

Original. Calvert Papers. not accept, then appoint M^r Ridout into my Office to Act for me until further Orders. This by a Virginia Ship on immediate departure, answers to your Letters received to the 4th Aug^t with his Lordships Instructions will go by the first opportunity. All here is tranquil and the Realm Glory in our New Monarch. By Accounts Nov^r 11th a Signal Victory was obtained over the Austrian Army by the King of Prusia

Yours truly
Cæcil^s Calvert

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[Sharpe to Baltimore.]

Annapolis the 20th of Dec^r 1760.

My Lord

In the Letter which I had the honour to address to Your Ldp the 14th of Oct^r I acknowledged the Receipt of the Articles of Agreement which your Ldp was pleased to enter into the 4th of Iuly last with the Proprietors of Pennsylvania & I also intimated that Your Ldps Commissioners would probably be able to meet the Pennsylvania Commissioners the Beginning of the ensuing month & together with them proceed to carry the said Articles into Execution agreeable to the Directions of the Commission which had been transmitted to me. To what it was owing that the Commissioners did not meet & proceed to Business before the 19th of Nov^r Your Ldp will learn from the Narrative continued which I now send to M^r Calvert, & what was done by us after we did meet will appear by a Copy of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Commissioners which I shall herewith transmit to be laid before Your Ldp. As M^r Dulany declined going to meet the Pennsylvania Commissioners because as he alledged his Health was not thoroughly established & M^r Malcolm was so sickly & infirm that he could not at such a Season venture from home, I issued a Commission appointing M^r Ridout a Commissioner on Your Ldp's behalf in the stead of Col^o Tasker & in the room of M^r Malcolm I appointed M^r John Leeds a Commissioner being of Opinion that his Knowledge in the Mathematicks would in M^r Malcolm's Absence be of Service to us as I really think it was, & tho he was but in an ill State of Health when he went from home & was sensible that he should suffer some Inconvenience thereby he did not leave us till we all agreed to break up. Whether more able Mathematicians may be of Opinion that the Plan or Scheme which we have agreed to pursue in order to find the Course of the Tangent & the Point of Contact is a more expensive one than might have been followed if we could have had the Assistance of able Astronomers & a proper Apparatus or