

Sheriff of the County for several years, and was always prominent in public affairs. He died 24th Jan., 1729-30. His will, made 26th Nov., 1729. was proved by his sons, Bartholomew Gedney and James Grant, executors, 5th Feb., 1729-30. He mentions his wife Elizabeth and her relatives and his grandson Wm. Grant and gives his homestead to his son Bartholomew, dau. Hannah (wife of James) Grant, and granddaughter Elizabeth Davie.

His widow died in Boston, as appears by her will of 11th Jan., 1737, proved 20th Sept., 1737, wherein she is styled "Elizabeth Gedney of Boston widow of William Gedney Esq. late of Salem dec'd." To Elizabeth Davie she bequeathes a silver porringer marked S. P. to E. G. ; to her daughter-in-law Sarah Gedney she leaves her gold necklace; another bequest is made to her kinswoman Mary Andrew of Cambridge. The bulk of her estate was disposed of as follows: "Half of my estate after my debts and Funeral charges are paid I give and bequeath to my beloved brother the Rev^d Samuel Andrew of Milford in Connecticut. And the other half of my estate I give to the children of my Brother William Andrew late of Cambridge dec'd, viz Samuel Andrew, Elizabeth Andrew now Elizabeth Stone and Mary Andrew to be equally divided between them." * * * "I constitute make and ordain Bartholomew Gedney my son in law sole Executor." Jonathan Andrew and Andrew Durand, executors of the will of Samuel Andrew, late of Milford, in the county of New Haven within His Majesty's Colony of Connecticut, dec'd, appointed, 21st Aug., 1738, the Rev. Timothy Cutler, D. D., of Boston, etc., their attorney "to demand of M^r Bartholomew Gedney of Boston Executor of Mrs. Eliz^a Gedney late of Boston deceast a certain legacy by her given to our Hon^d Father M^r Samuel Andrew," etc.