

Lib. C. B. However, in regard to your bare Claim of Jurisdiction I shall Order the Tryall to be delayed for a Reasonable time that your Governm^t if they think fit, may disclose to me the Evidence upon which they demand it

Such an afflicting Disaster must now too late Suggest to M^r Diggs, very Mournful Reflections, on the imprudence of resorting to Force, though under colour of Law, to gain the
 p. 475 Possession of disputed Lands near the Borders; especially at this Juncture, when we have great reason to hope for a Speedy end of all our differences by an Execution of the Lord Chancellors Decree

I am extremely Sorry to hear of Governor Ogle's Indisposition I beg you will please to present my Compliments to him, with my hearty wishes for his Speedy recovery and believe me to be with very Great regard

Sir

Your Most Obedient humble Servant

Philadelphia 24th April 1752

James Hamilton

To Benj^a Tasker Esq^r

Which being read and considered of, and the following Answer prepared thereto It is the Advice of this Board that the same be sent by his Honour the President to the Governor of Pensilvania

Sir

Althô the messenger, who brought your Dispatch of the 24th of last Month relating to the Cruel Murder of M^r Digges Son, was a long while on the road, yet I should have Answered it Sooner, If the condition of our late Governor, whose Death was daily expected and has Since happened, had not Induced me to forbear intermeddling any further in such Affairs, till by that Contingency I should be under the necessity of taking upon me the Administration of the Government.

However true it may be that this wicked Act was to the Northward of the Temporary Line run by his Majestys Order of 1738, yet by the 3^d Paragraph of that Order "All other Lands in Contest between the said Proprietors now Possessed by or under either of them shall remain in the Possession as they now are (although beyond the temporary limits hereafter mentioned) and also the Jurisdiction of the respective Proprietors shall continue over such Lands untill the Boundaries shall be finally settled. And that the Tenants of either side shall not Attorn to the Other, nor shall Either of the Proprietors or their Officers receive or Accept of Attornments from the Tenants of the other Proprietor."