Samuel Warner shewed this deponent a tree he thinks a white oak whether standing or lying down he doth not recollect near where the stones and stake are and said it was the second tree of Bealington and the beginning tree of Lads Desire, and further this deponent saith not.

N. Blacklock Shff. of P. G. County.

May 22d 1786. Prince George's county. The deposition of John Young aged sixty three years taken at the request of Mary Berry at two stones & a stake standing on a knowl about thirty yards from Good Water spring branch, and to the southward of the back branch who being duly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposeth and saith, that when Ephraim Gover about twenty five years ago or more purchased the tract of Lads Desire. He to prevent Mr. Blanks tenants on Groom's lot from cutting on the said tract of Lads Desire had the first line of Lads Desire run which line he run by reversing it from the second tree of Lads Desire to the back branch side where he stopped. The company who were present when that line was run were Ninian Willett, William Willett, James Willett, Daniel Bussey and Ephraim Gover & this deponent, and the company aforesaid said there was a boundary of Lads Desire viz. the beginning thereof and the second tree of Bealington near where he stopped running near the forks of the back branch and Good Water spring branch, but that he this deponent never saw the aforesaid boundary, and that the water was high and prevented them from coming over, and that Mr. Ephraim Gover said he had run sufficiently to prevent his being cut upon, And this deponent further added that the company said there was a boundary near the place as before described, but that he never as he before observed was shewn the boundary, and further this deponent saith not

Nich. Blacklock Sheriff.

May 22d 1786. Prince George's county. The deposition of Samuel Bonnisent aged forty years taken at the request of Mary Berry at &c. &c (describe the place from young's deposition) who being duly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God, deposeth and saith, that William Harper and Mark Harper informed this deponent that near the stones and stake as above described stood a tree but whether a line tree or a bounds tree this deponent doth not know that William Harper and Mark Harper gave this deponent this information about twenty eight years ago, when the said Mark & William Harper, and this deponent were boys. And that William Harper informed this deponent, but he doth not recollect precisely when that there was a line which run some time on one side of the back branch and sometimes on the other and that William Harper informed this deponent when they were cutting and malling a large ash tree that his father William Harper did not claim the land on the north side of the back branch. And this deponent farther added that he was in company with the above mentioned William Harper about ten days ago when the said William Harper could not recollect that he gave this deponent the information concerning the tree, but that he William Harper then said that his father never claimed the land to the northward of the back branch, and that Mr. Harper observed to this deponent that if he had given him such information he verily believed it to be the truth, but that he did not remember it, and added, that he had been since frequently sick. And that he this deponent asked William Harper to go to the place where they had cut the ash, but he refused saying that perhaps Mr. Edward Willett would be angry. And that he Mr. William Harper appeared to be unwilling to say any thing on the subject, lest Mr. Edward Willett should be angry.

August

August 26th 1785. The deposition of John Mitchell of Prince George's county planter, aged fifty nine years, taken at the place described in James Willetts deposition after being duly sworn deposeth & saith, that the deponent has lived within half a mile of this place on & off for near fifty years, & that he never knew or heard of any boundary being at this place, until within this year or two last past, & further this deponent sayeth not

taken before. & Benj. Brookes deputy Shff

August 26th 1785. The deposition of James Bonefant of Prince George county planter aged forty eight, & taken at the request of Edward Willett about mid way between Mr. Berry's Corn field & Mr. Edward Willetts, the defendant, deposeth & saith, that some where near where the deponent now stands he always understood was the dividing line between Mr. Jeremiah Berry's land & Mr. Willetts & that near thirty years past & likewise near twelve years after that period he had got timber, to build tobacco houses &c. for the use of William Willett the defendants father at & near the place where the deponent now stands, and that he has known the lands held by the Willetts, to have been cultivated by them, & no other person for near thirty years past, & that he never heard of any dispute between Mr. Jeremiah Berry & Mr. Wm. Willett about their lands & further saith not

taken before & Benj. Brookes sub. sheriff.

August 26th 1785. The deposition of Ninian Willett of Prince George county aged fifty eight years deposeth & saith that he has known the lands held by the Willetts to have been cultivated by them & no other person for thirty years & that he never heard of any dispute between Jeremiah Berry & any of the Willetts respecting the division of their lands & further the deponent saith not. taken before & Benj. Brookes sub. shff.

August 30th 1785. The deposition of John Willery taken at the request of B. Berry of Prince George county aged forty four years, taken at the place described in James Willetts deposition, after being duly sworn, deposeth & saith, that about seventeen or eighteen years ago this deponent was going to James Lucas's with Alexander Lucas this deponent told said Lucas he had been getting plats for a tobacco house for William Willett, but at this time he cannot describe the exact place, but some where in the cleared ground tended by the Willetts. Mr. Jeremiah Berry came to this deponent & told him he was cutting his land & this deponent said it was of no use to him to cut his land for Mr. William Willett. this was what this deponent was telling Alexander Lucas when the said Lucas & this deponent were passing within five or six yards of the stones & stake described as above that Mr. Lucas then waved his hand towards the place where the said stones and stakes are, and said there is William Willetts bound tree but the said Lucas did not point out any particular spot, this deponent further saith, that about seventeen or eighteen years ago, Hugh Young, told this deponent, that on the branch side was William Willetts bound tree, and it had been down for some time, and further this deponent saith not. taken before & Benj. Brookes Sub. Shff.

March 24th 1786. on the west side of the good water spring branch &c. on the south side of the back branch on a knowl & at two stones and a stake standing on the said knowl, Nicholas Berry aged about twenty nine years being then sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposeth and saith in the latter end of November 1783. at upper Marlbro' he heard Elisha Berry ask Ninian Willett if he knew or ever heard his father say where the second tree of Balington stood Ninian Willetts reply was, that he thought he did, that Elisha Berry asked him where it stood,

Willetts