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Town Clerk's office
Portsmouth R. I. Aug 7/89.

Dr Wolcott Gibbs.

Dear Sir,

Yours, dated the 5th inst. asking for information concerning Oakland Farm in this town, is received & contents noted

In reply I have to say;- George Gibbs & Walter Channing purchased a farm in this town, in 1796, containing about eighty acres, which I suppose to be Oakland Farm, but perhaps was not known by that name then.

They purchased of John & Lydia Faxon, for twenty-six hundred Dollars and took the deed in their own names, as tenants in common; & not as joint tenants.

The same firm, Geo Gibbs & W Channing purchased several other small parcels of land in this town about that time, but I cannot tell where it is, by the bounds given.

20, two 2 cent stamps will pay me for my service in this matter thus far.

Your Obt Svt R. B. Chase
Town Clerk