

The Lower House of this present General Assembly and the  
 Authority of the same that if any person or persons from and after  
 the publication hereof shall desire to set up such forgoing Mill and Other  
 Conveniencies for the carrying on such Iron works upon any lands not before  
 cultivated and adjacent to any river or water within this Province  
 not being the Estate of Inheritance of such undertakers nor leased to them  
 to the intent thereon to set up such forgoing Mill and Other Conveniencies  
 for the carrying on such Iron works they may purchase a writt out of Chancery  
 directed to the Sheriff of the County where such Land lyeth requiring him  
 by the Oath of twelve men of his County to Enquire what Damage it would  
 be to his Lordship or Others to have such Builders or undertakers invested  
 with an Absolute Estate of inheritance in one Hundred Acres of such Land  
 proper for the setting up such forgoing Mill and Other Conveniencies for the  
 carrying on such Iron works as aforesaid the same which shall be <sup>with</sup>

The Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the provinces of Maryland and  
 Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. to the Sheriff of the County  
 Greeting We Comitt and you that by the Oath of Twelve Honest & Lawfull  
 Men of the County beforehome the Truth of the matter may be better  
 known you Diligently Enquire if it be to the Damage of us or Others  
 if we Grant unto M: H: of M: County One hundred Acres of Land lying  
 at ~~in~~ the County aforesaid whereby be most Conveniencies for the building  
 and setting up a forge mill and Other Conveniencies as shall be necessary  
 for the carrying on Iron Iron works. And if it be to the Damage and prejudice of  
 us or Others then to what Damage and prejudice of us and to what Damage and  
 prejudice of Others and of whom and in what manner and how and of what  
 Value the same Land ~~is~~ is now before any Other Improvement of the  
 said One hundred Acres of Land and who are the present possessors of the  
 said One hundred Acres of Land and who have the free Simple title of what  
 Lands and tenements remain to the said present possessor over and above the said  
 One hundred Acres of Land and if the said Land remaining to the  
 present possessor over and above the said One hundred Acres will  
 suffice to uphold their Mannor ~~with~~ the Sixty part of their manor  
 allotted them by the Conditions of Quarters for the Demesne as  
 (Before)