

Liber C. B. it is Conceived for that and several other Reasons that there is no Absolute necessity of a General Assembly at present Given under our hands at Saint Marys the 28th day of June 1652

William Cleyborne Richard Bennett

[Peace with Indians. Affairs on Kent Island.]

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At a Court held at S^t Maries the 28th day of June Anno Dni 1652 being the first Sitting of the Court after the alteracōn of the Governm^t the Same day

present { William Stone Esq Governo^r } Coll^o ffrancis Yardley
 { Thomas Hatton Secretary } M^r Job Chandler
 { Robert Brooke Esq } M^r Rich^d Preston

Whereas this Court is informed that the Sasquehanna Indians have a long time desired and much pressed for the conclusion of a peace with the Government and Inhabitants of this Province which as is now conceived may tend very much to the Safety & advantage of the Inhabitants here if advisedly effected, It is therefore Ordered and this Court doth hereby give full power & authority unto Richard Bennett Esq M^r Edward LLoyd Cap^t W^m fuller M^r Thomas Marsh and M^r Leonard Strong or any three or more of them whereof the Said Richard Bennett Esq to be one at Such time and place as they Shall think Convenient to Consult and treat with the Said Sasquahanna Indians, and by the use of all Lawfull and fitting means (if they can) to conclude a League and peace on the behalf of this Governm^t and the Inhabitants thereof with
 p. 327 the Said Sasquahanna Indians Soe As the peace Safety and advantage of the Inhabitants here may be (Soe far as in them lies) thereby advanced Settled and preserved

And Whereas divers Complaynts have been made heretofore by the Inhabitants of the Isle of Kent and others ag^t Cap^t Robert Vaughan Commander of the Said Island for divers misdemeanors and abuses in the execucōn of his Office & otherwise noe Course having been hitherto taken in the due execucōn thereof for the Satisfaction of the Said Inhabitants who have Several times attended this Court for that purpose to their great charge & trouble, and the Said Cap^t Vaughan not now appearing according to expectacōn, It is therefore by the Governor of this Province with the advise of the Counsell for avoyding of ffrurther charge and trouble to the Said Inhabitants in attending this Court again at Soe great distance upon this occasion thought fitt and Soe Ordered that the Matter Complayned of be referred to the hearing examinacōn and determinacōn of the persons before named or any three or more