

at the same time, besides they were become very sickly having been for some time in a dismal part of the Country abounding with Marshes & Swamps. Upon the Surveyors Representing to the Pennsylvania Commⁿ. & the what I have mentioned it was thought expedient to have another Meeting before the 6 of July to which Day we at our last Meeting adjourned in order to give the Surveyors further Instructions either to discontinue their Work till the Beginning of August when those Stars will again transit the Meridian at an hour the Surveyors can take an Observation by them or to agree upon some other Method of taking an Observation. The Commissioners are to meet this Day at Chester Town, on the part of the Proprietors of Pennsylv^a. Mess^r. Peters Chew Allen & Lardner, & on behalf of His Ldp. I believe, Mr^r Bordley Mr^r Leeds & the Rev^r Mr^r Barclay the Rector of All Hallows Parish whom on Ac^c count of his Knowledge in the Mathematicks & the good Opinion I entertain of him I have appointed in the Stead of Mr^r Dulany, who has gone. myself had I not been afflicted last Saturday with a Fit of the Fever & Ague which I was afraid would return again, & M^r Midout is rendered incapable at present to take such a Journey having for this week past been troubled with very severe Fits of that Disorder, the Seeds of which were he thinks imbibed at a place called Marshy Slope in Dorchester County whether we went the week before last to see how the Surveyors were proceeding. Mr^r Dulany having signified to me that he is to leave Annapolis next Thursday in order to embark on Board a Ship that will sail from Potowmuck the 26 Inst, I this Morning signed a Commission for him as Deputy Secretary & shall to Morrow appoint M^r Midout Commissary Gen^r in his Stead, Mr^r Dulany has been with me since I sent him his Commission & promises to execute a Bond for the payment