

To Thomas Penn Esq!

This is a mistake

The memorial of Thomas Preston of London, sheweth, that in or before the year 1683, your honoured Grandfather William Penn Esq. granted to George Palmer Sen<sup>r</sup> 5000 acres of land in the Province of Pennsylvania, that the said George Palmer & his family consisting of a Wife & 5 children, vizt. four sons and a Daughter went over to reside there that on or about the 4th Sept: 1— he made his will and left his said wife 1,000 of the said 5000 acres and 800 to each of his children without adding to them or their Heirs, so that after their death, the whole is vested in his eldest Son George Palmer, being heir at Law, especially as the Mother, Daughter and Thomas, the Son died before the Father; George Palmer the Son is since dead & left to his Widow all his right and title thereto, who has since sold all her interest in it to Captain Thomas Preston now residing in Philadelphia, who in February, 1755, examining the Registers Office in said City found there was 1504 acres of said grant unlocated on which he applied to Nicholas Scull, Esq: the Surveyor General, who after having examined his right thereto and being fully convinced of it, granted a warrant for taking up said 1504 acres which was accordingly done, as particulars annexed, and which will more fully appear on referring to the Books of the Register Office of said City. That the said Thomas Preston of Philadelphia disposed of part of the said 1504 acres, and made over the rest with all his interest to your Memorialist, Thomas Preston of London, who by his Agents have sold part of the same, but cannot dispose of the remainder; the warrants for said land having been stopped on a suggestion that it was procured by false pretences, to the great loss and detriment of said Thomas Preston of London who was a fair purchaser of these Rights of Palmer and looking on the warrant of his Commissioner of Property as final and irrevocable he thought his title to be certain & his loss is the greater as the Guarantee Thomas Preston is unable to <sup>re</sup> pay the money advanced that his Officer should not justify the granting of any part of the 5000 acres the Rights of George Palmer, Sen<sup>r</sup> except near 1000 acres the share of his Mother & 800 acres the share of George Palmer, Jun<sup>r</sup> which was disposed of by said George Palmer, before his death, and by his Widow since, for that all the rest is now vested in the said Thomas Preston of London as representative of said George Palmer Jun<sup>r</sup> and therefore that he has an equitable claim on the propertys for all that his said Officer has unjustly disposed of, but waving that for the present, he hopes there can be no dispute in regard to the 1504 acres that were located <sup>by</sup> Capt Thomas Preston and for which a warrant was made out and also to 350 acres certified since, especially as the stoppage of the warrant is grounded only on a Memorandum, in the Surveyor Generals

IN TESTIMONY that the above is a copy of the original remaining on file in the Department of Internal Affairs of Pennsylvania, made conformably to an Act of Assembly approved the 16th day of February, 1833, I have hereunto set my Hand and caused the Seal of said Department to be affixed at Harrisburg, this

twenty-third day of August 1911

Henry Houck,  
Secretary of Internal Affairs.