Dear Walker researchers,

There are some new names added to our group -- at least I hope they will be. I have already talked to Iona on the phone (she has done a lot of research on the Walkers in Monroe Co., WV, and may tie in with our James Walker. We really need to get some more work done on deeds, so we can find out things like who the wife of James Walker was. Donald is decended from Nancy (Walker) Harmon -- at least, I assume he is a descendant. And Pamela is a descendant of Reuben Walker, who we think is the son of John H. Walker, who is the son of William of Botetourt. For their benefit, and to avoid repeating myself too much, I will stick copies of my last letter in with their letters.

I am also sending you copies of what I have in the computer so far. I have decided to forget about genealogy programs, and stick with word-processing programs. If one types a lot of information into a genealogy program, all one has at the end is a lot of forms. And the first problem with forms is that they have too much space -- wasted space, I should say -- that one doesn't need, because one doesn't know the information. The second problem with forms is that one doesn't have enough space -- there is all the information about deeds, wills, speculation, etc., that one doesn't have room for. By typing it into the computer in book form, however, it is easy to read and follow, one can take it to a library or courthouse to do additional research, it is handy to send to other researchers, etc. And the real beauty of it, is that in a few years, one can simply say, "This is it," and print it, and Bingo, it's a book.

I started out trying to put everything in, and about went crazy with files, digging through first one and then the other, trying to find things I knew were there. I finally decided to get all the names and dates in first, then go back and start filling in all the land records, probate records, marriage bonds, military records, etc. I have been sitting at the keyboard until my eyes are crossed, and I still have a long way to go. But I thought I could send you folks what I have so far, and you can get started telling me additions, corrections (hopefully not subtractions!). I would appreciate it, if you could send me what you have on your lines, and I will be happy to keep
FIRST GENERATION:

Early information about William Walker of Botetourt Co., VA, is highly tentative. His son, William Walker, Jr., was born in Bedford County, VA, in 1759, which would place William Sr. there at that time. The earliest deed we have for William Sr. in Botetourt County (at that time part of Augusta Co.) calls him William Walker "of Bedford County," which would confirm that he was living there before he moved to Botetourt. There is also an early lawsuit in Augusta Co. between --- --- and William Walker of Augusta Co. and Bedford Co. This would appear to indicate that he owned land in both counties at the same time. Unfortunately, early records in Augusta Co. are in total disarray and in the basement of their courthouse, and at this time are not accessible to researchers. The genealogical society of Augusta Co. hopes to sort and clean them, but it may take years.

There was a William Walker who enlisted 24 Nov 1755 in a company of rangers in Augusta Co., VA, under the command of Capt. William Preston. William Walker is listed as being 18 years of age, 5 feet 4 inches tall, and his country is given as Pennsylvania. He was discharged 12 Dec 1755, making his term of military service only 18 days. In one of the Draper Manuscripts, there is a payroll for these rangers. William Walker did not receive any pay, but the reason for the non-payment was illegible on the film that I viewed. Unfortunately, if one is to believe the age given on his tombstone, William Walker was 30 in 1755. The question then arises, is the tombstone inaccurate? It happened frequently in the days before driver's licenses and social security, that an old person became much older than his actual years, since after a certain period of time there was no one around who remembered his birth. We have tried to come up with an estimate for the ages of his children, based on the two we have birth dates for (William and George), dates of their marriages, ages of their children, etc. However it is very frustrating, due to lack of early censuses, lack of any information about some of the children, etc. The best we can say, is that the birthdate indicated by the age given on his tombstone is consistent with what we know about his children, however nothing "proves" that he could not have been the 18-year-old soldier in 1755.

Acting on the assumption that this might be our William Walker, we have, therefore, looked for a William Walker of the appropriate age in Pennsylvania. In EGLE'S NOTES AND QUERIES, 4th Series, vol. 2, page 148, is a query concerning a Henry Walker with wife Agnes and children Benjamin, John, James, Robert, William, Mary, Grizzell, Margaretta. Because William Walker of Botetourt County named one of his older sons Henry and one of his daughters Agnes this Henry Walker becomes highly interesting. The custom at that time, especially among the Scottish and Scotch-Irish, was to name the first-born son after the father's father, the second-born son after the mother's father, the first-born daughter after the mother's mother, and the second-born daughter after the father's mother. Only after those people had namesakes, would a man name a son after himself, or a daughter after the mother. Of course, when the father had the same name as his father, the oldest son would have the same
name as the father and the grandfather. Even though this custom was strong in America before 1800, it was not adhered to rigidly, thus names give us clues, but not proof.

Henry Walker of Lancaster Co., PA, a possible father of William Walker of Botetourt Co., VA, received a warrant for land in Derry Township, Lancaster Co., in 1749. Pennsylvania land warrants are indexed under the county the land is presently in, since the indexing was done in this century. Therefore, we need to look at the warrant index for Dauphin County, as the land is in that county today. A map of the land warrants shows Henry's land adjacent to that of John Walker, and only slightly separated from that of James Walker. The land of David Walker is at the southern edge of the township, while the land of the other three is at the northern edge. Due to the proximity of the lands of William, John, and James, it is entirely likely that they were brothers, as has so often been stated by various people, who, however, have always failed to cite a source for this "information".

Henry Walker of Lancaster Co., PA, died ca. 1766 intestate. A petition was filed 26 Mar 1768 by John Walker and his wife Mary, the daughter of Henry Walker late of Derry Township in the County of Lancaster, yeoman, who died possessed of 530 acres of land, including a sawmill, and leaving a wife Agnes and 5 sons and 3 daughters. John and Mary Walker petitioned to be allowed to keep the entire tract, paying the other heirs their share, rather than splitting the land. The court ordered the sheriff to appoint a jury to view the land and make a decision and report back to the next court. Searches of later court records have failed to turn up any other mention of Henry Walker's land in Lancaster County Court records.

The only further mention of Henry Walker in Lancaster County, is the sale of 270 acres of land from James Walker to John Walker. The only description of the land given, is that it was part of a farm formerly belonging to Henry Walker, deceased, & divided by James Campbell, Hew Hase, John Dickson & James Willson. The deed is dated 6 Nov 1767, recorded 12 Mar 1768, and the mortgage evidently paid off 9 Sep 1769. There is no further mention of this property in the deedbooks of Lancaster Co. The land is situated in the part of Lancaster Co. which in 1785 became Dauphin County, so the deeds of Dauphin County were checked with great success.

In Dauphin County Book A-1, pages 228-230 is a deed as follows (legal-ese left out):

"This Indenture made the Seventh Day of March in the Eleventh year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Third by the Grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith etc. and in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy one Between John Walker of the Township of London Derry in the County of Lancaster and Province of Pennsylvania xxx and Jean his wife of the one part and Felix Landis of the same township county and Province of the other part. Whereas the Honorable Thomas Penn and Richard Penn Esquires Proprietaries of the Province of Pennsylvania did by their Patent dated the fourteenth day of January one thousand seven hundred and seventy one and recorded in the Rolls office in Philadelphia in Patent Book Act Vol. II (?) page 483 and certified under the Seal of the said office by William Penn Recorder the fourteenth Day of January one thousand seven hundred and seventy one Grant and confirm unto John Walker aforesaid a certain Tract ... of land called Walker's Rang Situate ... in the township of Londonderry aforesaid Being
one half of a tract of land that was surveyed to a certain Henry Walker, deceased and since released by the heirs of the said Henry Walker to the said John Walker bounded as follows to wit: Beginning at a marked Maple at the Side of Swellora Creek thence by Vincent Cooper's Land S. 83 degrees E. 110 perches to a marked white oak S. 30 degrees E. 93 perches to a marked black oak S. 85 degrees E. 50 perches to a Post S. 40 degrees E. 20 perches to a marked white oak thence by William Leitches Land S. 1 degree E. 97 perches to a white oak Grub thence by James Walker's part of the 535 acre tract S. 69 degrees W. 183 perches to a marked Hickery N. 73 degrees W. 76 perches to a Post N. 34 degrees E. 21 perches to a marked Thorn N. 47 degrees W. 88 perches to a marked Elm at the side of Swettara Creek aforesaid thence up the Said creek along the courses thereof 205 perches to the Place of Beginning, containing 267 acres and 1/2 acre and the allowance of 6½ for Roads etc. as by the said patent... that the said John Walker and Jean his wife for...1050 pounds lawful money...paid by the said Felix Landis...signed by John Walker and Jean (her mark) Walker. Witnessed by Ulrich Wiltman and Jacob Micher.

Following directly after this deed are the releases by the various other heirs, which read:

"Lancaster County and Province of Pennsylvania September the 23d. day 1767 then received of John Walker Executor of Henry Walker deceased Estate and James Walker his Brother the full Sum of forty Eight pounds to me in hand paid which Sum being full satisfaction for me my Heirs, etc., for ever of Said Estate I Say Rec'd this 23d Day of September in the year 1767." <signed> Henry Walker
Witness present: Felix Landis, James Willson"

<ditto, 15 Sep> signed by William Walker and witnessed by Frederick Hummel and Adam Haberling.
<ditto, 15 Sep> signed by Robert Walker and witnessed by Frederick Hommel and Adam Haberling.
<ditto> signed by John & Grizel Fleming and witnessed by Frederick Hummel and Adam Haberling.
<ditto 28 Oct> signed by Margaret McCary (or Mclary) and witnessed by James (his mark) Campbell and John (his mark) Hover.

"London Derry Township 10th October 1768. These are to certify that we do hereby discharge Anne Walker and John Walker Junr. Adm.rs to the Estate of Henry Walker deceased in, or, to, and from all our Right Title Claim and Demand whatso ever to our Patrimony due us from the Estate of Henry Walker deceased for and in consideration of twelve Pounds Pennsylvania currency to us in hand paid by the said Anne and John Walker the Day and year above written as witness our hands and seals. <signed> John Walker and Mary Walker. Witnesses: James Willson, Bartman Galbreath."

The above deed and all of the releases were recorded in Dauphin Co., PA, 9 Jan 1786. We have not yet found out if the original receipts survive, perhaps in an estate file for John Walker or for someone else (about the only place such papers have a chance of surviving). However, we do have some clues for further research, namely the names of some of the spouses of the children of Henry Walker, deced.

It is also interesting to note, re the sale witness Felix Landis, that a John Landis, weaver, lived in Lancaster Co. about this time, and designed so many beautiful patterns for weaving coverlets, that he is still famous today, at least among other weavers.
Following are more deeds which pertain to the estate of Henry Walker, dec'd.

