

Will & Estate Inventory of Nathaniel Tilden, the Immigrant

In the Name of God Amen the five and twentyeth Day of May Anno Dni 1641 I Nathaniell Tilden of Scittuate of New England wthin America gen being sick and weake of body but of good and prfect remembrance (thanks be given to God therefore) Do make ordaine and appoynt this my last will and testament in manner and forme as followeth. And first I will and bequeath my soul into the hands of Almighty God my creator and maker, and to Jesus Christ my redeemer by whose death and merits onely I hope to obtaine everlasting salvation, and my body to be conveyed unto the earth from whence it was taken, at the place where it shall please God to put an end unto my Dayes. And as concerneing my worldly goods and estate wherewth it hath pleased God to blesse me I will give and bequeath in manner and forme as followeth. And first I will give & bequeath unto Lidea my welbeloved wyfe all her weareing apparell both linnen and wollen, also one bed furnished wch shee shall please to take also the greate trunck, also I give unto my said wyfe three paire of sheetes and two paire of pillowcoates wch shee shall please to take, one long table cloth one square table cloth one dosen of middle napkins and half a dosen of other napkins two long towells twelve peeces of pewter wch shee shall please to choose, and of wodden vessells so many as shee shall thinke to be convenient for her use also three silver spoones & two of my best cusheons, also I give unto mysaid wyfe one peece of white fusteon wch shee shall please to take, also my two cloakes, also tenn bushells of Corne, five of English and five of Indian, also my will is that shee shall have the whole prfitt of my whitefaced cow and the calves and prfitt wch shall come of her During the tyme of her naturall life, to be mayntained and kept for her by mine Executor hereafter menconed. Also my will is that my said wyfe shall have and enjoy the prfitts of one house and the lands thereunto belonging wherein one Richard Lambert now Dwelleth being in the prish of Tenterden in Kent in old England During the terme of her naturall life, after the Decease of the said Richard Lambert Item my mynd and will is that my two yeongest children I idea & Steeven shalbe mayntayned both for meate drink apparell & lodging by myne Executor hereafter mentioned yet so as my aforesaid wyfe shall have the education and Disposeing of them All the residue of my goods my will and mynd is shalbe Disposed of in manner and forme as followeth. And first I will and bequeath unto my sonn Joseph A Double portion (vizt) asmuch more as my other sonnes, that is asmuch as both my other sonnes Thomas and Steeven equally to be divided out of my lands and goods Itm my will is that my yeongest daughter Lidea Lydea shall have half asmuch as one of my yeonger sonnes Thomas and Steeven Item I will unto my Daughter Judet one Cow Item

I will and bequeath unto Mary my Daughter the wyfe of Thomas Lapham tenn shillings of lawfull money of England also to Sara my Daughter the wyfe of Georg Sutton tenn shillings of lawfull money of England, to be payd to either of them wthin one yeare next after my Decease by mine Executor Item I will & appoynt that my two servants Edward Ginkins and Edward Tarte shall serve up the remaynder of their tyme of service wch by covenant is Due unto me wth my sonn Joseph Itm my mynd and will is that my sonn Joseph shall prvide for his two brothers Thomas and Steeven for either of them half so much stock as his owne, and for his yeongest sister Lidea one quarter asmuch as his owne, and that this their stock shalbe kept upon the lands given unto them as is before specyfyed untill such tyme as the said lands shalbe sould or hyred out. Item I will and appoynt my welbeloved sonn Joseph to be sole and whole Executor unto this my last will and testament In witnes whereof I thabove named Nathaniell Tilden have hereunto set my hand and seale Dated the Day and yeare first above written,

Sealed and Delivred as the last Will & Nathaniell Tilden

testament of me Nathaniell Tilden (his seale)

in the prsence of

Symon Sutton his mark

Thomas Hatch.

