of John Larkin and Order which follows Viz.t To the Honble Councel for Lands Especially Appointed The Humble Petition of John Larkin of Ann Arundell County humbly Sheweth John Browning of Cecil County had Surveyed & laid out for him the 22.d of March 1680/1 A Tract of Land containing Eight hundred & Eighty three Acres lying in Cecil County a.s which s.d Tract was afterwards by the.s Browning Assigned Over unto George Holland of Ann Arundell County now dec.d who by his last Will & Testament gave & bequeathed the.s Land unto your Petitioner but as yet Patent is not Issued out by Reason of a Caveat Entred against the A.s Tract at the request of Augustine Herman to the Great Grievance of your Petitioner May it therefore please Your Honours to Cause the.s Herman to make Appear before this Honble Councell his Reasons for his so Doing that he may no Longer be Obstructed in Suing for the Patent without Just Cause And Your Petitioner Shall Ever Pray &c. The Petitioner is Referred to Take his Course at Law And the Jurors a.s Do further find and the Petition of John Larkin Order Which Follows Viz.t To the Honble Councel for Lands Especially Appointed The Humble Petition of John Larkin of Ann Arundell County Humbly Sheweth that your Pet.r Last Court Petitioned this Honble Councel to Cause Augustine Herman to Show his Reasons to your Honours for the Entring a Caveat Against a Tract of Land lying in Cecil County containing Eight hundred & Eighty three Acres which is now in Possession of your Pet.r which Pray or your Pet.r Understands was not Granted but your Honours were Pleased to Refer the Business to be Decided at Common Law To Which your Pet.r is Very Willing but humbly Prays that notwithstanding the a.s Caveat he may have Patent Issued forth to Him & his heirs for the a.s Tract And he is ready to Indicate his Just bounds by Common Law when your Pet.r is thereunto Required which Favour your Pet.r Hopes to find from your Honours And as in Duty bound will Ever Pray &c. The Consideration of this Petition is Referred till Next Councel Day And ordered that Notice be Given to Mr. Robert Carvile Att.y for the Pet.r to Attend this Board to Speak thereunto And the Jurors a.s do further find the Determination of the Councel on Hermans Caveat which follows At a Councel held at St. Marys the 21.st Day of May Anno Domini 1686 Present the Honble Col.o Henry Darnall Col.o William Diggs Maj.r Nicholas Sewell The.s Robert Carvile on behalf of John Larkin of Ann Arundell County Humbly prays the Rehearing of the.s Larkins Petition preferred to the Board the 30.th Day of April last past which was Accordingly Ordered to be read & the said Councel thereupon Moved their Honours that Patent may be Granted the.s Larkin According to his Prayer And that if any Person have Just Right to the Same or any part thereof he may be left to Contend the Same with the.s Larkin at Common Law where it is most properly to be Decided And that Granting Patent to the.s Larkin will be no Impedement thereto The Same was Granted And ordered that the Caveat Entred by Augustine Herman against a Tract of Land Containing 883 Acres Surveyed for John Browning the 22.d March 1680/1 and Since become the Right of John Larkin be Taken off And Patent for the Same Granted the.s Larkin as he hath Prayed And the Jurors aforesaid

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Do further find the patent to John Larkin which follows (Charles absolute Lord & Proprietary of the Province of Maryland & Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. To all Persons to whom these Presents Shall Come Greeting in our Lord God Everlasting Know Ye that whereas John Browning of Cecil County in our said Province of Maryland had Due unto him Eight hundred Eighty three Acres of Land within our s.d Province being Part of an Assignment of one thousand three hundred & two Acres Warrant from George Holland of Ann Arundell County the Assignee of James Stanely of Cecil County a.s Part of a Warrant for two thousand twenty two Acres Granted the.s Stanely the Eighteenth Day of Feb.r One thousand Six hundred & Eighty & had Surveyed & Laid out for him Eight hundred Eighty three Acres called Clifton lying in Cecil County Beginning at a Bounded Chesnutt Oak Standing in a Valley on the West Side of a Branch of Bohemia River all whose Right Title & Interest Ever & the Same he the said John Browning did Assigne & make Over unto George Holland of Ann Arundell County as a.s as Appears but before he the.s Holland did Procure our Letters Patent for the Same he Departed this Life which s.d Holland did by his Last Will & Testament bequeath the aforenamed Tract of Eight hundred Eighty three Acres unto John Larkin of Ann Arundell as Appears in our Office for Probate of Wills Whereupon the Said Larkin humbly Supplicated our Councel for Land that Patent might Accordingly Issue unto him & his heirs but was Obstructed by Reason a Caveat Entred against the.s Land by Augustine Herman of Cecil County a.s But the.s Larkin upon a Record Petition Preferred unto our Council desiring Leave to Dispute his Right to the a.s Tract with the.s Herman at Common Law Obtained Order for Patent Now Know Ye that we for & in Consideration of the Premisses being Willing to Enable the.s Larkin to do us & our heirs future Good and Acceptable Services Do of our free Grace & Meer motion Grant & Confirm unto him the.s said John Larkin all that aforementioned Tract or Parcell of Land called Clifton lying in Cecil County beginning at a Bounded Chesnutt Oak Standing in a Valley on the West Side of a Branch of Bohemia River being the Southern Branch of the.s River & running North & by West thirty Eight Perches then West & by North two hundred & Sixty Perches then North West & by West one hundred & Ten Perches then North West & by North one hundred & ten Perches then South three Degrees East four hundred Sixty four Perches to a Branch of the.s River then East & by South with the Branch Seventy two Perches then East South East with the.s Branch three hundred Seventy Perches then with a Straight Line to the first bounded Tree Containing & now laid out for Eight hundred & Eighty three Acres of Land more or Less According to the Certificate of Survey thereof Taken & Returned into the Land Office at the City of St. Marys bearing Date the two twentieth Day of March One thousand Six hundred & Eighty three Remaining upon Record Together with all Rights Profits benefits & Privileges thereunto belonging Royal Mines Excepted To have and to hold the Same unto him the.s John Larkin his heirs & Assigns for ever to be held of Us & our heirs as of our Manner of Baltimore in free & common Soccage by Fealty only for all manner of Services Doing & Paying therefore Yearly unto us & our heirs at our Receipt at our City of St. Marys at the two most Usual feasts in the Year Viz.t the Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary & St. Michael the Archangell by even & Equal Portions two Rent Ears one pound of Pepper Skillings & four pence Sterling in Silver or Gold & for a fine Upon every Alienation of the.s Land or any part or Parcell thereof one whole Years Rent in Silver

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