Deed book -----, pages 203-204:
"This Indenture made 10 May 1770 between James Walker of London Derry twp. Lancaster Co., PA, Yeoman, and Mary his wife of the one part, and John Campbell of said county yeoman of the other part...for 635 pounds lawful money...all that certain plantation...being the same tract of land which John Walker and Jean his wife by Indenture bearing date the 18th day of April 1769 did grant and Confirm unto the said James Walker in Fee...
(signed) James Walker and Mary (her mark) Walker. Witnesses, Fredrich Pohlmann and Philip Marstella...recorded 18 Mar 1788."

Deed book ----, pages 205-207:
"This Indenture made 18 Apr 1769 between John Walker Junr. of London Derry twp. Lancaster Co., PA, and Jane his wife of the one part and James Walker brother of the said John of the same place Yeoman of the other part. Whereas the Honorable the proprietaries by their Warent bearing date 15 Dec 1749 did grant unto Henry Walker of said twp. a certain Tract of Land Containing 535 acres and allowances by the Survey Thereof May more fully appear Reference hereunto being had Now Know Ye that whereas the said Henry Walker by a Sudden death died Intestate the said John Walker (son of the said Henry) and his Mother the Widow became Administrator of said Estate. Know further that the said Administrators hath fully paid off and forever satisfied all other of the Legatees, viz, Henry Walker Jr. son of Benjamin Walker Eldest son of said Henry, dec'd, and Mary, Robert, William, Grizel, & Margareth Walkers, Heirs of the sd. Henry, dec'd, and their heirs...as by their several discharges may more fully and at large appear. Witnesseth that the said John Walker and Jane his wife for...the sum of 700 pounds...paid by the said James Walker...all that half of said Tract of Land lying and being next John Walkers Sr. place Beginning at an Alam Tree on the brink of Sweetarow Creek thence by the said John Walker Jr. land S. 47 E. 88 perches to a Thorn thence S. 34 W. 21 to a post in the lane thence S. 70 E. 76 and an half perches to a hickory at the end of said Lane thence N. 69 E. 183 perches to a hickory this being the Devison line between said Brothers, thence by William Leeches Land S. one E. 35 to a Black Oak thence S. 48 E. 20 to a white oak thence S. 21 W. 26 perches to a hickory Thence south 14 East 70 to a hickory a corner thence by George Henry's land W. 57 perches to a Black oak Thence S. 16 W. 54 to a Black Oak a Corner of John Walkers Junr. Land N. 75 W. 90 perches to a White Oak thence N. 50 E. 40 and a half perches to a Black Oak thence N. 15 W. 29 to a white oak thence W. 149 to a hickory Thence N. 55 W. 96 perches to a black oak thence N. 12 E. 90 perches to Swatara Creek thence up said creek on the several turns thereof 81 perches to the place of beginning, Containing 267 acres and a half ...<signed> John Walker and Jean (her mark) Walker. Witnesses: Chris.r Wegman and David Allen."

<It does not say when it was recorded.>

Further light is thrown on the identity of the wife of John Walker, son of Henry and Agnes Walker, by the following petition (Film #021,371):
Jos. Wilson, dec'd. 6 Dec 1769.
A petition of John Walker of Derry Township in behalf of himself and Jane his wife one of the daughters of Joseph Wilson...that the said Jos. Wilson died intestate seized & possessed of 150 acres Warranted land...situated in said twp. leaving issue two sons and two daughters, viz James Wilson, Hugh Wilson, Rosannah McCallister and Jean Walker, the wife of the Petitioner and praying the Court to appoint proper persons or an Inquest to view the Premises and make division of the same if it can be divided to
and among them without injury to and spoiling of the whole and in Case the same cannot be divided to Value and appraise the same and Unless some of the Children of the said deceased will be willing to hold the same and Pay the other Children and their Representatives their respective Share according to the Valuation so made as aforesaid the Petitioner Pray to Hold the Premises Pursuant to the Act of General Assembly in such Case made and Provided. The Court orders that the Sheriff of the County of Lancaster do forthwith Summon a Jury to view the Plantation and Tract of land aforesaid and make Partition thereof if it may or can be divided to and Amongst all the Children of the deceased without injury to and spoiling of the whole, and if the same cannot be divided then to Value and appraise the same that Notice be given to all Parties interested of the Time of such View and Partition or Appraisement and that they make Report of their Proceedings under their Hands and Seals to the next Court."

It is interesting to note the names involved here: A James Wilson was one of the witnesses to the releases above. Also, William Walker's daughter married a Thomas Wilson. Also, two of William Walker's grandchildren married McCallisters (Thomas Harmon married Jane McCalister, and his brother John Harmon married Mary McCallister).

A similar petition was filed by John Walker on ----:

"Upon the Petition of John Walker & Mary his Wife which same Mary is eldest Daughter of Henry Walker late of Derry Township in the County of Lancaster Yeoman deceased setting forth that the said Henry Walker lately died intestate seized and possessed of a certain Messuage, Sawmill & Tract of Land thereto belonging situate in Derry Township aforesaid Containing five hundred and thirty Acres besides the Usual Allowance for Roads and High Ways leaving Issue five sons and Two daughters besides Mary the Petitioner and Agnes the Wife of the same Henry: that the Petitioners are willing and desirous to hold and enjoy the Messuage Saw Mill & Tract of Land aforesaid in Case the Sons of the said Henry refuse to Accept the same, etc... It is ordered by the court that the Sheriff of the county of Lancaster do forthwith summon a Jury to view the Messuage Saw Mill and Tract of Land...etc."

We have, therefore, the following children for Henry Walker and Agnes his wife:

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Whether or not we will ever be able to find any record to prove one way or another that the William Walker above, son of Henry and Agnes Walker, is our William Walker of Botetourt remains to be seen. One idea that should be checked out, is checking in Botetourt and the surrounding counties, as well as in the Lancaster/Dauphin Co. area of Pennsylvania, to see what became of Grizel Walker Fleming and Margaret Walker McCary/Mclary, as they may have followed William to Botetourt. The Henry son of Benjamin (and grandson of
Henry and Agnes) could well be the Henry who appears in Botetourt signing a marriage bond for his niece Polly Walker and later for his own daughter. Since he signed a release in 1768, he must have been at least 21 at that time, which would be old enough to have a daughter get married in 1803.

It would also be helpful to know the legal situation in those days, for example, does the fact that William did not have a wife sign the release prove that he did not have a wife at the time? Or did his wife simply not have any dower rights because she was not a resident of the state of Pennsylvania? Or did she not have any dower rights since she was not an heir and this was only a quit claim? I think I have run across cases like that, where the husbands of the daughters had to sign the quit claims, but the wives of the sons did not. Likewise, we need to know at what point in time it became a legal requirement in Virginia for all wives to sign away their dower rights—was that always the case, or was that law instituted sometime during the 18th century?

Another possible origin for William Walker of Botetourt which we have considered and rejected, is that he was the son of a William Walker Sr. who died in Cumberland County, VA, in 1752, naming a son William, who was of age at that time. Wm. Sr.’s son Robert apparently migrated to Bedford Co., VA and died there in 1766. We have gotten a copy of the original inventory of that Robert Walker, plus records signed by his executor, William Walker. Unfortunately, the signatures don’t match that of William Walker of Botetourt. We have also found evidence, that the William Jr. of Cumberland lived and died in Prince Edward Co., VA. Following is a list of the children of this William Walker, Sr., of Cumberland Co., VA, and his wife Judith (Baker?) Walker:

i Warren Walker
ii William Walker
iii James Walker
iv Joel Walker
v Peter Walker
vi Benjamin Walker
vii Robert Walker
viii Lucy Walker
ix Judy/Judah Walker
x Henry Walker

We are also starting to consider the possibility that William Walker of Botetourt migrated to Virginia from North Carolina. If the William Walker on the list of Capt. Preston's Rangers is our William Walker, then of course this possibility is out.

There is, of course, always the possibility that our William is related to the Walkers in Rockbridge Co., VA. They are mainly descendants of John Walker of Wigton, Scotland. Some of them migrated to Adair Co., KY, and from there to McDonough Co., IL, at about the same time some of our William's descendants migrated along the same route. This implies the possibility of a relationship. Also, there was an Esther Walker born into that family, who died young. We have, however, no other source for the given name of Esther, and it certainly was not a common name among Walkers in the rest of Virginia. It is interesting to note that our William could be both a son of Henry and Agnes Walker of Lancaster/Dauphin Co., PA, AND related to the Rockbridge "Walkers of Wigton, Scotland" bunch, as there are many lost branches of that
Augusta Co., VA, was made from Orange Co., VA, and there is an early
William Walker in the records of that county. However, his line is fairly
well traced, and they do not go to Botetourt Co., so we have eliminated him as
a possibility. Based on the name "Henry" this family may be buying land in
Greenbrier Co., VA. Following is a list of children of William Walker of
Orange Co., VA, (later Madison Co., VA) and his wife Anna (Merry) Walker:

i  Elisabeth Walker
ii  Merry Walker
iii James Walker
iv  William Walker, Jr.
 v  Mary Walker
vi  John Walker  b. 31 Mar 1769  m. Anna Banks
vii Mildred Walker
viii Frances Walker

In 1761 a William Walker (who may or may not be ours) bought a tract of
land in Bedford Co., VA.

On 8 Jul 1762, William Walker "of Bedford County" bought 275 acres of
land on Craig's Creek from Robert Williams. (Deed Book 5, p. 252) This
purchase is also recorded in Augusta Co. Deed Book 12, p. 177. He later
deeded part of this land to Henry Walker (100 acres, Deed Book 5, page 252)
and to "my son Henry Walker" (80 acres, Deed Book 6, page 300). We need to
check deeds of Henry Walker and Martha Walker, to see if Henry (the son) was
in possession of the entire 180 acres, or if another Henry Walker owned part
of it.

23 Nov 1762 he sold the land he owned in Bedford Co., VA, if this is
indeed our William Walker. There is no wife's name mentioned in this deed,
and yet William Walker was having children born during this period, hence the
need to check what the legal requirements were at that time. An earlier deed
from Bedford Co (1755) has a William Walker and wife Elizabeth selling to
William Mead a tract of land containing 400 acres, on both sides of Little
Otter River. If the 1762 sale of land is by our William Walker, then why
isn't his wife's name on the deed? This is definitely the land purchased 7
Apr 1761 by a William Walker from William Callaway, both listed as "of Bedford
County." On 23 Nov 1763 at a court held in Bedford County the deed was
acknowledged by William Walker, and was ordered to be recorded.

