


In his indenture Witnesseth that Gilbert Crosse sonne of John Crosse of Colyton in the County of Devon husbandman not onely of his owne free Will and accord but also by and wth the consent and approbation of the said John Crosse his father hath putt place and bound and by these presents doth putt place and binde himselfe an apprentice unto and wth Edith Turrell of Colyton aforesaid Widow for the said Edith Turrell to dwell abide and remaine after the manner of an apprentice from the day of the date hereof unto the full end and terme and for and duringe the full terme and terme of seven yeares from hence forth next ensuinge and fully to be compleat expired and ended Duringe and by all wth the said terme of seven yeares the said Gilbert Crosse the apprentice this Dame Edith Turrell well and faithfully shall serve her servants shall keepe close her Comandments lawfull and honest he shall gladly doe, first to his said Dame he shall not doe nor suffer to be done but shall hinder itt if he may or else immediately admonish his said Dame thereof the goods of his said Dame he shall not inordinately waste nor them to any body lend but in all things beare rary and be true himselfe to wards his said Dame and all and every other person and persons duringe the said terme of his apprenticeship as to cometh first an apprentice to doe both in word and deed And the said Edith Turrell doth for her selfe her Executors Administrators and assigns Covenant and promise to and wth the said Gilbert Crosse his Executor and assigns by these presents and in manner followinge First that for the said Edith Turrell shall and will teach and wth in forme or cause the said Gilbert Crosse to be taught and informed in husbandry after the best manner shod may or can accordinge to his capacity and understandinge reasonably chastisinge him findinge him faulty And also shall and will provide for and give unto the said Gilbert Crosse the apprentice sufficient meat drinke washinge lodginge hose shooes apparell both linnen and woollen and all other things both needfull and necessary for such an apprentice to have and wear as well in sickness as in health And in the end of the said terme of his apprenticeship shall provide for and give unto the said Gilbert Crosse the apprentice two good suites of apparell both linnen and woollen whereof one to be for ~~Sabbath dayes~~ and Sundayes and the other for workinge dayes And the said Gilbert Crosse doth by these presents Covenant and promise on his pte to and wth the said Edith Turrell his Dame and her assigns that at the said Gilbert Crosse at the end and expiration of the said seven yeares his apprenticeship as aforesaid immediately then next ensuinge shall in consideration of the summe of ffive shillings live dwell with and well and truly serve the said Edith Turrell or her assigns as a Covenant servant for the space of one yeare then next and immediately ensuinge.

In witnesse Whereof the parties above named have unto these presents interchangeably sett their hands and seals the 11th day of August in the ffifth and Christidth yeare of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord Kinge Charles the second by the Grace of God of England Scotland France and Ireland Defendo^r of the faither Anno Dⁿⁱ 1623.

Sealed and Delivered
in the presence of
Tho. Bamerson
Peter Sicken

The mark of
Edith Turrell



Nowint unius p[ro]ntos 1108 Editham Ginnell de Colyton in Cont[ra] Doreon vid[et]
 et Joh[ann]em Spurgeon de Colyton p[ro]dit[us] husbandman - tenori et firmiter obligari
 Ric[ard]o Newton de Colyton p[ro]dit[us] yoman fr[an]cis[co] Bagwelle de Colyton p[ro]dit[us]
 yoman philippo Mitchell de Colyton p[ro]dit[us] yoman Joh[ann]i Whirter de Colyton
 p[ro]dit[us] yoman et petro Soller de Colyton p[ro]dit[us] yoman in Doreon
 libris bono et legalis monete Anglie solvend[is] sigdem Ric[ard]o Newton
 fr[an]cis[co] Bagwelle philippo Mitchell Joh[ann]i Whirter et petro Soller
 seu cui alteri vel eor[um] tort attorney p[ro]curator admiss[us] vel assignat[us]
 suis ad quam quidem solutionem bono et fideliter facienda
 obligam[us] nos et utrumq[ue] num[er]o p[ro] p[ro]p[ri]o et in solido heredes
 p[ro]curator et admiss[us] nos firmiter p[ro]ntos sigillis n[ost]ris
 sigillat Dat[um] Nonis - 11 - 11 - Id[us] Augustij Anno Regni
 Regis Car[oli] secundi nunt Anglie et p[ro]p[ri]o quinto
 Anno q[ui] Dni 1263: //

