

(1676–1754), daughter of *Thomas Dent* (ca. 1630–1676); Robert (1663–1714); Ignatius (1670–1751); Matthew (1672–1703); and Clement (1676–1737), who married Jane, daughter of *Nicholas Sewall* (ca. 1655–1737). DAUGHTERS: Mary (1678–1742), who married in 1693 Charles Carroll; Ann (1680–1749), who married in 1696 Clement Hill, nephew and heir of *Clement Hill* (?–1708); and Elizabeth (?–1704), who married in 1699 Edward Digges (?–1714), son of *William Digges* (ca. 1650–1697). STEPDAUGHTERS: Mary, who married first, James Bowling, second, *Benjamin Hall* (1667–1721), and third, Henry Withan; Elinor, who married first, Philip Darnall (1671–1705), and second, William Digges, son of *William Digges* (ca. 1650–1697). PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate; probably had considerable schooling. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Catholic. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: he was related to the proprietary family; he arrived with high social and political status and after 1689 he served as the primary agent for Lord Baltimore. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: placeman; planter; merchant. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Calvert County, 1674 (elected to the 3rd session; resigned during the session to become sheriff); Upper House, 1681–1682 (appointed by the 3rd session), 1682–1684 (Laws 3), 1686–1688. OTHER PROVINCIAL OFFICES: Council, 1679–1689; justice, Provincial Court, 1679–1689; joint chancellor and commissary general, 1682/83–1685; Board of Deputy Governors, 1684–1689; Land Council, 1684–1689; rent roll keeper, 1684–1689; receiver general, 1684–1711; principal keeper of forest and chief ranger, 1684; chancellor, 1685–1689. LOCAL OFFICE: sheriff, Calvert County, 1674–1679. MILITARY SERVICE: captain, by 1676–1679; lieutenant colonel, 1679–1681; colonel, 1681–1689. STANDS ON PUBLIC/Private ISSUES: he was a leading supporter of the proprietary establishment against the rebels in 1689; his Catholicism prevented him from holding public office after 1689, but he remained the primary agent in the colony for the proprietary interests until his death. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: over 1,000 acres; patented 10,717 acres between 1680 and 1688, and another 25,068 acres between 1690 and 1705. ANNUAL INCOME: granted with William Digges one-third of all seizures of vessels in 1684. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: on June 17, 1711. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £3,505.3.3 sterling (including 105 slaves). LAND: over 26,000 acres.

DARNALL, JOHN (?–1684). BORN: probably in Hertfordshire, England; younger son. IMMI-

GRATED: probably by 1672, as a free adult with his kinsmans. RESIDED: in Calvert County; Anne Arundel County. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: Philip Darnall (1604–?), secretary to Sir George Calvert, 1st Lord Baltimore. MOTHER: Mary Calvert, sister of Lord Talbot. BROTHER: *Henry Darnall* (ca. 1645–1711), who married Elinor (1642–1725), widow of *Thomas Brooke* (1632–1676); daughter of Richard Hatton. SISTER: Elizabeth. FIRST COUSIN: *Charles Calvert, 3rd Lord Baltimore* (1637–1714/15). MARRIED Susanna Maria, daughter of *Richard Bennett* (ca. 1639–1667) and wife Henrietta Maria; stepdaughter of *Philemon Lloyd* (1646–1685); granddaughter of both *Richard Bennett* (ca. 1608–1675) and *James Neale* (ca. 1615–1684). Susanna Maria Bennett Darnall subsequently married by 1686 *Henry Lowe* (?–1717). Her half brothers were *Edward Lloyd* (1670–1718/19); *Philemon Lloyd* (ca. 1674–1732/33); and *James Lloyd* (1679/80–1723). CHILDREN. DAUGHTER: Henrietta (?–by 1704). PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate; he had clerical skills. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Catholic. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: because he was related to the proprietary family and his brother was an influential councilor, Darnall enjoyed profitable patronage. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: placeman; planter. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Upper House, 1683–1684 (appointed by the 2nd session; Laws 3). OTHER PROVINCIAL OFFICES: Council, 1682/83–1684; justice, Provincial Court, 1682/83–1684; joint secretary, 1682/83–1684; Board of Deputy Governors, 1684. LOCAL OFFICE: clerk, Calvert County, 1673–1684. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: patented 4,000 acres, 1683–1684. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: on December 14, 1684. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £1,159.14.10 sterling (including 10 slaves and 10 servants); FB, £226.12.0. LAND: at least 1,950 acres, plus land in Virginia and England.

DASHIELL, BENJAMIN FREDERICK AUGUSTUS CAESAR (1763–1820). BORN: on May 22, 1763, in Wicomico Hundred, Worcester County; second son. NATIVE: fifth generation. RESIDED: in Worcester County; Somerset County (later became part of Wicomico County), probably by 1792. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: *Joseph Dashiell* (1736–ca. 1787). MOTHER: Martha Bluett. STEPMOTHER: Susannah (?–1792). UNCLE: *Thomas Dashiell* (1733–1771). HALF UNCLE: *George Dashiell* (1743–?). BROTHER: William Pitt (1761–?). SISTERS: Martha Bluett (1759–?); Eleanor Matilda (1765–?). FIRST COUSIN: *Josiah Dashiell* (1746–1784). MARRIED Henrietta (1757–1791). CHIL-