

with every instruction necessary to proceed on whatever you think should be done

Lib. J. R.
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We hope your Speedy answer, and in the mean time are with due respects

Your Excellencys Most Obed^t hble Servants
John Veasey
M^r Earle

Ordered that the Clerk of this Board write the following Answer thereto

Gentlemen

Your Letter in Relation to large Quantities of Arms supposed to be in your County was by his Excellency the Governor laid before the Council, whose Opinion and Request is that you endeavour to get the best Information you can and in the privatest Manner where there are any such Quantities of Arms lodged, and if any such are found together in a house supposed to be suspected, then to cause them to be seized, and that you examine any Persons as you believe can give you Information thereof.

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At a Council held at the City of Annapolis on Saturday the 14th Day of September in the fourth year of his Lordships Dominion Annoq Domini 1754.

Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq^r Governor

The honble Benjamin Tasker, Esq^r Col Benjamin Tasker
Benedict Calvert, Esq^r

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board a Report made to him by John Brice Esq^r of his having passed Sentence of Death upon Three Negroes named Pompey Sambo and Jack for feloniously breaking and entering an Outhouse belonging to Nathaniel Dare of Ann Arundel County and stealing from thence fifty Pounds of Bacon and Ten Gallons of Rum, and It appearing by the said Report that Negro Sambo is a youth and the Son of Negro Pompey and might be influenced by the Authority of his Father It is the humble Advice of this Board to his Excellency that a Pardon should issue for Negro Sambo and Negro Jack, and that Dead Warrant should issue for the Execution of Negro Pompey on Friday the 20th of this Instant September