

the Long Box, which had been committed to his care, I have received  
Your Letter dated the 10<sup>th</sup> of June, together with those from Mr Penn & Mr  
Wilmot which were inclosed. I am very glad to find that the Proprietors of  
Pennsylvania agree that the Boundary Line shall be an Arch or part of  
a Parallel of Latitude & not an Arch of a Great Circle for I perceive that  
Dr Bewis is of Opinion that a true East & West Line is not a Parallel of  
Latitude vice versa; tho in this he directly contradicts what has been asserted  
by Dr Long &c: (Men of Eminence also) in their several Books from which I  
sent You Extracts. having taken a Copy of Dr Bewis's Answers (which except  
his Definition of an East & West Line I shall communicate to the other Com-  
missioners) I now return the Original to You. If he is satisfied that a Paral-  
lel of Latitude can be most easily run with the Instrument he describes &  
which he says was in Wiltshire I hope His Ldp & the Proprietors of Pennsylvania  
will purchase or borrow it for Us & that we shall receive it before we begin  
to run the Northern Boundary else we shall be much at a Loss, indeed  
I do not know that we can proceed without it, at least with any Dispatch.  
It seems by what Mr Wilmot says in his Letter as if the Penns<sup>a</sup> Com<sup>rs</sup>  
had made some Complaint to their Constituents, but as You did not  
inclose me the Extracts of two Letters which he communicated to You I  
cannot guess at the Subject of them, since I do not know that any thing has  
yet passed between the Com<sup>rs</sup> that could give either of them Cause of Offence.  
By a Letter which I received last Night from the Surveyors I find that being  
now again able to take Observations by Alioth & the polar Star they were pro-  
ceeding the 9<sup>th</sup> Inst with the Line up the Peninsula so I flatter Myself they  
will not be again interrupted or obliged to break off before they get up to  
Newcastle. Being informed that Capt Etherington to whose care this will be  
recommended is just about to sail from the Mouth of Posuvent I must dispatch  
this thither with great Regard &c