

of the Rolls dismissed his Bill of Equity about Maryland, intermixed with common Law and his false Plea about his Tryal at Croydon Assize, he returned him to common Law, where I Outlawed him; he has still another Bill in the Court of Chancery about Maryland, which I have no doubt of dismissing the ensuing Term. The reason of my writing about the Mannor called Lady Baltimore was because he had propagated the Cause of his not being in Possession was my having dispossess'd his family and him by my orders; he's of no import and his ways are Base ingratitude.

Yours of the 12<sup>th</sup> of September last, gives me pleasure of the arrival of the Sector, Telescope, and Apparatus for the Sector and of the Brass yard and measuring Instrument, and in the Box was a Silver Medal of his present Majesty by you not mentioned. With regard to Method of running Boundary Lines, inclosed, is Dr. Bevis's a Skilful Mathematicians Judgement and prescriptions, 'tis really out of my Ken. Concerning the Doctor's Transit Instrument for running such Lines; I did all to Obtain it. But M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Penn to all that is proposed on Lord Baltimore's side with him takes not. The Instrument was mounted, and several Mathematicians were with his Lordship and M<sup>r</sup> Penn present, and the Instrument displayed by the Doctor, I thought and others there acknowledged the real Utility was sufficiently proved, what then, M<sup>r</sup> Penn and his followers Humbuged it? My Lord offered jointly with Penn to purchase it, he refused; I endeavoured for his Lordship to purchase it for his own Use, which he declined, it would a been of General use for Surveys and running limits. Since M<sup>r</sup> Penn has been at much greater Expence, he has had a Six feet Sector constructed by M<sup>r</sup> Bird a famous Mathematician Instrument maker, Attendant the Apparatus, said with Accuracy; it has a fine Aspect in Construction, and is the same you have received, perhaps may better Answer, if not prevented by Accidents from Carriage or from Hot and wet weather. Concerning the Meridian Head of Potowmack River I wrote you, 'tis of the greatest Consequence How determined? I have received a Letter from Mr. Cresap in Maryland, he says, Concerning "the North Branch of Potowmack River, I find that the South Branch is about Eighty Miles longer than the North Branch, which runs South thirty four degrees to the West from the mouth forty Miles or upwards on a Streight Line and then turns and runs West about fifteen Miles when it makes a Fork, where Lord Fairfax's Line crosses to the Fountain Head of the North Branch, But the South Branch after his Lordship's Line Crosses, it continues