

A LIST OF THOSE WHO GOVERNED MARYLAND BEFORE 1776

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1. William Claiborne, under a trading commission dated May 16, 1631, (3 Md. Arch. Coun. 20), settled at Kent Island August 17, 1631 (3 Md. Arch. Coun. 32), and governed it under the authority of Virginia.
2. Leonard Calvert commissioned by his brother, Cæcilius Calvert, second Lord Baltimore and first Lord Proprietary of Maryland, —1633; given instructions as "Deputy Governor" November 13, 1633 (Calvert Papers, i. 131); arrived in Maryland with colonists March 25, 1634; recommissioned April 15, 1637 (3 Md. Arch. Coun. 49), as "Lieutenant General, Admiral, Chief Captain and Commander," September 4, 1642 (3 Md. Arch. Coun. 109), and September 6, 1664 (3 Md. Arch. Coun. 152); deposed in February, 1645. During absences from the Province he left the following persons in charge of the government: April 1, 1638 (he went to Virginia for a short time), Mr. John Lewger, the Secretary (3 Md. Arch. Coun. 71, Lewger had been left in charge of affairs at St. Mary's when Calvert went to Kent Island in February, 1637-8, 3 Md. Arch. Coun. 64); May 27, 1638, to August 14, 1638, Captain Thomas Cornwalley (3 Md. Arch. Coun. 74, 4 M. Arch. Prov. Ct. 41); May 8, 1641, to July 10, 1641 (he went to Virginia), Captain Thomas Cornwalley (3 Md. Arch. Coun. 98, 99); April 11, 1643 (Was he away June 23, 1642? 3 Md. Arch. Coun. 103), to September, 1644 (he went to England), Captain Giles Brent (3 Md. Arch. Coun. 130. The appointment was ratified by the Proprietary July 14, 1643, 3 Md. Arch. Coun. 135, and the powers were extended on November 16, 1643, 3 Md. Arch. Coun. 139. As to his powers while locum-tenens see 4 Md. Arch. Prov. Ct. 217); September 30, 1644 (for a short time to his "well beloved cosin"), to November 16, 1644, William Brainthwayt (3 Md. Arch. Coun. 160, 4 Md. Arch. Prov. Ct. 286), Brainthwayt was sworn on October 3.
3. Edward Ingle usurped the government in February, 1645, and ruled for some months.
4. Anarchy from middle of 1645 to July, 1646. During this period the Council chose Captain Edward Hill as Governor. 3 Md. Arch. Coun. 189 (Calvert was in England during this interregnum. 1 Md. Arch. Ass. 268).
5. Captain Edward Hill, appointed by Calvert in Virginia, whither he had fled, July 30, 1646 (3 Md. Arch. Coun. 172. The appointment was illegal, as Hill was not a Councillor; 3 Md. Arch. Coun. 220, vide 1 Md. Arch. Ass. 266, 3 Md. Arch. Coun. 172, 4 Md. Arch. Urov. Ct. 322, 423, 332, 389).
6. Leonard Calvert, restored in the fall of 1646 (1 Md. Arch. Ass. 210), died June 11, 1647 (4 Md. Arch. Prov. Ct. 312, 314, 315), naming his successor by word of mouth.
7. Thomas Greene, named by Leonard Calvert, June 9, 1647 (3 Md. Arch. Coun. 187). Captain Hill protested, claiming that when the Governor was out of the Province he had been named Gov-