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Papers. any of the former proposals; much more If he should continue to think of any claime to any of the Lower Countys. And this I thought fitt to mention, because I would not be often troublesome to the L^d Baltimore & his people wth expresses in this hot season of the year. I have no more to add, but that I hope the Lord Baltimore will please to impute the meanness of his entertainm^t to the unexpectedness of the occasion, & th^t he will give me leave to assure him I am wth much Sincerity & affection

My Noble Fr^d

Newcastle the
30. 3^{mo} 83

Thy very Respec^{tl} Fr^d
Wm. Penn

[Indorsed]

M^r Penns Lrē of the 30th May (83) to the Lord Baltemore

[William Penn to Charles Lord Baltimore.]

My Noble Fr^d

If upon my arrival in this Province I did immediately dispatch my Secretary with two other gentlemen to Salute the Lord Baltimore & assure him of my respects & frdshp's. If so soon as I had pay'd my duty to my Royall Patrone the Duke, I did incontinently take a longe Journy in a cold and unpleasant Season th^t I might personally give him the further Pledges, of a freindly agreement & neighbourhood. And if I did then therefore wave to press myn own Advantages, because I found it uneasy to him; And lastly, if in my after Correspondence, and Especially at our last interview, I have declined the rigour of my plea & both propos'd and prest some of the mildest and most healing expedients, th^t if possible, we might be the last Arbitrators of our own affairs without the need of an other umpire, then the good will we ought to bear to a mutual & lasting union, The Lord Baltimore, I would think, will be so kinde as to lett me hope he will pardon me if I stop here, & shall hold myself acquitted by the endeavours I have used, wth so much Industry and submission, for a freindly Issue. And if there were any thing below what I have already offer'd, besides Ruine to my Province, God is both my witness & my Judge, I should be but too apt to encline.

My Noble Fr^d I am not mov'd by the power of Ambition or Avarice; It is Conveniency, yea necessity th^t bids me stand. I deal freely. I have outrun all Councels th^t I might purchase peace, tho' with loss; but w^t distruction, even Nature & Reason forbid. What I seek, be it myn own, & so my due, or the Lord Baltim^r & as such, if he please, my Purchass, It is of th^t minute Consequence to him & mighty moment to me,