

[Cecilius Calvert to Horatio Sharpe]

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Sir

The Boundary Stones by Cap^t Montgomerie w^h in former Let^{rs} I wrote you are in part by the Cap^t sent for fifty Miles. them carved with the Proprietors Arms are for five Miles distances in range with the others provincially mark'd M. P. as mile stones fifty more are shaping and will be sent by the first opportunity for the completion of the Line run on the East shore if more wanted? be pleased to impost and whether proper the 15^{teen} stone Mile south distance from the City of Philadelphia should not be larger in Size and of more height? being the point from whence the East and West Line between the provinces is to run, to the Meridian Altitude of the spring head of potowmack River; please to inform what number of stones will be Sufficient to mark that Line. these concerns his Lord^p leaves to your consideration and management to be caried into execution, jointly with the rest of his Comiss^{rs} and the Pensilvania Comiss^{rs} who are apprised of these matters from their Proprietors.

In the Polemical vortex in parliament two has occasioned much debate in parliament one about a Regency Bill in case of the Kings demise, the Lords in that Bill impowered his Majesty by his will to name & appoint a Chief for Regency, id est, the Queen or any one that was descended from Geo. the 3^d [2^d ?] until the Prince of Wales age of 18^{teen} years, the comons returned the Bill with amendm^t the Queen or Princess Dowager of Wales and the Royal family Descended the Bill passed and has the Crown's Assent.

The other a Bill for a total prohibition of work'd silk from Italy and the Levant trade. the french silks by burthen of Duty are prohibited, yet some of our mercers are alledged to have dealings with the french Manufactorys in the South of France, who have sent their silks to the port of Leghorn in Italy and from thence have smuggled them to their Corespondence into England as Italian Silks that pay a smal Duty, these silks give considerable gain to our mercers and afford them to sell at a cheaper rate to the perchaser than they could sell our Spittalfield worked silks. the Bills passed the

I know not how; was rejected by the Lords, the Duke of Bedford appeared as said in rejection of the Bill peculiar, and being charged of the Non-hinderance of the exportation of corn and the continuation of Bounty on Exportation, is said has occasioned this winter Bread to rise 10^d p^r Quartern Loaf, this Latter complaint joined with the