

“ Philemon Lloyd, Esq. deputy secretary of this his lordship's province of Maryland, to *Edward Griffith*, sends greeting. Whereas the honorable Thomas Beake and Charles Lowe, Esquires, his lordship's principal secretaries of the said province, by their certain deputation under their hands and seals bearing date the thirty-first day of May, anno. domi. seventeen hundred and fifteen, have nominated and ordained, constituted and appointed me the said Philemon Lloyd, to be their true and sufficient deputy and to execute and exercise the said office of secretary of the said province in as large and ample a manner as the said Thomas Beake and Charles Lowe, by virtue of their letters patent or grant for the same office might or could do, as by the same instrument of deputation remaining upon record in the said secretary's office, may more at large appear; Know ye that for the especial trust and confidence I have and do repose in the knowledge, care, and circumspection of the said Edward Griffith, have ordained, constituted, and appointed, and do by these presents ordain, constitute and appoint you the said Edward Griffith, to be register and keeper of the land records of the province of Maryland: willing and requiring you to ask, demand, and receive, and into your custody to take all books, records, transcripts, papers, and inrollments whatsoever, now in the possession of Charles Carroll, Esq. unto the said office belonging, or in any wise appertaining, and to act, do and perform in the aforesaid office as register as fully and amply as any register of that office may or ought of right to do, To have, hold, exercise and enjoy the office aforesaid, during pleasure. Given under my hand and seal, this thirteenth day of June, in the second year of his lordship's dominion, &c. Annoq. Domi. 1717.”

LIBER B. B. fol. 49.

“ Orders and instructions, power and authorities to be observed and persued by Thomas Beake and Charles Lowe, our secretaries of the province of Maryland, and in their absence out of the said province by Philemon Lloyd their deputy.

“ Given by me in London, this 12th day of March, 1721.

#### C. BALTIMORE.

“ Whereas the power of granting warrants for taking up waiste cultivated, uncultivated and surplus lands and the finishing such warrants by making the grantees an estate of fee simple, does now chiefly center in you the said Philemon Lloyd, (except the receiveing the money due for such grants, which by our former instructions my receiver generall for the time being is to doe,) so the hearing and determining defer-