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till a few Days ago whether he would take home some Cash for His  
Ldp by which means it seems the Agent must either send it uninsured  
or make Insurance at Phil<sup>a</sup> or York. The Exchange still continues  
very high with us so that 175 Currency rating Dollars at 7/6 & Pro:  
tels at 27/ will scarcely purchase a Bill for 100  $\text{fr}$ , which is  
principally owing I suppose to the late Importation of such Quantities  
of Specie for the Troops & to the Emissions of such vast Sums of Paper  
Money in several of these Colonies. By a Letter which I received a few  
Days ago from the Surveyors of which I inclose you a Copy I find that  
they had the 5<sup>th</sup> Inst continued & run the Line 44 Miles from the  
middle point so that I presume they will get up to Newcastle some  
time next Month — I am &c

— So Lord Baltimore... Newcastle on Delaware. 22 Oct. 1761.

My Lord  
The Commissioners who are appointed to carry into Execution  
the Articles of Agreement which were last Year entered into by Your Ldp  
& the Proprietors of Pennsylvania having been informed that there was a  
Telescopic Instrument called a Transit Instrument made in London  
12 or 14 Years ago on purpose for running a Meridian Line thro  
Salisbury Plain to the Northmost Part of Scotland & also the Parallel  
of London thro the Kingdom of Great Britain which Work was  
to have been carried on under the Patronage of His Royal Highness  
the late Prince Frederick Governor Hamilton & I am desired to advise  
Your Ldp & the Proprietors of Pennsylvania of the Commissioners Opinion  
that if this Instrument can be purchased or borrowed & transmitted hither  
before we begin to run the Line that is to be the Northern Boundary of  
Maryland the Execution of the Articles might be greatly expedited & That