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This Indenture witnesseth, that John Simon of Tiverton in y' County of Newport in y' Colony of Rhode Island & Providence Plantations in New England An Indian boy & son of Naomy Zekil of s'd Tiverton hath put himself & by these present, doth voluntarily and of his own free will & accord & with y' consent of his father in law Isaac Zekil of y' town & county a fores'd seafairing am & his mother Naomy Zekil doth put & bind himself apprentice to Giddeon Gifford of Dartmouth in y' county of Bristol in y' province of y' Massachusetts Bay in New England house carpenter and with him after y' manner of an apprentice to serve from the day of y' date here of for & during the term of fourteen years & five day next expiring to be complete and ended. During all which s'd term y' s'd apprentice his s'd master & mistress faithfully shall serve their secrets keep their lawful commands gladly obey he shall do no damage to his s'd master or mistress nor see it to be done of others without letting or giving notice there of to his s'd master or mistress. He shall not waste his s'd master or mistresses goods nor lent them unlawfully to any; he shall not commit fornication nor contract matrimony within s'd term. No card, dice or any other unlawful game he shall not play whereby his s'd master or mistress may have damage with his own goods or y' goods of others he shall not absent himself by day or by night from his s'd master or mistress's service without their leave no haunt ale houses taverns of play houses, but in all things behave himself as a faithful apprentice ought to do towards his s'd master or mistress & all their own during y' s'd term, and the s'd Giddeon & Elizabeth Gifford his wife for them selves & their heirs doth here by covenant & promise to teach & instruct or cause y' s'd apprentice to be taught & instructed in y' art trade or calling of a house carpenter by the best ways or means he or they can within y' s'd term finding unto ye s'd apprentice good & sufficient meat drink apparel washing & lodging suitable for such an apprentice to be taught to read & wright English with in the s'd term and at y' expiration to give unto y' s'd apprentice one good new suit of apparel for all parts of his body besides his daily wearing cloths. And as many carpenter tools of such sorts as he shall chose as shall be worth three pounds old tenner. In testimony whereof the parties to these presents have hereunto interchangeably set their hands & seals the twenty second day of June in y' twenty fifth year of his majesties reign George y' second, King of Great Britain France & Ireland etc. Anno Domini 1751.

Signed sealed and delivered

In the presence of

Job Gifford

Gideon Gifford

Jabez Gibbs

Elizabeth Gifford

On reverse:

Newport Is., we the subscribers having viewed and considered the within written indenture & hold y' same to be reasonable therefore we do allow of & approbate y' same in Little Compton this twenty second day of June A.D., 1751.

Restcome Sanford

Justices of y' peace

Samuel Wilbor