Safeguard and defence of your County by causeing all the Liber R. Inhabitants thereof under your Command, or otherwise liveing P- 331 upon the ffrontires of the County and in the road of the sd Indians to stand and be upon their guard and posture of defence, and in case of any assault or attempts made by any of the sd Northern Indians or others, you are then to observe and putt in execution your late Commission with such prudence, moderation and discretion as to you shall seeme most expedient for the preservation of the Inhabitants in their persons and Estates according to the Tenor of your instructions also lately given you, which upon all occasions therein proscribed you are to follow observe and obey, And for went this shall be your Sufficient warrant

Given at Mattapony Sewall the Twelfth day of July in the Seaventh yeare of our Dominion &c<sup>a</sup> Annoq Dmi One thousand Six hundred Eighty and Two.

To Coll George Wells Commandrin Chiefe under us of all our Militia of ffoote in Baltemore County.

These.

Idem mutat. mutand: issued to Coll W<sup>m</sup> Burges of ffoote & Coll Tho: Tailler of horse in Anne Arrundell County to Coll William Chandler of ffoote in Charles County & Coll Henry Jowles of ffoote in Calvert County.

A Letter Received from Coll Chandler (viz:)

May it Please yor Ldsp:

Last weeke about the beginning thereof came the King of Mattawoman and with him tenn or a dozen Indians to me, and told me they were not able to live in their fort at Nanjemy the Sinniquo Indians did soe Oppress them, and they being weeke were in Inevitable danger of being utterly destroyed by them in the End: he farther alledged to me that the Sinniquos come to English mens houses and the English gives them provision and Cloatheing; and that the English never takes any notice of them though the Enemy is almost every day upon them, but in fine the Conclusion of his discourse was this that except your L<sup>dspp</sup> would Assist them with about Tenn or a dozen English to be in the fort for the defence thereof they would certainly forsake the ffort every man of them, and either goe to Zachaja ffort or some where else (Intimateing as much as if they would Deliver themselves up to the Enemy) he would faine have had me to have sent the Post downe then, about that, but I perswaded him that when the Post went downe would be soone enough, and then