

thereon have thought fitt (for the security and Defence of the Lib. R.
Inhabitants from any further attempts and assaults of Indians,
and for the better discovery of any fforreigne Indians which
the Pascattaway Our Neighbour Indians doe alleadge have
committed the said murd^r) that yo^r Troope be commanded
fforth to range the upper p^{ts} of yo^r County and towards the
Branches of Pottuxen River according to such Ord^{rs} and
instructions as you should from time to time receive from me
I doe therefore hereby will and require as also strictly charge
and command you Cap^t Randolph Brandt forthwith to sum-
mon yo^r Troope to meete at some convenient place in yo^r
County where you shall think fitt. Out of w^{ch} you are to
make choice of Twenty men to be well provided with Armes
Ammunition and provision sufficient for a weekes March with
whom you are to march directly to the Pascattaway ffort and
acquaint the Indians there that you are not come with any
Designe to hurt or annoy them, but are ord^ded forth with yo^r
men to keepe ranging for the security of yo^r County from
the assault of any fforreigne Indians, and to make what Dis-
covery you can of Our and their Enemies, w^{ch} when you have
endeavoured to pswade them, you are to goe forward towards
the Susquahannah ffort, and soe to range towards the
Branches of Pottuxen and in such other p^{ts} and places of yo^r
County as are more obnoxious to the attempts of Indians, and
most proper for discovery, and at the End of yo^r weeke you
are to returne home with the said p^{ty} of men and your Self or
Lieutenant againe to march out with a fresh p^{ty} of yo^r Troope
consisting of the like number of men and alike provided as
before, soe to continue ranging, One p^{ty} weekly releiving
another untill further Ord^{rs} from me or from my Self and his
L^{dpps}: Councill, and you are from time to time (when and as p. 40
often as occasion shall require) to rend^r me an Acco^t of yo^r
proceedings, and what Discovery you shall make. Whereof
faile not and for yo^r soe Doing this shall be yo^r sufficient War-
rant. Given at my house at Manahowicks Neck in Wiccoco-
mico River und^r my hand and Seale this Twentieth Day of
August in the third yeare of his L^{dpps}: Dominion over this
Province &c. Annoq Domini 1678:

A Lett^r was also sent from the Governo^r to Cap^t Ninion
Beale at the head of Pottuxen River requireing him to con-
tinue his ranging and follow those ord^{rs} formerly sent him
for the guarding those p^{ts} and care taken for the tending the
Crops of those that were employed in that Service, by the
following ord^r

Whereas (for the better satisfaction of those people that are
raised for the guard & Defence of the frontires at the head of