Enoch Page Benjamin Brown Moses french Ezekiel Evens Committee

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[Additional account of the administratrix; receipts, £5. 8. 1. 3; expenditures, £10. 8. 2; allowed Jan. 29, 1778.]

ABRAHAM PERKINS 1770

DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of Abraham Perkins of Durham, trader, granted to Sarah Perkins, widow, Aug. 29, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 404.]

[Warrant, Aug. 29, 1770, authorizing Ebenezer Thompson, physician, and Winborn Adams, innholder, both of Durham, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Sept., 1770; amount, £146. 9. 8; signed by Ebenezer Thompson and Winborn Adams; attested Oct. 27, 1773, by Sarah Hull, formerly Sarah Perkins, administratrix.]

DAVID HEATH

1770

SALEM

[Administration on the estate of David Heath of Salem, yeoman, granted to Joshua Heath Sept. 5, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 5, p. 233.]

[Bond of Joshua Heath, with Asa Calley and Benjamin Hall, as sureties, all of Salem, yeomen, in the sum of £500, Sept. 5, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Moody Morse, Joseph Wright.]

[Inventory, Jan. 28, 1771; amount, £59. 3. 10; signed by Moody Morse and Joseph Wright.]

[Warrant, April 5, 1771, authorizing Joseph Wright of Salem and Timothy Ladd of Atkinson to receive claims against the estate.]

[List of claims, Oct. 15, 1771; amount, £11. 2. 4; signed by Timothy Ladd and Joseph Wright.]

[Warrant, Feb. 26, 1778, authorizing Samuel Little of Hampstead and Isaac Thom of Windham, physician, to examine the claim of Joshua Heath. They reported April 13, 1778, £22. 10. 8 due.]

[Warrant, July 29, 1778, authorizing Moody Morse, physician, John Allen, Jeremiah Dow, gentlemen, Robert Young, and Timothy Dustin, yeomen, all of Salem, to set off the widow's dower.]

State of New Hampshire Rockingham ss Salem Sepr 2th 1778 In obidience to the within Precept we have this day set off to Anna Johnson wife to Samel Johnson of Hampstead her Dower or thirds which Happined to her out of the Estate of her late Husband David Heath late of Salem Decest Begining at a stake & stones at the Northeast Corner of said farm thence Westerly to the meadow thence Southerly Perralel lines untill it encludes one third part of the Upland Also Begining at the Northwest Corner of the meadow thence Westerly Twenty Rods thence Southerly Perralel lines Untill it Contains one third part of said meadow

Moody Morse
Robert young
Timothy Duston

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £66. 19. 7; expenditures, £61. 8. 10; allowed Jan. 27, 1779.]

[Settlement of claims; amount of claims, £33. 13. 0; amount distributed £5. 10. 9; allowed June 30, 1779.]

THOMAS RUSS

1770

MANCHESTER

In the Name of God Amen. The Seventeenth September in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy. I Thomas Russ of Derry-field in the Province of New Hampshire in New England Inn Holder Being Very Sick and Weak in Body * * *

In the first Place, I give and Bequeath to Sarah my dearly beloved Wife, one Red Cow, Call'd by the name Cherry, and one of my feather Beds with Bed-Clothes which She Chouses, and

Two of the Best of my Sheep, and one frying pan, and one Warming pan, and one Chest of Drawers, All over and above her thirds of my Estate Both real and Personal.

Also I give and Bequeath to my beloved Son James Russ. Which I Likewise Constitute make and ordain my only and Sole Executor of this my Last will and Testament, the one half of all my Lands, Messuages and Tenements, by him freely to be Possessed and Enjoyed, also I give to my Said Son James one great Coat, and the one half of all my Shoemaker Tools, & one half all my Implements of Husbandrey, and one third of the Dwelling House and Barn, and the one third of the Beds and Beding (first the Bed will'd to my Wife Excepted) and I give him the Said James, one Ash Coulerd Rateen Coat, one pair of Blue Searge Briches, all my Shoes one good pair Excepted, the one half of all my Stockings, the one half of all my Shirts, one Puter Quart, one Pleat, all my Book accompts, Bills, Bonds, notes and other writings to help him to Descharge my Debts, Likewise Three Sheep, one Spoted Cow, and the one half of a white faced Cow, one Calf, one Mare, one Grid Iron & Toster, and one pair of Stillards.

Also I give and Bequeath to my bloved Son John Russ (whom I appoint to be assistant to my Son James Executor as afforesaid in Discharging all my Debts,) the Other half of all my Lands, Messuages and Tenements, by him freely to be Possessed and Enjoyed, also I Give the one half of all my Shoe-maker Tools and one half of all my Implements of Husbandry to Said Son John, with the one Third of the Dwelling House and Barn, and the one third of the Beds and Beding (first the Bed will'd to my wife Excepted) and I also give to my Said Son John my Blue Coat, and my Stone gray Coulard Coat, and all my weistcoats and Jeckets, and one pair of Leather Briches, and a pair of Black pattron Briches, and my Best Hat, and my Silk Neck-cloth, and the one half of all my Stockings, and the one half of all my Shirts, and one Puter pleat, and Three Sheep, and one Brown Cow, and the other half of the white faced Cow, and one Calf, one Calf

more, with a Two years old Heifer, which was formerly Call'd his own.

Also I give and Bequeath to my Beloved Son Jonathan Russ my Large Bible, and one of the Best pair of my Shoes.

Also I Give and Bequeath to my Two Beloved Sons (viz) Simeon and Daniel Russ, Each of the them Ten Shillings Lawful money.

Also I give and Bequeath to my Beloved Daughter Anne Russ one Two Quart Basson, and Two Pleats.

Also I give and Bequeath to my Beloved Daughter Elisabeth Russ, one pint Basson, and Two Quart Bassons & Two Pleats.

Also I give and Bequeath to my Beloved Daughter Sarah russ one Tankard and Two pleats.

Also I give and Bequeath to my Beloved Daughter Lydia, one pint Basson, one Mustard pot, one Platter and Two Pleats

Also I give and Bequeath to my Beloved Daughter Martha Russ, one Brown year old Hiefer, and the remainder of the Puter, not yet will'd to be Equally Divided Between my Wife and Said Daughter Martha.

Also I give and Bequeath to my afforesaid Daughters, to Each of them the Sum of one pound Lawful money, to be rais'd off the Estate and paid them by my Executor. — Also I Allow the White ox, and the Brown Heifer to be Killd Beef this fall for the use of my Wife and family that may Live with her, also the Present Crop to go to the use of the famil as affors^d Also the Hay in the Barn for the Cattle this year, as for other Household furniture not here mentioned I Give to my Wife and Daughters to be Divided at the Discreation of my Executor * * *

Thos Russ

[Witnesses] John Webster, Jas Gibson, Ezekiel Stevens, Hugh mcCalley

[Proved Oct. 31, 1770.]

[Inventory, attested Nov. 30, 1770; amount, £234. II. 5; signed by John Stark and David Starrett.]

[Warrant, Feb. 11, 1771, authorizing John Goffe, John Stark, and David Starrett, all of Derryfield, to set off the widow's dower.]

Whereas We the Subscribers Being appointed a Committee to Sat of the widdows Dower of the Real Estate of Thomas Russ Late of Derryfield Decesed We Have attanded that Busness this Day and upon Inquerey Into the Carcumstances of the Estate we find that the House that the Decesed Lived In is Recovered by a Judgement of Cort as is Reported Here by Cap^{tn} John Stark But we have not seen any Receipt from the Cort Concerning it But if So we Cannot Set of aney part of the House to the Widdow. —

I by We Set of to the Widdow all the Land Laying to the west of the Road Leading to Londonderry from Nameskeeg falls and is Bounded as followeth (viz) Begining at the South Wast Corner at a stake and Stons on Leuth MacNeals Line from thance Eastwardly and Bounding on said Line to the afore said Road and By Said Road Notherly to Captn John Starks Land from thance Wastwardly By said Land to a Red oake marked at the River and from thance and Bounding on the River to the Bounds first mentioned Exclusef of the Road Leading from the afore Said Road through said Land to Leichfeild with one Half of the Barn and Teen acers of the Pine Wood Land and is Bounded as followeth (viz) Begining at a pitch pine tree marked at the Noth East Corner of said Russ farm from thance wast By Capth Starks Land about Ninty Roads to a stake from thance suthwardly to a stake and stones in said Starks fance from thance East about Ninty Roads from thance North Eighteen Roads to the Bounds first metined and to the Bast of our Judgment the above Land Sat off by meets and Bounds is har Just part of Dower in said Estate.

Dun this 29th Day of april 1771

John Goffe John Stark David Starrett

STEPHEN HEALEY 1770 HAMPTON FALLS

In the Name of God Amen this Seventeenth Day of September in the tenth Year of his Majestys Reign Annoque Domini One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy I Stephen Healey of Hampton falls in the Province of New Hampshire Gentleman And as it will be Prejudicial to carrying on my Place to advantage and Support of my family, that my Moveables and all my Stock of Creatures should be Disposed of; My will is that my Moveables And so much of my Stock of Creatures as shall be necessary for Carrying on my Place, And for a Comfortable Dairy for the Support of the family, at the Discretion of my Executrix, shall be kept, And not Disposed of; And to Enable my Executrix to Discharge my Debts and Such Legacies as I shall in this my will Order to be paid, I Order and Do hereby Authorise my Said Executrix (after such part of my Stock of Creatures as can Conveniently be Spared shall be Sold) to Make Sale of So much of the Land which I Bought of Garlands Lying on the Westerly Side of Exeter Road so Called as shall be necessary for Dischargeing the Remainder of my Debts And Legacies, what Debts are Due to me being Improv'd also for this purpose

Item I Give And Bequeath to my well-beloved wife Sarah all my Houshold Goods (Except my Clock) for her to use and Dispose of As she shall think proper Among my Daughters

I Also Give her the Use and Income of All my Lands And Buildings, Stock of Creatures which shall not be Sold for Paying Debts, And Husbandry Tools, Untill such time as my Son Levi Healey shall arrive at the age of twenty One years, Provided she shall Remain so Long Unmarried But in Case she shall Sooner Marry Again then to have only her Dower or thirds in my Real Estate And the Care and Management of the Residue of my Real Estate to be under Such Guardian as the Judge of Probate of wills &c shall Appoint for the use And benefit of my Said Son Levi untill he shall Arrive at the Age of fourteen years, and after that said Estate to be under the Care and management of Such Guardian as my Said Son shall Choose to be Authorised

by the Judge of Probate of Wills &c: for the use and benefit of my Said Son Untill he shall Arrive at the Age of twenty one years.

Item I Give And Bequeath to my Son Levi Healey to him his heirs and assigns forever all my Lands Buildings and Real Estate whatsoever Excepting the Land Orderd to be Sold for paying my Debts, and the improvement to my wife as abovementioned; My said Son to Come into the Possession And Improvement of what I here give him when he shall arrive at the age of twenty one years the Improvement in the mean time to be as abovementioned But in Case my Said Son shall not live to the age of twenty One years or to have an heir Lawfully begotten of his Body then I Give the Reversion and Remainder of all my Real Estate Equally Among My Daughters. I Also give And Bequeath to my Said Son all the Husbandry Tools and Stock of Creatures that shall be on the Place belonging thereto when he shall arrive at the age of twenty one years or time of my widows Marriage which may first happen I Also Give my Clock to my Said Son —

Item I Give And Bequeath to Each of my Daughters Vizt Mary, Sarah, Anna, & Unis, Each of them ten Pounds Lawfull Money to be paid by my Executrix to Each of them as they shall Respectively arrive at the age of Eighteen years or time of Marriage which may first happen

Item I Do by these presents Constitute And Appoint my wellbeloved wife Sarah Sole Executrix of this my Will And for Confirmation of all aforegoing I have hereunto Set my hand And Seal the Day of the Date Abovewritten

Stephen Healey

[Witnesses] Meshech Weare, Paine Wingate, Isaac Green. [Proved Nov. 28, 1770.]

[Warrant, Nov. 28, 1770, authorizing Samuel Prescott and Benjamin Sanborn, both of Hampton Falls, yeomen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Dec. 7, 1770; amount, £630. 7. 9; signed by Samuel Prescott and Benjamin Sanborn.]

[Account of the executrix; receipts, £194. 7. $2\frac{1}{2}$; expenditures, £224. 18. 0; allowed June 30, 1773.]

MOSES STEVENS JR. 1770

PLAISTOW

[Administration on the estate of Moses Stevens of Plaistow, yeoman, granted to Jonathan Carleton of Plaistow, gentleman, Sept. 20, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 403.]

Plastow September the 25 day 1770

To John Wintworth Esq^r Judg of probets for Said province Humbly Sheweth that Moses Stevens Juner of plastow Deseased and We the Wido prudence Stevens wife of the Decesed and Jesse Stevens oldes son of the s^d Deseased Being of age for him selfe and No more of said Children of age therefore We Desier youer Honouer would Constetute and apoint Jonathan Carleton Administrator to said Estate

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[Bond of Jonathan Carleton, with John Clark of Portsmouth and Nathaniel Rand of Rye, mariners, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Sept. 27, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, William Parker, John Wentworth.]

