

Lib. R. Lordships Councell as inhabitt within their respective Counties, that (all Excuses sett apart) they also be and appeare at the Day and place aforesaid to the End and purpose aforesaid, And further whereas in June last Proclamation issued forth to the severall Sheriffes of this Province to give notice to the Inhabitants of laying the Publick leavy the first  
 p. 42 Tuesday in October next together with writts for the calling of One Delegate in each County for that purpose to appeare at the Citie of S<sup>t</sup> Maries at the said time. It is thought more proper that the same be Deferred to be laid by the Generall Assembly the said Twentieth Day of October next, I doe therefore by and with the advice and consent aforesaid hereby will and require each respective Sheriff within this Province to give notice to such Delegate in their County by writt soe called as aforesaid that they doe not come thither on the said first Tuesday in October as aforesaid according to the Teno<sup>r</sup> of their former writt but that they faile not with the rest of the said Delegates in each County to be and appeare at the said Citie of S<sup>t</sup> Maries the said Twentieth Day of October next. Given at the Citie of S<sup>t</sup> Maries und<sup>r</sup> the greate Seale of the said Province of Maryland the Twenty Eighth Day of August in the third yeare of the Dominion of the R<sup>tt</sup> Hon<sup>ble</sup> Charles &c<sup>a</sup> over this Province Annoq Domini 1678:

At a Councell held at the same Place the 29<sup>th</sup> Day of August Anno 1678:

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

Ordered that One half of those men raised for the guard of the head of Pottuxen River be forthwith Dismissed, and that the other half (to say 15 onely) continue still in Service to keepe rangeing or otherwise as Cap<sup>t</sup> Beale from time to time shall see convenient for his L<sup>d</sup><sup>pps</sup> Service and the Defence and Security of the Inhabitants.

Some of the greate men of Choptico haveing two Daies since informed the Governo<sup>r</sup> and Councell that the Indian Prisoner formerly delivered up by the Empero<sup>r</sup> of Nanticoke for haveing been guilty of the murder lately committed on David Williams & his ffamily in Somerset County, is now amongst the Rappahanock Indians in Virginia

It is Ordered, That Cap<sup>ta</sup> Gerrard Slye high Sheriff of S<sup>t</sup> Maries County (out of whose Custody the said Indian Prisoner was through negligence of his Keeper Escaped) take with him two Choptico Indians (of w<sup>ch</sup> their great men made a tender) and goe over into Virginia, and upon his arrivall there address himself to the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Coll: Nicholas Spencer or