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Catholic Religion, and so continued 'till the Year 1716. and
from that time to the Year 1725 Lord Baltimore was in Minor-
ity; But during all this time Lord Baltimore and his Ancestors
did ever claim the utmost limits and bounds mentioned in their
Charter, but the Government after the Revolution probably
apprehending a greater attachment to them from the Quakers
of Pensilvania than the Inhabitants of Maryland and taking
the advantage of the said order in the Year 1685. put the three
Lower Countys under the care of the same Governor who was
Governor of Pensilvania; But to prevent the Penns from in-
sisting on any Right to the three Lower Countys on this ac-
count, the Crown has always insisted on the Penns signing
a Declaration to His Majesty, that His Majestys approbation
and allowance of the Person, who was Governor of Pensilvania
to be likewise Governor of the three lower Countys, should
not be construed in any manner to diminish or set the Right
claimed by the Crown to the said three lower countys.

The Penns from the Governor of Pensilvania having
thus intrusted with the Government of the three Lower Countys
soon took into their heads to endeavour to make such advantage
of this accident, as to make the three Lower Countys considered
as part of Pensilvania, and for that purpose, they employed
People to settle and improve there, protecting them from paying
any Quit Rents to Maryland and at the same time promising
that they should be free from paying any Rents to Pensilvania.
Proprietors, providing they would own them selves their Tenants,
This quickly caused these three Lower Countys to be Peopled
and cultivated, but in such a Situation that neither Le late
Lord Baltimore or the Penns could ever get any Rent from them,
and the late Lord Baltimore being greatly uneasy to have so large
a part of his Province claimed by the Penns, and being determi-
ned to ascertain his Rights thereto, in case it could not be agreed
in an amicable manner, his Lordship proposed to leave it to Com-
missioners on both sides to settle the Boundaries between the
two Provinces, and after several attempts for that Purpose
I am acquainted that articles of agreement dated the 20th of May
1732 were entered into between the two Proprietors, leaving
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