

the value of ten pounds. Stealing as also to hear and finally
to determine all matters and Offences whatsoever Criminal
burglary and committed within the said Island which
may be heard and determined by any Justice of the peace
in England in their Courts of Session not extending to
Life or Member and we do further Authorise you to do use
and execute all and all manner of Jurisdiction and Au-
thority whatsoever for the Conservation of the peace within
the said Island as any Justice of peace in England may
or ought to do by virtue of his Commission for the peace &
further to elect and appoint all necessary Officers for the
execution of Justice and Conservation of the peace there with
allowance of such fees as are usually belonging to the same
or the like Officers in Virginia and to do all other things
and Acts which shall be necessary for the execution of the
power and Jurisdiction hereby committed unto you Given
under our hand and Greater Seal at Amersat Bath the 12.
day of August in the 17th Year of our Dominion over the said
Province of Maryland Anno Dni 1648

Commission for Secretary in
Maryland

Cecilius Absolute Lord and proprietor &c know ye
that we reposing special trust and confidence in the Wis-
dom diligence and fidelity of our trusty and well Beloved
Thomas Hatton Gent have constituted appointed and Or-
dained and by these presents do constitute appoint and Or-
dain him the said Thomas Hatton to be our Secretary of
our said Province of Maryland and we do by these presents
appoint constitute and Ordain the said Thomas Hatton
as well to be our principal Officer and Keeper of the Acts
and proceedings of us and of our Lieutenant General &