

In consideration of the said Marriage to be solemnized did his said
grants to the said Comptie and their heirs for ever and half of all his lands
for which he would after give full assurance by good deed of all his lands
of his stock and one feather bed and furniture. And thereupon shortly
after the said marriage was consummated. And the Comptie further
showed that the said Edward Saunders making inspection into Brains
estate aforesaid found the same much incumbered with occasions by the
neglect and ill husbandry of John Oceans and also was informed that upon
the treaty of marriage between Braine and the said Jane in the year 1674
the said Oceans in consideration of that intended marriage and that Braine
would give security to pay the other daughter Susanna Twenty
Thousand pound of Tobacco on the day of her marriage and maintain
her at school till she should be married or for some certain time the
agreed upon the said Oceans did promise and agree by writing under his
hand as was reported to Grants and convey to the said Henry Braine
Oceans his wife and the heirs of Jane in joint possession the 1000 acres called
Boupland and as to land purchase then called Boupland he allowed the
said Jane was of that land of which the Comptie the then Lord Prop^r of the
Province and promise him the said John Oceans a Grant to the said Oceans
promised to take out a patent for the said land in the name of the said
Henry Braine and Jane his wife to be settled upon them and their
heirs between them lawfully begotten and in default of such issue
to the heirs of the said Jane only the said Oceans was to hold the same
during his life that the said Henry Braine married the said Jane and
upon the second day of July 1674 the said Braine by Bill under his
hand and seal obliged himself to pay unto the said John Oceans for
the use of the said Susanna the sum of Twenty Thousand pound of
Tobacco at the day of her marriage & carried her for England and put
her to school and left his wife being very young under the tuition of
her father Braine being then indebted to Landolph Brand Henry Ware
and Henry Adams about the sum of 12917 of Tobacco which was to be
paid at his return from England. And they further showed that the
said John Oceans in the absence of Braine contrary to his promise
take out the patent for the said land purchase being 100 acres
as aforesaid in his own name & having as the Comptie doth aver
the possession of the agreement between him and Braine on the marriage
and cancelled the same that Braine kept the said Susanna at school so
long as he lived being about five years. And the said Comptie doth
further set forth that the said Henry Braine about the latter end of
the year 1674 sent from the Barbadoes and consigned to the said
Oceans and his wife but in trust for the use seven Negroes and one English
hand to be put upon his plantation either at Boupland or on the plantations
where the said Oceans lived and Braine was to stand the produce of the
labour and he also sent several Barbadoes goods as Rum Sugar &c
to the said Oceans Oceans to the value of 16000 of Tobacco there with to
pay the said three debts the overplus to deliver to the said Braine wife
which Oceans received but never paid any the debt but of the
wasted the goods and spent and consumed the produce of the Negroes
labour as also the labour of the English hand, afterwards went to
that Braine was dead the said Jane administered but her father ordered
all but goods not account to the administration of the produce of the goods
and servants labour which he had kept in hand his possession about five
years and their labour could not be worth than 1000 or four
Thousand pound of Tobacco & thus finding the said Oceans had
wasted the estate and was not in a condition to account and make