The condition of this obligation is such. That whereas one Gilbert Crose
 sonne of John Crose of Colyton abovesaid husbandman hath and still doth
 remaine chargeable to the inhabitant[es] of the abovesaid p[ar]ish and whereas the
 said Gilbert Crose is of the age of ffewteene years and upwards by
 reason whereof the p[ar]ish churchwardens and curators of the p[ar]ish of the p[ar]ish
 are not impowered by vertue of the act ^{are not impowered to bind or fasten Gilbert Crose} until he shall attain the
 age of ffower and twentie years And whereas the said Gilbert Crose by
 the consent and approbation of the said John Crose his father and by the
 good liking of the abovesaid Richard Newton fr[an]cis[co] Bagwelle philippo
 Mitchell and John Whirter and petro Soller hath the day of the date hereof
 placed and bound him selfe wth the abovesaid bond Edith Ginnell as an
 apprentice and servant And whereas the said Richard Newton fr[an]cis[co] Bagwelle
 philippo Mitchell John Whirter and petro Soller by the consent of the twentie
 men of the p[ar]ish of Colyton abovesaid have deposited and paid the full
 summe of ffive poundes unto the said Edith Ginnell as an ingagem^{nt} for the
 keepinge & maintayninge of the said Gilbert Crose for the space of
 eight years now next and immediately ensuinge or as by the indenture
 made at large appeareth Now if the abovesaid bond Edith Ginnell her
 executor or assignee doo and shall well and sufficiently mayntayne
 the said Edith for and give unto the said Gilbert Crose sufficient meat drink
 apparrell both linnen and wollen duringe the said terme and also save
 hermolese and indemnified the abovesaid Richard Newton fr[an]cis[co]
 Bagwelle philippo Mitchell John Whirter and petro Soller and othe[r] of them and
 all other the p[ar]ishoners of the said p[ar]ish of Colyton ~~of~~ and from any cost
 or charge wherofter shall or may arise or be imposed on them or any
 of them for or by reason or in respect of the maintaynment or sustenance
 of him the said Gilbert Crose For the space of eight years now next
 ensuinge the date hereof that when this obligation to be void
 or else to remaine and be in his full power herof and vertue //

Sealed and delivered
 in the presence of
 Peter Ticken //

The marks of
 Hester Banfite
 The marks of
 Gathard Ginnell

The marks of
 Edith Ginnell
 The marks of
 John Spurgeon

Bond to
John Proggon } Co
Hooftoor

Con to discharge the wish
for 8 yeares from Gilbert
Croft

1683

1681

his Indenture made the third day of September in the third of sixthth
 year of the raigne of our Sovereign Lord Charles the second King of England of France
 and Ireland
 1681 **betweene** Nicholas Sampson and John Gould Churchwardens
 Phillip Cox Rector of Colyton John Whicker and Edward Butler Curfours of the
 poore of the parish of Colyton in the County of Devon of the one part and Thomas
 Look of Bithycombe aughthigh in the County of Devon husband of the other part **Witnesseth** that the
 said Churchwardens and Curfours of the poore aforesaid by and with the consent and
 approbation of two of his Majesty's Justices of the poore whose names are subscribed
 have put and bound Isaac Holwill sonne of Isaac Holwill late of Colyton aforesaid
 Blacksmith deceased Apprentice unto and wth the said Thomas Look to dwell abide
 and remaine from the day of the date hereof untill he shall come of age and be of the full
 age of foure and twentie years according to the statute in that behalf made provided
 And the said Isaac Holwill the Apprentice misbehaviour himselfe otherwise
 then he ought towards his said ^{Master} or any others duringe the terme of his
 Apprentishipp shall be made to receive such punishment as the law provideth
 for such offenders. And the said Thomas Look for himselfe his heirs and assigns
 and assigns doth consent and promise to and wth the said Churchwardens and
 Curfours of the poore and their Successors from tyme to tyme by these presents to
 instruct or cause to be instructed the said Apprentice in the trade of Husbandry
 in or after the best manner he may or can And shall also provide for and give unto
 the said Apprentice sufficient meate drinke apparell both linnen and woollen washing
 and lodginge and all other things needfull aswell in sickness as in health duringe
 the said terme of his Apprentishipp And in the end thereof to provide of apparell
 both linnen and woollen whereof one to be six Saboth dayes and the other for
 mourninge dayes **In Witnesse** whereof the parties abovesaid have to these presents
 Indentures interchangably set their hands & seals the day & year abovesaid written.

