

This Indenture Witnesseth,

That *Jacob Wendall Andrew Oliver Esq. Isaac Walker Ebenezer Storer John Barratt Nathaniel Greenwood Royal Tyler Thomas Flucker John Tudor and William Phillips Gentlemen*

Overseers of the Poor of the Town of *Boston* in the County of *Suffolk* in *New England*, by and with the Consent of two of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for said County, Have placed and by these Presents do place and bind out *Isaiah Thomas a poor Child belonging to said Boston unto Zachariah Fowles of Boston afores. Printer and to his Wife and heirs* and with them after the Manner of an Apprentice to Dwell and Serve, from the Day of the Date of these Presents, until the *Eight day of January which will be in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty-nine at which time the said Apprentice if Living will Arrive to the Age of Twenty-One Years.*

During all which said Time or Term, the said Apprentice *his* said Master *and Mistress* well and faithfully shall Serve, *their* Secrets he shall keep close, *their* Commandments lawful and honest every where he shall gladly obey. He shall do no Damage to *his* said Master etc nor suffer it to be done by others, without letting or giving seasonable Notice thereof to *his* Master etc he shall not waste the Goods of *his* said Master etc nor lend them unlawfully to any: At Cards, Dice, or any other unlawful Game or Games he shall not play : Fornication he shall not commit : Matrimony ... *during the aforesaid Term* He shall not contract : Taverns, Ale-Houses, or Places of Gaming he shall not haunt or frequent : From the Service of *his* said Master et. al by Day nor Night he shall not absent *him* self; but in all Things and at all Times, he shall carry and behave *him* self towards his said master et al and all *theirs* as a good and faithful Apprentice ought to do *to his utmost ability* during all the Time or Term aforesaid. And the said Master doth hereby Covenant and Agree, *for himself his wife and heirs to teach or Cause the said Apprentice to be taught by the best way and means he Can the Art and Mistry of a Printer also to Read write & Cypher.*

And also shall and sill, well and truly find, allow into, and provide for the said Apprentice sufficient and wholesome Meat and Drink, and Washing, Lodging, *and Apparrell* and other Necessaries meet and convenient for such an Apprentice, during all the Time or Term aforesaid : And at the End and Expiration thereof shall *dismiss the said Apprentice with two good Suits of Apparrell for all parts of his Body One for the Lord's day the other for working days Suitable to his Degree.*

In Testimony Whereof the said Parties have to these Indentures interchangeably set their Hands and Seals, the *Fourth* Day of *June* In the 29th Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign *Lord George the Second King Over Great Britain VO. Annoque Domini*, One Thousand Seven Hundred and *Fifty Six.*

*Signed Sealed and Delivered
In Presence of us –*

Samuel Eddy
William Seymour

Suffolk Boston July 7th 1856

Assented to by John Philips *Justices*
John Hill *of the*
Peace

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Isaac Walker
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