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sensible that without the Lord Baltimore's good neighbourhood and kindness to him, a great part of that Countrey soe given him, would prove but a dead lump of earth, for without an Inlett the same would be useless, and therefore he requested the Lord Baltimore to be soe good and kind a neighbour as to afford him but a back door for the improvement of that which otherwise (without such a convenience) would signify nothing to him; Adding this, that what was but the hundredth part of the Lord Baltimore's interest, would be ninety nine parts of the hundred of William Pen's. As this request of M^r Pen's did not at all seem unreasonable to the Lord Baltimore, soe was it not the Lord Baltimore's intentions to deny the said Pen any neighbourly, and friendly kindness; and all that the Lord Baltimore then replied was that he supposed M^r Pen did not expect a speedy answer to his request; which M^r Pen answered againe, he did not; then the Lord Baltimore proposed to M^r Pen, that the Conference he had desired might be afore his friends, and such of the Lord Baltimore's Council as were then there; that it would be best, and safest to have it publick, for that an affaire of that concerne to them both, being publicly debated, would give most satisfaction to the Inhabitants of both Provinces. M^r Pen then demanded how many persons the Lord Baltimore would have present, the Lord Baltimore desired that all the friends he had brought with him might be present if he soe pleased, and that only six Gentleman of the Lord Baltimore's Councill should be the rest. M^r Pen did, at last, declare that what the Lord Baltimore desired was reasonable, faire and honourable; then all persons were called in, and the said Pen began his discourse which he continued for some time, after which he pulls out a letter, and gives it the L^d Baltimore, as the ground and foundacōn of theire further discourse. The Lord Baltimore perceiving it to be a letter from His Majestie, reads the same privately, afterwards, againe, to the whole board; saying he found by that letter, that His Majestie had been misinformed, and to make that out, the Lord Baltimore reads the bounds mentioned in his Pattent; after this the Conference held for some howres, the which was taken in short hand by the Clerk of the Assembly in Maryland, and the next morning the Clerk brought it faire writt out; and the same was read, approved and signed by the Gentlemen of the Lord Baltimore's Councill. And had not the said Pen been hastned and hurried away by many Quakers, that are Inhabitants of Maryland to a meeting that day, M^r Pen had had a Coppy of the said Conference with him; but loath he was to stay soe long, and therefore requested the Lord Baltimore to send him one, which accordingly has bin done. The Lord Baltimore with the Gentlemen of his Council waited on M^r