his Royall Highness's Territory of New York, and to Liber R. conclude and confirme a peace with those Indians for ourselves and all our Neighbouring and ffriend Indians on both sides the Bay of Chesepeake, by which meanes for presents and other incident charges thereby accrueing, as also for the necessary accommodation of yourselves and attendants in such your negotiation you must of necessity be at some considerable charge and expences which is most reasonable should be secured unto you. Wee Doe therefore hereby will and require as also Authorise and Empower you or either of you upon your or either of your arriveall into the sd Governmt or at any time after when you shall think fitt or oportunity presents, to discourse treate and Contract with any person or persons M'chants Traders or others whatsoever there Inhabiting or resideing for any summe or summes Quantity or Quantityes of Zewamp Wampom Peake or other Indian or other Comodityes whatsoever to what value soever as may be absolutely necessary for Defraying the necessary Charges of your negotiation to be reimbursed again to the person or persons Creditor or Creditors here in tobacco of the growth and production of this Province or otherwise, at such rates and allowances as by you or either of you shall be agreed on, which shall be by us approoved, confirmed, allowed of, made good, Satisfied and Discharged punctually in every point as to rate tyme and place according to such your Contract. In Confirmation whereof we have hereunto sett and caused to be affixed our hand and Seale at Armes the ffifteenth Day of May in the Seaventh yeare of our Dominion &ca Annoq C: Baltemore. Dmi. 1682:

Maryland May 15th 1682:

Honble Sr

Your Courteous answer to mine and the Councills Letter p Cap^t Rich^d Hill our Agent I gratefully acknowledge, and for returns present you with the tender of my kind thankes. Since his arriveall here from your parts I have consulted with the body of this Province by their Representatives in a generall Assembly as to our present state and condition in relation to the Northern Indians, and Communicated to them the contents of your Letter, upon due consideration whereof they have been encouraged and advised me to repeate our Addresses unto you by this our second negotiation managed by the bearers Coll Henry Coursey and Coll Philemon Lloyd of this Province persons of knowne repute and Integrity, p. 325 whom I have by an Especiall Commission under the greate Seale of this Province thereunto Authorised and Empowered, as also fully and sufficiently armed and provided with Credit