"Sustained and Depended by them for want of the said Thomas Genards having good right
"to Vend and sell the same which will be not only to the utter Ruin of the said Justinian
"Genard but also to the Ruin of most of the before recited Owners the said Justinian being not
"able to make good their Damages Sustained as aforesd. the said Justinian hath therefore
"humbly besought Us to Grant unto him the fee of the Premises reserving unto the aforesd.
"Persons and all those that Claim under them the said Several parcels of Land sold them
"and every of them out of the said Mannor by the said Thomas Genard deceased Now
"Know ye that We having taken into our Consideration as well that the said Thomas
"Genard deceased was one of the first Adventurers and Setters in our said Province and
"also that the said Thomas Genard in his lifetime hath well and faithfully served our said
"Father of Noble Memory in several Offices of Honour and Trust and that the said Justinian
"Genard Son & Heir of the said Thomas hath done unto Us many Acceptable services and
"being loth Every unwilling for our own Interest and Profit to take the Advantage now
"by Law falling unto Us which would be to the ruin as well of the said Justinian as of
"those that Claim under the said Thomas deceased but that as well the said Justinian as
"all the rest that Claim under the said Thomas Genard deceased should hold the Several
"and respective Parcels of Land to them reputed to belong as aforesd. Notwithstanding
"the said before recited Patents and by Decree of our said Court Cancelled and the Record
"and entries thereof Vacated and made Null and Void and the same Land into our Hands
"as aforesd. by our said Court as aforesd decreed to be Seized, We of our free Grace certain Knowledge
"and meer Motion DO hereby Grant & Confirm unto the said Justinian Genard All
"that Tract Parcel or Dividend of Land called St. Clements Mannor now Resurveyed
"lying in Saint Marys County between Wicocomoco River & St. Clements Bay
"Begining at the Mouth of a Creek called Genards Creek on the South side of the said Creek
"and so running up the Creek Easterly with the Creek to the head of the said Creek and from
"thence with a Right line drawn East Southerly five Degrees in length four hundred & Sixty
"Perches to a Spanish Oak marked with Twelve Notches standing on the head of Tamaquechin
"Run or French Creek and then running down the Creek Easterly into St. Clements Bay and
"then down the said Bay Southerly running as the Bay runs into Patomack River and
"then up the said River Westerly as the River runs unto the Mouth of Wicocomoco River
"and then up the said River Northerly running as the River runs unto the Mouth of
"Genards Creek where it began Together with three Islands lying in Patomack River
"at the Mouth of Wicocomoco River called by the Names of St. Clements Island
"St. Katherines Island & St. Margarets Island Altogether Containing and now Laid
"out for Eleven thousand four hundred Acres more or less Together with all Rights
"Profits and Benefits thereunto belonging (Royal Mines Excepted) To have and
"to hold the same unto him the said Justinian Genard his Heirs and Assigns forever
"to be holden of Us and our Heirs as of our Honour of West Saint Marys in free and
"common Soccage by Fealty only for all manner of Services Yielding and paying
"therefore Yearly unto Us and our Heirs at our Receipt at our City of St. Marys at the two
"most Usual Feasts in the Year Viz. at the Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed
"Virgin Mary and at the Feast of St. Michael the Arch Angel by even and equal
"Portions the Rent of twenty two Pounds Sixteen Shillings Sterling money of Gold
"and for a Fine upon every Alienation of the said Tract of Eleven thousand four
"hundred Acres of Land one whole Years Rent in Silver or Gold or the full Value thereof
"in such Commodities as We or our Heirs or such Officer or Officers appointed by Us or

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"our Heirs from time to time to Collect and receive the same shall Accept in discharge
"thereof at the Choice of Us and our Heirs or such Officer or Officers as aforesaid Provided that if
"the said Justinian Genard his Heirs or Assigns shall not pay unto Us or our Heirs or such
"Officer or Officers as aforesd. the said Sum for a Fine before such Alienation and enter the said
"Alienation upon Record either in the Provincial Court or in the County Court where the said
"Parcel of Land lieth within one Month next after such Alienation the said Alienation shall
"be Void and of none Effect and We will that the said Lands and Premises be Erected from henceforth
"into one Entire Mannor and called and known by the Name of St. Clements Mannor
"with Power of holding Court Leet and Court Baron and all things matters and Requisites
"to a Mannor belonging by the Laws and Custom of the Kingdom of England and as fully
"and amply as We or our Father of Noble Memory have Granted Mannors to others the Inhabi-
"tants of this our Province always Provided and notwithstanding that this our Grant or
"any thing therein Contained or mentioned shall not destroy the Title or Right of any the
"Person or Persons before mentioned or of any other Person whatsoever that doth now or shall
"hereafter Claim by Deed Sale or Gift to any of the Lands before Particularly mentioned or
"that ought to have been herein mentioned from the said Thomas Genard deceased but that
"the same Deeds & every of them shall remain good firm Valid & Substantial in the Law
"against the said Justinian and his Heirs and also against Us our Heirs and Successors as
"if the said Thomas Genard at the time of the Ensealing and Delivery of the said Deeds and
"and every of them had had good Right and Title to the Premises and full Power to Convey &
"Assure the same to the several Persons that he sold the same and as if the before recited Vacated
"Patent had been duly and legally Obtained and never Cancelled and Annulled as aforesaid
"In Testimony whereof We have Caused these our Letters to be made Patents Given at our
"City of Saint Marys under the Great Seal of our said Province of Maryland the Twenty Ninth
"day of June in the third Year of our Dominion over our said Province Anno Domini One
"Thousand Sixe hundred Seventy eight Witness our Trusty and Wellbeloved Thomas Notley
"Esq. our Lieutenant General and Chief Governor of our said Province of Maryland"

And the Plaintiffs Counsel Insisted that any Estate Conveyed by the aforesd. Copy of an Inrollment under the Seal of the Provincial Court was defeated by the Original Grant or Patent of the said Land being as before Annulled & Cancelled But the Court declared their Opinion that the Estate Limited by the aforesd. Gift was not defeated but in full force Notwithstanding the Vacating the Grant as aforesd To which Opinion the said Henry Excepts Whereupon the said Henry because the matters aforesd. do not appear nor will in any manner be made known by the Verdict of the Jury aforesd. Requireth of the said Justices according to the form of the Statute in such Case made and Provided this present Bill which containeth in it the matters aforesd. to the said Jurors in manner and form aforesd. Shewed in Evidence which said Justices this present Bill at the request of the Counsel of the said Henry according to the Form of the Statute in such Case made and Provided have Sealed on the Tenth day of April in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and fifty

Robert Gordon (Seal)

Maryland ss. On the Tenth day of April in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred & fifty Before The Honourable Robert Gordon Esq. and his Associates Justices of the Provincial Court in a Plea of Trespass and Ejectment which Henry Hopson Lessee of Charles Carroll Esq. in our said Provincial Court by Writ and Declaration doth Prosecute against John Llewellin late of Saint Marys County Planter Supposing by the said Writ & Declaration

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