



### The Last Will and Testament of John Jenney

"The last Will and Testament of John Jenney of Plymouth gent lately Deceased exhibited to the genrall Court the fift of June in the xxth year of the now Raigne of our sovraigne Lord charles Kinge of England &c.

I John jenney of new Plymouth in New England being sick and weake in body but through Gods speciall goodnes in pfect memorie Do thinke meete to settle that estate the Lord in mercy hath bestowed on me according as I conceive hee requireth at myhands. And therefore Do ordaine this my last will and testament. And therefore having bequeathed my soule to God that gave it and my body to the earth whereof it s I do give unto my eldest sonne Samuell jenney a Double porcon of all those lands I stand possessed of or have right unto wthin the goverment of new Plymouth my will being pformed next of all I give unto Sarah my loveing wyfe whom I ordaine my Executrix my Dwelling house and Mille adjacent together wth all the lands thereunto belonging, my will being that shee freely and fully enjoy it together wth all other my moveables goods and chattells so long as God shalve pleased to continue her life except such as I shall after Dispose of or shee shall willingly and freely part wth to any our children according to my will and Desire Alsoe whereas Abigaile my eldest Daughter had somewhat given her by her grandmother and Henry Wood of Plymouth aforesaid is a sute to her in way of marriage my will is that if shee the said Abigaile will Dwell one full yeare wth mr Charles chauncey of Scittuate before her marriage (pvided he be willing to entertaine her) that then mys aid Daughter Abigall have two of my coves and my full consent to marry wth the said Henry Wood And in case ms Chauncey be against it then I would have her dwell wth mrs winslowe of Careswell the said terme of one yeare ffurther as I have given to my eldest sonn Samuell a double porcon of all my lands whatsoever after the death of his said mother so also I give him a double porcon of my whole estate wth the rest of my children vizt John Abigall Sarah and Susann My will being that after the death of my said wyfe my house and mill and other mylands and goods be sold or valued to the utmost they are worth and that the estate be equally Distributed amongst my said children Samuell John Abigall Sarah and Susan as followeth, Samuell to have a double pcon and the rst of them eich a single & equall porcon of the same Last of all I do ordaine my worthy frends mr Wm Bradford now Goveror of Plymouth and mr Thomas Prence of the same the Ovrseers of this my last will and testament and do give eich of them a paire of gloves of five shillings price And in witnes that this is my Will I have hereunto sett my hand & seale the xxviiith of December anno Dm 1643.

John Jenney (seale)

Witnesses hereunto : Edward Winslowe, Thomas Willett, William Paddy.

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## THE INVENTORY OF JOHN JENNEY'S ESTATE, 1644

"A true Inventory of all the goods chattells and cattells wch were mr John Jenneys lately Deceased taken and apprise by Willm Paddy and Nathaniell Sowther the xxvth Day of May Anno Dm 1644.

*Note: inventories are valued in pounds (L), shillings (s) and pence (d). There were 12 pence (or pennies) to a shilling and 20 shillings to a pound.*

	<b>L</b>	<b>s</b>	<b>d</b>
Inpris two coves	10	06	08
It one three yeres old heiffer	14	13	04
It iiii ewe sheepe	06	00	00
It one ewe sheeps	01	00	00
It three weather sheepe	02	05	00
It i cow calfe	00	12	00
It three oxen	<u>19</u>	<u>00</u>	<u>00</u>
	43	17	00
In the chamber ovr the parlor			
It i little feather bed & two boulsters	01	00	00
It i pillow	00	02	06
It ii blanketts	00	10	00
It i pere of old sheets	00	05	00
It i old chest	00	02	00
It i new sheete	00	06	00
It 5 fine old sheets	01	05	00
It 5 paire of old sheets at 5s 4d	01	06	08
It 8 pillow beers at 20d	00	13	04
It i halvesheets & a peece of old linnen cloth	00	03	00
It i table cloth	00	04	00
It 9 old napkins at 4d	00	03	00
It a little towell & old linnens	00	02	00
It i old trunck	00	00	08
It a baskett wth Dressed hemp in it	00	02	06
It xlb of feathers	<u>00</u>	<u>06</u>	<u>08</u>
	06	12	04
In the Parlor			
It vi sett cusheons	00	10	00
It a feather bed and furniture to yt 3 old blanketts i old greene rugg & curtaine	3	10	0
It an old warmeing pann	00	02	06
It a chest	00	02	00
It 9 napkins at 6d	00	04	06
It 4 fine old napkins	00	02	00
It i long towell	00	01	08

