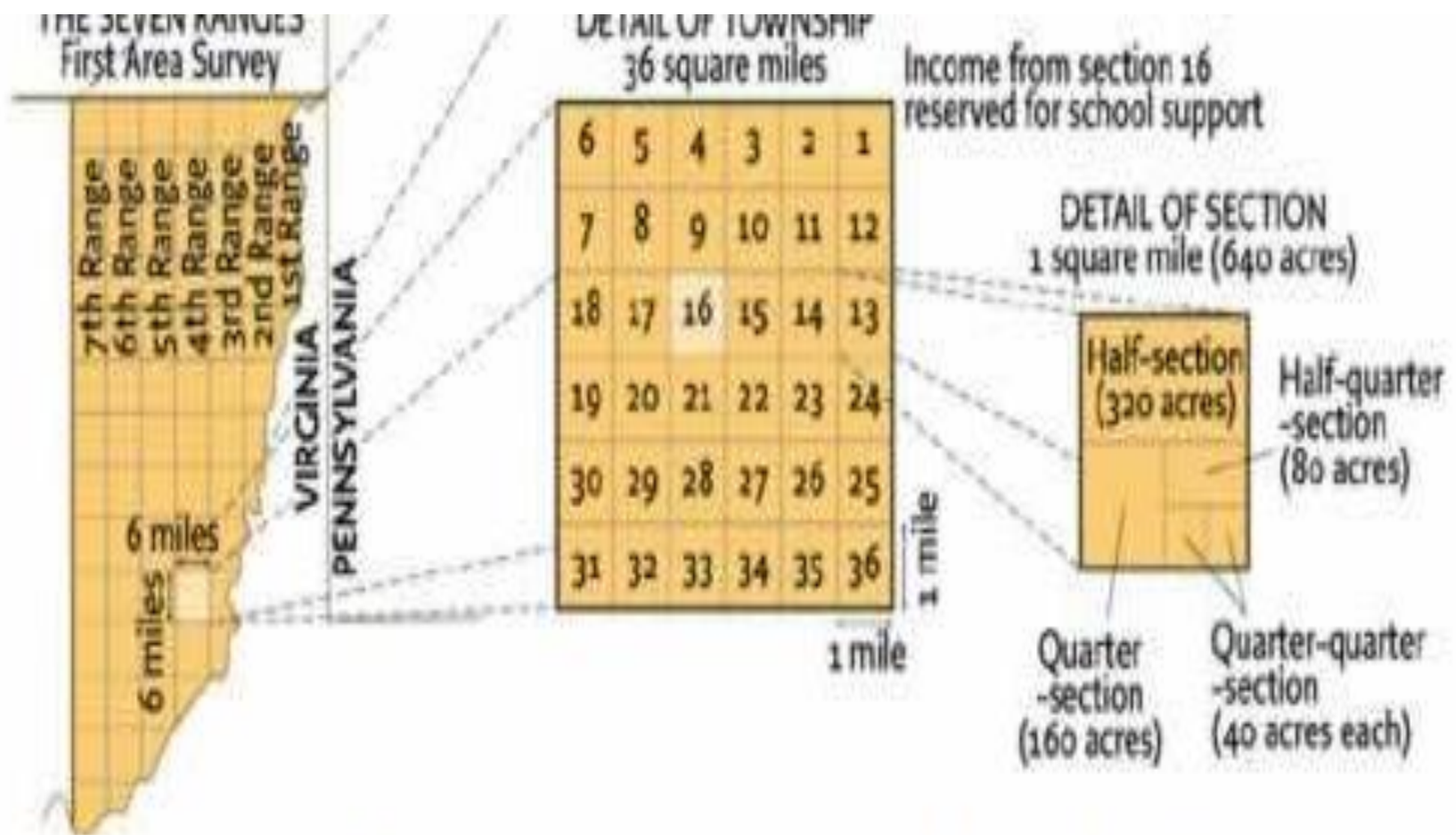


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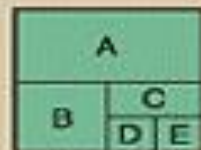
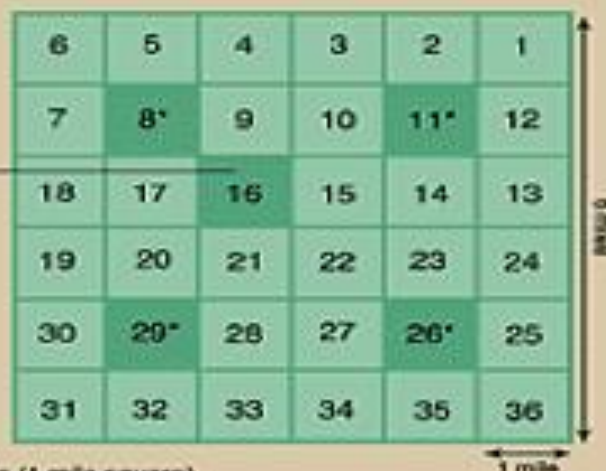
The Seven Ranges—first area surveyed

GEOGRAPHER'S LINE (BASE LINE)



* Four sections reserved for subsequent sales

Section 16 reserved for school funds



- One Section = 640 acres (1 mile square)
- A Half section = 320 acres
- B Quarter section = 160 acres
- C Half-quarter section = 80 acres
- D & E Quarter-quarter section = 40 acres

One township (six miles square)

Land Ordinance of 1785



Disputed with Britain

British Possessions

Claimed by N.Y., N.H., admitted as Vermont 1791

Mass.

Claimed by Mass., N.Y., resolved 1786

Sold to Penn. 1792

New York

N.H.

Mass.

Conn.

R.I.

Ceded by Mass. 1785

Ceded by Conn. 1786

Ceded by Conn. 1800

Penn.

N.J.

Del.

Claimed by Conn., resolved 1786

Md.

Virginia

Admitted as Kentucky 1792

Ceded by N.C. 1790, admitted as Tenn. 1796

N.C.

Ceded by S.C. to Ga. 1787

S.C.

Ceded by Ga. 1802

Georgia

Disputed with Spain, ceded to U.S. 1795

W. Fla.

E. Fla.

Spanish Possessions

- Area ceded by New York in 1782
- Area ceded by Virginia in 1784