[Inventory, Nov. 1, 1770; amount, £392. o. 6; signed by John Knight and Jonathan Eaton.]

Province of \ By Virtue of a warrant from the Honble New Hampshire \ Judge of the Probate of Wills &c for Said Province We the Subscribers as a committee have set off to Prudence Stevens widow Relict of Moses Stevens Jun^r late of Plastow yeoman Deceased her Right of Dower in his Estate as follows viz

1st we have Set off to said widow about Thirty Acres of Land with the west end of the House & East end of the Barn on the same is Bounded at a white oak tree with stone by the Road Leading by the Premises Thence Runing So Easterly by said Road about Twenty Six Rods to a stake & stones at the upper end of the orchard then No Easterly about four Rods then so Easterly in the middle between the Rows of Apple trees (leaving two Rows by said Road) about Eighteen Rods to a Stake & Stones then to an Apple Tree about one Rod from said Barn on the Back side then Through said Barn on the east Side of the floor to a Stake & Stones two Rods from said Barn on the fore side & streight with said side of the floor then easterly to a Stake & Stones one Rod from said House on the fore side then through said House on the west side of the chimney way to a stake & stones one Rod from said House on the Back side then to the well then No Easterly Seven Rods to a stake & stones then Six Rods to a stake & stones by land of Capt Jon^a Carleton then No Easterly by land of said Carleton about Seventy Rods to a stake & stones then No westerly by lands of said Carleton & moses Acoss fifty four Rods to a Black oak tree with stones then So. westerly about Ninety Rods to the Bound first mentioned

2^{dly} We Set off to said widow about Ten Acres of land lying at the west corner of the farm Bounded at a stake & stones at said west corner by said Road thence So Easterly by said Road Thirty Rods & one half to a bunch of small walnuts with stones then No East about sixty Rods to a white Pine tree with stones then so westerly about Thirty Rods to a small white oak bush with stones then by land of Silvanus Noyes so west about fifty Rods to the first mentioned Bounds of this Peice

Also we allow said widow free liberty to pass the stairs in said

House to her parts of it & celler & the free use of the Barn floor & yard to carry in her hay corn &c. & to thresh & to pass to her upper lott through the other part of the farm below the Hill where she can pass well & do least Damage we allow about Seven Rods by said Road against said House from said Barn yard to a large Apple tree by said Road & to the stake before said House for a Priviledge in Common for all those that shall live in said House & likewise the well to be used by all Partys freely

We Reserve in the said widow's Home land liberty for those that Shall improve the other part of the farm below the Hill to pass through with carriges where they can pass & do least Damage we likewise Reserve two thirds of the cellar which is under her Part of the House for the use of those that shall live in the other Part of the House she to choose her third of said cellar all said lands & Priviledges are set off to said widow to be by her freely improved During her Natural Life she to have one third of the Dung or muck now lying Round the said House & Barn

Nov^r 22^d 1770

Ebenezer Noyes Jonathan Eaton John Knight

Rockingham ss We the Subscribers being a committee appointed by the Hon^{ble} Judge of the Probate of Wills &c for said county to make a Division of the Real Estate of Moses Stevens Jun^r late of Plastow in said county yeoman Deceased intestate amongst his children being ten in Number which we have Done in manner following viz

First We have Sett off to Jesse Stevens Eldest son of the said Decd about Seven acres & one half of Land Bounded so west on Land sett off to his mother the widow of sd Decd as Part of her thirds thirty one Rods & one half No west on Land of Silvanus Noyes about forty four Rods No East on Land set off to Susanna Heath one of the Heirs thirty Rods So East on Land of Stephen Flanders & partly on his own Land the south corner a white pine tree lately blew Down the other three corners stakes & stones

Secondly We have Set off to Susannah Daughter of the said

Dec^d wife to Job Heath two acres & one quarter of Land adjoining the said Jesse's share to the N° East & is Bounded with stakes & stones at each corner to be twelve Rods wide & thirty long lies between the said Jesse's share & Land of Samuel White Esq^r Also we have set to the said Susanna in an other Place one acre & Ninety Rods of Land Bounded with stakes & stones at Each corner adjoining N° East on Land of James Flood & s° west on Land of the other Heirs to be thirteen Rods wide & about twenty long

Thirdly We have set off to Moses Stevens son of the said Dec^d two acres & fifty Rods of Land & is Bounded at each corner with stakes & stones & lies to the N° west of the said widow's home Land set to her & adjoining the same to ly seventy five Rods long the s° west end by the Road five Rods & one half & three feet wide the N° East End by Land set to said Susanna four Rods & one quarter wide —

fourthly We have Set off to Chase Stevens son of the said Dec^d about three quarters of an acre of Land a young orchard on the same lies by the Dwelling House of the said Dec^d & is Bounded so East on Land of Capt. Jon^a Carleton fifteen Rods Northerly on land set to the widow westerly on land left for a priviledge between the House & Road for all partys Dwelling in said House reserving one Rod from the east end of said House to the well & one Rod & one half on the south side of said House for a priviledge to belong to the same also one seventh part of the said House & Barn with the Priviledges round the same that an't set off to the widow of the said Dec^d —

fifthly We have set to Hannah Stevens Daughter of the said Dec^d her part or share to adjoin to Land Sold to David Stevens on the N^o west —

Sixthly we have set to Ruth Stevens Daughter of the said Dec^d her share to ly on the S^o East of s^d Hannah's part —

seventhly we have Set to Elizabeth Stevens Daughter of the said Decd her share to ly on the so east of sd Ruth's Part —

Eighthly we have set to Lydia Stevens Daughter of the said Decd her share to ly on the So East of sd Elizabeths Part —

Ninthly we have set to Mary Stevens Daughter of the said Decd her share to ly on the so East of sd Lydia's Part —

Tenthly we have Set to Prudence Stevens Daughter of the said Decd her share to ly on the so East of sd Marys part & on the No west of said Moses's Part adjoining the same Each of the said last six shares set off do contain one acre & about Eighty three Rods are Seventy five Rods long at the so west end by the Road are three Rods & Seven Eighths wide at the No east end by land set to said Susanna are two Rods & one half & three feet wide each also to have with said Chase one seventh part of the said House & Barn & Priviledge as aforesaid allowing one Rod of land on the Back side of the said Barn to belong to the same

October 28th 1773

John Knight Jonathan Eaton Amos Sawyer

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £220. 3. 11; expenditures the same; mentions "allowd the widow for the maintenance of Prudence and Mary two Children under 7 years of age allowance to widow for upholding life & supporting ten Children being all at home living upon the provisions"; allowed July 23, 1792.]

ROBERT FAIRSERVICE 1770

LONDONDERRY

In the Name of God amene I Robart fairservice of Londonderry In His Majestey's province of Newhampshire In New England being Weake and Sick of Bodey * * *

Itame my Will is that I Live and bequith to my beloved wife Elizabeth the thirds of all my Reial estate Duiring hir natural Life: and also the bedd and furnuter belonging ther to that we Commonly Lay In and all my housal furniture and the Choice of one of my cows and a note of hand Dew from my Neve John fairservice of boston to me of fiften pounds or ther abouts to hir and assigns for ever She Giving Som thing to a child Cald Lucie that we have brought up or bring up excepting whate is hear after bequethed

Itam my will is & I Live and bequeth to Margret Boice that now Lives with me the Bedd and furnuter ther to belongin that she comonly Lays In and a loum She works in with one slee Caled aleven and 3 now In the Loum and the hrnes ther too blongin; she paying one pound teen shillings Lawfoul towards Defraying my Just detts

Itam my will is I Live and bequeth to John fairservice all my Reail estate with the buldins and Edefices ther on: and all my Live stoke and farming yutanceels and all my wairing apperill and one bedde and furnuture he Genneraly Lays In: and the one half of a fine webe now In the Lowm awiving the other half blongin to margret Boice as also a note of hand Dew from John stewart to me for the Sum of one pound twlve shillings he paying all my Just Detts and funural Charges and the Leigeceys hear after mentioned

Itam my will is I Live and bequeth to my Daughter mary fairservice wife to John Rudd In the Countey tyrone and Barney of Dungannen In the Kingdom of Irland the Som of one pound teen shillings starling to be paid by my neveue John fairservice may fore Leggetee who now Lives with me

Itam I Live and bequith to the Said John fairservice my other Lowm with all my other yowtaincels not yeet bequethed belongin to my waving busnies: and my will is that my Swine and Crope shall be yewst for the maintainaning the famly the year Corrant

and I do appoint Samuel Barr esqr and John fairservice both of Londonderry and province afore Said to be may exactors of this my Last will and testement and allowing this and this only to be my Last will and testement In testemoney of all Before written I the Before named Robart fairservice have hear unto Satte my hand and Seal this twintey Second Day of September

the one thowsand Seven hundred and Serventey and In the tenth year of the Rigne of his majesty King George the third &c— Robert Fairservice

[Witnesses] David Craige, David Morrison, John Barr. [Proved Dec. 26, 1770.]

[Warrant, Dec. 26, 1770, authorizing Moses Barnett and John Wiar, both of Londonderry, gentlemen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Jan. 11, 1771; amount, £123. 7. 9; signed by John Wiar and Moses Barnett.]

[Account of the executors; receipts, £65. 19. 9; expenditures, £72. 17. 0; allowed Oct. 30, 1771.]

JACOB MORRILL, 3D 1770 SALISBURY, MASS.

[Administration on the estate of Jacob Morrill, 3d, of Salisbury, Mass., yeoman, granted to Philip Morrill of Salisbury, Mass., yeoman, Oct. 5, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 405.]

[Bond of Philip Morrill, with Daniel Page of South Hampton and Jonathan Palmer of Kensington, yeomen, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Oct. 5, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, William Parker, John Wentworth.]

[Inventory, Dec. 24, 1770; amount, £53. 18. 0; signed by Richard Collins and Nehemiah Brown.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, no personal estate; expenditures, £35. 13. 0; allowed March 23, 1774.]

SAMUEL GRAY

1770

AMHERST

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Gray of Amherst,

housewright, granted to Sarah Gray of Amherst, widow, Oct. 5, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 404.]

[Bond of Sarah Gray, with Robert Read, gentleman, and John Shepard, Jr., as sureties, all of Amherst, in the sum of £500, Oct. 5, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Susanna Bradford, Hannah Rollins.]

JOSEPH MASON

1770

CHICHESTER

[Administration on the estate of Joseph Mason of Chichester, yeoman, granted to Mary Mason, widow, Oct. 17, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 404.]

[Bond of Mary Mason, with Asa Gile and Jeremiah Elkins, both of Nottingham, yeomen, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Oct. 17, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, William Parker, John Wentworth.]

[Warrant, Oct. 17, 1770, authorizing Ebenezer Barton and Amos Blazo, both of Chichester, yeomen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, attested Oct. 20, 1770; amount. £62. I. 0; signed by Ebenezer Barton and Amos Blazo.]

JAMES MOORE

1770

RAYMOND

In the name of God Amen — I James moore of Raymond in the Province of New hampshire yeoman Being in a weak and Low state as to Bodely helth * * *

Imprimes I Give to mary my Well Beloved wife after my Debts and funurell Charges are Paid — the whole Improvement of all my Reall and Personell Estate for her to use and Improve as she sees Cause until my older Son John moore Shall arive to

the age of Twenty one years old; or so Long as she Continues or Remains my Widow for her to Bring up my famely upon

Item I Give to all my Children Namely John moore William moore Robert moore Henry moore James moore and Mary ann moore all my Reall Estate of Lands Laying in Raymond or Else where after all my Debts and funurell Charges are Paid and Satisfyed to be Equelly Divided amongs them as the Law Directs —

Item It is my will that if my Personell Estate is not Soficient to Pay all my Debts and funurell charges that then my Executors here after named shall and by these presents have full Power to sell and convey any of my Lands as they may or shall Judge Best so much of them as may be Soficient to Discharge said Debts and charges —

Item And I Do appoynt my three Brethren Namely Henry moore John moore and Charles moore to be my Executors to this my Last will and Testament they to Receive and Pay all Just Debts Due to and from my Estate and my funurell Charges and Sell Lands as before mentioned if their be occasion and See that it be fullfiled in all Perticulers: Renownsing all other and former wills Bequests and Executors by me named whatsoever Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last will and Testement In Witness to all above writen and here in Contained I Have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 24th Day of October Annoq Domini 1770 first above Writen —

James Moore

[Witnesses] William Todd, Joseph True, Sam¹¹ Emerson. [Proved Dec. 26, 1770.]

[Inventory, Jan. 29, 1771; amount, £638. 8. 0; signed by Samuel Emerson and Robert Wilson.]

CALEB GILMAN

1770

EXETER

[Administration on the estate of Caleb Gilman of Exeter,

yeoman, granted to Sarah Gilman of Exeter, widow, Oct. 29, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 457.]

[Bond of Sarah Gilman, with Joseph Thing and Nathaniel Gordon, yeomen, as sureties, all of Exeter, in the sum of £200, Oct. 29, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Elizabeth Parker, William Parker.]

[Inventory, Nov. 15, 1770; amount, £145. 8. 7½; signed by Nathaniel Gordon and Nathaniel Thing.]

