

her first husband, ——— Lewis. Her brother, Benjamin, mentions in his will her son, Vincent Lewis. Mary Price, her mother-in-law, mentions her daughters, Elizabeth and Ann, and her son, Vincent. Thus we know that Susan (Garner) Lewis had at least the following *issue*: (1) Vincent³ Lewis; (2) Elizabeth³ Lewis; (3) Ann³ Lewis.

Mary Price, mother-in-law of Susan Garner, married first ——— Lewis, and second Richard Price. She left a will (North. R. B. 19, p. 388), dated December 26, 1724, probated April 20, 1726, in which the following people were mentioned: Sons, William, John and Clement (last name not stated); son, Arjalon Price (an Arjalon Price died in Orange County, Virginia—will recorded there in 1773); sons, John Lewis, William Lewis and James Lewis; grandchildren, Ann, Elizabeth and Vincent Lewis, children of her deceased son, William Lewis; granddaughter, Mary Damerille, daughter of Joseph Damerille; grandson, Pemberton Claughton; grandson, Lewis Toon, son of Mark Toon. Witnesses were George Rout, Martha Rout and William Rout.

1. Vincent³ Lewis (Sus.² Jno.¹ Garner) is believed to have moved to Prince William County. May 20, 1735, Lawrence McNemar of Westmoreland County sold to Vincent Lewis of Truro Parish, Prince William County, 150 acres of land for 3500 pounds of tobacco, land near Pohic Run, adjoining John Martin. Witnesses were Samuel Earle, Anthony Seale and James Turley (Pr. Wm. D. B. B, p. 436) July 10, 1745, James Thomas of Westmoreland County sold to Vincent Lewis of Prince William County 268 acres adjoining John Waugh and Thomas Hooper deceased. (Pr. Wm. D. B. D, p. 205) Land tax books of Loudon County show that Vincent Lewis paid on 569 acres of land in 1782 and 340 acres in 1791. In 1798 Charles and Joseph Lewis paid on the land of Vincent Lewis. Probable *issue* of Vincent³ Lewis: (1) Charles⁴ Lewis; (2) Joseph⁴ Lewis.

MARTHA GARNER

10. Martha² Garner, daughter of John¹ and Susanna (Keene) Garner, was given a thumb ring in her father's will and a large silk handkerchief and trunk in the will of her brother, Benjamin.

CHAPTER VIII

THE KEENE FAMILY

Thomas Keene, father of Susanna Keene, who married John Garner, was born, presumably in England, in 1593, according to a deposition which he made in 1648 in which he stated he was 55 years old. (Md. Arch., Vol. 4, p. 452) He may have been the son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Gosnold) Keene of Suffolk, England.¹ We first find Thomas Keene living on Kent Island. This island, which lies just off the coast of Maryland in Chesapeake Bay, was first colonized in 1631 when Col. William Clayborne of Virginia led a band of about 100 colonists there and established a trading post. In 1632 the colonists sent a representative to the Virginia Assembly at Jamestown. However, Lord Baltimore had been granted a claim which overlapped that of Virginia and on February 27, 1634, after a long and stormy voyage, 300 of his colonists reached Maryland. A conflict then arose between the Kent Islanders, who wished to belong to Virginia, and the Marylanders who claimed the island for their colony. This dispute lasted for fifteen years.

In December 1636 Capt. George Evelin appeared on Kent Island and put himself in the good graces of the inhabitants by seeming to favor their claims to Virginia allegiance. Early in 1637, however, he changed sides and by trickery and double-dealing managed to supplant Col. Clayborne as leader of the colony. He was given the title of Com-

1. Elizabeth Gosnold was the daughter of Robert Gosnold whose will, dated Aug. 15, 1615, proved Nov. 1, 1615 (Will Rudd 101), reads in part as follows:

"Robert Gosnold of Earleshall, County Suffolk, Esq. To be buried at Otley near my wife. To Elizabeth Keene, my daughter, the wife of Thomas Keene, £8 a year. To my son Anthony Gosnold my house in Swillon called Eales. To my son Thomas Gosnold £200. To my grandson Robert Gosnold all moveable goods in the house at Otley, with the horse mill, brewing house, Dayrie goods, etc. To Anthony Gosnold, my grandchild, now in Virginia £100, if he shall return in one year after my decease. To Henry Keene my grandchild, £20. To Thomas Keene my grandchild £20. To my son John Gosnold £500 which he owes me for buying his office at the Court. To John Joanes my house in Otley in occupation of Francis Butterhall. To Anthony my son a piece of ground in Otley now in lease to Daniel Walton. To my executors toward the performance of this will, lands I bought of my son John Gosnold until he pays them £400." Executors: son Anthony and Mr. Francis

