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At a meeting of his Excellency and Council at the City of St Marys
the 1st day of January 1641

Present

His Excellency Charles Calvert Esq. Capt. General.

The Hon^{ble} Philip Calvert Esq. Chancellor

The Hon^{ble} William Calvert Esq.

The Hon^{ble} Baker Brookland Esq.

Edward Fitzherbert Esq.

The last will and Testament of William Hattoft deceased being exhibited
to his Excellency and Council, & giving their order about the same.

Ordered that Robert Fitzherbert Esq. be sworn upon oaths according to
usual form out of his Secretary's office in the name of Edward
Fitzherbert Esq. & John Baker Esq. equal's herein named, & by
giving security according to usual form in One hundred thousand
pounds of tobacco, to indemnify y^e Judge for probate of wills &

Robert Hawkins brother of John Hawkins deceased coming over into this
Country, made his claim to his said brother's estate at law, and desired
the Court of Chancery upon the said estate committed to one John Dammell might
be granted. Ordered by the Board that a Citation be issued out of
the Secretary's office returnable y^e 13th day of this next month directed
to the said Dammell, hereby commanding him to appear before the
Excellency and Council and show cause if any he hath why the
said Court of Chancery to him granted upon the said Hawkins
estate should not be vacated upon the ground.

The Saign of the Disposition cause that came to a period the last
provincial Court was not heard unto this day, but the Excellency and
Council have thought fit to refer the same, until the next Council
day which is to be the 25th of this instant January.

John Bloufield that married the widow of John Parson quondam deceased
being ordered this day to attend his Excellency and Council with his writings
belonging to y^e said Barbara estate, who accordingly this day appeared, and
surrendered the said writings up to his Excellency and Council, who delivered
the same into the hands of the Clerk of the Council, and ordered him to
keep the same in his hands until the next Council day at which time they
will take further order in the premises.

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By his Excellency the Capt. General

Whoever I am informed by Robert Ridgely Deputy to Sr William Talbot Baronett
Principal Secretary of Maryland that Robert Ellis a Covenant servant
to the said Sr William Talbot (and by the said Sr William left under the said
Ridgely's command as an under Clerk in the office) hath so well liked y^e sum
to absent himselfe from the said Ridgely's employment in the Secretary's office
without so much as asking leave of the said Ridgely, and it now be this
time absent and at the said Ridgely is informed it's gone up to Newtowne
or thereabouts without any leave or licence from the said Ridgely