

a back port to Pensilvania: But most certaine it is, this is the reason and soe it is now plainely giuen vnder his hand, that the first letter is still layd by, and not regarded. And for the second letter ffriend Penn did in some manner Expresse himselfe to the L. B: last May at Delaware, as if the King had bin Mistaken (to vse his owne words) for that the buisnes of Two degrees mentioned in that Letter was not (he thought) to be insisted on; But still that an admeasurement from the Capes of Virginia (a pleasant thing) must still be the way; Vnlesse the L. B. would doe, as has bin abouementioned: But the setting a Gentleman's price on Susquehannoe Riuer would still saue all, and then M^r Penn will Vouchsafe the Kings first Letter of the 2^d of Aprill 1681 shall be pursued. This is the true English of all that mistery; for soe was M^r Penn pleased to terme that resolution and designe of his in Case the L. B. would not part with Land vpon Gentlemans termes, as he called it. As to the buisnes of the Proclamation issued out by the L. B: [To invite people to plant those parts in his Possession] Is Idle and false, for noe man was euer disturbed or inuited, that was actually seated by grants, that had bin issued from New York Gouverm^t; His L^{opp} neuer intending to disquiet or meddle with such, untill the matters in dispute were decided by Authority. Rude letters, and Vnderhand treacherous proceedings, whilst great respect, ffriendship, and kinnesse was pretended towards the L. B: by M^r Penn was the occasion of that Letter, which is said to be of [a very Course stile]: But the Letters, which forc't that from the L. B: were Course and foule enough, in soe much, that his Cosen Markham begg'd my Lords pardon for being the Messenger of some of them, and M^r Penn doth expect (I belecue) to giue ample Satisfaction for his foule reflections on the L: B: for if in his L^{opps} Letter which is said to be of [a very course Stile] There be any vntruths, my Lord will be ready (I am assur'd) to doe as becomes a Gentleman towards M^r Penn if required; and soe has reason to Expect the like from his friend in due time and place fitting: But M^r Penn is againe Very Vnkind, and Vnciuill in saying, that the L. B. pretended to be indisposed at New Castle, and soe refused to treat by written Memorials, as M^r Penn affirmes he would haue don. That the L. B. was indisposed, and vnfit for buisnesse, at that time, M^r Penn, and many more might be sensible of; ffor by the Extremity of the heats his L^{opp} had not shutt his Eyes, nor taken the least repose that night, he lay at New Castle, as the people of the house Where he lay, can well tell.

Besides the L. B: was inform'd that some of M^r Penns Councill tooke distaste that the L. B: had brought none but boyes with him (as they were pleas'd to say) for his Councill;