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His Exncies Answer to I have the ffavour of yors of Yesterday with the Capt Masons inclosed Copy of the Accot of yor proceedings with the Indians Concerning the murder of the Woman & her Children, I am very Glad that you have got so many of the Indians that were Concern'd in the sd murder & hope in God that the Rogue Call'd by the Name of Esq Tom will be got too, and May Dent will send you a Coppy of my Proclamation concerning him and noe doubt his Exney yor Govern will grant yor so just & reasonable Petition for Trying the sd Indian in yor County I have given orders to the hon^{rble} Coll: John Addison & Capt Richard Brightwell Comander of our Rangers to hold a frequent & good correspondence with you w^{ch} is thought to be for his mats Service by him who is

I desire my humble Service to Mrs Mason and to all the Rest of our ffriends and acquaintance in you parts . . .

Yor Affectionate ffriend ffr: Nicholson

Hen: Moors abt an Indian called Esq

The Deposicon of Henry More of Charles p. 118 County Aged 33 years or thereabouts Saith.

That having lately been in the Company of an Indian com- The Indians monly call'd Esq Thom: in Severall discourses with the sd Esq Nangehozi-Tom he hath said to him that he the sd Esq Tom did veryly tan formerly believe the it was the Emperor of Piscattoway that did the belonging to Murder in Acquio on Wigentons wife & children and th^t on old man now purpose to Cause him and the Gang with him to be Appre-with the Mathended and Suspected for it & said that Severall Indians that Garrison he then Named to him would say as much or more to the Tom Pomunkey Indian same Effect.

Also he said that when the Empero' went from Maryland Montague a to the place where he is now seated Severall Seniquor Indians Indians living hard by that place coming to the Emper he proposed to them to Joyn with him and they would make a Warr on Maryland but not on Virga because he hoped to be Suplyed with powder &ca from thence but that the Seniquors Refused it.

He said also that before he came from the Emperor it was consulted and proposed among them that some proposed should be Murdered at Capt Masons or Capt Oasleys and that it should be Laid on the Mattawoman or Pomunkey Indians & by that they hoped that the English would drive them from