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OAKLEY, THOMAS, was b. c.1712; m. Prudence (---) who was b. c.1715; with s. Thomas they were named in a 1742 lease of part of My Lady's Manor; had iss.: THOMAS, b. c.1741, alive in 1742; THOMAS, b. 18 June 1744 (77:135; 131).

OAKLEY, THOMAS, m. Susannah, and had iss.; WILLIAM, b. 16 June 1744 (131).

OAR, CHARLES, m. Margaret (---), and had iss.: JOHN, b. 26 Sept. 1721; DANIEL, b. 13 Sept. 1724 (133:11).

O'BRYAN, DANIEL, m. Mary (---), and had iss.: CHARLES, b. 5 May 1708 in Cecil Co. (128:29).

O'BRYAN, MARY, in June 1757 was tried for bast. (46:35).

O'BRYAN, TERENCE, m. Margaret (---), and had iss.: DANIEL, b. 19 Sept. 1709 in Cecil Co. (128:28).

O'BRYAN, THOMAS, m. Amelia Wooling on 14 June 1757 (131).

OCAIN, MANNUS, m. Eliza McKenly on 26 Nov. 1750 (131).

OCHISSON, JOSEPH, m. Elizabeth (---), and had iss.: JOHANNA, b. 25 April 1739 (128:103).

O'DANIEL, THOMAS, was in Balto. Co. by 1663 when he surv. 150 a. Daniel's Neck or Nest; d. by 5 Nov. 1684; left iss.: MARY, m. by 5 Nov. 1684 William Horne who joined her in sale of 50 a. of afsd. tract to John Hall; JANE, m. by 27 Feb. 1686 Thomas Thurgall who joined her in sale of 50 a. to William Westbury; and MARGARET, m. 1st William Westbury, and 2nd, by 4 June 1695 Robert Oless (59:101, 188, 466; 211).

O'DANIEL. See also DANIEL.

ODELL, WILLIAM, was in Balto. Co. by June 1742 when he purch. 50 a. Arnold's Chance from Anthony and Mary Arnold; d. by 24 Dec. 1748 when admin. bond was posted by admnx. Elizabeth Odell with Edward Oursler and John Hurd; in 1750 his heirs owned 50 a. Arnold's Chance, 50 a. Odell's Addition, and other land; his est. was admin. by Elizabeth Odell on 30 May 1750 and 21 May 1753; had iss.: MARY, b. c.1736 (may be the Mary Odell who named Philip Norwood as the father of her child in Nov. 1754); JOHN, b. c.1738; WILLIAM, b. c.1740; WALTER, b. c.1742; ELIZA, b. c.1744; RICHARD, b. c.1745; RIGNAL, b. c.1746; TALBOT, b. c.1748 (5:150, 292; 12:401; 37:163; 39:449; 77:50; 153:66).

OFFLEY, JAMES, in Nov. 1719 stated he was aged and infirm, and pet. the court to be made levy free (23:241).

OG(---), WILLIAM, left an est. val. at £ 4.4.0 by Thomas Bes-son and John Garner (48:69).

OGBURN, WILLIAM, was in Balto. Co. before 1700 when he surv. 100 a. Eastland Hills on 9 June 1672; d. by 1700 without heirs (211).

OGDEN, JOHN, m. Susanna Harps on 19 Nov. 1748 (131).

OGG, GEORGE (1), progenitor, was in A. A. Co. by 1703 when he was involved in a lawsuit with George Peacock; was in Balto. Co. by 1723; m. Elizabeth (---) also alive in 1723; in 1697 he acqu. 300 a. Parrishes Range from Edward Parrish, surv. 150 a. called Bashan in 1706; purch. 100 a. Addition from Thomas Randall in

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1711; and surv. 100 a. George's Beginnings in Nov. 1715; in Nov. 1713 was named father-in-law in the will of William Talbot; in Dec. 1722 conv. all his goods and chattells to his s. George Ogg, Jr., on cond. that the s. would provide for his mother and bro. John, and that he would pay his sister Catherine Risteau £ 25 in current money; in Dec. 1723 George and w. Elizabeth conv. all their real est. to s. George, Jr., retaining a life interest in the property; had iss.: JOHN, b. 24 Sept. 1691, alive in 1723; GEORGE, Jr., b. 30 April 1696; CATHERINE, m. 1st William Talbot and 2nd John Risteau (64:76; 67:176; 69:56, 232; 110:108; 207; 259; 340-15:225).

OGG, GEORGE, JR. (2), s. of George (1), was b. 30 April 1696 in A. A. Co.; was alive in Nov. 1756; m. Mary Potee on 22 Aug. 1722; in Sept. 1723 surv. 50 a. Secdfly; in 1750 owned 150 a. Morgan's Tents, 30 a. Plumb Tree Bottom, and 25 a. Hobson's Choice; was Constable of Upper Hund. of Patapsco in June 1731, and donated 500 pounds tobacco for the building of St. Thomas' Church; in Nov. 1756 conv. personal prop. to his ch.; had iss.: GEORGE, b. 12 April 1724; SARAH, b. 5 Sept. 1726, m. by Nov. 1756 John Whips; KATHERINE, b. 15 July 1728, m. George Shipley, Jr., by Nov. 1756; MARY, b. 10 Oct. 1730 (may have m. Philemon Barnes); REBECCA, b. 16 Oct. 1732, m. by Nov. 1756 William Shipley; RACHEL, b. 20 Sept. 1735; DUNCAN, alive in 1756; WILLIAM, may have been b. before 1724 (in 1742 was granted 25 a. William's Delight), m. Sarah, dau. of William Beasman; RUTH, alive in 1756 (22:232; 29:159; 61:310; 77:251; 78:331; 79:382; 82:377, 613; 92:202; 112:108; 133:14, 45, 48, 49; 153:4; 207; 219-1; 229; 228 ff.; 259).

OGG, GEORGE (3), s. of George (2), was b. 12 April 1724; d. leaving a will 13 Aug. 1767 - 23 Aug. 1770; m. by 29 April 1748 Helen, dau. of William Hamilton; in 1750 he owned 200 a. Carga-furgus; had iss.: BENJAMIN, b. 29 April 1748; GEORGE; RACHEL; WILLIAM HAMILTON; MARY; and JAMES (111:315; 153:96; 259).

