

ation and to provide by fit clauses therein that all Acts of P. R. O.
Sovereignty as to Peace & Warr be reserved unto the King Colonial
and that all Acts of Parliament concerning trade and Naviga- Entry Book,
tion and his Maj. customes be duly observed And in general No. 106.
that the Patent be so drawn that it may consist with the King's
interest & service & give sufficient encouragement to Planters
to settle under it

Letter to the Lord Baltemore about M^r Penn.

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2 April 1681.

Right Trusty and Welbeloved we greet you well Whereas
by Our Letters Patents bearing date the 4th day of March last
past Wee have been graciously pleased out of our Royall
Bounty and the singular regard We have to the merits and
services of Sir William Penn deceased to give and grant to
Our Trusty and Welbeloved Subject William Penn Esq^{re} Son
and heir to the said Sir William Penn a certain Tract of Land
in America by the name of Pensylvania, as the same is bounded
on the East by Delaware River from twelve miles distance
northward of New Castle Towne unto the 43th degree of
Northern Latitude, if the said River doth extend so farr North-
ward, and if the said River shall not extend so farr Northward
then by the said River so farr as it doth extend, and from the
head of the said River the Eastern Bounds to be determined
by a Meridian Line to be drawn from the head of the said
River unto the said 43th degree; the said Province to extend
westward five degrees in longitude to be computed from the
said Eastern Bounds, and to be bounded on the North by the
beginning of the 43th degree of Northerne Latitude and on the
South by a Circle drawn at twelve Miles distance from New
Castle northward and westward unto the beginning of the 40th
degree of northerne Latitude and then by a straight Line west-
ward to the limit of longitude above mentioned as by our said
Letters Patents doth particularly appeare, and to the end that
all due encouragement be given to the said William Penn in
the settlement of a Plantation within the said Country, Wee do
hereby recommend him his Deputies and Officers employed
by him to your friendly aid and assistance willing and requireing
you to do him all the Offices of good neighbourhood and
amiable correspondence which may tend to the mutuall benefit
of Our Subjects within Our Province under your respective
proprieties. And more especially We do think fitt that in
order hereunto you do appoint with all convenient speed some
person or persons who may in conjunction with the Agent or
Agents of the said William Penn make a true division and
separation of the said Provinces of Maryland and Pensylvania