

At a Council

of Maryland the 6<sup>th</sup>

Reign of Our Sovereign

Queen Mary & Elizabeth

Present

His Excellency Lionel Copley Esq. their Majesties

The Hon<sup>ble</sup> { Goddard Henry Fowler } Capt. John Addison  
                  { Capt. Nehemiah Blakiston }  
                  { Thomas Tench Esq. } Capt. John Courto

His Excellency produces to the Board here their Majesties Commission to him for the Government of this Province, together with his Instructions which were openly read, and thereupon the Oaths appointed by Act of Parliament to be taken instead of the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy also the Oaths of Chief Governor, and of their Majesties privy Council within this Province were in due form administered unto him

The said Oaths appointed by Act of Parliament, and that of a Privy Councillor were also administered to and taken by Goddard Henry Fowler, Capt. Nehemiah Blakiston, Thomas Tench Esq. Capt. John Addison and Capt. John Courto distinctly and severally in their due Places according to form, and they take their Places at the Board accordingly  
John Sewellin sworn Clerk

Proposed by his Excellency and the demands of the Board their Opinion touching the Provincial Court, and what Necessity of holding the same at the time appointed very near at hand, which being duly and maturely considered It is advised and resolved that we do meet and sit at the time appointed, and from thence adjourn next Day after, by which Time new Commissions may be prepared by Virtue whereof they may the more regularly proceed, to the hearing and determining of all Matters relating to the Crown first, and then to other Actions ready and fit for Trial