But the Pennsylv. Comrs. think it most consistent with their Duty
to do every thing in their power to carry the Articles of Agreement
into execution as the Maryland Commissioners also think
it being the only purpose for which they were appointed; & that
tho great Expences have already accrued yet they know of none
but what appeared absolutely necessary & they apprehend that no
Matter stand it will be better & less expensive upon the whole to
go on with the Business in the present ordered progress
viz. by running first another Line from the Middle Point than
to delay it & in the mean time spread Dismay over part of
the Work as the Season of the Year is suitable, Surveyors engaged Waggons & other necessary Apparatus provided; and as there
is less Danger at present of any of the Marks & other Marks set
up in the Lines being disordered or removed than there may
in a Length of time before next Spring when an Answer might
be expected from the Proprietors: and that the the Lines last run
cannot be proved to be perfectly straight, as perhaps no Line of
equal Length ever was upon the Earths Surface after the same manner
ever was, yet as they have reason to think it has been run with
the greatest Care & Accuracy as was the Meridian Line which
appears to be very erroneous, it should be taken & accounted
as a Straight Line. And as the Meridian Line was found to
be somewhat erroneous & the Maryland Commissioners would
not consent at the last Meeting of the Commissioners to have
it corrected, Notice by reason they did not know how it

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