OGG, WILLIAM (4), s. of George (2), was granted 25 a. Williams Delight in 1742; on 5 Oct. 1767 he and w. Sarah (dau. of William Beasman) sold the land to William Lyon, Charles Graham, and James Dick (92:202; 112:112).

OGG, BETHIA, m. William Garland on 10 June 1728 (129:245).

OGG, FRANCIS, d. in Balto. Co. on 26 Dec. 1733; m. 1st, by June 1710, Katherine (Stockett), admnx. of Henry Rhodes; m. 2nd, by 3 Aug. 1726, Mary, admnx. of William Beardy; d. leaving a will, 25 Dec. ---, 18 March 1733, naming w. Mary, s. Stockett, and mentioning 5 younger ch.; admin. bond was posted 18 March 1733 by Mary Ogg with Edward Sanders and John Ellison; est. was admin. on 5 Nov. 1739; left iss.: four unidentified ch., and CATURINAH, b. 31 Dec. 1721, may be the Katherine tried for bast. in March 1743/4; STOCKETT, d. 28 Dec. 1733 (2:161, 323; 3:61, 203; 12:389; 21:156; 31:43, 103; 35:172; 52:23; 128:52, 78).

OGG, LABAN, alias Laban Hicks, with w. Ruth, conv. prop. to James and Rebecca Yeo (82:491).

OGG, THOMAS, m. Sarah, dau. of Joseph and Rachel Beasman.

OGLE, Rev. HENRY, was inducted into St. Johns Par., Balto. Co., on 24 July 1739; and served until he resigned on 21 July 1742 when he was inducted into Portobacco Parish, Charles Co. (303).

OGLE, JOHN, m. by 24 June 1743 Rosanna, admnx. of Jonas Robin-

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 Married _____ Place _____
 Wife's Mother ELIZABETH HOWARD ④

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Benjamin Burgess, one of the younger sons of Colonel William Burgess, responded to the call of the sea and as a mariner made frequent trips between his native land and English ports. On one of his trips he married Jane, the relict of James Buchanan, late a citizen of Bristol.¹ His share of the parental estate was "Bessonston" of 300 acres and "Burgess' Choice" of 400 acres. Although a mariner, he made a number of land conveyances in Maryland, some of which throw light upon deeds prior to the burning of the court house.

On October 1, 1700, he deeded to Richard Iiams, of Anne Arundel County, for £70 "Iiams' Purchase" which was a part of "Burgess His Choice" and also 50 acres of "Iiams' His Choice". The transaction was made in the presence of Philip Hoskins and James Saunders, two Justices of the Provincial Court. On November 12, 1700, he conveyed to Charles Cheney for £60 "Charles Frollick" of 67 acres lying in Anne Arundel County, before William Holland and Thomas Odell, two Justices of the Peace of the county.²

On November 12, 1700, he assigned the dower in a plantation to Anne, the widow of his brother William, "whereas there is a tract of land called Moreley's at Herring Creek containing 300 acres belonging to the late William Burges, Gent. Sonne and heire of Coll William Burges deceased and now the proper land of Mr. Benjamin Burges heire to the said William Burges, Gent., late deceased, now the said Benjamin Burges granted to Capt Richard Jones in right of his wife Anne late wife of the said William Burges Gent. 265 acres of 300 acres during her natural life and also one-third of 800 acres of land adjoining."³

On January 22, 1701, he conveyed to Mordecai Moore, of Anne Arundel, Gent., "whereas Lord Baltimore by letters patent of 9 February 1658 granted to William Burgess, of Anne Arundel County, Gent., Burgh of 300 acres and whereas Lord Baltimore by letters patent of 2 May 1659 granted to George Westall of Anne Arundel County Scorton of 800 acres and adjoining Burgh and whereas George Westhall son and heir of the said George Westall by deed of 10 March 1673 granted to the said William Burgess Scroton and by the last will and testament of the said William Burges granted the land to William his son and the said William by his last will and testament devised it to Ursula his mother to be disposed of by her and who is since deceased and Benjamin Burges being her son and heir", therefore Benjamin

Burges for £300 deeded the two plantations to Mordecai Moore, who was actually his step-father.⁴

On March 29, 1701, he made a deed of conveyance to Richard Harrison, of Calvert Co., Merchant, "whereas William Burgess late of Anne Arundel County, Esq., deceased, father of the said Benjamin Burgess in fee was seized of several tracts of land purchased of George Wells, John Wells and Robert Wells Benjamin's Choice, Benjamin's Addition and Bednall Green and the said William Burges being seised by his last will and testament of 11 July 1685 bequeathed to John Burges his son several tracts of 800 acres providing that the said sons William, John, Joseph and Benjamin or Charles should dye before their attained the age of 21 years then their share was to go to the oldest and whereas since by the death of the said William, John and Joseph the sons of the aforesaid three several and respective tracts of land called Benjamin's Choice, Bednall Green and Benjamin's Addition came by descent became the property and right of him the said Benjamin Burges as the gift of the last will and testament of his father William Burges . . .".⁵

Other conveyances during 1704 and 1705 were "Burgess' Choice", the lower portion to Richard Snowden Sr., other portions of the same tract to Lewis Duvall, John Duvall and Richard Iiams, also "Bessonston" on the west side of Rhodes River to Samuel Chambers, Gent.

SOURCES: ¹ Provincial Judgements, Liber TB no. 2, folio 395; ² A.A. Co. Deeds, Liber WT no. 1, folios 84, 92; ³ *Ibid.* folio 97; ⁴ *Ibid.* folio 270.

with James Sellman and Benjamin Williams approving as the kinsmen. The final account was rendered by Joseph Howard on October 1, 1762, when the balance of £638/7/2 was divided equally among the four Howard grandchildren.

SOURCES: ¹ Wills, Liber 20, folio 487; ² Patents, Liber EI no. 1, folio 518; ³ Wills, Liber 22, folio 409; ⁴ Inventories, Liber 26, folio 168; ⁵ Adm. Accts, Liber 19, folio 302; ⁶ Wills, Liber 31, folio 733.

