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Date	Initials	Number (circled)	Citations
10-6-74	ADH	①	Steiner, <u>Life and Administration of Sir Robert Eden</u> p. 7-8
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" "	ADH	③	Steiner, op. cit. p. 17
" "	ADH	④	ibid p. 10
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" "	ADH	⑨	MHM V. XLV p. 153
" "	ADH	⑩	ibid p. 156
" "	ADH	⑪	Steiner, op. cit. p. 78
" "	ADH	⑫	Owings, op. cit. p. 114
" "	ADH	⑬	Steiner, op. cit p. 10
" "	ADH	⑭	ibid, p. 17
" "	ADH	⑮	Owings op. cit p. 122
" "	ADH	⑯	Steiner, op. cit p. 15
" "	ADH	⑰	AA Debt Books L. 4 f. 45
" "	ADH	⑱	MHM V. XLV 1950 p. 174-5
" "	ADH	⑲	ibid p. 170
" "	ADH	⑳	Barnes, <u>Marriages & Deaths from Md. Gazette</u> p. 57
" "	ADH	㉑	MHM V. XLV 1950 p. 159
" "	ADH	㉒	Culver, <u>Blooded Horses of Colonial Days</u> pp. 62-5, 67-8, p. 73

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		(24)	Ibid., 23
		(25)	MMH Vol. XLV (1950), 297, 303
		(26)	Steiner, op.cit., 142
		(27)	MMH XLV . 294
		(28)	Owings op.cit., 122
		(29)	Steiner op.cit. 77-78
		(30)	Ibid, p. 135
		(31)	Ibid, p. 141
1/20/76	JW	(32)	Proceedings of Commissioners of Confidential Property 1781-82 pp. 53, 91, 57, 103, 154
		(33)	Salebook of Commissioners of Confidential Property 1792-95 pp 22, 36, 8
		(34)	Debt Bks 4, 45; Chan. Ct. Rec. 23, 729
		(35)	Chan Ct Rec. 23, 729
		(36)	LHP file HENRY ARPFORD (1759-1834)
		(37)	Dictionary of Nat'l Biography p. 602, 1411

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ORIGINS

NAME EDEN, Robert

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Born

Sept. 14, 1741 ①

2nd son ① ⑤

Immigrant/Native

Immigrant. Arrived as Governor of Maryland June 5, 1769 ②

Resided - see pg 1

FAMILY BACKGROUND

Father - Sir Robert Eden, b. ① 1712 d. June 25, 1755 in England ① ⑤
 ⑤ 3rd Baronet of West Auckland Member of Parliament ①
 Windlestone Hall, Durham, Eng. ③

Mother - Mary Davison, dau of William Davison Esq. of Bramish, County Durham
 d. Jan 30, 1794 ① ⑤
 married - May 8, 1730 ① / 1739 ⑤

Siblings - ⑤ 5 brothers ⑤
 ⑤ 8 brothers + 3 sisters ① ⑤

brother John b. Sept. 16, 1740 ⑤ 1764
 d. 1812

m. Catherine Thompson dau of John of
 Kirby Hall, co. York June 26, 1764 ⑤
 ⑤ 1767
 2) Dorothea dau of Peter Johnson, Recorder
 of York - April 9, 1767 ⑤
 Durham

4th
 ⑤ W. Auckland

Baronet, Member of Parliament 1774-1790 ⑤

brother William b. 1744 ② ⑤ 1776

d. May 28, 1814 ⑤

m. Eleanor, dau. of Sir Gilbert Elliot
 of ~~Minto~~, Sept. 26, 1776 ⑤
 1789 Lord Auckland 1793 ③

created Baron Auckland, barrister; Under Secretary of State;
 Ambassador and numerous other important positions in England ⑤
 Peace Commissioner to America - 1778 ①

⑤ barrister-at-law, MP for Woodstock 1774-84
 " " Hertfordshire 1784-93 (over) see B2
 " " Duncannon, Ireland 1781-83

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ORIGINS

NAME

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LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Born

