October the 3^d 1696.

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The Councill again Sate and were preent as Yesterday Whitehall except Esqr ffrisby.

Ordr to the Whereas upon perusall of the Severall County Severall Court Leavys it is thereby found that Severall per-County Courts abt sons have taken upon them to demand and actually the publick Receive Tobacco Leavyed by the Justices of the s^d County Court, and the sd Justices to make allow- p. 402 ances to persons for sundry things contrary to Law, it is therefore considered by this Board and Ordered that no allowances (for the future) be made in the publick Leavys of the Counties where the Law does not expressly direct the same, unless it be for fixing the publick [Arms] and for the necessary charge of conveying them & or some allowance given towards maintenance of their poor &cca or to the persons or Officers tending upon the sd Courts according to fformer Whitehall Custome, but that the latter be in no respect allow'd unless the ffixing the publick Arms &cca as aforesd be taken care off; hereby Commanding the Sherriffs to publish this Ordr at their Severall County Courts.

Produced and Read a certain Representacon or complaint of the Bal. County Burgesses unto the house of Assembly (which was from thence referred unto his Exncy) relating to the Delaware Indians molesting their parts by hunting &cca setting forth that they were Aliens and therefore under no Articles of peace with this Governmt the sd Burgesses were sent for and asked their Opinion what Remedy they thought most suitable Whitehall in this behalfe, who after having given their Opinions and the sd matter being maturely Debated & Consulted it was Resolved and Ordered that a Copy of the sd paper be sent to the honrile William Markham Esq Lt Govern of Pensilvania, desireing him to cause the same to be communicated to the sd Indians and to know of them what they have to say in Excuse of what is Complain'd agt them; and Mr Boothby Signifying that he is shortly designed for Pensilvania is Ordered to Carry the Same, & to discourse Govern' Markham abt it; the sd Complaint followes in these words, Vizt

M' Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Bur-A Complaint abt Indians sent to Govr gesses.

Markham Complaint having been made to Us the Representatives for the County of Baltemore by the inhabitants thereof that the Delaware Indians a people as well Whitehall Aliens to Us in point of Trade as for that they were never yet Allied to Us by any League of ffriendship or Treaty Entered