[Warrant, Jan. 28, 1772, authorizing Samuel Dudley of Brentwood, Samuel Brooks and Jonathan Gilman, both of Exeter, to set off the widow's dower.]

Rockingham ss Pursuant to a Warrant directed to us the Subscribers by the hon¹ John Wentworth Esqr Judge of the probate of Wills for said County, to set off to Sarah Gilman relict of Caleb Gilman late of Exeter in said County Cordwainer deceased her Dower which happens to her in the real estate of said deceased & the same to set off with metes & bounds We have done the same in manner following Vizt Begining at the Southeasterly corner of the Homeplace on the north side of the highway leading to Brintwood joining to the land that was in the possession of Ion^a Norris late of Exeter deceased, then running westerly by said high way Eighteen Rods & one quarter of a Rod to a stake opposite to the easterly side of the barn floor on sd land then running north six degrees west thro sd Barn continuing said Course thro' said land to land in possession of Penuel Chapman then easterly by sd Chapman's land, then southerly bounding on sd Norris's land to the first bounds taking in all the scaffold at the easterly end of sd Barn, including all the buildings except the shoemakers Shop on sd land

Also One Acre & one half of land on the south side of the high way leading to Brintwood, Begining at the northeasterly corner of said land then runing westerly eleven rods to a Stake, then begining at the northerly corner of said land on the road leading to Kingston then running southerly eleven Rods by said way to a stake & stone, then runing northwesterly from said Stake & Stone a direct Course to the stake mentioned on the high way leading to Brentwood

May 1st 1772

Sam¹¹ Dudley Sam¹ Brooks Jon² Gilman

[Account of the administratrix; receipts, £111. 18. 7½; expenditures, £58. o. 1½; mentions "keeping & Supporting Mary Gilman a helpless Daughter of the Deceas'd from August 1770, to March 1773"; allowed March 19, 1773.]

[List of claims against the estate, Nov. 3, 1772; amount, £78. 7. 2; signed by William Parker, Jr., and Noah Emery.]

[Settlement of claims; amount distributed, £53. 18. 6; allowed April 24, 1773.]

DANIEL LADD

1770

BRENTWOOD

[Administration on the estate of Daniel Ladd of Brentwood, gentleman, granted to Daniel Ladd Oct. 31, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 457.]

[Bond of Daniel Ladd of Deerfield, yeoman, with Nehemiah Cram of Deerfield and Trueworthy Gilman of Exeter, yeomen, as sureties, in the sum of £200, Oct. 31, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Elizabeth Parker, William Parker, Jr.]

[Warrant, Oct. 31, 1770, authorizing Jonathan Glidden and Benjamin Folsom, both of Deerfield, yeomen, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Nov. 8, 1770; amount, £27. 12. 3; signed by Jonathan Glidden and Benjamin Folsom.]

[Warrant, Aug. 10, 1771, authorizing Jeremy Webster and Josiah Bartlett, both of Kingston, to receive claims against the estate.]

[List of claims, June 17, 1772; amount, £20. 7. 5; signed by Jeremy Webster and Josiah Bartlett.]

[Petition of Mehitabel Ladd of Brentwood, Dec. 7, 1770, for an allowance from the estate of her husband, Daniel Ladd of Brentwood, stating "that your Petitioner when she married to her late Husband, was Possessed of a Considerable of a Patrimonial Estate, which has since been sold & Expended partly in Bringing up a Large family of Children, and part of it is now incorporated with her said Husbands Estate: that the thirds of her said husbands Estate will not be sufficient for her support now in her advanced age."]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £25. 15. 3; expenditures, £19. 7. 6; allowed June 24, 1772.]

[Settlement of claims; amount of claims, £20. 7. 5; amount distributed, £6. 7. 9; allowed June 24, 1772.]

MARK GILES

1770

ROCHESTER

[Administration on the estate of Mark Giles of Rochester granted to Joseph Giles of Rochester, yeoman, Oct. 31, 1770.] [Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 404.]

[Warrant, Oct. 31, 1770, authorizing Samuel Brewster of Barrington, gentleman, and Dimond Pearl of Rochester, yeoman, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, attested Sept. 3, 1771; amount, £39. 6. 7; signed by Samuel Brewster and Dimond Pearl.]

JOSHUA TRICKEY

1770

NEWINGTON

[Administration on the estate of Joshua Trickey of Newington, yeoman, granted to Rosamond Trickey of Newington, widow, Nov. 12, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 405.]

[Bond of Rosamond Trickey, and John Coleman, yeoman, both of Newington, with Daniel Warner and Hunking Wentworth, both of Portsmouth, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Nov. 12, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, William Parker, Joseph Boyd.]

[Inventory, Nov. 15, 1770; amount, £260. 8. 6; signed by Benjamin Adams and Timothy Dame.]

[License to the administrators, Dec. 26, 1772, to sell land in Rochester.]

[License to the administrators, April 13, 1773, to sell all the land in Rochester.]

[Warrant, Nov. 24, 1779, authorizing Samuel Shackford, Timothy Dame, and Richard Downing, all of Newington, to appraise the value of two thirds of the real estate for eight years. Returned Dec. 28, 1779, at £52. 16. 0, and signed by all the appraisers.]

[Account of John Coleman, Edward Brassbridge, and Rosamond Brassbridge, administrators; receipts, £146. 10. 6; expenditures, £103. 15. 4¾; mentions "Maintenance of two Children under 7 Years of age"; attested Dec. 28, 1779.]

[Additional account; receipts, £73. 16. 1½; expenditures, £43. 17. 7; mentions "maintenance of two Children while under 7 Years of age 177 weeks and not charged in the former account. . . . Maintenance of Joshua Trickey who was an Idiot—18 weeks after his fathers death"; allowed March 13, 1783.]

[Warrant, March 13, 1783, authorizing Richard Downing,

Samuel Shackford, gentleman, Timothy Dame, John Coleman, and Samuel Rollins, all of Newington, to set off the widow's dower.]

Newington April 3d 1783

Rockingham ss Pursuant to the within we have sett off to Rosamond Brassbridge as her dower which happens to her of the estate of her late husband Joshua Trickey within named a lott of land lying in Newington bounded as follows viz Northerly on land of Richard Downing Esq^r Easterly on the highway leading from Greenland to Fox point so called seventeen rods to a stake & stones then running due west to little bay to a stake & stones by said little bay to the bounds began at also a small tract lying on the easterly side of said highway bounded Westerly by said highway Northerly & Southerly by two small brooks & easterly by broad Cove —

Also the easterly lower room in the dwelling house & the westerly garrett & the westerly end of the barn to take one third part thereof — And also one third of the fruit which shall grow on said estate —

> Rich^d Downing Tim^y Dame John Colman Samuel Rawlings Committee

[Warrant, March 13, 1783, authorizing the same men to divide the real estate.]

Newington April 3^d 1783

Rockingham ss Pursuant to the Within We have divided the estate which belonged to Joshua Trickey within named among his heirs after setting off one third part thereof to Rosamond Brassbridge as her dower in said estate in the following manner viz^t to Ephraim Trickey as his double share we have sett of a lott of land beginning at the Southeasterly Corner thereof & running westerly to little bay bounded Southerly by land of

John Coleman Westerly by said little bay twenty four rods to a stake & stones Northerly by land hereafter set off to James Trickey & Easterly by the highway leading from Fox point to Greenland fifteen rods to the bounds began at.—

To James Trickey as his share we have sett off a lot bounded Southerly by land sett off to Ephraim Trickey Westerly by little bay from said Ephraims land nine rods & three quarters of a rod to a stake & stones Northerly by land hereafter sett off to Mary Trickey & Easterly by the said highway to the s^d land set off to Ephraim six rods—

To Mary Trickey we have sett off a lot of land as her share bounded Southerly by land sett off to James Trickey Westerly by Little bay from s^d James Land Nine rods & three quarters to a stake & stones Northerly by land hereafter set off to Anna Vincent & Easterly by the highway afores^d six rods to land sett off to James Trickey—

To Anna Vincent as her share we have sett off a lot of land bounded Southerly by land sett to Mary Trickey Westerly by Little bay nine rods & three quarters from s^d Mary's Land to land sett off to Rosamond Brassbridge as her dower of said estate Northerly by said land sett of to said Rosamond & Easterly by the highway aforesaid six rods to the Land set off to the said Mary — After having sett off the dower in the dwelling house & barn we think it inconvenient to make any further division thereof & therefore assign the Children an equal share except the eldest son who is to have a double share to be held in common — Each of the aforesaid Children to have an equal proportion of the fruit which may grow on said estate except the eldest son who is to have a double share thereof after the widows thirds are deducted.

Rich^d Downing Tim^y Dame Samuel Rawlings John Colman Committee [Additional account of the administrators; receipts, £29. 18. 6½; expenditures, £11. 3. 7; allowed April 28, 1783.]

JOSEPH SOMERSBEE 1770

ATKINSON

[Administration on the estate of Joseph Somersbee of Atkinson, joiner, granted to John Knight, yeoman, Nov. 14, 1770.] [Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 454.]

[Bond of John Knight, housewright, with Thomas Noyes and Benjamin Hale, yeomen, as sureties, all of Atkinson, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Joseph Davis, John Knight, Jr.]

[Inventory, Dec. 12, 1770; amount, £347. 6. 7; signed by James Little and Enoch Noyes.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £325. 3. 1; expenditures, £260. 3. 1; mentions "Allowance to the Widow for the Support of three Children under seven years of Age"; allowed July 11, 1771.]

[List of claims against the estate, June 28, 1771; amount, £101. 2. 1. 3; signed by Thomas Noyes and Nathaniel Peabody.]

[Settlement of claims; amount distributed, £65. o. o; allowed July 11, 1771.]

PETER DEARBORN JR. 1770

CHESTER

[Administration on the estate of Peter Dearborn of Chester, yeoman, granted to his father, Peter Dearborn, Nov. 24, 1770.] [Probate Records, vol. 5, p. 232.]

[Bond of Peter Dearborn of Chester, yeoman, with Thomas Berry of Greenland and Benjamin Johnson of North Hampton, yeomen, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Nov. 24, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, none.]

[Warrant, Nov. 27, 1770, authorizing Capt. Samuel Roby, gentleman, and Bradbury Carr, yeoman, both of Chester, to appraise the estate of Peter Dearborn, Jr., of Chester, yeoman.]

[Inventory, Dec. 10, 1770; amount, £96. 3. 11; signed by Samuel Roby and Bradbury Carr.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £46. 3. 11, personal estate; expenditures, £11. 19. 13/4; allowed June 24, 1772.]

SAMUEL DEMERITT 1770

DURHAM

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Demeritt of Durham, gentleman, granted to Ebenezer Demeritt of Madbury, yeoman, Nov. 28, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 405.]

[Warrant, Nov. 28, 1770, authorizing Ebenezer Thompson of Durham, physician, and Daniel Meserve of Madbury, gentleman, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, Dec. 7, 1770; amount, £1007. 7. 8; signed by Ebenezer Thompson and Daniel Meserve, Jr.]

[Guardianship of Nathaniel Demeritt and Israel Demeritt, minors, aged more than 14 years, granted to Ebenezer Demeritt of Madbury Jan. 30, 1771.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 478.]

Province of New Hamps^r Pursuant to a Warrant from the Honble New Hamps^r John Wentworth Esq^r Judge of the Probate of wills &o for Said Province authorizing and Appointing the Subscribers a Committee to Set of to Bridget Demerit Widow and Relict of Samuel Demerit late of Durham Gen^t deceased on third part of the real Estate of the Said deceased, have done it in the following manner, Viz.

About Ten acres of Land on the Western part of the Home-

stead of Said deceased and is part of Land purchased of John Woodman, Beginning at the south west corner of Said Land and thence North Seventy three degrees East Eight rods thence North fifteen degrees East ninety three rods to Land belonging to the heirs of Moses Davis deceasd thence by said Davis's land and by land of Anthony Jones and by land of Joseph Stevens to the first bounds. Also Twenty Seven acres and one half acre of Land part of the afores^d homestead being the Western part of Land purchased of Joseph Sias Esqr beginning at the Mast road (so called) at the corner of the lane leading into said Demerits dwelling house thence down by said Mast road Forty four rods thence North forty Six degrees East about forty five rods to Land of Jonathan Woodman thence by Said Woodmans Land and by land of Archelaus Woodman and by a lane Leading to said Woodmans house and by the aforesaid lane leading to the said Demerits House to the first bounds. Also about Three acres and three quarters of an acre of Land purchased of the aforesaid Joseph Sias lying on the South Side of the Aforesaid Mast road and known by the name of the little field and is bounded by Said Highway and by land of Thomas Bells Esq^r and by land of John Thompson.

Also the one Twelfth part of Rendals mill So called in Nottingham with one third part of the Said Demerits mill utensils.

Also the Western End of the Dwelling House viz the Lower room Chamber and Garret over the same, with one third of the Cellar under the House and the privilege of using the Kitchin to Wash Bake &c, also one third of a Pew in Durham Meeting house, and one third of a Pew in Madbury meeting house, also the Sheeps Barn (So Called) on said Farm, and the Northern half of the Barn on Sias Farm (so called), she allowing the heirs of said Demerit Liberty to pass & repass to all the other half. Witness our Hands at Durham the 8th day of May 1771

John Thompson
John Demeret Ju^r
Ebenezer Thompson

Committee

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £567. 15. 8, personal estate; expenditures, £268. 6. 8½; mentions "Supply'd y° wid° with Sundry Necessaries at Sundry Times, before & after y° birth of her last child"; allowed Dec. 19, 1772.]

