

in executing the charge and Command aforesaid upon pain of Contempt as may be Justly Inflicted by the Law Martiall, Given under our Great Seal at S^t Maries this 23th June 1642 Liber F.

This our Comission to endure untill further Order to the Contrary. Given 23 June 1642.

Cecilius &c To our Trusty Councillor William Blount Esq p. 154
Greeting Whereas the Military band of our County of S^t Maries is at this time destitute of a Captain to take care & Charge of the Safety and defence thereof Especially in this present danger and fear of the Incursions of Some Indians our enemies, We relyeing much upon the Skill and Courage Doe hereby Constitute and authorise you to be the Captain of the Souldiery our Said County of S^t Maries to leavie Muster and train all or any English able to bear arms within O^r S^d County according to your disretion and to punish all Contemners and other offenders against the Law of discipline of war, according to the Said Law and discipline as near as you may, and to use all force and means you may for the resistance of the Enemy and Safety and defence of the Colony, and to doe all and every other thing which unto the Charge and Office of a Captain of an Army belongeth or have accustomed to belong, And We doe hereby require all the Inhabitants of the Said County and all other persons within the Same for the time being to be obedient unto you in all things that Shall concern the Execution of the power & Command hereby Comitted unto you upon Such pain of Contempt as may be Justly Inflicted by the Law Martiall, This our Comission to endure untill the return of our Dear brother Leonard Calvert into this Province, or untill furth^r Order to the Contrary Given 23 June 1642.

Orders proclaimed 23 June 1642 upon pain of death or other penalties, as by Severity of Martiall Law may be inflicted :

That noe Inhabitant or housekeeper entertain any Indian upon any colour of Licence, nor doe permitt to any Indian any Gunn powder and Shott.

That all housekeepers provide fixed gunn and Sufficent powder and Shott for each person able to bear arms.

Noe man to discharge 3 Gunns within the Space of $\frac{1}{4}$ hour p. 155
nor concurr to the dischargeing Soe many, except to give or Answer alarm.

Upon the hearing of an Alarum every housekeeper to answer and continue it Soe far as he may.

Noe man able to bear arms to goe to church or Chappell or any considerable distance from home without fixed gunn and 1 Charge at least of powder and Shott.