

Primary Document Form

Doc # PR1001

Title – A plan of the farm purchased by Maj. Isaac Royall of [ye] heirs of [ye] late St. Govener Usher...

Date of Item – 1732 (Unconfirmed)

Description/Pages – Hand drawn survey of the Royall Estate

Database/Repository – Royall House Archives

Format – Oversized Map

URL – N/A

Creator/Author – Owen Harris

Other author(s) – James Blake; Josiah Whitemore and Joseph Whitemore

City – Medford

Date accessed – 2/14/09

Series Notes – Notations on the map also include the general topographical description of the land and the measurements of the property. The original of this map is owned by the Royall House Association, however, a copy of this map is also held in the collections at Harvard library.

Subject(s) / Keywords – Map of Royall Estate, Isaac Royall, Sr., Royall Estate

Links – Document available for study at Royall House Archives upon advanced request only.

Primary Document Form

Doc # PR 1002

Title – Will of Isaac Royall Sr.

Date of Item – July 29, 1739

Database/Repository – Massachusetts State Archives

Format – Microfilm

Microfilm Box Number – 213 (Case #s 19540 -19650)

Probate Record Number - 19545

Files – Middlesex County Probate Court Records

Date accessed – 4/14/09

Series Notes - Contains the Will of Isaac Royall Sr. Due to poor print quality of this document, it is suggested that you view a more legible microfilm copy located at the Massachusetts State Archives collection. There is no known transcription of this Will at present. A point of interest can be found toward the bottom of page one of the Will in which Isaac Royall, Sr. bequeaths his various slaves. Please see Document PR1002-A for a chart detailing the estate divisions of slaves to various Royal family members.

Subjects / Keywords – Slaves owned by Isaac Royall Sr., Slaves bequeathed by Isaac Royall Sr., Isaac Royall Sr., Madame Elizabeth Royall, Elizabeth Royall Pepperell, Isaac Royall, Jr.

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Isaac Royall

1753

In the Name of God Amen Isaac
Royall of the Town of Charlestown in the Province of
the Massachusetts Bay in New England being of sound
disposing Mind & Understanding. Thanks be to God for
the Same, and considering the Uncertainty of this Life, and
the Certainty of Death, Do make & publish this my last Will
& Testaments in manner & Form following, In witness I
Commit my Soul to God my Father hoping through the
Merits & Mediation of my blessed Redeemer Jesus Christ to
obtain Pardon & Forgiveness for all my Sins; And my Body
I Commit to the Earth by decent Burial at the Discretion of
my Executors, but not to exceed Fifty Pounds Current Money
of Antigua: And as touching such worldly Estate as it hath
pleased God to bestow on me. I dispose thereof as followeth;
Hereby revoking all other Wills & Testaments by me made,
and declaring this to be my last Will & Testament. Item
I give & bequeath unto my Daughter-in-Law. Ann Oliver
the wife of Robert Oliver of Antigua but now in New Eng-
land one Negro Woman named Black Betty, & her five
Children named Abba Duacoe Diana John & Nancy with
the said Abba's five Children named Betty George Sarah
Jacob & Jimmy to her & the Heirs of her Body lawfully
begotten Remainder to my son Isaac Royall & his Heirs
forever. Item, I give & bequeath unto my dear & well belo-
ved Wife Elizabeth Royall the Use of all my Plate, and
Household Furniture, and also a Negro Servant called Peter
and a Negro Woman called Grace during her Natural
Life with my Christian Horse and from & after her death
the Same to remain to my son Isaac & Daughter Penelope
to be equally divided between them. Item, I give and
bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Penelope one
Negro Girl called Present and one Negro woman called
Abba & her six Children named Robin Coba Walker Nuba
Jacob & Joby So hold to my said Daughter & her Heirs
forever. I do will & direct that my said Daughter be

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Heirs on whom this Estate shall descend) shall change
his Name and call himself by the Name of Royall
and from & after the Decese of my said Daughter then
to the Use & behoofe of her first second third fourth
fifth & sixth Sons of her Body lawfully begotten, the
first of such Sons & the Heirs Male of his Body law-
fully begotten being always preferred before the
younger & the Heirs Male of their Bodies, and for
Default of such Issue male of my said Daughter then
to the first second third fourth fifth & all & every
other the Daughters of the Body of my said Daughter
lawfully begotten during the Term of their natural
Lives respectively the first of such Daughters and
the Heirs of her Body lawfully begotten being al-
ways preferred before the younger & the Heirs of their
Bodies. And for Default of such Issue of my said
Daughter then to the Use & behoofe of William
Royall one of the Sons of my said Brother Samuel
Royall during the Term of his natural Life, and
from and after his Decese by his first Son & the
Heirs Male of his Body lawfully begotten, and for
Default of such Issue by his second third fourth and
fifth & other Sons severally & successively in Order &
Course as they shall be in Seniority of Age & Priority
of Birth, and the several Heirs Male of the several
respective Bodies of all such Sons in such sort as
that the Elder of the said Son & the Heirs Male of his
Body be always preferred before the younger and
his Heirs Male of their Bodies, and for Default of
such Issue Male of the said William Royall then to
the Use & behoofe of Samuel Walthrop Royall one
of the other Sons of my said Brother Samuel Royall
for & during the Term of his natural Life and after
his Decese by his first second third fourth fifth
and other Sons successively in Order for such Estate,
and

and in such manner as is herein before appointed concerning my aforesaid Nephew William Royall & his Sons. And for Default of such Issue Male of the said Samuel Winthrop Royall then to the Use & behoofe of Jacob Royall one of the other Sons of my said Brother Samuel Royall for & during the Term of his natural Life and from hence his Decesse by his first Son & third fourth and fifth & other Sons successively in such Male for such Estates & in such manner as is herein before appointed concerning my said Nephew William Royall and Samuel Winthrop Royall & their Sons, and for Default of such Issue Male of the said Jacob Royall then to the Use & behoofe of Mia Royall one other Son of my said Brother Samuel Royall for & during the Term of his natural Life and from & after his Decesse by his first Second third fourth fifth & other Sons successively in such Male for such Estates & in such manner as is herein before appointed concerning my aforesaid Nephew William Royall Samuel Winthrop Royall Jacob Royall and their Sons, and for want of such Issue to the Use & behoofe of my own Right Heirs forever and to and for no other Use or purpose whatsoever. And I do hereby constitute & appoint my said Wife Elizabeth Royall now in Charlestown in New England Executrix of this my last Will & Testament in New England Antigua and do also join with her as Executrix (In the Island of Antigua) J^r. Thomas Watkins Esq^r. & Jacob Shibus Royall Esq^r. (In New England) my Loving Brother Jacob Royall Esq^r. William Tyler Esq^r. & Mr. Edmund Quincy Merchants in Boston and do hereby appoint my said wife, Thomas Watkins Esq^r. Jacob Shibus Esq^r. my loving Brother Jacob Royall Esq^r. William Tyler Esq^r. and Mr. Edmund Quincy Merch. Guardians of the Bodies and Estates of my said Son & Daughter, and my Will is if either of said Executrix should happen to be indebted

James Royall

to me at the Time of my Death, that I do not intend
that my appointing them Executors of this my last
Will & Testament should in any way operate as a
Release or Discharge of such Debts, but that they
be accountable and pay the same to such of my
Executors as do not stand indebted to me.
In Witness whereof I have hereunto signed
Testament to this my last Will & Testament contain-
ed in this & the five foregoing Pages, having signed
& sealed each Leaf thereof the last Day of July
in the Year of our Lord God One Thousand and Seven
Hundred & Thirty eight.

Signed Sealed & Declared
by the Said Testator Isaac Royall
the Day of the Date aforesaid for his last
will & Testament in the Presence of
us who at his Request & in his Pre-
sence & Sight have hereunto signed
our Names as Witnesses.

Wm^o Smith
Bong^o Wicks
Rand^o Stewart

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Primary Document Form

Doc # PR1002-A

Title – Estate division of Isaac Royall, Sr.'s slave holdings in 1739, derived from his will, initial probate inventory of 1739, and retroactive inventory of 1752 (Middlesex Country Probate 1739).

Date of Item – 1996

Description/Pages – pg 288

Database/Repository – *The Slaves of Colonial New England: Discourses of Colonialism and Identity at the Isaac Royall House, Medford, Massachusetts, 1732 – 1775*

Format – Book

Publication Number – AAT 3083827

Creator/Author – Chan, Alexandra

City –N/A

Publisher – N/A

Date accessed – 4/14/09

Series Notes – A chart of slaves bequeathed to various Royall family members as written in Isaac Royall, Sr.'s Will. The Will can be found in Document PR1002.

Subject(s) / Keywords – Slaves own by Isaac Royall, Sr., Slaves bequeathed by Isaac Royall Sr., Madame Elizabeth Royall, Elizabeth Royall Pepperill (daughter), Isaac Royall, Jr. (son), Anne and Robert Oliver (Madame Royall's Daughter and son-in-law from a previous marriage)

Links – Copy is available for study at Boston University

Table 7.3 Estate division of Isaac Royall, Sr.'s slave holdings in 1739, derived from his will, initial probate inventory of 1739, and retroactive inventory of 1752 (Middlesex County Probate 1739).

Anne and Robert Oliver	Penelope Royall	Elizabeth Royall	Isaac Royall, Jr.
Black Betty	Abba	Peter	Fortune
Abba	Robin	Trace	Barron
Quacoe	Coba		Ned
Diana	Walker		House Peter
John	Nuba		Cuffe
Nancy	Trace		Smith
Betty	Tobey		Phillip
George	Girl Present		Robin
Sarah			Quamino
Jacob			Ruth
Jemmy			Sue
			Jonto
			One old Negro Man about 70 years of age
			George about 45 years old
			Captain, Infirm
			Santo Lame & 50 years old
			Old Cook
			Girl 6 years of age

Primary Document Form

Doc # PR1003

Title – Probate Inventory of Isaac Royall, Sr.

Date of Item – July 29, 1739

Description/Pages – 7 pgs

Database/Repository – Massachusetts States Archives

Format – Microfilm

Microfilm Box Number – 213 (Case #s 19540 - 19650)

Probate Record Number – 19545

Files – Middlesex County Probate Court Records

Date accessed – 4/14/09

Series Notes – Contains an inventory of any and all property of value belonging to Isaac Royall, Sr. To see a much more legible copy of this document please use the reference information given above to locate it in the Massachusetts State Archives collection. A transcription of this inventory can be found on pages 409 – 413 in *The Slaves of Colonial New England: Discourses of Colonialism and Identity at the Isaac Royall House, Medford, Massachusetts, 1732 – 1775*, by Alexandra Chan. Be sure to note the listing of slaves in the inventory found at the bottom of the page seven.

Subject(s) / Keywords – Isaac Royall Sr., Isaac Royall, Sr. Probate Inventory, Madame Elizabeth Royall, Elizabeth Royall Pepperill (daughter), Isaac Royall Jr. (son), Slaves own by Isaac Royall, Sr.

By the Hon. Jonathan Remington, Esq. Judge
of Probate for the County of Middlesex

The foregoing will being verified for the estate
of the late Royal (with a copy of the will) & James Royal
Esq. (one of the Executors therein named); Simon
Crafts Esq. & James W. King Esq. & Randle Strickland
Esq. all of whom being sworn, depone that they saw James Royal Esq. his will
as to his testament - sign & seal & heard him
publish & declare the same to be his last will
& testament - & that should he so do he was
of sound disposing mind & memory - according to
their depositions & affirmations, & that they set to their
hands & affixed seals in the said testator's
presence.

