

vanisht, shows w<sup>t</sup> fraile things we are & how little we act the wise & the good men to persue w<sup>th</sup> stifness a comfort th<sup>t</sup> cannot keep us Company further then the grave. Calvert Papers.

My many & urgent businesses would not give me leave to send the Inclosed Sooner. I hope the delay has proved no manner of disappointment to thee of an Apology in this affaire I will say no more till we meet. A Story came the other day to my Ears that the Lord Baltimore was w<sup>th</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup> Conway at Cap<sup>t</sup> Wards, their takeing an observation, as also up the Sasquehanagh River, but I gave no Credit to it, takeing it for graunted that I should have had notice of so neer an approach from the Lord baltimores order, the thing being of th<sup>t</sup> moment & in me disrespectfull had I had reason to have beleived it, not to have waited vpon him & he so neer. I hope by the end of this month to have some prospect when I may attend thee (the Gen<sup>l</sup> Assembly sitting at this time) I am extreamly desireous to yeild in all points not essentially destructive to my right, & the great & Costly merrits of my Cause, resolving w<sup>th</sup> much care & affection to approve my Selve

My Respects to thy lady. Thy very Loveing  
Philadelphia Neighbour & True Frd:  
12<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>mo</sup> 83 Wm. Penn

The narrative inclosed to me, had its defects w<sup>ch</sup> our 2<sup>d</sup> interview may help.

[Indorsed]

12 March 1682/3 lre to me from M<sup>r</sup> Pen being in [answer] to the L<sup>d</sup> Baltmores of the 24<sup>th</sup> of Janu<sup>r</sup> 1682.

[William Penn to Charles Lord Baltimore.]

My Noble Fr<sup>d</sup>

Major Sawyer being yet behind, I embrace the oportunity to recommend to the Lord Baltimore thos divers amicable proposals & expedients that I offerd to him for an happy issue of our present affaire. This is so necessary to me, & of th<sup>t</sup> mighty moment (both w<sup>th</sup> respect to the plantation of y<sup>r</sup> side of my Country, w<sup>th</sup> a number of people ready to seat it) The injoyment of my famely (a comfort inestimable here below) now at a great distance, & must so remaine till this dispute be ended) & finally the settlem<sup>t</sup> of my heirs in an undisturbed Right before I dye. That he will excuse my importunity for his Speedy & final Resolve; haveing upon serious thoughts determind w<sup>th</sup> mysele to embarque for England by the first Conveniency. If the Lord Baltimore is not pleased to receive