

Original way of sending this Message to the said Indians will be by an
Journal. Indian considering that present circumstances of affaires unless
it be thought adviseable to communicate the said matter to
his Maty^s Gov^r of Virginia forthwith.

Which this Committee do humbly leave to the consideration
of his Ex^{cy} and his Maty^s hon^{ble} Councill and house of Dele-
gates in Assembly now Sitting but that if his Ex^{cy} Sr Edmond
Andros be sent to and consent in this affaire th^t then the
Message be sent by English.

Whereupon put to the Question in the house and resolved,
that the Message to be sent to the Indians, be sent by an
Indian.

3^{dly} It being represented by the Delegates from Baltemore
County that they are in no dread or apprehensions of fear
through Indians in those parts This comittee are of opinion
that the continuing of the Rangers in Baltemore County for
secureing those frontiers is needless and may be dismissed if
his Exc^v approves thereof.

The house concurr therewith Nemine Contradicente, that
the Rangers in Baltemore County be disbanded.

4. The Comittee find that the persons appointed to treat
with the Indians att the head of the Bay have made noe
returne in obedience to the order, so this comittee have not
to say further therein.

5. His hon^r Col: George Robotham the following acc^t of
the Choptank Indians Viz^t That they are more condesending,
peaceable and quiett then ever he knew them before, his hon^r
Col: Hutchins gives the same acc^t of the Indians in Dorchester
p. 171 County, and M^r Iohn Bozman gives likewise the same rela-
tion of the Indians in Somerset County.

6. The Comittee do unanimously conclude and agree that
it will be convenient and necessary that the Gen^t by act of
Assembly appointed for decideing differences betwixt the
English and Indians in Gen^l that now there being a Generall
peace throughout christendom they may have the same happi-
ness here if they will be neighbourly friendly and Quietly.

Resolved that the said Gent: do acquaint the Indians there-
with.

Then the house considering that they had sent the af^d
comittee out Especially to consult it were necessary to con-
tinue the Rangers or to strengthen the fronteir plantations
upon Potomack att New Scotland, by placing some of these
Rangrs among the Inhabitants att their Severall plantations
and for as much as by a reporte of the Comittee it does not
appear to this house that the same was thereby debated.

Resolved the following Message be sent to his Ex^{cy} and the
hon^{ble} the Councill Viz^t