Cont. July 19-1739.

Jonathan Remington

the above to be recorded

1/2 Brass Chaffin Dish 1 0 0
 2 Bellmills 3 0 0
 1/2 Bellows 5 0
 1/2 Andjans 1 10 0
 1/2 Fire tongs for or Bellows 1 5 0
 an Iron Wipping pan 3 0
 an Iron Bellmills 4 0 0
 One Iron pot & Kettle & frame 2 0
 1/2 Brass Candlestick & Snuffers 3 0 0
 a Brass Flower Pot 8 0
 a Brass Candle Box 1 10 0
 2 Tin Dish Covers & 2 Cake pans } 4 10 0
 1 Tin pudding pan }
 1 Iron Skillet 10 0
 2 Grips 1 5 0
 1 Spade and wheel 15 0
 1/2 Brass Skimmer & Saddle 1 0 0
 1 Chair @ 3/6 1 1 0
 1/2 Small Mill in use 10 0
 1 Copper Kettle @ 1/2 11 10 0
 1/2 Brass 8 0
 1 Sadger Iron 4 0 0
 1 Small Iron pot 10 0
 2 Iron branches @ 1/2 1 10 0
 1 Wiping pan 1 5 0
 1 Iron Kettle 1 0
 1 Chair 1 0
 a parcel of tubs & Stacks } 5 0 0
 and other wooden ware }
 1/2 Andjans & Snuff & Slic 3 0 0
 a watering pot 15 0
 18 milk pans 18 0
 5 Meagre's Beaman Rosing 15 0 0
 115 paster @ 1/6 25 0 0
 1 Iron bar 15 0 0

Edward Owen

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Primary Document Form

Doc # PR1004

Title – Probate of (Madame) Elizabeth Royall

Date of Item – 1747

Database/Repository – Massachusetts States Archives

Format – Microfilm

Microfilm Box Number – 213 (Case #s 19540 - 19650)

Probate Record Number – 19543

Files – Middlesex County Probate Court Records

Publisher – N/A

Date accessed – 4/14/09

Series Notes – Contains the various probate and other court records relating to Madam Elizabeth Royall (wife of Isaac Royall, Sr. and mother of Issac Royall, Jr. and Penelope Royall). Unfortunately, due to the poor print quality of this document we are only able to offer eight limited and scattered pages for review. There are also no known transcripts of this probate. However, a legible copy of this document in its entirety can still be viewed by using the reference information given above to locate it in the Massachusetts State Archives collection.

Subject(s) / Keywords – Madame Elizabeth Royall, Isaac Royall, Jr., Penelope Royall

Province of the
Massachusetts Bay
Middlesex p. 1

To his Excellency William Shirley
Esq; Captain General Governour and
Commander in Chief in and over said
Province and to the Hon^{ble} his Majesty's
Council for said Province.

Isaac Royall of Charlestown in the County of
Middlesex Esq; only son of Elizabeth Royall late of
Charlestown aforesaid Widow Deceased and Robert
Oliver of Dorchester in the County of Suffolk Esq;
who intermarried with one of the said Deceased's
Daughters

Most humbly Sheweth

That on the Seventh day of November
A. D. 1747. the said Robert Oliver appeared
from the said County of Suffolk before Hon^{ble} Samuel Danforth
Esq; Judge of the Probate of Wills for said County of
Middlesex to your Excellency and Honour (by which
Sentence or Decree a Paper called the ^{last} Will of the said
Elizabeth Royall Deceased was approved and Allowed) and
Recognized as the Law directs for the following Reasons vizt
"The said Elizabeth at the time when the writing pretended
to be her last Will was signed by her was not of that sound
mind as the Law supposes a person ought to be in to qualify
to make a will and ~~independent~~ ^{independent} of the State
to be in Body and firm in mind as beyond her to
imposition and management of the person alone Active in
procuring framing and Reciting the now pretended Will
for that person alone from no hints from the said Elizabeth
(as appears by word of mouth dictated to the Lawyer all the
Devises Requests limitations Provisions and Conditions in said
writing

Writing which are many and what the said Elizabeth
Especially at the time could not be understood to have that of
The lawyer never had access to her but when he had completed
the form according to the will of the Gent^l that gave the instructions
delivered it to him for his good management to give life to a
creature of his own begetting.

2) Besides the special Severer Limitations Conditions and Provisions
in said writing such as necessarily must appear to be beyond
the thought and invention of the said Elizabeth in the very strength
of her Reason and much more so in the lowest state both of
Mind and Body its evident that therein there is such an amount
of Trust and Confidence placed in the Exec^{tn} which no person
in the full exercise of his Reason would ever come into
But to give the affair a good complexion the same Gent^l
artfully inserted other Gent^ls of unquestionable Character
Executors with him in the said will.

Glamour and just Conscience and have the Absolute Management
of a large fortune center in himself and to this may fairly
be imputed the unreasonable and unlimited Trust that by
the opening of said writing is lodged in the said Exec^{tn} however but
these Secretive Views might be dashed this Active Gent^l
upon the death of the said Elizabeth got the bulk of her estate
into his possession was well advised that by Law his Executors
could not dispossess him of it and if any of them were inclined
to attempt of the Trust this Strategem must Effectually
prevent it.

3) That the said Elizabeth was so weak in mind and so
absolutely under this Gent^l Management evidently appears
from his insidiously concealing the whole affair from her
only son in whose hands she then lived this on the Eye of the
Law

unto the said Robert & Henry to their heirs all the Rights
Interest & Demands over & above a single share as aforesaid that I
have or may have unto the Estate that my Honoured
Elizabeth Royall late of said Charleston Gentlewoman deceased
died seized of - To Have & to Hold unto the said Robert & the said
Henry all the Demands above a single share as aforesaid that I
have or may have to the Estate of my late Honoured Mother (by
Law) against the Claims & Demands of all Persons whatsoever
from by or Under me Provided that the said Robert & Henry
do what in them lies to break that which is called the last
Will & Testament of my said Mother which was this Day
offered to Probate in Wines whereof I have hereunto set my
Hand & Seal this twenty seventh Day of April in the Year of
Our Lord One thousand seven hundred & Forty seven and in the
Twentieth Year of his Majesties Reign

Signed Sealed and Delivered
in presence of us
Jm. Sanford
Wm. Winton
F. P. J.

Robert Royall

An Inventory taken the first day of August 1744
 London Bonds Money Debts & other things
 of Madam Elizabeth Royall late of the County
 of Essex into my hands being one of the Executors
 to her Will. Made to Messrs William Boylston Esq^r
 An Executor.

Christopher Minot his Bond (Old Tenor) £130⁰ 11
 Dated April 11th 1742
 payable April 11th 1743

Robert Blair Esq^r's Bond (Old Tenor) 600⁰ 11
 Dated April 16th 1743
 payable April 16th 1744

Jacob Royall Esq^r's Bond (Old Tenor) 580⁰ 11
 Dated Jan^r 10th 1743
 payable Jan^r 10th 1744

John & Joseph Skinner Esq^r's Bond for 125⁰ 00
 Silver at 32^d Equall to (Old Tenor) 200⁰ 11
 Dated July 1st 1744
 payable July 1st 1745

John & Francis Whitmore Esq^r's Bond for 125⁰ 00
 Silver at 32^d Equall to 200⁰ 11
 Dated July 5th 1744
 payable July 5th 1745

John Minot Esq^r's Bond for 375⁰ 00 Silver
 at 32^d Equall to 600⁰ 11
 Dated Aug^r 1st 1744
 payable Aug^r 1st 1745

Henry Vassall Esq^r's Bond for 375⁰ 00 Silver
 at 32^d Equall to 600⁰ 11
 Dated Oct^r 22nd 1744
 payable Oct^r 22nd 1745

Henry Vassall Esq^r's Bond for 250⁰ 00 Silver
 at 32^d Equall to 400⁰ 11
 Dated Dec^r 5th 1744
 payable Dec^r 5th 1745

Robert Blair Esq^r's Bond for 242⁰ 00 Silver
 at 32^d Equall to 400⁰ 11
 Dated Feb^r 11th 1744/5
 payable Feb^r 11th 1745/6

Lord Cordis & Jacob Royall Esq^r's Bond for
 686⁰ 00 Silver at 32^d Equall to 1097⁰ 2^d
 Dated Feb^r 12th 1744/5
 payable Feb^r 12th 1745/6 £4807⁰ 12^d
 Sum Carried forward

John Cook, James
John M. [unclear] & James Whiston ⁱⁿ Bond for \$407.21
316 $\frac{1}{2}$ Silver & 33 $\frac{1}{2}$ Equall to 508.16
Dated Feb. 12th 1745 }
payable Feb. 12th 1746 }

Samuel Blanchard, & Edward Cook ⁱⁿ Bond for
£1 Sterling Equall to 200
Dated May 14th 1745 }
payable May 14th 1746 }

Samuel Fittler & James Hadden ⁱⁿ Bond for
182 $\frac{1}{2}$ Silver Equall to 300
Dated May 27th 1745 }
payable May 27th 1746 }

John Swallow & [unclear] ⁱⁿ Bond for
60 $\frac{1}{2}$ Silver & 33 $\frac{1}{2}$ Equall to 100
Dated June 27th 1745 }
payable June 27th 1746 }

Abraham Taylor, John Woodward, & John Swallow
ⁱⁿ Bond for ~~60~~ Silver & 33 $\frac{1}{2}$ Equall to 200
Dated July 11th 1745 }
payable July 11th 1746 }

Thomas Comant, Josiah Piper, and John Piper ⁱⁿ Bond
for 60 $\frac{1}{2}$ Silver & 33 $\frac{1}{2}$ Equall to 100
Dated Aug. 16th 1745 }
payable Aug. 16th 1746 }

John Kendall & Stephen Adams ⁱⁿ Bond
for 60 $\frac{1}{2}$ Silver & 33 $\frac{1}{2}$ Equall to 100
Dated Oct. 1st 1745 }
payable Oct. 1st 1746 }

Jonas Clark Esq. ⁱⁿ Bond for 500 $\frac{1}{2}$ Silver
& 40 $\frac{1}{2}$ Equall to 1000
Dated Dec. 27th 1746 }
payable Dec. 27th 1747 }

Henry Buntin has Note (Old Tenor) for 35
Dated Jan. 13th 1742 }
payable April 13th 1742 }

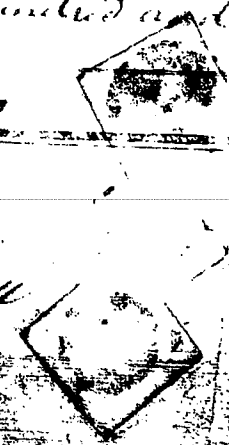
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Now knoweth all Men that We the
said William Peppercell, Elizabeth Peppercell, and Mary
Mackerloch Royall being fully satisfied in the Premises and also
in consideration of these Shillings Money to us in hand paid by
the said Isaac Royall Have Remitted Released Discharged
and by these Presents Do for our selves our heirs Executors Administrators
Remise Release and forever Discharge the said Isaac Royall
his Executors and Administrators of and from all Accounts
Receipts Sum or Sums of Money by him or him or his
of the said Elizabeth Royall deceased and of all Demands
whatsoever by her or hers to this Day

In Witness whereof the said
William Peppercell, Elizabeth Peppercell and Mary
Royall Do hereunto set our hands and seals the Twentieth
of January Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred and
Seventy Three

Signed Sealed & Delivered
In Presence of us
W. Winter

W. Peppercell
Elizabeth Peppercell
Mary Mackerloch Royall



Primary Document Form

Doc # PR1005

Title – An Additional (or Retroactive) Probate Inventory of Isaac Royall, Sr.

