THIS INDENTURE MADE the 9th day of March in the year of Our Lord 1797 between **JOHN BRYAN** of the of Newcastle in the county of Newcastle and state of Delaware gentleman and **MARY [BRYAN]** his wife of the one part in **ANTRAM CONNAROE** of the town, county and state aforesaid, wharf builder, of the other part.

Witnesseth that the said JOHN BRYAN, and MARY his wife, for and in consideration of the sum of £500 of gold and silver coin, lawful money of the state of Delaware, to them in hand well and truly paid by the said ANTRAM CONNAROE at and before the sealing and delivering hereof, the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledged have granted, bargained, sold, aliened, released, enfeoffed, and confirmed by the presence to grant, bargain, sell, alien, release, enfeoff and confirm unto the said ANTRAM CONNAROE, his heirs and assigns all that plantation or tract of land situated in Newcastle hundred in the county of Newcastle and state of Delaware aforesaid and bounded as follows, to wit:

Beginning at a stake by Christiana Creek on the south-eastern side thereof at the mouth of a marshy run where a corner White Oak formerly stood; thence by a line dividing this from other part of the Fern Hook tract formerly of ARNOLDUS DELAGRANGE now of JACOB [COLESBERRY] and HENRY **COLESBERRY**, allowing for the variation of the compass, 2 degrees and 30 minutes cast 420 to a stake where a red oak formerly stood; thence N 72 degrees W 72 perches; thence N 4 degrees 30 minutes W 138 perches; thence N 32 degrees 30 minutes W 127 perches, more or less, to the mouth of a gut or branch of Christiana Creek, aforesaid, being or corner of the allotment of marsh in the partition made of the Fern Hook and Bosman Creek assigned to the COLESBERRY family; and from thence to a Red or Spanish Oak at the end of the bank, then buy a line of a grant made by ROBERT BRYAN, deceased, in his lifetime father of the said JOHN to the said **JACOB COLESBERRY** S 15 degrees E 8½ perches and to the corner marked Hickory; thence N 71 degrees E 10 2/10 perches and to a corner Mark White Oak, since N 82 degrees E 6 perches to another marked White Oak; thence N 43 degrees E 16 perches to a corner marked Black Oak standing on the south-west side of the Marsh Road; thence along the same N 25½ degrees and W 17½ perches to a corner post or marsh of the said JACOB COLESBERRY and JOHN GUIAR under a certain JONATHAN NORTON and WILLIAM BEDFORD, former owners thereof; thence along the head curves of the said GUIAR's Marsh as the partition aforesaid N 56 degrees E 18 perches, N 4½ degrees E 10 perches, N 3½ degrees E 18 perches, S 5 degrees E 9 perches N 33½ degrees E 22 perches to another corner of said **GUIAR**'s Marsh; thence with the dividing line as expressed in the partition aforesaid N 40 degrees W 138 2/10 perches and to Christiana Creek aforesaid; thence down the same the several courses thereof to the place of beginning.

Containing 274 Acres of land, marsh and cripple be the same more or less.

Also all that piece of woodland at the south-easterly end of the before described tract contained within the lines following according to a survey there of made in the year of Our Lord 1734

Beginning a day Spanish Oak in the line of land then of the Widow **POULSON** now of the said **JACOB COLESBERRY** and running by that line N 67 degrees W 30 perches to an old Corner Red Oak of the tract above described; thence with the line of the same 72 perches to an old White Oak, another corner thereof; thence by a line of marked trees S 40 degrees W 38th perches to an old Corner Red Oak of **JOSEPH WOOD** now **JAMES MCCULLOUGH**'s Land; thence

by the line of the same S 70 degrees E 84 perches to an old corner Spanish Oak, still by said **WOODS** line S 53 degrees E 35 perches to a new corner Black Oak in **JOSEPH WOODS'** line, thence by a line of marked trees N 19 degrees E 39 perches to the place of beginning.

[Excepting there out 8 Acres and 45 perches sold by the executors of **ROBERT BRYAN** aforesaid unto **JACOB COLESBERRY** as by deed roll bearing date the 4th day of June in the year of Our Lord 1791 may appear] containing exclusive of such exception 18 acres more or less making in the whole 292 acres by the same more or less together with all and singular the buildings, improvements, woods, ways, waters, water courses, rights, liberties, privileges, hereditaments and appurtenances whatsoever to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining and the revision and revisions, remainder and remainders unto rents, issues and profits thereof and all the estate, right, title, interest, use, possession, property, claim, and demand whatsoever of him the said **JOHN BRYAN** and **MARY** his wife of, in, and to the same and of, in, and to every part and parcel thereof.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD all and singular the said tract or parcel of land, marsh, and cripples with the appurtenances hereby granted or intended to be unto the said **ANTRAM CONNAROE** his heirs, and a signs to and for the only proper use and behoof of the said **ANTRAM CONNAROE** his heirs and assigns forever. And the said **JOHN BRYAN** for himself and for the said **MARY** his wife do hereby covenant, grant, and agree to to and with the said **ANTRAM CONNAROE** his heirs and executors and administrators all and singular the before describe two tract of land, marsh, and cripples containing in the whole 292 Acres more or less with the hereditaments and premises hereby granted, bargained, and sold or intended show to be unto the said **ANTRAM CONNAROE** his heirs and assigns against him the said **JOHN BRYAN** and his heirs and his heirs and against **MARY** his wife and her heirs and against all and every other person poor persons whatsoever claiming or to claim by, from, or under him, her, them or either of them or by, from, or under any other person or persons whatsoever shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents.

In witness whereof the said **JOHN BRYAN** and **MARY** his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

JOHN BRYAN {seal}
MARY BRYAN {seal}

Signed, sealed & delivered in presence of

HENRY DARBY THOMAS W. CLARK

I do hereby acknowledged to have received the above named **ANTRAM CONNAROE** the sum of $\pounds 2,400$ the consideration money above-mentioned.

Witness my hand and seal the day and year first above written.

JOHN BRYAN

Witness present

HENRY DERBY THOMAS W. CLARK

New Castle County

Be it remembered that on the 13th day of March in the year of Our Lord 1797 before The Honorable **KENSEY JOHNS** Esquire one of the justices of the Court of Common Pleas for the state of Delaware came the within named **JOHN BRYAN** and **MARY** his wife and acknowledged the within written indenture to be their act and deed and desired the same may be recorded as such.

The said **MARY** being a full age and buy me examine separate and apart from her set husband also acknowledged that she signed and sealed within indenture of her own free will and Accord without any threats, force or compulsion of the said **JOHN BRYAN** her husband or other person whatsoever.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

KENSEY JOHNS

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