

into this Province, or offer any Violence or Act of Hostility to the Inhabitants thereof  
Then his Lordship so soon and as often as to him shall seem meet do supply the  
Piscattaway and any other friend Indians with Arms Ammunition and Men in  
Order to their and Our Defence against the Northern Indians —

A That frequent Musters be continued in the several Counties within this  
Province, as likewise the Commissions and Instructions given the Military  
Officers for a Defensive War against the said Northern Indians, till return of Our  
Agents and longer if peace be not by them concluded with the said Northern Indians

That his Lordship give notice to the Piscattaway Wampanoag and Chontank  
Indians, and as many more of Our Neighbour Indians as his Lordship shall think  
fitt, of the going of Our Agents, That the Indians may likewise send some Agents, &  
see our Endeavours to make peace for them, and by whom the peace may be ratified  
and confirmed on their part. — and hereto desire the concurrence of the Upper  
House —

Signed J. Tho. Grinnin Clerk of the Lower house —

Adjourn for an hour to the Council —

Upper house again met present as before

Several Bills brought from the Lower house by M<sup>r</sup>. Clement Hill and  
William Richardson Viz<sup>t</sup>. —

A Bill for Naturalization of Jacob Lorton an Alien

A Bill for reviving of certain Laws which they say hath not been read  
in their house, but is first sent up to this house for their perusal —

They return to their house —

The Bill for Prohibiting unreasonable Fares of Wages &c. and the Amendments  
thereof drawn up by this house sent to the Lower house by his Honour the  
Secretary; The Secretary returns from the Lower house. —

The Bill explaining the Act for Port Duties and Masters of Ships again  
read and Debated in this house and the result of this house thereupon drawn  
up in Answer to the last Message from the Lower house touching the same  
as followeth Viz<sup>t</sup>. —

Upper house 9th May 1682.

The Act explaining an Act concerning Port Duties & this house have  
taken again into their Consideration and in reply to the last Message of the  
Lower house touching the same do say. —

That all Ships or Vessels built within this Province whose owners are  
all Inhabitants of this Province, or Ships or Vessels bought by and properly  
and wholly belonging to owners Inhabitants of this Province shall and  
such their Qualification be exempt and free from paying the Duties  
this house take only for Port Duties, and conceive will pay the Duties  
of that Act concerning Port Duties and Masters of Ships, and out of the  
fees for entering and clearing Ships and Vessels, by taking Bonds, giving  
of Certificates, and Certificates giving Licences of Trade and Dwelling, which  
the Acts of Parliament of England have imposed upon us and all other  
Governments within his Majesty's Dominions, this house do hereby