

then told this Deponent that he would advise him  
 this Deponent meaning that if he were within three  
 Circular Leagues (that is the twelve miles Circle about New  
 Castle) he had best go off, for the first Loss would be the  
 Least, this Deponent further saith that within some  
 small time after he received another Letter from Col. French  
 aforesaid informing that he and Mr. Evans had consid-  
 ered of the thing and that this Deponents Plantation  
 lay as Mr. Evans told him within the wetch Tract and  
 further advised this Deponent as a Friend to go off quietly  
 or else must prove that his said Plantation lay in  
 Maryland for that he must prove the one or lose the  
 Other.

This Deponent further saith he having Com-  
 munication with Col. John French at sundry times  
 towards the said Col. John French told this Deponent  
 that the best thing he could advise him to was, to leave  
 the Plantation aforesaid, however notwithstanding these  
 threats he this Deponent persisted in maintaining and  
 improving his possession aforesaid by plowing in English  
 Grain by getting Timber for Building a Log house and  
 making fence rails and by planting small Apple Trees  
 in a Nursery.

This Deponent further saith that on the 4<sup>th</sup> day  
 of February last past Mr. David Evans with a Company  
 of men consisting of 8 or 10 or more in an unlawful  
 manner most of them having a falling ax in his hand  
 and having with them two Horses harnessed drawing  
 a Log Stedd came to the Plantation of this Deponent who  
 seeing such a Company coming to his House Imagined they