He received 60 acres of land (date ?) from a new grant, on a southeast
branch of Craig's Creek, on the Fincastle to Sweet Springs Road. (Deed Book
14, p. 649). In his will, this land is called "The Sulpher Springs Place." He
willed this land to his grandson William, son of his deceased son Henry
Walker.

William Walker was apparently married twice. On a deed in 1772 when he
sold some land to Samuel Carson, his wife is listed as Mary. On 25 Apr 1785
he signed a marriage bond to marry Mary Walker. Originally we thought that
this marriage was William Jr., his son, but the signature on the marriage bond
matches the other known signatures of William Sr., namely the ones on the
marriage bond of his daughter Esther to Thomas Wilson in 1791, and on his will
and codicil to his will in 1810.
Will of William Walker (Botetourt County Will Book B, pages 246-249 and page 261 (underlining was done by me to make it easier to spot names of heirs):

"In the name of God Amen, I William Walker of Botetourt County and state of Virginia, Tho weak in body yet (through the Mercy & Goodness of God) Sound in Mind and Memory do constitute this my last Will and Testament and desire it to be received as such.

Imprimis, I most humbly bequeath my soul to God who gave it and my body to the earth from whence it was taken, as for my burial I desire it to be done in a decent and Christian manner. Touching worldly affairs I will that all my Just debts be first paid and the surplus of my Estate to be divided as follows. Imprimis, I give to my son John one certain tract of land called the Iron Spring place containing about 250 acres to him and his heirs forever, to whom I leave also one hundred and twenty five pounds which is now in his hands, also two bonds on George Hardy the first bond for one hundred dollars due in April 1812 the other bond calls for two hundred and fifty dollars due in the year 1815, he paying as follows, to my daughter Esther fifty pounds lawful money within two years from this date. To my daughter Agnes five pounds within three years from this date. To my daughter Mary five pounds within three years from this date. Item, To my son George and James equally I give my land on Barbers Creek above Greenlees to them & their heirs forever. To my son George I also give one half of the tract of land which is in dispute between Nathin Eakin and myself, he looking after the title at his own expense. The other half of which, if gained, I give to my son William and my daughter-in-law Martha Walker equally. To my son William I also give all that is now in his hands. To my son James I also give all that is now in his hands, my riding mare excepted, also two bonds on George Hardy of one hundred dollars each, one of which is due in the year 1813, the other in the year 1814. He paying out of said bonds when collected to my son George ten pounds, provided he can not gain the above mentioned disputed land, if the land is gained said James must pay ten pounds in good property to my daughter Esther, also, my son James is to take good care of me while I live and at my death to give my body a decent burial. To my son-in-law Isaac Snodgrass, I give one French Crown. To Henry Walker's son William I give and bequeath the Sulpher Spring Place containing about sixty acres to him & his heirs forever, he paying to his mother five pounds. To John Walker's son William, I give my riding mare. I also give to my son John my saltpeter cave in Greenbrier County, he looking after the title at his own expense. I also constitute my son John sole Executor of this my last Will & Testament and I desire that he shall collect all debts due to me except such as are herein remitted & a few small claims which I have assigned to James Walker and that he the said John shall pay all my just debts prior to this date except doctors bill which my son James shall pay & if any thing remains I allow him the said John to keep it for his own benefit. To my son-in-law Thomas Harmon I remit all that is due to me from him by bond or otherwise...If the bonds herein mentioned on George Hardy are not paid according to bargain I desire that John Walker my Executor shall sell the land for which said bonds were executed or as much thereof as will be requisite according to my contract with said Hardy and that he apply the money as herein before directed. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty eight day of July in the year
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ten. Sealed and declared by
the above named William Walker for his last Will and Testament.
Interlined before signing in presence of us.
Jacob Wagener
John Taylor (his mark)
Andrew Walker

A memorandum of Articles not mentioned in my last will and testament
which I dispose of among my children as follows:
To my son John I give my Cross cut saw 1 pewter dish 1 kettle 1 pot 1
pair Stilyards 2 woolen reeds 1 pair 5 hundred gears 1 foot adz, Croze,
crooked drawing knife, butcher knife, inshove and Iron wedge. To his
son William 1 tomahawk. To his daughter Polly my looking glass & some
teacups & saucers. I also allow my son John to take my cotton webb of
30 yards warp and about 14 dozen filling and get it wove soon, and give
to my sons William, George, & James each 4 yards & a half for coats,
and keep the ballance himself. To my son George I give one eleven
hundred reed, my silver watch, 1 falling axe, mounting for a chest, a
Book the auther David Linsey, and 1 Twelv.d bagg. To my son James I
give my Double barrel gun, whip saw, broad axe, 5 dozen seven hundred
flax thread, some thread on big spools, 1 pairing chissel some tow
yarn, my Bible, 3 table spoons, 1 pewter bason, 1 water bucket, 1 seven
hundred reed & gears 1 pair 5 hundred gears, a pair compasses. To my
daughter Polly Snodgrass I send 1 Feather bed & bedding, 1 bedstead, 1
weavers loom, 1 six hundred reed, 1 four hundred & fifty reed. To
Henry's son William I give a small oven & potrack which he now has, 1
drawing knife, and 1 three gallon jugg.
August 3rd, 1810
Witnesses present
Henry Myars (his mark)
Jacob Wagener
Nimrod Crawford

The reeds referred to in the codicil are parts of looms. We are hoping that
we will someday find a descendant of James Walker, who has the family Bible
willed to James! It is interesting to note, that quite often the Bible goes
to the youngest child, as that is the one who is the last one to leave home.

In the 1810 census, James Walker has both a male 26-45 and a male over 45
in the household. In the 1820 census James Walker again has a male 26-45 but
no older male. Since William Walker specified in his will that James was to
be the one who looked after him until his death, we can assume that James is
the male 26-45 in each case, and William is the male over 45 in 1810. This
would make James the youngest child of William Walker. He has to have been
born between the years 1775 (not over 45 years old in 1820) and 1784 (already
26 by 1810). Since he married Jane Cardin in 1803, and was at that time
probably at least 21, we can narrow his estimated birth down even further, to
sometime between 1775 and 1782. Due to the fact that none of the other
children were born anywhere near that late, he was probably born closer to
the 1775 end of the range than to the 1782 end. Unfortunately, James died
before the 1830 census, so we can't narrow his date of birth down closer than
that.

It would appear then, that William Walker's children were probably born in
the 20-year span from 1755-1775, although the range could be from 1750-1780.
This makes the year of his birth as given on his tombstone (ca. 1725)
completely reasonable. However, it does not eliminate the William Walker on the 1755 list of Rangers from consideration.

We have tried to estimate the ages of William's children as accurately as possible, based on censuses, year of marriage, ages of children, etc., but the estimates are too inaccurate to do more than tell us which of the children were probably the older ones and which were probably the younger ones. The only children for whom we have birth dates are William Jr (from his pension application) and George (from his tombstone). However, even in these cases, the year of birth when given by an old man or by a descendant is not considered a primary source, and is subject to great inaccuracy.

There do not, however, appear to have been any children born at all late enough to be the children of his second wife, Mary Walker.

William Walker died 17 Aug 1810, and is buried in the Caldwell/Walker Cemetery in Craig Co., VA (right on the line of Botetourt Co., VA). His stone is still standing and legible (as of April 1986) and reads:

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Wm WALKER
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BEING THE 85
YEAR OF HIS
AGE
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The stone is quite small, perhaps one foot by one and a half feet. The other stones in the cemetery appear to have suffered from damage rather than from weathering. The stones are the kind that shear off, plus cows have been wandering around breaking the stones. We have read the rest of the stones in the cemetery that are still legible (and as soon as I find the piece of paper I wrote the list on, we'll type it in here!)

Following are the original signatures we have found so far for William Walker, Sr.:
25 Apr 1785 -- Marriage bond to marry Mary Walker

28 Oct 1791 -- Permission for his daughter Esther to marry Thomas Wilson:

1803 -- Witnessing the will of his son Henry Walker:

1810 -- Signing his own will:
1810 -- Signing the codicil to his will:

The children of William Walker and his first wife Mary (---) were:

1. i  Henry Walker  <d. 1803>  m. Martha Woods
2. ii  Agnes/Nancy Walker  b. ca.1754-6  m. Thomas Harmon
3. iii  William Walker Jr.  b. Mar 1759  m. --- ---
4. iv  John H. Walker  b. by 1765  m. Susanna Givens
5. vi  Mary (Polly) Walker  b. ca. 1758  m. Joseph Snodgrass Jr.
6. viii  George Walker  b. ca. 1763  m/1 Mary Adams  m/2 Clorinda Woods
7.  x  Sarah Walker  b. ca. 1764  m. Isaac Snodgrass
8.  v  Esther Walker  b. ca. 1771-3  m. Thomas Wilson
9. vii  James Walker  b. aft. 1775  m. Jane Cardin
10. xi  ?Robert Walker?  <d. bef. 1810>
SECOND GENERATION:

1. HENRY WALKER

Henry Walker (William) married Martha Woods, daughter of Andrew Woods 27 Dec 1781 in Botetourt Co., VA. Andrew Woods and Henry Walker signed the bond. If we assume that Henry was about 25 when he married, that would make his year of birth about 1756-57, which would make him the next older brother to William, Jr. This would fit the naming pattern very well, if William Sr. actually was the son of Henry and Agnes Walker. Henry died in 1803. The will is witnessed by William Walker, his father, and seems to have been written by him, also, making it the largest specimen of William Walker Sr’s hand-writing that we have to date. It reads as follows:

"In the name of God Amen, the fourteenth day of May 1803 I Henry Walker of Botetourt County & State of Virginia, Being very Sick and weak in Body, but of Perfect mind and Memory, Thanks be to God, Therefore Calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and Knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to die, do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament That is to Say principally and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul into the Hands of God that gave it and for my Body I recommend it to the Earth to be Burried in a Christian like and Decent Manner at the Discretion of my Executors Nothing Doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall Receive the Same again by the Mighty Power of God and as touching Such Worldly Estate Wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me in this Life, I Give and bequeath and Dispose of the Same in the following Manner and fora, first to pay all Just and Lawfull Debts Imprinis, I Give to Martha My Dearly Beloved Wife, the Land I own on Mide Island Creek Containg three Hundred and Eighty three Acres and Negro Bob and his wife Suckey and feby a Negro woman with their Increas to help to Raise the Children both white & Black with all movable property and Household furnature to be at her Disposal as Long as Shee remains a widow. But if Shee Should Mary the Land I mention to her now Shall be sold and give her a Childs part of all Except what is Mentioned to the Children hear after. Item. I Give to my son Andrew, Negro Guy the Horse and Sadie he now Claims to my Son William I Give Negro Jacob and the Horse and Sadie he now Claims, to my son Robert I give Negro Charles Eglestone to my son James I give Cleresse a Girl to my son Henry I give Negro Seazer, to my son Archibald I Give Negro Peter, to my Daughter Mary I give Milley a Negro Girl To my Sons Joseph and George I allow their parts to be made Equal to the other Children. I allow this Plantation they Now Live on to be Sold to the Best advantage when my Son William is of Age and payment to be made in hand for Andrew and William Allowing Each Child an Equal Share of the whole. I Constitute make and ordain my Loving wife to be my only and able Executor of this my Last will and Testament all and Singular my Lands Messuages and Tenements by her Freely to Possessed and enjoyed while Single and I do hereby ratify and Confirm this and no other to be my Last will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the day and year above written.