EDWARD GAITHER⁵
(1722-1793)

Edward Gaither, son of Edward and Rachel Gaither, was born in All Hallow's Parish and baptized on June 21, 1723. At the death of his father in 1741, being a minor he was placed under the guardianship of John Jacob. The appraisal of his two plantations was made on January 19, 1741, and delivered to his guardian. The upper plantation was assessed at £2 per annum and consisted of a dwelling house 24 feet by 20 feet, a milk and hen house both 8 feet by 8 feet, a corn house 12 feet by 6 feet, and 150-foot tobacco barn, all in very bad repair. The lower plantation, assessed at £2/16/- per annum, comprised two dwelling houses, 20 by 15 and 20 by 18 respectively, a milk house 8 by 8 and one 42-foot tobacco barn, greatly in need of repair. The witnesses to the appraisal were Walter Phelps and James Sanders.

About 1744 he married Sarah, the daughter of Joseph and Margarey (Keith) Howard, of South River.

Children of Edward and Sarah (Howard) Gaither

1. Edward Gaither, born Oct. 28, 1745, *d.s.p.* 1787.
2. Joseph Gaither, born Feb. 23, 1746/7, died young.
3. Sarah Gaither, born Apr. 6, 1749, married William Merriken.
4. Henry Gaither, born Feb. 23, 1752, married Elizabeth Stewart. *q.v.*
5. Ephraim Gaither, born Jan. 25, 1754, married Catherine —. *q.v.*
6. Beale Gaither, born Nov. 14, 1755. *q.v.*
7. John Howard Gaither, born Sept. 8, 1757. *q.v.*
8. Elijah Gaither, born Mar. 28, 1759. *q.v.*
9. Margarey Gaither married first Philemon Brown, license A.A. Co., Dec. 12, 1787, and secondly Thomas Warfield of Caleb. *q.v.*

On May 6, 1749, he sold to John Ridgely a portion of "Gaither's Collection" which had been resurveyed for his father, Edward Gaither. Sarah Gaither, his wife, waived all dower rights in the presence of Eleanor Whittle and Solomon Carter. On February 14, 1750, he conveyed to Eleanor Whittle, Widow, of Anne Arundel County, for £60 "Freeman's Fancy", lying on the draughts of South River. Sarah, his

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On March 19, 1768, he and Mordecai Jacob, the latter of Prince George's, purchased of William Fish and Sarah his wife "Covell's Folly" on the south side of South River near "Burgess' Choice". On June 3, 1769, he mortgaged to John Hall, Attorney, of Annapolis, and Henry Hall, Gent., "Gaither's Collection", of 643 acres, nine slaves, livestock, household furniture, silver plate, etc., for a consideration of £550. On December 13, 1770, he deeded to Francis Rawlings 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ acres of "Gaither's Collection", lying on the north run of South River, adjoining the land of Vachel White.

At the beginning of the Revolution or during March 1778, Edward Gaither with his sons John H., Beale, and Elijah, subscribed to the Oath of Allegiance and Fidelity to the State of Maryland in Anne Arundel County, before Judge John Dorsey and Judge Thomas Dorsey.¹

According to the 1782 Anne Arundel tax list, he with a family of five was seated in South River Hundred. His son, Edward Jr., was in possession of "Day's Discovery" and "Gaither's Adventure" in Elk Ridge Hundred. In 1790 he had three males in his household including self, one female and 10 negroes.

He died intestate during 1793. Letters of administration were issued to John Hall, Henry Hall and William Merriken. Later his son, Henry Gaither, and William Merriken acted as the administrators. The inventory was filed in Anne Arundel on February 11, 1794, and was appraised at £1,014/-/5, including 15 slaves, a Family Bible, parcel of books, pistol, sword and powder horn. Basil Phelps and Rezin Gaither approved as the kinsmen. The personal estate was sold on March 18, 1794, at public auction and brought a value of £1,696/14/-. His son, Henry, bought the Family Bible for 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ shillings, and he also bought a bed for £3/10/-. John H. Gaither likewise bought a bed for £5/10/-. Other purchasers connected with the Gaither family were Philemon Brown, Joshua Gaither and Thomas Bicknell.²

The final account was filed on June 20, 1796, by William Merriken of Anne Arundel Co., and Henry Gaither of Washington Co., when it was shown that £1,250/-/- had been paid to John Hall to release the mortgage. The funeral expenses and the support of the family amounted to £40/6/11. The final balance for the heirs was £75/13/-. The heirs, however, were not listed.

Colonel Edward Gaither predeceased his father, and died suddenly on Monday, September 24, 1787, at the Woodyard, the seat of Stephen West, of Prince George's, Esq. Through mercantile pursuits he acquired a wealthy estate, but he extended credit too freely. During the

Revolution he distinguished himself in the State Militia and when he was promoted from Captain to Major of the Elk Ridge Battalion, he requested that the Council appoint Elisha Riggs, then a First Lieutenant, Captain in his place. Later he was advanced to the Colonelcy of the Regiment.

His last will and testament, dated September 18, 1787, was proved in Anne Arundel October 3, following.

To his friend Colonel Rezin Hammond his sword, horse and a mourning ring.

To his brother Elijah "Day's Discovery", "Gaither's Adventure", portion of "Rebecca's Lot", bought of John Elliott, and a portion of "Mt. Etna" bought of Dr. Ephraim Howard.

To friend David Stewart a legacy.

Personal estate to be divided equally among his mother Sarah Gaither; brothers Henry, Ephraim, John and Elijah; and sister Margarey Gaither.

His personal estate was appraised at £716/8/3, including nine slaves, "one Elegant Sword", old musket, and a pair of pistols. John H. Gaither and Margarey Brown approved as the kinsmen, while Rezin Hammond and John Hood approved as the creditors. His executor, Elijah Gaither, filed a list of the debts due to the estate of £524/3/5, and an additional list marked "Deperate Debts" valued at £2,372/7/1. Among his debtors were Ralph Gaither, Ephraim Gaither, John Howard Gaither, Zachariah Gaither and Samuel Gaither.