[Warrant, Dec. 19, 1772, authorizing Ebenezer Thompson, John Thompson, Joseph Stevens, all of Durham, John Demeritt of Madbury, gentleman, and Jonathan Woodman, 3d, of Durham, yeoman, to divide the remainder of the real estate.]

Province of New Hampshire Rockingham ss John Wentworth Esqr Judge of the Probate of Wills &c for said County appointing us the Subscribers a Committee to divide the Real Estate of Samuel Demerit late of Durham Gentleman Deceased Intestate We have done it in the following Manner Viz.

To Nathaniel Demerit Eldest Son of said Intestate for his double Share in said Estate, about Eleven Acres of the late homestead of said Intestate Beginning by land of Joseph Stevens at a mark^t Tree thence by said Stevens^s Land Westerly Twenty Rods to Land Set off to the Widow of said Intestate as part of her Dower out of said Estate thence by that North Fifteen Degrees East about Ninety Rods to Lands belonging to the Heirs of Moses Davis Deceased, thence by that Easterly Twenty Rods and then on a Straight line to the place where it began. Also about Four Acres of Land part of the aforesaid Homestead purchased by said Intestate of Joseph Sias Esqr bounded as followeth beginning at a Stake by the Mast Road (so called) then up by the said Road North Westerly fourteen Rods and a half Rod to land Set off to the Aforesaid Widow out of said Estate thence by the Land Set off to said widow North Forty Six degrees East about Forty Five Rods to land of Jonathan Woodman, thence by said Woodmans Land South Easterly Fourteen Rods and a half Rod, then on a Straight line to the place where it began. Also about Twenty Seven feet in length carrying the whole wedth of the Southerly End of the Barn on said Homestead, being one third thereof, also one Third of the South Easterly, and North Easterly Rooms in the House on said Homestead.

To Israel Demerit one of the Sons of said Intestate for his share about Seven acres and one half acre of Land part of the Afores^d Homestead, Beginning by the Afores^d Land that was Moses Davis's at a mark^t Tree thence Easterly by the said Davis's Land Nineteen Rods thence by said Davis's Land South Westerly about Eighty Seven Rods to the South Westerly Corner of said Davis's Land Thence South Thirty five degrees East Fifty Rods, thence North Fifty Three degrees West Forty Three Rods, and then on a Straight line to the place where it began. Also one Third of the South Easterly and North Easterly Rooms, on the Lower Floor in the House on said Homestead.

To Samuel Demerit one of the Sons of said Intestate for his Share in said Estate, about Six Acres and one half Acre of Land Bo't by said Intestate of Nathaniel Thompson, Bounded as followeth Viz Beginning by the Mast Road (so called) at a Stake thence down by said Road South Easterly Nine Rods, to Land Set off to Jonathan one of the Heirs, by these Presents, thence by the said Land Set off to Jonathan North Easterly about Seventy Rods to Land of Jonathan Woodman and then by that Westerly Twenty Eight Rods, and then on a Straight Line to the first Bound. Also the South East Chamber, and Garret over it in the House.

To Stephen Demerit one of the Sons of said Intestate for his Share About Eleven Acres of Land Bounded as followeth Viz Beginning at the Highway on the aforesaid Land purchased of Joseph Sias Esq^r adjoining Land set off by these presents to Nathaniel Demerit thence by that North 46° East to the afores^d Jonathan Woodmans Land then by that South Easterly about Thirty Four Rods to land Set off to Samuel and by that to the Mast Road and then by said Road North Westerly about Thirty nine Rods to the Bound began at also the North East Chamber, and Garret over it in the Dwelling House on said Homestead.

To Andrew Demerit for his Share about Seven Acres and a half of Land purchased by the Intestate of John Woodman bounded as followeth Beginning by the Afores^d Moses Davis's Land at the Bound of Land hereby set off to Israel, thence by said Davis's Land Westerly Thirteen Rods to Land Set off to Nathaniel & then by that South 15° West to Land of Joseph Stevens and then by that South Easterly Fourteen Rods and then on a Straight line to where it began. Also one Third of the South East, and North East rooms on the Lower Floor in Said House.

To Jonathan Demerit for his Share about Five acres & Three Quarters of an Acre of Land purchased of Nathaniel Thompson Bounded as followeth Beginning at the afores^d Mast Road by land Set off to Samuel thence Southeasterly by the Road Three Rods to Land Set off to Betty one of the heirs, and by that until it Comes to Land of Jonathan Woodman afores^d and then by woodmans Land Westerly Seventeen Rods, and then on a Straight line to where it began. Also one half of the Barn on Sias^s Farm (so called)

To Betty Demerit wife of James Demerit for her Share about Five Acres and Three Quarters of An Acre of Land out of the Afores^d Land Bo't of Nathaniel Thompson, Beginning by the Aforesaid Jonathan Woodmans Land at a Heap of Stones thence by woodmans Land Easterly Thirteen Rods to Land of Ebenezer Thompson and then by Said Thompsons Land South Westerly about Eighty Three Rods to Land of Thomas Bell Esq^r and by that to the aforesaid Mast Road then by Said Road one Rod to Land set off to Jonathan thence back from said Road on a Line Parralel to the Line by said Bell leaving a lane of one Rod wide from said Bells Land until it comes within Thirteen Rods of the Afor^d Ebenezer Thompson Land and then on a Straight line to the Bound began at. Also Two Thirds of the Cellar under the House

To Deborah Demerit for her Share one half of a Hundred Acre Lot in Nottingham Laying on the Lower side of Winter Street (so called) and is the Northwest half of the Lot. Peas Porridge Pond (so called) covers some part of the Lot. Also the Middle Third of the Barn on the Homestead.

To Lois Demerit for her Share Forty Five Acres of Land in the Town of Nottingham Bo't by said Intestate of Jonathan Rendal as will appear by said Deed. Also one Third of the Barn on the Homestead at the North end thereof, also a Gallery Pew in the Meeting house at Durham.

To Elizabeth Demerit for her Share the South East half of the Lot before mentioned adjoining Winter Street in Nottingham, also Two thirds of one Quarter with the privilege thereto belonging in Rendals Mill (so called) in Nottingham. Also Two thirds of a Pew in Madbury Meeting House, situate adjoining and on the Left hand of the Great Door.

Witness our hands at Durham the 30th day of June 1773
Eben^r Thompson
John Demeret Ju^r
Jonathan Woodman Te^r

[Bond of Hannah Demeritt of Madbury, widow, with John Smith, gentleman, and John Thompson, yeoman, both of Durham, as sureties, in the sum of £500, May 28, 1777, for the administration de bonis non of the estate; witnesses, Thomas Page, William Parker.]

[Account of the administratrix, widow of Ebenezer Demeritt, former administrator; receipts, £331. 4. 7; expenditures, the same; allowed Aug. 30, 1780.]

JOHN GROUT

1770

IAFFREY

[Administration on the estate of John Grout of Monadnock No. Two, yeoman, granted to Elijah Grout of Charlestown, gentleman, Nov. 28, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 427.]

[Bond of Elijah Grout, yeoman, with Samuel Hunt and Simeon Olcott, gentlemen, as sureties, all of Charlestown, in the sum of £200, Nov. 28, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Bulkeley Olcott, Martha Olcott.]

[Inventory, Jan. 17, 1771; amount, £31. 7. 4; signed by Nathaniel Russell, Hugh Dunlap, and Roger Gilmore.]

[Additional inventory of £1. 18. 6, attested June 29, 1771, and signed by Simeon Olcott and Samuel Hunt.]

[List of claims against the estate, July 10, 1771; amount, £7. 14. 6; signed by Enoch Hale and Nathaniel Russell.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £34. 15. 10; expenditures, £45. 3. 4; allowed Jan. 17, 1794.]

JOHN KNIGHT

1770

NEWINGTON

In the Name of God Amen This fourth Day of December Anno Domini one thousand Seven hundred & Sixty Nine I John Knight of Newington in the Province of New Hampshire in New England Esq^r being Sick & weak in Body * * *

Item I Give & Bequeath to my Hond mother Elizabeth Knight a decent & Honorable Maintainance During her Natural Life & a Decent burial after her Decease out of the Incomes of My Estate in lieu of her thirds of Part thereof which she has a right to take at any time she shall think Proper

Item I Give & Bequeath to my Well Beloved Brother Nicholas Knight & to his Heirs & Assigns forever one Hundred & fourty Acres of Land more or less Being Parcel of the Second Division Lot In Rochester In the Province aforesaid Granted to our Hond Father Jno Knight Esq. Deceased & by him given to me in his Last Will & Testament

Item I Give & Bequeath to my well Beloved Nephew William Knight Son of my brother Nicholas half my Right or Share in the

Township of Barnstead to him the Said William & the Heirs of his Body Lawfuly Begotten forever

I also Give to the Said William a Cow to be Deliverd him in two years after my Decease

Item I Give & Bequeath to my well Beloved Nephew Charles Knight Son of my brother Nicholas half my Right or Share in the Township of Barnstead to him the Said Charles & the Heirs of his body Lawfuly begotten forever

I also Give to the Said Charles a Cow to be Delivered him in two years after my Decease

Item I Give & Bequeath to my Well Beloved Sisters Elizabeth Salter Bridget Allen & Allice Hatch fifteen Pounds that is to say five Pounds Each to be paid them Severaly in two years after my Decease

Item I Give & Bequeath to John Brewster & Daniel Brewster the Children of my Well Beloved Sister Sarah Brewster by her Husband Sam¹ Brewster Equaly Divided between them one hundred & five acres of Land more or less in the Town of Barington in the Province aforesaid which I purchased of James Grey to them their Heirs & assigns in Severalty forever

Item I Give & Bequeath to my Said Sister Bewsters Daughter Sarah Norwood Seven Pounds ten Shillings to be Paid her in two years after my Decease

Item I Give & Bequeath to Elizabeth Adams Daughter of my sister Deborah Adams Deceased Seven Pounds ten Shillings to be Paid her in two years after my Decease

Item I Give & Bequeath to Susanna Chadborn Daughter of my Sister Bridget Allen a feather Bed & beding Suitable therefor together with a Cow all to be Delivered her at her marriage

Item My Will & Pleasure is that the land I purchased of James Lock in Rochester aforesaid being Part of a first Division Lot be Sold by my Executors & the whole of the mony arrising by Said Sale is hereby Appropriated to the paying Legacies in this will given as far as the Same will go

Item I Give & Bequeath to Edward Lock Son of James Lock

fourty Acres of Land Parcel of a third Division lot in Rochester originally laid out to the Right of my hond father upon condition he Settles the Same within ten years after my Decease to him the Said Edward & to his Heirs & assigns forever & In Default of Said Settlement within ye Said term I give the Said fourty Acres of Land to my Well beloved Wife Temperance Knight & to her Heirs & assigns forever

Item I Give & Bequeath to My Well Beloved Brother George Knight one half of my Dwelling House barns & other houses on the Homestead together with half the Lands on which they Stand & half the yards that accommodate them also all the homestead Land on the west Side of the lane & the North Side of the Road leading from the Dwelling house to Greenland Except as is above Excepted & also Except ten Acres of the Said Homestead at the Westerly side there of which together with the other half of my Dwelling house barns & other houses & half the Lands on which they stand & half the yards that accomodate them I otherways Dispose of in this Will I also give to my said Brother George Knight ten acres of Land In Newington aforesaid being Parcel of the Land my Father Purchased of John Hodgdon & Is Call'd Hodgdon Pasture adjoyning to the Land of In^o Downing Esq^r Deceased which Said ten acres is set off adjoyning to said Downings land also one of my Rights of Land in the Neck at Hiltons point so call'd in Dover in Said Province as the Same lies in Comon with the other owners of Said Neck to Enter into Possession of the Whole of the Above Premises when my Widow shall be Married her thirds only Excepted & to Enjoy the Same During his Natural Life & after his Decease my will & Meaning is that the whole of the Premises given to the Said George is hereby Given to John Knight Son of the Said George & to the male Heirs of his Body Lawfuly Begotten forever I also Give my brother George my Silver tankard & after his Decease my will is that his Son John Shall have the Said Tankard

Item I Give & Bequeath to my Nephew Samuel Hatch one half of My Dwelling House Barns & the other Houses on the

Homestead together with half the lands on which they Stand & half the yards that acomodate them Also all my Land Call'd Hodgdons Point on the East Side of the Lane leading to the Road from the Dwelling house to Portsmouth & adjoyning to the Land of George Walton Esq^r also ten Acres of the Homestead Estate at the Westerly Side thereof lying in a peice of such Breadth at the road as carrying the same Breadth back to Shackfords farm will Contain the said ten Acres Also all Hodgdons Pasture So Call'd in Newington aforesaid be the Same more or less the ten Acres given to my brother George & his Son Jnº Excepted also all that thirty three Acres of Land more or less in Newington aforesaid Call'd Stoney Hill that I purchased of my hond Father to gether with one of my Rights of Land in the Neck at Hiltons point so called in Dover in Said Province as the Same lies in Comon with the other owners of Said Neck All the Above Premises to him the said Saml Hatch & to the male Heirs of his body Lawfuly Begotten forever & to Enter into Possession thereof when my Widow shall be Married her thirds only excepted

