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4. In case you can by no means of suade or invite the said French man by himself or some of the great Men with him in a friend ly & amicable manner to come and treat according to the Tenor of the said Commission then you are to use your utmost endeav ors by way of Stratagem or otherwise to surprize and take the said Frenchman by himself & secure him by such ways and means as you and the said Gov^r Herman in your discretions shall think most safe and proper for that end and Purpose to be Conveyed brought down with all speed to the City of St Marys as aforesaid

5. But if after all you shall find that you cannot Persuade with the said Frenchman to come by fair means nor surprize & take him by Stratagem as aforesaid then & no otherwise you are to Produce to the said Herman that other Commission from me to him directed & herewith delivered you Impowering and Com manding him by Force of Arms to apprehend Seize and take the said French Man and to oppose fight vanquish per sue kill and destroy all such as shall oppose him therein, or thereupon offer any Violence injury or Damage to any the In habitants of this Province

6. In all which Cases you are also to discourse consult and ad vise with M^r William Harris M^r Charles James & such other of the Gentlemen in Commission there as you shall think fitt & Inform yourself the best you can of the true Nature Quality & Nation of those Indians their Pretence & just Occasion of fo ming there together also with the manner of their Behaviour since their arrivall & what injuries (if any) they have done & what proofs can be made thereof which you are to Provide yourself with and bring down with you to make good the same against them particularly one Robert Drury whose Deposition hath appeared this day before the Councill Board together with what other Evidences testimonies and proofs may be procured