Sealed Delivered
 in the presence of
 Pet. Ticken

Tho. Look



Isaac Holwill the Apprentice was Baptized
 the 10th of October 1669 as is on the Register. Look.

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This Indenture made the eightente daye of March in the yere of our Lord God one thousand six hundred
fiftye & one, Betweene Richard Mygell & Nicholas Salter Churchwardens, Evan Barker Francis Bygwell
Bernard Dwyght & William Owen, overseers of the yere of the parish of Olypton in the County of Devon
of Gemysh, And Francis Whitte of the parish & County aforesaid Husbandman of Gemysh &
Wittnesse that the said Churchwardens, & overseers, with the consent of the two next Justices of Peace
lawfully & lawfully Roger Sprage Apprentice unto the said Francis Whitte, to serve him
Dutifully in Husbandry or in any other lawfull vocation, untill the said Roger Sprage shall
Attaineth the age of four & twenty yeres, According to the statute in that behalf made & made
the said Apprentice Whithersoever himselfe, upon Complainge thereof made, hee be verolue sure
punishment as the said statute hath provided for such offenders, And the said Francis Whitte, doth covenant
to carry the said Churchwardens & overseers, to provide & give unto the said Apprentice, meate, Drinke & chappell
washing & Lodging, & all other things needfull for such an Apprentice, as well in his house as in
youth duringe the said tyme, & in the end of the said Apprenticeship, two shillings & chappell lilt for his
one for sabbath daye & yeger for workinge daye, In Wittnesse whereof, the sayd Husbandman & overseers
Indentures gave handes & seales the said last, the daye & yere first abovesayd & so forth
Indentures gave handes & seales the said last, the daye & yere first abovesayd & so forth

Signed sealed & delivred
in the presence of

John Mee: Tho: Drake

1652

This Indenture made the Twentieth day of October in the year of our Lord
God one thousand six hundred fiftie one Between Richard Mingo Regular Welton
Esquirewarden John Wotton Francis Belwell Bernard Jemmet & William Dow
Esquires of the shire of the shire of Colyton in the County of Devon together
and Humphrey Fungden of Colyton aforesaid of the County of Devon together
Esquirewarden of the shire with the consent of the Justices of peace and divers other
of the County of Devon unto the said Humphrey Fungden to serve him dutifully in
husbandry or in any other lawful service until he shall accomplish the term of twenty
four years according to the Statute in that behalf made provided and the said Humphrey
might please him self upon request thereof made then to receive such further punishment
as the said Statute doth provide for such offenders And the said Humphrey Fungden is to give unto
the said Esquires during the said years sufficient meat drink apparel and
all other things needfull for such an apprentice And in the end of the said years to give
of apparel fitt for him to wear according to the Statute in that behalf made In witness
whereof the said parties aforesaid to these parts of Indentures to our selves of the shire of Devon
publicly gave full the day of year first above written.

Richard Mingo
Esquire

John Mingo Tho: Drake

Robert Gollondor wth m:
Humphrey Gungdon of
Coltrane

1651

Test Indenture made
in the year 1651

Teste J. J. Starr to J. H. Croft

Optima Indenture


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This Indenture made the eighteenth day of March in the year of our Lord God one thousand five hundred fifty one, between Sir Richard Worsley Knight & Nicholas Seller Sherrifwarden, Evan Storer Francis Bagwell Barnard Knight & William Owen and others of the poor of the parish of Colyton in the County of Devon of England, & John Darwell of the parish of Colyton the said Gentlemen of Colyton, Wiltshire that the said Sherrifwardens and others, with the consent of the two next Justices of the peace, have put & bound forth Elizabeth Manninge Apprentice unto the said John Darwell to serve him dutifully in his business, or in any other lawful sort, but till shee the said Elizabeth Manninge shall accomplish the age of one & twenty years, according to the Statute in that behalf made & provided, the said Apprentice whosoever for faults, by her Complaints proved made, shee to receive such punishment as the said Statute hath provided for such offenders, And the said John Darwell, doth Covenant to & with the said Sherrifwardens and others to provide & give unto the said Apprentice, Meate, Drinke, Appoynt, washing & Lodginge, & all other things needfull for such an Apprentice, as well in sickness as in health, duringe the said time, & in the end of the said Appoyntment, two shillings of Appoyntment for her to have & receive, In Witnesse whereof, the parties abovesaid have put their Indentures with their hands & seals the first day of March Anno dñi 1651

Signed sealed & Delivered
in the presence of.

