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NOTE: Where Pounds and shillings were marked with a symbol above the amount I have put the amount --[s.] = shillings or [lbs.] = pounds - in brackets. When a word was in question I have followed it with [?].

[Page 173] **Item** 

I give bequeath and will unto my Loving Kinsman John Paine son of my Brother Andrew Paine five hundred pound payable money of New England to be paid him by my executrix in three years after my death and if my said kinsman happen to die before receiving said money then his brother my Kinsman Thomas Paine to enjoy the sum and if they both die before receipt there of their Brother Samuell Paine to enjoy the same forever.

#### And

All the rest and residue of my estate, real or personal whatsoever and wheresoever I give, will and bequeath unto my well beloved wife Mary (Marcy) Paine to be by her, her heirs executors administrators or assigns (?) possessed and enjoyed forever and whom I hereby make and appoint my whole and sole executrix of this my last will and testament willing her in token of friendship to Capt Thomas Newton of Bristol to give unto him twenty shilling to buy him a ring thereby revoking and making null and void all former Wills Legacies or bequest by me heretofore made or given allowing and holding this my last will and no other to have any force, virtue(?) or effect in witness thereof I the said Thomas Paine have hereunto set my hand and fixed my seal this twenty-eighth day of June in the thirteenth year of the Queen Reign Anno quel Domini 1714 and further my will is that my said kinsman or his survivors as aforesaid shall have at my death my sword and belt which I also besto upon him or them.

Signed Sealed Published And declared by ye said Thomas Paine to be his last will and testament in presence of Nicholas Lange Nathaniel Kay George Jeffers Thomas Paine

Colony of Rhode Island yet(?). These may certify that Capt Thomas Paine of Jamestown in the above said Colony appeared before me the subscriber and did declare the above written Testament To be his last will and testament and his hand and Seal unto subscribed and affixed he being at the same time in sound and disposing memory in testimony whereof I have here unto set my hand at Newport this 30<sup>th</sup> day of June 1714.

Samuel Cranston Govt.

[Not included is the recording of witnesses, etc.]

## [page 174]

This aforesaid will is proved to be the act and deed of Capt Thomas Paine in Council May 17<sup>th</sup> 1715 tested(?) Nicholas Carr Clarke of the Council.

This aforesaid will and attestation was entered upon record in Jamestown this 21st of May 1715. In the first book of Lands belonging to the above said ..[ron] pp. 172 & 173 & 174 by me Nicholas Carr Clarke of the Council.

### [page 175. Top left hand corner of page missing]

## **Estate of Capt Thomas Paine**

May 11<sup>th</sup> 1715 by us

| In the Bedroom below                                           |     |    |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|---|
| (first word missing) apparel -bollin and linnin & periwigs     |     | 2  | 0 |
| one gun, two swords, one belt and one cane                     | 3   | 0  | 0 |
| one featherbed furniture and bedstead                          | 30  | 0  | 0 |
| 2 chairs one shift of drawers and one Table                    | 3   | 15 | 0 |
| one glass case, two looking glasses                            |     | 12 | 0 |
| one shift, two bottles cases and bottles                       | 1   | 0  | 0 |
| 12 silver spoons 1-4 [1 lb 4 s.]one Tankard 14 [s]             | .21 | 4  | 0 |
| one silver salt sellar 8 [lbs], one silver basin 10 [lbs]      |     | 0  | 0 |
| two silver porringer, two drain cups                           | 5   | 10 | 0 |
| 18 book 18 [s], one map or draft 10 [s.]                       | 8   | 0  |   |
| 6 dozen of buttons                                             | 0   | 6  | 0 |
| In the Hall                                                    |     |    |   |
| two tables 24 chairs                                           | 5   | 8  | 0 |
| one couch, 1 one gun 1-10 [1lb. 10s], two pair stilliare [?]   | 3   | 0  | 0 |
| 24 napkins, 4 table cloths                                     | 3   | 0  | 0 |
| one shift 10 [s],one pair of dogs, two pair of tongs, one fire |     |    |   |
| shovel[1 lb]                                                   | 1   | 10 | 0 |
| knives 6 [s] one stoole and table 3 [s]                        | 0   | 9  | 0 |
| In the Bed Chamber                                             |     |    |   |
| one feather bed, bedstead and furniture                        | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| one shift, one table, one Doctors Chest                        | 2   | 2  | 0 |
| one box and old Grund[?] 10 [s]                                | 0   | 10 | 0 |
| 5 yards cloth 1/18 yards 2-14 [2lb. 14 s.]to cloth             | 4   | 14 | 0 |
| flannel 6 [s.] Wool 1-10 [1lb 10 s.] two 8yards cloth          | 2   | 12 | 0 |
| 6 bags                                                         | 0   | 18 | 0 |
| In the Hall Chamber                                            |     |    |   |
| one feather bed furniture and bedstead                         | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| one flack bed furniture and bed stead                          | 4   | 0  | 0 |
| 8 pair of sheets 12 pair of pillow beares                      | 7   | 12 | 0 |
| one warming pan                                                | -   | 12 | 0 |
| one pair of hand irons and Dogs & Trammel                      | 1   | 12 | 0 |
| one Chacolato Stone and roller                                 | 1   | 0  | 0 |

