

HISTORIC SITE FILE: Occoquan Historic District
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To the Senate and House of Delegates of the
State of Virginia

The petition of S. M. & S. H. Sanner respectfully represents —
That your petitioners are now erecting a
Cotton Manufactory at Occoquan Prince
William County Virginia, and that owing to
the peculiar situation of the ground through
which the Water course passes, it is found
necessary in making a Race to convey the water
from the Factory, to the Merchant and Country
Mills of Joseph & John H. Sanner, to encroach
a little upon one of the Streets of the said
Town of Occoquan which was laid out in con-
formity with an Act of Assembly passed the
5th of January 1804 — (This location of the

mill race will however produce no inconvenience
to travelling in the said Street, as the distance is
very short & the Street is more than wide enough
for two Waggon to pass each other.

The Inhabitants of the Town of Occoquan and
the Neighbours in Prince William & Fairfax Counties
have given their Consent and Approbation

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to the making of the ~~lot~~ mentioned Mill Race
as is shown by their signatures hereunto annexed.

Your petitioners would therefore respectfully
pray that a Law may be passed, authorizing
the location of the said Mill Race.

Sam^l M^r Jarney
Sam^l H^r Jarney

We the Undersigned Inhabitants of Prince
William & Fairfax Counties & Neighbours or Resi-
dents of the Town of Occoquan hereby Certify
that we have given our consent and approba-
tion to the making of the Mill race in the foregoing

Petition

Michael Clarke
Jos. Jarney
Thos^l Jarney
Mason L. Means
Jos. Foster
John Morgan
Peyton Reid

W^m L. Jarney
William L. Jarney
Sam^l H. Fisher
James B. Bliss
Pier Skinner
J^l W. Skinner
J^l W. Means
Daniel C. Lee
Markburn Arvington
Gaythorpe

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Israel F. Langfitt
H. H. Cleary
Geo. B. B. B.

W. H. L. L.
Robert White
James Savard

~~James Halley~~

James Mitchell
John C. West

Richard C. ...
Rawley ...

Gerard ...

H. Cleary
John ...

Craven J. Sumner
William C. Colby
Callahan Mc Carthy

Silas ...
Travis Davis

Wm Coatsney
John Hammele
Edward Hood

Wm ...
C. L. Fuller
Martin ...
Wm ...

Geo. W. ...

Thos. J. Coffey

James W. Beach

John ...

John ...

Thompson ...

Thos B. ...

William ...

Thomas ...

...

C. ...

Peter ...

Thos ...

Samuel ...
John ...

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Brace S. Van, 18th

18th

18th

18th

Robert White

James Savard

James Hall

James Hall

James Hall

Richard C. Inglen

Richard C. Inglen

Richard C. Inglen

Gerard Spurr

Healey

John Peck

Craven S. Sumner

William C. Galt

William C. Galt

Travis & Davis

John Coaling

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John F Jackson
 Thompson & Brodett
 Sanford Beach
 Hancock Lee
 Wm Hais lit
 Henry Seliman
 Wm Gilman
 Isaac Wiley
 John H Gifford
 Francis Wood

James Dawson
 George Seliman
 John Underwood

copy of Bill

William Beach
 John Woodyard
 Wm Lindsey
 John D Wells
 James Peck
 John Beard
 Thomas Wallace
 John J Seliman

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 19 Disruptive
 19 Price increase
 19 Price reports

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Notice

Notice is hereby given that a petition was
presented to the next legislature of Virginia
to authorize the location of a mill race in the
town of Decoquan to convey the water from
the Cotton Factory of J. W. & J. H. Farmer, &
the Merchants' Country Mills of Joseph
Foster & Son, sm Decoquan Oct-19th 1828

