

1642, and upon seating himself in Maryland, lived in the house, and a few years later, died there. This gracious old home, although having under-gone some alterations and additions in the intervening 350 years, was, the last we heard, still standing and still occupied. It is now said to be the oldest existing house in the state of Maryland, and both interior and exterior views of it appear within these pages.

Following are abstracts of the records we've discovered concerning John Nut-hall, Sr., and his wife, Elizabeth (Bacon)-Holloway Nuthall:

- Ante 1630 "Capt. William Jones, justice of peace and quorum in his majis coun-ty of North'ton, Virginia, doth declare on oath, y't *about thirty-five or thirty-six years since* hee did often sale a trading w'th ye Indians in ye bay of Chesapeake, and well knew ye river Pokomoke, w'ch lyeth to ye Southward of a little point described in Capt. Smith's Mapp w'thout a name, and is so far Southward as a man can see from ye place described in Capt. Smith's Mapp for Watkins point; and doth decirm y't ye said river of Pokomoke was then soe called, and noe such name as ye river Wighco, either at y't tyme or in ye memory of man before, was applyed to ye river of Pokomoke, and y't ever since ye said river, soe sciturted as aforesaid, hath bin and is called by ye name of Pocomoke river. And farthermore this deponent saith, y't in the time hee was a married man *and a trader in y't bay of Chessapeak, John Nutwell was a boy and servant to Hugh Hays**, and was run away from his said master, and this deponent gave a hoe to ye Indians for ye said Nutwell, and brought him home again, well straped w'th ye hallyards. Soe farr this deponent mak-eth oath. /s/ Will. Jones Sworne in open court ye 18th of July, 1664." [The Report and Accompanying Documents of the Virginia Com-missioners...1873...Appendix, pp. 78-9. Virginia State Library, Rich-mond.] (Also abstracted in, Old Somerset on The Eastern Shore of Maryland, by Clayton Torrence, p. 486, who, in mentioning John "Nut-tall", of Maryland, says, "He may be identified with one "John Nut-well" who as a youth ran away from his master, one Hugh Hays*, in Virginia (Northampton County)...")
- July 6 1640 "It is ordered by this Cor^t that John Nuthall Admr of the estate of John Holloway, dec'd shall pay unto Capt. Ralph Wormeley Admr of Es-tate of Luke Stubbings, Mrcht., the quantity of 6 1/4 lbs. of mer-chantable Beaver in case of a nilul dicit by the next County Cort houlden in Northampton County. [Northampton Co., Orders, Deeds, Wills #2, 1640-1645, p. 7.-Va. State Library, Richmond.] (NOTE: When the original loose papers were copied into the original ledgers of Libers, many years ago, this paper was apparently mis-dated, since only one John Holloway is known to have lived on the Eastern Shore of Virginia during this period (and whose widow, John Nuthall later married), and this Dr. John Holloway did not die until late August or early September, 1643...and John Nuthall did not take over admin-istrative duties concerning the estate of Dr. Holloway until after the former's marriage in January, 1643/44.]
- Jan. 11 1640/41 John Nuthall or his assignees shall be payde 5 1/2 lbs. of merchant-able beaver or value thereof out of estate of Nicholas White, dec'd. [Ibid., p. 45.]
- Apr. 28 1643 "It is ordered...by reason of the great and suddayne daynger wch is like to come upon the plantacon by the Indians that the powder and shott whc is in the hands of Mr. John Nuthall shall be seized to be
- June 4 1635 *Mr. William Stone patented 1800 acres (in then Accawmacke Co., Va.), on Hungar's Creek, for the transportation of himself, his brother Andrew, and 34 servants, including Hugh Hays...and Tho. Ward. [Cava-liers and Pioneers, p. 28.] (NOTE: Hugh Hays was age 27, and Tho. Ward was age 25, in June 1635.-[Ames, op. cit., pp. 38-9.]