Date of Item – March 12, 1752

Description/Pages – 5 pgs

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Probate Record Number – 19545

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Series Notes – Contains the additional inventory of any and all property of value belonging to Isaac Royall, Sr., as well as, other probate records belonging to Isaac Royall, Sr. To see a much more legible copy of this document please use the reference information given above to locate it in the Massachusetts State Archives collection. A transcription of the addition inventory can be found on page 415 in *The Slaves of Colonial New England: Discourses of Colonialism and Identity at the Isaac Royall House, Medford, Massachusetts, 1732 – 1775*, by Alexandra Chan.

Subject(s) / Keywords – Isaac Royall Sr., Additional inventory

An additional Inventory of the Real and personal Estate of
James Rogers late of Cambridgeport, Esq. &c. taken by us the undersigned Commissioners
hereunto sworn by the Hon. Saml. Danforth Esq. Judge of the Probate of said County
the County of Middlesex which Commission bears Date 22 Dec^r 1752. which service
we attended then 12 Day of March 1752 and according to the best of our Judgment
from the best Information we could get from James Rogers Esq. the only surviving
and being heir of the deceased we have valued said Estate in old English as we
were directed in our Commission after the Rate of Silver at thirty Shillings
per Oz. the price of Silver in the Year 1739 when the first Inventory was taken

On the Homestead 2 Carts 2 Ploughs 3 Iron Bars one Irish Axe & Garden spades 4 Shovels 12 Hoes and 5 Axes		497 11
A Room at Treston containing 6000 Aers		
One old Cart, One plough, One Iron Chain	14 8 4	32 10 15
One old Negro Man about 70 years of Age		
One Negro named George about 45 years old	100 4 4	
One yoke small Oxen		
Four Cows	25 4 4	
Seventeen Sheep	40 4 4	
	15 6 4	
A Room at Treston containing 520 Aers		194 4 4
One broken plough, one old iron Harrow one old Chain four Oxen & four Hoes	35 4 4	2000 4
One yoke of Oxen	28 4 4	
Six Cows	60 4 4	
One Negro named Captain, Inferior	50 4 4	
One do named old Cook	60 4 4	
One do named Sante lame 70 years old	50 4 4	
One Negro Girl 6 years of Age	60 4 4	
A tract of Unimproved Land at Keadley, South Precinct containing about 900 Aers		343 4
Lands Bought of Th ^o Westbrook in the County of York		900 4
Lands Bought of Henry Gibbin in the County of DO		200 4
		1000 4

m^o 27th June 1754
Just Royal 24 - the Incumbent before named presented
the foregoing & made oath that the same containing a
Copy and perfect Inventory of the Estate of the before named
James Rogers late of Cambridgeport Esq. &c. which he had
before him in a former Inventory of the said
Estate exhibited into the Probate office for the County of
the 27th Day of July 1741. He likewise pro-
mitted that if any other should appear he would except the
same to be added hereunto

J. Danforth J. prob.
John Fox
Clk

Charlestown May 6th 1747

We the subscribers Isaac Royall & Henry Vassall have this day divided
& received all the Personal Estate that was given our Honoured Mother
Elizabeth Royall by her deceased Husband our Honoured Father
Isaac Royall Esq. for her improvement during her natural life and
upon her Death to be Equally divided between the said Isaac
Penelope Royall now Lincolne Vassall

Signed in presence of us
Thos. Edwards
~~Edwards~~
Thos. Waaler

Isaac Royall
Henry Vassall

Brought Over	£994 19 2
Income, Worth out Hand. Charged	245 4 0
Thomas Lemon Do	18 -
* Wm. Tatten out omitted	14 -
a pr Hoyer 2000 for Ten-hill farm	2000 0 0
Boyer the Sadler Ormited	1 10 -
+ Doct. Fullers out Do	10 -
+ Doct. Henry Lewis Do	10 19 6
Lawrence Tapscott Do	9 10 -
John Carter Do	7 10 6
To the Freight & Expence of	13 1 2 1/2
Ten Heaps sent for Ten-hill	70 1 0 0
Farm	
at Wm. Gelshe	20 1 2 1/2
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Paid to the Arbitrators for attending
 on the Arbitrators £29 10 0
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middleton July 9. 1739. The last Testament
of Isaac Royall Esq^r deceased presented for Probate
proposed Jacob Royall Esq^r in W^m Taylor, the
Widow - Kelson (a minor)

The widow ^{of the} presented to the Probate

The 3 witnesses proposed were sworn as usual -

The Widow & Jacob Royall Esq^r accepted of their

Com^{rs} as Executors

W^m Taylor Esq^r the other Executor named & refused

Reason of Refusal was ^{defence of} Ruinacy - to accept or
^{refuse} Assentary to be exhibited

The Widow consented that W^m Taylor be added

~~Probate
Reading with & without
4 Copy of books - 345
approximate - 51.72
- 3
2^d Copy in Probate - 34
- 1 0 0
244.72~~

Prob. - - - 0-6-0
Account - - - 1-1-0
Receipts - - - 0-2-6
Exp. Probate - - - 0-14-0
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Swearing app^{ts} - - - 1-1-6
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Primary Document Form

Doc # PR1006

Title – Probate of Henry Vassall

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Files – Middlesex County Probate Court Records

Date accessed – 4/14/09

Series Notes – Contains the various probate and other court records relating to Henry Vassall (husband to Penelope Royall Vassall, son-in-law to Isaac Sr. and Madame Royall and brother-in-law to Isaac Royall, Jr.) Due to the poor copying quality we are unable to provide any legible copies of this document. Please use the information above to see the document in its original microfilm form at the Massachusetts State Archives. A transcription can also be found on pages 416 to 422 in *The Slaves of Colonial New England: Discourses of Colonialism and Identity at the Isaac Royall House, Medford, Massachusetts, 1732 – 1775*, by Alexander Chan.

Subject(s) / Keywords – Henry Vassall, Penelope Royall Vassall, Elizabeth Vassall [daughter of Henry and Penelope]

Links – Microfilm copy is available at the Massachusetts State Archives

Primary Document Form

Doc # PR1007

Title – Inventory of Isaac Royall Estate made by agreement between Colonel Isaac Royall (Jr.) and Messrs. Timothy and Sameul Tufts, by Caleb Brooks, Samuel Kidder, and Timothy Hall

Date of Item – December 1, 1763

Description/Pages – Handwritten on crown paper; 2 pgs (and 1 reference pg)

Database/Repository – Royall House Archives

Format – Inventory

URL – N/A

Creator/Author – Caleb Brooks

Other author(s) – Samuel Kidder and Timothy Hall

City – Medford

Publisher – N/A

Date accessed – 6/8/2009

Series Notes – The document is an assessment of the Royall house, outbuildings, and grounds.

Subject(s) / Keywords – Condition of Royall House Estate, Isaac Royall, Jr.; Timothy Tufts, Samuel Tufts, Caleb Brooks, Samuel Kidder, Timothy Hall

38 Laurel Street

Somerville, December 9, 1914.

Dr. Charles M. Green,
78 Marlboro Street,
Boston,
Mass.

Dear Sir:-

In seventeen hundred and sixty-nine Samuel Tufts, my great grandfather leased the Royall House for his son.

Enclosed I send you the lease, bond and inventory which I wish to give to the Royall Society.

Yours truly,

Geo. W. Frost,

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The Shop described being generally known by the name of Anne Bayatt's shop
 and Mrs. Smalley and James Duffie who have the said Bayatt's shop which
 Benjamin Duffie lately improved to view the condition of the buildings and Tenues as in
 at this date of the date hereof have accordingly taken a view of the same on the day of the
 date hereof and Report has followed viz. The Wall on the top of the Dwelling House in good
 order the Door going into the Wall's goods hung with Iron hinges & Iron Hooks & good
 pair of stairs to get up to the Wall's. — The Window in the garret next the Stairs
 the Glass all whole with two hanging shelves. The East Garret window Frames
 and Sash the Glass whole except two squares cracked but fast. The Door going into the
 Garret good hung with Iron hinges a wooden Latch. The Chamber Window next the
 Back Room square with small cracks the rest whole the Chamber Door and Latch
 good hung with Iron hinges and a wooden Latch. The Windows in the last Chamber
 all whole except a small hole in one square. The last Window new Frames and Sash
 The Chamber and Coat Door good and hung with Iron hinges the Chamber Door
 Iron Latch Catch the Chamber Entry Window two squares each whole the rest
 Lower Room next Back six squares with small cracks all the rest whole and good
 each Window with good wooden Shutters hung with sixteen Iron hinges & Iron Staples
 to each sash. The Door good hung with Iron hinges Iron Latch & Latch the Turn of
 Latch just broken the Back Shelves a small Cup board by Chimney with Iron
 hinges the front Door whole hung with Iron hinges Iron Latch & Latch the Glass
 and the Door all whole. The last lower Room the Windows two squares each whole
 the rest whole and good with Iron hinges and Staples the Doors are hung with Iron hinges
 and Door Latch and Catch the other two Doors wooden Latch two wide Boards
 for a screen the Back Shelves. The Kitchen Window Iron hooks and Staples the
 the Glass has four small cracks the Door leading in the Shop Room has Iron hinges
 and a wooden Latch the Door going up to the Kitchen Chamber Iron hinges Iron
 Catch and Latch a partition in this Room with six Boards the Shelf has two
 wide shelves and two narrow ones. The Stairs and the Stairs over them by it good
 a Sash Case with Iron hinges to the two Doors. The Door leading into the Shop be
 hung with Iron hinges and good hung with Iron hinges a wooden Latch and Iron Bolt the
 Door going into the Buttery good with Iron hinges the Stairs good going to the Buttery
 the Back Shelves on the outside in good order the Windows has four squares each
 the rest whole. The Door in the Chamber and the Buttery good with Iron hinges Iron
 Latch and Catch and Iron Latch and they the East Window has one square cracked the
 other Windows is small squares four of which are cracked. The Lower Chamber Window
 and square each is but not large the Chamber has a partition in it the Door with
 Iron hinges and Iron hooks and Staples the Window is of small Glass two squares
 each is and hung with Iron hooks and hinges one back wanting. The Cellar has
 all the partitions in good order two hanging shelves and Shelves hung with a board
 one of the Cellar Doors is hung with Iron hinges the other Leathen hinges the two
 lowest steps of the Cellar Stairs are broken. The Glass Window broken to pieces. The
 Cellar Door on outside of the House in good order new Sashes up with Iron hooks
 and hinges this Door and all the outside of the Windows by Frames newly painted
 the rest ...

I have this into the garden with Iron hooks and hinges
with Iron Hooks and Staples to fasten it. And that, in the year between
the Dwelling House and Court Barn, there stands an Electrical pole so call'd
being a small Mast about forty feet long fix'd in two large pieces of Timber laid
in a cross with four strong Joist Braces from the ends of the said Timber to
the Mast at the Top of which Mast is a Wooden Vane or Weather Cock which
turns on an Iron Rod having three Electrical points at the upper end there
of, from which quite down into the ground is a larger Iron Rod or Rods call'd
a Conductor, which said Conductor is Boxed or Cased for about six or eight
feet from the ground, all in good order and Repair. Witness my hand
this ninth day of December Anno Domini 1773.

