

cutt off Wee want Ammunition exceedingly and have not Liber R.
wherewithall to furnish half our men. I hope your L^{spp} will
dispatch away Coll Burges with what Ammunition may be
thought Convenient I shall take all the care that lyeth in me,
but there comes daily and hourelly Complaints to me that I am
wholly Employed in the Countreys Service not else in haste
with my humble service
to Your L^{spp} Samuel Lane
Sep^r 13th 1681:

Which Lrēs being read and their contents duely considered
The Result issued in these following Commissions viz

Maryland Ss:

Whereas wee are certainly advised and informed of severall
Insolencies and attempts daily Offered to and made upon the
Inhabitants of this Province by the Northern Indians now
plundering and Murdering the said Inhabitants and especially
of a murder committed in your County of Anne Arrundell
upon One negro, and two English men greivously wounded,
one (in all probability) even to death, soe that (as the case now
stands) your presence is there required and absolutely neces-
sary for the Defence and Safeguard of your said County. Wee
Doe therefore hereby strictly charge and command you Coll
Thomas Tailler and Coll William Burges forthwith upon
sight hereof to repaire unto your severall and respective
charges in the s^d County of horse and ffoote takeing such due
care therein that the Inhabitants may be all upon their guard
and posture of Defence as to you shall seeme meete for their
preservation, and in case you shall discover or meete with the
Enemy, you are to use your best care skill and endeavour
according to the utmost of your strength and power to fight
kill take vanquish overcome follow pursue and Destroy them,
and in all respects to deale and treat with them as the com-
mon Enemy And for soe doing this shall be your Sufficient
power. Given under our hand and the lesser Seale of this
Province the fffteenth day of September in the Sixth yeare of
our Dominion &c. Annoq. Domini 1681: p. 257

Maryland ss:

Whereas Wee are credibly and certainly informed and
advised of severall Insolencies outrages and attempts daily
offered unto and made upon the Inhabitants of this Province
by the Northern Indians plundering robbing and murdering
the said Inhabitants as by their frequent Cryes and Com-
plaints in our Eares is sett forth; Wee doe therefore hereby
strictly charge and command you Coll George Wells of Balte-