

Ordered that Mr Lloyd go to the Lower House & desire them to meet as a Grand Committee in the Upper House touching the Business of the Susquehannough Indians which is now urgent upon us

At a Grand Committee of both Houses

It is Ordered that Mr Edward Lloyd & Mr John Bateman Esq^r Evans, Mr Thomas Manning, Mr John Brewer & Mr George Utye do draw up an Act empowering the Governour & Council in the Intervall between this Assembly & the next to raise what forces they in their discretion shall find necessary for the Assistance of the Susquehannough Indians against the Cinique or Playstone Indians that have lately killed some English in Patuxent River that they do raise by equal Assesment upon the Freemen of this Province & the charge of the War & that the said Committee do agree & ascertain the Wages & pay of the Soldiery in the Act & that they do meet by two of the Clock in the afternoon to draw up the Act

After the dissolution of the Grand Committee the House Sat again

Ordered that Mr Henry Coursey go down to the Lower house with the Act for the mint together with Mr Norwoods Petition & Account

The Upper House Adjourned until twelve of the Clock to morrow Morning

Wednesday the 24th of April Present all except Mr Coursey

Upon the Receipt of a Letter from the Lower House which upon some mistake was broke open which was sent to the Upper House

Ordered that it be remanded to the Lower House for their Consideration

Then was presented the Petition of Luke Gardiner

Upon the Petition of Luke Gardiner Capt. Lieutenant under the Command of William Evans which being read It was ordered that the said Petition be referred to the Lower House for their Consideration

The House Adjourned for an hour

The House met again Present as before

Then was read an Act for appointment of Officers which the House corrected & ordered it to be fair Written

Then was read an Act for Assistance to be sent to the Susquehannah Indians reported by Mr Edward Lloyd Chairman of the Committee & with some few amendments ordered that it be sent to the Lower house

It being first voted in the Upper house to pass Nemine Contradicente

Ordered that Mr Baker Brookes carry down to the Lower house the said Act for Assistance to the Susquehannahs

An Act for tryals at Law & ascertaining Costs of Suit was this day sent down to the Lower house, by Mr Clark as also an Act against scratching the marks out of Tobacco Sticks