

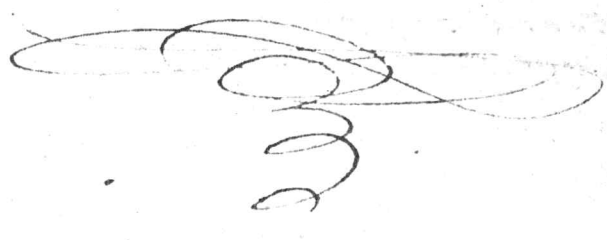
47 originally a void spot, and considered as belonging to the Court House, and that leave was given by one of the Surrogates about thirty years ago for a person of the name of Thomas Clifford, who was then Gaoler to occupy it as a Garden, on account of his being in that office. When he died, it descended, or at least was kept possession of, by Thomas Clifford his son, who, as he did not succeed his father as Gaoler, had no right to it by virtue of the Grant to his father as Gaoler. But it also appears that after the death of the first Clifford it was occasionally in other hands, but this as it may, it was in the hands of the late Thomas Clifford at the time of his death, and became void again by that event, as the said Clifford had no legal offspring, in case it had been his property.

Under those circumstances, as first Magistrate, the said piece of Ground became at his, the said Geo. Shelton's, disposal. He allowed Ann Barnes, a woman who had lived with the late Thomas Clifford in a state of adultery for several years, and who had had several children by him, to occupy about half of it, and as he was in want of a piece of Ground himself, he took possession of the other half, and has since built a dwelling House and other erections thereon. And this is a brief statement of the manner in which he got possession of the same. But it may be further necessary to mention that at the time the said George Shelton took

possession of the said piece of Ground,
 it was separated from the premises
 of the aforesaid Andrew and Thomas
 Clothier by a path of about ten feet wide,
 which originally led to Mr. George Guilaud's
 meadow, but which had been for some
 time rendered useless, by ^{it} having been
 abandoned by him, in consequence of his
 entering the said meadow another way.

The above admeasurement was recorded
 by me the said George Melton, being my-
 self the keeper of the Records for the District
 of Trinity, this second day of May, in the
 year of our Lord, One Thousand eight hun-
 dred and twenty-one.

Geo Melton, J.P.
 Keeper of the Records.



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