the said return of survey filed in the secretary's office, will more fully appear. And the said John Duncan, having as agent as aforesaid, made application to the board for letters patent for the same, Resolved, therefore, that the Secretary do prepare letters patent, to the said Peter Penet, for the said tract of ten miles square, accordingly, and lay them before the board for their approbation.—Land Office Minutes, vol. 2, p. 80.

Peter Penet, by an instrument dated January 23, 1729,* made John Duncan his attorney, and the latter received, November 19th, 1789, a patent,! for a tract ten miles square, which on the 13th of July, 1790, he conveyed to the nominal sum of five shillings to James Watson, and James Greenleaf of New York. February 26, 1795, Watson released\ to Greenleaf his half of the tract for £1000; the latter having, September 4th, 1797, conveyed by deed the 64,000 acres to Simon Desjardines|| for £19,400.

Desjardines conveyed to Nicholas Olive of New York, January 29th, 1796, and the latter to Herman LeRoy, William Bayard, and James McEvers, 44,000 acres of this tract,** in trust as joint tenants for certain heirs, of whom Mallett Prevost, was entitled to 8,000 acres; John Lewis Grenus to 12,000 acres; Henry Finguerlin, Jr., 8,000 acres. At the time of this conveyance Olive held these lands in trust, and 16,000 acres in his own right. A deed of partition between the proprietors was executed May 17th, 1802, according to a division by ballot, as follows: N. Olive 16,000; J. L. Grenus 1,200; H. Finguerlin, Jr., 8,000; A. M. Prevost 8,000 acres, making 44,000 acres, which with £5,000 to Louis Le Guen, and 12,000 to John Wilkes previously conveyed by Olive, J J made 64,000 acres on the whole tract. After the deed of partition, and on the 11th of June, 1802, the proprietors released to one another the quantity allotted to each, as follows: John Wilkes and Louis Le Guen, to Le Roy, Bayard, and McEvers, of 44,000 acres; L., B., & M., and Louis Le Guen, to John Wilkes of 12,000; and L., B., & M., and Louis Le Guen of 8,000 acres. §§

Nicholas Olive, in his will, made his wife and Henry Cheriot his executors, and his widow afterwards married Simon Louis Pierre, Marquis de Cubieres of Paris, who with his wife did, May 9th, 1818, appoint L., B., and M to convey to Provost Grenus and Finguerlin, their several shares. The latter, May

* Sec. office deeds 22, p. 277.  || Sec. office deeds 38, p. 344.
* Sec. patents 21, p. 407.  \ Sec. office deeds 38, p. 352.
\ Not recorded.  **Lb. deeds 33, p. 1Q5.
XO Olive conveyed, Oct. 15th, 1800; 8,000 acres to Henry Cheriot (sec. deeds 38, p. 347), and C. to John Wilkes the same, Oct. 16th, 1800 (ib. p. 432).