

P. R. O. were but Usurpers and had usurped what they soe seated:
 Colonial being never own'd by the States of Holland; Nay I will oblige
 Papers. my Selfe to prove such were disowned by the States, if I may
 have Liberty and time allowed me till May next to appeare in
 person at the Council board, there to defend my right, which
 I hope you'l favor me so farr as to procure for me, and I shall
 account myselfe highly obliged and for ever remaine

S^r

Your humble and
 most faithfull serv^t

C Baltimore.

11th December 1683.

(Endorsed)

Ld Baltimore Letter

11 Dec: 83. Maryland.

[Addressed] For the Right Houn^{ble} S^r Lyonnell
 Jenkins one of his Majesties
 principall Secretaries of State
 Present

at
 Whitehall

A Certain Tract of Land in America having been surren-
 dered long since by the King & ever since the possession of
 His Royall Highness. His Royall Highness having demised
 it to William Penn Esq^{re} (lyeing contiguous to Pensilvania) at a
 Rent, the Lord Baltimore now disturbs W^m Penn & his Agents
 there & Opposes the passing of a Patent of it to His Royall
 Highness here

And upon a Hearing before the Lords of the Comittee of
 Plantations it being alledged in the behalf of His Royall High-
 ness that this Tract of land was inhabited by Christians before
 the Lord Baltcmorc's Patent, w^{ch} Extended only to Land un-
 inhabited by Christians. It was Ordered that they should be
 ready with proofs to that point.

It is now desired in the behalf of His Royall Highness, a day
 may be appointed to be heard to it./

12 Feb. 1683/4

(Endorsed)

Mem^l Pennsylvania

Rec^d & Read 12 Feb^r 83/4.

The Business put off till Aprill
 when my L^d Baltimore will be here.

Tuesday 12th February 1683/4

Upon reading a paper delivered by the Agent of M^r Penn
 Proprietor of Pennsylvania wherein it is desired that a day may