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ALEXANDER JEMMESON OF SOMERSET COUNTY, MARYLAND

[20700-20899]

20700-1 ALEXANDER JEMMESON, born about 1630, he emigrated 1665[1] to Maryland. He settled[3,4] in Somerset county, Maryland along the southeastern shore of Chesapeake Bay where he planted, raised, and sold tobacco becoming a wealthy planter and merchant[2]. No mention of a wife has been documented as yet, though four children have been identified and possibly several others may be connected to this man.

Children:

(1-7)Born overseas)[3]

- (1) 20720 Jane, b.c. 1653, m. 10/18/1674, Richard **Kimble**.
- (2) 20721 female, m. William **Robinson**;
- (3) 20722
- (4) 20723 Elizabeth, b.c. 1659, m. 5/10/1680, Benjamin Nesham.
- (5) 20724
- (6) 20725 Margaret, b.c. 1662, m. 1683, Thomas **Surnan**{Surnam}.
- (7) 20726 male, b.c. 1666, was married.

Notes:

There is some possibility that Alexander Jemmeson was related to the William Jameson who emigrated to Maryland in 1679[4]. He, too, was a planter of tobacco, but no other records have brought to light his history or genealogy. No indenture has turned up either and Alexander Jemmeson came to this country filled with hope and secured by enough money to stake out his enterprise rather quickly and without debt. Indeed, on November 26, 1666 is recorded a livestock mark of "Allexander Jemison"[2]. In a second case is listed William "Robbinson" as a son-in-law of Alexander's though the daughter's name is not published, unfortunately[2]. He is listed May 27, 1669 in Somerset county as having paid in tobacco "for payment of the Pubklic Charge of this Province"[5]. February 18, 1670, Alexander Jamison bought from Thomas Meech a tract known as "Meeches Hope" in Somerset county, MD[7]. This piece of property was later given to Mary (Jamison) Nesham by her father some time before 1721 when it was transferred to her husband in that year all of Stepney Parish. On December 20, 1672 Alexander Jameson sold to Richard Kimball of the same

county 300 acres[3].

How Alexander Jemmeson is related to the Jamesons in Talbot, Kent, and Cecil counties is unclear, if even a connection exists. As previously mentioned William Jamison emigrated in 1679[4] and is possibly the one in Talbot county, MD. What is clear, however, is that Alexander Jamison may not necessarily be related to Alexander, Samuel, Isaac, and David Jameson of Kent co., MD. nor with Thomas of Baltimore, William Jameson of Cecil co., MD, or even with William Jamison of Talbot co., MD. So far, no connecting link has been discovered between these men on the eastern shores of Maryland.

Of more than nominal interest, a Margaret Jameson in Somerset co., MD. married in 1667, Peter **Booth**. They had a child Agnes, b.c. 1712 in Somerset county. Could she have been a sister, perhaps of Alexander? Plus, deaths listed for Samuel Jameson, 3/23/1740, Isaac Jameson, 5/4/1748, and David Jameson, 4/1753 of Kent co., MD. might place them as children of Alexander Jameson, since his daughter, Margaret, had children so named.

References:

1] Passenger and Emigration Lists Index, v.2,(h-n), p1006, Filby & Meyer; 2] Proceedings of the County of Somerset, Maryland, 1665-1668, v.1, p750; "livestock marks", v.2,p232(1666-1667); 3] Old Somerset of the Eastern Shore of Maryland, Torrence; 4] Early Settlers of Maryland, Skordas, ps.254,255; 5] Archives of Maryland, Proceedings and Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, April 1666-June 1676, publ. 1884, edit. William Browne; 6] Passenger and Emigration Lists Index, 1982 Supplement, Filby & Meyer, p400; 7] Somerset Co., MD(deeds), bk.I K,p174-175; 8] IGI Marriage and birth Indexes, 1993 Edition;

20725-2 MARGARET JAMMESON [Alexander], was born circa 1662, in Scotland or England, the daughter of Alexander Jemmeson(20700). Miss Jameson married 1683, Somerset co., MD. to Thomas **Surnan**{Surnam}. They resided in Somerset co., MD.

Children:

(Born in Somerset co., MD)

- (1) John, b.c. 1686;
- (2) Alexander, b.c. 1688;
- (3) Thomas, b.c. 1690;
- (4) Isaac, b.c. 1692;
- (5) Edward, b.c. 1694;
- (6) Peter, b.c. 1696;
- (7) William, b.c. 1698;

References:

1] IGI Index, Birth & Marriage Recs. of Somerset co., MD., 1993 Edition; 2] Old Somerset of the Eastern

20726-2 (MALE) JAMMESON [Alexander], was born circa 1666, Somerset county, Maryland the son of Alexander Jemmeson(20700). He was married.
<u>Children:</u>
(Born Somerset co., MD.)
(1) 20760 John, b.c. 1700.
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1] Maryland Records, Gauis Brumbaugh, p182;
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