Henry Walker

Sind Sealed Published Pronounced and Declared by the said as his
Last will and Testament in presence
of us the Subscribers viz
William Walker
Isaac Taylor
Joseph Snodgrass
At Botetourt June Court 1803
This Instrument of Writing purporting to be the Last Will & Testament of Henry Walker Gentleman was proven in Court by the oath of William Walker & Isaac Taylor Witnesses thereto subscribed & thereupon ordered to be Recorded.

Martha Walker, widow of Henry, appears on the census in 1810 in Botetourt Co. as follows: 2 males 10-16, 4 males 16-26, 1 female 10-16, and 1 female over 45. Her sons Andrew and William are heads of households, ages 26-45.
In the 1820 Census she is in Botetourt Co. with the following listing: 2 males 16-26, 1 female 45 and over.
In the 1840 census she is not listed as head of household in Botetourt Co.

Signatures of Henry Walker:
27 Dec 1781 -- signing the marriage bond to marry Martha Woods:

14 May 1803 -- signing his own will:

For comparison's sake, we also include here the signatures of the "other" Henry Walker who was residing in Botetourt Co.
11 Jun 1799 -- signing the marriage bond for his niece Polly Walker to marry Thomas Eakin:

7 Jun 1799 -- signing a note stating that his niece has changed her mind and decided to marry Mr. Givens:

2 Apr 1804 -- Signing the marriage bond for Sarah Walker to marry John Gilleland:

The most significant difference in the signatures is the way they make their capital H's.

Children of Henry Walker and Martha (Woods) Walker:
11. i Andrew Woods Walker b. 5 May 1782 m. Elizabeth Handley
12. ii William Walker m/1 Eleanor Moore,
13. iii Robert Woods Walker    b. ca. 1786    m/2 Sarah Lapsley
14. iv James Walker    b. 10 Jan 1790    m. Jane Allen
15. v Henry Walker    b. 10 Jan 1790    m. Margaret Bailey
16. vi Archibald Walker    b. 17 Feb 1795    m. Mary Burke Snidow
17. vii Joseph Walker    b. 17 Feb 1795    m. Maria Gray
18. viii George Walker    b. 17 Feb 1795    m. Susan Eakin
19. ix Mary Woods Walker    b. 17 Feb 1795    m. Tilghman Snodgrass

2. NANCY WALKER

Nancy Walker (William) married Thomas Harmon in 1774 in Botetourt Co., VA. He was born 1750 and died 1814 in Kanawha Co., WV. Nancy is not named in her father's will of 1810. However, he does name a daughter Agnes. Apparently, from other known instances, Nancy was used as a nickname for Agnes. The probability is that William Walker named all of his living children in his will, as well as the spouses of his deceased children. Since it is known that Thomas Harmon married a Nancy Walker, and since Thomas Harmon is mentioned in the will of his father-in-law, William Walker, it is reasonable to assume that Agnes and Nancy are one and the same person. This is also logical, since they named a daughter Agnes "Aggie," but did not name a daughter Nancy, which would have been the customary thing to do, if the mother's given name were actually Nancy.

Thomas Harmon's estate records are in LDS Film #490,419 -- Kanawha Co., VA, record book D, page 212.

Children of Thomas Harmon and Nancy/Agnes (Walker) Harmon:

20. i Thomas Harmon    b. 1774    m. Jane McCallister
21. ii Henry Harmon    b. 1777    m. Elizabeth Percinger
22. iii Sarah Harmon    b. 1779    m. Samuel Handley
23. iv Mary Harmon    b. 1782    m. Joseph Rece
24. v Elizabeth Harmon    b. 9 Jan 1786    m. Abia Rece
25. vi Agnes "Aggie" Harmon    b. 1785    m. Josiah Johnston
26. vii John Harmon    b. 1785    m. Mary McCallister
27. viii George Harmon    b. ca. 1795    m. Nancy Jane Hedrick
28. ix Susannah Harmon    b. ca. 1795    m. James/John Shelton

3. WILLIAM WALKER

William Walker (William) was born in Bedford Co, VA, in 1759. His wife's name is still completely unknown. We have not yet found a William Walker marriage of a suitable time to be this William in any marriage records in Virginia. His daughter Esther was (according to her tombstone) born in 1784. Since she married in 1801, she would have been only 17 when she got married, meaning her birth year could not have been much later than what is given on her tombstone. On the other hand, as she lived until 1882, she could not have been much older than what her tombstone says. We therefore conclude, that her date of birth is reasonably accurate. Since William Walker says he was born in 1759, and that would make him 21 in 1780, we are looking for a William Walker marriage from about 1777-1784, with it more likely falling between the dates of 1779-1783. Within that period, we have found two possible marriages in North Carolina:

21 Apr 1778 William Walker m. Mary Lowrey in Surry Co., NC.
17 Jul 1780 William Walker m. Agnus Aston in Rowan Co., NC.
A third marriage is not as promising a possibility, because the location is more distant from the places William Walker was known to be, but it is included here anyway:

8 Oct 1781 William Walker m. Fereby Fuller in Granville Co., NC.
Surry County and Rowan County were in 1780 both directly on the route between Botetourt Co., VA, and Mecklenburg Co., NC. In fact, at that time, going north to south in North Carolina, there were only the three counties: Surry, Rowan, and Mecklenberg.

We also need to check South Carolina marriages. Some of the families who lived in Monroe Co., VA, and who intermarried with the Walker/Harmon line also spent some years in South Carolina. There may have been an area there where a lot of them lived for awhile, perhaps to escape from Indian problems in the Monroe Co. area.

One other possibility that we have checked, is that William Walker Jr. may have bought land (as speculation) in Ohio Co., VA. His brother Henry and Henry's brother-in-law Andrew Woods (or father-in-law?) both bought land there. In the SIMS INDEX for Ohio County, Henry Walker is listed as receiving a grant for 383 acres on Middle Island Creek in 1786 (Book 1, page 2651). A William Walker also received 400 acres on Fish Creek in 1789 (Book 2, page 564). However, upon checking, this William Walker is listed as "Of Washington Co. and Fayette Co., PA," and so cannot be the William Jr. we are looking for.

According to his pension application in 1833, William Walker Jr was born in Bedford Co., VA, in Mar 1759. In Sep 1778 he enlisted from Botetourt Co. and served under Col. Brodhead and Gen. McIntosh. They marched to Fort McIntosh. He was discharged in Feb 1779. He enlisted a second time in Dec 1780 from Botetourt Co. and served under Capt. James Hanley and Maj. David Cammel. He marched with the militia to North Carolina where they joined Gen. Morgan's party and fought at the Battle of Cowpens and on the banks of the Yadkin River. He was discharged again in Mar 1781.

The following is an account of this expedition written in a pension application by James Harbison, who enlisted in Capt. James Robinson's Militia Company in Botetourt Co., Virginia, in the fall of 1780:

"State of Indiana
Dubois County
On this 13th day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two personally appeared in open court before the Judge of the Court of Probate now sitting, James Harvison of the County of Dubois and State of Indiana aged sixty-nine, who first being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the Act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832. That he entered the service under the command of Capt. James Robinson the fault before the battle of the Cow Pens and served six months. He volunteered in Botetourt Co., Virginia, and marched from there to North Carolina, and passed through the Moravian towns and Salisbury thence to South Carolina and was within a day's march of the Battle of Cow Pens. He then passed on through Kings Mountain and thence to Ramsours Mill, crossed on the dam in the night. He near Ramsours Mill, joined Morgans Regiment from thence he marched to the Island ford on Catawba River from thence he marched down the river to what was called the Horse ford on the Catawba River and heard
the firing of the guns at the time General Davidson was killed on Catawba River he then marched to Salisbury in North Carolina he then marched to what was called the Blantford on the Adkin (Yadkin) River, he there was in a small battle with the British and Capt. Hanley was taken Prisoner. Then we marched into Virginia on Dan River where we were discharged, he thinks the discharge was signed by Major David Campbell but does not recollect, which discharge has been lost. He recollects Lieutenant James Taylor Absolom Looney John Hawkins James Mathers Michael Ghare William Reynolds William Walker they volunteered at the same time and served with him and were discharged at the same time."

In the widow's application, we also learn that James Harbison served in the War of 1812, volunteering in Knox Co., TN, that she, Rachel (Hembree) Harbison is his second wife, and that her husband James died at Dubois Co., IN, 6 Oct 1841.

It would appear from the two slightly different reports of the expedition, that William Walker Jr and his group under Capt. James Hanley joined Morgan's regiment a few days before James Harbison's group under Capt. James Robinson's, as William Walker reports he fought in the Battle of Cow Pens, and James Harbison reports his group joined Capt. Morgan's group immediately after the Battle of Cow Pens.

About 1784 he moved to Mecklenburg Co., NC, where he lived for about 10 years. On the 1790 census for Mecklenburg Co., NC, there are two William Walkers listed. The first has 1 male over 16, 2 males under 16, and 4 females. The second has 2 males over 16, no males under 16, and 2 females. We have therefore concluded, that the first listing is our William Jr. (or else he does not appear as head of household at all.)

About 1794 he moved back to Botetourt Co. In May 1801 he signed a marriage bond for his daughter Esther Walker to marry her cousin, William Snodgrass. About 1805 he moved to Knox Co., TN.

On 5 Jan 1810 he bought a horse, cow, heifer, 3 sheep, 21 hogs, some farm implements, and misc. items from William Snodgrass, who we assume was the William Snodgrass who was his son-in-law. One complication, is that there is also another William Snodgrass of unknown origin who was living in Knox Co., TN, at this same time.

