

This Indenture made on the seventh day of April in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and ninety four by and between Henry Knox resident of Philadelphia Esq of the one part & Ebenezer Dunton & Tileston Cushing both of Boston Housewrights of the other part witnesseth; that the said Ebenezer and Tileston in consideration of the covenants herein after entered into on the part of said Henry, hereby covenant and agree jointly and severally to & with said Henry Knox, that they will build for him, he furnishing the materials, a dwelling house at Thomas Town agreeably to the plan furnished, that is perform all the work relative thereto appertaining to the Carpenter's department & complete the same as soon as [word scratched out] conveniently may be with eight men constantly employed therein - that they will sheath the front of said house, single board & shingle the roofs and Clapboard the other parts of said house, that they will build the house plain without carving or other expensive ornament, that they will affix on the basement and parlour floors strong but handsome outside window shutters with good strong bolts and & securities and on the Chamber Story inside shutters but none to the garret Windows - that the doors of the basement & garret stories shall be strong & plain, of the parlour & Chamber Stories pannelled - that the rooms of the parlour & Chamber floors shall have mop boards surbase or dados & a light cornice around them, that no wood work shall be placed near any chimney; that there shall be two stair cases in the rear of the oval room lighted by two large sky lights from the top of the house - that the steps

high of the stairs shall be six inches ^ one foot wide & three feet eight inches long - and that in working upon & finishing said dwelling house they will in all respects conform to the wishes and views of said Henry Knox as far as they shall be timely apprized thereof & that in case they or the workmen they shall employ should be hindered in prosecuting the said work, they will employ themselves agreeably to the directions of Capt Thomas Vose about other work on the spot, that they will from time to time seasonably inform the said Vose of the materials that may be necessary to prosecute on their part the building of said house - that they will subsist & pay themselves & workmen while employed in & about the premises excepting as is herein after provided - and the said Henry Knox in consideration of the foregoing covenants on the part of the said Ebenezer & Tileston hereby covenant & agree to & with them that for the workmanship & labour they may bestow on the said dwelling house he will pay or cause to be paid them according to the rules of work laid down in y<sup>e</sup> town & country builders assistant engraved & printed at Boston, the mensuration of which work to be made by some impartial workmen mutually agreed on & paid at the joint expense of the parties, the payment to be made as the work progresses, and he further covenants with the said Ebenezer & Tileston that he will allow and pay them in addition to the foregoing customary passage money and subsistence from Boston to Thomas Town at St. Georges for themselves and workmen - and that in case he should require an alteration in the work after being commenced pursuant to the present plan he will allow them customary daily wages for the additional labour that the alteration may require & the same wages for the time they may be employed by said Vose aforesaid when they may happen to be impeded for want of materials, and it is further agreed by the said Dunton and Cushing that the building of said dwelling house shall be as respects the Carpenter's labour thereon to be performed in a masterly workmanlike manner and that they will from time to time conform to the directions of said Vose touching the premises. In witness whereof the parties hereto

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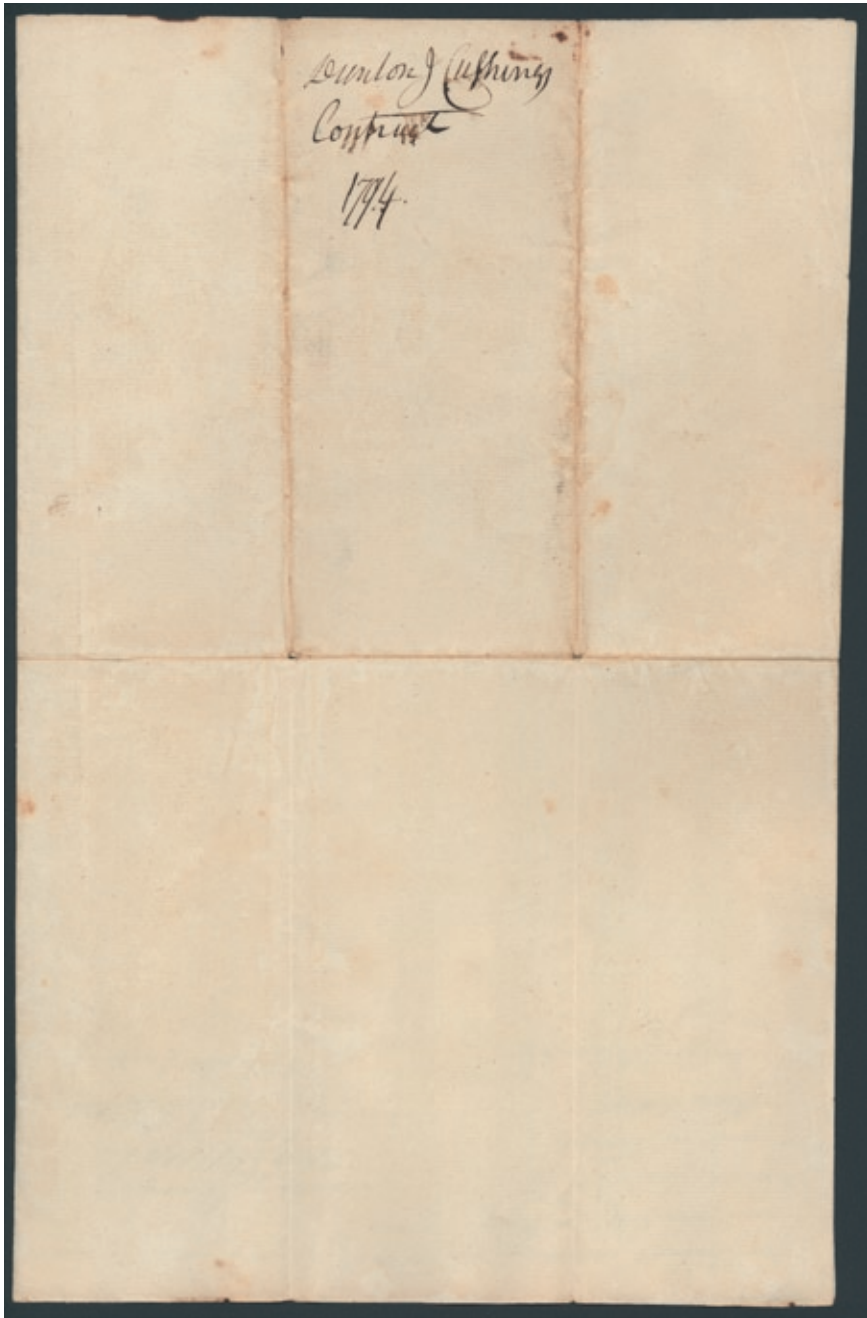
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