

Lib. R. English and they haveing always been One (as they say) that they were Sensible and did then acknowledge the English had been their greatest ffrriends by whose aid and assistance and und<sup>r</sup> whose protection they had hitherto subsisted, that they very well knew they had many Enemies, and the English onely their ffrriends whom they could depend on, and if Once they should breake with them, they must certainly be most miserable expecting nothing but Death that as touching the murd<sup>r</sup> & the demand of the English thereupon they could at p<sup>r</sup>sent give noe positive answer as not being yett sensible who were the murderers, that they will make it their Business to find out the truth and make strict inquisition amongst all their young men endeavouring what in them lies to find out the murderers, that on Tuesday the 27<sup>th</sup> instant they will rend<sup>r</sup> an Acco<sup>t</sup> of their proceedings & give their further answer to what has been offered to them this day, w<sup>ch</sup> time being concluded on the Councill are ord<sup>d</sup> to meete again at the same place Tuesday the 27<sup>th</sup> August 1678 :

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August the 20<sup>th</sup> 1678:

P<sup>r</sup>sent as Before

Ordered that the men raised for the guard and Defence of Inhabitants at the head of Pottuxen River continue still in Service, and that the Anne Arrundel and Charles County Troopes be commanded forth to keepe rangeing & to scour the heads of the Rivers & other convenient places on the ffrontires of their respective Counties according to such ord<sup>rs</sup> and instructions as they shall receive from the Governo<sup>r</sup>

A Letter was accordingly sent from the Governo<sup>r</sup> to L<sup>t</sup> Coll. Thomas Tailler of Anne Arrundell County with ord<sup>rs</sup> to keepe his Troope rangeing upon the ffrontires and other convenient places of the County untill further Ord<sup>rs</sup>

And the following Precept sent to Cap: Randolph Brandt in Charles County viz.

By the Lievetenant Gen<sup>l</sup>

Thomas Notley Esq<sup>r</sup> L<sup>t</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> Chiefe Captain & chiefe Governo<sup>r</sup> of the Province of Maryland und<sup>r</sup> the R<sup>tt</sup> Hon<sup>ble</sup> Charles Lord and Prop<sup>ry</sup> of the same &c<sup>a</sup> to Cap<sup>t</sup> Randolph Brandt Capt<sup>a</sup> of a Troope of Horse in Charles County Greeteing.

Whereas there is a Barbarous murd<sup>r</sup> lately committed upon three English Inhabitants of this Province p<sup>r</sup> some Indians not yett fully discovered which my self and his L<sup>d</sup>ps Councill haveing taken into our serious consideration & consulted