

the people under us you are to use your greatest care Skill and Industry to procure the taking the uppermost parts thereof first as near as may be to the fourth degree which will be a means possibly to prevent their coming further down upon us

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¶ We for Encouragement of all such persons as shall undertake to search, discover, and maintain Christiana Bridge, you are will'd and requir'd, and have hereby full power and Authority given you to survey and lay out into Town plots or Lots the Quantity of One Thousand acres of Land about the said Bridge, the same to be distributed to and amongst any Towns persons of British or Irish descent that will undertake and endeavour to seat the same, to be confirmed to them their heires and Assignes for ever each of them One hundred acres under the yearly Rent of Two Shillings Sterling Royall Mines only Reserved as aforesaid

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¶ We whereas we have heard that a certain Indian hath publickly threatned your life whether of his own Inclination or through the Instigation of others We know not We therefore will that you use all diligent means care and cunning according to the best of your discretion to know the truth thereof and to find out the Indian who we are informed belongeth to Delaware, which if upon Enquiry made it appears soe to be, you are then with all privacy imaginable, and with what guard you think fitt to goe to the Indian Townes and tell that nation know that they are within our Governmt, and that you are come from us to demand y^e delivery up of that Indian, to be proceeded against according to our Lawes which you expect from them as an Acknowledgm^t of their Subjection to Us, to be renewed yearly, if they expect protection from us, or value our friendship

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¶ If upon such demand made they shall consent to deliver him up or that you can otherwise apprehend the said Indian, wth out endangering a war with them and other nations, you are then to cause him to be forthwith conveyed downe to Us and our Council at our City of St Marks for Examination and further proceeding thereon as We shall think fitt

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¶ We to the end that due Record may be kept of all your proceedings and Transactions in matter of Land according