John Worsley


This Indenture made the fourteenth day of June in the year of our Lord God one
 thousand six hundred and fifty one Between Kinges Walton & Vincent Mingeall Esquire
 sons of our Lord King Henry the eighth & Bernard Swigg & William Crow Esquires of the
 parts of the Isle of Colyton aforesaid of the one part & the Duke of Colyton aforesaid
 of the other part Witnesseth that the said Kinges Walton & Vincent Mingeall & Bernard Swigg
 & William Crow of the one part have put & bound for & for ever
 of Colyton aforesaid apprentice unto the said Duke of Colyton to serve him in husbandry or in any
 other lawfull service until the said apprentice shall come to the age of twenty
 four years according to the Statute in that behalf made & the said Duke of Colyton
 & admistrato^r shall finde & provide unto the said apprentice sufficient meate drinke & apparel
 lodging washing & all other necessaries as well in summer as in winter & the said apprentice
 & double waight in the end of the said apprenticeship In witness whereof the said Kinges
 Walton & Vincent Mingeall Bernard Swigg & William Crow have put their hands
 & seals & the said Duke of Colyton hath put his hand & seal the day & year
 first above written.

In witness whereof
 in the presence of

John Drake

The Duke

1651

This Indenture made the Twentie six day of may in the yere of our Lord
 God one thousand six hundred fifty one Betweene Kinge Ias. the first Kinge
 of our Countie of van Gortland Bernart Iuyt & Francis Bagawell & William
 Coopersone of the poore of the pish of Colyton in the County of Devon of the one part
 And John Burkland of Crisquene in the pish of Colyton a forreign of the other part
 Wittenesse that the sayd Countie of van Gortland & Coopersone wth the consent of John Iuyt
 & Thomas Drake Esq. two of the Justices of the peace for the sayd County of Devon
 & bounde John Burkland vnder the name of Burkland unto the sayd John Burkland
 to serve him in his wife and in any other lawfull service until the sayd Appoynted shall
 accomplysh the full tyme of Twentie one yeres according to the tyme in the said
 & poynted And the sayd Appoynted misdeemyned for selfe for as Complaynte be made
 here to receive surety as the law poynteth for such offenders And the sayd John Burkland
 his exors & admors shall fynde poynted gyve unto the sayd Appoynted sufficient mouthe drinke
 & poynted & all Concessions as well in fynes as in other duties
 the same double redympt. in the end of the sayd Appoynted In Wittenesse whereof the
 & the sayd to the poynted Indentures beynge made & sworne Antw^{er}ablye the xxvi day
 of may Anno Domini 1651

John B Burland

Under signet & delivred
 in the presence of
 Walter Ligo
 Thomas P of the
 Court

John Drake:
 Tho. Drake

This Indenture made the twentieth day of May in the year of our Lord God
 one thousand six hundred and fifty one Between Nicholas Wulston & Vincent Minge
 & George Wulstone and John Wulston & Barnard Dwight & Francis Baggwell & William
 Snow & Thomas of the one part of the one part of the County of Devon of the one part
 Joseph Dunswele of Colyton aforesaid and of the other part of the one part of the County of Devon
 George Wulstone & Thomas with the consent of John Drake & Thomas Drake Esq. two of
 the Justices of the Peace for the County of Devon the one part & Vincent Minge
 Goodman son of Vincent Goodman of Colyton aforesaid the other part of the one part of the County of Devon
 Dunswele to have him in husbandry & in any other lawful sort until the said Vincent
 shall accomplish the age of eight & four years according to the Statute in that behalf
 made & provided And he shall during his life give & do all such things as shall be made
 & done of the one to the other as the law & equity for the said Vincent & the said
 Joseph Dunswele his executor & admistrators shall find & give unto the said Vincent
 sufficient meat drink apparel & lodging washing & all other necessaries as well in
 sickness as in health during the said term & double yearly in the end of the said apprenticeship
 In witness whereof the parties aforesaid to this present Indenture have signed & sealed
 Antiently & lawfully given & put the day & year first above written Anno Domini 1651

Given signed & delivered
 in the presence of

John Drake
 Tho: Drake

Joseph Dunswele

Barnard Dwight
 wth Walter
 Sean: Bagwell
 William Snow