(Copy)

Sign'd Sam. Hilder

To the Editor of the Transcript.

Through the generous kindness of Mr. George W. Frost, of Somerville, the Royall House Association has recently come into the possession of two interesting documents. The first is an inventory of the Isaac Royall estate, made by agreement ^{between} Colonel Royall and Messrs. Timothy and Samuel Tufts, by Caleb Brooks, Samuel Kidder, and Timothy Hall: this instrument is dated December 1, 1763, and is written on Crown paper.

The second instrument is a lease of the Royall estate to Timothy Tufts, Samuel Tufts, and Aaron Tufts, for the term of seven years, and for the sum of £1,400. The lease is dated March 3, 1769, and is "registered in the office of Benjamin Hammatt, Notary Publick, in Birch Lane, London, the 18th February, 1786, fol. 376". Under date of Charlestown, May 15, 1787, the executor of the estate of Colonel Royall, Willis Hall, receipts for a somewhat reduced payment, "allowed for damages done to the farm by the Continental Troops in ye year 1775".

These documents open an interesting inquiry as to the whereabouts of Colonel Royall after 1769. It has been generally accepted that Colonel Royall did not leave Massachusetts Bay Colony for Halifax, and later for England, where he died, until just prior to the outbreak of the Revolution. If this belief is well founded, he must have lived elsewhere than in the famous Royall House.

Samuel Tufts, one of the lessees, was the great grandfather of Mr. Frost, who was born in the Royall House, and lived ~~there~~ in early infancy.

Charles M. Green,
President of the Royall House Association.

Primary Document Form

Doc # PR1008

Title – Lease of Royall Estate to Timothy, Samuel, and Aaron Tufts for a term of seven years.

Date of Item – March 3, 1769; registered with the Notary Public, in Birchin Lane, London February 16, 1786, fol. 376; later receipt of reduced payment dated May 15, 1787

Description/Pages – Handwritten; 1 pg

Database/Repository – Royall House Archives

Format – Lease

URL – N/A

Creator/Author – Joanna Dodge

Other author(s) – Willis Hall

City – Medford

Publisher – N/A

Date accessed – 6/8/2009

Series Notes – Be sure to note the Charlestown receipt written by Willis Hall that discounts the rent in accordance with “damages done to the farm by the Continental Troops in ye year 1775.”

Subject(s) / Keywords – Isaac Royall, Jr.; Timothy Tufts, Samuel Tufts, Aaron Tufts, Lease of Royall Estate

Primary Document Form

Doc # PR1009

Title – Massachusetts Tax Evaluation of Isaac Royall, Jr. (1771)

Date of Item – Evaluated 1771; book published 1978

Description/Pages – pgs 244 - 245

Database/Repository – Massachusetts State Archives; main stacks in the archival room

Format – Book

ISBN – 10: 0816102457

URL – N/A

Author/ Editor – Bettye Hobbs Pruitt

Other author(s) –N/A

City – Boston

Publisher – G.K. Hale & Co.

Date accessed – 3/5/09

Series Notes – This information was copied by hand from the chart format in which the book presents it and later typed up. Information included in the parentheses was taken from the introductory pages and is used explain the codes applied by the tax assessor in 1771. The evaluation includes a count of ‘life servants’ or slaves.

Subject(s) / Keywords – Isaac Royall, Jr., Royall Estate, Royall Slaves

Links – Copy available for study at Massachusetts State Archives

The following is a typed transcription of pages 244 and 245 from The Massachusetts Tax Evaluation List of 1771.

Isaac Royall Jr.

Title: 2 (which indicates Esquire)

Status: 1 (Doomed; "The taxpayer failed to submit a list of his or her property and polls, hence the estate was "doomed," or recorded and evaluated by the assessor according to their own knowledge and judgment. A fine could also be imposed under the empowering act." [pg xi])

Houses and Shops Adjoining: 3.00

TWN MKS (Town Makes) Distinction: 1

Ironworks: 120

Servants for Life: 5

Value of Money lent at Interest: 119£ 6S 8D

Horses: 7

Oxen: 4

Cattle: 8

Swine: 4

Acres of Pasture: 55.5

Number of Cows pasture will keep: 26.0

Acres of Tilage: 7

Bushels of Grain produced per year: 155

Barrels of Cider produced per year: 26

Acres of Salt Marsh: 38

Tons of Salt Marsh Hay produced per year: 38.0

Acres of English and Upland Mowing land: 67.0

Primary Document Form

Doc # PR1010

Title – Massachusetts Tax Evaluation of Jacob Royall (1771)

Date of Item – Evaluated 1771; book published 1978

Description/Pages – pgs 22 - 23

Database/Repository – Massachusetts State Archives; main stacks in the archival room

Format – Book

ISBN – 10: 0816102457

Author/ Editor – Bettye Hobbs Pruitt

City – Boston

Publisher – G.K. Hale & Co.

Date accessed – 3/5/09

Series Notes – This information was copied by hand from the chart format in which the book presents it and later typed up. Information included in the parentheses was taken from the introductory pages and is used explain the codes applied by the tax assessor in 1771. Jacob Royall was the brother of Isaac, Sr. and uncle of Isaac, Jr. We are currently entertaining the idea that Jacob handled the sale of any slaves he and / or Isaac, Sr. and Jr. had brought up from Antigua. However, the extent to which these events occurred is still an area under study.

Subject(s) / Keywords – Jacob Royall, Royall property, “Life servants” / slaves

Links – Copy available for study at Massachusetts State Archives

The following is a typed transcription of pages 22 and 23 from The Massachusetts Tax Evaluation List of 1771.

Jacob Royall

Title: 2 (which indicates Esquire)

Polls Note Rated: 1

Houses and Shops: 1

Annual Worth of the Whole Real Estate: 40£ 0S 0D

Servants for Life: None listed

Primary Document Form

Doc # PR1011

Title – Probate of Elizabeth Royall Pepperell

Date of Item – 1774

Database/Repository – Massachusetts States Archives

Format – Microfilm

Microfilm Box Number – 213 (Case #s 19540 - 19650)

Probate Record Number – 19544

Creator/Author – N/A

Other author(s) – N/A

Files – Middlesex County Probate Court Records

Publisher – N/A

Date accessed – 4/14/09

Series Notes – Contains the various probate and other court records relating to Elizabeth Royall Pepperell (daughter of Isaac Royall, Jr.) Unfortunately, due to the poor print quality of this document we are unable to offer any pages for review and there are no known transcripts of this probate. However, a legible copy of this document can still be viewed by using the reference information given above to locate it in the Massachusetts State Archives collection.

Subject(s) / Keywords – Elizabeth Royall Pepperell, Isaac Royall, Jr.

Links – Microfilm copy available at the Massachusetts State Archives

Primary Document Form

Doc # PR1012

Title – Probate of Penelope Royall Vassall

Date of Item – 1778

Database/Repository – Massachusetts States Archives

Format – Microfilm

Microfilm Box Number – 249 (Case #s 23316 - 23411)

Probate Record Number – 23342

Files – Middlesex County Probate Court Records

Publisher – N/A

Date accessed – 4/14/09

Series Notes – Contains the various probate and other court records relating to Penelope Vassall (sister of Isaac Royall, Jr.), Henry Vassall (husband to Penelope), Elizabeth Vasall (daughter of Penelope and Henry).

Unfortunately, due to the poor print quality of this document we are unable to offer any pages for review. However, a legible copy of this document can still be viewed by using the reference information given above to locate it in the Massachusetts State Archives collection. Also, a transcription can also be found as *appendix B* beginning on page 233 in Bits of Cambridge History (1930) by Samuel Francis Batchelder.

Subject(s) / Keywords – Penelope Vassall, Henry Vassall, Elizabeth Vassall

Links – Microfilm copy is available at the Massachusetts State Archives

Primary Document Form

Doc #PR1013

Title – Probate records of Isaac Royall, Jr.

Date of Item – 1778

Database/Repository – Massachusetts States Archives

Format – Microfilm

Microfilm Box Number – 213 (Case #s 19540 - 19650)

Probate Record Number – 19546

Creator/Author – N/A

Files – Middlesex County Probate Court Records

Date accessed – 4/14/09

Series Notes – Contains the various probate and other court records relating to Isaac Royall, Jr. Due to the poor print quality of this document we are only able to offer six pages for review. Three of said pages are part of an inventory of Isaac's property. The remaining three pages are miscellaneous documents. To see a legible copy of this document in its entirety please use the reference information given above to locate it in the Massachusetts State Archives collection. A transcription of the inventory can also be found on pages 423 to 426 in *The Slaves of Colonial New England: Discourses of Colonialism and Identity at the Isaac Royall House, Medford, Massachusetts, 1732 – 1775*, by Alexander Chan.

Subject(s) / Keywords – Isaac Royall, Jr., Elizabeth McIntosh Royall (Isaac Royall, Jr.'s wife), Mary Royall Erving and Elizabeth Royall Pepperell (Isaac Royall, Jr.'s daughters)

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The Mission House and other
Buildings adjacent with the house } 6000
yards including about 3 acres land.

The Farm belonging to the Mission House
about 200 Acres March 4, 1840. } 10000

A dwelling House & Barn & a Cow
Barn with about 200 acres of land } 1500
& a plane tree to land.

A small dwelling House with a
well and land to it. } 1000

A dwelling House with a
well and land to it. } 1000

A dwelling House with a
well and land to it. } 1000

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THE CONDITION of this perfect OBLIGATION is such, That if the above-bounded Person, who is appointed agent for the estate of *James Royal Esq*, who was an inhabitant of *Britain* but has fled to the enemies of this State for protection & been absent from his habitation more than *six* months

do make or cause to be made a true and perfect Inventory of all and singular the Goods, Chattles, Rights and Credits of the said *Deceased* which have or shall come to the Hands, Possession or Knowledge of *him* the said Person or into the Hands and Possession of any other Person or Persons for *him* and the same so made, do exhibit or cause to be exhibited into the Registry of the Court of Probate for the said County of *Middlesex* at or before the *eight* Day of *September* next ensuing, and the same Goods, Chattles, Rights and Credits, and all other the Goods, Chattles, Rights and Credits, of the said *Deceased*, at the Time of *his* Death, which at any Time after shall come to the Hands and Possession of the said Person or Persons for *him* do well and truly administer according to Law: And further do make or cause to be made a just and true Account of *his* said Administration upon Oath, at or before the *ninth* Day of *June* which will be in the Year of our Lord a 0 and Residue of the said Goods, Chattles, Rights and Credits, which shall be found remaining upon the said Administration, Accounts, the same being first examined and allowed of by the Judge or Judges for the County being of Probate of Wills and granting Administrations within the County of *Middlesex* (foresaid) *he* shall deliver and pay unto each Person or Persons respectively, as the said Judge or Judges by his or their Decree or Sentence pursuant to Law shall limit and appoint: And it is *herein* declared, that any last Will and Testament was made by the said *Deceased* and the same is *void* and of none Effect, or else to abide the *same* *within* bounds, being otherwise required, *from* *the* *written* *Obligation* *to* *be* *Void* *and* *of* *none* *Effect*, or else to abide before written Obligation to be Void and of none Effect, or else to abide and remain in full Force and Virtue.