Colonel Edward Gaither, the son and heir of his father, on January 16, 1786, shortly before his death sold to Edward Norwood, of Baltimore County, for £2,000 "Darnall's Grove" which had been granted to Henry Darnall, formerly in Calvert County but then in Prince George's which was a 500-acre portion devised by Thomas Odell to his son, Rignell Odell, and had been conveyed by Edward Norwood and Sarah his wife to him, the said Edward Gaither.⁴

The heirs of Edward Gaither Sr., redeemed their father's mortgage, inasmuch as on May 27, 1794, John Hall, Henry Gaither and William Merriken, the administrators of Edward Gaither of Edward, conveyed to the heirs, that is, Henry Gaither, Sarah Merriken, Ephraim Gaither, Beale Gaither, John Howard Gaither, Elijah Gaither and Margarey Brown, "Gaither's Collection" which Edward Gaither had on June 3, 1769, mortgaged to John Hall.

On October 15, 1794, Henry Gaither, with his wife Elizabeth, of Washington County, Maryland; William Merriken and Sarah his wife, of Anne Arundel; Ephraim Gaither and Catherine his wife, of Martinsburg, Berkeley County, Virginia; Beale Gaither, likewise of Berkeley County; Elijah Gaither, of Moorfield, Hardy County, Virginia; John Howard Gaither, of Washington County, Maryland; and Philemon

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SOURCES: ¹ Red Book Papers, Box 33, folde JG no. 2, folio 375; ² Deeds, Liber NH no.

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SOURCES: ¹ Red Book, items 147, 162; ² Inventories, Box 30, folder 11; Testamentary Papers, Box 33, folder 40; ³ Testamentary Papers Box 36, folder; Adm. Accts, Liber JG no. 2, folio 375; ⁴ Prov. Crt Deeds, Liber TBH no. 2, folio 267; ⁵ Pr. Geo. Co. Deeds, Liber NH no. 7, folio 358.

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HENRY GAITHER⁶

(1752-1812)

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Henry Gaither, son of Edward and Sarah (Howard) Gaither, was born February 23, 1752, in All Hallow's Parish, Anne Arundel County, and as the son and heir of his father he inherited the greater portion of "Gaither's Collection". Certainly before the Revolution he settled in the Upper District of Frederick which in 1776 was organized into Washington County. His wife was Margaret Stewart of South Carolina and Georgia and a sister to General Daniel Stewart of Georgia. According to family tradition, she came to Maryland to visit the Fitzhughs. A romance ensued and there was an elopement.

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2. Stewart Gaither, born Aug. 14, 1785, married Margaret de la Plaud Schell. *q.v.*
3. Edward Gaither, bachelor, Ensign 24th Md. Regt., War of 1812.
4. Sarah Howard Gaither, spinster, died 1872.
5. Rebecca Gaither, spinster, died June 5, 1841.
6. Catherine Elizabeth Gaither, born July 17, 1793, died Mar. 8, 1857.
7. Louisa Gaither.
8. Martha Gaither, born Feb. 13, 1799, died Mar. 4, 1885, married Jan. 27, 1834, as his 2d wife Daniel Huyett, born June 10, 1786, died Mar. 14, 1869.
9. Matilda Gaither, died unmarried May 8, 1853.
10. Henry Gaither, educated at Harvard, lawyer of Hagerstown, married Catherine Williams, niece of Gen. Otho Holland Williams.
11. Henrietta Gaither, spinster, died Aug. 9, 1855.
12. Juliana Gaither, died unmarried 1874.

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Nancy Warfield, sister to the deceased, married Joshua Jones and died before her brother whose estate was insolvent, leaving, John R. Jones, Wesley Jones, Joshua Jones, Mary Ann Jones who married Benjamin Flowers. John R. Jones lived in Baltimore Town, Joshua Jones in Washington County, and Wesley Jones died intestate in Burlington County, Iowa, before 1849.

Sarah Pearce, sister of Charles, was extant in 1848. Elizabeth Johnson, another sister, was deceased, leaving Eliza Preston, Caroline Johnson, Arthur L. Johnson, and Charles D. W. Johnson. The latter was an insolvent debtor in 1851.

On March 12, 1849, presumably a partial distribution to the heirs was made as follows: one-ninth of one-sixth of the total or \$198.60 went to each of the following placed as heirs of Alexander Warfield, deceased—Jesse L. Warfield, Thomas J. Worthington in right of his wife Henrietta, Joshua Warfield, Andrew Nicodemus in right of his wife Honor, Thomas H. W. Monroe in right of his wife Sarah, Francis A. Davis in right of his wife Cecelia, and Mary C. Warfield.

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SOURCES: ¹ Archives, vol. 12, pp. 543, 555; vol. 16, pp. 37, 54, 56; vol. 48, pp. 45, 503; ² Balto. Co. Wills, Liber 8, folio 112; ³ *Ibid.* Liber 9, folio 449; ⁴ Chancery, Liber 173, folio 1048; ⁵ Chancery, Liber 173, folio 1048.

REZIN WARFIELD⁴

(1740-1767)

Rezin Warfield, son of Alexander and Dinah (Davidge) Warfield, was born on May 16, 1740, in Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel

County. About 1762 he married Honour, born March 27, 1740, the daughter of Henry and Sarah (Dorsey) Howard.

Children of Rezin and Honour (Howard) Warfield

1. Beale Warfield *d.s.p.*
2. Anne Warfield married Richard Lawrence. License Fred. Co. Mar. 6, 1780.
3. Sarah Warfield married Charles Warfield. License A.A. Co. July 10, 1790.

He predeceased his father, dying in 1767. His will, dated May 20, 1767, was probated in Anne Arundel County on November 15, same year. He devised his entire estate to his wife, Honour. The witnesses to the instrument were Charles Greenbury Ridgely and Edward Hall of Joseph and also John B. Howard. No inventory and administration of the estate are on record. His three children were made heirs in the will of their paternal grandfather in 1773.

