

in Dorchester County, 1731. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** DIED: between October 21, 1760, and February 6, 1761, in Dorchester County. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** TEV, at least £450.8.2 current money (including 3 slaves, books, and plate). **LAND:** 217 acres in Dorchester County.

PUDDINGTON, GEORGE (?–1674). BORN: probably in England. IMMIGRATED: in 1649/50 as a free adult with wife and two daughters from Northampton County, Virginia. RESIDED: in Virginia by 1640–1649/50; South River, Anne Arundel County, ca. 1650–death. MARRIED Jane (last name unknown). She was called the “sister-in-law” of Richard Robins. **CHILDREN.** DAUGHTERS: Mary; Comfort. Puddington’s will names his “son” **Richard Beard** (?–1681), “grandson” Neale Clarke, and “son-in-law” Robert Franklin. **PRIVATE CAREER.** EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Protestant, with Puritan leanings. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Mr., on first appearance in Maryland records. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: planter, merchant. **PUBLIC CAREER.** LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Providence (Anne Arundel County), 1650–1650/51 (Accounts 1; Laws 1), Anne Arundel County, 1663–1664. LOCAL OFFICE: justice, Anne Arundel County, 1650, 1663/64–1674 (quorum, 1668–1674). **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: rights to 800 acres; owned 100 acres in Northampton County, Virginia, by 1645. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: owned over 1,500 acres in Anne Arundel County, by 1663. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** DIED: will probated September 24, 1674. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** TEV, at least 116,735 pounds of tobacco (including 4 servants). **LAND:** probably over 1,500 acres.

PURNELL (PURNALL), JOHN (?–ca. 1742). BORN: in Somerset County. NATIVE: second generation. RESIDED: in Mattapony Hundred, Somerset County. **FAMILY BACKGROUND.** FATHER: Thomas Purnall (?–1693/94), who immigrated by 1673; Mr., by 1683. MOTHER: Elizabeth Dorman. BROTHER: **Thomas Purnell** (?–1723). SISTERS: Elizabeth, who married (first name unknown) Nutter; Sarah. MARRIED first, in 1707, Tabitha, widow of Parker Selby (1675–1705/6), daughter of John Bailey (Bayly) (?–1716/17), of Virginia. MARRIED second, Martha (?–1780), who subsequently married by March 3, 1742/43, William Selby (1683–1762). **CHILDREN.** SONS: Hezekiah (?–ca. 1768), who married Sarah; John, of Mattapony Hundred, Worcester County. DAUGHTERS:

Sophia, who married Jesse Jenckins (Jenkins); Sarah (?–by 1760), who married first, John Outten (?–1735/36), and second, by 1737, John Kellam (?–1744); Joyce, who married (first name unknown) Niebold (Newbolds) (Nubold); Tabitha, who married Bowman Crappers (Croper); Elizabeth, who married Littleton Scarborough Major; Bathsheba, who married William Walton; Mary (?–ca. 1760), who probably never married; and Martha (?–ca. 1794), who married **Outten Sturgis** (?–1796). **ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:** Tabitha, Elizabeth, Sophia, and probably Sarah and Joyce were children of Purnell’s first marriage. **PRIVATE CAREER.** EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican, probably Snow Hill Parish, Somerset County. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: planter. **PUBLIC CAREER.** LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Somerset County, 1712–1714, 1715, 1716–1718. LOCAL OFFICES: constable, Mattapony Hundred, Somerset County, 1694–1695; justice, Somerset County, 1713–1725; Snow Hill Parish Vestry, 1713; sheriff, Somerset County, 1728–1731. MILITARY SERVICE: captain, by 1722/23. STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: named by **William Whittington** (ca. 1650–1720) in his will as trustee with **Samuel Hopkins** (1668–1744) and **Nathaniel Hopkins** (?–1739/40) over two tracts of land Whittington devised for keeping and maintaining up to six poor children of the county. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: ca. 1,000 acres, probably in Somerset County (all inherited from father). **WEALTH AT DEATH.** DIED: between April 13, 1741, and March 3, 1742/43, in Somerset County. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** will mentions 12 slaves. TEV, £1,034.2.3; FB, £608.18.6. **LAND:** at least 1,950 acres in Somerset County.

PURNELL (PURNALL), JOHN (?–1755). BORN: probably in Somerset County; of age by 1720/21. NATIVE: third generation. RESIDED: in Synepuxon (Sinepuxent), Somerset (later became Worcester) County. **FAMILY BACKGROUND.** FATHER: **Thomas Purnell** (?–1723). MOTHER: Elizabeth Hammond. STEPMOTHER: Katherine (Catherine) (?–1753). UNCLE: **John Purnell** (?–ca. 1742). BROTHERS: Thomas (?–1769); Matthew (?–1761); Elisha (1706–1767); and Walton, who was under 18 in 1720/21. BROTHER OR HALF BROTHER: Benjamin (?–by 1768). SISTERS OR HALF SISTERS: Elizabeth (?–by 1768); Anne (Ann). FIRST COUSIN: Martha Purnell (?–ca. 1794), who married **Outten Sturgis** (?–1796). NEPHEWS: **Thomas Purnell**, of **Thomas** (?–1790); **William Purnell** (1739–1796),