

other matters relating to the Premises you are to consult with & take the advice and Assistance of the aforesaid Thomas Blake and such other Persons in Commission or others of the best note Judgment and Understanding in the said County of Cecil as to you or either of you both shall seem meet and convenient for their Majestys Service and the good & Welfare of this their Province for all which this shall be your sufficient warrant Given under my hand and Seal this ninth day of March in the fifth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord and Lady King William and Queen Mary &c

By his Excellency the Governor

Maryland &c

Instructions for M^r Thomas Blake Agent Employed to Join with Coll Casparus Herman to treat with a Party of strange Indians lately seated at the Head of the Bay pursuant to a Commission for that Purpose to them both directed from the Council Board this day viz

1 You are with the first fair Wind and Weather that God shall send to set sail with the Sloop or Shallop committed to your charge directly up toward the head of the Bay to the house of Coll Casparus Herman or as near as you can conveniently or with safety come to the same

2 Accordingly you are forthwith at your first arrival there to apply your self to the said Herman and produce to him the Commission from this Board directed to you both & empowering you jointly and severally as occasion shall happen to act therein

3 You are then to consult with the said Herman of the most proper and effectual means and method to treat with the said Indians which must be done with all the civility, care, moderation and prudence imaginable to endeavour to invite and persuade some of their great men together with the French Man in their Company or at least the French Man himself to come down to treat with me or my self and the Council, in Order to the setting a League of Peace and Amity with us as is Informed they