Agreement of Marriage

It is agreed upon by Thomas Brownell of Dennis on the one part and Abigail Baker of Dennis on the other part in the County of Barnstable . Naturally agreed upon by us as fellows viz: that they enter into the marriage covenant lawfully during their natural lives from the state of these presents and to the property they or either of them now possess it is agreed upon by the parties as fellows viz:

That the said Thomas Brownell shall pay or cause to be paid to the said Abigail Baker, by his executors administrators to or assigns out of his estate, provided the senior debt of Abigail shall not have time nor the sum of Three hundred dollars in lieu of thirds and Income of his estate and also to take away all the furniture that the said Abigail may bring to him the said Thomas at the time she may be married or remove to live with him, agreeably to an inventory of the same taken at the time of his removing to live with him. And at the time of the said Thomas Brownells death to remove away and have no other privileges except those above mentioned.

And should the said Abigail die before the said Thomas then the heirs, executors, administrators or assigns of the said Abigail shall have all the goods or furniture delivered them back according to the Inventory as brought to him the said Thomas, and not to be all the settlement.

In witness whereof the said Thomas Brownell and Abigail Baker for ourselves, our heirs, executors or administrators have hereunto set our hands and seals this sixteenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand, eight hundred and thirty two.

[Signatures] Thomas Brownell
Abigail Baker
Lydia Baker
Agreement of Marriage

It is agreed upon by Thomas Crowell of Dennis on the one part and Abigail Baker of Dennis on the other both in the county of Barnstable – Mutually agreed upon by us as follows, viz; that they enter into the marriage covenant lawfully during their natural lives from the date of these presents – and as to the property they or either of them now possess it is agreed upon by the parties as follows, viz;

That the said Thomas Crowell shall pay or cause to be paid to the said Abigail Baker, by his executors administrators or assigns out of his estate, provided the said Abigail should out live him, the sum of Three hundred dollars in lieu of thirds and dower of his estate – and also to take away all the furniture that the said Abigail may bring to him the said Thomas at time he may be married or remove to live with him, agreeably to an Inventory of the same taken at the time of her removing to live with him – and at the time of the said Thomas Crowells death to remove away and have no other privileges except those above mentioned.

And should the said Abigail die before the said Thomas then the heirs, executors, administrators or assigns of the said Abigail shall have all the goods or furniture delivered them back according to the Inventory as brought to him the said Thomas, and that to be all the settlement.

In witness whereof, we the said Thomas Crowell and Abigail Baker for ourselves, our heirs, executors or administrators have hereunto set our hands and seals this sixteenth day of November in the Year of our Lord one thousand, eight hundred and thirty-two.

[Witness:] Nehemiah Baker  [Signed:] Thomas Crowell
Lydia Baker                  Abigail Baker