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Lib. H. D. his Majesties Lawyers be consulted to give their Opinion whether the said Cood could legally invest any person with such power after such flight, and th' they make report accordingly unto his Ex^{ncy} with all convenient speed.

Signed p Ordr Henr Denton Cl Concil.

At a Council met and held at the Port of Annapolis the 19th day of November in the 9th Year of the Reign of our Sovereigne Lord King William the third & Annoq Dom 1697.

Present

His Exncy ffrancis Nicholson Esqr Capt Gen !! &ca

The Honoble

S' Thomas Laurence Baron^{tt} Sec^{ry} Coll^o Henry Iowles
Thomas Tench Esq^r

Produced & read a Letter & Iournall of the Honoble Thoms Tench Esq^r and Major Will^m Dent (who were sent by his Ex^{ncy} and his Maj^{tes} Honoble Councill of this Province unto his Ex^{ncy} Sr Edmund Andros his Maj^{tes} Govern of Virginia about the Piscattoway Indians as follows Viz^t

Nanjemy Charles County Novem^r 16th 1697.

May it please yor Exncy

Inclosed is an account of our Negotiations in Virginia & the Result of his Ex^{ncy} and Councill upon the matters pro-

posed by us.

We also send yor Exney an account that Cap' Ino Withers relates to us that the Piscattoway Indians say there is five Susquehanno's yet remaining of the Nation formerly seated neer the Eastern branch of Potomock and are now among them Indians at the head of the Bay with Esq' Tom that either by themselves or those they hyre are the authors of all these Murthers of ours; their names are underwritten. He sayes also that he perceives the Piscattowayes are in great doubt of yor Exney & Government being angry we'th them and imputing the Murther to them & would be glad to know the contrary.

He says the two Nations of Sennecoes above our frontiers