

Decemb^r 1676

Upon the petition of Annina Hobbs formerly the wife of Andrew Ewinor deceased on the behalf of her daughter Anna Ewinor. that her former Husband (born in Spain) was possessed in his demesne as of fee of 2 in one hundred & fifty acres of land called Staply Giffon lying in Kent County, & dyed before he was naturalized whereby the said land became Escheated to his Lordship the Lord Prop^r who promised her that Patent should issue for the said land in the name of her Children Anna & Sarah, that Sarah is since dead, & requests Patent in the name of her daughter Anna

Ordered by the Court, that a writ of Mandamus issue to inquire about the land in the petition mentioned.

Received of John Hobbs March the 15th 1676 the Sum of three hundred fifty & six pounds of Tobacco by the order of for the use of M^r. Peter Sayer Jayward of the County of Kent
April 20th 1677 Christopher Goodhand

Whereas the Court is informed, that the Orphan of Francis Trapp's late of Baltimore County deceased was by God Nathaniel Wye & George Wye his brother six or seven years, of which she hath already served three or four years, whereby she is very much starved & abused, which her brother in Law W^m Shire out of the Affection he beareth to his wife (Sister to the said Orphan) seeing, would very willingly take the Orphan & maintain her & breed her up at his own proper costs & charges notwithstanding there is a Warrant belonging to the said Orphan of which he desires no benefit, unless the Court think fit to order him to make what improvement thereof he can for the Orphan, it now lying waste & no benefit thereof made And that the said Warrant refuseth to part with the said Orphan without another servant to serve four years whereupon it is Ordered by the Court here, that the Com^s of the said County concerning the premises, & remit the same to the Justices of the next Provincial Court and that Summons issue to the said W^m Shire to be then present, that such further Order may be taken therein as to the said Justices shall seem meet and agreeable to Justice & Equity.

April 20th 1677

Upon the petition of Dorothy Coventry a Molatta, that she being borne free, her Mother did the twentieth of April 1663 put her apprentice to God Wye deceased & his former wife for sixteen years, & in case they both dyed before the sixteen years was expired, she was to be free, & at the end of her time to have Corn & Cloath according to the Custom of the Country. & that the said God Wye sold her to Jacob Young whom she served until attached by Margaret Penroy for a debt of the said Young, who Endeavoured to runny her out of the Province & make a slave of her, & that she refusing to go, the said Young hath sued her at the County Court for damages for three Months absence out of his service when attached by Penroy and desired this Court to peruse her Indenture & declare her free according to the tenor thereof.

It is ordered by the Court here, that the matter contained in the petition of Dorothy Coventry be referred to the Com^s of the County Court of Baltimore County

April 18th 1677

Upon the petition of John Fox, that he ranne a Servant into this Province to one John Ware who sold him to John Wlahob, & that he was to serve four years by Indenture & no longer, which time is expired, but the Indenture being lost, his master intended to take the advantage thereof & rounped him to serve the Custom of the Country, & that the witnesses may be upon Oath Examined, that such Indenture being positively sworn to, he may by order of this Court be set free.

It is Ordered by the Court here, that the said John Fox have time too morrow to produce his witnesses to prove the above said Indenture.

At which day to wit the nineteenth day of April in the second year of his Lord's Dominion of Maryland 1677 came the said John Fox, who having sufficiently proved by Evidence that there was such an Indenture whereby he was to serve four years & no longer It is the Judgment of the Court here that the said John Fox is free.