

8. John Talbot of Annapolis (Prot.), succeeded Denton on or just before 1 July 1720 (Ibid., f. 590); died about April, 1722.

9. Edward Griffith of Annapolis (Prot.), succeeded Talbot (Ibid., f. 855); resigned in June and died in September, 1724.

10. Richard Claggett of Prince George's County (Prot.), com. and sworn 23 June 1724 (Ibid., f. 1023).

11. *John Ross of Annapolis (Prot.), com. 15 July 1729 (Ibid., l. 5, f. 1); resigned in April, 1761.

12. Reverdy Ghiselin of Annapolis (Prot.), succeeded Ross; resigned in Dec. 1767.

13. James Brooks of Annapolis (Prot.), com. 10 Dec. and sworn 11 Dec. 1767 (Ibid., l. 11, f. 19); resigned in Sept. 1776.

f. Clerk of the Prerogative Office.

Prior to April or May, 1673 the Clerk of the Secretary's Office was also Clerk of the Prerogative Office. This office was omitted from the Constitution of 1776 and was abolished on 20 April 1777. The clerks were appointed by the successive Commissaries General.

1. Michael Rockford of ---- (----), appears 4 Aug. 1674 (Test. Proc., l. 6, f. 261); probably appointed by Chancellor Philip Calvert who was com. Commissary General on 20 Nov. 1672 and sworn 24 April 1673, the office of Commissary General being at that time separated from the Secretaryship and united with the Chancellorship.