

At a Council held at Spensie the 13. May 1661

The Governour
The Secretary
Present
Mr Baker
Mr Lloyd
Mr John Blinman

For his much respected friend.

From the Sand Point in Delaware Bay this 20. Aprile 1661

Worship^{full} Mr & Mrs Hall

These lines of mine I am afraid will rather
Intelligence of said things the 17th day of this month here departed
from hence three English men and one Dutchman. These names I have
not William John Norden Mr Harts a dutchman and a cooper
both at Mr. Souders and one Walter at Mr. Right which offours we fear
are murdered by the Indians in their journey home as you may
further be resolved if you please to Enquire. The Indians say
their bodies lay at a Place called Sagawachum the 19th day last
about Fifty Indians so by some of them it was discovered, and I
have caused two Indians to be secured in the fort of Guard, one of them
is selfe to Inform their Subjms, And this day we suppose he will
believe, both Dutch and Indians are very much displeas'd at it, but
demanding Justice of the Governour but know not well how to demand,
My desire is your worship will be pleased to advise and also send some
of your offours which may make further Inquire into the matter, as
for me I think it is very much barbarous wrong should so pass
it will be as much as for to leave off to be English men And pray
believe in this matter of so great concernment. Thus with respects
I rest your worship to command - Wm Hollingsworth

The Indians that have committed this Murder so far as we perceive
are some of this River but God up will, I also advise you that the
Indians do threaten to kill some other English men that are here
in this River to returne home to their families if not prevented by
some other means -

Wm H.

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