

D^r Long &c (Men of Eminence also) in their several Books Letter Bk. IV
from which I sent you Extracts. having taken a Copy of D^r
Bevis's Answers (which except his Definition of an East &
West Line. I shall communicate to the other Commissioners)
I now return the Original to you. If he is satisfied that a
Parallel of Latitude can be most easily run with the Instrument
he describes & which he says was in Wiltshire I hope His L^{dp}
& the Proprietors of Pennsylvania will purchase or borrow it
for Us & that we shall receive it before we begin to run the
Northern Boundary else we shall be much at a Loss, indeed I
do not know that we can proceed without it, at least with any
Dispatch. It seems by what M^r Wilmot says in his Letter as
if the Penns^a Comm^{rs} had made some Complaint to their Con-
stituents, but as you did not inclose me the Extracts of two
Letters which he communicated to you I cannot guess at the
Subject of them, since I do not know that any thing has yet
passed between the Comm^{rs} that could give either of them
Cause of Offence. By a Letter which I received last night
from the Surveyors I find that being now again able to take
Observations by Alioth & the polar Star they were proceeding
the 9th Inst with the Line up the Peninsula so I flatter myself
they will not be again interrupted or obliged to break off
before they get up to Newcastle. Being informed that Capt
Etherington to whose Care this will be recommended is just
about to sail from the Mouth of Potuxent I must dispatch this
thither. With great Regard &c—

[Gov. Hamilton to Sharpe.]

Original.

Philadelphia August 27. 1761

Sir

At a late Treaty held with several nations of Indians at
Easton viz^t six Nations, Delawares, Nanticokes, Mohickons
&c The Nanticokes applied to me for my passport to certain
Deputies appointed by them, to travel into Maryland, in order
to bring from thence several of their people who still reside in
your Counties of Dorset and Somerset and to settle them with
the body of their Nation on the north Branch of the River
Susquehannah.

I told them, that as their Countrymen resided not in my
Government, but in yours, It was to you they must apply to
obtain permission for them to depart; and that I could no
further intermeddle in the Affair, than in giving them a letter
to you with my recommendation of their Business.

In compliance with my promise, I now give you the trouble
of this letter, which you will receive from Robert White an old