On 6 Jan 1812, William Walker signed the marriage bond for Fanny Walker to marry Western Warwick. We assume that this was his daughter, even though the bond didn’t say specifically. On the same date a marriage bond was issued for Patsy <Martha?> Walker to marry Christian Albright. On 12 Mar 1814 William Walker signed the marriage bond for Peggy Walker to marry John K. Owens.

In Oct 1821 William Walker of Knox Co., TN, gave a power-of-attorney to his son Robert K. Walker.

<Knox Co., TN, Deed Book S-1, pages 555-556, LDS Film #503,070>

"Whereas I William Walker of the County of Knox and State of Tennessee am in possession of a freehold estate consisting of two hundred and thirty one acres of land whereon I now live and that I think proper to be absent from home for some time and as I leave some other business in this place unsettled I think proper to make an agent to handle all my business until I should return and direct otherwise or revoke his power
Now Know all men by these presents that in consideration as aforesaid I
the said William Walker have made constituted and appointed authorised
and empowered my son Robert K. Walker of the county and state aforesaid
my true and lawful attourney in fact for me and in my name and in my
behalf * gives him power to lease or sell the property as he sees fit."

According to his pension application, he moved to Preble Co., Ohio,
about 1823. Unless he wandered around for a couple of years, this power-
of-attorney would indicate that he actually moved about 1821. The
discrepancy is easily explained--people didn't pay as much attention to
dates in those days as they do now, and even now, people have trouble
remembering exactly when they did something, such as moving. In fact, dates
are what people generally make the most mistakes with, even today.

According to his pension application, he moved to Twin Township, Darke
Co., OH, about 1828. Here again, there is a discrepancy. There is no male
of the right age to be William Walker (70-80 years old) on the 1850 census
in Twin Township, Darke Co., OH. On the other hand, in Preble Co., OH, there
is a Henry Walker living in Monroe Twp., and right next door to him is a
Christian Albright (see marriage of Christian Albright to Patsy Walker,
above) and in addition to the male 40-50 and female 30-40 (which one would
assume to be the parents of the small children in the household) there is
also a male 70-80 years old. This appears to be William Walker, since his
pension application says he was living in this area at this time.

In May 1831 he gave power of attorney to his brother George, to sell the
land in Botetourt Co., which they inherited jointly from their father.
This power of attorney was registered in Darke Co., OH, Monroe Co., VA,
and Botetourt Co., VA. 15 Oct 1832 the land was sold to Hillery Ripley. The
deed was signed by Martha Walker, by George Walker and wife Clorinda, and by
George Walker as attorney in fact for William Walker. Henry Walker and
Alexander Handley of Botetourt Co. certified that Martha Walker signed the
deed.

20 Oct 1831 in Darke Co., OH., John K. Owen and William Walker witnessed
an indenture of George Bungardner, son of Pheraba Byers, to Daniel
Bungardner. <As John K. Owen was apparently the son-in-law of William
Walker, and since William Walker was over 70 years of age at this time, we
can assume that he was living in the household of John K. Owen when he lived
in Twin Twp., Darke Co., Ohio, thus making it easy even for an old man to
witness deeds along with his son-in-law.>

31 Dec 1831 John K. Owen and William Walker witness a deed between Isaac
Walker and wife Delilah to Royston Ford. According to birthplaces listed on
censuses, this Isaac Walker does not appear to be related to the Botetourt
Co., VA, Walkers.

13 Apr 1832 William Walker and John K. Owen witnessed a deed from Isaac
Walker and wife Delilah to William Walker. Since "our" William Walker
witnessed the deed, he cannot be the one the land was sold to. On the 1850
Darke Co., OH, census, there is a William Walker age 42 with an Isaac Walker
age 72 living in the household. The Isaac Walker was born in Delaware. (Also
in the 1850 census is Thomas Walker age 68 b. Delaware, George Walker age 66
b. Ohio (next, door to Thomas), John Walker age 44, b. Pennsylvania, and
Edward Walker age 37, b. Maryland, besides the usual assortment of young
Walkers born in Tennessee and Ohio, who are either part of these families or living near these families.) The biggest group in the census by far is the Delaware Walkers, and it would appear that this deed in 1832 is from Isaac Walker of Delaware to his son William.

In Nov 1833 William Walker, as a resident of Twin Twp., Darke Co., OH, applied for a pension from the federal government, based on his service in the Virginia Militia during the Revolutionary War (see details of service above). John K. Owen and William Byers attested to the fact that they "are well acquainted with the said William Walker who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration that we believe him to be seventy four years of age that he is respected and believed in the neighborhood which he resides, to have been a soldier of the Revolution and that we concur in that opinion."

The second recommendation was signed by James Davis, Sr., and goes as follows:
"I James Davis a Clergyman residing in said County of Darke and State aforesaid do hereby certify that I was acquainted with the said William Walker when he lived in the state of Virginia and that he has also been acquainted with him since he came to this county and that he believes him to be seventy four years of age that he is reputed and believed in the neighborhood where he resides to have been a soldier of the Revolution and that he believed him to be a man of Truth and veracity - and does concur in the opinion of the neighborhood where said applicant resides that he is a Soldier of the Revolution. (signed) James Davis, Sen."

This James Davis (coincidentally?) is the same James Davis who married Betsy Snodgrass in Botetourt Co., VA. We also need to check and see what the relationship is between the William Byers above and the Phereba Byers in the apprenticeship papers, and what connection they have, if any, to the Walkers/Owens.

Lastly, John Beers, Clerk of the Court in Darke Co., OH, testified that everyone else testifying was who they said they were.

William Walker was issued pension certificate #25733 on 27 Dec 1833 paid at a rate of $26.66 per year, retroactive to 4 Mar 1831 through the Ohio Agency, as authorized by the Act of 7 Jun 1832.

17 Aug 1834 John K. Owen and Wm. Walker witness a deed from Alanson Ashley and wife Jane of Preble Co., OH, to Ethelred Deok.

In 1835 William Walker appeared on the special census for pensioners residing in Ohio.

7 Mar 1838 William Walker signed an affidavit of identity, that he was the same William Walker whose name appeared on the pension certificate. This testament of identity was witnessed by John K. Owen, a Magistrate in Darke Co., OH, who said, "that I have the most satisfactory evidence (viz) personal knowledge that William Walker who has this day appeared before me to take the oath of identity is the identical person named in the pension certificate which he has exhibited before me numbered 25733 bearing date at the war office the 28th day of December one thousand eight hundred & thirty three."
On the same day William Walker signed a power-of-attorney giving Benny P. Jones the right to collect his pension for him. He had to swear that the so-named attorney was not collecting the pension as payment for a debt. John K. Owen, Justice of the Peace in Darke Co., OH, took care of the oaths, etc., involved in granting a power-of-attorney. Benny P. Jones also signed, and John Beers, Clerk of the Court, testified that John K. Owen was a magistrate in Darke Co., OH.

The receipt signed by the said Benny P. Jones in William Walker's final payment voucher file at the National Archives (which is where the above affidavit of identity and power-of-attorney are also found) has the following notation on the outside:


We assume the date is his death date, although that is not yet positive. No stone has been found for him, nor has he been found on the 1840 census, so we assume that he probably died 28 Nov. 1839, at approximately 80 years of age. We have no idea what the "Chg. Mrs. Hewson" refers to, as we can find no connection between any of the Walkers and any Hewson, either through marriage or through proximity.

No probate has been found for William Walker, but Everetta Haupert reports that the probate records for Darke Co., OH, are not in good order. They are kept in the "County Home," in an unused, unheated upstairs room, apart from the main buildings (in fact, several miles south of Greenville). Some are missing, some mis-filed, so it is impossible to say that no probate exists. However, due to the fact that he apparently sold all his land before he died, the chances of there having been a probate are slight.

Signatures of William Walker, Jr.:
9 May 1801 -- Signing marriage bond for his daughter Esther to marry William Snodgrass:

19 Nov 1833 -- Signing his own pension application:

7 Mar 1838 -- Signing affidavit of identity and power of attourney:

We can also seek to get copies of the original marriage bonds in Knox Co., TN, for John K. Owen/Peggy Walker, and for Western Warwick/Fanny Walker, to see if they match the signatures above.
Children of William Walker and --- --- (order of birth is guessed at):

29. i Esther Walker b. 1784 m. William Snodgrass
30. ii Robert K. Walker b. 1780-90 m. Sophia Biggs
31. iii Henry Walker b. ca. 1794 m. John K. Owen
32. iv Margaret "Peggy" Walker b. ca. 1794 m. Western Warwick
33. v Fanny Walker m. Christian Albright
34. vi Martha "Patsy" Walker b. 1790-1800

(There may easily be other children.)

4. JOHN H. WALKER


The main source for identifying the children of John H. Walker is an Indenture made 20 Sep 1838 (Botetourt Co. Deed Book 23-529). It reads as follows (extraneous legal terms are left out):

This Indenture made this 20th day of September in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight between John Shauver and Caroline Shauver of the County of Monroe and State of Virginia of the one part and Elisha T. Walker, William Walker, Henry Walker Jun.r and George H. Walker of the County of Botetourt and State aforesaid of the other part and Witnesseth that Whereas John Walker late of the County of Botetourt departed this life intestate leaving nine children to wit, Sally McClaugherty, Martha C. Peck, William, Daniel, Elisha T., Henry, Isaiah H., and George H. Walker and Caroline S. Shauver and the children of Mary Snodgrass decd. and John Walker decd.—both of whom departed this life before their father the John Walker Decd.—and it is believed received their portions of their Fathers estate during their life time, and the said Daniel having agreed that he has received in the life time of his Father his full proportion of his father the said John Walkers estate and therefore renouncing any claim to the residue of his estate and Whereas the said John Walker owned and possessed at the time of his death a considerable real and personal estate, to which eight of his children aforesaid are entitled (the said Daniel G. and his Decd. daughter Mary and Son John having received their full proportion by way of advancement during his life), consequently the said John Shauver and Caroline his wife (formerly Caroline S. Walker) are entitled to the one eighth part of the said real estate of which the said John Walker the elder died seized, and whereas the said Sally McClaugherty, Mary C. Peck (sic) & Caroline S. Shauver, together with their Husbands John McClaugherty, Jacob C. Peck and John Shauver and Isaiah H. Walker have entered into articles of agreement by which they have sold and bound themselves to convey by deed their undivided shares (including the whole of their interest in the whole of the real estate of which the said John Walker died seized to the said William, Elisha T., Henry, and George H. Walker in consideration whereof they have already let the said John Shauver and Caroline S. Shauver have almost the whole of the value of their share of both the real & personal estate of the said John Walker Decd. in property consisting of a negro boy Lewis and other property delivered to them and paid off and settled up with them the balance in full...and in further consideration of one dollar to them in hand...hath granted...all their right ant title
to...the whole of the real estate of the said John Walker Deced. the Elder, it being their undivided share or the one eighth part of a tract of land on which the said John Walker the elder resided at his death, lying in the county of Botetourt on Craigs Creek a branch of James containing about three hundred & fifty acres...and the one eighth part of a tract of land lying on the little mountain adjoining the lands of Thomas Eakin and the land that McCartney purchased of DAvid Rice on the wathers of Craigs Creek in the County of Botetourt and containing about 250 acres and was granted to William Walker Deced. by patent bearing date the ___ day of _____ who sold & conveyed the same to the said John Walker the elder by deed bearing date the ___ day of ____ to which reference is made for the boundaries and a more particular discription of the aforesaid tract of 250 acres of land and for the boundaries and a more particular description of the aforesaid tract of 350 acres of land reference is made to the report of a recent survey and division of the said tract of land between the said William Elisha T. and George H. Walker, which is now recorded in the surveyors office of the county of Botetourt Together with all and Singular...In witness whereof the said John Shauver and Caroline S. Shauver his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Stewart Rowen
Boston ? Rowen
John Woltz"

The above deed was witnessed, signed, notarized, etc. in Monroe Co., VA.

