

tinues until the end of the term of the Governor, from whom he received his appointment. His annual salary is \$2000. He is required to reside in Annapolis. *Art. II, Sec. 22, Const.*

THE SECRETARY OF STATE shall carefully keep and preserve a record of all official acts and proceedings of the Executive Department, and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by law, or as may properly belong to his office, together with all clerical duty belonging to the Executive Department. *Art. II, Sec. 23, Const.*

A DEPARTMENTAL SEAL shall be kept by the Secretary of State, for the authentication of copies of records and papers in his office; but no copy of a record or paper shall be given out or certified by him, or any order, entry or action of the Governor without the approbation of the Governor. *Art. 86, P. G. L., Sec. 1.*

A RECORD OF ALL COMMISSIONS TO CIVIL OFFICERS shall be kept by the Secretary of State, and he shall transmit the commissions to the clerks of the several Circuit Courts for the Counties and the Superior Court of Baltimore. *Ibid, Sec. 2.*

THE REPORTS OF CLERKS OF SAID COURTS of the qualification of officers shall be preserved by the Secretary of State, who shall also be competent to certify to their characters and qualifications. *Ibid, Sec. 3.*

THE COPY OF ANY PAPER in the office of Secretary of State shall be evidence in Courts. *Sec. 53, Art. 37, P. G. L.*

A LIST OF ALL OFFICERS who have been furnished by the Clerks of Courts, as having qualified before them, shall be reported to the Comptroller by the Secretary of State. *Art. 81, Sec. 52. P. G. L.*

THE SECRETARY OF STATE shall have charge of the Great Seal of the State; but the Governor shall have control of it when necessary, and the Secretary of the Senate and Chief Clerk of the House shall take access to the Seal. *Ch. 78, Sec. 1, Acts 1884.*

Saml. W. Brooks, Messenger to the Governor. Appointed
Jan. 10, 1884.