

with the more ease to reimburse himself as well what he hath really expended of his owne private Estate, as alsoe what profitts and advantages he hath made thereof, which he humbly conceives is his Lo^{ps} and was your Hon^{rs} design in conferring the same Office upon your Pet^r The person nominated to succeed your Pet^r will thereby be noe sufferer, but capable of your Hon^{rs} favourable Inclination to him the next yeare, all which is humbly offered to your Hon^{rs} serious consideration by

Your Hon^{rs} most ready and obedient humble servant

J^{no} Baker.

Their Hon^{rs} have nothing of their owne knowledge neither by report or information to alledge against or charge the Petitioner with, but haveing already passed their grant of the said office to M^r Garratt Vansweeringen, for the considerations sett forth in his petition, they cannot receede from thence.

Eastern Shore } The Kings of Pocomoke and Assateague,
Indians Audience } with severall of their greate men, and greate men of other nations of Indians on the Eastern Shore came and presented themselves to the board for Audience.

Interpreters. } Which was admitted them, and an Indian called Tomm together with one John Townesend of Pocomoke allowed their Interpreters.

Indians present } The King of Pocomoke and the King of
10. deare skinns. } Assateague make present of tenn deare skinns in token of Friendship with his Lordship and the good people of this his Province, which was accepted of as such and thankes given them on his Lo^{ps} behalf.

Pocomoke Indians &c. } They proceed to deliver the substance of
Compt & request } their address in manner following and first they sett forth, that five severall Nations of them (viz) Pocomoke, Annamessex, Manoakin, Nasswattex, and Aquintica are seated and doe cohabitt at a place called Askiminokonson, They complain that one Charles Scarborough and others had seated upon some part of their land called Askiminokonson Neck where they themselves designed to seat in the Face, the Land where they at present are, on the other side the Creeke being worn out, that by the Incroachments of the English they had already been driven from Pocomoke to Aquintica, from thence to Askiminokonson, and from thence they feare they shall be forced to some other place and soe never be fixed without some care be taken to prevent and put a stopp to the Incroachments of the English, that one M^r Whittington and Capt: Osbourne had taken up land within their bounds. p. 25

They alsoe complain of great damage done them in their Corne Fields and other their labours and improvements by Cattle and horses by meanes of two bridges over the head of Pocomoke River, and Askimenokonson Creeke through which