

"sible speede for y^e transacting and settling of yo^r affayrs heere, some
 "things not being in soe good a posture as were to be wished: viz:
 "y^e busyness of Carletons administration, w^{ch} was like to be wholly ob-
 "structed on my ffather's death; But Mr Wickins a faithful freind being
 "intrusted in his will to act in his behalfe hath slacked no diligence or
 "paynes therein; he will write to you himself, therefore ile say no more
 "to that. You are made sole Executor, Mr Wickins wth my self are
 "desired to be overseers of y^e same in yo^r absence. I carryed y^e will to
 "him to London, w^{ch} he hath since p'ved in the Prerogative Court, who
 "will send yow a Coppy thereof. I was lately at London of purpose to
 "communicate yo^r letters and Bills to him. for goods to be sent this
 "yeare and care will be taken to send y^e greatest pt of them, by y^e first
 "good ship. Though vpon o^r conference wth Mr Bridge & parturs,
 "they make scruple of parting wth any mony of yo^rm in y^r hands,
 "wth out a particular order from yo^r owne hand y^t w^{ch} you give to my
 "ffather for y^e dispose thereof being (they say) dead wth him.

"I spake with some of y^e men to whom yow directed yo^r bills, for
 "goods, and they were all cheerfull to send wbt yow write for, though
 "they stay for payment till y^e next returne of ships. In much hast &
 "breifly I give you a hint of things hoping this may come to yo^r hands
 "before other ships in w^{ch} goods will be sent, by whom if God please
 "yow shall heare further! Clark is not yet arived, but dayly expected.

"Sr, my selfe and wife wth all o^r children are at present in comfort-
 "able health, who all present y^r endeared resp'ts to yow & yo^rm: The
 "mercy of y^e blessed mediator overshadow yow & yo^rm. and guide yow
 "in all yo^r undertakings y^t in due tyme we may see yo^r face to o^r mu-
 "tuall Comfort soe prays

"Yo^r ever Lovinge Brother,

"HENRY SMITH.

"WYRARDSBUKY, ffebr: 20th.

"1662.

"Addressed,

"ffor his Deare and Wellbeloved

"Brother Mr. John Pynchon,

"at his house in Springfield

"on Conecticott,

"p^rsent,

New England.