

April 30th 1700

P. R. O.

The house mett as yesterday and M^r Walter Cambell appeared and tooke his place

Then was read over what was done yesterday

A Proposall by a member of this house relateing to the Repeale of the Act of Religion

Resolved that the same be Revised And thereupon Capt Richard hill M^r Edward Loyd M^r W^m Hutchison M^r Richard Tilghman Maj^r W^m Whittington M^r Thomas Ennalls be orderd and appointed a Comittee for Laws &c^a and Comanded by the house to revise the Act for Religion and to draw a new bill to offer to this house with full power given them to command what books and Assistance to attend them as shalbe needfull

Resolved that Maj^r Thomas Smith Coll^l John Tompson and Capt Phillip Hoskins be and are appointed A Committee for Inspecting and Stateing the Publick Accounts

The hono^{ble} James frisby and Coll^l Hammond enters the house and delivers to the Speaker the following message with the Artickles of peace with the Indians for the pusall of this house viz^t

By the Gov^r and Council in Assembly

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Gent herewith is sent you an Acco^t of the late Treaty with the Indians by which they seem to desire the freindshipp of the English and returne to the land they went from

Upon this subject you are desired to consider

1st Whether it be not proper to renew the former Ord^{nance} fo. 14 for decideing any Petty Quarrells between the Indians and adjacent English by Appointeing two Juditious persons neare them for that purpose being what his Ex^{cy} hath promised them

2^{dly} Whether it be not Proper to continue those Rangers on the Frontiers after the Indians Shall Come in and Settle or not, and if Continued what number; and here we must informe you that his Ex^{cy} hath thought fitt this last winter to lessen the number from Twenty to Tenn w^{ch} has saved the Countrey a Considerable charge and Expence

3^{dly} If the Indians doe returne and Settle as before whether it may not be adviseable to cause that new built fort to be demoleished for prevention either of these or any other Indians resetling the same and that you will concert the method of doeing and bearing the charge thereof.

4^{ly} In regard those Indians are not yett Actually come in whether it be not Adviseable to constitute a standeing Com-