By the President of the U. S. of A. a Proclamation

492 Whereas by a proclamation bearing date the 24th day of Jan. of this present year, & in pursuance of certain acts of the states of Maryland & Virginia, & of the Congress of the U. S. therein mentioned, certain lines of experiment were directed to be run in the neighborhood of George town in Maryland for the purpose of determining the location of a part of the territory of 10. miles square for the permanent seat of the government of the U. S. & a certain part was directed to be located within the said lines of experiment on the Eastern sides of the Potomac, & above the limit of the Eastern branch prescribed by the 1st act of Congress:

And Congress by an amendatory act passed on the 3d day of this present month of March, have given further authority to the President of the U. S. "to make any part of the territory below the said limit & above the mouth of Hunting creek, a part of the said district, so as to include a convenient part of the Eastern branch, & of the lands lying on the lower side thereof, & also the town of Alexandria."

Now therefore, for the purpose of amending & completing the location of the whole of the said territory of ten miles square, in conformity with the said amendatory act of Congress, I do hereby declare & make known that the whole of the said territory shall be located & included within the four lines following, that is to say:

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Beginning at Jones's point, being the upper capre of Hunters creek in Virginia, & at an angle, in the outset, of 45. degrees West of the North; & running in a direct line ten miles for the first line: then beginning again at the same Jones's point, & running another direct line, at a right angle with the first, across the Potomac, ten miles for the second line: then from the terminations of the sd first & second lines, running two other direct lines, of ten miles each, the one crossing the Eastern branch aforesd. & the other the Potomac, & meeting each other in a point.

And I do accordingly direct the Commissioners named under the authority of the sd first mentioned act of Congress to proceed forthwith to have the sd four lines run, & by proper metes & bounds defined & limited, & thereof to make due report under their hands & seals: and the territory so to be located, defined & limited, shall be the whole territory accepted by the sd acts of Congress as the district for the permanent seat of the government of the U.S.

And Whereas the sd first mentioned act of Congress did further enact that the sd Commissioners should, under the direction of the President of the U.S. provide suitable buildings for the accomodation of Congress & of the President & for the public offices of the government of the United States.

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I do hereby further declare & make known, that [the highest-
494 summit of lands in the town heretofore called Hamburg,
within the said territory, with a convenient extent of grounds
circumjacent, shall be appropriated for a Capitol for the
accommodation of Congress, & such other lands between
George town & the stream heretofore called the Tyber, as
shall on due examination be found convenient & sufficient,
shall be appropriated for the accomodation of the President of
the U.S. for the time being, & for the public offices of the
government of the U.S.] And I do hereby direct the said
Commissioners accordingly.

In testimony whereof, I have caused the seal of
the U.S. to be affixed to these presents & signed the same
with my hand. Done at Georgetown aforesaid the
day of March in the year of our Lord 1791. & of the
Independence of the U.S. the fifteenth.

* the part within [ ] being conjectural, will be to be consi-
-dered conformable to the ground when more accurately
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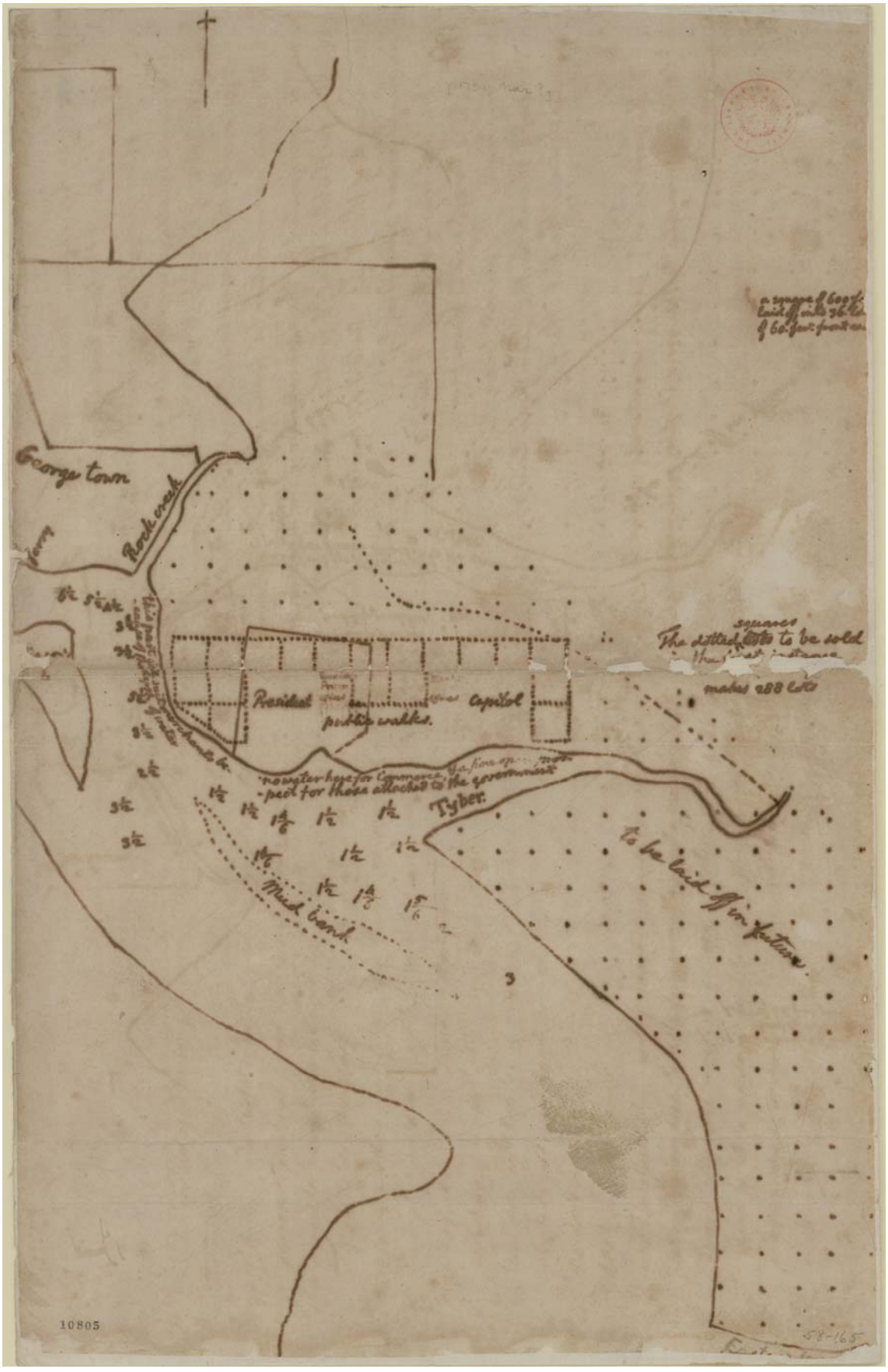

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