On December 19, 1767, Alexander Warfield, of Anne Arundel, gave his bond to "Onner Warfield widow of my son Rezin Warfield for £500 to said Onner Warfield one-third of Winkopin Neck with improvements whereon she now lives and that I shall bequeath to her son Beale and heirs with reversion to his two sisters Sarah and Anne Warfield during their single lives".¹

Ultimately, or about 1787 a law suit developed over "Wincopen Neck", of 436 acres, which Alexander Warfield had devised his grandson, Beale, in 1773. It was stated in the bill of complaint that the plantation had been willed to Beale Warfield reserving one-third for the use of his mother during life and at her death it was to revert to the said grandson, Beale. His mother at the time of the suit was Mrs. Onner Wilkins. She was alive on July 30, 1787, but was deceased by February 3, 1793.* Although the proceedings failed to state that Beale had died without issue and the plantation had reverted to his heirs, it is thus implied, and his mother and two sisters were at one time in possession of the entire plantation. Anne Warfield had married Richard Lawrence and Sally Warfield had married Charles Warfield. The heirs had agreed to convey the land to Richard Odle, of Elk Ridge, who was a party to the suit. Sally who married Charles Warfield, of Annapolis, died before the plantation had been divided among the heirs. Anne had predeceased her husband, Richard Lawrence, of the Linganore, Frederick County, but had left three sons—Otho, Joseph and Richard Lawrence Jr. Their

* According to the Faris' Diary, "Mrs. Oner Wilkins was buried Sept. 28, 1792". The appraisement of her estate occurred in Anne Arundel on October 9, 1792, and amounted to a value of £206/17/2, with Sally Warfield and Joshua Howard approving as the kinsmen. Henry Davidge and Rezin Davidge, the administrators, filed the papers at court on Dec. 1, 1792.

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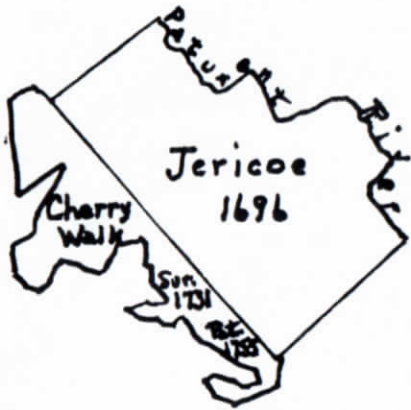
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Sources: 1 Balto. Co. Oaths, Box 3, folder 3; 2 Prov. Crt Deeds, Liber TBH no. 1, folio 484; 3 A. A. Co. Wills, Liber 37, folio 23; 4 *Ibid* Liber 38, folio 63.

EDWARD DORSEY⁴

1728 - 179.

Edward Dorsey, son of John and Honor Dorsey, was born October 1728, in Queen Caroline Parish. On July 29, 1750, he married Betty, born September 9, 1730, a Quaker maiden, the daughter of Ezekiel and Mary (Hill) Gilliss. Betty Dorsey and Henry Gilliss approved the ap-praisement of the estate of their father, Ezekiel Hill, in December 1750. Mary Gilliss, the widow and administratrix, affirmed.

Children of Edward and Betty (Gilliss) Dorsey

1. Ezekiel John Dorsey, born Nov. 5, 1751, married Rebecca Maccubin. *q.v.*
2. Joseph Dorsey, born Aug. 29, 1753, married Amelia Gillis. *q.v.*
3. Edward Hill Dorsey, born Apr. 8, 1760, married Deborah Maccubin. *q.v.*
4. Mary Hill Dorsey, born July 23, 1764.
5. Elizabeth Hill Dorsey, born Oct. 24, 1766, married James van Bebber.
6. Henry Dorsey, born 1768, married Elizabeth Smithson. *q.v.*

The marriage of his daughter, Elizabeth, was announced in the *Mary-land Journal*, February 27, 1787: "Elizabeth Dorsey, daughter of Edward Dorsey, married James van Bebber, Merchant".

During the Revolution he was apparently domiciled in Baltimore Town and was perhaps one of the Edward Dorseys who subscribed to the Oath of Allegiance in that county. On February 28, 1796, styling himself Edward Dorsey of John of Baltimore County he sold to Charles Gillis of the same county for £312 "Addition to Greenbury's Grove En-larged" of 223 which had been patented in 1758 to Sewell Young.

On May 1, 1786, he and his son and heir, Dr. Ezekiel John Dorsey, conveyed to "Edward Dorsey of Edward of John", all parties being of Baltimore County, for £976 three plantations of 488 acres in Baltimore County, namely "Progress", "Additional Progress" and "Dorsey's Di-lenna". On the same day he and his son and heir sold to William Pa-terson for £1,216/17/6 "Chaney's Neglect", "Progress", and "Additional

Progress", beginning near the head of a draught which descended into Piney Falls and thence to the Great Falls of the Patapsco. This later became the seat of William Patterson, Merchant Prince, and which is now Patterson Park. Elizabeth Dorsey of Edward and Rebecca Dorsey of Ezekiel waived their dower rights.¹

On November 13, 1787, Edward Dorsey of John and John Odle, both of Baltimore, the administrators of the estate of Samuel Baker, sold to Dr. Ezekiel John Dorsey for £200/5/- "Ball Hills" and "East Nothram" as conveyed to Samuel Baker by Meshick Baker in 1783 and sold by chancery decree to satisfy the creditors of Samuel Baker.

Although Edward Dorsey of John was of Baltimore County as late as 1787, the 1790 census listed him as a resident of Anne Arundel County with 13 negroes. He apparently died intestate, but no inventories or administration of his estate have been located.

His son, Dr. Ezekiel J. Hill died on April 7, 1827, at his late residence on Hunting Ridge in the 78th year, according to the *Baltimore Gazette*. His will, dated November 3, 1822, was probated in Baltimore County on April 16, 1827. He devised his dwelling-plantation on Hunting Ridge to his nephew, Edward Hill Dorsey of Edward, and bequeathed legacies to Rebecca Dorsey, Robert Dorsey and Samuel Dorsey children of his brother, Edward Dorsey. A subsequent deed filed in Baltimore County stated that inasmuch as Ezekiel John Dorsey, deceased, by his will devised to Robert Dorsey of Edward all land which the said Ezekiel Dorsey purchased from the estate of Zachariah Maccubin, Rebecca Dorsey released her rights to Edward H. Dorsey, and Robert Dorsey and Samuel Dorsey released their rights to Rebecca Dorsey.²

Sources: ¹ Balto. Deeds, Liber WG no. Y, folios 548, 579; ² *Ibid* Liber WG no. 186, folio 113.