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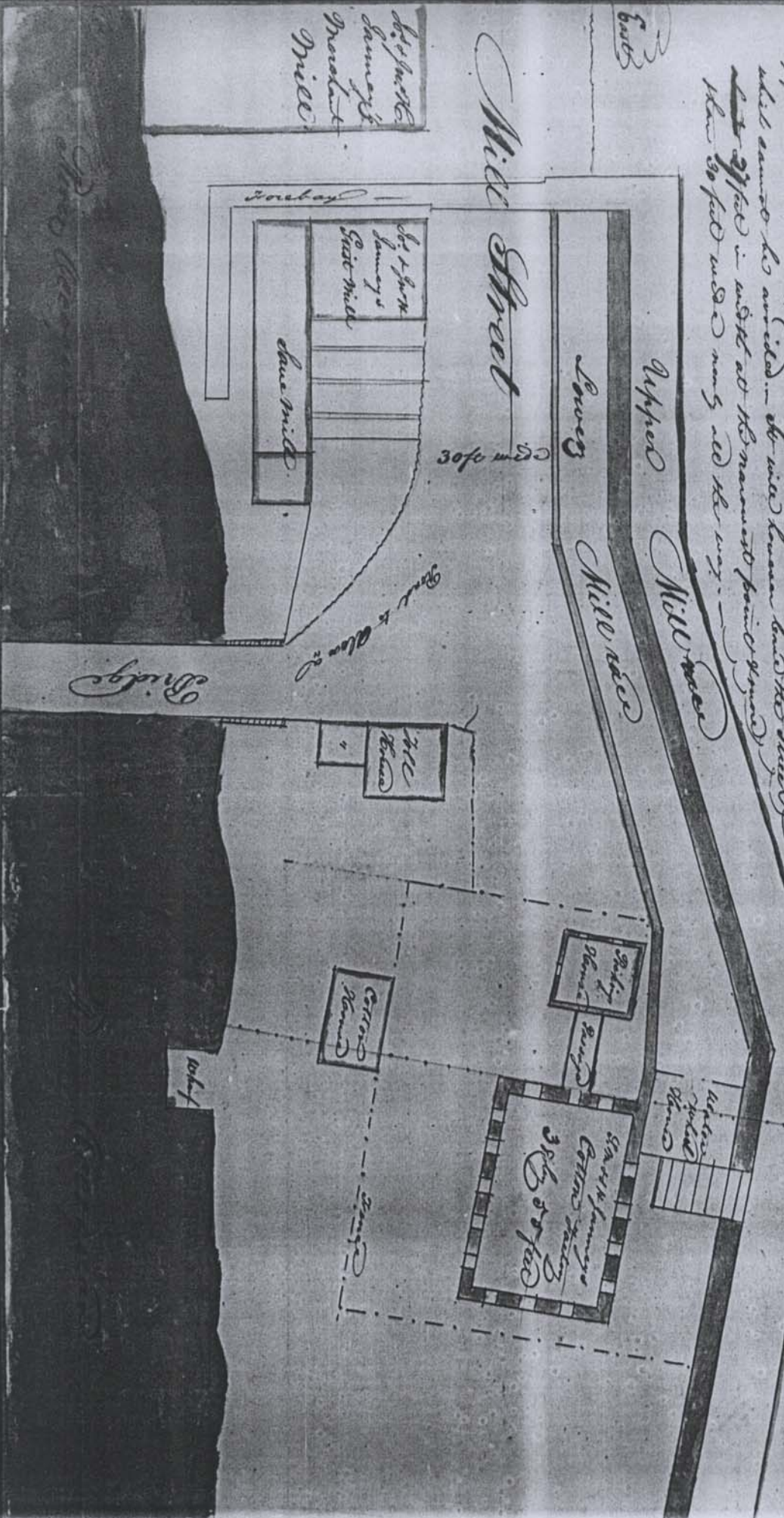
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Plan of the western part
of the town of Georgetown

Sheet 1

Explorations. The upper, or 2d mill race, leading from the mill dam to the
 market mill is shown in this view of my sketch. It is 9 feet above the level
 of the lower, or 1st mill race, & extends to some 100 yards from the dam leading to
 the market mill. The lower race is 6 to 8 feet in a canal or bank and is
 9 feet above the ^{water} level. It crossed a little after the 1st race
 which caused the accident. The mill however had the 1st race
~~at~~ 2 feet in width at the narrowest point of ground
 when it fell and was all the way.

into
 The lower line is the eastern
 edge of the town, beyond which
 there is no real landing to
 be seen, nor any other
 except the landing.



