

in Calvert County. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** TEV, £784.0.3 current money (including 13 oz. of old silver, books, 3 servants, and 1 slave); FB, £359.3.6.

**PARRAN, RICHARD** (?-ca. 1782). **BORN:** in Calvert County. **NATIVE:** third generation. **RESIDED:** on the plantation he inherited from his father known as "Preston," Calvert County. **FAMILY BACKGROUND.** **FATHER:** *Young Parran* (1711-1772). **MOTHER:** Elizabeth Smith Wilkinson. **AUNT OR HALF AUNT:** Dicandia Smith, who married *John Reeder, Jr.* (ca. 1732-1780). **BROTHERS:** John (1752-1822); Alexander (1757-1805); and Charles Somerset. **STEPBROTHER:** Francis Wilkinson. **SISTERS:** Mary (1742-1744); Jane; and Elizabeth. **STEPSISTER:** Ann Wilkinson. **MARRIED** Sarah. **CHILDREN.** **DAUGHTERS:** Elizabeth S., who married John, son of *William Fitzhugh* (ca. 1722-1798); Sarah (?-by 1819), who married Thomas Gunn; and Mary (?-by 1819), who married Charles (1773-?), son of *Thomas Gantt, Jr.* (?-1808). **PRIVATE CAREER.** **EDUCATION:** literate. **RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:** Protestant. **OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE:** planter. **PUBLIC CAREER.** **LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Lower House, Calvert County, 1773-1774 (Claims 2, 3); Conventions, Calvert County, 1st, 1774 (appointed, but did not attend), 3rd, 1774; Lower House, Calvert County, 1777. **LOCAL OFFICES:** Committee of Correspondence, Calvert County, elected 1773; justice, Calvert County, 1773-ca. 1782; justice, Orphans' Court, Calvert County, 1777-ca. 1782; commissioner of the tax, Calvert County, appointed 1778. **MILITARY SERVICE:** captain, Calvert County Battalion of Militia, commissioned April 16, 1778. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** **LAND AT FIRST ELECTION:** ca. 1,000 acres in Charles and Calvert counties (all inherited from father). **WEALTH AT DEATH.** **DIED:** ca. 1782. On January 7, 1782, Parran was commissioned a justice for Calvert County. Sometime after this date a clerk noted "dead" beside his name. He is not mentioned in the 1782 assessment for Calvert County. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** size of estate unknown; in 1782 his widow was assessed for £1,134.17.6, including 39 slaves and 50 oz. plate. In 1784 she petitioned the House of Delegates to pass an act empowering her to sell part of the real estate that had belonged to her husband so that his debts could be paid. In 1785 such an act was passed. **LAND:** ca. 1,000 acres in Charles and Calvert counties.

**PARRAN, YOUNG** (1711-1772). **BORN:** on October 5, 1711, in Calvert County. **NATIVE:** second

generation. **RESIDED:** in Calvert County, 1711-1741; Charles County, 1741-1747; Calvert County, 1747-1772. At his death, Parran lived on a 900-acre plantation called "Preston, Preston's Neglect, and Desert," located on the north side of the Patuxent River between Point Patience and St. Leonard's Creek. He purchased this tract in 1748. **FAMILY BACKGROUND.** **FATHER:** *Alexander Parran* (1677-1729). **MOTHER:** Mary, daughter of Arthur Young. **BROTHERS:** Moses (1713-1740); Samuel (1717-?); Benjamin (1719-by 1761); and Phillip (1724-by 1770). **HALF BROTHERS:** John (1702-by 1743); Alexander (1704-1704); and Alexander, Jr. (1707-1765). **SISTERS:** Ann (1715-?); Mary (1722-?); Elizabeth (1726-?); and Sarah (1729-?). **HALF SISTERS:** Mary (1699-?); Jane (1706-?). **HALF NEPHEW:** Nathaniel (?-1760), who married Ann Wilkinson, who subsequently married *Ignatius Taylor* (?-1807). **MARRIED** by 1748 Elizabeth, widow of Francis Wilkinson, Jr. (?-1739). She was the daughter of Capt. Charles Somerset Smith (1698-ca. 1738/39) of Calvert County and wife Jane Crabb; stepdaughter of Margaret, whose father was William Smith. Elizabeth's half brothers were Richard (1733-1759) and Charles Somerset (1733-1781), who were twins. Her sisters or half sisters were Jane, who married (first name unknown) Forbes; Ann, who married Samuel Parran (1717-?); Mary; and Dicandia, who married *John Reeder, Jr.* (ca. 1732-1780). **CHILDREN.** **SONS:** *Richard Parran* (?-ca. 1782); John (1752-1822), who married Ann Bourne (1758-?); Alexander (1757-1805), who married in 1778 Mary King (1761-1815); and Charles Somerset, who married in 1782 Margaret Ireland. **STEPSON:** Francis Wilkinson. **DAUGHTERS:** Mary (1742-1744); Jane; and Elizabeth. **STEPSISTER:** Ann Wilkinson. **PRIVATE CAREER.** **EDUCATION:** literate. **RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:** Protestant. **SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES:** Mr. **OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE:** planter; manor steward for Lord Baltimore, 1752-at least 1768. **PUBLIC CAREER.** **LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Lower House, Calvert County, 1765-1766 (Public Offices 2-4), 1768-1770 (Grievances 1; Public Offices 1; Claims 3), 1771 (Claims). **LOCAL OFFICES:** sheriff, Calvert County, 1739-1740; justice, Charles County, 1743-1746, Calvert County, 1747-at least 1769 (quorum, 1756-at least 1769). **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** **ANNUAL INCOME:** Parran received ca. £18.0.0 sterling per annum, his commission as steward for eleven proprietary manors in Charles and St. Mary's counties, 1752-at least 1768. **LAND AT FIRST ELECTION:** ca. 3,000