| Carried over to page 176                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 164                        | 0                          | 0                          |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| [page 176. Top right hand corner missing]                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                            |                            |                            |
| In the Garrett one bake pan & cover 15 [s.] earthenware to iron ware 6 [s.]                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                            | ssing<br>ssing             |                            |
| In the Kitchiny [kitchen]Chamber one feather bed bedstead and furnitureone flack bed bedstead and furniture                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 8                          | 0                          | 0                          |
| In the Kitchiny  9 platters 3 and 4 basins and 7 porringers 1-4[1lb.4s]                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1<br>1                     | 2<br>9<br>2<br>5<br>0<br>8 | 0<br>0<br>0<br>0<br>0      |
| one pair of tongs, 2 trammels, one pair of hard iron, fender shovel, frying pan one grid iron, one chafing dish, two spits 2 augurs, 3 hammers, 2 hand saw and chisel one Pot, 2 kettles, one skillet one flouer deluce and sieves, one copper pot one kettle 10 [s.] 3 chairs ,one table 10 [s.] 2 pots 10[s.]. to 1 saddle and two bridles 12[s.] | 2<br>1<br>0<br>1<br>0<br>1 | 0                          | 0<br>0<br>0<br>0<br>0<br>0 |
| In the milk House seller (cellar) one pot 2 [s.]one brass kettle 3[s.] and Gramel[?] 61 [s.] 6 sealers 12[s.], one churns 3[s.], 2 pails, one piginy 4[s.] one cheese press and bar                                                                                                                                                                 | 0<br>0                     | 6<br>19<br>10              | 0<br>0<br>0                |
| In the milk House Chamber 2 spinning wheels 13[s.] lug locks 6                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 0                          | 16                         | 0                          |
| In the Great House Sellar lumber in the sellar                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 1                          | 0                          | 0                          |
| In the Oven House 3 chains, 3 iron bars, 3 axes, one adz one beatle, 4 wedges, 4 hoes, 18 one pail, 1 pogen 2 pair of setters, 2 pair of cupples and clamps, stone hammer                                                                                                                                                                           | 0                          | 1<br>15                    | 0 6 0                      |
| carried over                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 209                        | 7                          | 0                          |

| [page 177] brought over 209                                                                                             | 7                 | 0                               |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| Without doors one gristone 10[s.], one cast and old wheels 15[s.]                                                       | 5<br>0<br>0<br>7  | 0<br>0<br>0<br>0                |
| neut [neuter] kind 4 cows and calves 4 lbs - 10 pence each. one yoke of oxen 14[lbs] 32 3 two year olds and 2 year olds | 0<br>15<br>4<br>0 | 0<br>0<br>0<br>0                |
| Gold and Silver and bond and Deft  14 ounces of Gold at 4 pound per ounce                                               | 0<br>0<br>0<br>0  | 0<br>0<br>0<br>0<br>0<br>0<br>0 |
| The Sum Total [lbs, shillings, pence] 454                                                                               |                   | 0                               |

An inventory of all the estate of Capt Thomas Paine that was presented to us in Jamestown this  $11^{th}$  May 1715.

Sampson L.B. Butty (initials are denoted as being his mark) Harry Goddard

Samson Butty and Henny

Goddard appraisers so this above said inventory did on their engagement declare in council it(?) so a true Inventory of the estate of Capt Thomas Paine deceased within this colony of what was presented to them taken in Jamestown this 17<sup>th</sup> May 1715 before me in Council.

John Hull, head warden

Marcy Paine executrix to the last will and testament of Capt Thomas Paine did on her engagement declare the foregoing to be a true inventory taken in council this 17th of May 1715. Attested Nicholas Carr (illegible) of said council.

Recorded in Jamestown this 21<sup>st</sup> of May 1715 in the book of land (illegible couple of words at bottom edge of page) by me Nicholas Carr of this council.

#### [Page 178]

Whereas by virtue of the power granted unto the council of Jamestown in the colony of Rhode Island and Providence plantation for the probis of Will and granting letters of Administration with in said Township to all persons to whom this presents may come know ye that Marcy Paine being executrix to the last will and testatment of Capt Thomas Paine deceased.

These are therefore to grant unto the above said Marcy Paine full power and authority to take into her hands all the effects of Capt Thomas Paine deceased of what fort or denomination whatsoever and to do execute and perform all things that is needful for so be done by her in discharge of her office to the aforesaid effecte according to Law and Trust reposed in her given under my hand and Seale in Jamestown this 17<sup>th</sup> of May 1715 by order of the Town council.

Nicholas Carr Clarke of the council

This above said letter of administration was entered upon record in Jamestown May 21<sup>st</sup> 1715 in the first book of Lands belonging to the Town above said in (page) 178 by me Nicholas Carr Clarke of the Council.

[From page 174]

Deed of Mary (Mercy) Paine

To all people to whom these may come Know ye that I Marcy Paine Widow and [....] to Capt Thomas Paine deceased of Jamestown in the Colony of Rhode Island &c (etc?) for and in considerations best known to myself, Have given and granted and by these do freely and absolutely give and grant unto William Anderwood during the term of his Life and to his wife Sarah Anderwood during the term of her widowhood if she survive her husband above the one whole acre of Land in the northwest corner of my land butte and bounded as followeth northerly upon the Cross highway, Westerly upon the main highway Easterly & Southerly upon my own land to possess and enjoy (he maintaining all the fence round the acre land) during the above said Terms or Terme: & at the expiration of said Terme or Terms above mentioned it shall then return again unto me the giver.

Witness

Marcy Pain

Teddeman Hull Marcy Carr John Pain

Jamestown may the 16th: 1716

Personally appeared before me the Subscriber Marcy Pain. The day and year above said and did acknowledge this above said deed to be Her voluntary act and deed before me Nicholas Carr Warden.

This above Written deed was entered upon record May the 21 1716 by me

Teddeman Hull, Town Clark