mander of Kent Island by Gov. Calvert of Maryland and became a virtual dictator over the inhabitants. Streeter² says "John Sturman, Sr. and Thomas Keyme, coopers," were directed to devote their time to making pipe-staves, assisted by seven servants. April 30, 1638, we find this record: "Entered by Capt. George Evelin for the Manor of Evelinton in the Baronie of St. Maries:"³ Following this were the names of twenty-three men, among them Thomas Keane, William Medcalf, Matthew Roadham and Thomas Orley, all of whom later moved to Northumberland County, Virginia, just across the Potomac River from St. Marys County, Maryland. This might mean that Capt. Evelin was responsible for bringing these colonists to Kent Island from England or merely that he took them from Kent Island to St. Marys. Many of the names listed were mentioned by Streeter as having been on Kent Island.

Thomas Keene may have been one of the original settlers of Kent Island who went there from Virginia with Col. Clayborne in 1631. If he did live for a while on St. Marys, he later returned to Kent Island, where on November 9, 1640, he patented 100 acres of land in Hog Pen Neck lying between Thicketty Creek on the North and Hog Pen Creek and Chesapeake Bay on the West.⁴ We know that his eldest son was born on Kent in 1642. The Proceedings of the Council of Maryland, 1633-47, give an assessment by Lieutenant Grall and Council for levying 2000 pounds of tobacco to the account of the last expedition — "levies upon the county of Kent after the rates following." Among those levied upon was Thomas Keyne.⁵

Cornwallis of Earleshall. *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography*, Vol. XIV, p. 87.

Robert Gosnold was Justice of Peace for Suffolk. His wife was Ursula, third daughter of William Naunton of Leatheringham Abbey. He is said to have descended from John Gosnold of Otley, Suffolk, England, who lived during the reign of Henry VII. A prominent member of this family was Bartholomew Gosnold, nephew of Robert, who commanded the "Goodspeed" and was vice admiral of the fleet of three vessels, "The Sarah Constant," "The Discovery" and "The Goodspeed" which landed at Jamestown, Va., in 1607. Also in 1602 he had discovered the island of Martha's Vineyard, which he named for one of his daughters. He died of swamp fever Aug. 22, 1607, at Jamestown. A chart of this Gosnold family may be found in the library of the Virginia Historical Society in Richmond, Va.

2. Sebastian F. Streeter, *The First Commander of Kent Island*, a publication of the Maryland Historical Society, 1868, p. 12.
3. *Maryland Historical Magazine*, Vol. V, p. 168.
4. *Maryland Historical Magazine*, Vol. V, p. 374.
5. *Maryland Historical Magazine*, Vol. V, p. 108.

In 1644, Col. Clayborne removed to Virginia, taking 100 men, for each of which he received 50 acres of land on the south side of the York River.⁶ Thomas Keene was claimed as one of these headrights, though this claim was not recorded until 1653. The land grant states that William Clayborne "came up the Pamunkey River in the narrows abutting on the mouth of a creek called Tankes, parting same land from the and of Captain John West's running west to a point of land whereon said Col. Clayborne landed his army under his command, in 1644." Thomas Keene may have served for a time with Col. Clayborne near West Point, Virginia. However, in 1648 he was in St. Marys County, Maryland, where he made the deposition stating his age.

Thomas Keene had moved to Cherry Point, Northumberland County, Virginia by December 9, 1650, on which date he and William Presley appraised an estate. (North. R. B. 1650-52, p. 48) April 13, 1652, an oath of allegiance to England was taken by a number of Northumberland colonists as follows: "These names here subscribed do promise and engage ourselves to be bound and faithful to the Commonwealth of England as it is now without King or House of Lords." Among other signers were Thomas Keene, Henry Rayner and Thomas Broughton, successive husbands of the same wife. (North. O. B. 1, p. 72) September 20, 1652, Thomas Keene was paid 625 pounds of tobacco out of the estate of Henry Barres. (North. O. B. 2, p. 289) October 13, 1653, we find recorded: "Now Know we that I the said Richard Bennett Esq. Governor give and grant unto Thomas Keene five hundred twenty seven Acres of Land Scituate lying and being in the County of Northumberland and abutting Northwest upon the Severall Lands of Ralph Horsly and Edward Coppedge South and South East upon Claughtons Creeke and North East upon Cherry poynt the said Land due unto the said Thomas Keene by and for the transportation of Eleven persons into this Colony to have and to hold . . ." (L. Gr. B. 3, p. 6) Headrights mentioned were Thomas Orley (twice), Archbald Read, Thomas Watson, Margaret Browne, John Earb and wife, Thomas Keene, Mary Keene and William Keene. This was recorded after the death of Thomas and the patent was renewed March 18, 1662.

