

And Mr. Taylor carrying the Message accordingly -
Lower house 19th February 1674

It is the Opinion of this house that should the Susquehanna Indians be permitted to live among the Respective friend Indian Nations this Year it may be of Dangerous Consequence to the Province in General -

1^{stly} That their living among them may corrupt our Indians and mould them so to their own future Designs as it will inevitably prove prejudicial to this Province in General -

2^{dly}: This house hath reason to Suspect that the Designs of the Susquehanna in coming among the English and Claiming Protection may be out of Design - Purposely to Discover the Strength of the Province and the Advantages they may for the future take should they be evilly inclined which will be of very Dangerous Consequence should they be admitted to remain this Year among the Neighbour Indian Nations -

3^{dly}: We have reason further to Suspect that the Susquehanna & Seneca have private Correspondence together notwithstanding the seeming War - between them which may be of Dangerous Consequence to this Province should they be permitted among the Neighbour Indians

4^{thly} If they are Absolute Enemies to the Senecas yet it will so Exasperate ^{the Senecas} them for us to Entertain them that should a War this ensuing Year happen between the Senecas and them, the whole Province in General must of Necessity Suffer and therefore this house is of Opinion that it will be more safe that the Governor appoint them a Place above the falls of Potomack there being time enough if immediately Said hold on, to clear Ground enough to Plant Corn this year which is the only thing they seem to desire to live among the Neighbour Indians for -

Upper house -

The honourable Chancellor, Surveyor General, Mr. Chew, and Mr. Taylor Desired to give a Verball Answer from this house touching the Opinion of the Lower house and reasons thereof hereabove Sent to this house who go forth accordingly -

Lower house 19th February -

It was proposed to this ^{Assembly} Whether if the Susquehanna should refuse to Remove to such place as the Governor Pleaseth to appoint them at the head of Potomack, they shall be forced by War to remove or not; Voted that they shall go where the Governor pleaseth to appoint them or that they shall be forced by War

Upper house 19th -

Upon Consideration of the whole Matter by this house the Interpreter was Ordered to lett Harignera the great Man of the Susquehanna know, when he was at Mattapanie with the Governor that he should be contented if the English would lett him and the Susquehanna live at the falls of Potomack, that the Governor hath Moved to the Assembly that they should lett them to Live above the falls upon his Desire men members to the Governor, and that the Assembly were well intended in y^e shewing the falls but are not willing to lett them put out their own