

vacat; p aliam; to
mark Phaypo, & Jo: Genalles } 22 These are to will you & withall to Liber P. R.
authorise you to take the comand of 8.
men & a shallopp & to presse to fill vp that number; & to
employ them in service at the Ile of Kent according to Instruc-
cōns. And to require the said p̄sons to obey you in all things
accordingly. that shall apperteine to that service

L. C.

vacant p. alias; to goe
vpon the west shore over agst Comins plant } Instruccōns.
& to land 4. & 1. to hollow at house, &
surprise some one & bring him away

1. you are wth all the speed you may to repaire wth yo^r com-
pany to the Ile of Kent & if wind & weather pmitt after you
are past Patuxent river to make over for the East side of the
Bay, & to keepe that side to popelirs Iland in such secrett
maner as you may to keep yo^r shallopp from being discernd at
Kent

2. at popelirs Iland to stay vntill night, discovering afore
hand if any vessell be riding against the Southerne pt of Kent,
& if there be any thereabouts or in any other part, to keepe out
of comand of all vessells, & to make for some plantaōn farther
vp the Iland where you shall have have reason to think it wilbe
fittest to putt a shore both for safety & intelligence & not to
goe on shore at Kent point or therabouts vntill you have had
informaōn, of the state of the Iland from some weaker plantaōn
as afore.

3. to enquire whether Capt Clayborne or any other have
made any disturbance of the peace or committed any outrage
vpon the Iland & to learne what force he did it with, & what
strength he is of there at sea or shore & what his intents further
be, & how long he meanes to stay

4. to deliver my lrē to C. Brent & bring an answere if you
may.

Commission (1^o January) to Capt will: Brainthwait Esq to be p. 183
Comander of Kent, wth all authority civill & martiall w^{ch} hereto-
fore to any Comander hath belonged; & in absence to depute
such p̄son as shall think fitt: & John wyatt, Rob^t Vaughan
gentt. John Abbott, williā Cox Commiss^{rs}

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January Proclamaōn to be published vpon Ile of Kent, to
prohibite trade till ship have beene at S. maries; &c And to
declare Capt william Clayborne Esq & Rich. Thomson planter,
to be enemies of the p̄vince, & to phibite all intelligence or
correspondence wth them or Agents at pill &c as p file.