

Liber K. know what to do about it, but I have sent up and down for men again to go up to morrow morning, to go with what force J can raise, for without doubt they have besett Capt<sup>n</sup> Richardsons house this night, for he has no body but himself and One more with him for to make any Resistance, and that is small to stand such a wild Enemy, J desire You to write down to Col Greenberrys with what Expedition You can, for I desire You to give Notice to all the People up the River, for I do not know how soon the Indians may come down upon Us, J desire You to give Notice to all the Inhabitants of your side of the River, that they may be careful in keeping their Arms clean, for I have enough to do this night to send and go my self up and down to get Men and horse to go up to Captain Richardson as soon as J can, for J am in hast to write to You

John Thomas

give Notice to Johnson, Parker and John Carrington

Coll Greenberry

These are to acquaint You that on Monday last J arrived at my dwelling house where I met with Major John Thomas with a party of Men, and amongst them a Party in whom I might confide being a credible person who coming down the Bay met with the Party of Indians with their Wives and Children, which your Letter to me specifies, but they offered no Violence to him nor indeed to any other as J am informed where they have been, since Capt<sup>n</sup> Maxwell and a Party hath been with them and discoursed them, as You will hear of from him more at large; J doubt not but that a Rumour of another Nature is come to your Ears e'er this, the which I shall inform You of, and of the Occasion, and the Event at last (viz<sup>t</sup>) On Monday last my hands being at Work at a Plantation some distance from my house, at which time they heard several  
 p. 31 Guns Fired and heard some Piggs cry and looking somewhat narrowly espied some Indians, the Guns I heard my self but being at home my self alone, made my Arms ready expecting an Assault and my Gang of People came one after the other relating the aforesaid words, so that indeed I did take it for a reall Business insomuch that I immediately sent to Potapsicoe, an express to Major Thomas, which no sooner was done but the Indians came up to my House and seing me ready in Arms were more Frightned then we, and related the meaning of the Foregoing Rumour which was a Parcell of Delaware Indians was coming to my House, and by the way mett a Parcell of wild Turkeys at which they fired their Guns, and having had a Pig gave them which they tyed in a String, by