

Lib. C. B. Consent I may put the reasons of my Meeting of you now into the Severall under written distinct Questions. Which I doubt not you will Answer with as much as candour as her Majestys hon^{ble} Councill allways ought to do, to an honest well meaning Governour viz^t

1st In relation to the Matter of the Indians. The whole proceedings whereof Since our Recess shall be laid before you; Next whether in this time of Danger the Rangers ought to be withdrawne or Put under the Conduct of a more knowing person than L^t Charles Beale not having done his duty with any Sort of Discipline or Sence in relation to the Apprehending or Secureing Richard Clarke.

p. 30 Next I Desire your Sentiments about a Letter or Letters Sent to Severall in this Province by M^r Tobias Bowles of Deale.

4 Whether it may not be proper to have the Assembly meete and do Business the Sixth of May next that proper Methods may be digested how to deale with the refractory insolent Indians

5 What you thinke fit to be done to that Sherriff or his Deputy who so carelessly lett the Indian Prisoner Escape to the loss & Detriment of the whole Province, beyond what Wee cann Yett Iudge.

6. Whether the Strumbulo one of her Majestys ffrigotts of 32 Gunns may be Deemed a Ship of Sufficient Countenance to be a Convoy (within the Intent of her Majestys Royall Instructions) to the present Shipping in this Province, or that they be embargoed untill a better convoy from England.

And then laid before the Boarde what he had done in Relation to the Murther lately Comitted by the Indians and placed the Rangers out for Defence of the Frontiers. Colonell Beals Journall of his Expedition to the Piscattaway Indians together with what his Excellency had been Informed in Charles County and also L^t Charles Beals Letter to his ffather about Richard Clarke

p. 31 Colonell Ennalls gives account that upon Receipt of his Excellencys Letter he went to an Indian the Cheife of the Choptanks and askt the Nanticoke Indians why they did not come and renew their treatys with his Excellency the Governour Who Answered that they were abroad hunting but within a months time they would come and pay their respects to his Excellency & Renew their Treatys. He acquainted them how Injuriously the Piscattaways had dealt with us for which they seemed to be much Concerned.

Resolved the Councill Sitt to morrow morning