

always to be. On: they cause to come before you such and so many
hon:st and lawfull men of this Province by whom the truth of
the matter may the better be known and Enquired after. In testimony
whereof We have caused this our Letter to be made & Patented
Witness Our self at our City of St. Martin the Twentieth Day of
June in the Sixth year of our Dominion over our Province of
Almogz Domini On: Thousand Six hundred Eighty One.

At the same time the Council did Declare and it was the Opinion
of this Board that if any Indian at any time present themselves
to any English Plantation or appeared in the woods painted they are
(according to the Article made with the Pascatoways in 1666) to be
Deemed as a Common Enemy; and also if they appear
unpainted with Armes and shall upon demand to lay Downe their
armes refuse so to Do: they are to be taken for Enemies & dealt
withall accordingly.

I should have mentioned the foregoing and should
have been more in 177: but being there omitted is
inserted as followeth

A Council held at St. Peter the Church there
June 17. 1681:

The Hon: the Lord Prop: in
Philip Calvert Esq: Chancellor
Wm. Calvert Esq: Secy

at which time produced by the L^{dy} and read to this Board the following
papers following viz

A Letter from Col: Wells viz

The 29th May 1681:

May it please your L^{dy}:
I have this Day recd: information from Jacob Young that there is
about two hundred Sinniquo Indians now upon their voiage down: to the
Pascatoway Indians, and that they have to their guide the King of the
Mattawomans, and intend by presents to endeavour to draw the Pascatoways
with them, but if they cannot to destroy them where they light of them,
also he informed me that the reason why the Sinniquos did not come to
treat with your L^{dy} as was desired is because they have recd: an
 affront from the Christians but where at present he does not understand
but supposes it to be on the Eastern Shore. Also humbly does conceive
this may be a fitt opportunity for your L^{dy} to treat with those Northern
Indians at the Pascatoway fort in Zachajah Swamp where they are
intended within a very short time, this Information he recd: from some
Delawar: Indians that spoke with them up Susquehanna River, the truth
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