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river is now planted by severall inhabitants, and is thought fitt to be erected into a hundred by the name of S^t Georges hundred: We willing to provide for the better conservation of the peace & punishm^t of offenders within the said hundred, and withall for the ease of the inhabitants thereof; and reposing especiall trust in your diligence & provident circumspection, have constituted and appointed, and by th^s o^r Commission doe constitute appoint and authorise you to be highe Constable of the said hundred of S^t George, giving vnto you full power & nevertheless inioining & straitly charging you to inquire of and present vnto vs or our Lieutenant grāll for the time being, all crimes, misdemeanors & offences whatsoever committed ags^t the peace within the said hundred; and to arrest or cause to be arrested the person of any such offender or offenders, and him or them to keepe in safe custodie, vntill they shall putt in sufficient security to appeare at the next Court after such attachm^t w^{ch} shalbe held at S^t maries before vs or our Lieuten^t grāll for the time being; and to that effect to take recognisance to our vse as well from the partie offending and his meinpernors, as from all other psons that can give evidence touching the said offence; and if the crime shalbe such as is not baileable by the law of England or of this Province, immediately to bring or cause to be brought the person offending, and the persons that can give evidence therein before vs or our Lieuten^t grāll for the time being, there to receive such triall and iudgem^t as the law shall award. And we doe further authorise you from time to time at all times as you shall see cause, to make diligent search & inquiry after all psons that shall sell or without license deliver any armes or ammunition whatsoever to any Indian or Salvage; and if you shall know or vehemently suspect any person or persons offending herein contrary to o^r Proclamation published in that behalfe, to apprehend the said person or psons, and him or them to bring or cause to be brought before vs or our Lieuten^t grāll for the time being, there to receive such punishm^t as the fact shall deserve. And further to doe and exequite all and every power & powers act and acts w^{ch} to the office of a highe Constable in England doe or may belong. Given at S^t maries this fifth day of January anno dñi 1637. witness Leonard Calvert Esq; and o^r Lieuten^t grāll of the Province of maryland

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[Commission to John Lewger.]

Cecilius Lord Propriet^r to our trusty Councillor John Lewger Secretary of our Province of maryland, greeting. ffor divers good considerations vs herevnto moving, and reposing especiall trust and confidence in your faithfull and provident circumspection, we have assigned and appointed and doe hereby assigne and authorise you to be Conservator of the Peace