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Papers. soe that my L B: was at that time, Vnder great disadvantages, and therefore not fitting (himselſe being ill) to giue answer readily in writing to what M^r Penn with the well bred Gentlemen of his Councill might in their deepe Wisdoms haue drawne vp. His L^{opp} howeuer assured his friend Penn; That if he and his Councill would draw vp any thing in writing, to which his answer might be Expected, he would stay soe long at New Castle, and at his returne to the head of the Bay, after a day or Twos rest, he would send his Answer; Vpon this M^r Penn went to write, and the L B. waited neere an houre in the hott sun for the memoriall; but after all that stay, M^r Penn had thought of little; for he came out, and told the L. B: he had not time then, but would send a paper after him, and that paper appeared afterwards to be only a Letter, which he sent by Major Peeter Sawyer, wherein he vrged the L B: to accept of the proposealls he had made at New Castle (Viz) to sett a Gentleman's price at soe much a mile for what land an obseruation might giue the L. B: on Susquehanna Riuer; otherwise p. 10 he would immediately goe for England; Especially If the L. B. should think of Claimeing any Lands on Delaware Riuer This is the Truth, and whole Truth of that pretended great matter for Memorials [To be sent Vnder our hands &^c]. In the same Section M^r Penn saith thus [nor doth it Looke Very Just to make the Caution or neglect of an Agent in the Absence of his Principall a reason to proceed against his Principall, when present] The great Contempt, and Slight shewne by Captⁿ Markham to his Maj^{ties} Letter of the 2^d of Aprill is here mentioned by the soft Expressions of [Caution and neglect] By the word Caution It may be vnderstood there were some priuate Instructions giuen by M^r Penn to his Cosen Markham; that in Case at his Arriueall at Delaware it should appeare to him, by priuate obseruations, that the 40th degree Northerly Lattitude did not take into Pensilvania the head of Chesepeake Bay, as M^r Penn had bin informed it would, and as he still Endeauors right or wrong, to gett from the L B; Then his Majesties Letter of the 2^d of Aprill was to be throwne by, as a thing vselesse. And there is some what more, that seemes to Confirme this, ffor not long since Coll George Talbot hapened to haue some discourse with M^r Penn about the Comission Captⁿ Markham brought with him. Coll Talbott being told by M^r Penn that the L B: tooke aduantage of his Agents proceedings, in his Absence, which he said, was not faire, without Enquireing further into his Instructions, wherein the L B might be better Satisfied what his Agents could doe and what not. This seeming to Coll Talbott some what strange, and odd; he presumed to ask M^r Penn whether Captⁿ Markhams Comission was Plenipotentiary, or not; and