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in and had read to him the articles between him and the English the same Verbatim with the former, where with he and his great men declare themselves well satisfied and content give and receive their presents, the Articles mutually signed by the Governor and the said King and also committed to the Custody and keeping of the said Smallwood to the end and purpose aforesaid, They are given further to understand that for every Servant or Slave runaway that they shall take up, shall be paid them for their encouragement, a Match coat to be awarded or satisfied to them by the Magistrate before whom such runaway shall be carried and to be reimbursed by the Master or owner of such Servant or Slave, they approve of the same.

The King of Choptico and his Indians next appear and have read to them their Articles; the same with both the former with addition only of Eleventh Article before the Conclusion as follows Viz<sup>t</sup> —

11th It is required and the said King for himself and the Indians under him doth Covenant to make such reparation and Satisfaction to Coll Nehemiah Blackiston for an Injury by them lately done, as M<sup>r</sup> John Bean and M<sup>r</sup> William Blankenstein thereunto especially appointed; upon full hearing and Examination into the Matter shall award and adjudge. —

The said articles agreed to; the presents exchanged, and the Articles signed on both sides and committed into the Custody and keeping of Coll Blackiston for the Indians to have recourse to upon Occasion. —

Two of the Indians appearing with those of Choptico acquaint his Excellency that they with some others that formerly belonged to Patuxent to the number of ten Men; were desirous to come and live with and amongst the Choptico Indians if they may be permitted so to do; His Excellency gives consent thereunto for which they are thankfull —

They Complain that some English men encroach upon their Land at Choptico and do them much Spoil Coll Blackiston is desired to enquire thereinto, and to see that right and Justice be done them, as also Major Smallwood the like for the Piscattaway Indians who Complain of the same Grievances —

Adjourns till Monday Morning 10 of the Clock  
May the 16th 1692 Mett in the Council Chamber  
Present as on Saturday last

Stephen Sumter of Calvert County being charged by Coll Towles for offering abusive and affronting Language to him, and bound to answer the same this Assembly, having attended a long time upon charge prays a hearing pretending Ignorance of the Crime, but if he be guilty of any such thing declares himself sorry and Penitent for the same as by his Petition was sett forth; He is called and upon his Humble Submission craves pardon of his honour Coll Towles for his folly; which was by the said Towles granted off, the said Sumter is discharged from further Attendance at this time being advised and promising to be ware of committing the like again —

M<sup>r</sup> Boothby and Captain Whittington from the house came to acquaint this Board that the Committee appointed to inspect the Laws of the Province were now sent out, they desire that such of this honourable Board as are to join with them