

John I Nelson to Henry Lloyd, Queen's Village, N. Y.

BOSTON, Feb: 12: 1713.

MR. HENRY LLOYD, SIR:

Since yr Last to me we have recd a letter from yr wife to her sister Peggie<sup>1</sup> whereby we have been informed of ye state of yr family and are much concerned to hear of ye Lingering indisposition with which you have been so much afflicted, but are in hopes that by this time you are restored to your health. It has pleased God to distinguish our family here by preserving us in the visitations and sicknesses wch these parts have laid under for a long time, whereby many people have died; but we begin now to be more healthy &c. With this you have enclosed our deed for those Lands in Pennsylvania in as good form as could be done in this place, and if anything be wanting, shall be ready to Such further methods as may be prescribed. I have agreed with my Br Tailer<sup>2</sup> that instead of  $\frac{2}{3}$  being his natural due, there is to be allowed him but one half. The Charges in recovery first to be deducted, so that you may now dispose of it as you shall see fitting. As for my Brothers<sup>2</sup> part, I shall Endeavor to discharge it, so hope you will meet with a good price for it, and that it may be some assistance to you in yr affairs &c — You have further enclosed a copy of Eastwicke's letter to me, to wch I give no other answer saving that I shall always be ready to interpose between you for a mutual peace and agreement, wch, if obtained by any reasonable settlement, would be the future Quiet and happiness of both families. I have written him that I am in hopes of seeing you here, and then upon full discourse shall send him yr resolves. We all flatter ourselves that you will be with us this summer. My boy Harry grows in shapes, beauty and humor, the most agreeable and pleasant child in the world. So you must in no ways think of removing him from us. My daughter Hub-

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<sup>1</sup> His daughter Margaret, later Mrs. Steele.

<sup>2</sup> Lieut.-Gov. Tailer, his wife's brother.