Original There is not a direct answer given to that Quere about the Journal. Susquahannah Indians reminding the house of an ord^r of the last assembly. Where some Gentlemen were appointed to go and treat wth those Indians but remaining still undone:

His Ex^{cy} is pleased to say that if this assembly does not thinke fitt to Confirme that ord^r he will proceed no further

in it

Armes (now coming in) shall be disposed of

A Representation of the honble Sr Thoms Lawrence is herewth

likewise sent.

March the 31th 1697

His Maj^{tyes} Secretary of this province doth Rep^rsent to the hon^{ble} the Speaker & to this house of Delegates that in the Assembly held att Annapolis in Sep^t 1696 among oth^r Matters Reported by him to the house of Delegates in the Memorialls then laid before them Conteining an acco^t of all business he had Solicited for the Country dureing his Stay in Engl^d anno 1695 there is an Article relateing to John Povey Esq^r declareing that he would give in no p^rticular of ffees due to the plantation office, for presenting severall addresses and oth^r business transacted by the hon^{ble} William Blathwayt Esq^r and by himselfe before the King in Councill and the R^t hon^{ble} the Lords of the Comittee for Trade & plantations, for the Service of this province but left this matt^r wholly to the Consid^ration of the Assembly who did then do nothing in itt.

The particular affair is therefor offerred by the Secretary to the further Consid^ration of this house which is desired to give some answer unto it.

Thomas Laurence

The Indian matter is againe taken into serious consid^ration and the Severall papers sent to & rec^d from the house concerning the Same, as also the Comittees Report and Severall other papers relateing to that affair, his Ex^{cy} is pleased to demand of the board w^{tt} is fitt and propper to be done seeing the house has Left severall points agreed to by the afore mentioned.

The ffollowing Mess: sent to the house by his Ex^{cy} the Gov^r and Councill in assembly march the 31th 1698.

The message of the house of Yesterdays date wherein tis Intimated you have made full & Sufficient answers in relation to the Indian affaire; this boarde do say that they have inspected & againe prused the Severall Messages Answers & Resolves sent to and Rec^d from the house concerning the same, as also the reporte of the Comittee and divers other