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In the Name of God Amen, I Ebenezer Wells
of Deerfield in New England gentleman, Colling
to mind my own mortality also considering my
advanced age not knowing how soon I may be
called to part off this my Earthly Tabernacle and at
present of sound mind and memory do make and
ordain this my Last will and Testament this twenty
third day of may one thousand seven hundred and
fifty seven - - -

First I Give my Soul to God who gave it me and
my body to the dust to be buried in decent Christian
Burial at the direction of my Executors humbly
hoping thro the merits of my Redeemer to obtain a
Glorious Resurrection to immortal life - - -

after my just debts and funeral Charges are paid
By my Executors I Give and Dispose of my Estate in
the following manner - - -

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I Give and bequeath to Abigail my beloved wife my best
Bed with all the furniture thereto belonging - - -
viz my best Bed Quilt three bed blankets and a good
Suite of Curtains also all my Linen in the house
whether wrought or unwrought and also all my plate of
any sort also all my Books and also my best Largest
Brass kettle and my two best Chitts besides what is
hereafter mentioned and I also give and Bequeath unto

my said wife one half of all my Personal Estate of what sort
or kinde so ever to her and her heirs for ever
and also the use and improvement of one half of all
my Real Estate with all the buildings and Edifices
there on during her the said abigails natural life

Item,

I Give to the Church of Christ in Deerfield
A good Silver tankard to be provided by my
Executors out of the remaining part of my Estate

Item

I Give and Bequeath unto my Nephew Eben: Wells
of Greenfield all my Lands that lie within the
Township of Greenfield to him and his heirs forever
and I likewise give unto him the said Eben:
Sixty Six pounds thirteen Shillings and four pence
To be paid him within ten years from the time of my
decease in the following manner viz Six pounds
thirteen Shillings and four pence per annum
annually untill the whol sum of Sixty Six pounds
thirteen Shillings and Four pence is paid

Item