

run the Tangent but that it may suffice to make Offsets from the Meridian Line
at the Distance of every four or five Miles from each other & by that means
find out & ascertain several Points in or near the true Course of the Tangent
& seem to think it might in order to save Your Sd^{rs} & Mess^{rs} Penns some Expence
be left to the Tenants to run a real Line between such Points. If Your Sd^{rs}
is of Opinion that the finding such Points will sufficiently answer the End
which Your Sd^{rs} & Mess^{rs} Penns had in view & that it can be done at less Expence
than will attend the running of a real Tangent Line it is hoped Your Sd^{rs}
will be pleased to have as much signified to Your Commissioners; but if it
is expedient & indeed we conceive it is that a real Tangent Line should be
run as a visible Boundary it will we apprehend be best to begin & run it
from the Middle Point in the Direction or Course represented by the Line
MT in which Case no Offsets from the Meridian Line already run need be
made unless perhaps One or two in order to prove the Truth of the Surveyors
Work as for Instance from the Tenth & Twentieth Mile Posts. If Your Sd^{rs}
is very desirous to have all the Lines run with the utmost Dispatch It would
I presume be as well to employ two Sets of Surveyors at once One Set to run
the Tangent the other Set to run the North Boundary & if the Transit In-
strument arrives in time the Commissioners may about the Middle of April
set them all to work & much Business be done if the weather should be fa-
vourable by the End of next Summer but the Expence will indeed be very heavy
for I believe what hath been already done will cost Your Sd^{rs} very near a
Thousand Pounds. As I presume that Mr Calvert will apply for Your Sd^{rs} In-
structions to us on what I mentioned to him in my Letter of the 22^d of last
Month relative to the finding & ascertaining a Point fifteen Miles South
of Phila^a from which the Northern Boundary may be begun & respecting the
Extension of such Boundary westward either to the Meridian of the Westernmost