

U. H. J. Quantities of Land far within the Descriptions Bounds and Limits
 Lib. No. 33 of the Province of Maryland as comprized in the Royal Charter
 or Grant

This Truth may it please your Majesty is so notorious that the Government of Pennsylvania ever despairing to justify their frequent Incroachments by a Denial thereof have endeavoured from time to time to insinuate that some Limit was set by a Lord Baltimore to himself many years ago whereas they must be sensible there is little Reason or Justice to rely on that Assertion or the strength of that pretended Limit for even after the supposed time of fixing thereof an Order was made by the late King James the second in Council on the particular Application & greatly in favour of M^r Penn without any Regard to that Limit of M^r Penns mentioning the same or so much as pretending there ever was one; but extended Lord Baltimores right as far to the Northward as was Comprized within his Charter and which Order we most humbly Presume M^r Penn would not have so earnestly contended for and his Heirs would not have since so much & only replied thereon if that pretended Limit to the Southward of the Bounds expressed in the Charter could have been sufficiently supported

But your Majestys Subjects the Inhabitants on the Northern Borders of this Province have on too many Occasions lamentably experienced the little Knowledge or Opinion the Inhabitants or persons pretending to Act under the Authority of Pennsylvania have of any Limit or Bound to their violent & Intruding disposition which always hurry them to extend the Authority of the Government of Pennsylvania by Incroachments to the Southward of every Limit they at any time before thought proper to set to themselves under these circumstances the Lord Baltimore our Proprietary was prevailed in the Year 1732 to hearken to Overtures made by the Proprietaries of Pennsylvania for the fixing and ascertaining some certain Limits and Bounds between the Provinces of Maryland and Pennsylvania and Accordingly Articles of Agreement were entered into & Commissioners were appointed by the Lord Baltimore and the Proprietors of Pennsylvania for that purpose in which Articles a time was Limited for Carrying them into Execution and a Provision made that if they were not executed in the time so limited they should be void which Articles partly from the Difficulty of the execution and partly from the Unreasonableness objections and demands of the Commrs of Pennsylvania and the different constructions put upon the Articles themselves were not Executed yet those concerned in the Gov^t of Maryland who have ever been careful to slip no Opportunity or omit any Pretence to incroach into Maryland pretended that tho the said Articles were never carried into Execution and that the time for so doing was actually elapsed yet that they were Equally Binding as if really Executed and even went so far as to