

Liber H. H. Delaware Bay to vs entrusted and by yow (as it seemes iniuriously seated in preiudice to his said Lōps iust right and Tytle.

ffor answere therefore vnto your Demands by your said Agents made. Wee Say that Collonell Nathaniell Vtie was by Vs in pursuance of a Coṃand from the Right Honno^{ble} the Lord Proprietary ordered to make his repaire to a Certaine People seated vpon Delaware Bay within the 40th Degree of Northerly latitude from the Equinoctiall Lyne to lett them knowe that they were resideing within our Jurisdiction without our knowledge much more without our License with out Grant of Land from or Oath of ffidellity to his Lordship taken Both which are expressly by his Conditions of plantation, and lawes to all Comers here to inhabitt conditioned and enioyned, And further to offer vnto them such Conditions in Case they intended there to stay, as Wee our selues enjoy. But in Case of refusall and abode there made, to lett them knowe wee should vse all Lawfull meanes to reduce them to that Obedience which all People within the Degree aforesaid are bound to yeild vnto vs as intrusted with this Province by the Right hōble the Lord Baltemore Sole and absolute Lord and Proprietary of the same by Pattent vnder the Great Seale of England bearing Date 20th of Iune in the yeare of our Lord God 1632 And since by Act of Parliament confirmed (a Copy whereof wee haue shewed to your said Embassadors). And since yow by your writteing as well as by your Embassadors seeme to insinuate that the said Colony in Delaware Bay is Seated thereby and vnder your Comand Wee doe protest as well against them and yow, as against all other persons either Principalls or Abettors in the said Intrusion vpon our Bounds and Confines. Our Damages and Costs in Due tyme, and by all lawfull meanes to recover which wee either haue or shall at any tyme hereafter Chance to Sustaine by the Recovery of that place soe seated within our bounds and limitts, and iniuriously by yow deteyned

The Originall Right of the kings of England to these Countreys and Territoryes must be our Endeoures to maintaine, not our Discourse to Controverte or in the least our attempt to yeild vp, as being that which wee can neither accept from any other power, nor yeild vp to any other authority without the Consent of our Supreame Magistracy their Successors in the Dominion of England. Though Wee cannott but minde yow that it is noe Difficult matter to shewe that your pretended Tytle to that parte of this Province where those people (now if at all the first tyme owned by the High and Mighty States to be in Delaware Bay seated by their Order and authority) doe liue is vtterly none, and your Pattent (if you haue any) from