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of the same that the Island commonly called the
Isle of Kent shall be erected into a hundred &
shall be within the County of St. Maries (until
another County shall be erected of the Eastern shore
and no longer) and shall be called by the name
of Kent hundred. And the commander of the
said Island from time to time appointed
by the Lord Proprietary or his Lieutenant and
Generall shall be justice of peace within the
said hundred during such time as he is com-
mander with all power and authority to a
Justice of Peace belonging by the laws of this
Province and the said Commander shall
appoint some one to be Clerk or Register for
the recording of all matters pertaining to that
office. And the said commander and Regis-
ter for the time being shall be a Court of Record
and shall be called the hundred Court of Kent
And all matters and causes whatsoever ci-
vill or criminal (except wherein the said com-
mander is a partie) happening or arising
by or between any inhabitants of the said
Island or wherein any inhabitant of the
said Island is deft and determinable in the
County Court shall or may be heard and deter-
mined by and before the said commander
in the said hundred Court and the said Court
shall have power to use and exercise all the
same and the like powers and jurisdictions
and to issue and award all process necessary
for the bringing of any cause to a trial
and executing of judgment therein as may
be used and exercised issued or awarded by or
out of the County Court. And the said Process
or Writs shall issue in the name of the
Lord Proprietary with the test of the Comman-
der and shall be signed by the said Comman-
der or Register and shall or may be directed
to the parties themselves or to the high Con-
stable of that hundred from time to time to
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