

of duly returned into the secretary's office, where they were eaten by the rats, and "never as yet entered upon record," he prays therefore that two certificates annexed to his petition, which are proved by the oath of John Stanley, the surveyor, to be true copies of the former, *taken out of his book of surveys*, may be entered upon record, and that patents may issue to him the petitioner for the same."

"Ordered that the certificates in the petition mentioned be entered upon record in the land office, and (the conditions of plantation being performed, as is alledged) patents issue for the same as prayed."

COUNCIL BOOK, C. B. fol. 304, an. 1683.

*Party certificate received where the office certificate is found erroneous.*

"At a "Provincial Court" held at Saint Mary's the 12th November, 1673.

"Thomas Pratt of Ann Arundel county, represents that in the certificate of resurvey made for him by George Yeate, and returned to the office, *one line of the land* was left out by mistake of the said Yeate—he therefore prays that a copy of the certificate (the said omission excepted) annexed to his petition and signed by the said surveyor may be received, and that the former certificate may be vacated upon record and patent issued to him on the new one.—Which the court ordered accordingly."

COUNCIL BOOK, No. 17, fol. 580.

*Irregular survey confirmed.*

At foot of the record of a certificate returned in 1668 for Oliver Spry, is the following order.

"Whereas the land in the foregoing certificate was surveyed by the deputy surveyor, after the force and date of the return of the warrant by virtue of which the same was surveyed; wherefore by order from the right honourable Charles Calvert, Esq. lieutenant generall of this province the aforesaid land is fully confirmed and allowed of as if the same had been surveyed by special warrant, &c."

COUNCIL BOOK, No. 11, fol. 511.

*Patent ordered although warrant not found.*

"Forasmuch as I formerly granted unto colonel William Chandler a warrant for 200 acres of land, which was laid out by captain Randolph Brandt of Charles county, in Panguiah manor and certificate thereof returned as I am