

Lib. H. D. Sr I Recd yo<sup>r</sup> Ex<sup>ncys</sup> Letter of the 4<sup>th</sup> of June Instant Inti-  
P. 521 mating your transmitting Some proceedings of a Co<sup>m</sup>ittee for  
Indian Affairs, relateing to the Piscattoway and Accokick  
Indians, which I forthwith laid before the Council here, being  
then in Town; and upon due Considerac<sup>o</sup>n do not under-  
stand the meaning thereof; But if any miscarriage hath been  
by any Indians in this Governm<sup>t</sup> that it ought to have been  
f<sup>ir</sup>st Signified here for Orders therein, before any such  
proceedings I am

Yo<sup>r</sup> Ex<sup>ncys</sup>  
humble Servant  
E Andros

James Town the 12<sup>th</sup> of June 1697.

Govern<sup>r</sup> of Maryland.

Ordered that an Answer thereto be Writ which was done  
as followes, Viz<sup>t</sup>

Maryland Port of Annapolis, June 24<sup>th</sup> 1697.

S<sup>r</sup>

A Letter of your Ex<sup>ncys</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> of June instant I have  
Recd: and mine to you of the ffourth instant was as short and  
as intelligible as I could, so that it might not admit of a  
double meaning, as some have Endeavor'd theirs should do.

I must Confess that I have so little understanding that I  
don't pretend to teach or find others any. Those Gentl  
which were sent by our Assembly to the Piscattoway and  
Accokick Indians of this his Ma<sup>ty</sup>s Province of Maryland had  
Instructions to give yo<sup>r</sup> Ex<sup>ncy</sup> an Acco<sup>t</sup> of their Arrivall in yo<sup>r</sup>  
Governm<sup>t</sup> and of their Business, before they went to the s<sup>d</sup>  
Indians, as also when they Return'd, what they had done,  
which Instructions were from the House of Delegates, his  
Ma<sup>ty</sup>s hon<sup>rb</sup>le Council and

Yo<sup>r</sup> Ex<sup>ncys</sup>  
humble Servant  
ffr: Nicholson

Gov<sup>r</sup> of Virg<sup>a</sup>

Produced and Read a Letter by his Ex<sup>ncy</sup> recd from the  
hon<sup>rb</sup>le Coll: David Brown of Somerset County Dated the 15<sup>th</sup>  
Instant as also another from M<sup>r</sup> ffrancis Jenckins of the Same  
Date giving an Account of their sending therewith Severall  
Nav<sup>l</sup> Papers of Maj<sup>r</sup> Rob<sup>t</sup> King decd: in pursuance of a late  
Ord<sup>r</sup> of his Ex<sup>ncy</sup> to the s<sup>d</sup> End and purpose; which papers the  
s<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Jenckins (Son in Law to the s<sup>d</sup> Maj<sup>r</sup> King) writes were  
a great distance from his Mother in Laws House in Ord<sup>r</sup> for  
his s<sup>d</sup> ffathers Voyage for Annapolis to wait upon his Ex<sup>ncy</sup>  
had not Death put a Period to his days. The s<sup>d</sup> Papers were