

The charge of my long sicknesse, I thereby being disenabled to make bargaines as I was wont for the vpholding of my estate, I finde my estate thereby, and by other meanes soe weakned, that the due care of my three youngest children's education compelleth mee to reuoake & detract a 6th part of what I had giuen to mine other children & grand childⁿ out of my will, & settle it vpon my three younger childⁿ, I do therefore recall from my other childⁿ a 6th part out of euery share w^{ch} by my will I had formerly giuen them. And I giue the said 6th parts to my said three youngest children. Witness my hand to this Schedule also. Witness, *Samuel Danforth*, who wrot this, as *Mr. Dudley* dictated to me by his direction, this 8th day of July, 1653. THO: DUDLEY.

My three youngest childⁿ shalbe rateably charged for what is here giuen them to my daughter *Sarah Pacy*, as the others are.

Tho: Dudley

Mr. John Johnson, on the 15th of August, 1653, appeered before the Magistrates, & did on his oath present this as the last will of *Tho: Dudley*, late of Roxbury, Esqr. w^{ch} was found in the chest of the said THOMAS DUDLEY, p^{re}sently after his decease, vnder locke & key.

Edw. Rawson, Recorder.

The magistrates did allow & approue of this will with the schedules annexed. Present, *Richard Bellingham*, Esq. *Mr. Nowell*, & *Mr. Hibbins*.

Edw. Rawson, Recorder.

JAMES BATE,

Elder, of Dorchester in New England, 22^d day of the ninth month called November, 1655, giue vnto my Sonne M^r *Richard Bate* of Lid Towne in Kent in Old England, all my Lands, moveable goods & debts y^t I now haue or hereafter may haue in Old or New England, to be disposed of by him, according to his discretion; yet desirous y^t he would attend vnto such directions thereabout, as I shall send in writing, vnless I shall See ground & reason afterwards to alter the said directions in any of the pticulars thereof. Said Sonne whome I haue all wayes found faithfull, my sole Executo^r.

Subscribed as well as he in y^e want of his bodily sight could write in ye p^{re}sence of *Gabrell Mead* & m^r *Robt Howard*, Not^{ary} pub^{lic}.

JAMES BATE.

Codicil—Sonne *James Bate* shalbe joyned Executo^r with Sonne *Richard*, only for this purpose, that, sonne *James* may receiue such debts as are owing vnto me in N. England, also to Sell such Lands & goods as I haue, excepting what is mentioned in my directions, to be giuen vnto my Grand child *James ffoster*, provided he doth make a true Inventory y^{of}, and convey y^e said Estate vnto my said Sonne *Richard*.

26th Nov. 1655

JAMES BATE the Elder,

Robt Howard deposed to the above, 14 Jan 1655.

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Roger Clap, aged forty sixe yeares or thereabouts, saith—he being w^{it} m^r *James Bate* to visete him in his sicknes,—he intreated him to take

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some wittnes with himselfe, that it was his will his daughter *Gibson* haue tenn pounds for hir owne vse & at hir disposing, & not to her husbands; the said *Roger* said to m^r *Bate*, if you haue any written will, it must be added thereto, he replied with earnestness y^t he would haue done.

Edw^d Roger & Nicho Olapp—haue all three taken their Oathes to the truth of the Testimony—written 17: 11th mo. before me, 22 Jan. 1655.

Jo: Endecott, Gov^r

I *Jas Bate* testify,—I heard my father *Bate* say the Sabbath day before he dyed, y^t he would giue vnto his dau. *Margret Gibson* tenn pounds—at her disposing, & not at her husbands, which he said he would add vnto his written will. *James Bate* came before me, 19: 11^{mo} caled Jan^r 1655, and took oath to the truth of the p^rmises.

Jo Endecott, Gov^r

Know That whereas I *James Bate* the Elder haue made a will,—22^d 9^{mo} 1655, wherein I make son *Rich^d* Sole Execut^r expressing in Said will further direction, in writing to be given vnto him—as followeth, vdzit.—he to giue vnto sonne *James* three children *Sam^l Alice & Mary*, £100 a piece, when one & twenty yeares of age; son *James* to haue the profit of sd portions, vntill then for & towards their bringing vp; in case he doth goe with his family to Liue in Eng. Also sonne *James* putt in good security to pay said £300. my house, Orchard & three Acres of planting Land adjoyning with the meadow, also adjoyning, on y^e back of said dwellinghouse, in Dorchester, New England, I giue vnto *James ffoster*, his Grandchild provided y^t dear wife *Alice Bate* haue her maintenance out of said house &c. Also I will m^r *Mather* Teacher of the church of Dorchester haue £20 and y^e now wife of *Gabriell Mead* £20. These directions bearing date with said will.

JAMES BATE y^e Elder
A a marks

Rob^t Howard No^v pub.

14 Jan 1655 deposed by *Rob^t Howard*.

W^m DAVIS.

W^m Davis, seaman—giue *Isaac Colemore* of Boston all to me belonging—only to *Henery Tite* my pistoll, what debts I doe owe be paid out of my Estate.—14 Sep. 1655.

WILLIAM DAVIS.

Witness *Nath^l Williams*

Marke of I δ *John Sanders*.

10: 9: 1655 *Nath^l Williams & Jno Sanders* deposed before Court, that this schedule was the true mind of *W^m Davis*.

10: 9: 55. Power of Administration graunted to *Isaac Cullemore*.

TIMOTHY JONES.

11: 10^{mo} 1655—*Timothy Jones* of Dorchester—appoint *John Kingsley* of Dorchester & *W^m Robinson* of same towne executors; they shall dispose of what is mjne for the best good of my wife & child;—vnto wife third p^t of all I haue here or in England, my son to haue the rest.—Executors sell Land to the paying wife her Legacy & the keeping of my child. If father *Kingsley* desire to buy any of my Land *W^m Robinson* shall choose two men to judge the value of it—he paying for it as much as another would doe.

TIMOTHY JONES (his marks)

Witness his marks
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Rob^t Spurr

Thomas Pearse

8 Jan 1655 *Rob^t Spurr & Thos Pearse*
deposed that this was the Last will
of TIMOTHY JONES.