

Honourable the Lord Proprietors of this province
of the said George and by Judgment of the Provincial Court of this
province upon Inquiry then so adjudged the Twenty second day of
one thousand seven hundred eighty three & afterwards by
the present Lord Baltimore unto the said Richard Dourk
Time in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and five
said John Gandy being convinced that the said George Head had an
Heir at Law in that part of Great Brittain here before called Scotland
& being desirous to make himself a perfect Title to the said Land
employed an agent to purchase for him the Right of the said George
Head not only to the aforesaid Tract of Land called Head Courne but
likewise to two or three smaller Tracts of Land lying near the River of
Putnam & generally to all the Lands and Tenements whatsoever
which the said George Head had any right & Title in this province
for a valuable Consideration by the said John Gandy paid to the said George
Head's Heir at Law was effected and some Deeds of Lease and Release duly executed
by the said Heir at Law to the said John Gandy of the said Lands with power
of attorney by him directed to W^m Dent Gentleman deceased and Charles Carroll
to acknowledge the said Deeds according to act of Assembly of this province
In such Cases to him the said John Gandy & his Heires which was accordingly
done by the said William Dent & Charles Carroll at the Provincial Court
In this province next before that in which the State house was burnt that
It happened that the said Deeds of Lease & Release with due & authentic
probates thereof as also the authentick probates of the parties
who executed the same being the call true and Rightfull Heir at Law
of the said George Head were burnt in the State house or Court
after the Clerke had made some progress in Recording the same
whereby the said John Hyde's Title who purchased for the
Consideration of five hundred pounds Sterling from the said
John Gandy the said Tract of Land called Head Courne as by
Authentick Deeds bearing date the sixteenth Day of January
one thousand seven hundred and four may appear & the said
Gandy's Heires like to the other Lands not sold to the said John
are defective & not aiding by the late act of Assembly