

Liber B.
P. R. O. that 10000 Seneca Indians were said to be inforting at the head of patuxen River and the like whereupon it was ordered by the Council Imediately to send a sufficient supply of Armes and Amunicōn to the said Coll Jowles with assurance of further supplies from time to time as occasion should require As by the enclosed Coppys of our Letters to the said Coll Jowles and Maj. Beale it doth and may appeare sayd Armes and Amunicōn being sent under the Conduct and care of his hon^r Coll Digges And by the Council it was also ordered that Coll Darnall should goe himself in person to the said Coll Jowles and rest of the people in Armes to justify himself which he accordingly did with that success that upon his arrivall at Coll Jowles where were gathered about a hundred men in Armes exercising to whome he gave such satisfacion that they all parted satisfied every man to his owne hōme for that it plainly appeareth they were abused there being no such thing as any Indians at the head of the River nor anywhere else but that all was quiet and well But such was the buisie spirits of some ill designeing men that when there was noe such thing as any Indians landed at the mouth of the Patuxen River then it was reported that 9000 were landed at the mouth of Patuxen River and 900 more landed at Choptico who it was said had killed severall of the Inhabitants nameing peticularly such and such all which appearing to be sham by the people who were sayd to be killed appearing in person to the people then in Armes as also that of the 9000 and 900 Indians appearing to be false by the assurance of all the neighbourhood hath given that generall satisfacōn to the people that blesse God wee are all well and in perfect peace and quiet there being noe other feares now Remaining But the Comeing over of some Virginians occasion new Disturbances which wee humbly desire may be speedily prevented by the care of the hon^{ble} the Governmt there and as to the calling home of the Indians wee shall take such Imediate Cource therein as wee doubt not will be satisfactory to that Governmt which with hearty service is what at present

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Honrd Sir
Y^r Hon^{rs} ever assured friends
and humble servts
W^m Ioseph
Nich Sewall
Clement Hill

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M^r Burr Harris being sent by the Court to examine the Indians of some discourse that was raised the Indians doth declare that the King of Piscattaway hath hired the Seneca