

by fair means, a Declaration to which purpose the Governour desiring me to bear him company the march, I got leave to carry to them, in the end of which the Governour did protest, as in the presence of Almighty God, that he came not in a hostile way to do them any hurt, but sought all means possible to reclaim them by faire means; and to my knowledge at the sending out of Parties (as occasion served) he gave strict command, that if they met any of the Anne-Arundell men they should not fire the first Gun, nor upon paine of death plunder any: these were his orderings to my knowledge upon the march; but coming neerer to them, there was a Ship a Merchant man called the Golden Lion, one Hemans Commander, and as appears hired by them, having since received his reward of them, who seeing the Governour land his men under the command of his ship, shot at them as they landed over night, and the next morning continuing his course (as I am credibly informed) kild one of the Governours men, and so began the war which after fell out, for the Anne-Arundell men coming suddenly upon them on the one side, and the Golden Lion being on the other side, they being in a neck of Land in viron round with water except one little place by which the Anne-Arundell men came in upon them, where after a skirmish the Governour upon quarter given him and all his company in the field, yielded to be taken Prisoners, but two or three dayes after the Victors condemn'd ten to death, and executed foure, and had executed all had not the incessant Petitioning and begging of some good women sav'd some, and the souldiers others; the Governour himselfe being condemn'd by them and since begd by the Souldiers, some being sav'd just as they were leading out to execution, and since fall a sequestering their Estates, and taking away what they have as if they were meere Malignants, and had fought directly against your Highnesse, in which I cannot