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structures. The land slopes somewhat abruptly to the shore and the view across the Pond, whose shallow water brings varied hues of green and blue amid the yellow sedge, makes the site a most attractive one. Here were born to Peter and his wife Penelope, for the King's service, six sons and four daughters. I know not the date of Penelope's death, but Peter married a second time, as appears by his will. He died in 1756. As Peter is, in a sense, your principal namesake ancestor, I will venture to quote his last will and testament in full, although I promise not to again afflict you in these notes with extended copies from the Probate records:

In the name of God Amen — this 20th day of February A.D. 1756 I Peter Crapo of Rochester in the County of Plimouth Yeoman do make this my Last Will and Testament first I Recommend my Soul to God who Gave it, & my body to the Ground to be buried in a decent Christian Buriall @ the discretion of my Execr. hereafter named, and as Touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me, I Give and Dispose of the same in the following manner and form. Imprs. I give and Bequeath to my Loving wife Ann Crapo all the Household Goods and Stuf She brought to me @ time of Marriage, and also I give her a Sutable maintenance both in Sickness and in helth to be Provided for her by my three Sons hereafter Enjoyed to the Same and said Meaintenance and Support to be what may be for her Comfortable Subsistance in every Respect according to her age & Quality.

Item — I Give to my son Frances Crapo and to his Heirs and assigns forever, the Dwelling House and Land he now lives on being in Rochester aforesd, Being all my Lands on the Easterly Side the Ditch or Brook runing out of the South West corner Sniptuit Pond having sd. Pond on the north, Nicholas and Seth Crapo's Land on

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the South, the Long Pond So called, and other mens Land on the East Together with my Two Islands in said Sniptuit pond, he paying so much of the Bond I have on him to four of my Daughters Hereafter named as I shall assign within twelve Months after my decease.

Item—I Give to my Three Sons Peter Crapo, Junr. John Crapo and Hezekiah Crapo, and to their Heirs and assigns forever in Equall Shares all my other Estate both Real and Personall not before Disposed off, in this my will nor by Deeds Excepting the Bond abovesaid on my son Francis, they Paying my Just Debts and Funerall charges, and Providing for their said Hond. Mother, in Law my Wido, as above Expressed, and after my decease Deliver to her the Household Goods and Stuf She brought to me @ time of Marriage.

Item I Give to my son Nicholas Crapo five Shillings Money and that with what I have already given him, to be his Proportion of my Estate.

Item I give to my Son Seth Crapo five Shillings money and that with what I have already given him, to be his portion of my Estate.

Item I Give to my four Daughters, viz. Susannah Damoranvill, Mary Spooner, Elizabeth Luke, and Rebecca Mathews Twenty Dollars to each of them, to be paid them by my said son Francis Six months after my decease, and it is to be in full discharge of the Bond aforesaid, and if either of my said four Daughters shall dye before Payment then to be Payd to their Heirs —

Furthermore it is my Will That what I have herein given my Son John Crapoo, is to be accounted in full Discharge of any and all demands he may make on my Estate for anything contracted before the Date hereof, Finally I do hereby Constitute and appoint my Son Hezekiah Crapoo Sole Executor of this my Last will and Testament and I do hereby Revoke and Disanull all former Wills by me heretofore made Ratifying and Confirming this and no Other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the day and Year first above written.

PETER CRAPOO (Seal)

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