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[Hamilton to Sharpe.]

New Castle 21st October 1760

Sir

Not having had the honour to hear from you, of late, in relation to the execution of the Articles of Agreement betwixt our respective Proprietors for fixing the bounds of the two provinces: And both the time limited for beginning the Work, and the fine Season of the year for performing it wasting apace; The Commissioners on the part of Pennsylv^a have thought it necessary to give to your Commissioners a notice in form to meet them at New Castle on Delaware on the 12th of next Month in order to begin it, if they have no material objection to that time & place, And in case they should have an objection, that, then, they would please to appoint some other time & place more suitable, at which the Pennsylvania Commissioners may attend for the purpose aforesaid.

I have hitherto foreborne to press this matter upon You, as I knew your Assembly was sitting; but as I now understand they are risen, and the Commissioners probably at leisure, I must request You will endeavour to expedite the execution of this good work as much as possible; and that You will please to favour me with your sentiments thereon by the return of my messenger. I am with the greatest respect

Sir, your most obedient & most
humble Servant
James Hamilton

Governor Sharpe

Letter Bk. III

[Sharpe to Governor Hamilton.]

Annapolis the 23^d of Oct^r 1760.

Sir

In answer to Your Letter of the 21st Inst which I have just now received I beg Leave to assure You that Those of the Commissioners appointed by Lord Baltimore (to carry into Execution the Articles of Agreement that have been entered into by His Ldp & the Proprietaries of Pensilv^a) whom I have seen are very desirous to meet You & the other Gentlemen who are appointed Commissioners on behalf of the Mess^{rs} Penns as soon as possible & to proceed to Business without Delay being sensible that the Divisional Lines can scarcely be run within the Time limited by the Articles of Agreement Let us proceed with what Dispatch we may, nevertheless as I myself & several of the other Commissioners are at present much indisposed I cannot promise that we will certainly meet You at Newcastle so soon as the 12th of next Month tho I am in hopes that a Majority of Us will be sufficiently recovered to