Sealed and Delivered by the
 in Presence of
[Handwritten signatures]

Simon [unclear]

Thos. Brooks

Moses [unclear]

To the Hon^{ble} Court of Probate in the
 County of Middlesex in the State of Massachusetts, May
 We the undersigned, being a major part of the Selectmen
 of the Town of Medford in said County of Middlesex, do
 hereby certify under our hands, that Isaac Royall Esq.
 being an inhabitant of said town of Medford has absented
 himself for the term of upwards of three months, leaving
 estate behind him to the value of more than Twenty
 Pounds within this State; and from the best intelligence
 we can obtain we verily believe the said Isaac Royall
 voluntarily went to our Enemies, and is still absent from
 his habitation, and without this State.

Medford (May) 25th 1778.

Steph^l Hall, Secy
 Ebene^r Hull
 Richard Hull
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Major part of Selectmen
 of Town of Medford

Primary Document Form

Doc # PR1014

Title – Will & Codicils of Isaac Royall (Jr.) [dated Kensington, England, May 26, 1778 and November 31st, 1779...]

Date of Item – 1781 (Unconfirmed)

Description/Pages – RARE; US 919MAS ROY Folio; (16 leaves);
Photocopies of original Will; 16 pgs

Database/Repository – Special Collections: Harvard Law Library

Format – Manuscript

Harvard Law Library Record Number – 003317312

URL –

<http://discovery.lib.harvard.edu/?hrciid=%7clibrary%2fm%2faleph%7c003317312>

Creator/Author – Isaac Royall, Jr.

City – Kensington (England)

Publisher – N/A

Date accessed – 3/5/09

Series Notes – Will was written by Isaac Royall, Jr. in England after he left behind Royall house and all its goods during the American Revolution. There are various speculations as to the manner and circumstances surrounding his departure from Medford and greater New England.

Subject(s) / Keywords – Isaac Royall, Jr., home goods, Mary Macintosh, Penelope Vassal, Elizabeth Royall, Elizabeth Vassal, and various other relatives.

Wills & cetera

W Kensington in the County of Middlesex in the Kingdom of Great Britain.

In the name of God Amen. I Isaac Royall late of Medford in the County of Middlesex called in the Province of Massachusetts Bay in New England when I left Medford aforesaid on the 16th of April 1775 but of Kensington aforesaid having divers Estates in vards Province of Massachusetts Bay, but by information since vailed, the State of Massachusetts Bay and in the Colonys of Rhode Islands, now by information called the State of Rhode Islands also an Estate in the Islands of Antigua in the West Indies all which are bequeath'd or dispos'd of in two Wills made by me, the first in New England bearing date the twelfth of January 1770: the other in Halifax dated the 11th of May 1776: Since which I have thought it necessary to alter said Wills and make a new one and being now weak in body but of a sound disposing mind and mov'd thro the goodness of Almighty God, I do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say principally and first of all I commend my Soul to God my Creator Hoping in his mercy thro the merits and mediation of my blessed Lord and saviour Jesus Christ to obtain the pardon and remission of all my sins and a gracious acceptance with this my body I commend to be decently interred hoping a joyful Resurrection and touching the worldly Estate God hath given me, I dispose of it as follows — Item 1st I direct my funeral charges and just debts to be first paid out of the monies remaining by me at the time of my decease and what can somest be collected from debts due to me and the sale of my moveable goods &c And I recommend my Executors severally to examine all demands against my Estate to pay none but such debts as shall be legally ascertained.

Item 2^d I give to my Uncle Samuel Royall besides all he is indebted to me five Guineas per Annum during his life as a small memorial of my regard and to Mrs Abigail Royall the wife of my late Uncle Jacob Royall Esq deceased if living at my death I bequeath the sum of five guineas per Annum during her life as a token of my esteem, Also to my kind woman Sarah Bank wife of Tomas Bank Merchant, I give three pounds Sterling per Annum during her life, I also give to Rebecca the wife of Joseph Thomson kind woman to my late wife three Pounds Sterling to buy her a Mourning Ring or whatever else she please as a small acknowledgment of my regard, I also give to my Executors Dr Simon Dufts, Oliver Wendell, & Francis Dana Esq and to each of them who shall accept the trust of being my Executor a piece of plate of the value of ten pounds Sterling as a token of my regards and I also give to my worthy friend ^{the Rev} Mr Samuel Cook of Cambridge in New England and to the Church of Medford aforesaid a piece of Plate of the value of ten

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pounds Sterling to be purchased and paid for by my Executors. I also give to the Rev^d Mr Tirrell and the Rev^d Mr Osgood if living as to whoever shall be the ministers of Malsford aforesaid at the time of my decease also to the Hon^{ble} Doctor Knichrop Professor of Mathematics in Cambridge aforesaid likewise to the President of Harvards College in Cambridge; also to my friends the Hon^{ble} John Erving and James Bordon and Jeremiah Bonell Esq^r of Boston and to my friends Mr Willis Hall Mr Seth Smeeth of Charlestown and to Charles Pelham Esq^r of New Town and to whoever shall accept the trust of being my Executors for my New England Estates and to each of the above mentioned persons. I give a handsome Enamell'd Mourning Ring as a small token of respect likewise to Lady Dorcas Popham and my sister Mrs Elizabeth Sparhawk of Mitting and to my kind woman Hannah Potter wife of Col^l Potter of Bristol aforesaid and to each of them. I give a handsome Enamell'd Mourning Ring as a token of my regards and my Will is that the above legacies shall be paid out of the monies remaining in the hands of my Attorney or Simon Trafts but if not found sufficient then to be paid from the sale of a sufficient number of my lots of land in Royaltown hereinafter mentioned and my Executors are hereby expressly impowered to sell Royalston Lots for the purposes herein mentioned I also give to Miss Lucy Trafts eldest daughter of my above mentioned Executor Dr Simon Trafts one dozen double gilt tea spoons Tongs and Strainers which are in the hands of her said Father.

Item 3^d The following persons being indebted to me I give and bequeath to each of them severally and their heirs the several and particular Sums each one of them is indebted to me viz^t my Nephew Jacob Royall and Mr Royall sons of my Uncle Samuel, Jacob Cheney son of my late Aunt Cheney the heirs of Allen Carey late of Bristol in New England deceased and Jonathan Lantorn of Free Town in said New England and I order and direct my Executors ^{to balance} their several Accounts in my Books and to cancel and give up the Security I hold against all or any of them.

Item 4. I hereby confirm my gift unto my beloved Son in Law Sir William Popham Bart^l and his heirs of my Negro Boy Joseph and my Negro Girl Persilla.

Item 5. I also give to my much loved daughter Mary M^{rs} Intosh Erving the wife of the Hon^{ble} George Erving Esq^r certain Silver Plate she has now in possession viz^t a handsome large Tea Table and stand with a lamp a large handsome Coffee Pot a large handsome hand basin a large gentled Tea Pot and Milk Pot and a large handsome stand with Castors all neatly chased or raised work also a handsome Gold Truff Box chased or raised work with my fathers Picture in the lid of it during her natural life but

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if my said daughter die without issue then the said Lord Shuff 1st Bar
and 2nd Baron hereinafter I will and bequeath to my beloved Grand daughter
Harriot Popperell but in case my said grand daughter Harriot dies before
my said daughter Harriot then I will and bequeath the said Plate 1st Lord
Shuff 1st Bar to her sister Elmy & first wife John Popperell and her heirs forever
and I also give to my above mentioned daughter being half my Library of
Books with my Great Bible & Family Bible with cuts, which Bible & Bibles
may not go out of the family while my daughter or any of my Grand Children
are living, also my Charles & Chisic with their names and I do confirm
the gift of my & sons Girl Barbara and her sister & names to her and her
heirs forever and I do also give unto my said daughter my Negro Woman
Rebecca in case she does not choose her freedom if she does choose her
freedom to have it, provided she get security that she shall not be a
charge to the town of Medford.

Item 6. The other half of my library I give to my beloved Grand daughter
Elizabeth Rosall Popperell and to her heirs forever, which is in the care of
Mrs Erins Esq^r.

Item 7th I give and bequeath to my beloved Grand Child William Popperell
the son of Sir William aforesaid my own and my late wifes pictures in half
lengths now in possession of his said Father, also the picture of Mr Thomas
Palmer and the Portraits of his own Parents which were kept at my seat at
Medford.

Item 8. I do hereby direct and authorize my Executors for my Antient
Estate or the survivors or survivors of them to cause all my Estate both real
and personal in the Island of Antigua to be sold and as soon as may
be conveniently without selling it under Value and of the money arising
from the sale thereof after my just debts are paid I give the sum of
two hundred pounds Sterling to my said son in Law Sir William Popperell
as a small testimony of my great regard for him.

Item 9th From said moneys I give to my Esteemed Nephew Thomas
Palmer Esquire the sum of twenty quineas and I also give to the following
persons Viz^t My Son in Law Sir William Popperell Baronett and
Mrs Erins Esq^r to my sister Jane Vassall to my Nieces Elizabeth
the daughter of my said sister Enelope and Wife of Doctor Charles
Thompson and to Elizabeth Vassall wife of John Vassall Esq^r to my
Nephew his Honor Thomas Oliver Richard Oliver & Thomas Palmer
Esq^r and to my Nephew Esq^r Royall Esq^r late of Jamaica and now
of Portman Street and to each of them the sum of ten pounds Sterling
as a remembrance of their friend departed and to be paid out by them

in a handsome two handled silver cup and cover like the one I lately gave my Grandson William Pepperell, I also give to Francis Childs Nursing Maid to my late daughter Lady Pepperell the sum of ten pounds Sterling as a mark of my regard for her kindness and care to said Lady Pepperell in her sickness and to her children since I also give to my much Esteemed friends the Honble Thomas Thurnal Esq^r Joseph Paine Esq^r Daniel Leonard Esq^r Thomas Dunforth Esquire and Thomas Dhallie Esquire now in England and to each of them I give a handsome Enamell'd Shouning Ring as a small token of my regards also to Mrs Jackson who has the care of my Grand daughter Harriet Pepperell as a token of my regards for her I give a handsome Enamell'd Shouning Ring.

Item 10th The residue or remainder of the monies arising from the sale of my Antigua Estate I direct my Executors to divide in the following manner one eighth part or share thereof I desire them to put out at interest on good security and the interest to be paid yearly to my beloved daughter Maryell Intosh Erving during her life and if she leave any issue then the principal one eighth to go to said issue but if she die without issue then the said eighth to be equally divided between my four grand children hereinafter named in this item and in the same manner with the remainder ^{of the} seven eighths after deducting five hundred pounds for my Grand daughter Elizabeth Royall Pepperell and the other seven eighths or remaining part of my said Estate after paying to my said daughter Elizabeth Royall Pepperell out of it five hundred pounds Sterling which I bequeath to her I give to be equally divided between the four children of my late daughter Pepperell Viz - The said Elizabeth Royall, Henry Harriet the Intosh Harriet & William their shares or portions to be put out at interest with the five hundred pounds for the said Elizabeth Royall on good security in such a manner that the interest shall be added to the principal every year and as they severally come of age their portions or shares each one so increased to be paid them but my Express will is that if either of those grand children die before it comes of age the portions or share of such child or children so dying shall be equally divided between the survivors of them, if they all die in their minority their whole seven eighths with the increased interest to be divided thus one half thereof to be paid to my son in Law viz William Pepperell and the other half to be paid to my said daughter Mary the Intosh Erving or if she should leave any

children born of her Body to so many of her children as shall remain living but for want of said issue one half of her portion of the aforesaid seven Eights to my Son in Law George Erving Esquire and the other half to my beloved Sister Penelope Walsall and her daughter Elizabeth Russell and her heirs.

