

[William Penn to Charles Lord Baltimore.]

Calvert
Papers.

Westminster 10th 2^{mo} Ap. 1681

It haveing graciously pleas'd the King vpon divers good considerations to make me a neighbour to Mary-land, I thought it necessary to make some offer of Freindship & give a fitt rise for a future good correspondence. I omitt the Peticulers of my pretentions, they are so kindly & amply exprest in the Kings letter & to a man of good sense 'tis enough to be once told of the matter.

The Bearer is a Gentleman & my Kinsman, to whom I have left the manage of my affaires; as his integrety will insist vpon my right, his prudence & experience will always guide him from an indecent thing. I only begg one thing 'tis short but the text of all th^t can be said, do to me as thou wouldest be done to. I am a stranger in the affaires of the Country, he can haue little light from me. I do so much depend vpon the influence & prevalence the Kings goodness will haue vpon thee, th^t I omitt to be any further solicitous, belieueing th^t a great & prudent man will always act wth caution & obedience to the mind of his Prince; so th^t this lett^r was rather to be civil than to pass so ill a complem^t vpon the Lord Baltimore or the Kings letter as to think it could giue any aide to the one or light to the other.

I shall conclude wth this request that It would please thee to giue my Cousen & Deputy all the dispatch possible in the business of the bounds th^t obserueing our just limitts in th^t & all other things we may begin & mantaine our Just and friendly intercourse w^{ch} I do here promess to endeavour & obserue on my part wth all the truth & care Imaginable; & whateuer favours he receiues I shall place to my account, & perhaps there are many ways by w^{ch} I may discharge them, w^{ch} may giue the Lord Baltimore reason to belieue I do not undeserue the usage & quality of his

My Respects to thy lady
My Kinsmans name is William Markham
For my Honor^d Friend the Lord Baltimore Gov^r & Propr^r of
Maryland.

Very true Friend

Wm. Penn

[Indorsed]

W^m Penn Letter to my Lord Baltimore of the 10th of Aprill
1681

[Charles Lord Baltimore to Wm. Markham.]

Munday the 5th of June 1682

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I haue receiud yo^{rs} of the 26th of the last month and am
Sorry it came noe sooner to my hands for I haue dispatcht