ever. I give and bequeath the Plantation called Birkhead Adventure between Richd Purnell and Richd Purnell to have twelve acres where the house now stands and Samuel Purnell to be equally divided between the two Brothers and there here forever. I give John Purnell six acres down to the Pines and if they die without are to equally divided amongst the Surviving Brothers, and in further Witness whereof I the said Richd Purnell have absolutely of my own Free as above expressed. And in further Testimony whereof have this day Signed Sealed & delivered as my hand this

Signed Sealed & delivered in the presents of us William Journey Seaborn Carr. Waller his + mark Carr. } Richd Purnell (Seal) William his W mark Jorney Junr.

On the back of the foregoing will was thus written Viz.

Annl County Ss Janry 30th 1754 William Jorney, Seaborn Carr Waller Carr and William Jorney Junr. Subscribing Witnesses to the within will being duely and solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangel of Almighty God depose and say that they saw the Testator Richard Purnell sign the within will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his last will and testament, that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind and memory and that they Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the said will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request.

Sworn before W Macnemara D Commy AA Coty.

In Testimony that the within and forgoing is a true Copy from the records of the late Prerogative Office I have hereto set my hand and affixed my seal of office this 28th day of May in the year of our Lord 1791.

(Seal of Orphans Crt. AA Coty) Jno. Gassaway Regr Wills. AA Coty.

It is also agreed that the said Richard afterwards in the same month of January seventeen hundred and fifty four departed this life leaving issue John Purnell his heir at Law, Richard Purnell his Second Son, Samuel Purnell his third Son & Benjamin Purnell his fourth & youngest Son & that after the death of the said Richard Purnall the said Instrument of writing was duly proved on the thirtieth day of January in the year last aforesaid as his last will and testament. It is agreed that the Plantation given by the said Instrument of writing to Rachel Purnell during her natural life and after her decease to Benjamin Purnell is the tract or parcel of Land called Purnell's Angles mentioned in the Patent

aforesaid,

aforesaid, that the said Rachel Purnell possessed the same during her life and after her decease that Benjamin Purnell entered into & was seised and possessed thereof till the day of seventeen hundred and on which day he sold and conveyed the same to the Defendant Samuel Lane for a valuable consideration since which time the said Defendant Samuel Lane and the other Defendants claiming under him have been and still are seised & possessed thereof. It is agreed that John Purnell the Eldest Son and heir at Law of the aforesaid Richard Purnell on the sixth day of April seventeen hundred and fifty four did duly make and publish his last will and testament.

In the name of God Amen I John Purnell of the County of Ann Arundell & Province of Maryland being weak of body but of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be God for the same do make ordain & appoint this to be my last will and testament hereby revoking all wills heretofore made by me or in my name. First, I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it me & my body to the Earth there to be Interred at the Discretion of my Executrix hereafter named & as to the Worldly possessions wherewith it hath been pleased god to bless me with after my just debts & funeral Expences are fully paid and satisfied I dispose of in manner & form as follows.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my Son Richard Purnell thirty pounds Sterling to be paid him by my Executrix when he shall arrive to the age of twenty one years.

Item. I give unto my said Son Richard Purnell whatever my Land in Frederick County sales for, which Land was given me by my Grandfather John Paringer. my loving wife I hereby appoint and impower sufficiently in some convenient time after my decease to sell the same upon Publick Sale & to execute proper deeds to the purchaser & the produce thereof to be paid my said Son when he shall arrive at the age of twenty one years.

Item. I Give and bequeath unto my Son Richard Purnell all the Land left me by my Father lying and being in Ann Arundell County, but if in case my said Son should die without heirs of his body lawfully begotten or before he arrives to the age of twenty one years, then my will and desire is that my loving wife Sarah & her heirs for ever shall have hold & enjoy the whole that I have heretofore given my son Richard Purnell both Real & Personal.

Item. I give and bequeath all the residue of my Estate of what

nature,