

**Apprenticeship Indenture John Perkin 1792**

This Indenture, made the third Day of July in the Thirty Second Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Third by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, France and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, and so forth, and in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety Two Witnesseth that William Baker Church-Warden of the Parish of Bratton Clovelly in the County of Devon And Richard Palmer and Richard Down Overseers of the Poor of the said Parish, by and with the Consent of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said County whose Names are hereunto subscribed, have put and placed, and by these Presents do put and place John Perkin a poor Child of the said Parish, Apprentice to Margaret Johns with her to dwell and serve from the Day of the Date of these Presents, until the said Apprentice shall accomplish his full Age of Twenty One Years according to the Statute in that Case made and provided. During all which Term the said Apprentice his said Mistress faithfully shall serve in all lawful Business, according to his Power, Wit, and Ability; and honestly, orderly and obediently, in all Things demean and behave himself towards his said Mistress and all hers during the said Term. And the said Margaret Johns for herself, her Executors and Administrators, doth Covenant and Grant, to and with the said Church-Wardens and Overseers, and every of them, their and every of their Executors and Administrators, and their and every of their Successors, for the Time being, by these Presents, that the said Margaret Johns the said Apprentice in Husbandry shall and will teach and instruct or cause to be taught and instructed And shall and will, during all the Term aforesaid, find, provide, and allow unto the said Apprentice, meet, competent, and sufficient Meat, Drink and Apparel, Lodging, Washing and other Things necessary and fit for an Apprentice. And also shall and will so provide for the said Apprentice, that he be not any way a Charge to the said Parish, or Parishioners of the same; but of and from all Charge shall and will save the said Parish and Parishioners harmless and indemnified during the said Term. In witness whereof, the Parties abovesaid to these present Indentures, interchangeably have put their Hands and Seals, the Day and Year above-written. [signed] Margaret Johns

Sealed and delivered in the presence of [signed] James Baker John Ball

We whose Names are subscribed, Justices of the Peace for the County aforesaid, (One whereof is of the Quorum) do consent to the putting forth the abovesaid John Perkin an Apprentice according to the Intent and Meaning of the above Indenture. [signed] Geo[rge] Bickford Wrey J'Ans

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