

P. R. O. James Cittie.
Colonial
Papers.

The 14th March 1633. (-4.)

Present

Sir Iohn Harvey Knight Governor.

Capt. Iohn West

Capt. Iohn Utie

Capt. Sam: Mathew

Capt. Tho: Purfry

Capt. Claiborne

Capt. Hugh Bullock.

M^r W^m Farrar

Capt. W^m Perry.

Captaine William Claiborne requested the opinion of the Board how he should demeane himself in respect of the Lord Baltimore's Patent and his deputies now seated in the Bay for that they had signified unto Capt: Claiborne that he was now a member of that Plantation and therefore should relinquish all relation and dependancy on this Colony.

It was answered by the Board that they wondered why there should be anie such question made. That they knew no reason why they should render up the right of that place of the Isle of Kent more then anie other formerly given to this Colony by his Majesty's Patent and that the right of my Lords graunt being yet undetermined in England we are bound in dutie and by our oaths to maintaine the rights and privileges of this Colony. Nevertheless in all humble submission to his Majesty's pleasure we resolve to keepe and observe all good correspondancy with them no way doubting that they on their parts will intrench upon the Interests of this his Majesty's Plantation.

At Patuxon.

Die 20^{mo} Junii Anno Domini 1634.

The questions that were demanded of the kinge of Patuxon by the interpretor in the pretence of Captaine Samuell Mathew, Captaine John Uty, Captaine William Peirce and M^r Thomas Hinton, and likewise in the hearing of M^r George Calvert, M^r Frederick Winter and divers others, Captaine Clayborne also being there.

Att our goeing ashore the Interpretor was first sworne uppon the Holy Èvangelists, that to the best of his understanding hee should truly and faithfully deliver the questions following, and the king's answers, as neere as hee could to the true meaning thereof, without favour or affection, spleene or malice, or any respect whatsoever. The persons above named went ashore where the Indians whose names followe came unto us. All private conference was forborne with them And we told the kinge that wee had some busines to speake unto him, whereuppon he made choice of those Indians, and went to a place aparte viz. Wannis the greate kinge of