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No 4	360	Rods	Granted	to	Benjamin Hallowell Esq ^r
5	240	d ^o	ditto	to	Samuel Goodwin
6	240	d ^o		to	Stone Whitmore & Goodwin
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8	240	d ^o		to	Jeffries & Flag
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22	256	d ^o	4800	to	the northerly half to W ^m Vapell Esq ^r

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