

1676

June 14<sup>th</sup> 1676.

Commission for the Ferry in Kent County Maryland to

Joseph Wicks

John Hinson

Thomas Marsh

Henry Hager

Wm Lawrence

Matthew Scott

Samuel Corry

Cornelius Comegys

Dobromir Bennett

Genl of the Quorum

Genl Justices

In Ordinance of the Right Honble the Lord Proprietary  
of the Province of Maryland set forth & published  
for the settling & Establishing of a Ferry to be constantly  
Kept over Pictugent River in Calvert County in

Whereas many Inconveniences have & doe daily happen to  
diverse the Inhabitants of this Province that have Occasion to  
travel either on horse back or on foot over Pictugent River  
about their lawfull occasions And for that severall Assemblys  
have Endeavoured to make a Law for the same, but could not  
pitch upon a Person that would willingly undertake the same  
that lived conveniently to performe it Wch doe Authorize &  
Impower John Griggs or his assignes to keep a Boat  
for to Transport men & horses from his now dwelling house  
over the said River of Pictugent to his Plantation on the other  
side, or from thence to his dwelling house aforesaid And so  
also demand Recive & take for every person he shall  
Transport either backwards or forwards over the said River  
the sume of one shilling And also to ask demand Recive &  
take for every horse he shall Transport at aforesaid rate the like  
sume of one shilling on the Value theron of to have & hold &  
Enjoy the sole privilege Benifit & Advantage of keeping  
the said Ferry for transporting Persons & horses over the  
said River as aforesaid during the terme of one year and  
Provided alwayes that the said John Griggs shall keepe a  
sufficient Boat or Boats man or men for the doinge performing  
the same (wind & weathers permitting) And shall not attane  
by me p[ro]p[ri]etie to exact or demand more of any person then is  
lawfully allowed him for the same upon paine of forfeiting  
the sume liberty & privilege hereby Granted it - being  
made Appear to the Justices of the Provinciall Court And  
also Provided that the said John Griggs or his assignes take