

I hope I have committed no offence in marching to the assistance of
 the distressed, and placing those in their plantations that were fled

John Watson

May it please yo^r Hon^r I have been informed of late that when Mr. Perry
 lived at the upper plantations the Northern Indians came to him & gave a
 present to be sent to yo^r Hon^r w^h through ignorance or Dishonesty was
 converted to his own use. also another time I like w^h abuses I am
 apt to believe your Hon^r Province had already paid for, and do believe
 if your Hon^r would be pleased to appoint an Interpreter who should
 make it his only business to keep a fair correspondence betwⁿ your
 Hon^r and those Northern Indians it would conduce much to the peace and
 welfare of your Hon^r Province, for the prosperity of which and your
 Hon^r I pray God, and Remain as in Duty

Yo^r Hon^r Faithful & Obedient Serv^t
 George Wells.

Whereas we have had of late a murder perpetrated in Gunpowder River
 and two attempts made on the Inhabitants of Bush River by Indians at
 every of w^h there had been great mistakes in answering of the Alarm
 by the adjacent Neighbours to the encouragement of the Enemy & trouble to
 Officers & Soldiers makes us flow of motion
 We are therefore in the name of the Rth Hon^r the Gov^r to wit and
 require or otherwise strictly to charge and command all persons residing
 in the County of Baltimore upon pain and penalty that shall fall thereon
 that they fire not above one gun at a time, and that convenient
 distance be betwⁿ every gun of at least half an hour unless occasion
 of Alarm happen w^h every one is to make upon the approach of any
 Indians or such Discovery, W^h as yett not knowing who is our friend
 and who is not, by firing off three guns distinctly the one after the other
 all within the space of a quarter of an hour and all persons are required
 as aforesaid to answer if slain with one good gun well charged, and he that
 so answereth if his Neighbour do not answer him whereby he may
 judge he heard not the Alarm shall with all speed give him notice
 and cause him to renew the Alarm again with three guns as aforesaid
 and so to continue it from house to house through out the hundred that all
 persons may have notice and the next Commission Officer to the house where the
 Alarm first began shall with all speed by Land or water with what
 men he can raise go to the aforesaid house and inquire the occasion of the
 Alarm