U. H. J. Estates of Purchasers Endorsed viz' Read and passed the first

Reading

An Act for Marking highways and making the heads of Rivers Creeks Branches or Swamps, passable for horse and foot thus Endorsed Viz' Read and passed first Reading.

Adjourn till to Morrow 10 a Clock.

May the 20th 1692 Met in the Council Chamber

His Excellency the Governor Coll Nehemiah Blackiston Coll David Brown
Coll George Robotham Captain John Courts The honble Coll George Robotham Mr Thomas Brooke Coll Charles Hutchins

Produced and Ordered to be read a Letter from Major Beale as follows Vizt

May the 19th 1692 Western Branch.

May it Please your Excellency

I have here sent you the news inclosed that came to me, I am Just now going up, and will be as Carefull as I can till further Order from your Honour and Council I do intend to keep out Ranging back of the Plantations till further Orders in hast I remain

Gen1 & Chief Governor in | Command whilst I am and over the Province of Maryland

To his Excellency the Cap^t) Your Excellencys Servant to Ninian Beale.

Major Ninian Beale

Honoured S^r This is to acquaint you that last night about 11 or 12 a Clock Came two men from M'Ousleys to Captain Addisons to give notice that about 3 a Clock in the afternoon Mr Ousleys negro Woman going betwixt the Lower and Upper house was almost killed by two Indians and hath two wounds in her head, and a peice of Skin the breadth of a Crown peice flead off her skull, and stabed under the right Breast, which wound is thought to be Mortall and Stabbed quite through one Arm, with several other small wounds, a Cooper being at a Little Distance heard her Cry out, who with another Man with him made towards her, which frighted them away and in a Little time after Mr Ousley being out, came home with his Ranging Party and Eleven Pisscataway Indians with him, who immediately went after them & found where they had Camped near to the house The Indians say they think by the footing there is ten of them. They pursued