Sir, Philadelphia, the 11th of December, 1773.

ARCHIVES OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND.

I have so many Applications made to me respecting the disagreeable and lawless State of the Inhabitants on the Borders of the Provinces of Maryland and Pennsylvania, and the lower Counties on Delaware, for want of a settled Jurisdiction, that I am under the necessity of troubling you with a renewal of the Subject of my Letter to You of the 30th of March 1771, since which many Disorders and Outrages, (some of a Capital Nature,) have been committed, and are daily committing, which must pass with impunity, unless the Jurisdictions are established in the lately disputed Parts, where People seem to consider themselves as out of the Power of both Governments.

Your Excellency must be well acquainted with the several Agreements which subsisted between the Proprietors of these Provinces and Counties respecting the Settlement of their Boundaries, and with the Decrees of the High Court of Chancery in England to enforce the Execution of them, as well as with the Ratification of the said Agreements and Decrees by His Majesty in Council, in the Year 1769, on the joint Petition of the Proprietors, and the compleat Execution of them by Lines and Boundaries, run and marked by Commissioners appointed by the

His Excellency Robert Eden Esquire.