NATHAN DORSEY ⁴
1731 - 1774

Nathan Dorsey, son of John and Honor Dorsey, was born August 11, 1731, at "First Discovery", Queen Caroline Parish. His seat, however, was on "Ranter's Ridge", known popularly as Waverly, which he bought of the Brown heirs. He sustained financial reverses prior to the Revolution and was forced to dispose of most of his property. His brother, Vachel Dorsey, however, purchased the greater portion of his landed estate on September 26, 1770. His wife was Sophia, the daughter of John and Asenath Owings of Baltimore County. She was made an heir in the will

of her father in 1765.¹ According to a statement of his grandson, Nathan Dorsey had seven sons and one daughter, but only four sons have been placed.

Children of Nathan and Sophia (Owings) Dorsey

1. Priscilla Dorsey.
2. John Dorsey, heir in 1764 of grandfather.
3. Vachel Dorsey married Clementina Ireland. *q.v.*
4. Nathan Dorsey. *q.v.*
5. Samuel Dorsey married Maria Bows and Elizabeth Thompson. *q.v.*

He died intestate in 1774, but left very little to his progeny. Letters of administration were issued on August 30, 1774, to his brother Edward Dorsey of John. The appraisement of the personal estate was not filed at court until November 4, 1775, and manifested a value of £90/8/6. Michael Dorsey and Nathan Dorsey approved as the kinsmen. After all obligations were paid by the administrator, a balance of £9/3/- remained for the heirs.²

Sources: ¹ Wills, Liber 33, folio 347; ² Inventories Liber 123, folio 201; Test. Papers Box 22, folder 83.

COLONEL JOHN DORSEY ⁵
1734 - 1779

John Dorsey, son of Michael and Ruth (Todd) Dorsey, was born on July 3, 1734, in Anne Arundel County. He married his cousin, Anne, the daughter of Philemon and Catherine (Ridgely) Dorsey.

Children of John and Anne (Dorsey) Dorsey

1. Philemon Dorsey *d.s.p.*
2. Vachel Dorsey married Anne Poole. *q.v.*
3. Michael Dorsey married Elizabeth Poole. *q.v.*
4. Catherine Dorsey married Charles Warfield. *q.v.*
5. Ruth Dorsey married Gassaway Watkins.
6. Eleanor Dorsey married Basil Burgess. *q.v.*
7. Elizabeth Dorsey, spinster.

Colonel John Dorsey became one of the foremost men in Anne Arundel and prior to the Revolution amassed a great fortune. In 1775 he was a member of the Committee of Observation. On July 26, of that year, he was a delegate to the Maryland Convention which met at Annapolis, and at the same time he was one of the field officers of the Elk Ridge Battalion of Militia. He later held the grade of Lieutenant Colonel. On July 31, 1778, it was shown that there were two hogsheds of whiskey

belonging to the State, at Elk Ridge Landing in one of the Colonel John Dorsey's warehouses.

The will of Colonel John Dorsey was probated in Anne Arundel on March 9, 1779, it having been written on January 28, 1779.¹

- To wife Anne "Brown's Chance" and "Dorsey's Friendship" during life.
 - To son Philemon "Altogether" of 221 acres, and portions of "Brown's Chance" and "Dorsey's Friendship".
 - To Vachel "Bite the Skinner" of 113 acres, "Pindon's Range" of 50 acres, "Peace", "Selina" and all the land left the testator and his wife by "Philemon Dorsey my wife's father".
 - To son Michael "First Discovery" of 300 acres.
 - To his three single daughters, Ruth, Elizabeth and Eleanor currency as well as his three sons Philemon, Vachel and Michael.
- Executor — brother Lancelot Dorsey.

The appraisal of his personel estate occurred on March 28, 1779, including 14 negroes. Philemon Dorsey as guardian to Ruth and Elinor, and Catharine Warfield approved the valuation. The executor, Lancelot Dorsey, filed the inventory at court in Anne Arundel County on August 10, 1779.

An account filed by Lancelot Dorsey on April 15, 1789, reported a balance of £680/4/1, and the following disbursements:²

- To Philemon Dorsey guardian to Ruth and Eleanor Dorsey.
- To Basil Burgess guardian to Philemon Dorsey it being part of Elizabeth Dorsey's estate.
- To Vachel Dorsey.
- To Basil Burgess for his wife's portion.
- To Charles Warfield of John being his wife's portion of Elizabeth Dorsey's estate.
- To Gassaway Watkins being his wife's portion of Elizabeth Dorsey's estate.
- To Basil Dorsey guardian to Philemon Dorsey.

On March 4, 1790, Ann Dorsey, widow of John Dorsey and mother of Philemon Dorsey, his legal heirs and other relatives, declared that he "has misfortune to want common sense and has not understanding enough to take care of" his property and prayed that the court would appoint a trustee. The petitioners besides his mother were: Catherine Warfield his sister and her husband Charles Warfield of John; Vachel Dorsey his brother; Ruthy Watkins his sister and Gassaway Watkins her husband; Lancelot Dorsey an uncle; Samuel Riggs an uncle and Amelia Riggs an aunt; Vachel Warfield an uncle and Sarah Warfield an aunt.

An inquisition was taken at the home of Mrs. Agnes Gaither before Benjamin Howard, High Sheriff for Anne Arundel County. It was declared by the jury that Philemon Dorsey had been in a state of idiocy

for 12 years and that his landed estate consisted of "Toddy" of 27 years, part of "Altogether" of 221 acres then in possession of William Calvert a tenant, part of "Brown's Chance" and "Dorsey's Friendship" of 152 acres under the incumbrance of his mother during life, also personal property appraised at £280/6/1 in the hands of Basil Burgess. His heirs were: his brother, Vachel Dorsey, aged about 19 years; Michael Dorsey aged about 12 years; Cather Warfield aged about 30 years; Ruth Watkins aged about 26 years; and Eleanor Burgess aged about 24 years, all residents of Anne Arundel.³

According to court records Lancelot Dorsey settled his brother's estate among the heirs on April 13, 1791, and also that of Elizabeth Dorsey, who died unmarried. Distribution was made to Anne Dorsey, the widow, who received her third and a portion of her daughter, Elizabeth; to Ruth Dorsey; to Charles Warfield who married Catherine Dorsey; to Basil Burgess who married Eleanor Dorsey; to Philemon Dorsey; to Vachel Dorsey; and to Michael Dorsey.

