

U. H. J. Two of the Indians appearing with those of Choptico acquaint his Excellency that they with some others that formerly belonged to Patuxent to the number of ten Men; were desirous to come and live with and amongst the Choptico Indians if they may be permitted so to do; His Excellency gives Consent thereunto for which they are thankfull.

They Complain that some English men encroach upon their Land at Choptico and do them much Spoil Coll Blackistone is desired to enquire thereinto, and to see that right and Justice be done them, as also Major Smallwood the like for the Piscattaway Indians who Complain of the same Grievances.

Adjourns till Monday Morning 10 of the Clock

May the 16th 1692 Mett in the Council Chamber

Present as on Saturday last

Stephen Sumter of Calvert County being Charged by Coll Jowles for offering abusive and affronting Language to him, and bound to answer the same this Assembly, having attended a long time upon charge prays a hearing pretending Ignorance of the Crime, but if he be guilty of any such thing declares himself sorry and Penitent for the same as by his Petition was sett forth; He is called and upon his Humble Submission craving pardon of his honour Coll Jowles for his folly; which was by the said Jowles Accepted off, the said Sumter is discharged from further Attendance at this time being Advised and promising to beware of Committing the like again.

Mr Boothby and Captain Whittington from the house came to acquaint this Board that the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws of the Province were now sent out, they desire that p. 612 such of this honourable Board as are to Join with them would please to give them a Meeting, the place appointed by the house being the room over the Court house as most proper for their Business where the house may more readily send such orders to them as they shall think fitt, and they also upon Occasion Apply themselves to the house.

The Board will give directions therein.

The Board having received information that it is reported and rumoured by Severall the Servants and Passengers of the Ship Ann of Newcastle whereof Charles Partis was Master outward Bound, and that it is to be much Suspected that the said Partis by reason of the Insolent Behaviour of the Ships Company taking from him his Command their Confining him to