

1820). **CHILDREN.** SONS: James (?–1823), who married first, Mary Lancaster, and second, Teresa; Edward, who was educated in France and became a Dominican priest and the first Catholic bishop of Cincinnati; Michael, who was educated in France and who married Ann Anita Manning; Thomas, who married Eleanor Young; Nicholas; and Charles, who drowned at sea in childhood. **DAUGHTERS:** Mary (?–died young); Sarah, who married Nicholas Young. **PRIVATE CAREER.** **EDUCATION:** literate. **RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:** Catholic. **OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE:** planter. **PUBLIC CAREER.** **LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Convention, St. Mary's County, 9th, 1776. **LOCAL OFFICES:** justice, St. Mary's County, 1777–1784; commissioner of tax, St. Mary's County, 1779–1784; justice, Orphans' Court, St. Mary's County, 1782–1784. **MILITARY SERVICE:** colonel, Lower Battalion, St. Mary's County, by 1777. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** **LAND AT FIRST ELECTION:** probably at least 2,092 acres in St. Mary's, Prince George's, and Charles counties (inherited ca. 1,000 acres in St. Mary's County from his maternal grandfather; at least 710 acres of the land in Prince George's and Charles counties were held in trust for four of his children under the terms of the will of their uncle, James Cole). **SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH:** sold 86 acres in Charles County in 1780; purchased ca. 10 acres in Prince George's County in 1778 and 417 acres in Charles County in 1783. He also purchased additional land in St. Mary's County in the 1780s. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** **DIED:** between March 16 and April 6, 1784, in St. Mary's County. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** TEV, at least £2,533.11.1 current money; FB, £2,140.7.10. **LAND:** probably at least 2,500 acres in St. Mary's, Charles, and Prince George's counties.

**FERY (FERRY), JOHN** (?–1698/99). **IMMIGRATED:** by 1691, probably much earlier, possibly as a servant. **RESIDED:** Patapsco Hundred, Baltimore County. **MARRIED** probably Ann, widow of John Boring (?–1690), a justice of Baltimore County in 1679. **CHILDREN.** Probably died without progeny. **PRIVATE CAREER.** **EDUCATION:** literate. **RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:** Anglican. **OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE:** possibly a servant; planter; merchant in partnership with Capt. Thomas Todd, of Virginia. **PUBLIC CAREER.** **LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Lower House, Baltimore County, 1694–1697, 1697/98–1698 (died before the 3rd session). **LOCAL OFFICES:** justice, Baltimore County, 1691–1698/99 (quorum, 1692–1698/99); St. Paul's Parish Vestry, Baltimore

County 1693–1697. **MILITARY SERVICE:** captain, by 1696. **STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES:** an opponent of slavery. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** headed a household of 10 taxables in 1692 and 1694. **LAND AT FIRST ELECTION:** at least 257 acres, plus 530 acres in trust for his Boring stepchildren. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** **DIED:** will probated on March 11, 1698/99. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** TEV, £367.8.9 sterling, plus 9,666 pounds of tobacco (including 5 servants). **LAND:** 596 acres. **IDENTIFICATION PROBLEMS.** No definite determination of origins. There were two men with the name John Fery. One was a servant who entered in 1674; another with the same name immigrated in 1680.

**FINNEY, WILLIAM** (ca. 1637–1696). **BORN:** ca. 1637. **IMMIGRATED:** in 1670 as a free adult with his wife and three daughters. **RESIDED:** in Talbot County. **MARRIED** first, Mary. **MARRIED** second, Katherine. **CHILDREN.** **SON:** William (?–ca. 1723), who married Rachel, daughter of William Clayton (ca. 1655–1721). **DAUGHTERS:** Elizabeth; Mary, who married Joseph Semphill; and Susanna. **PRIVATE CAREER.** **EDUCATION:** literate. **RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:** Anglican. **SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES:** transported three people to Maryland in addition to family; Gent. on arrival. **OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE:** attorney, admitted to the Talbot County Court in 1678/79 (disbarred in 1678 for fighting); planter; tanner and shoemaker. **PUBLIC CAREER.** **LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Lower House, Talbot County, 1692–1693. **LOCAL OFFICES:** justice, Talbot County, 1687–1695/96 (quorum, 1692–1695/96); deputy commissary, Talbot County, 1692–1694; St. Paul's Parish Vestry, Talbot County, 1693–1695/96. **MILITARY SERVICE:** major, 1692–1694; lieutenant colonel, 1694–1695/96. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** **LAND AT FIRST ELECTION:** ca. 725 acres. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** **DIED:** administration bond dated April 23, 1696. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** TEV, £221.13.6 sterling (including 1 slave, 4 servants, and a parcel of books). **LAND:** ca. 725 acres.

**FISCHER (FISHER), ADAM** (ca. 1736–1787). **BORN:** ca. 1736. **RESIDED:** in Frederick Town, Frederick County. **MARRIED** Margaret (ca. 1739–1799). **CHILDREN.** SONS: John; Adam (1773–1835), who married Elizabeth (1777–1860). **DAUGHTERS:** Elizabeth; Amelia; Catherine; Christiana; and Barbara. **PRIVATE CAREER.** **EDUCATION:** trained as a surgeon. **SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES:** Esq., 1782. **OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE:** surgeon, 1767; probably a planter. **PUBLIC CAREER.** **LEGISLATIVE**