

papers respecting that Matter, Whereby they not only find you have omitted answering two of the most Material points in the Committee Viz<sup>t</sup> wheth<sup>r</sup> the proceedings of his Ex<sup>cy</sup> and his Maj<sup>tyes</sup> hon<sup>ble</sup> Councill w<sup>th</sup> a Committee appointed in Octob<sup>r</sup> Last ab<sup>t</sup> the s<sup>d</sup> Indians are approved of, or not, and whether the answers of his Ex<sup>cy</sup> S<sup>r</sup> Edmond Andross his Maj<sup>tyes</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>ll</sup> of Virginia &c: and his Maj<sup>tyes</sup> hon<sup>ble</sup> Councill there, herew<sup>th</sup> returned you, concerning the same, is well or ill but also do observe that the house held the Piscattaway Indians to be a weak Inconsid<sup>r</sup>able Enemye yet the Justices & Grand Jury of Prince Georges County and the ffrontier Inhabittans upon potomeck do not Recon them so (as by the papers herew<sup>th</sup> sent may appear) howev<sup>r</sup> it is Considered that if they should Comitt any Murd<sup>r</sup> or acts of Hostility in this his Maj<sup>tyes</sup> province, w<sup>ch</sup> god forbid his Ex<sup>cy</sup> does think that some of you that are of that openion will be the properrest persons to accompany him when he goes ag<sup>t</sup> the Piscattaway Indians, and he thinks when his Comands are in his Maj<sup>tyes</sup> name and not Contrary to Law all psons w<sup>th</sup> in this his Maj<sup>tyes</sup> province ought to pay due obedience thereunto. And as for yo<sup>r</sup> desire of putting speedy End to this Sessions of Assembly; You might have answered the purpose of the Writt for w<sup>ch</sup> you were called and w<sup>it</sup> other Matt<sup>rs</sup> have been proposed to you by his Ex<sup>cy</sup> & his Maj<sup>tyes</sup> hon<sup>ble</sup> Councill Ten dayes ago.

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Signed p ord<sup>r</sup> H Denton Cl. Council.

As for the Act for the Leavy his Ex<sup>cy</sup> can do nothing therein untill he has had the pusall of the Journall of the Committee of Acc<sup>ts</sup> and then he will appoint some of his Maj<sup>tyes</sup> hon<sup>ble</sup> Councill, the above answer &c. was sent by Tho Tench & James Frisby Esq<sup>rs</sup>

Brought from the house of Delegates by M<sup>r</sup> Harris and other Memb<sup>rs</sup> the following answer in relation to the last Message sent ab<sup>t</sup> the Indians Viz<sup>t</sup>

The said Messengers brought also the following Bills fairly Engrossed Viz<sup>t</sup>

By the house of Delegates March the 31<sup>st</sup> 1698.

In answer to the Message this day sent ab<sup>t</sup> the Indians this house have already voted and Resolved that their answers already given are Sufficient and are Resolved they will not recede from their former votes or take the said Matt<sup>r</sup> into further consid<sup>r</sup>ation therefor humbly pray we may be no longer detained upon that acc<sup>tt</sup>

Signed p ord<sup>r</sup>  
W Bladen Cl. Dom. Del.