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Cæcilius Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Barron of Baltemore &c To the Sherriffe of S^t Marys County Greeting whereas by the advice and Consent of our Councill Wee haue determined to hould an Assembly of the Freemen of our Province at S^t Marys vpon the first of Aprill next ensueing there to Consider of certaine things concerning the State and welfare of this our Province of Maryland Wee Command yo^u Nicholas Gwyther Sherriffe of S^t Marys County that makeing Proclamacōn as soone as Conveniently may be after the receipt of this writt, att the discrecōn of the Freemen of yo^r County yo^u cause one two three or foure discreete Burgesses to be elected to Serue in the said Assembly There to doe and Consent to such things as by Comon Consent hoppen to be ordeined and Enacted in the businesses aforesaid Soe that through want of sufficient power or inconsiderate Eleccōn of the aforesaid Burgesses the businesses aforesaid may not remayne undone or neglected And make y^r retourne of this writt into the Secr^{ys} office by the 20th day of March next Giuen at S^t Marys the 18th of February in the 30th yeare of our dominion over the sd. Province Annoq. d^{omi}ni 1661

The like writt issued eodem die to the Sherriffe of Calvert County

The like to the Sherriffe of Charles County

The like to the Sherriffe of Anne Arrundell County

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Cæcilius Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Barron of Baltemore &c To our Trusty and welbeloued Henry Sewall Esq^r our Councillor and Secretary Greeting in our Lord God Everlasting Whereas wee haue appoynted to hould a Generall Assembly of the Freemen of our Province at S^t Marys vpon the first of Aprill next Wee doe therefore hereby will and require yo^u that all excuses and delays Sett a parte yo^u repayre in person to the said