

ST. MARY'S COUNTY LAND ENTRIES

SUPPLEMENTAL ENTRIES IN PROVINCIAL COURT LIBER B B

At the end of Liber BB of the provincial court proceedings are to be found some twenty-three pages of entries that seem to bear no relation to the court minutes which precede them. These entries appear to be copies of land papers filed for record in the local St. Mary's county court. The early records of St. Mary's County, since then, have been destroyed by fire. These land papers are penned in a hand similar to that used in certain provincial records of about ten years later. Despite the lack of any demonstrable connection between these records and the regular court minutes that occupy the earlier part of the liber, it has been thought proper to reproduce them in this volume, because of their evident historical value, referring in great part as they do to the important manor of St. Clement's, owned by Councillor Thomas Gerard of St. Mary's County.

At a Court held at New Towne for the County of S^t Maries the first day of december 1663—

Liber B B
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Present Philip Calvert Esq^r Chancell^r

M^r John Lawson } M^r Luke Gardner }
M^r William Bretton } M^r John Nuthall } Comish^{rs}

Command William Young and Sarah his Wife to hold Covenant with Thomas Bennitt for a Plantacon Orcharge & Houseing Lying in Brettons Bay being part of the Land Called Poplerneck Contain- ing fifty acres Or therabouts, according to the Conveyance touching the s^d Land
Philip: Calvert

And the finall Concord is that the said Thomas Bennitt shall freely Quietly and peaceably Injoye the s^d fifty acres of Land according to the Conveyance bearing date the fourteenth day of October 1663 and being the Land of the s^d William Youngs to him the s^d Thomas Bennett his Heires or assignes for Ever
Walter Hall

The 14th of October 1663

Know all men by These presents that I William Young sould and made saile and doe by These presents sell make saile unto Thomas Bennitt of plantacon which I now Live upon for already in hand Received before the delivering of these pres- ents & I the said William Young with the consent of my wife Sarah Young doe hereby bind Our selves and for us Our heires Executrix administrat^{rs} & assignes to make Good the sale of the s^d Land & Plan- tacon with th^c Orchard houseings & all conveniences & priviledges