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Present

His Excellency Lionel Copley Esq^r Governor

the hon^{ble} { Cotts Nehemiah Blakiston
Cotts Nick Greenebury
Thomas Trench Esq^r

Appeared also at the Board the Hon^{ble} Francis Nicholson Esq^r his Majesty's Lieutenant Governor commissioned for this Province and produced his Commission for that Purpose which was read as follows Viz^t

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William and Mary by the Grace of God King and Queen of
England Scotland France and Ireland Defenders of the Faith &c
to our trusty and well beloved Captain Francis Nicholson our Lieutenant
Governor of our Colony and Dominion of Virginia in America
greeting whereas by our Commission under our Great Seal of England
bearing Date the 27 day of June in the third Year of our Reign, we
have thought fit to constitute and appoint our trusty and well beloved
Lionel Copley Esq^r our Captain General and Governor in chief in and
over our Province and Territory of Maryland in America and where
as we repose especiall trust and confidence in your Loyalty Courage
and circumspection, we do by these presents constitute and appoint
you to be our Lieutenant Governor of our said Province and Territory of
Maryland to have hold exercise and enjoy the said ^{Place} ^{and Office} ~~Place~~ ^{and Office} ~~Office~~
during our Pleasure with all rights Priviledges profits Perquisites &
Advantages to the same belonging or appertaining and in case of
the Death or absence of the said Lionel Copley we do hereby authorise
and Require you to execute and perform all and singular the
Powers and directions contained in our said Commission to Lionel
Copley Esq^r and such Instructions as we have already or hereafter
shall from time to time send unto him and you are to observe &
follow such directions & orders as you shall receive from us the said
Lionel Copley or any other our chief Governor of our said Province
and Territory of Maryland for the time being during his Residence
within the same, and we hereby command all and singular our
Officers Ministers and Loving Subjects of our said Province and
Territory and others whom it may concern to take due notice hereof
and to give their ready obedience accordingly Given at our Court
at Kensington the 21th day of February 1692 in the 4th year of our
Reign

By his Majesty's Command

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