

George the Second, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, to all to whom these presents shall come, greeting. Know ye that for certain good causes and considerations, but more especially for and in consideration of the sum of twenty-five shillings of good and lawful money for our use paid to our Receiver General of our Revenues in this our colony and Dominion of Virginia. We have given, granted, and confirmed, and by these presents, for us, our heirs and successors, do give, grant, and confirm unto Peter Hairstone, a certain tract or parcel of land containing two hundred and fifty acres, lying and being in the County of Goochland in the North Garden, and bounded as follows to wit:

Beginning at pointers of bushes in Robert Lewis line and running thence on his lines south fifty-six degrees east two hundred and ninety poles to a count oak and south nine degrees east ninety-five poles to a red oak, thence on own lines north eighty-four degrees east forty-one poles to a red oak north thirty-five degrees east seventy-six poles to a hickory north fifteen degrees west ninety five poles to a red oak sapling north forty degrees west eighty two poles to pointers west one hundred and sixty one poles to a ? oak north fifty degrees west fifty poles to a poplar in the fork of a branch and south fifty five degrees west sixty eight poles to the first station.

With all woods underwoods swamps marshes low grounds meadows feedings and his due share of all veins mines and quarries as well discovered and not discovered within his bounds aforesaid and being part of said quantity of two hundred and fifty acres of land and has rivers waters and water courses therein contained together with the privileges of hunting hawking fishing fowling and all other profits commodities and hereditaments whatsoever to the same or any part thereof belonging or in any wise appertaining.

To Have Hold possess and enjoy the said tract or parcel of land and all other the before granted promises and every part thereof with their and every of their appurtenances unto the said Peter Hairstone and his heirs and assigns forever. To the only use and behoof of him the said Peter Hairstone his heirs, and assigns, forever. **To Be held** of us, our heirs, and successors, as of our manor of East Greenwich in the County of Kent in free and common socage and not in capite or by Knights service.

Yielding and paying unto us our heirs and successors for every fifty acres of land and so proportionably for a lesser or greater quantity than fifty acres the sum of one shilling yearly to be paid upon the feast of Saint Michael the Archangel. And also cultivating and improving three acres part of every fifty of the tract above mentioned within three years of the date of these presents.

Provided always that if three years of the said fee and rent shall at any time be in arrear and unpaid, or if the said Peter Hairstone, his heirs, or assigns, do not within the space of three years next coming after the date of this presents cultivate and improve three acres part of every fifty of the tract above mentioned, then the estate hereby granted shall cease and be utterly determined, and thereafter it shall be lawful to and for us, our heirs, and successors, to grant the same lands and promises with the appurtenances unto such other person or persons as we our heirs and successors shall think fit.

In Witness whereof we have caused those our letters patent be made.

Witness our trusty and well-beloved William Gooch Esq. our Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of our said Colony and dominion at Williamsburg under the seal of our said colony the twelfth day of January one thousand seven hundred and forty-six in the twentieth year of our reign.

William Gooch