Item I Give & Bequeath to my Said Nephews Jnº Knight Son of my Brother George & Sam¹ Hatch Son of my Sister Alice Equaly Divided between them to them & the male Heirs of their Bodys Severaly & Lawfuly Begotten forever all that twenty acres of Land in Rochester aforesaid that I purchased of Henry Allard Also my Wharf Boats Canoo ferry & ferry ways with the Ways Leading thereto & all other Privileges & Advantages to the same in any wise thereto appertaining or belonging as above Divided betwixt them I also give to the Said John Knight a feather bed & beding suitable thereto a yoke of Oxen & a Cow when he shall be twenty one years of age I also Give to the Said Samuel Hatch a feather bed & beding Suitable thereto A yoke of Oxen & a Cow when he shall be twenty one years of Age — Furthermore my Will & meaning is That if my Said Nephew Sam¹ Hatch shall not have any Lawful male Issue By him begotten to Inherit what Real Estate I have given him in this will That then what I have given him is hereby Given & shall be to his Brother John Hatch & to the male Heirs of his body Lawfuly Begotten Forever

Item I Give & Bequeath to my well Beloved Wife Temperance Knight one hundred Acres of Land more or less being Parcel of the third Division Lot in Rochester originaly granted to my father To her Her Heirs & assigns forever having Disposed of fourty acres thereof Conditionaly to Edward Lock I also give to my Said Wife the use & Improvement of all my Real Estate in Newington & Dover together with the ferry ferry Boats Canoo Wharf & During her being my widow & one third of my Real Estate During her Life I also Give to my Said Beloved wife all the Personal Estate I had with her from her hond Father at our marriage or since All the Personal Estate the Honble John Downing Esq^r Gave her All the Household Goods I have Purchased since our Marriage my Pew in the meeting house & half of All the Residue of my personal Estate my Debts Funeral Charges & Personal Legacies this Will is Charged with being first Deducted out of the whole of the Said Residue my will & meaning is that my Said wife shall have all the Personal Estate I have given her (without Limitation) Intirely at her own Disposal & tis further my will that my Said Beloved wife Shall have the bringing up of my two Nephews Jnº Knight son of my brother George & Sam¹ Hatch son of my Sister Alice & that she give Each of them a good Degree of Learning

Item What of my Personal Estate is not heretofore Disposed of in this will I give to my brothers & Sisters & Deceased Sisters Children under the Direction & at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter Named to Divide it amongst all of them or as few of them as they shall think Proper

Lastly I Constitute ordain & appoint my Well Beloved Wife Temperance Knight & Well Beloved Cousin Capt William Knight of Portsmouth In the Province aforesaid Executors * * * John Knight [Witnesses] Ebenezer Wentworth Ju^r, William Brassbridge, Tho^s W^k Waldron.

I John Knight of Newington in the Province of New Hampshire In New England Esq^r having made my Last Will and Testament the Fourth Day of December last and this first day of February Anno Domini one Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy do annex this Codicil thereto

Item What I gave to my Sister Allen In Said Will I give and bequeath to her Son James Chadborn

Item I give and bequeath to my Nephew Samuel Hatch ten Sheep a Large looking Glass and Large Table in the Hall Six flat back black Chairs Six White Chairs & one Silver Spoon marked JKP together with half my Farming Utensils When he is Twenty one years old I also appoint his Father Thomas Hatch to be Guardian of his Interest During his minority

Item I Give and bequeath to my Nephew John Knight Son of my brother George Knight Ten Sheep a red Table in the Kitchen Chamber and Six flat back black Chairs together with half my farming Utensils When he is Twenty one years old

Item I Give and bequeath To my Brother George Knights Daughter Temperance one Silver Spoon Marked JKP

Item I give and bequeath to my Sister Allice Hatch's Daughter Elizabeth one Silver Spoon marked JKP

Item I give and bequeath to my Brother Nicholas Knights Daughter Susanna one Cow to be Delivered her in one Year after my Decease

Item I Give and bequeath to my Servant Boy Joseph Rowley and to his Heirs and assigns forever Twenty five Acres of Land in Rochester Parcel of one hundred acres I gave in my Said will to my wife

Item I Give liberty for my two Nephews John Knight and Samuel Hatch to Sit in my Pew In Newington meeting house

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved wife Temperance Knight my Negro Man Greg to be at her own Disposal

Lastly my will and meaning is that this Codicil be adjudged and taken as parcel of my Said Last Will & Testament and that my Executors in Said Testament mentioned do fully and faithfully Execute the Same as part thereof In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & affix'ed my Seal the Said first day of February one Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy

John Knight

[Witnesses] Richard Downing, Samuel Shackford, William Brassbridge.

[Proved April 25, 1770.]

[Inventory, June, 1770; amount, £1423. 8. 6; signed by Thomas Westbrook Waldron and Richard Downing.]

[Account of the executors; receipts, £1551. 14. 5; expenditures, including legacies, £1553. 2. 8; allowed Sept. 17, 1788.]

BENJAMIN HOYT

1770

THORNTON

[Administration on the estate of Benjamin Hoyt of Thornton granted to Deborah Hoyt of Thornton Dec. 14, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 5, p. 287.]

[Bond of Deborah Hoyt, widow, with Gershom Burbank and Abel Willey as sureties, all of Thornton, in the sum of £500, Dec. 14, 1770, for the administration of the estate of Benjamin Hoyt, joiner; witnesses, Darius Willey, Elnathan Blood.]

WILLIAM WAUGH

1770

WINDHAM

[Administration on the estate of William Waugh of Windham, yeoman, granted to Leah Waugh of Windham, widow, Dec. 14, 1770.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 456.]

[Bond of Leah Waugh, with Joseph Clyde, gentleman, and Alexander Park, yeoman, as sureties, all of Windham, in the sum of £500, Dec. 14, 1770, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Andrew Park, Daniel Clyde.]

[Inventory, Jan. 18, 1771; amount, £187. 19. 0; signed by James Gilmore and Joseph Smith.]

[Petition of the administratrix, Aug. 28, 1776, for license to sell real estate; license issued Aug. 30, 1776.]

HENRY EVE

1770

PORTSMOUTH

[Warrant, Dec. 17, 1770, authorizing Richard Mills of Portsmouth, turner and constable, to take custody of the property of Capt. Henry Eve, deceased, mariner, of London, but lately residing in Portsmouth.]

[Inventory, Dec. 17, 1770, giving a list of articles, not appraised, taken from the house of Ruth Jones; signed by Richard Mills and witnessed by Hall Jackson, George King, Pierse Long, and John Libby.]

Portsmo Decemb 24th 1770

Whereas Ruth Jones has exhibited an Account (to the Hon¹ judge of Probate) against the Estate of the late Cap¹ Henry Eve, and laid claim to some pieces of Chints and other Articles that were found in the Chest of the said Deceas'd These may serve to acquaint the Judge that the said Ruth Jones has now in her possession, or had at the time Cap¹ Eve Died the under written Articles which she refused to deliver up to the officer, & now pretends she knows not what has become of them — It can be proved Cap¹ Eve had them at her house when he was seized with the fitts that carried him off &c —

All his white Shirts Neckcloths & Hankerchefs a number of good Stockings a pair of large bed Blanketts a pair of stone Knee

buckels set in silver a stone Ring set in gold a pair sleeve buttons stone and several other articles —

MARY STONEMAN

1770

PORTSMOUTH

In the Name of God Amen the Twentieth Day of Decembrin the Year of our Lord Christ one Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy I Mary Stoneman Widow of John Stoneman late of Portsmouth in the Province of New Hampshire Caulker Deceas'd being Sick and Advanced in Years * * *

Item I Give unto My Daughter in Law Esther Stoneman the use and Improvement for her to live in after My Decease the Eastermost Chamber in My Dwelling House for and During the Term of four years Commincing at My Decease.

Item I Give unto My Grandson William Stoneman the Sum of five shillings Lawful Money to be paid him in Convenient time after my Decease out of My Estate by My Executor

Item All the rest and Residue of My Estate both real and personal after my Debts Legacy and funeral Charges are paid out of the Same I Give Devise and bequeath unto My Son in Law Robert Yeaton of Portsmouth aforesaid joyner and his Wife Alice their heirs and Assigns forever, on the Conditions that the Said Robert Yeaton shall find and provid for Me the Said Mary Stoneman at Said Roberts one Cost and Charge Good and Sufficient Meat Dring Cloathing and Nursing During the Natural Life of Me the Said Mary Stoneman

And I Do hereby utterly Disallow Revoak & Disannull all other former Testaments Wills and Legacies bequests and all Executors by Me Made before this time And I Do Constitute and Appoint the Said Robert Yeaton to be Sole Executor of this My Last Will and Testament — In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the Day and Year first above written.

The Mark of Mary X Stoneman

[Witnesses] Ebenezer Dearing, Benj Partridge, Ebenezer Lewis.

[Proved Feb. 5, 1771.]

JOSIAH KIDDER

1770

MONSON

[Petition of Josiah Kidder, dated Tewksbury, Mass., Dec. 22, 1770, for the appointment of Joshua Baldwin as guardian of his three children, Molly Kidder, Jonathan Kidder, and Mercy Kidder; witnesses, Jonathan Brown and Esther Burt.]

[Middlesex Co., Mass., Probate Files.]

[Bond of Joshua Baldwin, yeoman, with Samuel Ober, cooper, as surety, both of Tewksbury, Mass., in the sum of £300, Jan. 1, 1771, for the guardianship of Molly Kidder, aged more than 14, Jonathan Kidder, and Mercy Kidder, children of Josiah Kidder of Monson; witnesses, Jonathan Cutler and William Kneeland.] [Middlesex Co., Mass., Probate Files.]

[Molly Kidder of Tewksbury, Mass., makes choice of Joshua Baldwin as her guardian May 27, 1771; witnesses, Jonathan Brown, John French, Jr., and Jonathan Twiss.]

[Middlesex Co., Mass., Probate Files.]

JAMES PEASLEE

1770

NEWTON

[Petition of Abigail Peaslee, widow, and Caleb Peaslee, oldest son, Dec. 31, 1770, that administration on the estate of James Peaslee of Newton, who died Nov. 19, 1770, may be granted to James Peaslee, second son.]

[Administration granted to James Peaslee Jan. 3, 1771.] [Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 571.]

[Bond of James Peaslee, yeoman, with Eliphalet Hoyt and Robert Stewart, Jr., yeomen, as sureties, all of Newton, in the sum of £500, Jan. 3, 1771, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Eliphalet Hoyt, Jr., Mary Hoyt.]

[Inventory, attested March 21, 1771; amount, £287. 18. 0; signed by Eliphalet Hoyt and Robert Stewart, Jr.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £109. 11. 3, personal estate; expenditures, £76. 16. 0; allowed Jan. 29, 1772.]

[Warrant, Jan. 30, 1772, authorizing Eliphalet Hoyt, Reuben Peaslee, Richard Bartlett, Nathan Hoag, and John Peaslee, Jr., all of Newton, to appraise the real estate, exclusive of the widow's dower.]

we the Subscribers being appointed a Committee by the Honred Judge of probets to Set of the thirds of Abigail peaslee of Newton have Don as folearth beginning at the South corner on the Rode and Roning one the Rode one Rod and a half then Roning norely About three Rodes to the fore Dooer and the wider is to have the East Eand of the Hous and then Roneng from the N Eas Corner of the Hous teen Rodes to A stake and stone Near ye Barn then threw the Barn fore Rodes to A stake and stone then Roning Eastly Eaightey Rodes to A stake and stone then Roning Sorethley twenty fore Rodes to moses peaslee Line then wearstely on moses peaslee Line seventy Eaight rodes to the fust Bounds menchened

and we have set of to the Aforsad wider A peas of meado begieng at the Corner Bound on Joseph peaslee Line and Roning Eastly one peaslee Line foreteen Rodes to A stake then Roning sorethly fortey Rodes to A stake then Roning werestly nineteen Rodes to Nathan Hoages Land then Roning on sad Hoags Line forty one Rodes to the foust boundes menchened and the wider is to Have all the Land that is contaned in the Boundes above menchened

Dated Newton may the 22 ye 1772

Nathan Hoag Eliphelet Hoyt Robert Stuert Junr

[Return of appraisal at £128. 5. 0, signed by John Peaslee, Jr., Richard Bartlett, and Reuben Peaslee.]

[Decree of court, May 27, 1772, settling the real estate on James Peaslee, second son.]

[Bond of James Peaslee, with Eliphalet Hoyt as surety, in the sum of £250, May 27, 1772, for the payment of their shares to the other children, there being seven in all; witnesses, William Peaslee, Hannah Peaslee.]

[Additional account of the administrator; receipts, £70. 5. 3; expenditures, £38. 14. 5; allowed May 27, 1772.]

[Petition of Stephen Stewart of Kingston, yeoman, in the right of his wife, James Peaslee, and Edmund Peaslee, both of Newton, Oct. 13, 1801, for division of the widow's dower.]

