

14. A Reviveing Bill.

Then came down the hon<sup>ble</sup> Thomas Tench and James Frisby Esq. and bring down the following Messages and proposalls viz<sup>t</sup>

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By his Ex<sup>cy</sup> the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Council in Assembly  
March 31<sup>st</sup> 1698.

The Message of the house of yesterdays date wherein it is intimated you made full and sufficient answers in relation to the Indian Affaire.

This Board do say that they have inspected and again pussed the Severall Messages, answers and Resolves sent to and rec<sup>d</sup> from the house Concerning the Same as also the Reporte of the Comittee and diverse other papers respecting that matter, whereby they not onely find you have omitted the answering two of the most material points reported by the said Comittee Viz<sup>t</sup>:

Whether the proceedings of his Ex<sup>cy</sup> and his Matys hon<sup>ble</sup> Council with a comittee appointed in October last ab<sup>t</sup> the Indians are approved of or not. And whether the answer of his Ex<sup>cy</sup> S<sup>r</sup> Edmond Andros his Matys Lieu<sup>t</sup> and Gov<sup>r</sup> gen<sup>ll</sup> of Virginia &c. and his Matys hon<sup>ble</sup> Council there herewith returned you concerning the same is well or ill) but also do observe that tho: the house hold the Piscattaway Indians to be a weak inconsiderable enemy, yett the Justices and the Grand Jury of prince Georges County and the Frontier Inhabitans upon Potomack do not reckon them so, as by the papers herewith sent may appear) however it is considered if they should comitte any murder or acts of hostility in this his Matys province (which God forbid) his Ex<sup>cy</sup> dos think that some of you that are of that opinion will be the properest persons to accompany him when please God he goes against the piscattaway Indians. But he wishes he had the same Religion to dismiss the Rangers upon potomack as he has those in Baltemore County, and doth not in the least question that if the Piscattoway Indians were resident in this Government he should by the same divine and humane assistance reduce them to the same condesending peaceable and quiett condition of the Indians on the Easterne Shoar.

And he thinks when his comands are in his Matys name and not contrary to Law all persons within his Matys province ought to pay due obedience thereunto. And as for your desire of putting a speedy end to this Sessions of Assembly you might have answered the purpose of the writt for which you were called and what other matters have been proposed