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of last August came Captain William Markham a kinsman and deputy Governor under M<sup>r</sup> William Penn, who not only brought me a letter from William Penn, but likewise commands from His Majestie for the speedy settling the bounds betwixt Pennsylvania & this Province, in obedience to those comānds I gave Captain Markham full assurance of my ready compliance, and left it to him to appoint the time, when I should send persons up the Bay to meet him for the effecting the same. Cap<sup>t</sup> Markham had not been above three or four daies at the City of S<sup>t</sup> Maries, where the Assembly was at that time sitting, afore he fell ill, the heats being then excessive great & many of the delegates were fallen ill likewise. That I might not be wanting in my respects to William Penn, by my kindness to his Cosen I caused the Gentleman to be brought to my house about eight miles from the City, where he was so bad, and delirious, that 'twas much feared he would have dyed; he continued ill three weeks but at last recovered strength enough to venture abroad, and at his request I furnished him with a convenience to return to Upplands where he now resides. Afore he went we agreed upon the 16<sup>th</sup> of October to meet at the head of the Bay, but he finding a necessity to goe to New Yorke afore he could meete, did, by a letter write me, that he desired the time of meeting might be putt off till the 26<sup>th</sup> of October, but afore that he fell into a relapse of an ague and feaver, and by another letter signified, that he was not able to attend the business of the bounds till the spring. Both these letters of Markham I sent inclosed in one from me to Penn by Captain Evelin, who sailed out of Maryland the 18<sup>th</sup> of last month, and by them Penn will be satisfied of my respects, kindness and care towards his Cosen, as alsoe of my willingness to have the line settled betwixt us, which now I am pressing Markham to have don out of hand; for this letter of Penns to some Inhabitants, has occasioned great disturbance in the Upper Countys, the people hoping they shall suddenly be under noe Government. Thus Sir have I given you the naked truth of what has passed as to that affaire, and now I will only assure you that by Evelin I sent you some tryalls & other papers; duplicates of which I send by this conveyance to my brother-in-law M<sup>r</sup> Nicolas Lowe, from whom you will receive them, as you will this by the hands of my servant Richard Burke. About a month hence I will send you a list of all the persons that, in Maryland, are able to beare arms, and amongst them, the inconsiderable number of the Popish persuasion, by which you will plainly discover the malice of some late informers. I beg your pardon for detaineing you thus, long, and that you will believe me to be

Sir, your most affectionate  
friend & servant

C. Baltemore.