

for preventing the fatal consequences of a general
misunderstanding with such Neighbourhoods with
whom we have hitherto ^{happily} enjoyed Friendship

The Board therefore taking the premises so
by due consideration humbly offered as their opinion
that as the Boundaries of Maryland and Pennsylvania
depend upon whether they have from the first Settlement
of the latter upon a public and yet such un-
avoidable Measures have hitherto been concerted between
the Governments of both that they have till very lately
has been preserved with that good understanding
which is usual between Neighbour Subjects of the
same Crown therefore it will without a very just Cause
Given be inexcusable in the Agents to make any vio-
:lation of the same

That as our Superior for Soud Virginia draw
from the Charters to both Provinces claimed to the South
:ward of Octoroc and it had formerly always been under-
:stood by this Government that the Soud Baltimore made
no Claim to the Northward of that Creek or River of
which better proofs may be given than some in Mary-
:land are willing to admit of, those of this Province were
therefore of Opinion that to bound themselves by the
same Limits the Soud Baltimore had prescribed to him-
:self, could never be the Cause of any dispute with a Government
with which they laboured to maintain a perfect Amity
and good Understanding

That the Settlement of Nottingham having
been made by this Province near twenty years ago within