

proclamation for all persons who had not Grants for their lands before the issueing of the said proclamation to repaire to the secretaries Office within six months and take a Grant of the same under the Great Seale Otherwise the same to be seized in the hands of the Lord proprietary Whenas in the said Office the def<sup>t</sup> was informed that the plaintiff had pattend ready to be Sealed for the said parcell of land, whereupon he entred Caveat against the issueing of the same further alleadging he knew not but that M<sup>r</sup> Owen may have already procured a grant thereof from his Lōpp in England Yet notwithstanding the plaintiff as alleadged Ought not (as he did) take up the said land and procure Pattent for the same within the tyme limited in the aforesaid proclamacon whereby he was deprived of the benefitt thereof Liber FF  
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The plaintiff in answer thereunto Saith that the def<sup>t</sup> was no wise deprived of the benefitt of the said proclamacon for that there was not nor is there any such land found entred upon record, therefore no grant could issue if demanded wherefore free for any person to Survey or take up the same.

Which answer was denied by the def<sup>t</sup> except the said land had bin surveyed by speciall warrant for notwithstanding no returne was made of the Survey of the said land, which (if not) was through the neglect and Omission of the Survey<sup>r</sup> Geñll Yet further replying the said land being formerly Surveyed and built upon could not be againe Surveyed by a Coñon warrant as this land was, and new taken up as Forrest land by the plaintiff.

The Court haveing Considered that there is no such land to be found upon Record and taken up by the said Richard Owen nor no Grant or Colour for the same doe Order that the plaintiff have his Pattent sealed for the said land thereby confirming the same to him and his heirs.

The Court adjourned till the morrow morning 8 of the Clocke.

June the 4<sup>th</sup> 1668

The justices all meett as yesterday with Addition of Henry Coursey Esq.

Peter Watts Constable of S<sup>t</sup> Georges Hundred haveing Officiated his said Office One whole yeare last past petitioneth this Court to be dismissed and present William Hatton, Francis Hill and Patrick Forrest

Ordered the petition be Granted and that warrant issue for Francis Hill to take Oath of Constable for this next ensueing yeare, which was then done accordingly.

Thomas Hinton Constable of Poplar Hill Hundred petitioneth this Court that haveing Officiated the said Office One whole yeare