At a Councill by Speciall Appointm^t Met & held at the Lib. H. D. Port of Annapolis, the third day of October, in the Ninth year of the Reign of our Soveraign Lord King William the third &c^a

Annoq Domini, 1697.

Present

His Exncy ffrancis Nicholson Esq Capt Gen11 &ca

The Hon^{rble} Coll Henry Jowles
Coll: Nicholas Greenberry

Ordr for Rais-Vpon a Letter this day Recd at the Board bearing 30: Men & ing date the 30th of Septembr last past sent by Officers &c: to strengthen the Express from the honorble Coll John Addison ffrontiers upon wherein is set forth the great fear & consterna-Potomock ... tion the people (living at the Eastern branch of Potomock) are in, through dread of the Indians, who it is suspected, have since the Murther committed at the Garrison, thrown down the ffence belonging to the sd Garrison & drove out all the Rang's horses &c: Ordered therefore th' (for the strengthening the said ffrontier Plantations & Garrison) the Colonel of Ann Arrundell, Calvert & Charles Counties do (upon sight hereof) each of them draw out, Tenn good Troopers, such as can be spared, well fitted & furnished, and if wanting of good arms of their own, that they be furnished out of the New Arms or other publick Arms, lodged with the P. 549 said Colonels; Vizt Carbines Bagonets & Pistolls together with a sufficient Supply of Amunition And that each party carrye with th^m a brass Lanthorn & Compass, some Granado pouches with Granado shells and ffuzes. And that care be taken th' they may carry with th^m tenn days provision at the least, and have as many spare horses prest as may be necessary to carry the same & other baggage.

And as to Officers to Command those Men, it is hereby ffurther Ordered that a Captain be sent out of Ann Arrundell County a Lievten out of Calvert and a Cornet out of Charles County; and that they go directly with their s^d Men with all possible speed vnto the honoble Coll John Addison, living in Prince George's County, where his Exney intends (God willing) to go, in Ord to meet them: Ten whereof are to go to the Garrison, to strengthen that place, who are by turns to Range, one half at a time, betwixt the s^d Garrison, and vp & down the Eastern Branch aforementioned; vntill they shall Receive some further directions from his Excy or Ords which may be left with the honoble Coll Addison afores thereabout. And