

June 3^d 1681:

Lib. R.

Alice Davis saw 3 or 4 Indians creepeing up to William Keeds house and as soone as she see them she screeked out and they runn behind a Tree and William Keede came out with his Gunn but durst not goe to them haveing noe more powder and shott but what was in his Gunn

The first of June 1681:

John White see four Indians at Stephen Garys Plantation at Transquakin all painted and well armed, he went towards them and they went away
John White

Majo^r Thomas Taylor informes the board that according to his L^{spps} Order he had made all strict enquiry into the nature of the severall complaints daily made by the Inhabitants of Dorchester County grounded upon the feares and jealousies they apprehend from the Indians that in ord^r thereunto he had lately been at the Nanticoke ffort and spoken with the Emperour who had confidently assured him that none of his Indians had offered any insolency to the English that he had strictly commanded his Subjects that vsed the English plantations that they should upon their approch thereunto or upon their encountring any English man in the woods lay downe their armes and hold up their hands tyed with a white Cloth in token of peace and Amity, that if any Indians at any time did otherwise present themselves the English might freely fire at them and kill them by w^{ch} meanes they might come to discover what Indians they were p. 185

Whereupon issued the following ord^r of Councill and the two severall Commissions to Majo^r Taylor and Cap^t Henry Tripp viz

By the Lord Prop^{ty} and Councill

Maryland ss:

Forasmuch as severall Complaints have been made to his L^{spp}: the R^t hon^{ble} the Lord Prop^{ty} in Councill of severall insolencies committed and affronts given by severall Indians on the Eastern shore in Dorchester County who have appeared painted and in a warlike posture to the greate terror of the good People there, And whereas his L^{spp} Did thereupon ord^r Majo^r Thomas Taylor and Cap^t Henry Tripp of the County aforesaid to Enquire into the p^rmisses and if need were to address themselves to the Emperour of Nanticoke for Redress.

And whereas the said Empero^r and greate men thereupon did deny that any of his Indians had ever appeared in those parts painted or had ever affronted the English there and for