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Lawfull for his Lordsp, or his heirs Lords & Prop^{es} of this Provinco, or his or their Lieut^g gen^l or Chief Govern^r of the Provinco for the time being, Lawfully authorized for granting of Lands within this Provinco, to grant the same or any part thereof, to any other person or persons who shall desire grants thereof, according to the conditions of Plantations then in force within this Provinco, or other warrant, or direction from his Lordsp, or his heirs, Lords & Prop^{es} of this Provinco for the time being, under his, or their hand, and Seals at arms.

And that for all other Mannors Lands & Plantations already taken up or sooted within this Provinco, not being to any Orphans under sixteen years of age, which shall happen to be deserted, or left uninhabited by such as shall then have, or may claim to have any right or title thereto, and his Lordsp or his heirs Lords and Prop^{es} of this Provinco, his or their Rents for the same due, not paid for three years together, It shall, in like manner, at any time after the expiration of the said three years, be Lawfull for his Lordsp, or his heirs, Lords and Prop^{es} of this Provinco or his or their then Lieut^g or Chief Govern^r thereof, being lawfully & authorized, as aforesaid, to grant the same, or any part thereof, to any other person or persons who shall desire grants thereof, according to the conditions of Plantations then in force within this Provinco, or other warrant or direction as aforesaid.

Apr. 1669

In act for the continuance of peace with, and protection of our Neighbours and confederate Indians in Choptank River.

It being most just that the Indians, the ancient Inhabitants of this Provinco, should have a convenient dwelling place in this their native Country, free from the onerousness & oppression of the English, and ^{in League with us, and for their friendship to us, are in danger to be destroyed by their} more especially such who are Neighbour Nations of Enemies. And whereas Abasco, Hatsanap, and Toquasino have of late given large testimony of their fidelity towards us, in dolivering up the murderers of Capt. John Doboy, for which they are in danger to be cut off & destroyed by the Wickomegob & their Confederats the Matukas Indians.

Be it Enacted by the Right hon^{ble} the Lord Prop^{ty}, by and with the advice and consent of the upper and Lower houses of this present gen^l Assembly, that all the Land lying and being on the South side of Choptank River, bounded westerly by the brooklets, now in the tenure or occupation of William Dorrington, and Easterly with the brooklets, falling into the said River of Choptank, commonly by the English called or known by the name of Secretary Swoles brooklets for length & from the said River three miles into the woods, shall be unto the said Abasco