

vpon I Desired him to knowe how Vttapoingassinem came to be King whether by Succession or Election? or by what other tytyle to which he answered by the Interpreter M^r Thomas Mathews setting forth the tytyle of their Kings in this manner vizt

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That long agoe there came a King from the Easterne Shoare who Comanded over all the Indians now inhabiting within the bounds of this Province (nameing every towne severally) and also over the Patowmecks and Sasquehannoughs, whome for that he Did as it were imbrace and cover them all they called Vttapoingassinem this man dyeing without issue made his brother Quokonassaum King after him, after whome Succeeded his other brothers, after whose death they tooke a Sisters Sonne, and soe from Brother to Brother, and for want of such to a Sisters Sonne the Governm^t descended for thirteene Generacōns without Interrupcōn vntill Kittamaquunds tyme who dyed without brother or Sister and apoynted his daughter to be Queene but that the Indians withstood itt as being Contrary to their Custome, wherevpon they chose Weghucasso for their King who was descended from one of Vttapoingassinem brothers (But which of them they knowe not) and Weghucasso at his death apoynted this other Vttapoingassinem to be King being descended from one of the first Kings this man they sayd was Jan Jan Wizous which in their language signifyes a true King. And would not suffer vs to call him Tawzin which is the Style they give to the sons of their Kings, who by their Custome are not to succede in Rule, but his Brothers, or the Sons of his Sisters

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After this they made knowne to me the danger they were in of the Janedoa Indians or Cinigos whoe are a potent nacōn and had lately killed five of their men and threatned their Forte for being freinds to vs and the Sasquehannoughs whoe are at warre with the said Janedoas or Cinigos wherefore they desired that for pay they might have foure English men to helpe them make their Forte, To which J replied that J would call the Councill and after advice with them J would come vp to Portoback and there send for them and Give them my Answere

Cæcilius absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Barron of Baltemore &c To our trusty and welbeloved Thomas Manning Gent. Vpon the speciall Confidence and truste wee repose in yo^r Wee doe hereby Constitute ordayne and appoynte yo^r to be our Attorney Generall all persons in all Causes as well Criminall as Civill to sue pursue prosecute and Implead and in our name all Suites against vs Comēced to answeere as fully and amply as any