

advice of the Board resolved that in Regard it is not known Lib. X.  
when M<sup>r</sup> Randolph may arrive that the said Commission be  
sent up to be put in Execution least her Majestys Service  
be prejudiced

Ordered that what Ships can be got ready by the tenth  
of 9 ber they be permitted to sail

At a Council held at Annapolis

October 14<sup>th</sup> 1702

Present

The honble President

the Honble { Robert Smith Esq<sup>r</sup> L<sup>t</sup> Col<sup>o</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Holland }  
Col<sup>o</sup> Jn<sup>o</sup> Hammond &  
James Sanders Esq<sup>r</sup> }

Then was read M<sup>r</sup> John Dowdall Clarke of Cæcil Countys  
Letter to his Honour the President dated the 11<sup>th</sup> Of Sep- p. 297  
tember acquainting his Honour that Divers of the Inhabit-  
ants on Elk River had informed Cæcil County Court that  
there was come to Conestego some Indians that have brought  
Valuable Apparell belonging to men & women Christians  
but murdered none.

His Honour acquaints the Board that, supposing some  
Robberys might have been committed in this Province he had  
discoursed M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Brook of Prince Georges County  
thereabout & made Great inquiry but could not hear of any  
Robbery there whereupon he had wrote to Colonel Nicholson  
her Majestys Governor of Virginia giving him an Account  
thereof if perchance any such Robbery had been committed  
in that Government

This matter being thought worthy of further Enquiry,  
Ordered that M<sup>r</sup> John Hall and M<sup>r</sup> Mathias Vanderhayden  
as Commissioners and John Hans Tillman as Interpreter go  
to the said Indians at Conestogo & inquire into this Report,  
and if they find any such Goods that they secure them &  
enquire what Indians brought them & if under their Govern-  
ment that they see them forth coming

At a Council held at Annapolis the 12<sup>th</sup> of November 1702  
in the first year of her Maj<sup>ty</sup>s Reign

Present

His Honour the President

the honble { Colonel John Hammond }  
Lieu<sup>t</sup> Col<sup>o</sup> William Holland }  
M<sup>r</sup> James Sanders }