

Lib. R. R. with amunition & if their case require itt, with men also And order the letter be directed to be left with the Chancelo^r (for my selfe & the Councell to consider thereon what further necessary to be done) where I shall cause the post daily to attend to bring me advice from thence. I have written Col. Coleborne Walker & Stevens to this effect, & that they stand upon their guard untill they heare further from myselfe & the Councell. For my part I am of opinion that Pocatap is the murtherer or the cause thereof & that no Susquahannah is there, but that Pocatap & his Accomplices are the authors thereof, but I hope its not a gen^l defeccōn of all the Indians, but only Pocataps party, which if so, we shall then be able to deale with him & his. I shall not write Col Calvert therefore doe hereby order him to cause his Cap^t Lieu^t to draw his men together & see their armes fixt, & to be att an houres warn-
 P. 143 ing, upon paine of death. And that he order Cap^t Cammell to doe the like, And I shall order his Major & Cap^t Gerrard to doe the same And I hereby order Col Brooke to cause his Officers of his regiment to doe the like And I shall send orders to Col Douglas to the same effect; for I thinke itt very convenient to be in a readines, & that we have men fixt if occasion require If you think any thing more att p^rsent (before we gett further intelligence from Som^rsett County) to be done ordered or advised, lett me heare from you p^r the S^t Maryes post whom I sent downe to the Chancelo^r this morning. Lett the person entrusted to be sent to Som^rsett County for intelligence be instructed to make a speedy returne, if there be any great danger. I shall not trouble you more att p^rsent, but leave you to consider & advise upon the p^rmisses, & expect yo^r Answers hereunto p^r the S^t Maryes post I am

To his Lord^{pps} privy Councill }
 for the Province of Maryland } Yo^r most humble Servant
 Gent^m
 Thomas Notley

I desire the Provinciall Court may not upon this intelligence be adjourned, but that as much busines as possibly can be done may be dispatched And if upon the next intelligence from Som^rsett County you finde any urgent occasion for my p^rsence with you, I shall upon the receipt thereof wait on you.

Idem Thomas Notley

I hope we shall heare further from Som^rsett County before the Court end And then we shall have a full Councell to debate matters if occasion require. After you have perused the inclosed Comission to Col Coleborne. I desire you to