

Liber N N &c Annoq̄ Dm 1675 att the house of Thomas Kertley scituate neer Brittain Bay in the County of S^t Maryes in the Province of Maryland by vertue of a Com̄ission in the nature of a Mandamus Issued out of his Lord^{pps} High Court of Chancery to us John Jourdain & John Warren gent^l directed by the Oathes of Twelue good & lawfull men of S^t Maryes County to Enquire what lands & Tenem^{ts} John Thimbleby late of the same County Dec^d held in his Demesne as of ffee att the tyme of his death, & of what Manno^r & by what services, & how much those lands or Tenem^{ts} are of value by the yeare in all Issues, & att what tyme the said Jn^o Thimbleby dyed, & who is the next heyre, & of what age the heyre is, & who the sd lands or Tenem^{ts} from the tyme of the death of the said Jn^o Thimbleby haue or doe [possess] & the Issues or profitts thereof haue or doe Receive, & by what title, & how, & in what manner We doe by the Oaths of Peter Mills, John Davis, Robert Thomas, Jn^o Medley, Robert Cooper, Jno Herd, Geo. Medley, W^m Medley, Henry Taylor, Richard Gary, W^m Cole & James Greenwell who being all duely sworne say as followeth.

That the Right Hon^{ble} the Lord Province did by his Patent under the great Seale of the said Province beareing date the 28th day of January in the yeare of our Lord God 1649 Giue Grant & Enfeoffe unto John Thimbleby & W^m Browne their heyres & Assigns All that pcell of land lying on the North side of Potomoke River bounding on the West with a Cove of the said River called Pickocomico Creeke, on the South with the land then in the possession of Jn^o Medley, upon the North with the land then in the possession of Jn^o Shercliffe, on the East with a line drawne North from a marked tree standing East from the head of Medleys branch One hundred & Seaventy pches untill itt fall into the land then in the possession of the said Jn^o Shercliffe Conteyning & then laid out for One hundred & fifty acres more or lesse with all the Appurtennces to the same belonging To haue & to hold the same lands & p^rmisses unto them the said John Thimbleby & W^m Browne their heyres & Assigns for euer To be holden of the Manno^r of West S^t Marys in free & co^mon Soccage by fealty only for all manner of services Yeilding & paying therefore yearly to his Lord^{pp} three shillings ster^l or one bushell & halfe of good Corne att the Nativity of our Lord By vertue of which Graunt or Patent the said Juro^{rs} doe upon their Oaths say that the said John Thimbleby & W^m Browne became Seized & possessed of the p^rmisses, & being so Seized & possessed of the said p^rmisses the said W^m Browne did by writing under his hand & under the hand of Margaret Browne his wife dated the tenth day of Novemb^r but in what yeare they cannot say noe yeare being menconed Indorsed on the backside of the said Patent Assigne all his Right & Interest of & into the p^rmisses to the said John Thimbleby his heyres & Assignes forever, & did warrant the said land unto the said John