

Lib. H. D. among them & then that there should be Murder done about Choptico, w^{ch} should be laid on them Indians and by that means the English should drive them from among them and when that was done and those Indians from among the English and Joyn'd with the Indians then would be a fit time to make the warr or to that Effect.

These things or words to this Purpose this Depon^t did hear the s^d Indian Relate & discourse & further Saith not.

This discourse
was since the
murder done. . . Taken acknowledged Examin'd & Sworn to by
the s^d Henry More this 28th day of July 1697.
before me,

ffr Nicholson

By his Ex^{ncy} the Cap^t Gen^l A Proclamation

Proclamacōn
for the taking
of an Indian
called Esq
Tom &ca

p. 119 Whereas it is Rep^{esented} to me by the Copy of a Record of the Examination of certain Indians taken before his Ma^{ts} Officers both Civill & Military of Stafford County in Virginia that Certain Indians standing in Contempt and ag^t the Command of the Empero^r of Piscattoway to the Number of Eight or Ten whereof an Indian Commonly known by the name of Esq Tom was the head and leader of them are those that were the perpetr^{rs} and Actors of a late Wicked Assassination & murder on one W^m Wigentons wife & three children and that the s^d Esq Tom was a principall Actor therein & this by the Confession of the Indians themselves & many other pregnant proof thereof and that the s^d Esq Tom being Conscious thereof to himself would not Appear at the Examination where he had Engaged to bee but lurkes and hides himself in Mattawoman Chickawaxen & other places of this Province.

I being Resolved to doe my Utmost to detect such Villanies and particularly to Seize and Secure the s^d Esq Tom in Ord^r to bring him to Condign punishm^t doe (in his Ma^{ts} Name) hereby Proclaim require and Comānd all his Ma^{ts} Loving Subjects of and in this Province to make diligent search and Enquiry after the s^d Indian Esq Tom and him wheresoever found to seize apprehend & Take into Custody Either alive or Dead if any Resistance and him put under safe and secure Guard till he be Conveyed and deliver'd to Cap^t George Mason his Ma^{ts} Comānder in Cheif of Stafford County in Virginia of whom they are required to take Receipt for the same Indian of which all p^{rs}ons are to take due Notice and give all dilligent assistance at their Utmost perrill and for a Reward of an Expedition herein I do assure the Party or Partics who shall seize and take the s^d Esq Tom and deliver him as afores^d