

Liber B.  
P. R. O.

sent down to St Maryes but positively demanded to have them delivered to themselves, Coll. Coursey was not capable of giving them any satisfactory answer insomuch th' wee are certainly informed they have sent 50. Indians to Baltemore County and there is reason to suspect for noe good intent and that every where of late they have appeared very insolent how this murther was comitted wee are not as yet particularly informed, but true enough it is that an Indian was killed by some English. It soe happens that the Secretaryes are in Virginia and noe other of the Deputyes here at present to give such orders as might be thought necessary herein. Wee think the exigence of the Case requires some speedy course to be taken Wee therefore have sent to the chief Officers of Baltemore, Cæcill, Kent, Talbot & Dorchester Countyes a precept of the same nature of what is inclosed to your self for the purpose therein mentioned Wee farther think necessary that some fitt person forthwith goe to the Emp<sup>r</sup> to know what tis he desires to be satisfied in and what he demands and when that is known to desire him to expect an answer from the Government which he shall speedily have as soon as they are acquainted with his Greivance and Wee cannot think any person soe capable to serve his Lords<sup>p</sup> herein as your self to whose prudent management wee comitt this business desireing you to inform yourself what possible you can concerning the premises before you goe to the Emp<sup>r</sup> and that you doe this with all expedition that soe wee may put ourselves in a posture for the defence of the Country And wee earnestly request you as soon as you have been with the Emp<sup>r</sup> forthwith to come to St Maryes to afford us your assistance in ordering the necessary or with all speed to send us an account of your proceedings herein and your opinion in what state you beleeve things to be, by which time we hope the Secretaryes or some other of the Deputyes will be here soe wee comend to you most heartily our respects and rest

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Your humble servants

St Maryes June 28<sup>th</sup> 1687.  
To the hon<sup>ble</sup> Coll. W<sup>m</sup> Stevens &c.

Henry Darnall  
Clement Hill

Letter from Coll:  
Lowe about Nant:  
Indians.

} Coll. Darnall likewise produced a letter he received from Coll. Lowe some what relating to the Indian affair which is as followes viz<sup>t</sup>

Coll. Darnall

The bearer hereof came to my house this morning being the 11<sup>th</sup> of this Instant July being prest by Maj<sup>r</sup> English they inform me that they hear that there was two families cut off in Baltemore County and that there were 800 in Armes in those parts but the certainty of it they cannot affirm on Thursday last