

FIRST ELECTION: over 900 acres; patented or bought over 2,000 acres, 1688–1735. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: on December 25, 1746; size of estate unknown.

GOLDSBOROUGH, ROBERT (1733–1788). BORN: on December 3, 1733, in Cambridge, Dorchester County; elder son. NATIVE: third generation. RESIDED: in Dorchester County, 1733–1752; England, 1752–1759; Dorchester County, 1759; “The Point,” Dorchester County, 1767. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: *Charles Goldsborough* (1707–1767), son of *Robert Goldsborough* (1660–1746). MOTHER: Elizabeth (?–by 1739), daughter of *Joseph Ennalls* (?–1709) and wife Mary Brooke. STEPMOTHER: Elizabeth (1723–?), daughter of Samuel Dickinson (ca. 1689–1760) and wife Judith Troth. UNCLES: *William Goldsborough* (1709–1760); *John Goldsborough* (1711–1778); *William Ennalls* (?–1731); and *Bartholomew Ennalls* (ca. 1700–1783). AUNT: Mary Ennalls, who married *Henry Hooper* (ca. 1687–1767). HALF BROTHER: Charles Goldsborough (1740–1769). SISTER: Elizabeth Greenberry (ca. 1731–1820), who married *William Ennalls* (?–1785). FIRST COUSINS: *Henry Hooper, Jr.* (ca. 1727–1790); *Robert Goldsborough IV* (1740–1798); *Howes Goldsborough* (1747–1797); *William Goldsborough* (1750/51–1801); *Joseph Ennalls* (ca. 1745–1779); *William Ennalls* (?–1785); *John Ennalls* (by 1746–ca. 1778); Mary Ennalls, who married *Ennalls Hooper* (?–ca. 1763); Ann Ennalls (ca. 1729–by 1790), who married *Henry Hooper, Jr.* (ca. 1727–1790); Elizabeth Goldsborough (ca. 1735–ca. 1786), who married second, *Benson Stainton* (?–ca. 1781); Mary Goldsborough (1755–1796), who married first, *Benedict Brice* (1749–1786); and Elinor Ennalls (ca. 1738–1793), who married *Joseph Daffin* (?–1796). MARRIED on March 27, 1755, in England, Sarah, daughter of Richard Yerbury (?–1754), of London, England. Her brother was Richard, who married, but died without progeny. Her sister was Rachel, who married Thomas Watson. CHILDREN. SONS: Charles (ca. 1756–ca. 1759), born and died in England; Charles (1761–1801), who married Williamina Elizabeth, daughter of Rev. William Smith, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; John (by 1766–?), probably died young; Robert (ca. 1766–1790), drowned, never married; William, who married Sarah (1770–?), daughter of *Nicholas Worthington* (1734–1793); Richard, who married Achash (1768–?), daughter of *Nicholas Worthington* (1734–1793); and Howes, died without progeny. DAUGHTERS: Rebecca (ca. 1757–?), who married *Howes Goldsborough* (1747–1797);

