

Lib. W. B. and that if that place be not tymely Succoured it must be given up.

His Ex<sup>cy</sup> Also acquaints the Board that our Potomack Indians have been out but are come in again, & that it may be Supposed they have had some Correspondence with other Indians—

Whereupon He had ordered and sent fourscore Arms with proportionable Am̄unition to Prince Georges County,

And desires the Advice of the Board whether It be not expedient a Supply of Arms &c should be sent to Baltemore & Cecil Countys.

To Which the Board do answer they think it very Advisable such Arms &c should be sent to the said Countys.

His Ex<sup>ncy</sup> acquaints the Board that He has wrote to Col Blakiston our Agent in England to purchase £500<sup>l</sup> worth of Arms & Ammunition according to the Resolve of this Board p. 46 the last Session of Assembly. And His Ex<sup>cy</sup> proposes to the Council that Whereas there is a provision made by Act of Assembly for raising a Quantity of Tob<sup>o</sup> not exceeding fifty thousand pounds in one yeare on any necessity during the Intervall of Assembly Whether in Case He should have any Account from Col. Spotswood concerning the further Distress of his Ma<sup>ty</sup>s Subjects at South Carolina They do not agree that (in Reguard it is very difficult on any suddain Occasion to get a full Council together) Col Holland Col Young & Col Addison or any three of the Council with his Ex<sup>ncy</sup> may order the levying any Quantity of Tob<sup>o</sup> not exceeding 80000<sup>l</sup> to be disposd of by their Discretion. Which was agreed to by all the Members of the Council now present.

Also Resolvd and Advised that in Case His Ex<sup>ncy</sup> and any three of the Council shall think fit to send any Arms or Ammunition to S<sup>o</sup> Carolina for the Succour of his Ma<sup>ty</sup>s Subjects there, It be wholly left to his Ex<sup>ncys</sup> Discretion with the Advice of Such a Number of the Council And it being considered that there is not so Sufficient a Store of Powder p. 47 in the publique Magazine as might be wisht at this tyme To the End that all the Powder and Ball now in the Province to be dispos'd of by any Merch<sup>ts</sup> Traders may be secured for his Ma<sup>ty</sup>s Service at this Juncture. Resolved and advised (in Case his Ex<sup>ncy</sup> shall send any Powder & Ball to South Carolina) that the Colonels & Sherriffs of the Several Countys make dilligent Inquiry what Quantity or Quantitys of Powder and Lead are in the hands of any Merch<sup>ts</sup> or Traders, And that they imediately impress the Same for his Ma<sup>ty</sup>s Service, to be lodged with and Secured by the respective Colonells of the Countys and payd for at the Publique Charge And in Case it be discovered that our Neighbour Indians have a Corre-