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of Governor Markham his reasons under his hand, why he would not allow or concurr with his Lordshipp to lay out the line on Delaware river, unto which Governor Markham agreed. After his Lordship had perused Gov^r Markham's reasons and ready to take boat to go towards New Castle where he and Governor Markham had appointed to meet in order to lay out the line of Devision betwixt the two Provinces upon Chessapeak Bay and the rivers respecting the Bay, his Lordship was pleased to call his people together and then declare he was then in Maryland, unto which Governor Markham answered he was under a mistake for he was in Pensylvania, no said my Lord Baltimore, I am in Maryland, and will settle some of these people about me here, upon which Governor Markham told him, that if his Lordship was in earnest, and if they were not words of course, that then being the debate between his master Penn and his Lordship, could not be otherwise decided their pretences being both by letters Patent from the King that he perceived his Majesty was the proper person to end that difference, but his Lordship replied no he would not go before his Majesty, the land was his, and as soon as they had found where the line of 40 would fall upon Chessapeak Bay, he would come with his Eastern line and take possession of his part of the river and above it ten miles, but Governor Markham replied, that he had received this river and every part thereof 12 miles above New Castle by virtue of letters pattents from the King in favour of his master Penn from the Government of New York, but had no order to deliver it up to any man nor suffer any person to keep possession of it, and unless he received such or the like orders from M^r Penn, he would keep it until his master Penn's arrival which he did not doubt but what would be very shortly, and desired his Lordship would refer all to his coming, but his Lordship would not consent, then the L^d Baltimore took boat and went to Markissnookati chichester, and there went from house to house prohibiting the Inhabitants to pay any more quit rents to M^r Penn, telling them that the land was his, and that he would suddenly return and take possession of it, and that they were cheated, & deceived by W^m Penn Dep^{ty} Governor which caused such a consternation in the Inhabitants of those parts, and in the Inhabitants of Upland that the next day when Governor Markham was ready with his boat, his Instruments on board, his horses provided to go by Land, and all other materials ready to wait upon his Lordship at New Castle, according to appointment from thence to go to find the line of 40 upon the rivers towards Maryland, the Inhabitants aforesaid being terrified by the reason aforesaid came to the Governor & desired to be removed from their habitation as conceiving themselves not