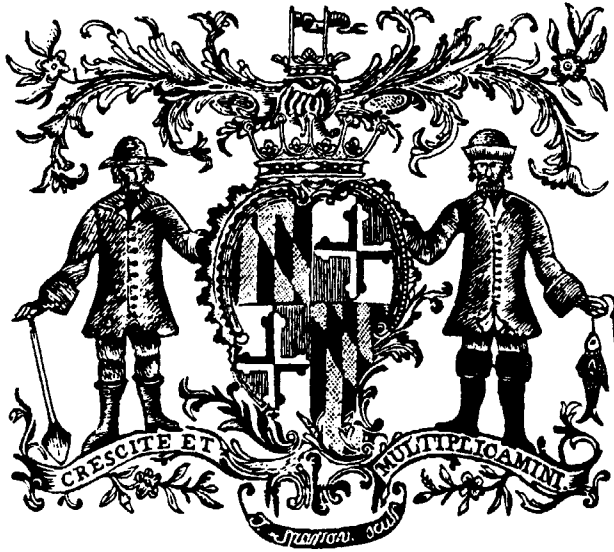
Sarah (ca. 1758–by 1832), who married *Henry Ennalls* (?–ca. 1803); Elizabeth, who married James Sykes; Rachel (?–1811), who married in 1791 Horatio Ridout, son of *John Ridout* (1732–1797). PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: entered the Middle Temple, London, England, in December 1752; graduated from the College of Philadelphia, 1760. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Esq., 1755. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: lawyer, called to the bar in February 1757, London, England; returned to Maryland to practice law in 1759, admitted to the following courts: Queen Anne's County in March 1760; Provincial Court in April 1760; Dorchester County by November 1772. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Dorchester County, 1765–1766 (Accounts 2, 3; Public Offices 2); Conventions, Dorchester County, 1st, 1774, 4th, 1775, 5th, 1775, 6th–8th, 1775–1776 (did not attend the 6th Convention), 9th, 1776; Senate, Eastern Shore, Term of 1776–1781: 1777, 1777–1778, 1778–1779, 1779–1780, 1780–1781 (did not serve), Term of 1781–1786: 1781–1782, 1782–1783 (resigned on May 29, 1783), 1783 (elected on November 24, 1783, to fill vacancy after giving his assurance that he would attend “whenever his health would permit” ; did not serve), 1784 (declined to serve on November 25, 1784). OTHER PROVINCIAL/STATE OFFICES: attorney general, 1766–1768 (resigned); 1st Council of Safety, Eastern Shore, 1775 (elected, but did not serve); Consitution Ratification Convention, Dorchester County, 1788. LOCAL OFFICES: sheriff, Dorchester County, 1761–1764; judge, Court of Appeals for Tax Assessment, Dorchester County, appointed 1786; Great Choptank Parish Vestry, Dorchester County, in office 1788. OUT OF STATE SERVICE: delegate, Continental Congress, 1774–1776 (elected in June 1774, December 1774, April 1775, August 1775, and May 1776). WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY: 15 slaves, 1775; assessed value £6,103.13.4, including 123 slaves and 376 oz. plate, 1783. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 185 acres in Dorchester County (all by patent), plus a large estate in Wiltshire and London, England (acquired through marriage). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: inherited at least 4,608 acres in Dorchester County from his father, 1767; owned a total of 8,631 acres in Dorchester County, 1783; in an exchange of land with his son Charles, Robert gave him 1,050 acres in Dorchester County, 1783; resurveyed several tracts and added 380 acres of vacant land in Dorchester County to his total acreage, between 1784 and 1788. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: on

Monday, December 22, 1788, between 8:00 and 9:00 in the evening in Dorchester County; interred in Cambridge Churchyard, Dorchester County. LAND: 7,961 acres in Dorchester County; possibly still owned the estate in Wiltshire and London, England.

