

401) <sup>Maryland</sup> A Court of Chancery hold at Annapolis Sept 12<sup>th</sup> 1698  
 in the tenth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord William the  
 Decree for 3 King of England & Annoque Domini 1698

James Brown Comptrolr  
 agt  
 Mary Denton wife of  
 Henr Denton decd  
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Whereas James Brown of St. Marys County  
 Gentl hath set forth by his certain bill of  
 Complaint into y<sup>e</sup> high Court of Chancery lately  
 exhibited y<sup>e</sup> Henry Denton late of Ann Arundell  
 County Gentl decd his contract & agree to sell make over  
 & convey to y<sup>e</sup> James & his heirs forever two acres of Land  
 being two Lots laid out according to Act of Assembly  
 y<sup>e</sup> City of St. Marys with one dwelling house & other  
 Outhouses therunto belonging for y<sup>e</sup> consideration of  
 Twenty pounds sterl & a silver Tankard of five pound  
 specie or value sterl. And y<sup>e</sup> by Order of y<sup>e</sup> Henry in a  
 Letter of y<sup>e</sup> S. Howard directed to y<sup>e</sup> James he did enter in  
 to possession of y<sup>e</sup> dwelling house. And y<sup>e</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Henry  
 happened to die intestate before y<sup>e</sup> conveyance of y<sup>e</sup>  
 premises could be perfected, leaving one Rachel Denton  
 his for an Infant of about two years old by his wife  
 Mary Denton his Relict, who as Admin<sup>r</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> Estate  
 of y<sup>e</sup> Henry & as Guardian of y<sup>e</sup> Infant & for her  
 own Dowry or thirds of y<sup>e</sup> Estate claims Right to  
 y<sup>e</sup> premises or to y<sup>e</sup> purchase money to be paid y<sup>e</sup> act  
 And y<sup>e</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Mary being conscious of y<sup>e</sup> agreement of  
 is willing to consent to such act for y<sup>e</sup> settling y<sup>e</sup> part  
 -misses upon y<sup>e</sup> James & y<sup>e</sup> Hon<sup>ble</sup> Judge & Justice  
 of this Court of Chancery shall oversee & direct  
 Whereas y<sup>e</sup> James therefore prays to have y<sup>e</sup> same  
 settled upon him y<sup>e</sup> James upon his paying y<sup>e</sup>  
 Consideration afo<sup>re</sup> And whereas y<sup>e</sup> Mary Denton  
 Deft confesseth y<sup>e</sup> truth of y<sup>e</sup> Compt<sup>rol</sup> bill in all  
 & every part thereof & y<sup>e</sup> she hath not any thing  
 to object agt y<sup>e</sup> prayer of y<sup>e</sup> Compt<sup>rol</sup> therein & y<sup>e</sup>  
 she will be contented with one third part of y<sup>e</sup> purchase  
 -chase afo<sup>re</sup>, As by y<sup>e</sup> bill & Answer filed in y<sup>e</sup> Chan-  
 -cery Office more at large doth appear And whereas  
 y<sup>e</sup> Agreement between y<sup>e</sup> Henry & James is att<sup>est</sup>  
 -ed by y<sup>e</sup> Oath of Mr John Stanley Assistant Clerk  
 under y<sup>e</sup> Henry in his Life time which he collect<sup>ed</sup>  
 with y<sup>e</sup> aforesaid Letter of y<sup>e</sup> Henry is here set down  
 at large in these words (viz)

Batho Town Jan<sup>ry</sup> 11 1697

Mr Brown I pray of y<sup>e</sup> g<sup>o</sup>ll Instant I read but shall not  
 be at any charge for drawing Writings & so forth  
 shall expect y<sup>e</sup> bill be drawn & delivered  
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