

& he hath ever since enjoyed y^e same & improved (298
 therton to y^e value of 30000^l & hath paid 2000^l in
 pt of y^e 5000 & hath loved y^e pt in Botomia River to
 y^e said land but y^e said land refused y^e same, & desired to make
 assurance of y^e said land to y^e said Henry & the said land to give
 y^e said Henry out of y^e promises & to ruin & undo him.
 And whereas y^e said land in his answer to y^e said bill
 exhibited ag^t him by Henry hath confessed y^e there was
 such an agreement for 5000^l for y^e said land (being
 200 acres at y^e head of Elk River called y^e Grange) but
 saith he never received any part of y^e 5000^l save only y^e
 about y^e end of y^e 3^d year he had some work done for
 him by y^e said Henry to y^e value of 1000^l w^{ch} he is ready
 to allow. And whereas y^e said land saith further y^e said
 Henry was by agreement (in case of failure of paym^t of y^e
 5000^l to pay a reasonable yearly rent during his
 continuance on y^e said land & has been possessed thereof 7 years
 & paid no rent at all nor so much as y^e quit rent for the
 same & hath built no more therton than one 20 foot dwell-
 ing house & one 15 foot kitchen & hath wasted y^e timber
 on y^e said land, We do therefore hereby authorize & appoint &
 constitute you y^e said Maj^r John Thompson & Edw^d Jones
 to call before you at some convenient time & place in said
 County, as to you shall seem meet, such witnesses or evi-
 dences as either y^e said pt or Def^t (who shall have notice
 thereof from you) shall nominate & propound & to exam-
 ine them upon Oath (to be by you administered) upon such
 Interrogatories as shall be given you by y^e said pt or Def^t
 & after examination & cross examination of y^e said Wit-
 nesses to send their depositions (together with this Comissⁿ
 -ion) to our Court of Chancery to be held at Annapolis
 y^e 19th day of August next thertoe to be entered on Record
 In perpetuam Rei Memoriam. All this you are
 to do with all convenient speed. Witness ourselves
 at our Court of Annapolis in Anno Arundell County
 y^e 25th day of May in y^e seventh year of our Reign
 Anno Domini 1695.
 P. C. W. D. John Grooman Reg^{is} in Chan^{ce}

The above said Comission & y^e severall depositions were
 accordingly returned to y^e Reg^{is} July 22^d; as followeth.
 By virtue of a Comissⁿ from y^e Court of Chancery dated y^e 5th of May
 last directed to us we did call before us the said Henry & Mr Wm Land with
 their evidences, y^e depositions of w^{ch} we have taken & doe here inclosed
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