Relatives of the children of John H. Walker's two deceased children (Robert Walker and Mary Walker Snodgrass) brought suit against the other children, claiming that they had not already received their fair share. The original records of that lawsuit are in a fat file in Botetourt County Courthouse, but we have not had time to do more than glance at them, due to the fact that we found them only minutes before the courthouse closed for the day. We have made a copy of the first page of the petition, which lists the children of John Walker/Mary Snodgrass, Sarah Walker/William Cunningham and Sarah Walker/ John P. McLaugherty, Henry Walker/Martha Hale, and Mary Walker/Robert Snodgrass. We will quote from that document in the sections that give the children of the above heirs.

Signatures of John H. Walker:
17 Oct 1791 -- on marriage bond to marry Susanna Givens:

27 Oct 1791 -- as witness on the marriage bond of his sister Esther Walker:

17 Jun 1799 -- as witness on the marriage bond of Polly Walker, niece of Henry Walker:
Children of John H. Walker and Sarah Susannah (Givens) Walker:

35. i John Walker
36. ii Sarah S. "Sally" Walker b. 18 Nov 1794 m/1 William Cunningham, m/2 John P. McClaugherty
37. ix William Walker b. ca. 1794 m/1 Agnes "Nancy" Eakin m/2 Agnes Eakin
38. iii Daniel Givens Walker b. ca. 1796 m. Mary Jane Surber
39. xi Mary Walker b. 1794-1800 m. Robert Snodgrass
40. iv Martha "Patsy" Walker b. 1801 or 1802 m. Jacob Carper Peck
41. v Henry Walker m. Martha Hale
42. vi Elisha T. Walker b. ca. 1804 m. Martha H. Mills
43. vii Isaiah H. Walker b. 5 Feb 1811 m/1 Isabella Eaken m/2 Martha Mills?
44. viii George Harveson Walker b. 16 Apr 1813 m/1 Magdaline McClaugherty m/2 Sarah B. McClaugherty m. John Shawver
45. x Caroline T. Walker

5. MARY "POLLY" WALKER

Mary Walker (William) married Joseph Snodgrass, Jr., son of Joseph Snodgrass of Tinkers Creek. She died 16 Mar 1812. The order of the children is guessed at, based on censuses, ages at time of marriage, etc. The last 4 children were minors when Joseph Snodgrass signed his will 20 Jul 1809.

Following is the will of Joseph Snodgrass, Jr., husband of Mary Walker:

"In the Name of God, Amen. I, Joseph Snodgrass sen. of Botetourt County in the State of Virginia, being of a sound mind and memory and knowing the great uncertainty of this life, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner following, To Wit: I commend my soul to God the maker of all living, trusting in his Mercy through the alone Merit of our Lord Jesus Christ, for Salvation. And as to my worldly Estate, I desire all my just debts to be punctually paid and as to my two sons Robert & John hath agreed to take my land (except the part I have given to my son Joseph) under the incumbrance hereafter mentioned) and to pay my debts, which if they do, I hereby dispose of my Estate as follows:

I lend unto my beloved wife Mary Snodgrass the house we now live in and occupy, the gardens and a free liberty of fire wood where she chooses on any part of my lands hereafter given to my sons Robert and John, my negro woman Lidda, with all my stock and furniture (except what shall be hereafter disposed of) during her widowhood. I also require of my sons Robert and John to furnish their said mother and two sisters Polly &
Caroline with sufficient provisions during their mothers
& until
their sd. sisters come of age or marries, which may first happen, and I
also lend unto my sd. wife my two negro girls Whitty and Aggy until my sd.
daughters Polly and Caroline shall marry or come of age & when my sd.
daughter Polly shall marry or come of age I give her my negro girl Whitty
till she the sd. Whitty comes to the age of thirty five years, a horse
worth sixty dollars, a good feather bed and furniture and a seventh part
of my cattle. I further give to my daughter Caroline, when she comes of
age or marries, my negro girl Aggy until she, the sd. Aggy, comes to the
age of thirty five years, a horse worth sixty dollars, a good feather bed &
furniture, a new saddle and a seventh part of my cattle.
I give to my son Isaac Snodgrass five shillings. I give to my son William
Snodgrass five shillings. I give to my daughter Elizabeth St. Clair five
shillings. I give to my son Joseph Snodgrass the land he lives on as nr.
the lines marked out to him, his heirs and assigns forever. I give to my
son Henry Snodgrass a good feather bed and furniture and so in and <??>
& seventh part of my cattle at the marriage or death of my wife. I give to
my son Robert Snodgrass all that part of my land that lies between the
creek and the mountain to him, his heirs & assigns forever, he furnishing
one half of the provisions for his mother & sisters as above mentioned, my
gray horse called Nest and at his mother's marriage or death one seventh
part of my cattle. I give to my son John Snodgrass all that part of my
land that lies between the creek and the line of my son Joseph Snodgrass
land, to him his heirs & assigns forever, he furnishing one half of the
provisions for his mother & sisters as above mentioned, with the reserve
of the house etc. for the use of his mother and sisters as mentioned
above, & my brown horse, a good feather bed & furniture, and at the
marriage of death of his mother, one seventh part of my cattle. I also
give to my sons Robert & John my negro woman Matilda til she comes to age
of thirty nine years and my two negro boys Ben & Peter, Ben until my son
George comes of age & Peter until Bartley comes of age. I give to my son
George a bed & furniture & the seventh part of my cattle at the marriage
of his mother and when he comes of age I give him my negro boy named Ben
until the said Ben comes to the age of thirty five years and in ... compensation for the use of sd. Ben I require that my son Robert shall
give to my sd. son George when he comes of age a horse worth sixty
dollars. I give to my son Bartley a feather bed and furniture & the
seventh part of my cattle at the marriage or death of his mother and give
him my negro Peter when my sd. son shall come of age until the sd. Peter
comes to the age of thirty five years. I also require that my son John
shall give to his brother Bartley when he the sd. Bartley comes of age a
horse worth sixty dollars. I further will that if my negro woman Liddy
have a child, it shall go to my son Henry until the sd. child shall come
to the years of thirty, and if Liddy has a second child, it shall go to my
son Joseph until the sd. child shall arrive at the age of thirty five
years, and if she has any more, they shall all go to my son Henry until
they severally come to the age of thirty five years. And if my wife
should die before my negro woman Liddy comes to the age of thirty five
years, that the balance of the term shall serve my son Henry and as I am
persuaded that it is contrary to the spirit of the Gospel to keep our
fellow creatures in bondage, I do hereby manumet and set absolutely free
all my said negroes, to-wit: Matilda aged twenty nine years, when she
comes of the age of thirty nine years, my negro woman Lidda aged 24 years
when she comes to the age of thirty five, my negro boy Ben aged 6 years,
my boy Peter aged 5 years, my negro girl Whitty aged 4 years, Aggy aged 2
years.
years, when they severally come to the age of thirty five years and their
increase provided a law should exist in the State to free them. And if no
such law should then exist, I will that they and their increase shall be
free as soon as such a law is made. And in order to prevent any pause in
their obtaining their freedom, I do hereby authorize and require my
executors or the Guardians of the children as the case may be to take
Bonds with sufficient security from each of my said children when they
receive any of the negroes to produce sd. negroes as they the sd. negroes
come of the age above mentioned. Providing never-the-less and my will is
that if my said sons Robert and John do not pay my debts that the whole of
my personal property be sold (except so much furniture and stock as my
wife shall need and my negro woman Liddy) the negroes till they come to
the ages above mentioned under the restriction above and my debts paid and
the balance if any with the price of my land (which shall be sold at the
marriage or death of my wife) with the stock & furniture kept by my wife
to be equally divided between my sons Henry, Robert, John, George, Bartley
& my daughters Polly and Caroline, share and share alike. And be it known
when I direct my land to be sold I mean the part divided to my sons Robert
& John, my son Joseph shall keep his part. My will further is that my
Executors bind my sons George & Bartley to Trades and I do hereby appoint
my friend Alexander Handy and my brother-in-law John Walker Executors of
this my last Will and Testament, hereby establishing this my last Will and
Testament containing three pages, as witness my hand and seal this 20th
day of July 1809. <signed> Joseph Snodgrass
Sealed and delivered in presence of
Lloyd Belt, Eliza Belt, George (his mark! Potts, Jacob Eversale.
At Botetourt September Court, 1809, this instrument of writing purporting
to be the Last Will and Testament of Joseph Snodgrass dec’d was exhibited
in court & proven by the oath of Lloyd Belt & Jacob Eversale witnesses
thereto & is ordered to be recorded.

Besides the fact that Joseph Snodgrass names John Walker as his brother-in-
law in his will, and William Walker names a daughter Mary/Polly Snodgrass in
his will, there is another reason for saying that Mary Walker is the wife of
Joseph Snodgrass, namely their great-great-granddaughter Anna (Walker) Calhoun
wrote before she died: "My great-grandparents were cousins. Esther Walker
married her Snodgrass cousin." According to the marriage bonds of Botetourt
Co., Esther Walker, daughter of William Walker, Jr., married William
Snodgrass, son of Joseph Snodgrass and Mary (Walker) Snodgrass.