[Petition of James Peaslee, administrator, Nov. 30, 1801, for the settlement of the entire real estate upon him, it not being divisible, and the widow being lately deceased.]

[Warrant, Nov. 30, 1801, authorizing Levi Bartlett of Kingston, Eliphalet Bartlett, yeoman, and John Peaslee, physician, both of Newton, to appraise the widow's dower. They reported it at \$472.50, Dec. 14, 1801.]

[Bond of James Peaslee, with Joshua Rowell and Philip Whittier as sureties, all of Newton, yeomen, in the sum of \$945, March 11, 1802, for payment of their shares to the other heirs; witness, William Parker. A foot-note is "Caleb Peaslee 2 shares, Wm heirs, Amos, James, Edmund, Abigail George, Sarah Stuart."]

[Additional account of the administrator; receipts, \$294.39; expenditures, \$21.87; allowed July 6, 1802.]

ANDREW CONN 1771 NEW IPSWICH

[Bond of Andrew Conn of New Ipswich, husbandman, with Isaac Wallis and William Wallis, both of Townsend, Mass., husbandmen, as sureties, in the sum of £100, Jan. 8, 1771, for the guardianship of his son, George Conn; witnesses, J. Brewer and William Kneeland.]

[Middlesex Co., Mass., Probate Files.]

SAMUEL DAVIS, Jr. 1771

MADBURY

In the Name of God Amen, this Eleventh Day of January In the Eleventh year of the Reign of his Majesty King George yethird of Great Britain France & Ireland Defender of the Faith & annoque Domini one thousand Seven hundred & Seventy one I Samuel Davis Jun of the Parish of Madbury In the Province of New Hampshire In New England yeoman Being Sick and weak In Body * * *

Imprimis. I Give & Bequeath unto my Son Eleazer Davis twenty Shillings Lawful money In Cash, to be paid him within one year Next after my Decease By my Execurs & no more—

Item. I Give & Bequeath unto my Grandson Winthrop Davis one hundred acres of Land (more or Less) Lying In Barrington In s^d Province together with the Buildings thereon, being the Same Land whereon my son the Said Eleazer Davis Lived on & Improved for a few years past — all which hundred acres of Land y^e Buildings &^e as aforesaid I Give to the said winthrop Davis & unto his heirs & assigns forever — But my will is that if the s^d winthrop Davis should Die & Leave no heirs Lawfully Begotten of his Body, then the s^d hundred acres of Land Buildings &^e Bequeath^d him to return to my Daughter Betty Davis, & to her heirs & assigns forever —

Item I Give & Bequeath unto my Grandson George Davis & unto his heirs & assigns forever one hundred acres of Land Lying In Canterbury In s^d Province being the same hundred acres which my Hon^d Father Sam¹¹ Davis, who is now Liveing, has Inform^d that he has Give me In his will & Testament which he has already made & purposes that it be his Last will — &

my will is that if the s^d George Davis should Die & Leave no heirs Lawfully Begotten of his Body then y^e s^d hundred acres of Land Lying In Said Canterbury Bequeath^d him to return to my Daughter Betty Davis & to her heirs & assigns forever—

Item I Give & Bequeath unto my Daughter Betty Davis & unto her heirs & assigns forever all my Homsted farm Lying & Being In Madbury aforesaid together with all the Edificies & Buildings orchards & standing & being on Said farm, meaning all my Lands In sd madbury or Elsewhere to be found, not before Bequeath^d be the same more or Less together with the one half of my Personal Estate of any Kind whatsoever In Doors & out vizt oxen Cows sheep horses meaning all Live Stock, & Husbandry utencils & household furniture of any Kind whatsoever — the half ye Improvement of which Duering the term of my wife Abigail Davis remaining my widow & upon the marriage or Death of my s^d wife my will is that my s^d Daughter Betty Davis her heirs & assigns have hold & Injoy ye whole of my Personal Estate of any Kind whatsoever Left at my sd wife marriage or Decease Exclusive of the one half of my household furniture viz^t Beds Bedings & meaning Inndoors furniture — all which Exclusive as afores^d I Give & Bequeath to my s^d Daughter Betty Davis & unto her heirs & assigns forever —

Item I Give & Bequeath unto my Loveing wife Abigail Davis the use & Improvement of one half of my homsted farm & Buildings In madbury afores^d, as also the use & Improvem^t of the one half of my household furniture husbandry Utencils & Live Stock viz^t Cattle horses sheep &° all which the one half thererof for her my s^d wife^s Improvement for her Support Dureing her Continueing my widow I hereby Bequeath her, & if she should marry again then the s^d Use & Improvement as afores^d of my s^d Personal Estate to return to my Daughter Betty Davis & unto her heirs & assigns forever — & my s^d wife to have hold & Injoy no more of my real or personal Estate then by Law will be allowed her as to widows Dower &° Excepting the one half of my household furniture viz^t Beds Beding &° or Indoors furniture so

Called, I hereby Bequeath to my s^d wife abigail Davis & unto her heirs & assigns forever which she is to take at her marriage & Equally Divided with my Daughter ye sd Betty Davis her heirs & assigns — I the Said Samuel Davis Jun^r Do hereby Constitute & appoint my Loveing wife Abigail Davis & my Brother In Law Nathaniel Davis of Madbury afores^d to be my Execurs of this my Last will & Testament to act Either together or Seperate — & my will is that my sd Execurs pay all my honest & Lawful Debts & that they See this my Last will fully & faithfully Perform^d In Every part thereof & that they Collect all & Singular any Debt or Debts Due to me — I the sd Samuel Davis Jun Do hereby revoke & utterly Disannul all & Every other former will & Testament by me In any ways made heretofore I hereby Ratifying & Confirming this & no other to be my Last will & Testament — In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & seal ve Day & year first above written

Samuel Davis Jun^r

[Witnesses] Daniel Meserve Juner, John Rines, John wingate. [Proved March 2, 1771.]

[Inventory, March 23, 1771; amount, £411. 16. 21/4; signed by John Wingate and Jeremiah Tibbetts.]

[Petition of Nathaniel Davis, executor, Jan. 25, 1775, for license to sell real estate.]

[Petition of Elihu Hayes, in the right of his wife, Betty Hayes, one of the heirs, Feb. 22, 1775, for notice of proceedings on the petition of Nathaniel Davis.]

[Caveat of Elihu Hayes, Nov. 19, 1776, against the allowance of the account of the executors without notice.]

ANDREW STOREY 1771

PORTSMOUTH

[Administration on the estate of Andrew Storey of Ports-

mouth, mariner, granted to Peter Hay of Portsmouth, mariner, Jan. 18, 1771.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 454.]

[Bond of Peter Hay, with Thomas Manning, mariner, and Samuel Hutchins, merchant, as sureties, all of Portsmouth, in the sum of £500, Jan. 18, 1771, for the administration of the estate; witness, Joseph Boyd.]

JOSHUA HAM

1771

DOVER

[Bond of Martha Ham, widow, and Otis Baker, with Ephraim Kimball and William Horne, yeomen, as sureties, all of Dover, in the sum of £500, Jan. 28, 1771, for the administration of the estate of Joshua Ham of Dover, yeoman; witnesses, Samuel Butler, Joseph Peaslee.]

[Citation to Martha Ham, Feb. 27, 1771, to appear and show cause why Ephraim Ham, oldest brother of the deceased, should not be joined with her in administration.]

[Warrant, April 15, 1771, authorizing Thomas Westbrook Waldron, Joseph Hanson, yeoman, and John Waldron, gentleman, all of Dover, to appraise the estate.]

[Inventory, April 23, 1771; amount, £764. 11. 4; signed by Joseph Hanson and John Waldron.]

[Warrant, Nov. 15, 1771, authorizing Joshua Wingate, gentleman, Nathaniel Ham, Caleb Hodgdon, John Waldron, 3d, and Joseph Hanson, yeomen, to divide the real estate among the widow, three brothers, and two sisters, next of kin.]

Province of New Hamps^r In the County of Rockingham

We the Subscribers being a Pointed by the Honorb¹ John Wentworth Esq^r Judge of Probate of wills in Said Province and for Said County to Divide the Rale Estate of Joshua Ham Late of Dover Decesd to his wid one third part and the other Tow thirds amongst his brothers and Sisters which we have Don as followeth viz —

To the wid Martha Ham Part of the homestead, begining att the barn twenty five feet from the East Corner of Said barn on the Southerly Side of Said barn Runing South Twenty Degrees East to Elifilit Coffins Land then by Said Coffins Land to Cochecho River So Cald then from the Notherly Side of Said barn begining att the westerly Side of the East Grat barn Dor Runing Noth Ten Degrees west to the Road then by Sd Road as it Runs to the aforesd River then Down Said River as it Runs to Coffins Land all the Land within these afores^d bounds with all the importinces and priviledges there on be the Same more or Less together with one Lower Rome in East Cornor of the Dwelling house and the Chember over the afores^d Rume and a previledge in the Cetchen to Do her house hold work in and a priviledge in the Culler and Dary acording to her Right in Said Estate and the Easterly eand of the barn as fare as the third Teer of Posts we Set of to the afores^d wi^d Martha for her third Part in the aforesd Estate —

To Epharam Ham Eleven acres Lying on the Southerly side of the Road that Leeds from Cochecho over the Isenglass River So Cald begining att the Easterly Cornor of the afores^d Epharam Hams other Land to Dodevah Hams Land Runing Easterly by the afores^d Dodevah Land Thirty Six Rods then Noth to Ruben Hayes Land Late of Dover Deces^d then westerly by Said Hayes Land to the afores^d Epharam other Land then by S^d Epharam Land to the first bounds all within these afores^d Epharam bounds more or Less we Set of to the afores^d Epharam together with one half of the Lower Rume in the Southerly Cornor of the Dwelling house and a priviledge in the Citchen and Suller acording to his Right in s^d house as his Right in the afores^d Estate —

To Elizabath Ham Thirteen acers begining by Dodevah Hams Land att the Easterly Cornor of the afores^d Epharam Eleven acres Runing Easterly by the afores^d Dodevah Land fifty

Tow Rods by the afores^d Dodevah Land then Noth Thirty four Rods then noth Seventy Seven Degrees west to Ruben Hayes Land Late of Dover Deces^d then westerly by the afores^d Rubens Land to the afores^d Epharam Eleven acres then by the S^d Eleven acres to the first bounds all the Land within these afores^d Elizabath bounds more or Less together with half of the Lower Rume in the South Cornor of the Dweling house we set of the afores^d Elizabath Ham —

To Aaron Ham foreteen acres begining by the Road on the ly side of Said Road fifteen Rods from the Notherly Cornor of Samuel Hams Land Runing South thirty five Degrees west to Dodavah Hams Land then westerly by the aforsd Dodavah Land to the aforesd annah thirteen acres then by the sd annah thirteen acres as it Runs to Ruben Hayes Land Late of Dover Decesd then Notherly by the aforesd Hayes Land to the Road then by Sd Road to the first bounds all the Land within these aforesd Aaron bounds more or Less together with a small Rome on the Lower flor in the Notherly Cornor of the Dwelling house and the back Chambers and Garrats in the aforesd house and a priviledge in the Citching and Suller in perpotion to his Right in Sd house and Two Days and a half in Every month in the Saw Mill now Standing on tole end falls so Cald we Sett of to the aforesd Aaron Ham as his Right in the aforesd Estate

To Moses Ham part of the homstead Twelve acres begining by the afores^d wi^d Martha Hams thirds South twenty Degrees East thirty one Rods from the Southerly Side of the barn Runing South Seventy Degrees west to the Road then Runing partly by the Road and partly by Epharam Hams Land to Eliphelit Coffons Land then by S^d Coffings Land to the afores^d wi^d Martha thirds then by S^d thirds to the first bounds more five acres Lying by the afores^d Aarons foreteen acres begining by the Road att the westerly Cornor of Samuel Hams Land Runing by S^d Road fifteen Rods to the aboves^d Aarons foreteen acres then by s^d Aarons Land South thirty five Degrees west to Dodavah Hams Land then Easterly by S^d Dodevah Land to Samuel Hams Land then

by S^d Samuel Land to the first bounds all the Land within these afores^d Moses bounds more or Less we set of to the afores^d Moses Ham together with one half of the Chamber in the Southerly Cornor of the Dwelling house and the west end of the barn as far as the middle of the westerly barn floor and a priviledge in the Chitchen and Culler acording to his Right in s^d house as his Right in the afores^d Estate

To Annah Ham Part of the homestead Eleven acres begining by the Road att the westerly Cornor of the aforesd Moses Twelve acres Runing Noth Seventy Degrees East by the afores^d Moses Land to the afores^d wi^d martha Thirds then Runing by the afores^d Thirds to the Road then Runing partly by S^d Road as it Runs and partly by Jonathan Hayes Land to the first bounds all with in these afores^d Elizabath [Anna] bounds more or less together with one half of the Chamber in the Southerly Cornor of the Dwelling house and a priviledge in the Citchen and Culler acording to her Right in Sd house and all the Remander part of the Barn that is not heartofore Dispos^d of we set of to the afores^d Annah Ham as her Right in the aforesd Estate — and as the afores^d Moses part of the barn stands on the afores^d Annah Land She is not to Debar him from pasing Repasing Transporting any thing to or in or from his part of Sd barn as Long as the Sd moses shall Keep his part of Said barn standing their and no Longer —

The afores^d wi^d Martha, Epharam, annah, Aaron, Moses and Elezabath is not to Debare one another from pasing Repasing Transporting any thing to or in or from there part of the afores^d Dwelling house as above Describ^d to them, as they may have occasion of, all which is Humbly Submited by us according to the best of our Judgment — Dover Novemb^r 27th 1771 —

Joshua Wingate
Caleb Hodgdon
Jos: Hanson

Committee

[Account of the administrators; receipts, £215. 7. 3; expenditures, £90. 11. $4\frac{1}{2}$; allowed Feb. 23, 1774.]

