PRINCIPAL OFFICERS OF THE PROVINCE AND STATE OF MARYLAND

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BARONS OF BALTIMORE AND LORDS PROPRIETARY

1580(?)-1632—George Calvert, First Lord Baltimore.

Petitioned for grant of land north of the Potomac.

1606-1675—Cecilius Calvert, Second Lord Baltimore.

Received grant June 20, 1632, soon after death of First Lord Baltimore.

1637-1715—Charles Calvert, Third Lord Baltimore.

1679(?)-1715—Benedict Leonard Calvert, Fourth Lord Baltimore.

1699-1751—Charles Calvert, Fifth Lord Baltimore.

1732-1771-Frederick Calvert, Sixth Lord Baltimore.

1760-1834—Henry Harford.

Harford did not succeed to the title, as he was an illegitimate son. His claim to Maryland was relinquished in return for a monetary grant from the Maryland General Assembly.

COLONIAL GOVERNORS

1631-1634 Captain William Claiborne

Settled at Kent Island under a commission from the King. He was driven from the Island by Leonard Calvert a few months after the colonists had landed.

1634-1644/5 Leo

Leonard Calvert

Calvert had occasion to leave the colony several times, usually for a month or two but once for over a year. During his absences the following men governed the Province: 1637/8 and 1638, John Lewger; 1638 and 1641, Captain Thomas Cornwalcys; 1643-1644, Giles Brent; 1644, William Brainthwait.

1644/5-1646

Captain Richard Ingle

Usurped the government and maintained control until about the middle of 1646.

1646 Captain Edward Hill

Elected Governor by the Council while Leonard Calvert was still in Virginia. He also claimed to have a commission from Calvert. His appointment was illegal, as he was not a member of the Council when elected, and Calvert was out of the Province when the commission was issued. He does seem to have held office, however, for he later attempted to collect certain fees and emoluments which were due him by virtue of his service.

1646-1647

Leonard Calvert

1647-1648/9

Thomas Greene