Vachel Dorsey on February 8, 1794, however, filed a bill of complaint against Lancelot Dorsey, the executor of his father's estate stating that he was eight years of age at the death of his father having been born in May 1771 and that Lancelot Dorsey used his land until the fall of 1786, when he chose Basil Burgess as his guardian. Lancelot Dorsey also possessed his personal estate and that he had not received his full share of his inheritance. Lancelot Dorsey, however, admitted that he had paid Basil Burgess his ward's share of the estate. Vachel Dorsey declared that he became of age on May 6, 1792.⁵

On January 24, 1817, Richard Ridgely, trustee for the sale of the estate of Philemon Dorsey, who died on July 25, 1816, stated that the representatives were: his brother Michael Dorsey; that his brother, Vachel Dorsey, was deceased leaving two grandchildren; his sister, Cather Warfield, living; sister Eleanor Burgess married to Basil Burgess who was deceased leaving sundry heirs in the State of Kentucky; and sister Ruth who married Gassaway Watkins and was deceased leaving sundry children.⁶

Sources: ¹ A. A. Co. Wills, Liber 33, folio 89; ² A. A. Co. Adm. Accts, Liber JG no. 1, folio 149; ³ Chancery Papers no. 1517; ⁴ Distributions, Liber 1778-98, folio 26; ⁵ Chancery Papers no. 1318; ⁶ *Ibid* no. 1517.

MICHAEL DORSEY ⁵
1745 - 1812

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DESCENDANTS OF
 COLONEL EDWARD DORSEY BY SECOND WIFE
 CHARLES DORSEY³
 16— . 1733

Charles Dorsey, son of Colonel Edward Dorsey by Margaret Larkin, was born probably at the Patapsco plantation. His wife was Anne

Children of Charles and Anne Dorsey

1. Margaret Dorsey, born Apr. 28, 1725.
2. Jane Dorsey, born Sept. 22, 1726.
3. Aquilla Dorsey, born Mar. 23, 1729. *q.v.*
4. Ellis [Elise] Dorsey, born Jan. 28, 1731/2.

His plantation lay in Queen Caroline Parish where the births of his four children were registered. On November 16, 1728, of Baltimore County, he sold to Richard Snowden, of Anne Arundel, 186 acres of Improved "Major's Fancy", formerly surveyed for Colonel Edward Dorsey, on the north side of the Severn Run adjoining "Littleworth". Anne Dorsey, wife, waived all dower rights.¹

On December 20, 1732, Francis Dorsey and Edward Dorsey figured in a land transaction with their brother, Charles, "whereas Colonel Edward Dorsey late of Baltimore County deceased, Gent., father of Edward Dorsey and Francis Dorsey bequeathed to his sons Charles, Lacon, Francis and Edward several tracts of land on the north side of the Patapsco . . . Lacon one of the four dying within the Time limited" the other three thus inherited the devisee. Thereupon Francis Dorsey and Edward Dorsey assigned "Owings' Adventure" to Charles Dorsey. On December 21, or the next day Charles Dorsey of Baltimore County conveyed to William Richardson of Anne Arundel County "Owings' Adventure" which had been granted to Richard Owings on November 10, 1695, for 450 acres and which he had conveyed to Colonel Edward Dorsey on August 30, 1704. Anne Dorsey, wife of Charles, waived her legal interest.²

He died intestate. His personal estate was inventoried on October 25, 1733, with his widow, Anne Dorsey, as the administratrix. He possessed one white servant man with three years to serve, and also listed in his inventory was "one wig". Francis Dorsey and Edward Dorsey, Jr. approved the valuation as the kinsmen. At an additional inventory on January 7, 1733/4, but not recorded until November 19, 1735, his widow, Anne, had married John Martin. The kinsmen were Francis Dorsey and "Edward Dorsey Jr. of Charles." On August 5, 1736, John Martin who

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Sources: ¹ Balto. Co. Deeds, Liber TL no. 1, folio 44; ² *Ibid* Liber IS no. 1, folio 340; ³ Inventories, Liber 17, folio 468; Liber 21, folio 172; Adm. Accts Liber 15, folio 118.

FRANCIS DORSEY³

16— - 1749

Francis Dorsey, son of Colonel Edward Dorsey and Margaret Larkin his second wife was born probably at "Major's Choice" in old Baltimore County. On attaining his majority he inherited by the terms of his father's will land on the north side of the Patapsco in the western portion of what is now Baltimore County. He married Elizabeth, about 1723, the daughter of Morris and Sarah (Nicholson) Baker of the Patapsco. Morris Baker by his will of Baltimore County in 1762 devised "Scotsman's Desire" to his grandson, Francis Dorsey.

Children of Francis and Elizabeth (Baker) Dorsey

1. Priscilla Dorsey, born Mar. 22, 1725/6.
2. Ventia Dorsey, born Oct. 16, 1728, married William Murphy.
3. Sarah Dorsey, born Jan. 28, 1730/1, married Charles Wells.
4. Kezia Dorsey, born Apr. 25, 1735.
5. Margaret Dorsey, born Jan. 18, 1738/9.
6. Elizabeth Dorsey, born Aug. 16, 1733, married Morris Baker.
7. Francis Dorsey, born 1741, married Anne ————. *q.v.*
8. Lacon Dorsey, born Feb. 15, 1747. *q.v.*

The births of his children with the except of Lacon were registered in Old St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore Town.

On October 17, 1732, Francis Dorsey bought of Morris Baker for £11 a 100-acre portion of "Scotsman's Desire" which lay on the north side of of the Patapsco. Sarah Baker, wife, waived all dower rights.

