

first, *William Dent* (ca. 1660–1704), and second, *Philip Lee* (ca. 1681–1744); and Priscilla, who married *Thomas Gantt* (?–1765). HALF SISTERS: Jane (?–1779), who married *Alexander Contee* (ca. 1691–1740); Rebecca (?–1763), who married John Howard (?–1742); Mary (?–1758), who married Dr. Patrick Sim (?–1740); Elizabeth, who married George Beale (1695–1780), son of *Ninian Beale* (ca. 1625–1717/18); and Lucy, who married Thomas Hodgkin. NEPHEWS: *Thomas Gantt* (ca. 1710–1785); *Fielder Gantt* (?–1807); and *Edward Gantt* (?–by 1783). NIECE: probably Ann Gantt, who married *John Brome* (1703–1748). MARRIED in 1706 Lucy (1688–1770), daughter of *Walter Smith* (?–1711). Her brothers were Richard (?–1733) and Walter (ca. 1692–1734). Her sisters were Elinor, who married *Thomas Addison* (1679–1727); Rebecca, who married *Daniel Dulany* (1685–1753); Elizabeth; Mary; Ann (1694–1759), who married second, *Thomas Trueman Greenfield* (1682–1733). Her first cousins were *Walter Smith* (ca. 1693–1748); Barbara Smith (1693–1764), who married first, *Thomas Holdsworth* (ca. 1692–1718), and second, *Benjamin Mackall* (1675–1761). Her nephews were *Daniel Dulany, Jr.* (1722–1797); *Walter Dulany* (?–1773); and *John Addison* (1713–1764). Her nieces were Margaret Dulany, who married first, *Alexander Hamilton* (1712–1756), and second, *William Murdock* (?–1769); Ann Addison (1711/12–?), who married *William Murdock* (?–1769); and Marianne Greenfield, who married *John Stoddert* (?–1767). CHILDREN. SONS: Thomas (1706–1749), who married first, Judith (?–1738), widow of Charles Ascom and daughter of *Philip Briscoe* (?–ca. 1724/25), and second, Sarah (1715–?), daughter of George Mason (1660–1716), of Virginia; Walter (1707–1740/41); Nathaniel (1712–?); *Richard Brooke* (1716–1783), who married Rachel (?–1793), daughter of Col. *John Smith* (?–1738); Isaac (1722–1756); Daniel (1726–1735); Charles (1727–died the same year); Robert (1728–1777); and Clement (1730–1800). DAUGHTERS: Mary (1709–?), who married Peter Dent; Anne (1711–?), who married (first name unknown) Harris; Lucy (1714–1718); Eleanor (1718–?), who married *Samuel Beall* (ca. 1713–ca. 1778); Rachel (1719–1789); Lucy (1721–?), who married John Estep, of Charles County; Rebecca (1722–?); and Elizabeth (1724–1794). PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: first fourth generation provincial officeholder in Maryland; his great-grandfather *Robert Brooke* (1602–1655) immigrated in 1650 and established very prominent family; Thomas Brooke suffered severe economic

misfortunes, and only his son *Richard Brooke* (1716–1783) held public office. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: planter. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Prince George's County, 1712–1714 (Accounts 2–4). LOCAL OFFICES: justice, Prince George's County, 1706–1708/9; deputy commissary, Prince George's County, 1721/22–1727; clerk, St. Mary's County, 1728–1740; sheriff, Prince George's County, 1731–1734. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: heir-at-law to his father's estate, but no land in his own name. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: on December 28, 1744. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £504.18.6 (including 5 slaves mortgaged). LAND: at least 979 acres.

BROOKES, FRANCIS (ca. 1608–by 1658/59). BORN: ca. 1608, probably in England. IMMIGRATED: by 1635, probably as an indentured servant. RESIDED: in Kent County; St. Mary's County, by 1650. MARRIED first, (name unknown). MARRIED second, Ann (?–1653), daughter of Elizabeth Boulton, of Middlesex, England, who immigrated in 1649 or 1650 as governess for the children of *William Mitchell* (?–1658). MARRIED third, by 1656 Mary. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: accused in 1656 of beating his wife Mary and causing her to have a stillborn child. CHILDREN. SON: Francis (ca. 1635–1667/68). PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: illiterate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: probably a Protestant. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: probably an indentured servant to *William Claiborne* (1600–ca. 1677); Mr. and Gent. after 1647. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: probably an indentured servant or low-wage laborer for Cloberry & Company; miller in the late 1630s; planter. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Assembly, present 1647/48; Lower House, St. Mary's Hundred, St. Mary's County, 1650. LOCAL OFFICE: justice, Kent County, 1647–1647/48. STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: granted 100 acres in Kent County in 1651 for supporting Lord Baltimore during Ingle's Rebellion. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: probably 200 acres. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: by January 20, 1658/59. LAND: probably 450 acres.

BROOME (BROME), JOHN (1676–ca. 1738/39). BORN: in 1676 in Calvert County; oldest son. NATIVE: second generation. RESIDED: in Calvert County. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: John (?–by 1688/89), an innholder and merchant as well as a planter who owned 2,750 acres. MOTHER: Winifred Margaret, who subsequently married in 1699 Henry Fernley. MARRIED Anne