

cate that he must have been in a very feeble condition of body at the time, for he was 92 years old. He figures in many land transfers. It is estimated that he owned about 4000 acres. There has been much speculation as to whether Col. Ninian BEALL's family name in Scotland was spelled BEALL or BELL. Official papers in Maryland records are signed by him in a variety of ways; namely, Ninian BALE, Ringing BELL, Ninian BEALE, Ninion BEALE, Ninian BELL and Ninian BEALL. After 1667 he signed everything as Ninian BEALL.

He seems to have identified himself with the Presbyterian Church of Maryland before 1690. During that year 200 Presbyterian immigrants came over from Scotland under his supervision. He located them along the Potomac River and called the settlement New Scotland. These immigrants brought with them Rev. Nathaniel TAYLOR. There is recorded at Upper Marlboro a deed of gift from Col. Ninian BEALL to Reverend TAYLOR, of land in Upper Marlboro upon which to build a church. In 1707 Col. Ninian BEALL presented the above church a costly silver communion set, made in London. A portion of this silver communion set is now in the Presbyterian Church at Hyattsville, Md.

Col. Ninian BEALL had three brothers who settled in the Province of Maryland; namely, Thomas, John and George. Their descendants are numerous. He *m.* about 1670, Ruth MOORE, dau. of Richard and Jane MOORE, Barrister of St. Mary's Co., Md. He *d.* in 1717. He was bur. on his Rock of Dumbarton Plantation, at a point now Gay Street, Georgetown, D. C. When his body was removed, his skeleton was found to be perfect, and measured six feet seven inches, and his hair had grown long and retained its youthful color of red.

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- I. John BEALL, Sr., *b.* 1670; *d.* 1711; *m.* (name unknown).

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| 1. Alexander.                  | 3. Robert, <i>m.</i> Mary BERRY. |
| 2. James, <i>m.</i> Sarah ———. | 4. Mary, <i>m.</i> Ligan WILSON. |

- II. CAPTAIN CHARLES, *b.* 1672.

- III. Ninian, *b.* 1674; *d.* 1710; *m.* 1700, Elizabeth MAGRUDER, dau. of Col. Samuel MAGRUDER. (See MAGRUDER, Col. Fam. 1907.)

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1. Samuel, Col. 36th Battalion Frederick Co. Militia, 20th Apr. 1776; *m.* Eleanor BROOKE.
2. Mary, *m.* Capt. James EDMONSTON.

- IV. Sarah, *m.* Col. Samuel MAGRUDER. (See MAGRUDER, Col. Fam. 1907.)