

answer to your Message, you have also seen the present which he sent you as a mark of his Friendship and to welcome you to this Province, We are now to Congratulate you in his name on the Success which you have lately had agst his and your Enemies. He was exceedingly pleased with the news, and for the Service you have already done he has ordered us to give you these Goods; (pointing to the large parcell) Bretheren now you have found where the Enemy is to be met with We hope you will not suffer them to escape but on the Contrary that you will pursue and overtake them and destroy till none of them remain to inspire you with such a Resolution your Brother the Governor sends you this String. gave a String of black Wampum.

After a few Minutes Wahachey rose up and said he had heard good words & then stepping up on one of the Seats that were round the Table he harangued his People a Considerable time, repeating (as we were told by the Interpreter) the substance of what We had said and Concluding with an Exhortation to the young Men to look on the English and on the People of this Province in particular as their Friends and Bretheren to fight bravely for them against the Enemies that had attacked them, and to entitle themselves to the present that had been promised as a reward for their Valour. They then proceeded to divide the Goods and We retired having first desired the Commandant of the Fort to order Sentries to the Door to prevent the Intrusion of any White People.

An Account being brought to the Fort in the Evening that several Moccason Tracks had been discovered a few Miles off on the South side of Potomack River and the Indians being informed thereof they sent to us early in the Morning of the 22^d Instant saying they were very impatient to pursue the Indians that had as it was Supposed made the abovementioned Tracks and that they hoped We would meet them as soon as possible and hear the reply that they intended to make to their Brother the Governor. We immediately complied with their request and as soon as We were seated the Chief expressed himself in the following Words. "I am now going to reply to the Governor of Maryland but as I do not understand making Beads I shall send him nothing but Paper." Brother while I was coming from home my thoughts were very bad. I was enraged against the Enemy who have been Murthering my Bretheren but now I have been out and killed some of them I am better Satisfied in my mind. My Brother the Governor of this Province has sent us this Belt, (holding in his Hand the Belt that was first given him the Day before) to welcome us hither and to open a Path from my Country, This shall be done; at present it is only a small Track but I will make it a