

TION AND DEATH: bought at least 224 additional acres in Queen Anne's County between 1779 and 1785. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: will probated on February 5, 1793, in Queen Anne's County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £749.1.3 current money (including 2 Negroes and 7 other servants with various terms of service remaining, 30 oz. plate, and books); FB, £372.6.2. LAND: 1,090 acres in Queen Anne's County.

BORDLEY, JOHN BEALE (1726/27–1804). BORN: on February 11, 1726/27, in Annapolis, Anne Arundel County; youngest son. NATIVE: second generation. RESIDED: in Joppa Town, Baltimore County, in the 1750s; Baltimore Town, 1766; "The Vineyards," Wye Island, Queen Anne's County, 1770; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 1791 until death. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: *Thomas Bordley* (ca. 1683–1726). STEPFATHER: *Edmund Jennings* (?–1756). MOTHER: Ariana (1690–1741), widow of *James Frisby* (1684–1719); daughter of *Matthias Vanderheyden* (?–1729). HALF UNCLE: *Henry Ward* (?–1734). AUNTS: Francina Vanderheyden, who married second, *Charles Hynson* (1692–1748); Augustina Vanderheyden (?–1775), who married *James Harris* (1682–1743). BROTHERS: Thomas (ca. 1724–1748); Matthias (1725–1756). HALF BROTHERS. PATERNAL: *Stephen Bordley* (ca. 1710–1764); William (1714–1762); John (?–1718); and John (1721–1761). HALF BROTHERS. MATERNAL: Peter Jennings (1729–by 1737); Edmund Jennings (1731–1819); and (first name unknown) Jennings (?–by 1737). HALF SISTERS. PATERNAL: Elizabeth (1716/17–1789); Margaret (1719–by 1726/27); and Mary (1722–1722). HALF SISTERS. MATERNAL: Sarah Frisby (1714–1782); Ariana Margaret Frisby (1717–?), who married *William Harris* (1704–1748); Francesca Augustina Frisby (1719–1766); and Ariana Jennings (1730–?). FIRST COUSIN: *Matthias Harris* (1718–1773). ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: his father's first wife was Rachel Beard (?–1722). MARRIED first, in 1751 Margaret (?–1773), daughter of Samuel Chew (ca. 1704–1736/37) and wife Henrietta Maria Lloyd (?–1765); stepdaughter of *Daniel Dulany* (1685–1753); granddaughter of *Philemon Lloyd* (ca. 1674–1732/33). Her brothers were *Samuel Chew* (by 1734–1786); Bennett (?–1793), who married Anna Maria, daughter of *Edward Tilghman* (1713–1786); and *Philemon Lloyd* (?–1770). Her stepbrothers were *Daniel Dulany, Jr.* (1722–1797); *Walter Dulany* (?–1773). Her sisters were Henrietta Maria (1731–1762), who married *Edward Dorsey* (1718–1760); Ann Mary (?–1774), who married *William Paca* (1740–1799).

Her stepsister was Margaret Dulany, who married first, *Alexander Hamilton* (1712–1756), and second, *William Murdock* (?–1769). Her niece was Henrietta Maria Chew (1759–1847), who married *Benjamin Galloway* (1752–1831). MARRIED second, on October 8, 1776, Sarah Fishbourne, widow of John Mifflin, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. CHILDREN. SONS: Matthias, of Wye Island, Queen Anne's County; John, of Kent County, a farmer. STEPSON: John F. Mifflin, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. DAUGHTERS: Henrietta Maria, who married John Ross, of Bladensburg, Prince George's County; Elizabeth, who married James Gibson, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: had approximately two years of schooling under Rev. Charles Peale in Chestertown, Kent County; studied law under his half brother *Stephen Bordley* (ca. 1710–1764) in Annapolis from 1744 to 1749. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Esq. at death; member of the Tuesday Club in Annapolis in the 1750s; elected to the American Philosophical Society, 1783; founded the Philadelphia Society for Promoting Agriculture, 1785. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: When Bordley was ten years old his mother Ariana departed for England with her third husband *Edmund Jennings* (?–1756), leaving Bordley in the care of his uncle *Charles Hynson* (1692–1748) and his wife Francina Vanderheyden. Bordley read extensively in the natural sciences and philosophy, and enjoyed mathematics and landscape painting in his leisure time. He published many books and pamphlets, among which were *A Summary View of Courses of Crops in the Husbandry of England and Maryland* (Philadelphia, 1784), *Yellow Fever* (Philadelphia, 1793), *Money, Coins, Weights and Measures* (1789), *National Credit and Character* (1790), and *Essays and Notes on Husbandry and Rural Affairs* (Philadelphia, 1799; 2nd ed., Philadelphia, 1801). He also wrote on diet, conservation, lead poisoning, and was an experimental agriculturalist, amateur mathematician, and animal breeder. He ran a self-sufficient farm with livestock, brick kilns, a brew house, and a windmill. He produced his own salt, gunpowder, and fabric. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: lawyer, 1750 until approximately 1770, admitted to the following courts: Cecil County by March 1757, also Harford and Baltimore counties. Merchant, 1751; planter and agronomist from approximately 1770, when his first wife inherited Wye Island, Queen Anne's County; officeholder, 1753–1775. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Upper House, 1768–1770, 1771, 1773–1774. OTHER PROVINCIAL/STATE OFFICES: judge, Provincial