My mynd and will is that my welbeloved sonne Joseph Tilden shall have full power and authorytie to sell my house wth all the buildings thereunto belonging and also all my lands scittuate and being in Scittuate & Tenterden all wch lands I give him power to sell or to dispose of at his pleasure, whom I make my whole and sole Executor of this my last will and testament In witnes whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seale Dated the five and twentieth Day of May 1641

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Inventory

[fol. 38] An Inventorie of the goods and chattells of Nathaniell Tilden late of Scittuate in New England in America gen Deceased made & prized the xxxith Day of July 1641 by us whose names are hereunder written:

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Inprimis in the Hall one table one forme & chaires 00 . 12 . 00

It one booke of martirs one great bible Calvins in

stucons wilson on the romans 3 of mr Downams 3

of Dotr Prestons Dod upon the Comaundnts Sibbs 05 . 00 . 00

upon the covenant 3 of Doctr Stortons mr Dikes

works & thirty other bookes

It 1 muskett 1 sword & birding peece 01 . 00 . 00

It in the Inner roome 1 bed furnished 23 . 00 . 00

It 3 pair of sheets two pair of pillowcoats 1 duzn & half }

of napkins two table cloaths two towells } 03 . 00 . 00

It 1 peece of fusteon 00 . 14 . 00

It xii peece of pewter 00 . 12 . 00

It iii silver spoones 00 . 15 . 00

It two cloakes 02 . 00 . 00

It 1 truncke 00 . 06 . 08

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It in the hall chamber 1 bed furnished 03 . 00 . 00

It three chests 00 . 14 . 00

It in the Inner chamber one flock bed furnished 01 . 10 . 00

It three chests 00 . 06 . 00

It 1 smale paire of brand Irons 00 . 02 . 06

It i old case of bottells 00 . 03 . 00

It 2 old flock beds two bouldsters three Bankets & a pillow 02 . 00 . 00

It in the servants chambers two beds furnished 02 . 00 . 00

It ix paire of sheets 02 . 10 . 00

It vi paire of pillow coats 00 . 15 . 00

It vii table cloathes 00 . 16 . 00

It iii duzen & three napkins 01 . 00 . 00

It v Towells 00 . 10 . 00

It iiii old table cloths & other old linnen 00 . 02 . 00

It x silver spoones 0* . 00 . 00

It six pcells of fusteon 03 . 18 . 00

It the rest of his weareing apparell 05 . 10 . 00

It a pillion & a pillion cloth 00 . 09 . 00

It six cusheons 03 . 10 . 00

It the rest of the pewter 05 . 00 . 00

It the bras 00 . 14 . 00

It the irons belonging to the chimney 00 . 14 . 00

It iii iron potts 00 . 10 . 00

It ii frying pars & a dripping pan 00 . 10 . 00

It scales and weights 00 . 12 . 00

It i grindle stone 00 . 14 . 00

It i one Jacke 00 . 14 . 00

It brewing vessells & milk vessells & beere vessells }

kneading troughs & other tubbs 05 . 00 . 00

It certaine spruce boards 01 . 10 . 02

It other smale things necessary about the house 00 . 10 . 00

It all the Iron things and workeing tools belonging to husbandry 03 . 10 . 00

It the Cart & all things belonging to yt & a set of harrow } 03 . 06 . 08

tynes

It two oxen two bulls two steeres i yeareling one Cow 50 00 00

and a calfe

It ii hoggs and foure piggs 07 . 00 . 00

It foules about the house 00 . 13 . 00

It tenn stocks & swarmes of bees 10 . 00 . 00

It fishing netts 01 . 00 . 00

It powder & shott 01 . 06 . 04

It Indean corn in the house about 37 busahells half of } 07 . 00 . 00

3 bushells of sumer wheate i bushell and a half of }

peas & about one bushell & half of mault }

It xiiii acres of Corne on the ground 30 . 00 . 00

It in Debts hopefull & Desprate 27 . 00 . 00

Prized as abovesd by us

Willm Vassall Thomas Chambers Willm Hatch

- This is either 02 or 03.