

Lib. J. R. it does in England, in general is fertile; the Summers here
& U. S. from May till the Beginning of September are generally very hot, so that the Mercury in Farenheits Thermometers will frequently especially in the Months of July and August, rise to Ninety two Degrees, during that Season there are frequent Gusts or Violent Thunder Showers which commonly come from the North West and cool the Air, from the Middle of September till the middle of December we have generally fair moderate weather; between that time and March often severe Frosts, so as to freeze the largest of our Rivers, but it is very seldom that such intense Frosts continue more than a fortnight or three weeks, The longest Day in this Climate is about fourteen hours and fifty Minutes, the Shortest Nine hours and nine minutes, There are more than Twenty Rivers in the Province navigable for large Ships, in most of which Rivers several vessels are loaded every year but there are not any Particular Ports or Harbours, nor any considerable Towns or Places of Trade: Annapolis the Metropolis (which contains about Two hundred Houses) by the latest Observations Taken was found to lye in the Latitude of Thirty Eight Degrees forty Minutes, and by Computation is about Seventy Six Degrees thirty Minutes West Longitude from London.

p. 319 2^d In the Charter granted to Cecilius Lord Baltimore by King Charles the first Maryland is thus described, All that part of a Peninsula between the Ocean on the East and the Bay of Chesapeak on the West, and divided from the other part Thereof by a Right line drawn from the Promontory or Cape of Land called Watkins Point situate in the aforesaid Bay near the River Wighco on the West unto the Main Ocean on the East and between that Bound on the South unto that of Delaware Bay or River on the North which lieth under the Fortieth Degree of Northerly Latitude from the Equinoctial where New England ends, and all that Tract of Land between the Bounds aforesaid: that is to say passing from the aforesaid Bay or River called Delaware in a Right Line by the Degree aforesaid unto the true Meridian of the first Fountain of the River Potomack and from thence tending towards the South unto the further Bank of the aforesaid River and following the West and South side thereof unto a certain place called Chinquack situate near the Mouth of the said River where it falls into the Bay of Chesapeak and from thence by a straight Line unto the aforesaid Promontory or place called Watkins Point. The Bounds of Pensylvania as discribed in the Charter granted to William Penn Esquire by his Majesty King Charles the second in Sixteen hundred Eighty two being such as interfere with or incroach on Mary-