

ever be observed, and to no purpose will it be to think to tye up any officer by such here after, and for all authority will become ridiculous and contemptible. In fine by this act of Lower House of Assembly it will have owned & actions of the said Truman (more than as they ought to have done) detested and abhorred them, and so tends the Government odious to all people that shall become acquainted with the proceedings. Signed by Order.

Richard Brightton clk: of the Assembly

Lower House June 2^d 1676.

This paper being Read in the Lower House and of Debate Recommened in this house touching the Said Bill of Attainder, and voted Nonne Contradicte that the Said May: Truman for his Crime does not deserve death in regard of Several Circumstances appeared at his Tryall doe estimate his Crime very much, as y^e Unanimous Consent of y^e Virginians and y^e Gen^t Infamy of y^e whole Field as well Marylanders as Virginians upon y^e Sight of y^e Christians & a Murtherer at Mt^g Floures, and them very Indians that were there killed being proved to be Murtherers both of them and several other Christians.

and in regard alsoe y^e it appears to this house y^e Said Crime was not Maliciously premeditated or out of any designe to prejudice the Province. But merely out of Ignorance and to prevent a mutiny of the whole Army as well Virginians as Marylanders.

Wherefore this house doest think fitt to Recede from their former vote.

Signed by Orders of the House

Robert Ridgely clk: of the Lower House
of Assembly.

The House is adjourned till to morrow Morning 10 alclock.

On Friday June y^e 2^d y^e House mett.

Present the Honorable: Chancellour, Secretary and Survey^r Gen^t
Col^l James Lister, Col^l Iesse Wharton, Col^l Thomas Tallow.
This house took into Consideracion of many benefits y^e have accid to this Province by the Continuale Rangeing of our Horsemen and therefore desire y^e Lower House to Consider y^e noe Neighbour Indian will attempt any thing to the prejudice of the people here untill they shall ha: removed their wives and Children out of y^e danger of our forces and y^e by our Soldiers Rangeing they will either be kept soe much in awe as not to dare to Remove or else our Soldiers will or may finde when and whether they doe remove and therfore voted y^e these three reasons together with the petition of the people inhabiting the ffieches of Petition River be transmitted to the Lower House and doe desire them to Concurr with this house in a vote to allow y^e Horse men y^e shall Range 5 Tobaces more per