

This indenture Witnesseth that I James Diver one of the
Overseers of the poor of the parish of Neeshingham county
and in the district of Harrogateburgh by an order of the court
of the county in June one thousand seven hundred & Eighty
Eight doth quit & bind William of the age of
Eight years the 4th of years past y^e 4th of July last
past an apprentice unto Robert Samples to learn
trade of a weaver of the same parish to serve him
in the s^d parish untill he arrives to the age of twenty
one years during all the s^d term & time the s^d appren-
tice his master faithfully shall serve his secret keep
his lawfull commands freely obey he shall do no damage
to his s^d master nor suffer it to be done by others he shall not
buy or sell nor commit fornication nor contract matrimony
nor play at cards or dice or any unlawfull game
whereby his master may be damaged nor haunt ale
houses nor taverns or play Houses he shall not waig
his Masters goods nor lend them unlawfully to any per-
son nor absent himself day or night from his Masters
service without his leave but in all things behave
himself as a faithfull servant or an apprentice
ought to doe

In consideration Whereof the s^d Master shall
provide & procure sufficient meat drink washing lodge-
ing & apparel fitting for such an apprentice during
y^e s^d term to learn y^e trade of a weaver &
perfectly well to read & write well & common Arith-
matick perfectly through the Double Rule of three
and at the expiration of a term pay or cause to
be paid ^{to the s^d apprentice} the sum of three pounds ten shillings
and one shilling of good lawfull money of wearing
apparel in robes & wherof each party binds
themselves to the other under chargeably sealed with
their seals this seventh day of ^{Nov} ~~Oct~~ one thousand
seven hundred & Eighty Eight

Witness present

Matthewson

James Riggs

James Diver

Robert Samples Seal

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