

Interwall of Assembly had not sat still but had with the Advice of his Council  
 Consulted all ways and Means Possible Conducing to the Peace and Quiet of the  
 Province, That in Order thereunto he had sent Captain Hill a Member of their house  
 to New York with Instruction and Recommendations to that Government concerning  
 our present State with the Northern Indians, that Captain Hill was lately returned  
 back from thence and had brought with him as Obliging an answer as could in  
 so short time of consideration be expected from that Government that he was expect-  
 ed: Down some time this Assembly to give his Lordship and Council a further  
 account of his Negotiation, which his Lordship in convenient time would  
 communicate unto them together with all that hath passed between the  
 Two Governments, that his Lordship was of Opinion and did believe that  
 they would consider of some Means to be used by Agents to be sent and employ  
 thither in relation to a Treaty with those Northern Indians some good Effect  
 might ensue in Order to our future peace and Quiet, He therefore willed them  
 to go together and consult and offer him their speedy Advice without putting  
 the Country for whom they serve to unnecessary Charges by their tedious and  
 Long Debates in matters of small concern, that he had by Commission appoint-  
 ed Mr. Thomas Grunwin their Clerk whom he doubted not they would find  
 Respectfull Carefull and Capable

They return all into their own house with their Clerk.

And this house Adjourns till to morrow Morning 9 a Clock

26th April 1682 Upper house mett according to Adjournment  
 Present

The honourable { Philip Calvert Esq. Chan.  
 Wm Calvert Esq. princp Sec.  
 Colonel Thomas Sailer } Coll: William Stevens  
 William Diggis Esq }

This house take into Consideration the Business recommended to their  
 Charge by his Lordship in his Speech Yesterday, and resolved that the same  
 be Distinctly Considered of by every particular Member of this house so as to  
 be reduced into Order to the end that they may have their reasons and Motives  
 ready to offer to the Lower house when the same shall fall in Debate between  
 them

Voted in this house that an Act be drawn up for preventing the  
 unreasonable tare of Cask and false packing of Tobacco, wherein Provision  
 to be made Viz

1 That all Planters be required to take care that all their Timber for  
 Staves and heading of Tobacco Hogsheads be fallen by the last Day of April  
 in every year at furthest under a certain Penalty

2 That no Cooper presume to sett up any Tobacco hhd but with such  
 Timber as aforesaid, and that to be hewn into Staves and heading by the last  
 of June at furthest with due regard had to the Gauge of the Cask already  
 Provided in an Act of Assembly of this Province for that purpose under  
 a Penalty also