

Lib. R. barbarous murder Committed about the lower End of the  
 Towne in S<sup>t</sup> Maries County, some of which are said and  
 reputed to be Choptico Indians, And whereas his L<sup>SP</sup> by and  
 p. 180 with the advice and consent of his Councill hath appointed  
 Wednesday next the two and twentieth instant at nine of the  
 Clock in the morning the Day for their examination and  
 tryall at the City of S<sup>t</sup> Maries.

Ordered that Majo<sup>r</sup> William Boareman high Sheriff of S<sup>t</sup>  
 Maries County give notice thereof to the King of Choptico  
 desireing him with one other of his greate men to be present  
 at the proceedings, assuring them of a safe conduct thither  
 and back again, and in the meane time that he ord<sup>r</sup> all his  
 subjects to keepe the Towne and not stirr out to or neere any  
 English Plantation for that it may be prejudiciall and  
 altogether unsafe for them soe to doe untill such time as the  
 English may be better able to distinguish their friends from  
 their ffoes. It is also ordered that Majo<sup>r</sup> William Boareman  
 himself accompany the King of Choptico downe and give his  
 attendance at this board by the time and place aforesaid and  
 that he give notice to Vincent Mansell to doe accordingly

Signed p ord<sup>r</sup>

June 19<sup>th</sup> 1681:

p J Llewelin Cl Consil

By the Lord Prop<sup>ry</sup> and Councill

Maryland ss.

Whereas there hath lately been committed a Barbarous  
 murder on some of the Inhabitants of this Province in or  
 about the lower end of the towne in the County of S<sup>t</sup> Maries,  
 and whereas there are thereupon taken and in custody eight  
 Indian prisoners some of w<sup>ch</sup> are said & reputed to be neigh-  
 bouring Indians of the towne of Choptico whose examination  
 and tryall his L<sup>SP</sup> by and with the advice and Consent of his  
 Councill hath ordered and Determined to be at the City of  
 S<sup>t</sup> Maries on Wednesday next the two and twentieth Instant.

Ordered that Coll William Chandler high Sheriff of Charles  
 County upon sight hereof give Notice to the Pascattoway Mat-  
 tawoman and Nanjemaick Indians that upon noe pretence  
 whatsoever any of them presume to come to or neere any  
 English Plantation, but keepe their severall & respective  
 Townes or fforts for some time least the English (upon the  
 perpetration of the said late murder) thereby enraged and not  
 knowing how to distinguish their ffrinds from their foes  
 take them to be of the latter rank and Deale with them  
 accordingly

June 19<sup>th</sup> 1681:

Signed p ord<sup>r</sup>

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