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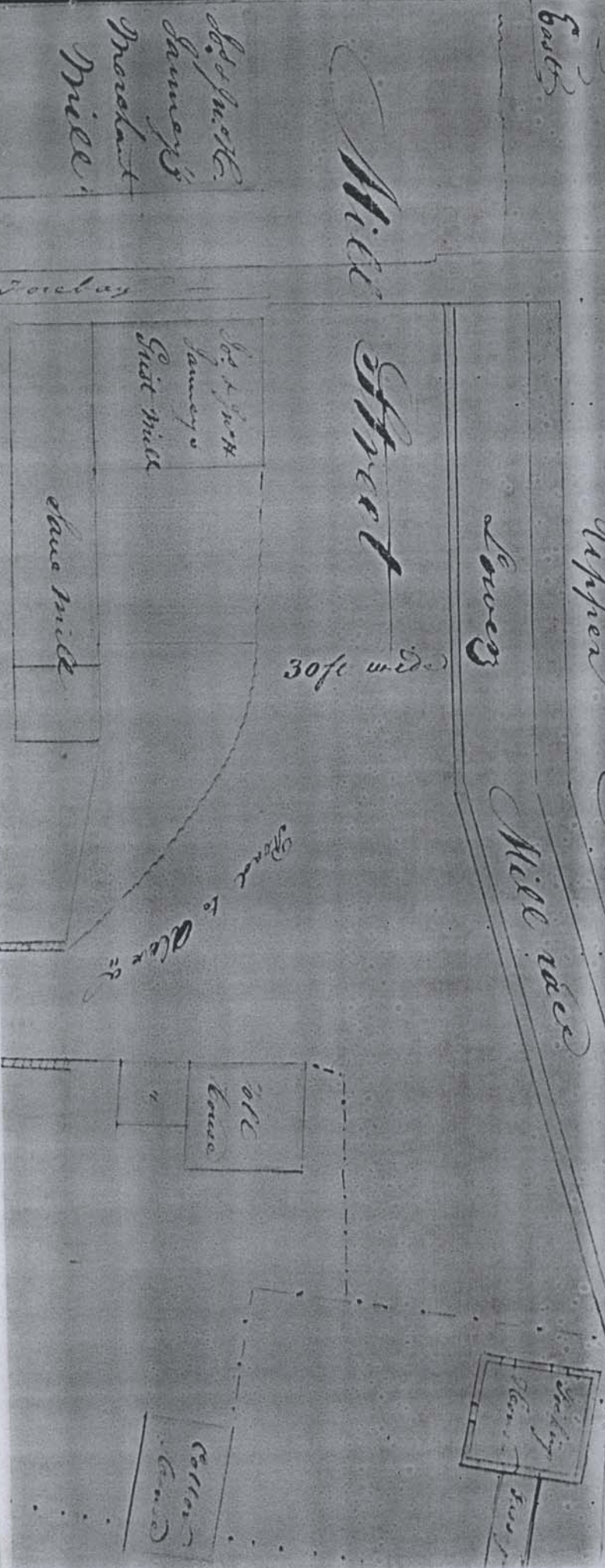
Plan of the western part
of the town of Georgetown

South

Explanations. The upper, or old mill race, having been the mill dam to the
 market mill is situated on the side of a very steep hill 100 feet above the level
 of the town, or new mill race, a tunnel to convey the water from the latter factory to
 the market mill. The lower race has to be raised in a case you can be seen about
 9 feet above the ^{short} level of a little above the street. The place of
 which cannot be avoided. The water however runs the street
 27 feet in width at the narrowest point (where)
 than 30 feet wide nearly all the way.

East

Today



John & John's
Sawney's
Market
Mill

John & John's
Sawney's
First Mill

Stone Mill

all
course

Cotton
Cours

Shed
Water
Race

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