(18)

The Deposition of Richard Jones aged about fifty one years who being duly sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God and being at the remains of an old Stump mentioned in the deposition of Joseph Jones, Deposeth and saith that about thirty years ago the tree was cut down by a negro man named Thomas Punch for a Bee hive this deponent further saith that his father Hugh Jones and Thomas Fowler son of Daniel (both deceased) told him it was a bounded tree of the Priest Land and that he often went to the said tree and observed there was notches Cut in it and further saith that he has heard the neighbours talk about the trees being Cut down and say if the Preist knew of it he would be angry and that it was best to hush it up and further saith not.

Richd. Jones

Taken on the part of Defendant 26th. April 1796.
Before Richard Harwood Shff. A. A. Coty.

(19)

The Deposition of Isaac Jones aged about forty years who being duly sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God and being at the remains of an old Stump mentioned in the Depositions of Joseph Jones and Richard Jones, Deposeth and saith that about thirty years ago the tree was Cut down by a negro man named Thomas Punch for a Bee hive this deponant further saith that his father Hugh Jones deceased told him it was a bounded tree of the Preist Land and further saith that he has been often at said tree that he lived on the Priest land at the time and noticed three notches on each side of the said Tree, further saith that he has heard old William Lawrence who was a tenant on the adjoining land and living within about two hundred yards of said tree say that some person had cut down a Bounded tree of the Preist Land and made a to do about, and further saith not.

Taken on the part of the Defendant the 26th. April 1796. Before Richd. Harwood Sheriff A. A. Coty. } Isaac Jones

(20)

The Deposition of Joseph Jones aged about fifty three years who being duly sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God Deposeth and saith that the Stump we are now at, is boundary of the Preist Land that he was shewn said tree by Thomas Fowler son of Daniel Deceased and that he has heard his father Hugh Jones say the line run from this place to Edwards bounded tree the Beginning of Bright Seat and Davis's rest further saith that the Spring near the bound we are now at is called and known by

name

name of Morgans Spring and further saith not.

Taken on the part of the Defendant 26th. April 1796 Before Richard Harwood Sheriff A. A. Coty. } Joseph Jones

(21)

The Deposition of Richard Jones aged about fifty one years who being duly sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God and being at a bounded Stump standing near a spring called Morgans Spring as mentioned in the aforegoing deposition Deposeth and saith that he has heard his father and Thomas Fowler son of Daniel both say the Preist bounded tree stood heard further saith his father and Thomas Fowler son of Daniel told him the line run from this place to Edwards's bounded tree being asked by the Plaintiff who run the to this place Answers Benjamin Gaither for Priest Neale and further saith not.

Richard Jones

Taken on the part of the Defendant this 26th. April 1796.
Before Richd. Harwood Shff. A. A. Coty.

And the said John Ashton by his attorney aforesaid as before defends the force and injury when and so forth and says that he is not guilty of the Trespass and Ejectment aforesaid in the declaration aforesaid mentioned in manner and form as the said Timothy Roberts lessee of the said Philip Hammond above complains against him and of this he puts himself upon the Country, and the said Timothy Roberts Lessee of the said Philip Hammond in like manner.

Therefore let a Jury thereon appear before the Court here on the second Tuesday of May next by whom and so forth, and who neither and so forth, to recognize and so forth, because as well and so forth;

Whereupon the parties aforesaid by their attornies aforesaid prays leave of the Court here to amend the said plots and Certificates returned to the Court here in this Cause and to add thereto if necessary, by the said second tuesday of May next and to thereon it is granted; And the same are delivered to the sheriff and surveyor of Anne Arundel County aforesaid for that purpose the same day is given to the parties aforesaid then and there and so forth.

And now at this day, to wit, the said second tuesday of May being the ninth day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety seven come again into the General Court here as well the said Timothy Roberts

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