

At a Councell held 16th July 1658
upon the Ile of Kent

The Governor
The Secretary
Col. Nathaniell Vries

Upon information given that Thomas Thurston was Prisoner
but that Josias Cole was at Annarundell seducing the peo-
ple or diswading the people from taking the engagement ac-
cording to the Articles of the Surrender of Govern. & of the
last contrary to the Proclamation 13 Aprilis, or the Act of As-
sembly 1650 for taking the Oath of Fidelity.

Ordered
That he be apprehended or brought before the Govern^r & Coun-
cill.
Warrant to the Sheriffe of Annarundell to take the bo-
dy of Josias Cole or him in safe Custody keepe it in Order
without Baile or Mainprise

In pursuance of an order of the Councell of the 12th of
July last the Commissions were drawne for the Commanders
of the militia viz

Josias Fendall Esq^r Captaine Generall of all the forces with-
in this Province of Maryland under the Right Hon^{ble} Cecilius
Absolute Lord & Proprietary of the same To Colonnell Natha-
niell Vries greeting According to the power to me by his
said Lordship Comitted & upon the speciall trust & confiden-
ce I have in your fidelity circumspection courage & good con-
duct I do hereby constitute ordaine & appoint you Colonnell
& commander in cheife under me of all the forces to be raised
betweene the Coes of Patuxent River or the seven mounta-
ines as also upon the Ile of Kent them to see mustred ex-
ercised & trained up in the art of Warre & discipline Military
And in all things to do as any Colonnell of a regiment of foote
may or of right ought to do to the resistance of all Unlawfull
pression of all mutinys insolencies & rebellions whatsoever ac-
cording to such orders & directions as you shall from time to time re-
ceive from me And I do further authorize and appoint
you to enlist for your owne Company such and so many of the
inhabitants on the north side of severne River ~~from~~ the head
therof to the seven Mountaines as you shall thinke fitt or them
when and as often as you shall thinke convenient to muster and
traine up so that they may be in a readynes as occasion shall re-
quire to attend my further Commands with fitting armes and am-
munition ~~appointed~~ for the purpose aforesaid To have or to hold
the said Office & command till the Lord Proprietary or his Lieut^{ant}
or his or their Lieutenant Captaine Govern^r or Captaine Generall
for the time being shall signify his or their pleasure to the Con-
trary And all persons whatsoever are hereby strictly commanded
and required to yeeld all due obedience to you the said Colonnell
Nathaniell Vries in all things appertaining to the command and