Thomas Keene was a cooper and possibly a merchant as well as a planter, as shown by his will. Evidence in Maryland Archives (B. 5, p. 183) would also indicate

6. Nell Marion Nugent *Cavaliers and Pioneers*, 1934, Vol. I.

that he was a cooper and "directed the making of pipe staves." The will of Thomas Keene (North R. B. 14, p. 16), dated November 27, 1652 and probated January 20, 1652/3, reads as follows:

In the name of God amen know all men that I Thomas Keene being fresh of memory doeth as followeth first I bequeath my spiritt to God that gave it after my body to the earth and then as followeth I give and bequeath to my sone Thomas one Cowe named Cole next to my Daughter Susanna one Heifer called by the name of Su next I give my sone William one heifer named Gentle next I give my sone Matthew the next Cowe Calfe that falleth of the old Cowes.

Matthew Rhodon oweth me for 11 hheads and 18 pounds since the last yeare	293
Mr. Lee oweth me of amidst this year for six hheads & a paile	180
Richard Walker paid Mr. Wilsford for my use for hooping two pailles for Mr. Wilford	029
to Mr. Wilford for two hheads	030
for a Barrell to Mr. Wilford	050
Richard White oweth me for a quarter of Beefe	030
Richard White for a hhead	200
Phillip Carpenter for 3 heads	025
Phillip Carpenter for a churne	075
Henry Mosely upon Accot. this year	060
Wm Medcalfe upon accot last yeare	150
Henry Rainer for Caske washing and a paile	095
In Mr. Mottroms hand	555
Simon Richardson for Court charges	040
John Gresham upon an Ord'r of Court	080
Mr. Lee signed over fifty for my use Gresham to pay	213
Paid for Greshams use to Ralph Horsley	050
Upon debts when wee Reckned upon John Greshams	035
Accts Debtor	330
Mr. Colclough	092
George Courtnell oweth	155
Ralph Horsly oweth me for a quarter of Beefe this yeare	200
Ralph Horsley oweth me for 2 hheads	050
Ralph Horsley for a paile and a Churne	080
Ralph Horsly accot and myne of last year stands one about another in a little booke of his	000
ffrancis Simons oweth me	048
Wm Reynolds	040
John Bennett	070
	3305

Know all men that I doe give to my wife Mary Keene for the bringing up of my children all my movable goods and hogs and cattle but what I have given to my children and the remainder of my Tobco when my debts is paid to my wife Also I give this land and plantacon to my wife during her life after her decease I give the said land to my sone Tho: and his heirs forever. Overseers of the estate Hen. Mosely John Stanley Thomas

Orlye Matthew Rhodon. Witness my hand and _____ [oblit.] this 27th of Novem: 1652.

Witnesses: Henry Rainer
John Knight

The Mark of Thomas Keene

Thomas Keene married Mary _____, possibly Thorley. The will (Md. Cal. Wills, Vol. I, p. 212) of Edward Thorley of Anne Arundel County, Maryland, dated December 1678, probated February 10, 1678/9, provided: "To my three sons, Edward, John and Samuel, Pascall's Chance in Talbot County to be equally divided . . . should my sons die, the estate to be equally divided among all of my children. To my daughters, personalty. To my Cousin Thomas Keene, personalty." The executor was his wife, Mary, and witnesses were Thomas Kington, Thomas Sheppard and Thomas Williams. Talbot County lies just south of Kent Island and Anne Arundel across Chesapeake Bay from it on the west. Thomas Keene probably married his wife in Maryland as their first son was born on Kent Island in 1642. She may have been a sister of Edward Thorley and her son, Thomas, the cousin he mentioned. Nieces and nephews were called cousins at that time.

The following entry appears in Northumberland County Order Book 2:

10th of March 1652/3

According to sufficient proofs made before this Court there is due to Mary Keene 200 acres of Land for the transportation of these persons following into this colony. Vizt:

Thos Keene	Wm Keene &
Her Self	Susan Keene

Thomas and Mary Keene had *issue*: (1) William² Keene; (2) Thomas² Keene; (3) Susanna² Keene; (4) Matthew² Keene.

After the death of Thomas Keene, Mary Keene married Henry Raynor who in September, 1652 was appointed constable for Chicacone. (North. O. B. 2, p. 3) March 22, 1658, one-half of 240 acres which had been patented by Henry Raynor in Northumberland County was deeded to William Hopkins (pages badly mutilated—all details not clear). Mary Raynor's name appears, possibly to acknowledge the sale. The next item is one assigning the other half of the patent to Mary, "land of her husband Henry Raynor," and by Mary to her children who are not named. (North. R. B. 15, p. 19) On the same day, March 22, 1658, a marriage agreement was signed by Mary Raynor and Thomas