

L. H. J. by the Lieutenant Generall Willed and Required that no Inhabitants of this Province should take up nor Seat any Lands Tho' formerly taken up within three Miles at least of those Indian Habitations, as in Lib. H. H. page 190.

The Disturbance and Encroachments of the English upon the Town Lands and Settlements of the Eastern Shore Indians, was likewise found of Mischievous Consequence, and therefore Restrained in Severall places in Somersett County and at Chicowan in Dorchester County by a proclamation of the Lord Prop^{ty} Anno 1678, Importing that his Lordship would advise with the two Houses at the Next Gen^l Sessions of Assembly and that no person or persons whatsoever should presume to Seat live or Inhabit within three Miles of the Indian Lands. The like had been ordered in Councell Ten Years before in Relation to the Indian Lands at Mattawoman and Piscattoway Creek where a Reserve had been made for them between those two Creeks. This Committee further Observes that the prohibition of Surveying and Seating Lands within three Miles distance of any Indian Town was the Constant practice of this Government both before and after the Survey of the two tracts of Land Mentioned in Cap^t Riders Case and altho not Specifically apply'd to the Nanticoake Indians and the Subjects of that Emperor as in Lib: R: R: page 165 untill the Year 1678 and after the time of taking the said two tracts of Land, Yet the Circumstances being the same, their Case doth very Naturally fall within the Reason of those Earliest prohibitions and puts the Surveying of all Indian Lands under the same Restrictions and Limitations, that is at the perill of the taker up, for Notwithstanding that we Cannot find any particular tract of Land Laid out to the Use of those Nanticoak Indians, Yet it appears plainly by Articles of Peace with the Emperor that a Generall Reserve or Allotment had been granted them at Chicowan Creek and the parts adjacent Ten Years before for it is the second Article in the Treatie of Peace Concluded
p. 69 with those Indians upon May the 1st 1668, In Lib: H. H. fol 296 that Unnacokasimmon Emperor of Nanticoak should deliver up the whole Nation of the Wicomises, at Siccacoan Town and all those Indians who protected the Murtherers of Cap^t Odbur. This Wicomises Town appears to have been tributary to the Nanticoke Emperor, who either lived at the same place in a Distinct Town, as usuall Amongst those People or in the parts adjacent therunto, for in the same Year Either by the Assistance or Connivance of the said Emperor the Canton of the Wicomiss Nation was wholly Exterpated after which time it is very Reasonable to believe that Unnakocasimmon with his Subjects and Confederate In-