

uania, and from those obseruations the quakers found they should not only be shutt out of Chesepeake Bay, but that the riuer of Delaware would be taken in as high as Skullkill, if not higher, with the degree of 40 North Lattitude. Vpon this knowledge of theires, Captⁿ Markham was aduized to be out of the way the first and second time, and vpon noe acc^t whatsoever to come to any Determination about the bounds; Vntill Prop^r Penn could be acquainted with the great mistake they had layne vnder soe Long, and that he could send in his further orders about it; This was the returne made to his Maj^{tie} for that gracious Letter writ in M^r Penn's fauor, which Markham brought, and which M^r Penn soe Earnestly prest to be complied with. But it not serueing M^r Penns purpose and designe, Little regard was had to it; And then M^r Penn vpon misinformacōn to some Lords of his Majestys most honn^{ble} Priuy Councell procures a Letter from his Maiestie for an admeasurement of two degrees, as if the L B's charter gaue him onely two degrees. But M^r Penn was soe modest as not to insist long upon the two degrees; Tho' still he is for an admeasurement, in Case the L B: refuses him Susquehanno Riuer upon Gentile termes. This is the true account why neither M^r Penns agents, nor himselfe thought fitt to giue obedience to his Mai^{ties} Comānds in the letter of the 2^d of Aprill 1681; And soe the L. B. was forc't to act alone, which his L^{opp} is sure he can Answer; what others can doe upon the score of the great and Costly merits they boast of, he knows not, and now to the Sixth Section.

6^{thly} Wherein Prop^r Penn declares [Tis hard for him to say his Comiss^{rs} refus'd to Comply with the said Letter, since the Chiefest of them brought in his fauor]. Here is some Modesty, and truth together; Tis hard, I Confesse, for M^r Penn to own it, for the reason he giues; and yet he will be brought to owne his Comiss^{rs} refuseall; and their rudeness to the L. B, when such Lett^{rs} as his L^{opp} has to produce, are laid afore his Maiestie in Councill; But he goes on with more Resolution, and tells us [The truth is, if they say true, and circumstances fauor them, the thing is improbable, for the L: B. would haue had them agreed to take an obseruation upon the Riuer Delaware]. It is confest, That when the L: B: was forc't to goe up as high as Vpland to meete with Markham, he moued to haue an obseruation taken there; His L^{opp} inform'd, that Robert Wades Plantation lay in 40 Degrees, and one minute; but the thing was not soe much prest, or if it had bin prest, and that an obseruation had bin taken, how would that haue bin, as our friend tells us, a Violation of the Kings Letter; for as I take it, his Maiesties Letter Comānds to make a true diuision, and Separation of the Prouince of

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