

A WILLIAM PENN DEED.

In answer to a referred question as to what is a "William Penn Deed," Mr. Hensel exhibited an original deed from William Penn for three hundred and seventy-five acres of land situated in that portion of the "Chester Valley" which runs through Lancaster county beginning at Quarryville. It is signed with the genuine signature of William Penn himself and is written on stout parchment, with his seal. The full text of the deed is as follows, and the land, therein described rather indefinitely, comprises the tract upon which Ambrose Pownall now resides, east of Nobleville in the township of Sadsbury:

"This Indenture witnesseth yt William Penn of Horminghurst in the county of Sussex, Elgd., for & in consideration of Twelve pounds four shillings to him in hand paid Hath by these presents granted Three Hundred Seventy-five acres of Land Cleare of Indian incom-branches in the Province of Pennsylvania (towards the Susquehanna River) to John Kennerley of Shavingta, County, Chester cheese factor his heirs and assignees & him there of enfeoffed every acre to be computed according to the statute of yc thirty-third of King Edward the First to have and to hold to him his heires and assignes for ever together with all & every the Lands Isles Islands Mynes Mineralls (Royall one Excepted) woods fishings hawkings fowlings & all other Royalltyes profits comodityes & hereditaments insoever unto the same—belonging Yielding & paying therefore yearly and every year unto the ad William Penn his heirs and assignes

imediately from and after the expiration
of the first five years next after the day
of the date hereof the Rent of one shill-
ing for every hundred acres of the sd
Three hundred seventy five acres NEVER-
THELESS the sd William Penn for him-
self his heirs & assigns dote agree to &
with the said John Kennerley his heirs
and assigns yt ye sd Rent of one shil ing
for every hundred acres of ye sd three
hundred seventy five acres is only to be-
cum due & payable imediately from &
after the taking up & seating of ye sd
lands & not before & proporeanably for
ye sd rate for every Quantity there of yt
shall be taken up & seated & not
otherwise, & the said William Penn
hath Made Thomas Loyd Robert Turner
Willm Markeham Arthur Cooke John
Goodson Samuel Jenings Samuel Carpen-
ter or any three of them to Deliver Seven
thereof accordingly in Witness where of
the sd Willm Penn bath here unto sett
his hand & seale this Sixtenth Day of ye
fifth Month Called July In ye year of our
Lord One thousand six hundred Ninety
one.

WM PENN [Seal]

Signed sealed and delivered in the pres-
ence of us

SUSANNA MORRY
JEAN X JEND
her mark

Wm Penn to John Kennerley•

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