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as by an admeasurement of the two degrees North from Watkins Point to the expresse South Bounds in your Patent and already so settled by Commissioners between Virginia and Maryland and being willing to give the said William Penn all fitting encouragement in planting the said Province for preventing all disputes which may disturb an amicable and neighbourly correspondence between you two and Our Subjects under your respective commands Wee have thought fitt hereby to recommend the same in a most particular manner to you willing and requiring you, that with all possible speed upon the receipt hereof to proceed to determine the Nothern Bounds of your Province, as the same borders on Pensilvania by an admeasurement of the two degrees granted in your Patent according to the usuall computation of sixty english miles to a degree beginning from the South bounds of Maryland as the same are already settled by Commissioners as is abovementioned that so our subjects transporting themselves into Pensilvania may receive no discouragement by loss of time to the prejudice of our service and their concerns And so Wee bid you very heartily farewell Given at Windsor August 19th 1682. in the 34th year of our Reign

By His Majesty's Commands

Conway.

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Mr Markham's reasons for not laying out the bounds of Pensilvania with the Lord Baltimore—dated 25th Sept^r 1682.

To his Excellency Mr Lord Baltimore.

Whereas your Lordship hath been pleased to desire a reason of me under my hand why I concurr not with your Lordship in laying out the bounds of this Province Pensilvania upon Delaware river; My Lord, this is my reason, that as I received all that part of the river Delaware beginning twelve miles above New Castle Towne and soe upwards from the Government of New York which is according to the express words of His Majesty's Letters Pattents to our Proprietary Mr W^m Penn Esq^{te} I most humbly conceive that I am not to be accomptable to any other person then His Majesty or royall Highness for any part of this Province laying upon Delaware river & soe bounded. But if your Lordshipp be willing to lay out the bounds betwixt this Province and your Lordshipp's Laying towards Chesapeake Bay and the rivers on that side I am ready & willing to wayte upon your Lordshipp for that end and purpose.

I am my Lord your Lordshipp's

Most humble servant

Upland in
Pensilvania. 7^{ber} 25th 1682.

W^m Markham.