

very safe and justifiable at that time in granting the said Tract of Land which was immediately settled by a considerable number of people from Chester County of. without any Molestation or Objection from Maryland whatsoever but as the successful and speedy improvement of the Province and the rise of Nottingham doubtless gave some cause of Envy upon which the late Mr Charles Carroll then Agent for the Lord Proprietary of Maryland procured as it is said a very large Quadrant to be sent from England in Order to take a more exact Observation of the Latitude thereby to extend further if possible the above mentioned Northern Limits of that Province thereby to extend further if possible the above mentioned Northern Limits of that Province a very great Noise was made about some Observations that had been endeavoured to be taken by the said Mr Carroll at the Head of North east River from which he pretended to extend the Northern Boundaries of Maryland considerably beyond what either the said Charles Lord Baltimore had himself fixed or any person in his Behalf had ever as yet claimed

But these said Astronomical Observations being as it was supposed sent by Mr Carrolls Order to James Logan Agent for Mr Pennell Philadelphus being a person not unskilled in such matters Mr Logan very carefully examined the performance but found them so much out of the way even in the calculation of the Suns Declination as varied there with at least ten minutes which Mr Logan by a Letter under his hand to Mr Carroll offered to prove by repeating the Observation with the same Instrument under the penalty of forfeiting its Value

It was after this the Justices of Cecil County