

By the Council in Assembly Novemb^r 15th 1752.
 In consideration of your Message this Day by M^r James Lloyd and
 five others relating to the Bill by us proposed for restraining the
 Inhabitants of this Province from selling any quantity of strong
 liquors to the Indians and to prevent false rumours inciting dissen-
 sions between them and her Majesty's Subjects of this Province, we
 concur with your House and have agreed to the Amendments of the
 first part thereof, And as to the second part of the said Bill we had
 reason to believe the Gentle Members of your House representing Dorset
 and Somerset County had not been wanting to inform you what had
 lately happened in their Counties relating to the Nanticoke Indians
 and what wicked and pernicious though groundless stories were raised
 on that occasion by ill designing persons. to create a Misunderstanding
 between us and the Indians, wherefore seeing the false Rumours and
 reports designed to be punished are solely circumscribed to those tending
 to create differences between them and us we cannot apprehend any
 evil consequences but good effects therefrom if you think the penalty
 too great you may apportion it suitable to the offence — As to the
 Clause you propose to inhibit her Majesty's Subjects from trusting the
 Indians or taking any pawn from them we readily agree thereto

Signed Order W. Bladen C^o Council

Committee of Accounts enter the House and deliver M^r Speaker their Journal
 The Journal Read and Approved to by the House and sent up to the
 Honble Council for their Assent by M^r Leach and M^r Hill.

They returne and say they delivered the Journal
 Upon Reading and Debating the Message and Bill relating to the
 Indians — put to the Question whether the Bill pass as amended by
 the Council — it pass in the Negative — And Resolved that the first
 Paragraph be amended by leaving out the penalty of imprisonment
 and by making the fine five hundred pounds of Gold. and that if any
 person hear any news relating to any difference between the English
 and Indians or among the Indians themselves he shall inform the
 next Justice of Peace or the Commander in Chief of the Militia in
 the County thereof on Oath.

The House Adjourned for an hour Eodem Die.
 The House met again according to adjournment called over and all
 present as before.
 Resolved a Message be prepared and sent to the Council on the 20th
 of the House this Day relating to the Indians as follows th