

Church of Stratfield, (now the First Congregational of Bridgeport, Rev. Charles Ray Palmer, Pastor.)

He was also a principal subscriber at the organization of the St. John's Episcopal church, Bridgeport, in 1748. He died in Dec. 1750, and was buried probably, in the Old Stratfield burying ground.

His estate was valued at 15,288 pounds, an immense sum in those days. A copy of his will is appended.

April 26th, 1750. Item. My will is that as I have agreed to give my loving wife Elizabeth, by a marriage covenant dated 29th March, 1727, it shall be performed, I having already paid two hundred pounds mentioned in said covenant (according to my said wife's directions) to her daughter Mary, the remaining part of the sum in bills of credit mentioned therein. My will is, that my executor shall pay to my said wife, the sum of thirteen hundred pounds in bills of credit of the old tenor or equivalent in new tenor, to make up the principal and full of the money, and my will farther is, that my said wife shall have the use of my dwelling house where I now live, and the whole of the orchard adjoining, during the time she remains my widow, and also liberty to get firewood for her own use in my chestnut hill lot, during said term, and also provisions for half a year.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my loving daughter Abigail Hubbell the sum of ten pounds in bills of credit of the old tenor, with what I have already given her, is to be her full share of my estate.

Item. I give and bequeath to my loving daughter Mary Smedly, the sum of ten pounds old tenor, which with what I have already given her is her portion.

Item. I give and bequeath to my grandson Ebenezer Dimon, the son of my said daughter Mary, the sum of one hundred pounds in bills of credit old tenor, or equivalent thereto, to be paid him when he shall arrive at the age of twenty-one years.

Item. I will and bequeath to my grandson, William Dimon the sum of fifty pounds, in bills of credit, old tenor, or equivalent thereto, to be paid him when he shall arrive at the age of twenty-one years.

Item. I will and bequeath to my grandson David Dimon the sum of fifty pounds, in like currency, or equivalent thereto, to be paid him when he arrive at the age of twenty-one years.

Item. I will and bequeath to my beloved son John Burr and to his heirs and assigns forever, the value of twelve hundred and fifty-eight pounds in bills of credit old tenor, to make him equal to what I have already given to my son William, and also the sum of four hundred pounds more in like currency, or the value thereof, on account of his being my eldest son.

Item. All the remainder of my estate both real and personal, of what kind so ever, not before mentioned in this will, I will, devise, and bequeath to my beloved sons John Burr and William Burr, and their heirs and assigns forever in equal portion, on condition that they keep and maintain my son