Immigrant/Native

FAMILY BACKGROUND

(? - 1805) (5)
 brother - Thomas, ship captain between Md + Eng in tobacco trade, founder of mercantile firm T. Edens + Co. (5)
 m. Mariana, dau. of Arthur Jones (5)
 Morton - (37) (1752 - Dec. 6, 1830) diplomat, m. Baron (37)
 of Chardstock 1792 (5)
 Henley, m. Aug 7, 1783, Elizabeth, Henley (37)
 (? - 1821) (5) dau. of 1st Earl of Northampton.
 (1730 - 1805) (39)
 sister - Catherine (37) m. John Moore, Archbishop of Canterbury

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MARRIAGES

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Married

Caroline Calvert m. April 26, 1765 by Rev. Gregory Sharpe
at St. Georges, Hanover Square, London. (8)

Robert Eden granted annuity of £100 yearly by Frederick
Calvert after marriage to Caroline. Continued until he became
Governor (14)

Wife's/Wives' Family

Father - CHARLES CALVERT, 5th Lord Baltimore (8) (9) b. Sept. 29, 1699 (12)
Proprietor of Maryland d. April 24, 1751

Mother - Mary, dau. of Sir Theodore Janssen (9)

brother - FREDERICK, 6th Lord Baltimore (8) b. Feb 6, 1731/2 (12) d. Sept. 14, 1771 (11)
Proprietor of Maryland at Naples (13)

older sister - Louisa m. John Browning of Horton Lodge, Epsom, Surrey (12)
Principal Secretary of Maryland, 1740/41 - 1751

half brother - BENEDICT CALVERT (10) (c. 1724 - 1788)

(illegitimate)

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CHILDREN

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Children (including stepchildren)

Son

Frederick Morton b. June 13, 1766 d. July 14, 1808 (13)

m. Ann Smith - Jan. 10, 1792

daug. of James Paul Smith of London (5)

author (5)

economist (13)

2nd Baronet of Md. (5)

Son

Major

Son

William Thomas b. April 13, 1768 d. May 24, 1851

major-General (13)

daug.

Catherine

b. June 6, 1770 in Annapolis (20) d. April 9, 1835 (13)

married twice (13)

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PUBLIC CAREER(1) LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Governor of Maryland

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PUBLIC CAREER(2) OFFICEHOLDING

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LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

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Province or State-wide Office

Governor of Maryland commissioned - Aug. 1, 1768 (15)
 took oath of office - June 6, 1769 (14)
 Surveyor General of Western Shore - 1771-1774 (15)

Local OfficeJury ServiceMilitary Service

Commander in chief of all forces within province of which he
England was governor (16)

Feb. 4, 1757 - Lieutenant Fireworker in Royal Regiment of Artillery (8)

May 4, 1758 - ensign in Coldstream Regiment of Footguards (8)

July, 1760 - active duty in Germany with Coldstream Guards (8)

Sept. 23, 1762 - Lieutenant + Captain in Coldstream Guards (8)

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Military Service

July 14, 1768 - resigned commission in Coldstream Guards (4)

1770 - applied for Lieutenant Colonel's Brevet, but was denied (23)

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PRIVATE CAREER (1)

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Education

literate - library of French books (18)

wrote letters to John Montgomery in classical Latin (19)

Rev. Boucher wrote - "few equalled him in letter writing" (18)

Aug 27, 1775 - quoted Montesquieu & Locke in letter to Colonial office (19)

Religion

Protestant (15)

Titles

Esq 1771 (17)

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PRIVATE CAREER (2)

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Social Activities

Subscriber to Theater in Annapolis (21)
Honorary member of "Homony" club (21)
Gov. Eden's horses ran in many races (22)

Occupational Profile

Governor

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VALUES AND OPINIONS

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Intellectual Pursuits/Values

Rev. Boucher about Eden - "handsome, lively + sensible... habits of expense and dissipation... always in debt... bad politician, as being not sufficiently steady and firm... (18) "warmth + affectioness of heart that it was impossible not to love him" (18)

Stands on Public or Private Issues

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WEALTH DURING LIFETIME(1) PERSONAL

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Personal Property

c. 1781 - 8 negroes confiscated on property of Eden, but
later found to have been conveyed to creditors
in payment of debt (32)

Income

Granted £100 yearly by Lord Balto. after marriage until
appl. Governor.

