

**Apprenticeship Indenture Samuel Coombe 1823**

This Indenture made the fifth Day of February in the fourth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the fourth by the Grace of God, of Great Britain and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, and in the Year of our Lord, One Thousand Eight Hundred and twenty three Witnesseth, That in Pursuance and in Execution of an Order under the Hands of John Hearle Tremayne and William Arundel Harris Arundel Esquires two of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace, acting in and for the hundred of Lifton within the County of Devon bearing even date herewith, (specified[?] by their allowance hereof.) John Hortop and William Martyn Churchwardens of the parish of Bratton Clovelly in the said County of Devon

And Thomas Baskerville and Richard James Overseers of the Poor of the said Parish have put and placed, and by these Presents do put and place Samuel Coombe aged fifteen Years, and upwards, a poor Child of the said Parish Apprentice to Thomas Pengelly of Bratton Clovelly aforesaid with him 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 Master 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 Master and all his family during the said Term. And the said Thomas Pengelly for himself, his Executors and Administrators, doth Covenant and Grant to and with the said Churchwardens 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 he the said Thomas Pengelly the said Apprentice in husbandry shall and will teach and instruct, or cause to be taught and instructed in the best Way and Manner that he can

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 all other things necessary and fit for an Apprentice: (Provided always, That the last-mentioned Covenant on the Part and Behalf of the said Thomas Pengelly his Executors and Administrators, to be done and performed, shall continue and be in Force for no longer Time than Three Calender Months next after the Death of the said Thomas Pengelly in Case the said Thomas Pengelly shall happen to die during the continuance of such Apprenticeship, according to the provisions of an Act passed in the Thirty-second Year of the Reign of King George the Third, intituled, "An Act for the further regulation of Parish Apprentices.") 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 harmless and indemnified during the said Term:

In witness whereof the Parties abovesaid to the present Indentures interchangeably have set their Hands and Seals the Day and Year above-written. [Signed] John Hortop William Martyn Churchwarden Thomas Baskerville & Rich[ar]d James

Sealed and delivered in the Presence of [Signed] W[illia]m Baskerville [the mark of] Tho[ma]s Pengelly

We, whose Names are hereunder written, Justices of the Peace for the County aforesaid, (whereof one is of the Quorum) do consent to and allow the putting forth Samuel Coombe of Bratton Clovelly aforesaid an Apprentice, according to the Intent and Meaning of this Indenture, [Signed] W. A. H. Arundel J. Hearle Tremayne

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