Item 11. All my Real Estate in the Townshipp of Bristol in the Colony of Rhode Islands but now by information called the State of Rhode Island Vizt & Town commonly called Mount Hope Town containing about three hundred and seventy five acres more or less leased to a Moses Davis and four acres of land leased to a Simon Munroe I give devise and bequeath unto my beloved Grand daughter Elizabeth Royall Popperell and her heirs forever subject nevertheless to the limitations and regulations in Item Seventeenth.

Item 12th I give devise and bequeath unto the town of Medford in the County of Middlesex in the Province of Massachusetts Bay but now by information since called the State of Massachusetts Bay for the use and better support of the School of said Town one hundred acres more or less of that part of my land in the Townshipp of Grandy formerly known by the name of South Hadley in the County of Hampshire in the Province or State aforesaid which hundred acres is leased to Ebenezer Durbin all the remainder of said tract of land in said Grandy containing eighty nine hundred acres more or less also all my right in a tract of land in the County of Worcester containing in the whole three hundred and twenty eight acres which I bought of the Province of Massachusetts Bay on the twenty eighth day of December one thousand seven hundred and fifty two in company with the Honble James Ols Esquire John Shumley Esquire and Capt. Caleb Danoye I give devise and bequeath to the Overseers and Corporation of Harvard College in Cambridge in the County of Middlesex aforesaid to be appropriated towards the Endowing of the Professor of Laws in said College or a Professor of Physick and anatomy which two the said Overseers and Corporation shall Judge to be best for the benefit of said College and they hereby shall have full power to sell said lands and to put the money out to interest the income whereof shall be for the aforesaid purpose.

Item 13th I give devise and bequeath unto my Nephew in Law Charles Royall one hundred acres of land being ^{more or less} one hundred and five in Royalls borough so called in the County of Cumberland in the Province of Massachusetts Bay but now by information since called the State of Massachusetts Bay to him during his life and after his decease to his Son Isaac Royall and his heirs forever.

Item 14th I give devise and bequeath unto my Thisman William Royall one hundred acres of lands in said Royalsborough joining said Lot No 100 and to his heirs forever I mean hereby Lot No one hundred and twenty four.

Item 15th I give devise and bequeath unto Isaac Royall son of my kinsman Samuel Wintrop Royall one hundred acres of land in said Royalsborough whereever my Executors shall think best to him and his heirs forever he or his father to shew his one hundred acres if my Executors need to assign them to him six months after his request.

Item 16th The rest and residue of all my lands in Royalsborough aforesaid with all my other lands in the County of Cumberland divided or undivided all my lands in the Township of Topsfield & Brunswick in the Counties of Cumberland and Lincoln divided or undivided & all my share of Lands in a Township called Royalton in the County of Worcester divided or not and all my lands not here to fore bequeathed in said County of Worcester the said three Counties being in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay but not by information called the State of Massachusetts Bay I give devise and bequeath the same unto three of my Grandchildren Vizt Mary Saint Mc Intosh Apprell, Harriot Apprell and William Apprell to them to hold in severally and their heirs forever Subject also to the limitations and regulations in item seventeenth.

Item 17th My Will and intent is that all the ^{Estates} Real and personal herein before bequeathed and devised unto my said four Grand children shall remain under the care of my Executors until those Grand children come of lawful age, but should any one or more of them die in their minority the Estate or portion herein devised or bequeathed to such person or persons so dying shall devolve to the survivors of them in equal shares. If they all die before they come of lawful age, such Estates as I have herein bequeathed or devised to the said four grand children whether Real or Personal except as to what is otherwise directed in Article the tenth I hereby give devise and bequeath the same unto my beloved daughter the said Mary Mc Intosh Erving if then living or to her children in the same manner and with the same limitations as they were given to my before mentioned Grand children but as sometimes young people may become parents and decessed before they are of lawful age in such case the orphan if true lawfully begotten of any or either of my said grand children so dying shall be allowed to represent and stand in the stead of their Parent decessed and my

Will (and order) is that such Orphans shall have and enjoy the
advantage their parent could have had and enjoyed (and the Succession
of these Estates devised or bequeathed to the said four Grand Children shall
go on uninterrupted as above directed my intention herein being to confine
the benefit of my Estates to my said daughter (and Grand Children).

Item 18th I give devise and bequeath unto my beloved Grand daughter
Harriet Pippell the following four lots of Land in Medford aforesaid ad-
described in the ensuing part of this item Viz^t one Lot containing thirty seven
acres bought of Jonathan Tufts and containing two acres more within the same
fence part of a purchase from Benjamin Parker the whole thirty nine acres
makes part of a Farm leased to Gorham Williams and by him improved which
left Medford in April 1775. Also a Wood Lot bought of William Tufts containing
fourteen acres and a half commonly called Turkey Swamp likewise two more
Wood Lots now under one enclosure bought of Ebenezer Bull containing the two to-
gether twenty nine acres and a half and twenty six rods and lies partly upon a Hill
commonly called Pine Hill. The above described four Lots I give bequeath &
devise to my said Grand daughter (and her heirs forever) Subject like the other
Grand childrens Devise to the regulations contained in Item Seventeenth.

Item 19th All my Real Estate not already disposed of Viz^t My Mansion
House and Lands with all my other Houses and Lands in Medford aforesaid
formerly Charlestown in the County of Middlesex and my Houses and
Lands in Wulpile formerly Stoughton in the County of Suffolk and Province
or State of the Massachusetts Bay aforesaid with all and singular the
privileges and appurtenances unto each and every of them belonging or pertaining
I give devise and bequeath unto my friend Dr Simon Tufts of Medford
aforesaid and unto my Kinsman Joseph Royall Esq^r late of Jamaica
and now of Portman Street and unto my Kinsman Thomas Palmer
Esq^r late of Boston aforesaid but now supposed to be in Surinam in
the Dutch West Indies to them and their heirs in trust forever and to
for no other use interest and purpose whatsoever that is to say to the intent to pre-
serve and support the contingent uses and remainders hereinafter mentioned but
nevertheless in trust to permit and allow my said daughter Mary Mcintosh
Royall now the wife of George Erving Esq^r to have the use benefit and profit
thereof during her natural life and no longer without impeachment of waste
and from and after her decease then to remain to the first son of my said daugh-
ter Mary Mcintosh Erving of her body lawfully begotten and to his issue law-
fully proceeding the males successively in seniority of age & priority of birth
before the female issue of such son and in default of such male and female
issue then to the second third or fourth or other son and Sons daughter and

daughters successively of my said daughter Mary and their several and
respective issues lawfully proceeding the sons of each Parents or Ancestors
to take and inherit successively before the daughters of the same Parent or
Ancestors and in default of issue of my said daughter Mary then to extend
and remain to my beloved Grandson William Pepperell son of my late
daughter Elizabeth he Sir, William Pepperell Baronett to have and enjoy
the use and benefit thereof during his natural life and then to remain to the
heirs of his body lawfully issuing in the same order and manner as directed
for the heirs of my said daughter Mary and in default of issue of my said
Grandson then to extend to the use of my said granddaughter Elizabeth
Royall Pepperell for and during her natural life and to the issue of her
body lawfully begotten in the same order and manner as directed for my
said daughter Mary and her issue and in default of such issue then
the said Entailed Estate to extend and remain to my Grand daughter
Mary Trust M^{rs} Entosh Pepperell for and during her natural life
and to her issue as above directed with regard to my daughter Mary
and her issue and in default of such issue as above of my Grand daughter
Elizabeth Trust M^{rs} Entosh Pepperell then the said entailed
Estate to extend and remain to my Grand daughter Harriet
Pepperell for and during her natural life and to her issue as above
directed for my daughter Mary and in default of issue of my said
daughter Grandson and three Grand daughters then and in such
case the said Entailed Estate to extend and remain to the use of my
beloved sister Penelope Vassall for and during her natural life only but
upon certain conditions hereinafter contained in this the twentieth
to be kept fulfilled and complied with by the said Penelope Vassall
and all and every the inheritors who shall succeed to this entailed
Estate until the same do ultimately terminate in the College and
Hospital herein after mentioned and from and after her decease
then to remain to the use of my niece her daughter Elizabeth now
the wife of Charles Russell Esq for and during her natural life and
to the issue of her body lawfully begotten in the same order and manner
of succession as is inscribed for my said daughter Mary's issue
and in default of issue male and female as aforesaid of my
said niece Elizabeth Russell then the said Entailed Estate
to remain to the use benefit and behoof of my Nephew William
Royall aforesaid for and during his natural life and from & after
his decease then to remain to the first or Eldest son of the said
William Royall and the issue male successively of his body lawfully

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begotten and in default of such issue then to the second issue male
and other sons and sons of the said William Royall and the issue male of theirs
several in respective bodies lawfully issuing in such order and course as
they shall be in Seniority of age and priority of birth and in such manner as
the eldest of them and issue male shall always be preferred and take before the
Younger and his issue and in default of such issue Male of the said William
Royall then the said entailed Estate to remain, to his brother Jacob Royall
for and during his natural life and to the issue male of his body lawfully begotten
as is directed for the said William Royall and his issue male and in default
of such issue then to his brother Samuel Winthrop Royall for and during
his natural life and his issue male of his body lawfully begotten as is
directed before for William Royall and his issue and in default of
such issue then to remain to the wife of Elin Royall for and during his nat-
ural life and his issue Male lawfully begotten in the manner as is before
directed for William Royall and his issue - and in default of such issue
of the said Elin Royall then to extend and remain to my kinsman Joseph
Royall Esq: late of the Island of Jamaica in the West Indies but now
of Portman Street Portman Square in the County of Middlesex in the Kingdom
of Great Britain for and during his natural life and the issue male of his body
lawfully begotten in succession and in order as directed for the said William
Royall and his issue Male after the said Joseph Royall's decease and in default
of issue Male of his body lawfully begotten then my Express will is that one half
the income of my said Entailed Estate shall be applied and improved for
building an Hospital in said County of Middlesex for and towards the yearly
maintenance of the poor and infirm belonging to the said County which
Hospital shall be built by and always be under the direction of the Justices
of the Court of General Sessions of the peace of said County and shall be
built in either of the towns of Medford or Cambridge as they the said Jus-
tices shall think proper the poor of Medford in preference to any other always
to enjoy the benefit of said Hospital and that the other half the income of my
said Estate be applied towards the support of a Professor of Laws in Harvard
College in Cambridge aforesaid the application of said last mentioned half of
the said income for the purpose aforesaid to be under the direction of
the Overseers and Corporation of the said College forever and I give my Tomb
in Dorchester to whoever from time to time my Entailed Estate shall descend
and my desire is that they always keep it in good repair and well secured
on the top of the entrance down the Vault with Cedar Planks or other
fitting covering for the use of all or any of my family who may not inherit
the entailed Estate who may chuse interment there

Remainder

Item 20th And my will is that I do order and direct that a legacy from the time of Succession in my Grand daughter Harriot Pofferrill and her issue as aforesaid shall may or doth become actual from thence forward before any person shall succeed or enter into possession of the said hereby Entailed Estate and the devise is to be understood to be on condition that he or she successively give bond with sufficient Sureties to the Treasurers of Harvard College in Cambridge aforesaid for the payment of the sum of ten pounds Sterling every year to the said Treasurers or his successors in Office which said sum this yearly to be paid shall be applied towards the support of such Students of said College as the Overseers and Corporation thereof shall from year to year think it most proper to bestow upon.

