

W. Pen. Capt: Connaway it's true is a knowing person but before we goe further I am desirous to purge him of some aspersions have bin cast on him that he should have advised me I doe declare that I never had any advice from him in this particular neither indeed did I to my knowledge ever see him before such time as I had my Patten granted me.

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Lord B. What has been said of Capt: Connaway I knowe not but what ever he hath said or don I doe assure you never tooke any impression upon me but that some misreports have been made the Mapps and draughts which have bin sett forth sufficiently evince.

W. Pen. Upon the view of the Mapp of Maryland some persons taking the meetes as the same lay displayed found that the Author had either much abused the Lord Baltemore in the wrong calculation or else allowed him more land then indeed was intended for him & accordingly some draughts have bin made.

Lord B. My Patten gives me as you and all here present know the fortieth degree of Northern latitude and the Sunn with such an Instrument as I have mentioned will soone satisfie us where that is for thither my Patten gives me.

W. Pen. Then thus in short I have here produced the King's letter in answer to which the Lord Baltemore sayeth that he will rather abide by his Patten which is under the great seale then to the bare contents of a letter.

Lord B. M^r Pen were it your case would you not stick to a Patten soe plaine as mine is?

W. Pen. I doe not blame the Lord Baltemore it may be I should doe the same as he does I have consented to wave that and for the more equal accomodation between us I have proposed that for the ascertaining the bounds between us let us begin and take our com̄encement from the Capes so antiently and generally knowne and reputed to lye within thirty seaven degrees and five minutes and thence proceed till we come to forty which binds the Lord Baltemore to the Northward and from whence I must begin to that the Lord Baltemore doth reply that true he is bounded by the fortieth degree to the Northward and the most exact way to find that out is by an observation taken with a land Instrument in answer to which I have returned that I conceive that to be an uncertaine way for the reasons I have so often urged and say lett some persons be jointly com̄issionated between us to take observation at the Capes and report how much it varies from the antient generally reputed and received opinion and then proceed to find the latitude of Watkins Point and from thence by an exact line measure out to the degree of forty to that end if the Lord Baltemore please to select foure or five persons to be jointly