It 2 Diap cloths	00	01	04
It 8 course napkins	00	03	04
It old linnen table cloths	00	04	00
It i seeled chest	00	06	08
It a short carpett	00	03	00
It a carpett	00	06	08
It his weareing apparell	03	00	00
It 5 yards cotton Darnix 5s a black hatt 12s	00	17	00
It a chaire table 4s & a featherbed tick 16	01	00	00
It 2 beere barrells & other lumber	00	04	00
It 3 silver spoones	<u>00</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>00</u>
	08	04	08

In the Dwelling house

It i smale globe	00	02	06
It Cartwright on the Rhemist testament	00	08	00
It mr Downams workes	00	08	00
It i old bible	00	01	00
It other old bookes	00	04	00
It a kneadeing trough & cover	00	08	00
It 2 joyne stooles i forme and a chaire	00	07	06
It i spinninge wheele	00	04	00
It 3 old peece a pistoll & a paire of bandeliers	01	10	00
It 3 salts & 2 smale pewter cupps	00	03	00
It 2 quart potts & a pint pott	00	06	04
It x peece of pewter 32 / & 3 porringers	01	15	04
It x peece more of pewter 24 /	01	04	00
It 3 smale latten pans	00	01	06
It i larg latten pan	00	01	00
It a pewter bottle	00	00	02
It 3 smaler kettles	00	11	00
It a bras cover	00	00	03
It a smale bras pann	00	12	00
It 2 larg bras kettle 21/at 16	01	08	00
It i copper kettle 21/at	<u>01</u>	<u>01</u>	<u>00</u>
	<u>10</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>07</u>
It i larg copper kettle	01	05	00
It i frying pann	00	02	00
It a skimmer and an old bras ladle	00	00	08
It a bras candlestick	00	01	06
It a bras posnett	00	02	00
It a larg iron pott	00	10	00
It 4 other iron potts broken & maymed & a	00	16	00

posnet			
It i iron kettle	00	05	00
It a fire shovell & a paire of tonges	00	02	00
It 3 paire of pott hooks	00	02	00
It 2 paire of pott hangers	00	05	00
It for trees payles & other lumber	00	05	00
It a black bill	<u>00</u>	<u>01</u>	<u>08</u>
	03	17	10

In the Dary house

It 8 earthen panns & potts & tubbs	00	05	00
It 3 trees & a kinnell	00	02	06
It an earthen bason	00	00	02
It a churne	00	02	00
It a cheese presse	<u>00</u>	<u>02</u>	<u>06</u>
	00	12	02

In the chamber over the house

It two bed steads	00	12	00
It a feather bed & boulster & two pillowes	02	00	00
It i old rugg and a blankett	00	06	00
It i paire of sheets	00	07	00
It i smale seacanvas feather bed & boulster wth cotton	00	12	06
It iiii old blanketts	00	12	00
It 2 pillowes & pillow beers	00	07	00
It i joyned table	00	12	00
It i longe wheele	00	04	00
It 2 old axes	00	02	00
It i smal adds & other old iron	00	07	00
It 2 old netts	00	05	00
It an old cartrope	00	02	00
It 2 jarrs tubs & old baskets & lumber	00	05	00
It a paire of steeleyards	00	06	08
It 18 bushells of wheate	03	12	00
It vi bushells of barley	<u>01</u>	<u>04</u>	<u>00</u>
	11	16	02

Without Doores

It 3 yeokes	00	07	06
It a paire teases for a single oxe	00	02	06
It i old Harrow	00	01	06
It i old weane and wheeles	04	00	00
It 2 cheanes & a broken one	00	14	00
It i old plow an ovrworne coulter & share & hooke	00	09	00

It a broken sith a clevis pin & old saw & a yeoke & fork	00	01	00
It i boate viL xs whereof she hath a third pte	02	03	04
It ii bushells & a peck of wheate	00	09	00
It iii bushells & a half of barley	00	14	00
It 5 pecks of peas	00	05	00
It I bushell of oates	00	02	00
It to receive for the salt panns	08	06	08
It 5 sides at tanning	<u>04</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>00</u>
	22	05	06

Sum totall 108 L . o3s . 03d.

Nathaniel Sowther

William Paddy

Debts oweing by the Testator

It To Samuell Chaundler	05	10	00
It To mr Paddy	04		
It To Thom Pope	00	07	00
It To John Barnes	03	00	00
It To John Yeonge	01	02	00
It To Richard mr Chanceys man	00	04	00
It To Josias Cooke	00	10	00
It To mr Gray	00	16	00
It To Samuel Jenney	05	00	00
It To James Hurst for John wood	00	04	00
It To Giles Rickett	00	08	00
It To Henry Wood	01	00	00
It To Richard Smyth	02	00	00
It To Richard Sparrow	00	15	00
It To the Apothecary for Phisick	00	10	00
It funerall charges 30s & pbat of the will &c	01	16	00
It for mending the mill & morters & planks	00	12	00
It more to Thomas Pope	00	07	00
It To ffrancis Cooke	01	10	00

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