

they fear for fear of the English, like a pair of Women, & do not know
whether they will or no, & desire to know whether the Murderers were
really known to be or not, & whether they are among the
Northern Indians.

2. When you know the Murderers you are to Demand them according
to our former Articles with them.

3. You are to let them know that we are informed that Divers of our
Neighbour Indians have sent them presents of Beavers, and with those presents
an Offer, Desiring them to take up the War against the English, and that
in pursuance of that they sent those Indians down to commit that murder
at Point Lookout. We desire to know what Indians our Neighbours
have sent them presents and an Offer, and which of their sorts have accepted
the presents and Offer, that we may know our friends from our foes.

4. That for your further Instructions we cannot Direct not knowing
what answer will be made, you knowing well what Articles we formerly
agreed on, and what injury we have received since those Articles, must be
left to your prudence and Discretion.

Signed by Order of the R. Hon: the Lords Prop: &
and Council

[Signature]

Answer to Indians Propositions

10th
11th
12th

We are well Satisfied with the Assurance they give us of their good
Intentions, and acknowledge their Kindness in restoring the Christians they
took in Virginia, and do assure them that for our parts we have a great
Inclination of good towards them as they have expressed for us. And
when their great men come down in the Spring we are willing that what
Susquehannock Prisoners shall then be left alive among us may be
Delivered up in confirmation of what shall then be concluded on between us.

3. The Piscataway Indians we have always, and do account both our
Friends and theirs according to our Articles, and know not the motives
of their coming down against them, for cannot positively answer their
third proposition till we may be better informed from them.

4. We shall as willingly join with them in such a War as
they themselves.

5. The Business of Trade requiring some Consideration we desire to
know what points at present, and how time to consider the offering Spring
at what time (they say) their great Men may be down.

6. Upon what ground (do they say) the Eastern shore Indians
would have a War?

7. True, some Guns were by us lent to the Piscataway Indians as
our friends to hunt with, not then knowing with war we were Satisfied
what reason they have to quarrel with them.

8. Accord.