

coming on the northern Peak to make such Discoveries
 but does not choose to engage in the affair himself.
 My intent to examine the two Branches of Potomack
 I have hinted to the Gov^r of Virginia & writ to Col:
 Cresap to know whether He will undertake that Business
 or not, & return me an accurate Description of their
 Courses, Rapidity, & Depth & the longitudinal Difference
 of the places of the Spring Heads, but I suppose
 the Severity of the Winter will hinder Him from
 proceeding on those Enquiries this three or four Months
 at least. — Among the Papers You will find an
 Abstract from a short Treatise concerning the Boundaries
 of this Province which is not yet finished but has been
 submitted to my perusal by one M^r Coars from
 Philadelphia; whether there be any Merit in
 proving the propositions proposed in the Abridgment
 I leave to your Determination, but that He might
 procure some papers at New York & elsewhere which
 He is persuaded will strengthen his reasoning, &
 questions I have advanced Him £30 Currency &
 given Him hopes on his success & settling in this
 Province to expect farther encouragement if his
 Scheme be approved of by his Dep^y. — These appears

to me