

They Desired a copy of the answer to their propositions we said we would give it them in writing when we met the next day, soe parted friendly. Wee went that night to Captⁿ Bartons. Liber R.

29th On Monday Morning we went to Zachaja house to receive the Sinniquos answer according to their promise; Captⁿ Brandt who had continued there all night acquainted us that there were a greate many Gunns shott in the night.

We sent to the Northern Indians ffort for their greate men to come to us according to their appointm^t the Messengers return'd & told us there were none in the ffort; Wee sent Jacob Young with some of the Troope, who returned and told us they had broke up their seige and gone and left behind notice, had carried away nine men, four weomen, and four girls, and killed one man

30th Wee Returned.

An Ordinance of the R^t hon^{ble} the Lord Prop^{ry} touching Assemblys, viz

Charles Absolute Lord and Prop^{ry} of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltemore &c^a To our two houses of Assembly and to all the ffreemen of our said Province of Maryland greeteing in our Lord God Everlasting. Whereas the late high & Mighty Prince Charles the ffirst of blessed memory constituteing our late ffather Cæcilius &c. of Noble Memory true Lord and Prop^{ry} of this Province of Maryland, amongst other Requisites to the Governm^t and Security of the people to be Governed, by his Lrēs Pattents gave unto our s^d ffather his heyres and Successo^{rs} Lords and Prop^{rys} free full and absolute power to ordeine, make, Enact, and under his and their Seale to publish any Lawes whatsoever of and with the advice and Assent of the ffreemen of the said Province or of their Delegates or Deputyes to be by him the said Lord Prop^{ry} or his heyres Assembled in such sort or forme as to him or them the said Lord Prop^{ry} and his heyres should seeme best, And fforasmuch as the forme of Assembling the said ffreemen their Delegates and Deputyes hath hitherto been altogether uncertain from the very beginning of the Seateing of this Province ffor the settleing therefore of the mindes of the ffreemen, and Establishing a certainty for the future wherein our peace may rest as upon a sure foundation, By the advice of our Council, Wee doe hereby publish ordeine and Declare that from and after the dissolution of this present generall Assembly whensoever Wee or our heyres and Successo^{rs} our or their Lievetenant for the time being shall think fitt to call an Assembly for the Establishing any Lawes or otherwise to consult of the arduous and urgent p. 248