GOLDSBOROUGH, ROBERT, IV (1740–1798). BORN: on Saturday, November 8, 1740, at "Myrtle Grove," Talbot County; first son. NATIVE: third generation. RESIDED: in Talbot County. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: Robert Goldsborough (ca. 1704–1777), of "Myrtle Grove," Talbot County; a justice of Talbot County from 1734 to 1741 and from 1749 to 1766; son of *Robert Goldsborough* (1660–1746). MOTHER: Sarah (?–1740), daughter of Rev. Henry Nicols (1687–ca. 1749), rector of St. Michael's Parish, Talbot County, and wife Elizabeth Gatchell. STEPMOTHER: Mary Anne (1711–1794), widow of John Robins (?–1739), a lawyer; daughter of *Foster Turbutt* (1679–1720/21). UNCLES: *Charles Goldsborough* (1707–1767); *William Goldsborough* (1709–1760); and *John Goldsborough* (1711–1778). STEPAUNTS: Sarah Turbutt (1706–1773), who married *Nicholas Goldsborough* (ca. 1689–1766); Elizabeth Turbutt (1708–?), who married *Tench Francis* (1701–1758); and Anne Turbutt (1715–1766), who married *John Goldsborough* (1711–1778). HALF BROTHERS: *Howes Goldsborough* (1747–1797); *William Goldsborough* (1750/51–1801). HALF SISTERS: Elizabeth (1745–1748); Mary Anne Turbutt (1752–1811), who never married. FIRST COUSINS: *Robert Goldsborough* (1733–1788); Elizabeth Greenberry Goldsborough (ca. 1731–1820), who married *William Ennalls* (?–1785); Elizabeth Goldsborough (ca. 1735–ca. 1786), who married second, *Benson Stainton* (?–ca. 1781); Mary Goldsborough (1755–1796), who married *Benedict Brice* (1749–1786); and *Jeremiah Nichols* (1748–ca. 1806). MARRIED on Thursday, September 22, 1768, Mary Emerson (ca. 1739–1811), youngest daughter of *Henry Trippe* (?–1744); granddaughter of *Henry Trippe* (?–ca. 1723/24); niece of both Elizabeth Trippe, who married second, *Bartholomew Ennalls* (ca. 1700–1783) and Mary Trippe (?–1782), who married *Jacob Hindman* (by 1713–1766). Her brother was Henry (?–ca. 1770). Her sisters were Sarah; Ann, who married *John Dickinson* (ca. 1726–1789); and Elizabeth. Her first cousins were *James Hindman* (1741–1830); *William Hindman* (1743–1822); and Elizabeth Hindman (?–by 1788), who married *William Perry* (1746–1799). CHILDREN. SONS: Robert (1771–1771); Robert Henry (1774–1777); Robert Henry (1779–1836), a member of

the House of Delegates from Talbot County in 1804 and 1825, a U.S. senator from 1813 to 1819 and from 1835 to 1836, and a presidential elector (for Jackson) in 1833, he married in 1800 Henrietta Maria, second daughter of Col. Robert Lloyd Nicols, of "Mt. Pleasant," Talbot County. DAUGHTERS: (first name unknown) (1769–?); Elizabeth (1776–1798), who married in 1793 Charles Goldsborough, Esq. (1765–1834), of Dorchester County, governor of Maryland in 1819, grandson of *Charles Goldsborough* (1707–1767). PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: entered the University of Pennsylvania on August 12, 1757, as a member of the class of 1760. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican; appointed by the St. Michael's Parish Vestry, Talbot County, to be the deputy at a meeting of the representatives from several parishes in Chestertown, Kent County, to frame a petition to the General Assembly for the better support of ministers, 1781. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Esq., 1779; Hon., 1784; a member of the American Philosophical Society, 1791. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: lawyer, admitted to the following courts: Talbot County in November 1759; Provincial Court in April 1765; Queen Anne's County in June 1765; Dorchester County by November 1772. Officeholder; probably also a planter. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Convention, Talbot County, 1st, 1774; Lower House, Talbot County, 1778 (elected to the 2nd session of the 1777–1778 Assembly to fill vacancy), 1778–1779 (Claims 2). OTHER STATE OFFICES: judge, General Court, 1784–1798; Constitution Ratification Convention, Talbot County, 1788. LOCAL OFFICES: clerk of Indictments, Talbot County, sworn 1759; St. Michael's Parish Vestry, Talbot County, elected 1779 and 1784; visitor, Talbot County School, in office 1783. STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: signed a nonimportation resolution at a meeting in Annapolis in June 1769. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY: 24 slaves, 1776; assessed value £1,769.11.3, including 46 slaves and 134.25 oz. plate, 1783; 41 slaves, 1790; assessed value £2,258.12.6, including 78 slaves and 193.5 oz. plate, Talbot County, 1798; 7 slaves, Queen Anne's County, 1798. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 1,129 acres in Talbot and Queen Anne's counties (250 acres inherited from his grandfather; 679 acres acquired through his marriage; 200 acres by purchase). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: inherited 965 acres in Talbot County from his father; purchased 111 acres of confiscated British property in Baltimore County, 1783; sold 320 acres in Talbot County, 1784. WEALTH AT

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