I have been totally unable to find any source for the claim that Mary
Bartley is the wife of Joseph Snodgrass, other than that people list the DAR
as the source for that information. The DAR, however, does not do research--
they only serve as a repository for research that other people have done and
submitted to them. It behooves us, therefore, to check at the DAR Library and
find out what the original claim is based on. It is interesting to note,
also, that no descendants except the actual Bartley Snodgrass line name any
of their children Bartley, but many of the lines use the name Walker as either
a first or a middle name.

Children of Joseph Snodgrass Jr and Mary (Walker) Snodgrass:

46. i  Joseph Snodgrass  b. ca. 1780  m. Catherine Gish
47. ii Henry Snodgrass  b. ca. 1780  m. Jesse Mann
48. iii Isaac Snodgrass  b. 6 Feb 1781  m. Jane Thompson
Georgie Walker (William) married first in Montgomery Co., VA, Mary Adams, daughter of John Adams. The marriage bond is dated 17 Feb 1789, and Isaac Snodgrass, brother-in-law of George Walker, signed as surety. Also on the same day, Isaac Snodgrass signed as surety for Robert Snodgrass (apparently his brother) to marry Nancy Adams. We do not yet know if Nancy and Mary were sisters, but it seems likely.

George Walker married second Clarinda Woods. The date and place of their marriage has not been found, but a descendant of George Walker (Josephine ---) is the source for the last name of Clarinda. In a biographical sketch of one of his descendants, his wife's last name is given as Adams, and it also says that he was married twice, which fits in with the information we have found so far.

George Walker moved to Monroe Co., VA (now WV) and resided there until about 1833 when he and his wife Clarinda moved to Madison Co., IN, with several of their sons, possibly moving first to Tennessee.

21 Oct 1833 George Walker of Monroe Co., VA, bought land in Madison Co., IN, from Franklin Neele & Sabina his wife, also of Monroe Co., VA. The land purchased was the East 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 19, Township 18 North, Range 7 East, and was about 80 acres. He also bought some part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 29, Township 18 North, Range 7 East, and part of section 29 and section 20, altogether containing about 82 acres, from Manley Richards and Catharine his wife of Madison Co., IN, on 9 Dec 1833.

He died there 19 Aug 1835 in the 72nd year of his life. He left a will, which is referred to in a deed (see below). Unfortunately, the courthouse in Madison Co. burned twice, first about 1840, and later about 1880. There are no wills or probate or estate records before 1880, however luckily the land records remain. He is buried in the Grovelawn Cemetery, Fall Creek Township, Madison Co., IN. He has the distinction, therefore, of being the only child of William Walker for whom a tombstone has been found.

21 Feb 1837 Theodore S. Walker, Executor of the Estate of George Walker, decd., late of Madison Co., IN, sold to James Gray of the same place the East 1/2 of the northwest 1/4 of sec 19 (the land purchased in 1833 from Franklin Neele), "being thereof seized aforesaid, the said George Walker on the 18th day of August, 1835, made his Last Will...in which he ordered & directed his Executor to sell and convey the said tract of land...and he died without altering the said will in any way."

18 Oct 1837 Clarinda Walker of Madison Co., IN, sold a tract of land to John W. Walker of the same county. The land is part of the northwest 1/4 of
Sect 28, Twp 18 North, and also the adjoining piece in sec. 29 and Sec 20 in Twp 18 (apparently the land purchased in 1833 from Manley Richards & wife Catherine).

3 Jun 1838 Clarinda Walker made a loan of $200 to Theodore S. Walker and Malinda his wife, with land as a security. The mortgage was paid in full on 4 Dec 1843.

31 Jul 1838 she loaned $325 to Nathaniel M. Richmond of Madison Co., IN. This mortgage was to be paid in full by 1 Jan 1839, but it was not paid off until 28 Mar 1840. There appears to be no reason for a widow to grant a mortgage like this unless to a relative, such as a son-in-law. We should look, therefore, for a marriage between Nathaniel M. Richmond and a Walker girl.

The last record we have of Clarinda Walker, she is listed on the 1850 census in Madison Co., IN, living alone, age 84, born in Virginia, in the same township as several of her sons. We have not found a death record for her, nor found where she is buried. It seems unlikely that she would have remarried after the age of 84, so she should be buried under the name Clarinda Walker.

Children of George Walker and Clarinda (Woods) Walker:

57. i Harper Walker b. ca. 1793 m. Catherine McNeer
58. ii Goodlow Walker b. 1800 m. Rebecca Henderson
59. iii Theodore J./S. Walker b. ca. 1806 m/1 Eleanor Tinsey m/2 Melinda E. --- m. Mary Coolter
60. iv George H. Walker b. ca. 1810 m. Nancy B. Cook
61. v John Woods Walker b. 22 Jul 1812 m. William Stodghill
62. vi Harriet Walker m. William Johnson
63. vii Martha Walker
64. viii daughter
65. ix son or daughter
66. x son or daughter

7. SARAH WALKER

Sarah Walker (William) married Isaac Snodgrass. She apparently died before 1800, because her husband then married Jean/Jane Preston. The only source we have for the first name of Isaac Snodgrass's first wife, is from a court record in Book 5, page 165, as follows:

"I William Gray of Botetourt do most Cheerfully confess that I verily believe, the Slanderous and Defametory words and expressions used by my late wife Margaret Gray Concerning Sarah Snodgrass wife to Isaac Snodgrass (and for which there is now a suit Depending in the County Court of Botetourt) were false and Groundless, not only from the Circumstances of my entertaining the Highest Opinion of the Virtue and Chastity of the said Sarah, but from the circunstances of my entertaining the most Contemptible Opinion of the Varacity of the said Margaret. Given under my hand the 8th day of October 1794. <signed> William Gray
Witnesses: Joel Bott and J. Smyth.
At October Botetourt Court 1794
This Instrument of writing was Acknowledged in Court by within mentioned William Gray and thereupon ordered to be Recorded. Teste: Bowyer."
We need to check the files of the original court papers in Botetourt Co., to see if there is more evidence in this case.

Isaac Snodgrass married second Jean/Jane Preston, daughter of Thomas Preston of Botetourt Co., VA. She is named in her father’s will of 11 May 1807, and is referred to as "Jane Snodgrass of Kentucky," her brothers Thomas and John (dec’d) and her sisters Anne and Mary are also named. By the time the will is proved in the April Court, 1808, the widow Jane and the daughter Ann are dec’d. Another son, Robert, sued for a share of the estate in May 1816.

In the Casey County, KY, deed book 2, page 83 and 84, are apprenticeship papers made out to Isaac Snodgrass. The first one reads as follows:

"This indenture made the 23 day of October 1816 Witnesseth whereas by an order of the worshipful Court of Casey County directed this 23rd day of October directing the Clerk of the said Court to bind out Arthur Bell an Infant of the age of Eight years in March next & natural son of Dicy Bell unto Isaac Snodgrass Now I Joel Sweeney clerk of the said Court do in obedience to the said Order and in compliance with my duty as clerk hereby put and bind the said Arthur Bell unto the said Isaac Snodgrass until he shall arrive to the full age of 21 years all which time the said apprentice his said Master shall faithfully serve his secrets keep and his lawful commands gladly do and obey. He shall not waste nor Embessele his said masters goods all cards dice also other unlawful games he shall refrain from he shall not frequent Taverns or alehouses nor absent himself from his said Masters services day or night without leave from him first obtain and in all things shall demean and behave himself as a faithful apprentice ought to do. And the said Isaac Snodgrass In Consideration of said apprentice services doth hereby covenant to teach and cause to be taught the said apprentice the art of a Farmer to allow him during the time of his servitude of a sufficient meat drink washing and apparel fit for him and shall teach him Reading Writing and common Arithmetic including the Rule of three and at the expiration of his servitude aforesd. shall give him a new Suit of clothes to be worth 3 pounds 10 shillings. In Testimony whereof I the said Jack Sweeney together with the said Isaac Snodgrass have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals this day and year above written.

At at County Court held for Casey County on Monday the 26th day of Febu. 1806 This Indenture of apprenticeship was exhibited in Court and acknowledged by the parties and approved of by the Court and is ordered to be Recorded. Atteste. Jack Sweeney, Clk."

The second apprenticeship papers are a duplicate of the first, except that it is "Rebeckah Bell, an Infant of the age of Ten years next October and natural child of Dicy Bell" who is bound out to Isaac Snodgrass. She is to be bound out until she arrive at the full age of 16, she shall be taught the art of a spinster, she is to be taught reading and writing (no mention is made of arithmetic).

Isaac married third 12 Jun 1817 in Casey Co., KY, Sally W. Dupree, who was born ca. 1774. Isaac Snodgrass died 1818 in Casey Co., KY. He left a will as follows:

"August the twenty fourth in the year of our Lord one Thousand Eight hundred and Eighteen. In the name of God Amen I Isaac Snodgrass of Casey County and State of Kentucky being weak in body but of sound and perfect mind & Memory blessed be almighty God for the same considering the uncertainty of this mortal life do make and ordain this my last Will &
Testament. First, it is my will that my body be buried in a decent Christian like manner—secondly that all my just and lawful debts and several expenses be paid out of my Estate—Thirdly I do will and bequeath unto my beloved wife Sally W. Snodgrass one third part of all my Real and Personal Estate for and during her natural life—Fourthly I do will and bequeath unto my sons Joseph and Isaac Snodgrass the sum of One Dollar each—Fifthly I do will and bequeath unto my Daughter Margaret Snodgrass a Bay Mare known by the name of Ned and two featherbeds and furniture thereunto belonging also two cows known by the names of Flour & Pink with their Calves—Sixthly I do will and bequeath unto my son Robert Snodgrass all my farm and tract of land on which I now live also all the xxx xxx and xxx adjoining that said tract of land and at my wife Sally W. Snodgrass's death that it is to be understood that I have bequeathed to my son Robert Snodgrass her third part of said tract of land—Also I do give him my Wagon with the harness also one Bay horse known by the name of Jim—Seventhly I do will and bequeath all the Ballance of my Estate both Real and personal in manner following I do will and bequeath unto my Grand Son Isaac McMurry one horse at least worth fifty dollars—Also I do will and bequeath unto my daughter Polly Thomas one Dollar—Also I do will and bequeath unto my daughter Hannah McMurry one sixth part of said ballance of my Real and Personal Estate—I also will and bequeath unto my daughter Martha Wood one twelfth part of said ballance of my Estate both Real & personal—Also I do will and bequeath unto my daughter Sally OBanion one sixth part of said ballance of my Real and personal Estate—Also I do will and bequeath unto my daughter Margaret Snodgrass one sixth part of said ballance of my Real & Personal Estate—Also I do will and bequeath unto my son Robert Snodgrass one sixth part of the said ballance of my Real & Personal Estate also one Cow and Calf and one featherbed and furniture—also I do will and bequeath unto my granddaughter Sally Witherow one twelfth part of said ballance of my Real and Personal Estate—it is my will that if Robert Snodgrass and Margaret Snodgrass should die without leaving any lawful heirs or heir the parts that I have willed and bequeathed to them shall descend to the others that is to say: Polly Thomas, Hannah McMurry, Sally OBanion, Margaret Snodgrass, Robert Snodgrass, & Nancy Adam—Lastly I do nominate constitute ordain and appoint James Carson and James Allen to be the sole Executors of this my last will and Testament—In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written. Isaac Snodgrass.

