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[Expedition to the Isle of Kent.]

By the Governo^r and Counsell this 12th of ffebr. 1637

The Gov^rno^r and Counsell taking into consideration the many pyracies insolencies mutinies & contempts of the govern^t of this Province formerly committed by divers of the inhabitants of the Ile of Kent, and that the warrants sent lately into the said Iland vnder the great seale of the province for apprehension of some malefactors and for to compell others to answeere their creditors in their lawfull suits of debt or accompt, were disobeyed and contemned, and the prisoners rescued out of the officers hands by open force and armes; and being now newly informed that divers of them to meinteine & protect themselves in their said vnlawfull and rebellious acts, did practise and conspire with the Sasquisahanoughes and other Indians against the inhabitants of this colony: Have thought it fitt that the Govern^r should saile in ps^on to the said Ile of Kent and take along with him a sufficient number of freemen well armed, and there by martiall law (if it shalbe necessary) reduce the inhabitants of the said Iland to their due obedience to the Lord Propriet^r, and by death (if need be) correct mutinous and seditious offenders who shall not (after proclamation made) submitt themselves to a due course of iustice. And for his better assistance herein it was thought fitt and so ordered that Captaine Thomas Cornwaleys Esq and one of the Counsell of this Province should goe along with the Governo^r, and be aiding and assisting to him to the vttermost of his power for the commaund of the forces according to such directions as he shall receive from the Governor, during this expedition

signed Leonard Calvert
Jerome Hawley
John Lewger

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[Appointment of Deputy Governor.]

To all people to whom these pnts shall come I Leonard Calvert Esq Lieutenant gräll of the Province of maryland, send healthe in o^r Lord God Everlasting whereas this pñt generall Assembly beganne on the 25th day of January last past, and by severall adiornments continued vntill the eighth day of this instant moneth of ffebruary, was then adiorned vntill the 26th of this instant moneth; now designing at this pñt to make an expedition in person vnto the Ile of Kent, and doubting lest some accident might hinder my returne to S^t maries afore the said day, whereby the Assembly would of