

P. R. O. turned to the next Sessions of Assembly to the end that such bounds may by Act of Assembly be ascertained to the said Indians and their Success<sup>rs</sup> for Evere and that if the said Indians before next Sessions of Assembly shall returne and inhabitt upon the said land quietly and peaceably as formerly then all Plantacōns within there bounds shalbe left and abandoned to them

And all Sherriffs and other Officers are hereby commanded to be aiding and assisting to the said Maj<sup>r</sup> Smallwood and his Associates

To all other things contained in the said Message this house doth assent.

May 9<sup>th</sup> 1700

Read and Assented to by  
the house of Dellegates

W<sup>m</sup> Taylard Clk house of Dellegates

Ordinance relateing to a gratuity to his Ex<sup>cy</sup> the Gov<sup>r</sup> being prepared was read as follows

By the house of Dellegates

May 9 1700

Whereas it was proposed by the committee of Acco<sup>ts</sup> that Since his Ex<sup>cy</sup> hath been favourably pleased to disband discharge and take of sum of the Rangers from the Garrison or forte, the charge of which would have mounted to by Modest Computation 500 pounds Sterl<sup>g</sup> & for other Speciall Services as in lessening many former charges being very Sencible his Ex<sup>cy</sup> hath not since the last Assembly subjected as to any unnecessary charge and comeing into this Province in a time of  
fo. 57 very great Scarscity was put to a very great difficulty and Yett never reflected on the Province

The said Committee did therefore make this proposall that a gratuity of Two hundred pounds Sterling be given to his Maj<sup>ty</sup> for the use of his Ex<sup>cy</sup> at laying the Leavy if the house please to concurr therewith

To which this house readily concurred

Signed p Order

W Taylard Clk  
house of Dellegates

Then was read the Ordinance relateing to the Choptanck Indians as followeth viz<sup>t</sup>

By the house of Dellegates

May 9<sup>th</sup> 1700

Whereas the bounds of the land formerly granted unto Ababsco hardswamp and Pilkwaton the Choptanck Indians