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In the Name of God Amen, the fourteenth Day of
January 1730/31. I Eleb Buffum of Salem in the County
of Essex in New England Husbandman being weak in
Body but of perfect mind and memory Thanks be given
unto God, Therefore calling to mind the mortality of my
Body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once
to dye, Do make and Ordain this my last Will & Testa-
ment, and do give, Dispose and Dispose of the worldly
Estate where with it hath pleased God to bless me, in the
Following manner and form

Item I will Meet my Debts and Funerall Charges shall be paid
by my Executors hereafter named out of my Personal
Estate, and the Remainder of my moveable Estate I
give to be Divided equally into Six parts or Shares *viz:*
to my Grand Children of Children of my Son Eleb Buffum
deceased one Share, to my Son Robert Buffum one Share
to 4 Children of my Son Jonathan de. one Share, to my Son
Benj^r Buffum one Share, to my Daughter Hannah Toborn
one Share, to my Daughter Thomas's Southwick one Share
Item I give and bequeath to my Grandson Eleb Buffum the
Son of my Son Eleb, and to his Heirs & assigns for ever, the
House and Land that I purchased of Keen's near Priest when
his Mother now dwells, but in Case my said Grandson shall
Dy before he comes of Age ~~or is dead~~ ^{or is dead} ~~my Will~~ of my Will
is that his Brother Joshua shall have the said Estate to be to
him his Heirs and assigns for ever, but my Will is that
Mary my Son Eleb Buffum's Widow shall live in the
said House of the Six Years long as she shall continue
my Son's Widow.

Item I give to my Grandson Jonathan Buffum & Son of my son
Joshua Buffum deceased and to his Heirs & assigns for ever
part of my Homestead, consisting of my Dwelling House and Barn
within & bound hereafter mentioned namely of y^e main Street betw
Tobes & Five feet 7^e 1/2 betw upon Joshua Buffum by y^e Sole & his Heir for
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