Lib. X. stroke at his head with the Indians own Gun and drove the head of the Cock into his Brains, the reasons of this Fact were, because the said Indian would not buy of their Rum which they brought there to sell, the informers are John Hans Steelman Junior and some Indians who came soon after down to the Sugar Lands the two Cartlidges are undoubtedly return'd to Conestogoe where they have their Families and very good Settlements soon after the Indian p. 31 was dead they pack'd up their Goods and travailed homewards I am since informed that Captain John Hans Steelman is Come to Monocasey and hath sent for his Son (who is gone back) to him from the Sugar lands whether he is fled for fear of the Indians the Frontier Inhabitants are altogether uncapable of making any defence having neither Powder nor Ball I have sent what little I had by me to the Sugar Lands some Indians say that if the murtherer is brought to Justice the Sinicars will require no more, I am in the highest degree obliged for your kind promises to use your endeavours with his Excellency that proper measures may be taken to preserve peace with the Indians on this unhappy occasion I am &c Iohn Bradford

To these two Letters his Honour the Governor return'd the answer following

Annapolis February 21st 1721

Sir

Colo Addison having Communicated this day to the Council Board two Letters from you relating to the murther of one Sawney a chief Sinicar Indian committed by one John Cartlidge in Company with his Brother Edm^d Cartlidge both Residents at Conestoga it is the Opinion of this Board that by all means possible you contrive to let the Indians know, that the Murderers are under the Pennsylvania Government and that we are no ways Concern'd in it, and at the same time assure them that we shall write to the Governor of Pennsylvania that they may have Reparation for the Injury done them, and that on our parts we will always remain in perfect Friendship with them And you are desired to be very Cautious in giving the Indians any Occasion of Coming to Blows I am

Sir

With this comes a Hundred weight of Ball & a Note from Col^o Addison for a Quarter Barrel of Powder at his house

Your very humble Servant Cha: Calvert