SAMUEL FOWLER, JR. 1771 HAMPTON FALLS

[Administration on the estate of Samuel Fowler, Jr., of Hampton Falls granted to Samuel Collins of Hampton Falls, yeoman, Jan. 30, 1771.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 478.]

To the Hon¹º John Wentworth Esq² Judge of Probate of Wills &c: for the Province of New Hamps²

Abigail Fowler of Seabrook widow & Relict of Samuel Fowler Jun^r Late of Hampton falls Deceas'd Represents that About ten years ago she intended to have Administred on her late Husbands Estate but by Reason that her father in Law had a life Estate therein and Sundry Other Difficulties The Bonds of Administration were not Signed nor any thing acted thereon and it appearing now necessary to have Said Estate Setled she Apprehends that the Settlement may be made by some Other Person to Greater Advantage & Satisfaction to all Concern'd than by her self who is wholly Unacquainted And Uncapable of Managing s^d affair And therefore Desires to give up her Right of Administration And that if it May be Agreeable M^r Samuel Collins may be Appointed Administrator

Seabrook Jany 27th 1771 —

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[Bond of Samuel Collins, yeoman, with Nathaniel Healey of Kensington and David Norton of Hampton Falls, yeomen, as sureties, in the sum of £500, Jan. 29, 1771, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, none.]

[Inventory, Feb. 14, 1771; amount, £76. 18. 0; signed by Abraham Dow and Winthrop Gove.]

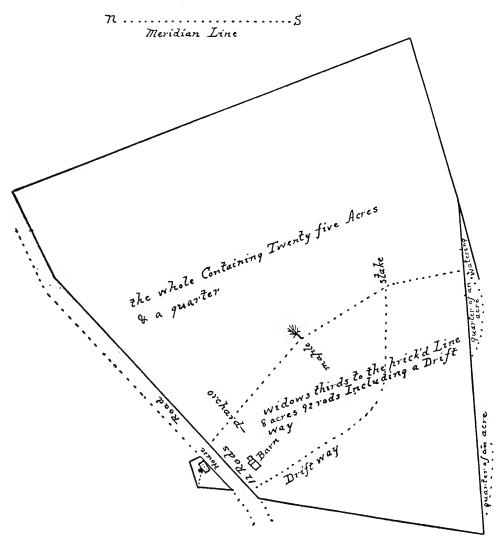
[Warrant, March 27, 1771, authorizing Abraham Dow, Winthrop Gove, both of Seabrook, and Jeremiah Lane of Hampton Falls, yeomen, to set off the widow's dower.]

Province of \ We being Authorized & Appointed by the New Hampsh^r Hon¹ John Wintworth Esq^r &c as a Committee to set off to Abigail Fowler widow & Relict of Samuel Fowler Iun^r Late of Hampton falls aforesaid yeoman Deceased Intestate her Right of Dower &c of the Estate of Said Sam¹ Fowler &c — Pursuant to which We have set of to Said widow for her third part as follows (viz) first of the House we have set off for her third part thereof the Easterly End Runing through the middle of the Chimney from the Entry in at the fore door & taking the whole of the Easterly back room together with the easterly fore room the Chamber over it and the southerly one third part of the Celler with Liberty of the improvment of the Cellar way as there shall be Occasion; with Reserving liberty for those who live in the other part of the house to improve the way into the Chamber as there shall be Occasion, & for her third part of the small piece of Land whereon said house stands, to begin at the middle of the house at the back Side & Running to the Northerly Corner of an out Cellar which is the northerly corner of Said piece of Land all to the Eastward of said line we have Set off to the said widow Containing about six square Rods as Represented by the foregoing Plan - Secondly of the Land on the South Side of the Road we have set off to said widow for her third part thereof the westerly End begining at the North westerly Corner by the Road & Runing by said Road Easterly twelve Rods to a stake & stones from thence South 50 Degrees East between the sixth & seventh Rows of apple trees to a small maple tree Spotted on four sides mark'd with W. B twenty one Rods, from thence South 30 Deg. East to stake & stones at the end of a stone wall Seventeen Rods then following said wall to the Edge of the cove or medow & following the bank by said Cove to Sam¹ Collens's fence all to the westward of said line as Represented by the prickd Line in the fore going Plan Reserving Liberty for the owners of the other two thirds of said Estate to pass & Repass to and from the Barn Standing thereon & to inprove their part of the same as there shall be Occasion & we have set off to the said widow for her

A Plan of the Istate of Sam! Fowler Jun Late of Hampton falls Deceased Intestate &c.

7" Jer Lane Surveyor

Laid down by a scale 10 Rods to one Inch



third part of the Barn the Easterly end thereof So far as to the floor place —

And this we make as our Return of our Doings Dated at Hampton falls April 16th 1771

Abraham Dow Winthrop Gove

[List of claims against the estate, Oct. 24, 1771; amount, £1013. 10. 3, of which £1000 is a "Bond being for the Support of the said Samuel the father and his wife the mother of said Deceas'd, who are both Still living and need Support"; signed by Meshech Weare and Winthrop Gove.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £44. 6. 0; expenditures, £25. 4. 6; allowed Nov. 25, 1771.]

JOHN TITCOMB

1771

DOVER

[Administration on the estate of John Titcomb of Dover granted to Sarah Titcomb, widow, Feb. 5, 1771.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 499.]

[Bond of Sarah Titcomb, with Moses Varney, tanner, and Jonathan Gage, husbandman, as sureties, all of Dover, in the sum of £500, Feb. 5, 1771, for the administration of the estate; witnesses, Timothy White, Thomas Cloutman.]

[Inventory, April 17, 1771; amount, £445. 6. $3\frac{1}{2}$; signed by Joseph Roberts and John Gage, Jr.]

[List of claims against the estate; amount, £947. 6. 2; signed by John Gage, Jr., and Joseph Roberts.]

[Settlement of claims; amount distributed, £185. 9. 2; allowed Sept., 1779.]

[Account of John Russell and his wife, Sarah Russell, for-

merly Sarah Titcomb, administratrix; receipts, £374. 16. 3; expenditures, £189. 7. 3. 1¼; mentioned "Allowance for a Negro Inventoried & died £20. 0. 0"; allowed Sept. 27, 1779; signed by John Russell and Sarah Russell.]

STEPHEN VARNEY

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DOVER

In the Name of God Amen the Second Day of March Anno Domini one thousand Seven Hundred & Seventy one I Stephen Varney of Dover in the Province of New Hampshire in New England Husbandman being in a weak & Declining State of body * * *

Item I Give & bequeath to my well beloved Wife Mercy a yoke of four year old steers six sheep & one swine to be at her own disposal forever also one fourth Part of the yearly Income of my Homestead Estate to be housed free of Charge Viz Corn hay Cyder roots & fruits of all sorts Pasturing for one Horse two Cows six sheep & the Increase of the sheep the following Sum'er fire wood for one fire Cutt up at the Door all my Household goods Any two Rooms in my dwelling house she shall choose & Convenient Room in the barn for her Hay & Cattle During her remaining my Widow & No longer but In lieu thereof one third of my Said farm afterwards During her Life

Item I Give & Bequeath to my Well beloved Sons Stephen Varney Nathan Varney & Daniel Varney & to Each of their Heirs & assigns forever Equaly Divided between them all my right in Easttown (So Called) adjoyning to Salmon fall River not heretofore disposed of all my right in the Estate of my Hond Father Ebenezer Varney Deceased Either in Dover or Rochester & any other Lands I have or ought to have in Said Dover in Possession of my brother John Varney also seven pounds ten shillings lawful mony & three Quarters of my wearing apparrell which together with what I have heretofore given them is to be for their full shares of my Estate

Item I Give & bequeath to my well beloved Son Moses Varney five shillings lawful mony which with what I have heretofore given him is to be for his full share of my Estate

Item I Give & bequeath to my well beloved son Joshua Varney five shillings lawful mony & one fourth part of my wearing apparrell which with what I have heretofore given him is to be for his full share of my Estate

Item I Give & bequeath to my Well beloved Daughters Mercy Damm & Judith Hoag all my Household Furniture of Every Sort & Kind Imediatly after the Decease of their mother to whom I have given the use of it During her Natural life which Said Household furniture together with what I have heretofore given them (is hereby Equaly Divided between them &) is for Each of their full shares of my Estate

Item I Give & bequeath out of my homestead half an acre of land in a Square Peice (where two children are already buried) to all my children as a family burying Place also free Egress & Regress thereto as Well as through my said Homestead as they may have occasion where the Path or Paths now are used

Item I give & bequeath to my well beloved Son Aaron Varney a comfortable maintainance both in Health & Sickness & a decent Burial out of the Incomes of my Homestead Estate at the discretion of my Executors my will & meaning is that my Said Son Aaron shall live & labour with them & be by them maintained & treated as he used to be in my life time by my self

Item I Give & bequeath to my well beloved Sons Tobias Varney & Joseph Varney & to their Heirs & Assigns forever Equaly Divided between them all my Estate Real Personal or mix'd In the town of Dover or Else where not heretofore Disposed of in this Will

Lastly I Constitute ordain & appoint my said sons Tobias & Joseph Executors of this my last will & testament who are to pay all the mony Legacies therein mentioned in Six months after my decease & to perform all things for their mother in this will to be Done for her & at her Death to give her a Decent burial & I Do

hereby Revoke Disanull & Disallow all & Every Testament by me heretofore made Ratifying & confirming this & no other to be my last will & testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal the Day & year first before Written

> his Stephen × Varney mark

[Witnesses] Sarah Kimball, Ephm Kimball, Thos Wk Waldron. [Proved March —, 1771.]

JAMES GORDON

1771

BOSTON, MASS.

[Bond of William Gordon of Dunstable, Mass., merchant, with Jonathan Lovewell and Joseph French, both of Dunstable, N. H., as sureties, in the sum of £1000, March 11, 1771, for the administration of the estate of James Gordon of Boston, Mass., merchant; witnesses, Daniel Warner, Benoni Jewell, James Johnston.]

[Inventory of property in New Hampshire, March 13, 1771; lands in Dunstable, Litchfield, Merrimack, Peterborough, and Monson, £740. o. o; signed by Thomas Butterfield, James Underwood, Noah Lovewell, Samuel Roby, and Robert Fletcher.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £19. 3. 7, cash; expenditures, £43. 15. 9.]

[Warrant, March 11, 1771, authorizing Robert Fletcher, gentleman, Samuel Roby, Thomas Butterfield, Noah Lovewell, yeomen, all of Dunstable, and James Underwood of Litchfield, to divide the real estate, two thirds to William Gordon, oldest son, and one third to Ann, wife of William Martin of Boston, Mass., gentleman, daughter of the deceased.]

