

advice & consent aforesaid strictly charge & comānd all & singular his Lord<sup>pps</sup> Officers civill & military within this Province to take due Cognizance hereof & make strict Inquisition into & punctually observe the p<sup>r</sup>misses in & about their severall p<sup>r</sup>cincts & habitacōns making p<sup>r</sup>sent seizure of any Shipp or Vessell that shall take in & load Aboard any of the aforesaid Provisions with out leave & lycence first had & obtained as aforesaid All & singular the Offenders herein to be by the next Magistrate bound to their good behaviour giving good security for their appearance att the next Provinciall Court to answer such their contempt And to the end that no person whatsoever herein concerned may plead or pretend ignorance all Officers & others duely qualified to enter & cleer Shippes & other Vessells in this Province as well on behalfe of his Ma<sup>tie</sup> our Sovereigne Lord the King of great Britaine as on behalfe of his Lord<sup>pp</sup> the Lord Prop<sup>ry</sup> of this Province are hereby willed & required to Give notice hereof to all Merchants Or masters of Shippes or other Vessells upon the entring of such their Ships or Vessells. And whereas I am myselve in person att p<sup>r</sup>sent indisposed & cannot be att S<sup>t</sup> Maryes to signe this Proclamacōn I doe therefore by & with the advice & consent aforesaid hereby authorize Ordaine & Empower the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Philip Calvert Esq<sup>r</sup> Chancelour of this Province to signe the same which is to be of as full force & validitie as if signed p<sup>r</sup> my selfe. Given att the City of S<sup>t</sup> Maryes under the great Seale of this Province the fifth day of Septemb<sup>r</sup> in the third yeare of the Dominion of the right Hon<sup>ble</sup> Charles &c. over this Province Annoq<sup>u</sup> Domi 1678.

On Munday October the 7<sup>th</sup> 1678 the Governo<sup>r</sup> p<sup>r</sup> Lett<sup>r</sup> Did Desire the Advice of the Councell (then at S<sup>t</sup> Maries) for the settling of the militia in the severall ffrontire Counties for the Defence and Safeguard of the Inhabitants from the assaults and attempts of the Indians Dureing the sitting of the Assembly w<sup>ch</sup> was to be beginn October the 20<sup>th</sup> 78;

To w<sup>ch</sup> on Thursday the 10<sup>th</sup> instant he recd. the foll. Lett<sup>r</sup> of Advice p<sup>r</sup> the Post, viz.

Sir

We have recd: yo<sup>rs</sup> Dated yesterday together with the Lett<sup>r</sup> of Coll Thomas Tailler and the conference with the King of Mattawoman and Chotike, and Coll. Douglas his Lett<sup>r</sup> & yo<sup>r</sup> ord<sup>r</sup> thereupon relateing to Hugh french; We have taken the contents of the Lett<sup>r</sup> into Consideration and as to our Security against any attempts may be made by the Indians Dureing the time of the Assemblys Sitting We are of Opinion that the Common Rangers now und<sup>r</sup> pay in Charles County, Calvert County, Anne Arrundell County & Balte-