1769 - Assembly gave Eden £800 currency (24)

Income of £3000 - £4000 a year (18)

\$17,500 granted to Eden + wife in settlement of proprietary suit 1781 (36)

Additional Notes

1776 - after return to Eng. his personal property in Maryland confiscated (27)

Claims made agst Eden's estate by 1791 = $3132\frac{1}{2}/4$, all allowed
except £834/8/2 left in 1780 (after Independence) - assume
therefore that most of debt incurred before Independence. (33) (33)
His greatest creditors were Wm Fitzhugh and James Hutchings

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WEALTH DURING LIFETIME(2) LAND

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1. Acreage at first election

Technically prob. - 0 ac. in md.

2. Significant Changes between first election and death

Property in Md. confiscated during Revolution. He returned to Md. @ 1782 to try to recover property (25)

c. 388 1/4 ac. given to wife by her father prior to 1771 (34)

In 1769 Eden purchased the "Capitol mansion house" and grounds previously tenanted by Gov. Horatio Sharpe - however he mortgaged it (apparently immediately) for the entire \$1000 purchase price. The mortgage was pd. off by 1775. (34)

It also appears that one of his largest creditors purchased the 400 ac of AA land in payment of E's debts. (35)

owned 1 lot in Carrillsburgh (confiscated) (33)

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Died

Sept. 2, 1784 of dropsy on Shipwright St. in Annapolis

Personal Property

Household inventory includes furniture and portraits (31)

estate appraised £ 2745/15 under order of Genl Assent

all but 356/5/10 pd to creditors w/ later (1794)

claim of £559/13/2 still outstanding (35)

Land

all ind. land confiscated and sold (most, apparently
to pay off his creditors)

Income at Death

at least £ 800 (pension granted by his government) (25)

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Supposition

House where he died
probably house of Dr.
Upton Scott.

MHM V. XIV 1950 p. 297

He died before his claim
for return of land decided
on - further investigation
needed to determine final
outcome.

No probate at all
available in H of R

Supposition

As all land & property
confiscated - no Maryland will
Possibly probate material
in England

Wife & children had returned

to England in 1772 & remained
there

Stena p. 72

Md. Gazette Index-Aug 27, 1772

LAND SUMMARY

#	DATE	TRANSACTION	ACREAGE		TRACT NAME	CO.	REFERENCE
			IN	OUT			
1	?	Wife's land from her father	388		Bellingham	AA	Cham. & Rec. 23, 729
2	1769	Purchase	5 lots		"Capital Mansion + grounds AN	AA	Prov. & Deeds DD4, 582
3	1769	mortgage for \$1000	5 lots AN		"Capital Mansion + grounds	AN	Prov. & Deeds DD6, 161
4	1775	Release of mortgage	5 lots		Capital House + grounds	AN	Ibid DD6, 165, 167
At 1 st election - Technically 0 in md							
Before confiscation:			388 ac.		AA (Wife's)		
			9 1/2 ac.		(5 lots) AN w/ mansion		
			1 lot		Carrollburg		
After confiscation -			0				

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MISCELLANEOUS

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Eden returned to Eng. May 28, 1774⁽²⁸⁾ to try to settle family matters relating to Lord Baltimore's will. ⁽²⁹⁾ Richard Lee left in charge as President of Council until Eden's return to Annapolis Nov. 8, 1774⁽²⁸⁾

Eden again left Annapolis to return to Eng. - June 24, 1776⁽³⁰⁾⁽²⁸⁾
Created Baronet by King George - Sept. or Oct. 1776⁽⁵⁾

Back in Md. Summer 1783 w/ Henry HARFORD to try to get ~~restoration~~ compensation for confiscated property⁽³⁶⁾

ADD. COMMENTS: Brother-in-law FREDERICK CALVERT left Eden as 1 of 4 executors in charge of Md until HARFORD came of age⁽³⁶⁾