

Cecilius absolute lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Barron of Baltemore &c To our trusty and welbeloved Capt. John Odber Greeting Knowe yee that wee Relying vpon yo^r fidellity circumspeccōn, courage and good Conduct doe hereby constitute ordaine and appoynte yo^w Captaine of fifty Souldiers raysed within this our Province of Maryland, them to haue vse and Comānd, with all the Provisions Uictuall and Amunicōn sett forth with them in this March to the Sasquesahannough Forte, to the resistance of all Ennemies declared and to be declared and Defence of the said Forte against all attempts from any enemy to the said Sasquesahannoughs or of this Province according to such Instruccōns as yo^w shall receive from us or our Leiuetenn^t Generall from tyme to tyme, them to vanquish and putt to death and all or any other thinges Acts or powers to vse doe and exercise concerning the said Expedicōn till the retourne of the Souldiers into this Province againe, as to the Captaine of an Army or Governo^r of a Forte by the lawe or vse of warre doth or may belong, Given vnder our lesser Seale of our said Province of Maryland this Eighteenth day of May 1661 Wittness our Deare brother Philip Calvert Esq^r our Leiuetennant of our said Province of Maryland. Liber H. H.

Instruccons Given by the Governor and Councell of the Province of Maryland to Captaine John Odber for the managem^t of the assistance given to the Sasquesahannough Indians according to Articles of a treaty begun with the said Indians 16th of May 1661

Yo^w are to choose some fitt place, either within or without the Forte which yo^w are to fortifye for yo^r owne Security and to demand the assistance of the Sasquesahannoughs to fetch tymber and other necessaryes for the fortificacōn according to Articles now concluded betweene vs, and further to cause some Spurr or flankers to be layd out for the Defence of the Indian Forte whome yo^w are upon all occasions to assist against the Assaults of their Ennemies,

2 Vpon yo^r arrivall at the Forte imediately presse them to appoynte some one or more of their greate men, to whome yo^w shall make yo^r applicacōns in all occasions, that is either of demanding assistance to helpe fortifye, or of provisions or upon any orders received from vs &c. p. 101

3 Procure that the certaine p^{rs}ons be appoynted whoe are to be Messengers Betweene yo^w and us according to Articles And be sure to aduize us of every accident of Importance, that shall befall yo^w or the Sasquesahannoughs, and of the proceedings of our affaires