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The Catho of Ex:pro of the great Seals, and that of Chief
Judg: for probat: of wills and granting Letters of Administration
was the 26th day of January 1682: taken by Henry
Darnall and William Digger Esq: for us

John Darnall.

Charles Absolute Lord and Prop^{ty}: of the Province of Maryland
and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c: To all Officers and
all others in this our Province of Maryland whose this may concern
Greeting. Knowy: that we: reposing special trust and confidence
in the wisdom Diligence Experience and fidelity of our trusty and
well beloved Son in Law Nicholas Sewall, and our trusty and
well beloved Cousin John Darnall Gentlemen, have Constituted
appointed and ordained, and by this present do: constitute appoint and
ordain them the said Nicholas Sewall and John Darnall to be our
Principall Secretaries of our said Province of Maryland, and to
have all such priviledges and benefits as belongeth to our Principall
Secretaries there. And we: do: by this present ^{appoint} constitute and ordain
the said Nicholas Sewall and John Darnall to be our Principall
Officers and Keepers of the Acts of us and proceedings of us and our
Lieutenant and Council there for the tyms being of and for y^e Entry
and Recording of all grants by us or our heires to be made of any
lands or Offices within the said Province of Maryland. To have, and
to hold execute and enjoy the said Office of Principall Secretaries
together with the priviledges and benefits aforesaid to them the said Nicholas
Sewall and John Darnall until we: or our heires shall signify
our or their pleasure to the contrary and no longer. Given under our
hand and great Seals of this our Province the fifth day of Feb^r:
in the Eighth year of our Dominion Annoq^{ue} Dni^{ci} 1682:

On the back of w^{ch} foregoing Commission was written the following
endorsement vizt:

We: do: hereby Authorize and Inpower and require you Lord Henry
Darnall and Lord W^m Digger two of our Council to administer the
Oath of Secretary or Secretaries in our said Province to them y^e within
named Nicholas Sewall and John Darnall Given under our hand
the day of the Date within written

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