

South ... of the Gentlemen who may be consulted should be clearly of Opinion
that the best Method of finding the Point from which the North Boundary must
be run will be to take Observations. I believe it will be better for His L^{dy} &
the Mess^{rs} Penns to have a good Instrument made in London at their joint Expence
for the purpose & on its Arrival we can I believe get the Mathematical Master
from Williamsburg to go up together with Dr Smith Provost of the Phila^{del} Academy
(whom I presume the Pennsylvania Commissioners will engage) take such Obser-
vations as may be thought expedient. The Surveyors have likewise represented to
me that they will want & cannot well do without such an Instrument as is descri-
bed in the inclosed Paper marked A; & we also want a Two-foot brass Sector accu-
rately made & proved in the Tower to be a true Standard Measure otherwise we
must be content to measure the Chains &c with such a Sector as the Pennsylvania
Gent^l may produce. — If the Mathematicians who may be consulted should
think that the Lines can be best measured with some Instrument which they
perhaps may invent; it will be better & cheaper to have it made in London than
for us to have one made in America. — As we were not sure when we left
the Surveyors below at the Middle Post that they would be able to run the North
Line (which they had begun) exactly true agreeable to their Instructions, the Commis-
sioners as you will see by our last Minute agreed to meet again at Chester Town
the 25 of March in order that if the Surveyors should then report that it is im-
practicable to run the Line so true & accurately as they were required, the Commis-
sioners may then give them such farther Instructions as they should think expedient;
but as the Surveyors now they have made an Experiment are persuaded that they
can run the Line without committing any Error, I apprehend it will be thought
sufficient by the Pennsylvania Gent^l as well as by us that Three of each should
just meet at Chester Town on the Day appointed & adjourn to some Day in June
or July by which Time it might be expected that the Surveyors will have run
the two Lines mention'd in the first Article of their Instructions. The Commis-
sioners being unanimously of Opinion that the several Lines mention'd in
the Articles of Agreement cannot possibly be run within the Time limited as those