Item 21st My will and desire is that my Mansion House and the lands and all the rest of my Entailed Estate in Medford aforesaid go by the name of Royallville a name by which I had for some years past called it which I desire always to have it go by.

Item 22^d My will and desire is that any and every person to ^{whom} this my Entailed Estate described in Item the nineteenth my descendency come by the above limitations shall within a reasonable time assume the ^{said} name of Royall or at least shall add the said to their own proper name and except only my Grandson William Pofferrill his sisters or any of his or their descendants to whom the Entailed Estate of their late Great Grandfather the late Sir William Pofferrill shall or may descend who shall add the name of Royall to their Christian name and in default thereof the same Estate shall descend or pass the person so neglecting to the next heir in tail according to the limitations in the said Nineteenth Item as if such person so neglecting or refusing was actually dead.

Item 23^d My will is that my family Pictures not herein before disposed of and all the furniture belonging to the two best Rooms in my House at Medford aforesaid Vizt The Hall and the Chamber over it do remain and be kept in the said Mansion House and descend therewith to those who shall inherit the said Entailed Estate but all the rest of the furniture not otherwise disposed of I will that it be equally divided between my daughter Erving and my Grand daughter Elizabeth Royall Pofferrill and my said Grand daughters share to be sold to the best advantage and the money put to interest for her use.

Item 24th All my Arms such as Guns Swords Pistols &c I give to be equally divided between my two Sons in Law Sir William Pofferrill

Remains

Baronell and George Living Esq^r.

Item 25th All my Rings and Jewels not before disposed of except my large Ring Mentally Purchas'd which holds about two or three Sullens which I give to my Grandson William Pepperell I give devise and bequeath unto my said three Granddaughters aforesaid Elizabeth Royall Pepperell, Mary Hunt, M^{rs} Intosh Pepperell and Harriet Pepperell in equal shares and to their heirs forever.

Item 26th All the rest residue and remainings of my Estate real and personal wheresoever the same may be, I give devise and bequeath as follows Viz^t one fourth part ^{to} I have thereof unto my said daughter Mary and her heirs forever and the other three fourths or shares thereof I give devise and bequeath unto my said three Grand daughters the aforesaid Elizabeth Royall, Pepperell, Mary Hunt M^{rs} Intosh Pepperell and Harriet Pepperell in severalls and their heirs forever.

Item 27th I do hereby nominate and appoint my son in Law Sir William Pepperell Baronell and my nephew the aforesaid Thomas Palmer Esq^r ^{and Joseph Royall Esq^r} as my Executors or to be my Executors for all my Estates real and Personal in Antigua aforesaid and in Great Britain and I^r Simon Tufts Esq^r Oliver Wendell Esq^r and Francis Dana Esq^r to be my Executors for my Estates in New England to see this my last Will and Testament carried into Execution according to the Tenor thereof.

Item 28th I recommend this my last Will and Testament to the care of my trusty son in Law Sir William Pepperell, Baronell and my Nephew Joseph Royall Esq^r and desire that they will transmit two Authentick Copies of the same after the forms of the Law and complied with as soon as conveniently can be done one to Thomas Palmer Esq^r and the other to Simon Tufts Esq^r.

Item 29th And my will and intent further is that the authorities of the said Simon Tufts Esq^r Oliver Wendell Esq^r and Francis Dana Esq^r as Executors aforesaid shall continue that is until either the said Thomas Palmer Esq^r or Sir William Pepperell Baronell or Joseph Royall Esq^r or either of them shall return to settle in New England in which case and at which time my Will and intent is that they or either of them as shall return to settle in New England as aforesaid shall assume the Executorship respecting the said New England Estates in conjunction with the said Simon Tufts Esq^r Oliver Wendell Esq^r and Francis Dana Esq^r and in case neither of them should return to settle in New England then my Will and intent is that the said Simon Tufts Esq^r Oliver Wendell Esq^r and Francis Dana Esq^r shall continue my Executors for the said New England Estates until

my Grandson William Poffersell shall arrive at the age of twenty one years at which time I will ^{and} request that my said Grandson shall take upon himself the Execution of my said Will respecting my said New England Estates ^{and} my further Will ^{and} desire is that the said Simon Tufts Esq^r Oliver Wendell Esq^r ^{and} Francis Dana Esq^r during the time of their Execution of my said Will for ^{and} on account of my said New England Estates shall be allowed for their trouble ^{and} Expenses in the Execution of this my Will besides what is before mentioned so much as the Judge of Probates for the County of Middlesex aforesaid shall judge to be just ^{and} reasonable.

Item 30th and lastly I hereby revoke ^{and} make null ^{and} void all former ^{other} Wills Legacies, Requests ^{and} Executors by me at any time heretofore bequeathed ^{and} Will ^{and} hereby ratifying solemnly affirming ^{and} declaring this ^{and} no other to be my last Will ^{and} Testament In testimony whereof I the said Isaac Royall have hereunto set my hand ^{and} Seal at Kensington aforesaid this twenty fifth day of May in the year (of our Lord one thousand seven hundred ^{and} Seventy Eight) ^{and} in Item 2^d Page 9th line 12th ^{and} Jeremiah Cornell interlined before signing ^{and} sealing Isaac Royall Esq^r.

Signed sealed published ^{and} declared by the Testator Isaac Royall as his last Will ^{and} Testament in presence of us who in presence of the testator ^{and} of each other have severally subscribed our names as Witnesses hereunto having signed three sheets. Richard Taylor, James Belcher Ball, John Rawling Jun^r, Thomas Butts.

N.B. The General Court at Boston granted certain lands to the proprietors of Royallstown as an equivalent for the lands before given or sold by the said Court belonging to said Proprietors my share of said Lands I know not where it lies but refer my Executors to John Chandler Esq^r of Worcester who was one of the Partners or Owners that purchased Royallstown of the said Court ^{and} Clerk to that proprietorship.

I do make this as a Codicil to my Will made May 26th 1778. I do ratify ^{and} confirm the said Will with the following Alterations I appoint my friend the Hon^{ble} James Borloughs Esq^r one of my Executors in New England instead of my son in Law Sir William Poffersell Baronett for my Estates in New England only ^{and} Mr. Willis Hall Merchant in Medford one of my Executors in New England instead of Dr. Simon Tufts Esq^r for my Estates in New England only to act in conjunction with Francis Dana, Oliver Wendell, Thomas Palmer ^{and} Joseph Royall

Esquires of the major part of them I hereby ratify solemnly approve & declare
this to be my Codicil to my said Will made May 20th 1778.

Item 1st I give devise and bequeath to my beloved Granddaughter
Elizabeth Royall Peppercorn two hundred pounds Sterling more & above
the five hundred Pounds already bequeathed to buy out of the said Antiquar
State the rest of the seven rights to go to the rest of the children as before men-
tioned.

Item 2^d I give devise and bequeath to my much Esteem'd Friend, The Hon^{ble}
James Bondin Esq a piece of Plate of the Value of ten pounds Sterling as a
small token of my regard and Esteem for him.

Item 3^d I give devise and bequeath to my friend Mr Willis Hall
Merchant in Medford a piece of Plate of the Value of ten Pounds
Sterling as a token of my Esteem for him.

Item 4th I give devise and bequeath to my friends the Hon Isaac
Dechamps Esq of the township of Windsor in Nova Scotia if living
at my decease an Enamell'd Mourning Ring as a testimony of my regard
for him I also bequeath an Enamell'd Mourning Ring to my friends
Malachi Talley Esq of Halifax if living at my decease and to my
kinswoman Hannah Talley wife of Simon Talley Esq in the township
of Bristol in the Colony of Rhode Island but now by information since
called the State of Rhode Island I bequeath an Enamell'd Mour-
ing Ring if living at my decease as a testimony of my very great regard
for her.

Item 5th I give devise and bequeath one land Lot N^o 18 containing two
hundred acres in the township of Royalston in the County of Worcester
in the Province of Massachusetts Bay but now by information since
called the State of Massachusetts Bay to the Overseers of the Free or
Selection of said Town towards maintaining a free School to teach the
children to read, write and Arithmetick.

Item 6th I give devise and bequeath to the Overseers and Corporation
of Harvard College in Cambridge in the County of Middlesex in the Province
of Massachusetts Bay in New England but now by information since cal-
led the State of Massachusetts Bay one land Lot N^o 104 containing two
hundred acres in the above mentioned Royalston and all my unencumber'd land
not heretofore bequeathed in said Royalston to be appropriated towards the
endowing a Professor of Laws in said College or a Professor of Physic and
Anatomy whichever the Overseers and Corporation of said College shall
choose or judge to be best for the benefit of said College.

Item 7th I give devise and bequeath unto my kinsman Isaac Royall

Son of Samuel Winthrop Royall in North Ferrisburgh and to his heirs forever my land ^{lot} No 1 containing two hundred acres in the above mentioned Township of Ferrisburgh in the County of Worcester.

Item 8th I give devise and bequeath over and above the pieces of Plate already bequeathed to my Executors to my much Esteemed friend the Hon^{ble} James Bowdoin Esq^r and to the rest of the Gentlemen who I have appointed my Executors that shall be so kind as to accept of the trust I have confided in them to act as my Executors in New England one hundred acres of Land each in the above mentioned Township of Ferrisburgh in the County of Cumberland in the Province or State of Massachusetts Bay where they shall chuse which is not already disposed of in my Will made May 26th 1778 and in this Codicil except it be that lot which Mulachi Satter Esq^r shall chuse as I have given him the first choice out of that township in a writing or letter under my hand dated July 6th 1779 - upon certain conditions reference being had to said Writing will more fully appear. I recommend this Codicil to my Will to the care of my Son in Law Sir William Pepperrell Bar^{on}ett and my Nephew and Joseph Royall Esq^r after it is proved and gone through the usual forms I desire that they would transmit and authentic Copy of it to my friend James Bowdoin Esq^r to be communicated to Francis Dana Esq^r Oliver Wendell Esq^r and Mr Willis Hall joint Executors to my Will made May 26th 1778.

In testimony whereof I the said Isaac Royall have hereunto set my hand and seal at Newington this thirty first day of November in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & seventy nine.

Isaac Royall L^d.

Signed sealed published and declared by of Testator Isaac Royall as his Codicil to his Will made May 26th 1778 - in presence of us who in the presence of the Testator and of each other have severally subscribed our names as witnesses hereunto. John Forbrook, James Belcher, Ball, Mr Dalby Thomas Bulls.

