

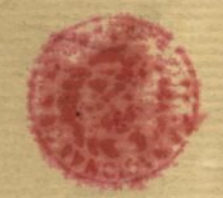
PLAN
 of the City of Washington
 in the Territory of Columbia.
 ceded by the States of
VIRGINIA and MARYLAND
 to the United States of America,
 and by them established, as the
SEAT of their GOVERNMENT,
 after the year
MDCCC.

Engraved by Saml. Hill. Boston.



Lat. Capitol..... 38. 55. N.
 Long..... 0. 0.

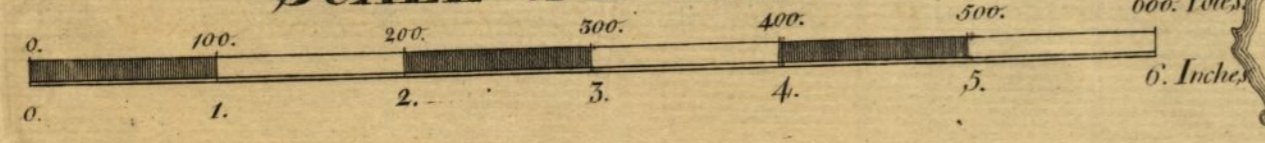
*P. Terreno demarcado para a Casa de Portugal.
 X. sitio correspondente por occupar baixo, e fulto da vista e prospecto aprazivel e extensivo do outro.
 Z. Edificios destinados para as Secretarias de Estado, Tresouro, Marinha e Guerra &c.*



Observations
 explanatory of the Plan.

- I. THE positions for the different Edifices, and for the several Squares or Areas of different shapes, as they are laid down, were first determined on the most advantageous ground, commanding the most extensive prospects, and they better susceptible of such improvements, as either use or Ornament may hereafter call for.
- II. LINES or Avenues of direct communication have been devised, to connect the separate and most distant Objects with the principal, and to preserve through the whole a reciprocity of sight at the same time. Attention has been paid to the passing of those leading Avenues over the most favorable ground for prospect and convenience.
- III. NORTH and South lines, intersected by others running due East and West, make the distribution of the City into Streets, Squares, &c. and those lines have been so combined as to meet at certain given points with those divergent Avenues, so as to form on the spaces first determined, the different Squares or Areas.

SCALE OF POLES.



Breadth of the Streets.

THE grand Avenues, and such Streets as lead immediately to public places, are from 130 to 160 feet wide, and may be conveniently divided into foot ways, walks of trees, and a carriage way. The other Streets are from 90 to 110 feet wide.

IN order to execute this plan, Mr. ELLICOTT drew a true Meridional line by celestial Observation, which passes through the Area intended for the Capitol; this line he crossed by another due East and West, which passes through the same Area. These lines were accurately measured, and made the bases on which the whole plan was executed. He ran all the lines by a Transit Instrument, and determined the acute Angles by actual measurement, and left nothing to the uncertainty of the Compass.