Province of Pursuant to the annexed Warrant we the New Hamp^r Com'itee therein mentioned Have Divided

and Set off to William the Eldest Son Therein Mentioned The Following Tracts of Land (viz.) One Thousand And Twenty Acres of Land & medow in Dunstable Bot of Lovewell & others — also about Fiffty Acres Bo^t of Lances administ^{rs} where Gipson now Lives in Dunstable afores^d and Ninety acres of Land in the Town of Merrimac Bot of John Usher and Sixty acres of Land in sd Merrimac Bot of one Cleland, and Seven Hundred and fifty acres in Petersboro Bot of John Fowle and One Hundred acres in sd Petersboro Bot of Mr Johnston and foure Hundred and forty acres in Litchfield Bot of Saml Boyd it being Two Thirds of the whole of the sd Intestates Estate there mentioned — We Have also Divided and set off To Ann the wife of William Martyn of Boston Gent The Following Tracts of Land (viz) One Hundred and nine Acres of Land Bot of John Bell and forty Nine acres Bot of Jabez Davis and forty acres Bot of Wm Clure The sd Three Tracts laying in Dunstable & Hollis Also Two Hundred and four Acres in Litchfield Bot of Campbel & Clark also Eighty Six Acres Laying in Merrimac Bot of John Usher and Three Hundred and fifty six acres Bot of Lancy and Mordoah in the Town Lately Call^d Monson as one Full Third part of the whole of said Estate Shewn to us by the Administrator in order to Divide — There being Five Hundred Acres in Dunstable Call^d Artillery Farm is under Mortgage & not Divided, & Sixty acres in Plimouth Bot of Ephraim Lund the Title being verrey Doutful it is not Apprised or Divided —

Dunstable March 25th 1773

Rob^t Fletcher Sam¹¹ Roby Tho^s Butterfield Noah Lovewell

Rockingham ss To the Hon^{ble} John Sherburne Esq^{*} Judge of the Probate of Wills &c for the County of Rockingham

Humbly shews William Martin of Boston within the County of Suffolk & Province of the Massachusetts Bay Esqr that James

Gordon late of Boston aforesaid Mercht dec'd intestate & that he left two Children viz^t William Gordon who administered upon the Estate of the said deceased within the Province of New Hampshire & Anne whom your petitioner married & that one third part of both real & personal Estate belonged unto your Petitioner in the right of his said wife & that afterwards viz^t on the 11th day of March 1771 the late Judge of Probate issued his Warrant to divide the real Estate of said dec^d of which return was not made into the office of said Probate Court untill upwards of two years afterwards which said return your petitioner prays may be set aside & not confirmed by your honor for the following reasons — Vizt — 1st because the warrant issued in an uncommon & as your Petitioner supposes illegal manner. 2^{dly} because the Dividers were not all sworn by the Judge of Probate as your Petitioner supposes ought to have been done. 3^{dly} because the division is manifestly unequal & unjust all which your Petitioner is ready to Prove wherefore he prays a new Warrant may issue in order that a more equal & just division may take place —

Dated at Portsmouth the 2^d day of May 1774. —

Will^m Martin by his attorney John Sparhawk

Agreed by the Parties that Major Martyn may have Liberty paying the Cost to have a new Division & that Edward Goldstone Lutwyche Rob^t Fletcher John Shepperd Jun^r Samuel Blodget & Benj^a Whiting Esq^r be a Committee for that purpose

ELIAS MERRILL

1771

STRATHAM

[Administration on the estate of Elias Merrill of Stratham, yeoman, granted to Jonathan Robinson, Jr., March 19, 1771.]
[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 499.]

[Bond of Jonathan Robinson, Jr., with John Piper and Jon-

athan Piper, Jr., as sureties, all of Stratham, in the sum of £500, March 19, 1771, for the administration of the estate; witness, John Boyd.]

[Inventory, March 3, 1771; amount, £18. 3. 9; not signed; filed March 27, 1771.]

[List of claims against the estate, Jan. 29, 1772; amount, £6. 9. 0. 2; signed by Samuel Lane and Mark Wiggin.]

[Account of the administrator; receipts, £15. 6. 3; expenditures, £13. 9. 0; mentions a widow; allowed Jan. 29, 1772.]

BENJAMIN CONNOR 1771

[Administration on the estate of Benjamin Connor granted to John Connor March 27, 1771.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 535.]

JAMES THOMPSON 1771

[Administration on the estate of James Thompson granted to James Thompson April 24, 1771.]

[Probate Records, vol. 26, p. 535.]

JOHN ROWELL

1771

SALEM

[Warrant, Aug. 13, 1771, authorizing Jonathan Wheeler, gentleman, and Robert Young, yeoman, both of Salem, to appraise the estate of John Rowell of Salem, yeoman, of which Timothy Bedel is administrator.]

[Inventory, attested Nov. 4, 1771; amount, £69. 16. 7; signed by Jonathan Wheeler and Robert Young.]

JAMES MOORE

1773

PEMBROKE

We the subscribers Heirs to the Estate of James Moor late of Pembroke Deceased are Desirous that the Estate should be settled in the following manner viz. The home place and a part of a lot known by the name of the School Lot, to be settled on Robert Moor and the Remainder of the afore mentioned School Lot together with a Certain tract of Land purchased of mr Ephraim Blunt Laying on the west side of the main Road leading from Pembroke to Concord to be settled on John Moor, And the Personal and movable Estate Excepting our Mothers thirds, to be equally Divided among us Willm Moor, John Moor, Daniel Moor, James Moore, Ephraim Moor, Mary Kelsey, & Hannah Foster. The above is our Desire, together with the Desire of our Mother, that our Brother Robert Moore should Be Administrator

March 15th 1773

Agness Moor widow William Moor John Moor James Moor Ephraim Moor Daniel Moor Ephraim Foster Robert Kellse

APPENDIX

PAUL GERRISH

1764

MADBURY

Province of At his Majesty's Inferiour Court of Com-New Hampshire mon Pleas holden in Portsmouth in & for said Province of New Hampshire on the first Tuesday in Sept^r in the third Year of his Majesty's Reign A D 1763.

Jonathan Gerrish of Dover in the Province of New Hampshire Gentleman Plaintiff — Against Paul Gerrish of Madbury Gent. Moses Carr of Somersworth Physician & Mary his wife, John Wood of Dover Gent. & Elizabeth his wife and Samuel Gerrish of said Dover Esq^r all in the Province aforesaid Defendants. The said Carr & Wood in the rights of their respective wives, In an action of Deforcement wherein the Pla^t Complains against the Def^{ts} That they had Deforced him of his part of the Inheritance which belongs to him as Descending from Paul Gerrish Late of Dover Esq^r his Father Deceased —

The said Parties Appearing Mutually Agreed to Referr this Case and all their Several & mutual Claims & Demands on each other severally, and for & against any of them Jointly Respecting & Concerning the Estate of the said Paul Gerrish Esq^r Deceas'd To the Judgment & Determination of Meshech Weare of Hampton Falls Esq^r Peter Gilman of Exeter Esq^r & Andrew Clarkson of Portsmouth Merchant all in said Province Who are to make a Final Settlement & Adjustment of the whole Real & Personal Estate of said Deceas'd among the Respective Parties & Persons aforesaid according to Justice & Equity, and according to their respective Rights, Considering as well what Each has receiv'd thereof as their Subsisting Claim & Right. Report of said Referrees or any two of them being made to this Court as soon as may be and Judgment Entered thereon shall be Final & Conclusive between the said Persons Respectively and Execution shall Issue accordingly — And Meshech Weare Esq. is appointed Chairman.

A True Copy Att^t

H Wentworth Clk

Province of New Hampshire September 4th 1765 —

Pursuant to the annexed Rule of Reference the Referees have met and fully heard and Considered what all the Parties concerned had to Offer, and have made a Division & Settlement of the Estate of the said Paul Gerrish Esq[‡] Deceas'd and do make Our Report as follows —

In the first place we have made Provision and taken proper Security for Satisfying the Claims which appeared to us yet to remain Due from said Estate, And what Estate afterwards Remaned we have Divided to and among the several Heirs according to their several & Respective Rights and Interest in said Estate upon a Due Adjustment of all Accompts between them as follows Viz^t —

We have Set off to the Heirs of Paul Gerrish Deceas'd who was the Eldest Son of the said Paul Gerrish Esq^r a Tract of Land in Madbury where he lately Lived with the Buildings thereon Containing about Forty Eight Acres being the whole of a Sixty acre Grant there Laid out except twelve Acres at the Northerly End which we have set off to Jonathan Gerrish as aftermentioned.

Also as the said Paul the Son formerly Sold half a Right or Proprietors share in the Township of Gilmantown which belonged to his said father's Estate, we have Considered that as part of his Share so that the other heirs hereafter shall have no Claim or Interest therein. Also we have set to said Paul's heirs the Priviledge of the Falls where their Mills now are —

Also we have set off to Elizabeth the Wife of Mr John Wood half an acre of Land part of the Homestead in the Northwesterly corner thereof with a small dwelling House thereon, said half acre is bounded as follows vizt Begining at the Northwesterly Corner of said Homestead by the Road which Leads from Dover Meeting house over the Neck so called, thence runing Southerly by said Road five Rods, thence runing North Seventy four Degrees East Twelve Rods to a Stake, then North Twenty seven Degrees West Eight Rods to a high way, then Westerly by said

way to the corner first mentioned. Also we have set off to the said Elizabeth One other parcell of Land part of the said Homestead Containing Five Acres and One Hundred forty three Rods bounded as follows, begining by the aforesaid Road at the Southwesterly Corner of a piece of Land part of the said Homestead set off to Samuel Gerrish, thence runing Southerly by said Road to the Southwesterly Corner of said Homestead, then North fifty four Degrees East by Land of others Thirty two Rods to a White Oak Bush spotted, then North Twenty seven Degrees West across the farm to the aforesaid high way to a Stake standing ten rods Westerly of Eastes's Barn, then Westerly by said Way untill it comes to the North Easterly corner of a part set off to Samuel as hereafter described, then by said part set to Samuel South Twenty seven Degrees East Twenty one Rods to a Stake, then South Sixty degrees West by said part to the Road where it began.

Also as John Wood husband of the said Elizabeth formerly Sold one half of a Right or Proprietors share in the Township of Bow belonging to said Estate for which he has not accompted, we have considered that as part of said Elizabeth's Share so that the other heirs hereafter shall have no Claim or Interest therein—

Also we have set off to the said Elizabeth a small Building erected by her husband at the Easterly End of the mansion house which Building as it stands on a part we have set off to Samuel Gerrish is to be removed off from the same within four months otherwise said Elizabeth to Loose her Right therein —

Also we have set off to said Elizabeth's part a Priviledge of Coming to the Well near the mansion House which is in the part set off to Samuel for Drawing Water as there shall be occasion: Also the Improvement for three months of the Easterly half of the Mansion House, after which time the whole mansion house will belong to Samuel.

Also we have set off to Samuel Gerrish a piece of Land part of the Homestead Containing One Acre and one hundred & forty Rods with the Mansion House & Barn thereon Excepting the Priviledge of Coming to the Well and Living in the House for three months allow'd to Elizabeth as above mentioned; Said piece of Land is bounded as follows viz^t Begining by the Road at Southwesterly Corner of the half acre set off to Elizabeth as abovementioned, thence runing Southerly by said Road Sixteen Rods to a Stake, thence North Sixty degrees East Eighteen Rods to a stake, then North twenty seven degrees West twenty one Rods to the aforesaid highway, then Westerly by said highway to the half acre above mentioned, then by said half acre to the Road where it began. Also we have set off to said Samuel the Priviledge of the Falls on Bellamys Bank River where his Grist Mill now is.

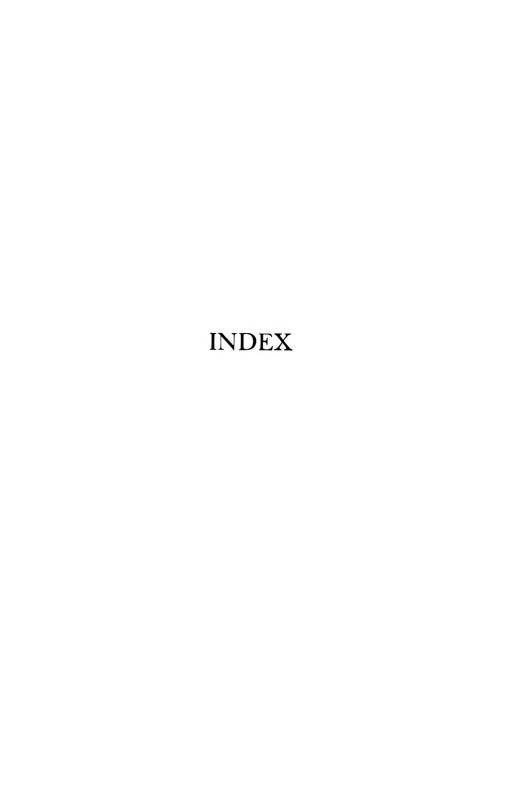
Also we have set off to Mary the wife of Doc^r Moses Carr One whole Original Right in the Township of Rochester Except the home Lot; which was the Original Right of the said Paul Gerrish Esq^r. Also we have set off to the said Mary and to Jonathan Gerrish Equally between them, Each to have one half of a Piece of Pasture Ground containing Eight Acres & a half lying on the Northerly side of Bellamys Bank River upon the Road Leading from Dover to Durham, said Piece of Land to be Equally Divided as to quantity and Quality between the said Mary and Jonathan.

Also we have set off to Jonathan Gerrish a Piece of Land part of the homestead Containing fourteen Acres & one quarter of an acre Bounding Westerly by a Part set off to Elizabeth as above mentioned Notherly by a highway to Eastes's Barn ten Rods And on the other sides by Lands of other persons. Also we have set off to the said Jonathan Twelve acres of Land in Madbury at the Northerly End of the Sixty acre Grant the remainder of which is Set off to the heirs of Paul Gerrish Deceas'd — Also Ten Acres of Common Right so called which remains undisposed of belonging to said Estate — Also a Priviledge in the Falls called the Hook falls in Bellamys Bank River the whole of that place that belonged to said Estate —

And further we do Report that if any Claims hereafter appear to be Satisfied Out of said Estate that the several Heirs above-mentioned are to Satisfy the same according to their Respective Shares that is to Say, the heirs of Paul Two Shares and each of the others a Single Share. And if any further Estate appears it is to be divided in the same manner. And what Apples are Growing on the homestead the present Year are to be Equally Divided between Samuel Gerrish & Elizabeth Wood, and each to take the Crops they have Raised of other Things; The Fences as now standing to remain to each part as above set off. The Cost of Reference is Paid and for the Cost of Court Each Party to pay their own Cost.

Meshech Weare Peter Gilman

A True Copy att^t H Wentworth Cle^r [See vol. 8, p. 20.]





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