

died September, 1693 (Sir Thomas Lawrence, Secretary of the Province and President of the Council, seems to have taken charge of affairs for a short time in September, 1693).

23. Sir Edmund Andros, Governor of Virginia, commissioned by William and Mary, March 3, 1692, to act as Governor in case of absence of Copley and death of Nicholson, took possession of the Government September 25, 1693. (He left Col. Nicholas Greenberry, President of the Council, as his deputy until May, 1694, when Sir Thomas Lawrence was reinstated.)
24. Francis Nicholson, commissioned by William and Mary, February 24, 1692, to succeed Copley in event of his death or absence, recommissioned February 10, 1693-4, assumed authority July 26, 1694.
25. Nathaniel Blaikston, commissioned by William, October 19, 1698, assumed authority January 2, 1698-9.
26. Thomas Tench, President of the Council, left in charge of the government when Blaikston sailed for England, June 30, 1702.
27. John Seymour, commissioned by the Crown February 12, 1702-3, took charge of the government April 12, 1704; died July 30, 1709.
28. Edward Lloyd, President of the Council, was so chosen by the Council on Seymour's death, as Francis Jenkins, the first member of the Council, took no action.
29. Capt. John Hart, commissioned by the Crown January 17, 1714, recommissioned by the Lord Proprietary May 30, 1715, arrived in the Province May 29, 1714. He went to England in May, 1720, leaving Thomas Brooke, President of the Council, in charge of affairs.
30. Capt. Charles Calvert, cousin of the Proprietary, commissioned by him February (?), 1719-20, arrived in the Province as early as October, 1720.
31. Benedict Leonard Calvert, commission dated March 24, 1726-7, took oath of office July 3, 1727.
32. Samuel Ogle, commission dated September 16, 1731, took oath of office December 7, 1731.
33. Charles Calvert, Lord Proprietary, in person, December 11, 1732.
34. Samuel Ogle, commission dated June 20, 1733, took oath of office July 11, 1733.
35. Thomas Bladen, commission dated April 19, 1742, took oath of office August 23, 1742.
36. Samuel Ogle, commission dated October 3, 1746, took oath of office March 16, 1746-7.
37. Benjamin Tasker, President of the Council, took oath of office May 4, 1752, the day after Ogle's death.
38. Horatio Sharpe, commissioned March 17, 1753, took oath of office August 10, 1753.
39. Capt. Robert Eden, brother-in-law of the Proprietary, commissioned August 1, 1768, arrived in the Province June, 1769. (During his absence in England from May 28 to November 8, 1774, Richard Lee, President of the Council, acted as Governor.) Eden left Annapolis June 26, 1776, and Lee was titular Governor until the Province formally declared its independence of Great Britain, July 3, 1776.