Wm Cooper Rec

Frederic by Divine Providence Archbishop of Canterbury Primate of all England and Metropolitan do by these presents make known to all men that it hath been alleged byon the worshipful George Harris Doctor of Laws, Chancellor of the right worshipful Peter Calvert

Doctor of Laws Master Keeper Comynsary of our prerogatives
Court of Canterbury lawfully Constituted by Sir William Pp-
porell, Barone that Isaac Royall formerly of Medford
in the County of Middlesex in North America but late
of the Parish of Kensington in the County of Middlesex
in the Kingdom of Great Britain Esq, deceased and whose
lawful and of sound mind memory and understanding
only make and execute in his last will and testament
and codicil in writing and in his said will nominated
and appointed the said Sir William Pp-porell Barone
Thomas Palmer & Joseph Royall Esq Executors for all
his estates real and personal in the Island of Antigua
and in the Kingdom of Great Britain in the words
following, to wit: "I do hereby nominate and appoint my
Son in law Sir William Pp-porell Barone and my ne-
phew the said Thomas Palmer Esq and Joseph Royall
Esq as my Executors or to be my Executors for all my
estates real & personal in Antigua Antigua and in
Great Britain" And do further make known that on the
fourteenth day of November in the year of our Lord
one thousand seven hundred and eighty one at London
before the Surrogate aforesaid the said last will and
testament and codicil of Isaac Royall deceased (here-
unto annexed) was freely approved and registered the
said deceased having, whom living and at the time of
his death goods chattels or credits in divers dioceses or
jurisdictions by reason whereof the proving and registering
the said will and codicil and granting administration of
the goods Chattels and Credits of the said deceased &
also the auditing allowing and final discharging the
account thereof are well known to appertain only and
wholly to us and not to any inferior judge and that
administration of all and singular the goods Chattels &
Credits of the said Isaac Royall deceased limited so far
only as relates or concerns the estates of the said de-
ceased real and personal in the Island of Antigua and
in the Kingdom of Great Britain but no further or other-
wise was granted to the said Sir William Pp-porell Baro-
ne and one of the Executors named in the said will for the

estates of the said deceased real and personal in the Islands of
 Antigua and in Great Britain aforesaid he having been already sworn
 and faithfully to administer the same and to make a true
 and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods, Chitties and
 credits of the said deceased limited so far only as relates to or
 concerns the estates of the said deceased real & personal in the
 Islands of Antigua and in the Kingdom of Great Britain but not
 further or otherwise and to exhibit the same into the Registry of
 our said Prerogative Court of Canterbury on or before the last day
 of May next ensuing, and also to render a full and true account
 thereof, power reserved of making the like grant to the said Tho-
 mas Palmer and Joseph Royce the other executors named in
 the said will for the estates of the said deceased real & personal in
 the Islands of Antigua and in Great Britain when they or either of them
 shall apply for the same. Given at the town & place aforesaid and in
 the seventeenth year of our said Translation.

Henry Stevens Geo. Costling Jno Green Deputy Registrars.

Exec^{rs} W^m Cooper Reg^r

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Christ. Oliver W. B. Peabody Reg^r

Isaac Royce

will & account

(May 26, 1778)

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Document 1. Original Text of Belinda's Petition to the Massachusetts General Court, February 14, 1783 (RHA files).

The Petition of Belinda an Affrican, humbly shews: that seventy years have rolled away, since she on the banks of the Rio de Valta received her existence—the mountains Covered with spicy forests, the valleys loaded with the richest fruits, spontaneously produced; joined to that happy temperature of air to exclude excess; would have yielded her the most compleat felicity, had not her mind received early impressions of the cruelty of men, whose faces were like the moon, and whose Bows and Arrows were like the thunder and the lightning of the Clouds. – The idea of these, the most dreadful of all Enemies, filled her infant slumbers with horror, and her noontide moments with evil apprehensions! – But her affrighted imagination, in its most alarming extension, never represented distresses equal to what she hath since really experienced – for before she had Twelve years enjoyed the fragrance of her native groves, and e'er she realized, that Europeans placed their happiness in the yellow dust which she carelessly marked with her infant footsteps – even when she, in a sacred grove, with each hand in that of a tender Parent, was paying her devotions to the great Orisa who made all things – an armed band of white men, driving many of her Countrymen in Chains, ran into the hallowed shade! – could the Tears, the sighs and supplications, bursting from Tortured Parental affection, have blunted the keen edge of Avarice, she might have been rescued from Agony, which many of her Country's Children have felt, but which none hath ever described, -- in vain she lifted her supplicating voice to an insulted father, and her guiltless hands to a dishonoured Deity! She was ravished from the bosom of her Country, from the arms of her friends – while the advanced age of her Parents, rendering them unfit for servitude, cruelly separated her from them forever!

Scens which her imagination neer conceived of – a floating World – the sporting Monsters of the deep – and the familiar meetings of Billows and clouds, strove, but in vain to divert her melancholly attention, from three hundred Affricans in chains, suffering the most excruciating torments; and some of them rejoicing, that the pangs of death came like a balm to their wounds.

Once more her eyes were blest with a Continent – but alas! how unlike the Land where she received her being! here all things appeared unpropitious – she learned to catch the Ideas, marked by the sounds of language only to know that her doom was Slavery, from which death alone was to emancipate her. – What did it avail her, that the walls of her Lord were hung with Splendor, and that the dust troden underfoot in her native Country, crowded his Gates with sordid worshipers – the Laws had rendered her incapable of receiving property – and though she was a free moral agent, accountable for her actions, yet she never had a moment at her own disposal!

Fifty years her fiathful hands have been compelled to ignoble servitude for the benefit of an Isaac Royall, untill, as if Nations must be agitated, and the world convulsed for the preservation of that freedom which the Almighty Father intended for all the human Race, the present war was Commenced – The terror of men armed in the Cause of freedom, compeeled her master to fly – and to breathe away his Life in a Land, where, Lawless domination sits enthroned – pouring bloody outrage and cruelty on all who dare to be free.

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Title – Belinda’s Petition to the Massachusetts House of Representatives

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Series Notes – A transcription of the two separate petitions submitted by Belinda and a resolve issued by the Massachusetts House of Representatives can be found in Appendix B, numbers 1 - 3, on pages 446 to 448 in *The Slaves of Colonial New England: Discourses of Colonialism and Identity at the Isaac Royall House, Medford, Massachusetts, 1732 – 1775*, by Alexandra Chan. The original of this petition is housed by the Massachusetts Historical Commission in the Massachusetts State Archives.

Subject(s) / Keywords – Belinda Petition, Slave Reparations in Massachusetts

The face of your Petitioner, is now marked with the furrows of time, and her frame feebly bending under the oppression of years, while she, by the Laws of the Land, is denied the enjoyment of one morsel of that immense wealth, apart whereof hath been accumulated by her own industry, and the whole augmented by her servitude.

WHEREFORE, casting herself at the feet of your honours, as to a body of men, formed for the extirpation of vassalage, for the reward of Virtue, and the just return of honest industry – she prays, that such allowance may be made her out of the estate of Colonel oyall, as will prevent her and her more infirm daughter from misery in the greatest extreme, and scatter comfort over the short and downward path of their Lives.

of the mark Belinda

**Document 2. Belinda's petition to the Massachusetts House of Representatives
1787 (original manuscript, MHC)**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

The Memorial of Belinda, an African, formerly a Servant to the late Isaac Royal Esq
an Absentee

Humbly sheweth

That the year 1783 she petitioned the General Court for a maintenance out of the income of the said Royall Estate, she being thro' age & infirmity unable to support herself, & that the Hon. Court were pleased to pass the following Resolve in her favour, Dated Feb. 19, 1783

“Resolved that there be paid out of the Treasury of this Commonwealth, out of the Rents & Profits arising from the Estate of the late Isaac Royal Esq an Absentee Fifteen pounds twelve Shillings per annum to Belinda an aged servant to the late Isaac Royal Esq an Absentee, until the further Order of the Genl Court for reasons set forth in the said Belinda's Petition.”

That your Memorialist afterwards received out of the Treasure £15.12/ for one year's allowance, & no more & that she never could obtain any more to this day tho she often applied to the Governour & Council to grant her an Order upon the Treasurer for the same. She is now advised to lay her distressed Case before your hon^{rs}, and she humbly prays that y^r Hon^{rs} would be pleased to take her case into consideration & to grant that she may receive the annual pension made unto her as above mentioned, & your Memorialist as in duty bound shall ever pray

Witnesses

Willis Hall
Nath^l Hall

her

Belinda Mark

Primary Document Form

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Title – Resolve of the Massachusetts House of Representatives to Belinda's Petitions

Date of Item – November 7, 1787

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Subject(s) / Keywords – Belinda Petition, Slave Reparations in Massachusetts

**Document 3. Resolve of the Massachusetts House of representatives
November 7, 1787 (Original manuscript, MHC)**

Commonwealth of } In the House of Representatives Nov' 7, 1787
Massachusetts

ON the Memorial of Belinda an African Woman, praying for payment of her
Annual Pension

Resolved that ~~Governour and Council be & they are hereby Authorised to
grant a Warrant on the Treasurer of this Commonwealth in favour of~~ thereby allowed
& grant out of the Treasury of the Commonwealth to Balinda, formerly a Servant to
the late Isaac Royal Esquire an absentee, for fifteen pounds twelve Shillings, being
one year's pension agreeably to a Resolve passed Feby 19, 1783

Sent for Concurrence

In Senate Nov. 17, 1787

[signed] I. Warren Sq...[illegible]

Read and concurred with amendments

At A & E

Sent down for concurrence

[signed] S. Adams ...[illegible]

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Title – Compensation Deed to Isaac Royall's Heirs for the loss of the Royall Estate

Date of Item – September 3, 1803

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Format – Deed

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Creator/Author – Thomas Sparhawk

Other author(s) – N/A

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Series Notes – Gives back the Royall House and some of the grounds to Charles McKinney, the most immediate heir to Isaac Royall's estate.

Subject(s) / Keywords – Compensation of Isaac Royall, Jr., Isaac Royall, Jr., Charles McKinney, Royall Estate

KNOW all Men by these presents, That

I, *Thomas Sparhawk* of Portsmouth, in the county of Rockingham and State of New-Hampshire, Attorney to the heirs of the Hon. ISAAC ROYALL, esq. late of Medford, in the State of Massachusetts, deceased, duly authorised and empowered to convey lands and execute deeds thereof, for and in consideration of *Two hundred & forty two dollars* to me in hand, paid by *Charles M. Kenney of Peppesent in the County of Cumberland & Commonwealth of Massachusetts, German*

the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge, have given, granted, bargained, sold, conveyed, confirmed, and do by these presents give, grant, bargain, sell, convey and confirm to *him* the said *Charles M. Kenney his* heirs and assigns forever, a tract, or parcel of Land lying in Peppesent aforesaid bounded

as follows *vizt* beginning at a Stake & Stones standing in Twelve hundred and thirty five rods South west from the river Androssoggin in the dividing line between the great lots numbered three & four in the Peppesent claim thence running North east One hundred & five rods to a Stake & Stones thence North east One hundred & forty nine rods to a Stake & Stones thence South east One hundred & three rods to the said dividing line thence South east One hundred & forty nine rods on said line to the bounds first mentioned containing Ninety Six Acres and three quarters more or less.

To HAVE AND TO HOLD the said granted and bargained premises, to *him* the said *Charles M. Kenney his* heirs and assigns, to *his* and their own and only proper use, benefit and behoof forever, hereby engaging in my capacity of attorney as aforesaid, to warrant and defend the same to *him* the said *Charles M. Kenney his* heirs and assigns, against the lawful claims and demands of all persons whomsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this *third* day of *September* A. D. 1803.

Thos. Sparhawk

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of us,

And. Phelps *James Miller*

Cumberland Co *Peppesent* the *third* day of *September* State of *Massachusetts* *1803* *THAN* the above named *Thomas Sparhawk* personally appearing, acknowledged the foregoing instrument, to be *his* voluntary act and deed before me.

And. Phelps Justice peace. *of Peppesent* *Sept. 11. 1803* and recorded with the record of deeds for said County *Book 14 Page 185 & 186* *Att. Isaac Sperry*

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