

L. H. Journal
Original. quehannohs were an Innocent people But being often abused
& slighted and diserted by the Piscattowayes especially in the
piscattowayes not standing and assisting the Susquehannohs in
their late warrs with his Lor^{pp} and the good people of this
province He the said Jacob in tender kindnesse to those Sus-
quehannohs and in Assistance of them against the piscatto-
wayes freindly neighbours to this province did Vndertake &
pforme severall perilous & toylesome travells—

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the said Susquehannoh

he had such a power

and senecas That he

3^d November 1682.

Jurat Coram me

Tho: Burford—

The Dorekeeper
a Messenger at the Dore
deliver his sword And
Messenger sayes he
prop^{ty} Wherevpon
house went and received
house as followeth

there is
but will not
the said

of the
the

Gentlemen

It is with very greate trouble
Compelled to deny a request
Dep^{ties} of this province, And
regard that vpon my not answering
Adresse I shall runn some hazard as you see me to hint) in
having my good intentions toward the ffreemen of Maryland
called in Question by you However I must Resolve to returne
you this Answer—That I thinke your late request is of that
nature That it will be as well inconvenient for the ffreemen to
accept as it may be dangerous for me to Grant, what privi-
ledges and powers I have by my Charter are from the King,
And that of calling Assemblies in that such manner & way as
I shall thinke fit being an Vndeniable one amongst the rest I
cannot deeme it hono^{ble} nor safe to Lodge it in the ffreemen as
you have desired ffor it would be as reasonable for me to give
away my power of calling & dissolving Assemblies as to give
that of choosing the number of Delegates And such persons as

I should hold my power in the latter would not
satisfied afore they request the power from me of
former; Against this I cann have noe assureance should
I wonce graunt what you have soe vnkindly desired therefore I
hope you will not hence forward presse any thing of this