

town lots, or a total of 2,934 acres. At least 1,000 acres of this was mortgaged to secure debts amounting to £983.7.8 sterling and £909.14.8 current money. His remaining 1,934 acres had already been mortgaged to the London owners of the Nottingham Forges in Baltimore County. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** **DIED:** in 1774 in Baltimore Town; a petition to grant letters of administration was filed in the court on April 18, 1774. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** Lee's widow and relatives refused to take out letters of administration. **John Beale Bordley** (1726/27–1804), executor of the estate of **Stephen Bordley** (ca. 1710–1764), to whom Lee was indebted for £700.0.0 sterling, petitioned the court himself as a result of the family's refusal. Letters were not granted, however, and on March 8, 1785, Eleanor Lee again stated that she did not intend to sign for administration on her husband's estate. Size of personal estate is unknown. **LAND:** ca. 2,900 acres in Baltimore County, all of which was mortgaged. John Lee, Corbin's brother and heir, released all of the mortgaged property shortly after Corbin's death. The land that remained consisted of 2 lots on Fells Point, 1 lot in Baltimore Town, and 1 lot in Joppa Town.

LEE, FRANCIS (?–1749). **BORN:** probably at his father's estate, "Blenheim," in Charles County; of age by 1741. **NATIVE:** second generation. **RESIDED:** in Dorchester County by ca. 1742; Cecil County, by 1746. **FAMILY BACKGROUND.** **FATHER:** **Philip Lee** (ca. 1681–1744). **MOTHER:** Sarah (?–1724), widow of **William Dent** (ca. 1660–1704), daughter of **Thomas Brooke** (ca. 1659–1730/31). **STEPMOTHER:** Elizabeth Lawson, widow of Henry Sewall (?–1722). **Gent.** **UNCLE:** **Thomas Brooke** (1683–1744). **AUNT:** Priscilla Brooke, who married **Thomas Gantt** (?–1765). **HALF AUNT:** Jane Brooke (?–1779), who married **Alexander Contee** (ca. 1691–1740). **BROTHERS:** **Richard Lee** (ca. 1707–1787); Philip (?–1739); Thomas (?–1749); and **Arthur Lee** (?–1760). **HALF BROTHERS:** Hancock (?–1759); John; **Corbin Lee** (?–1774); and **George Lee** (1736–1807). **STEPBROTHERS:** **Nicholas Lewis Sewell** (ca. 1721–1800); Henry Sewall (?–1780). **SISTERS:** Ann (ca. 1711–1800); Sarah; and Eleanor (1710–1759). **HALF SISTERS:** Hannah (ca. 1736–by 1781), who married second, **Joseph Sprigg** (1736–1800); Letitia (Lettice) (?–1776), who married third, **Joseph Sim** (?–1793); Elizabeth; Alice; and Margaret (Peggy). **FIRST COUSINS:** **Thomas Gantt** (ca. 1710–1785); **Fielder Gantt** (?–1807); **Edward Gantt** (?–by 1783); probably Ann Gantt, who married **John Brome** (1703–1748);

Richard Brooke (1716–1783); and Eleanor Brooke (1718–?), who married **Samuel Beall** (ca. 1713–ca. 1778). **NEPHEWS:** **Philip Thomas Lee** (1738–1778); **Thomas Sim Lee** (1745–1819); **Richard Potts** (1753–1808); and **Philip Richard Fendall** (?–?). **NIECES:** Sarah Lettice Lee (?–1761), who married **Philip Richard Fendall** (?–); Hannah Lee (?–ca. 1763), who married **George Plater** (1735–1792); Sarah Eleanor Potts, who married **Thomas Gantt, Jr.** (?–1808); Rebecca Potts, who married **Benjamin Mackall IV** (1745–by 1810); Alice Lee (?–1789), who married **John Weems** (1737–1813); and Sarah Fendall (ca. 1732–1793), who married ca. 1755 **Thomas Contee** (ca. 1729–1811). **MARRIED** by 1745 Elizabeth, daughter of Col. Leonard Hollyday (1691–1741) and wife (first name unknown) Smith. Elizabeth was the stepdaughter of Eleanor Hill Waring (ca. 1700–1750), the granddaughter of **Thomas Hollyday** (ca. 1661–1702/3), and the stepgranddaughter of Clement Hill (?–1743) and wife Eleanor Darnall. She was the niece of **James Hollyday** (1696–1747) and of Margery Hollyday (?–1764), who married second, **Thomas Gantt** (?–1765). Her brothers were Thomas; Leonard, a physician; and Clement. Her sister was Mary, who married **Francis Waring** (1715–1769). Her first cousins were **James Hollyday** (1722–1786); **Henry Hollyday** (ca. 1725–1789). **CHILDREN.** **SONS:** Francis Leonard; Lancelot Richard Thomas. **DAUGHTER:** Amelia. **PRIVATE CAREER.** **EDUCATION:** literate. **SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES:** fourth generation descendant of the Virginia Lees; Francis's grandfather was Richard Lee, and his great-grandfather was Col. Richard Lee of Stratford, Virginia. **OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE:** merchant, ca. 1740–1746, who owned or insured at least 3 vessels. **PUBLIC CAREER.** **LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Lower House, Dorchester County, 1745/46–1746 (discharged from the 1745/46–1748 Assembly on June 20, 1746, after accepting the office of Cecil County clerk). **LOCAL OFFICES:** justice, Dorchester County, appointed 1743; clerk, Cecil County, 1746–1749. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** **LAND AT FIRST ELECTION:** 549 acres in Dorchester County (200 acres inherited from father; 349 acres by patent). **SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH:** acquired 51 acres in Cecil County, 1749; acquired an additional 220 acres in Dorchester County and an unknown number of acres in Somerset and Worcester counties by his death. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** **DIED:** obituary dated October 4, 1749; in Cecil County. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** TEV, £1,298.9.7 current money (including 2 servants, 7 slaves, sil-