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By the Council in Assembly
November the 11th 1712

On Consideration of your Message this day by M^r James Lloyd and five others relating to the Bill by us proposed for restraining the Inhabitants of this Province from Selling any Quantities of Strong liquors to the Indians and to prevent the spreading false news & rumours and fomenting Jealousies between them and her Majesty's Subjects of this Province We concur with your House and have agreed to the amendments of the first part thereof

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And as to the second part of the said Bill We had reason to believe the Gentlemen members of your House representing Dorchester & Somerset Countys had not been wanting to inform you what had lately happened in their Countys relating to the Nanticoke Indians and what wicked and pernicious (tho groundless) Storys were raised upon that occasion by ill designed Persons to create a misunderstanding between us and the Indians

Wherefore seeing the false rumours and reports designed to be punished are solely circumscribed to those tending to create Differences between the Indians and us we cannot apprehend any evil Consequences but good Effects therefrom

If you think the penalty too great for the Offence you may apportion it suitable to the offence As to the Clause you propose to inhibit her Majesty's Subjects from trusting the Indians or taking any pawn from them We readily agree to it

Signed William Bladen Cl Coun.

The af^d Message sent to the House with the Bill therein mentioned by Col Whittington Col Greenberry and Cap^t Dorsey

M^r Garret and nine other Delegates bring up a Bill for relieving the Inhabitants of this Province from some Aggrievances &c

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A Bill restraining the ill practices of Sherriffs in executing Writts of Fieri facias &c

A Bill for Settling Baltimore County Court House at Joppa

A Supplementary Bill to the Act for Stay of Executions

A Bill restraining Ordinary Keepers

A Bill prohibiting the Exportation of Hides and old Iron

All which said Bills being read in the House of Delegates the first and second times were read at this Board and En-dorsed will pass with the Amendments and sent to the House by M^r Young M^r Hall and Col Addison