His will, dated June 5, 1749, was probated in Baltimore County on February 17, 1749/50, by John Hurd, Dorsey Petticoat, and Jacob Rowles

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To son Francis 100 acres of "Scotsman's Desire", on the north side of the Main Falls of the Patapsco and 50 acres of "Dorsey's Addition", adjoining "Scotsman's Desire", and negroes.

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To son Lacon "White Oak Bottom" lying on the northern branch of the fork of the Great Falls of the Patapsco, 50 acres of "Dorsey's Addition" and negroes.

Residuary estate to daughters, naming only Ventia and Elizabeth.
Executor — son-in-law William Murphy.

The inventory of his personal estate was filed at court on February 15 1749/50, and appraised at £275/17/6, including four slaves. Charles Wells who was described as son-in-law and Veneshe Dorsey as daughter approved the valuation.²

At the March Court of 1765 in Baltimore County, Charles Wells and Sarah his wife, Morris Baker and Elizabeth his wife, Margaret Dorsey, Francis Dorsey and Lacon Dorsey issued citations against William Murphy, executor of Francis Dorsey, to show cause why he had not returned a list of the debts owed to the testator and had not given an account of the growing crops at the time of his death.³

References: ¹ Wills, Liber 27, folio 132; ² Inventories, Liber 41, folio 368; ³ Testamentary Proceedings, Liber 41.

EDWARD DORSEY, THE YOUNGER³

17— - 1753

Edward Dorsey, the Younger, son of Colonel Edward Dorsey, by his second wife, Margaret, was born probably at "Major's Choice" in Old Baltimore County. His wife was Phoebe ————.

Children of Edward and Phoebe Dorsey

1. Lacon [Larkin] Dorsey married Lucy ————. *q.v.*
2. Joshua Dorsey married Rachel ————. *q.v.*
3. Edward Dorsey.
4. Rachel Dorsey.

From his father's estate he received plantations on the north shore of the Patapsco in present Baltimore County. On April 7, 1739, he purchased from Captain Thomas Howard "Thomas' Lote", of 200 acres, which had been patented by Thomas Reynolds, Gent., formerly lying in Baltimore County but by subsequent adjustment of the boundary fell into Anne Arundel.

His will was probated in Anne Arundel County on March 15, 1753, having been written in the presence of Philemon Dorsey, Benjamin Lawrence, Samuel Norwood and James Macgill on January 13, previously.¹

To wife Phebe during life the dwelling-plantation of 202½ acres, being a portion of "Thomas' Lot" alias "Dorsey's Addition" and negroes.

To sons Laton and Edward 100 acres of land each.

To son Joshua 100 acres of "Dorsey's Addition" and negroes.

To daughter Rachel Dorsey negroes.

To Benjamin Gaither of John 45½ acres of "Dorsey's Addition".

If the three sons died before 21, then estate was to be divided among the testator's surviving brothers.

Executors — wife and Michael Dorsey.

The inventory of his estate was filed at court in Anne Arundel County on August 15, 1753, by Phebe Dorsey his executrix. It was appraised at £402/6/10, including nine slaves and one white-servant man. John Dorsey of Ed and Phi Dorsey approved as the kinsmen.²

His widow soon married Basil Williams and settled in Frederick County. On March 6, 1769, "Lacon Dorsey son of Edward Jr., late of Anne Arundel County" and Basil Williams and Phebe his wife "now of Frederick County", sold "Thomas' Lot" of 152½ acres to John Worthington Warfield for £147/10/-. No wife of Lacon waived dower.³

References: ¹ Wills, Liber 28, folio 437; ² Inventories, Liber 35, folio 232; ³ Provincial Crt Deeds, Liber DD no. 4, folio 526.

AQUILLA DORSEY ⁴

1729 - 18—

Aquilla Dorsey, son of Charles and Anne Dorsey, was born March 23, 1729/30, in Queen Caroline Parish. On March 17, 1737, when he was certainly a minor, John Howard, of Anne Arundel, Gent., assigned him as "Acquilla Dorsey son and heir of Charles Dorsey, deceased" the plantation "Brother's Love". On July 16, 1751, he sold to Philemon Dorsey for £11/7/- a 67-acre portion of "Brother's Love" on a branch of the Snowden River called Howard's Branch. At the same time he sold 110 acres of the same plantation to Nicholas Greenbury Ridgely. He styled himself Blacksmith and Carpenter of Baltimore County. No wife waived dower.

† There is evidence of two marriages, but the name of his first wife is not known. His second wife was Anne Griffith, born December 5, 1759, daughter of Benjamin and Anne (Riggs) Griffith, certainly a maiden much his junior.

Children of Aquilla Dorsey

1. Charles Dorsey, born Apr. 6, 1760, died July 14, 1811, married Elizabeth Anchors. *q.v.*
2. Aquilla Dorsey, born 1789.
3. Ann Dorsey, born Dec. 10, 1797.

Very little additional information can be found on this branch of the family. It is said that his widow later lived at Bucyrus, Crawford County, Ohio.

FRANCIS DORSEY ⁴

1741 - 1769

Francis Dorsey, son of Francis and Elizabeth (Baker) Dorsey, was born June 23, 1741, in St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore Town. His wife was Anne

Children of Francis and Anne Dorsey

1. Basil John Dorsey, born 1762, married Rachel Odell. *q.v.*
2. Priscilla Dorsey.
3. Posthumous child.

His will, dated March 1, 1769, was probated in Baltimore County, on September 5, following.¹

To son Basil John Dorsey "Scotsman's Desire" of 100 acres, and to be of age at 18 years.

To daughter Priscilla Dorsey personalty.

To unborn child personalty.

To wife Anne "Dorsey's Addition" and negroes.

To Patience Davis personalty.

Reference: ¹ Wills, Liber 37, folio 301.

LACON DORSEY ⁴

1747 - 18—

Lacon [Larkin] Dorsey, son of Francis and Elizabeth (Baker) Dorsey, was born on February 15, 1747, in Baltimore County, and is believed to be the Lacon Dorsey who settled in Washington County. On August 31, 1779, as a resident of that county he purchased from Sallady son and heir of Frederick Sallady, late of Redstone Settlement in Monongahala County, Virginia, and Barbara Sallady, widow of the said Frederick, a tract