Witnesses: Christopher Paintrout (?), Robert Cardon, Wm (his mark) Gabbart.

Be it known unto all men by these presents that I Isaac Snodgrass of the County of Casey & State of Kentucky Have made and declared my last will and Testament in writing having date the Twentyfifth of August 1818 xxxxxx by this present Codicil do ratify & confirm my said last will & Testament and do Further give and bequeath unto my son xxx Isaac Snodgrass my large hand xxx to be given by my Executors And also do will and order that my son Robert Snodgrass all the loose Plank on the farm and will & meaning is that this Codicil be adjudged to be a part and parcel of my Will & Testament and that all things therein mentioned and Contained be faithfully & truly performed in every respect and the same way ordained in my last will & Testament. Witness my hand this day & date above written <signed> Isaac Snodgrass. Christopher Lantrart (?), Robert Cardon, Wm. (his mark) Gabbart."

The will was proved 28 Sep 1818 in Casey County, KY.
Sally W. (Dupree) Snodgrass died 19 Sep 1840 in Casey Co., KY. In Deed Book 2, page 324 is found a deed dated 31 Jan 1821 wherein Benjamin Adams and Nancy Adams nee Snodgrass sign over their rights to the dower rights of Sally W. Snodgrass, decd., to Robert Snodgrass, it being one/seventh part of the dower rights. This leads one to wonder why (a) the dower rights belonged to anyone but the widow, (b) where the widow was and whether she was remarried, (c) why there were evidently 7 heirs with rights to the dower rights, and (d) whether anyone else signed away their rights to the dower rights.

In Casey Co., KY, is found the following estate settlement:

"Casey County, This day George Portman administrator of Sally W. Snodgrass deceased called upon the undersigned for settlement there being no heirs of deceased in the county aforesaid and the said Portman being fully heard we find there came to the hands of the said Portman the sum of sixty four dollars and that he has paid and expended for debts etc of the deceased the sum of sixty four dollars as evidenced by brief and vouchers herewith filed. It is therefore by us determined and found that said Portman has fully administered the assets of deceased Given under our hands this 19th day of September 1840. <signed> David Humphrey & George B. Gilbins. Casey County -- At a county court held for Casey county on the 2nd Monday in December 1840 the foregoing settlement was presented to the court examined approved and ordered to be recorded. Attest. Jack Sweeney."

Children of Isaac Snodgrass and Sarah (Walker) Snodgrass:

67. i Mary "Polly" Snodgrass b. 1780-1784 m/1 William Withrow
m/2 --- Thomas

68. iv Robert Snodgrass b. 1790 - 1794 m. Jenny Sweeney

69. ii Joseph Snodgrass b. ca. 1796

70. iii Isaac Snodgrass b. ca. 1797

Children of Isaac Snodgrass and Jean (Preston) Walker:

These children are NOT descended from William Walker of Botetourt Co., however the 1810 census would seem to indicate that one of these girls is also the daughter of Sarah Walker.:

iv Margaret Snodgrass b. ca. 1801 m. James Sweeney
vi Hannah Snodgrass m. --- McMurry
vii Martha Snodgrass m. William O'Banion
viii Sally Snodgrass m. Benjamin Adams
ix Nancy Snodgrass

8. ESTHER WALKER


The only other record we have of Thomas Wilson, is a Power-of-Attourney in Botetourt Co. Deed Book 5, page 360:

"Know all men by these presents that we William Wilson & Thomas Wilson both of the County of Green & Territory of the United States of America South of Ohio do make ordain & constitute & appoint & by these presents do
make ordain constitute & appoint John Wilson of the county & territory aforesaid our true & lawful Attorney for us & in our names & for our use to make a deed of conveyance of a certain tract or parcel of land situate in Botetourt Co. & State of Virginia to a certain William Cross of the county & state aforesaid & to his heirs & assigns & we do give our said attorney full power...etc. dated 11 Apr 1795."

It is interesting to note, that the first deed to William Walker, Jr., in Tennessee is also identified as "Green Co., Territory of the United States south of Ohio".

There is a Thomas Wilson who is selling land in Botetourt Co., VA, in the early 1800's, but his wife is Jane, so it is more likely that the husband of Esther Walker is the Thomas Wilson who went to Tennessee. It will, more than likely, take a lot of digging and a lot of luck, to trace the descendants of Esther Walker. At least from her father's will, we know she was still alive in 1810.

Children of Thomas Wilson and Esther (Walker) Wilson:

unknown

9. JAMES WALKER

James Walker (William) was married in Botetourt Co., VA, to Jane Cardin, daughter of Joseph Carden. The marriage bond is dated 10 Sep 1803. He died around 1821, as his inventory is given in Book C, page 362 and page 375. (We do not yet have copies of these). In Will book E page 318 there is something about the dower rights of his wife (we don't have this yet, either).

In Deed Book 22, page 436 James Wilson & Jane his wife late Jane Walker the widow & relict of James Walker late of the County of Botetourt State of Virginia dec'd sell land to Caleb Hank of Monroe Co., VA, it being 100 acres on John's Creek, and it being said Jane Wilson's right of dower as the widow, it being the part allotted to her.

In Deed Book 26, page 323, deed dated 7 Oct 1841, Archibald Walker & Westley Walker and the said Archibald Walker, attty in fact for Strawther B. Walker of the county of Clay & State of Illinois & Newmonia (New Maria) his wife (the said Strawther Walker, Archibald Walker and Westley Walker being children heirs & legatees of James Walker dec.d) of the one part & Barclay Nutter of the county of Botetourt & State of Virginia of the other part... land on John's Creek...

In Deed Book 18, page 417, deed dated 17 May 1820, Jane Walker & Madison Walker of Monroe Co., George Holstine & Delilah his wife of Giles Co., of the first part & Samuel Phillips of Botetourt Co. of the second part...patent in the name of Thomas Price & conveyed by him to Samuel Givens and by him to Andrew Walker & by him to the parties of the first part...

Also, there is a survey of the land of James Walker, dec'd, which lists the heirs.

Children of James Walker and Jane Cardin:
71. i Delilah Walker b. ca. 1803 m. George Holstine

72. ii Strawther Bowyer Walker b. 1806 m. New Mariah

73. iii Madison Greene Walker b. ca. 1809 m. Mary Chapman

74. iv Asbury Wesley Walker

75. v Allen Walker

76. vi James Archabald W. Walker b. 27 Feb 1818 m. Lucinda Bogard

10. ROBERT WALKER

The only evidence we have of the existence of a Robert Walker, son of William Walker of Botetourt Co., VA, is family stories told by the descendants of William Walker, Jr. According to tradition, William Walker, Jr., and his brother Robert both fought in the Revolution. Robert married a Tory girl, and her family killed him after the war. So far, however, we have found no evidence of a Robert Walker serving in any kind of militia from Botetourt Co.

Before we move on to the third generation, I would like to take this chance to point out the "holes" we still have. First of all, we don’t know the children of Esther (Walker) Wilson. They would obviously have the surname of Wilson. Second, one or more of the daughters of Isaac Snodgrass that we have assigned to Jane Preston may be children of Sarah (Walker) Snodgrass. Third, we are not sure we have located all the children of William Walker, Jr.

Fourth, we know for sure that we are missing 3 children of George Walker, as he is reported to have had 10 children. From the 1830 Monroe Co. census, two of them were probably girls. Harriet had already married in 1818 and there was one male age 15-20, which would be John Woods Walker, age 18 and single, there was one male age 20-30, which would be George H. Walker, age 20 and single, there was one girl age 15-20 and two girls 20-30, one of whom was Martha, who married in 1831. The possibilities for the last child are endless, as we are not even sure if it was a boy or a girl. We can be reasonably sure that it was an older child, already married and living elsewhere. There is a Benjamin Walker (age 56, born in VA) living in Madison Co., VA, at the same time period as our George Walker and his sons, who could easily be a son of George Walker and Mary (Adams) Walker, but so far we have found nothing to indicate that he is connected with our group.

In spite of these holes, we have identified most of William Walker’s grandchildren, at least we have found 64 of them. We are not doing as well with the great-grandchildren!

In spite of all the information I have entered in these first two generations, we still have more information for a lot of these people that is not entered, particularly deeds and military records, etc. But maybe it will get in by the next edition.

8 May 1986
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ANDREW WOODS WALKER

Andrew Woods Walker (Henry, William) was born 5 May 1782 in Botetourt Co., VA, and lived on Pott's Creek near Union, Monroe Co., WV. He married in Monroe Co., VA., 10 Jan 1805 Elizabeth Handley, daughter of John Handley and Mary (Harrison) Handley of Greenbrier and Monroe Cos., Virginia. Andrew Walker and Samuel Clark were securities on the marriage bond.

Andrew Walker died in Monroe Co., WV, 10 Dec 1862. His will reads as follows:

"I Andrew Walker of Monroe County and state of Virginia make this my last will. I give to my wife Elizabeth Walker my bedding and all the household affairs I have at her disposal forever.

Next I direct if I have any property real or personal be where it may not otherwise disposed of that be sold and I hereby vest in my Executor full power and authority to sell my real estate if any in my name for my benefit in as full manner in every respect as I could myself do if living and if I owe any past debts pay according to law--and after paying my funeral expenses, Divide the remaining part into twelve shares equal which I give as followeth. One of said shares to my wife Elizabeth Walker at her disposal forever in lieu of her dower at law--one Do (ditto) to my soine Henry Walker--one Do to my soine Andrew P Walker's children--one Do to my soine Floyde M. Walkers sone and daughter--one Do to Newton K. Walker & one do to my daughter Emmily H. Morris--one Do to my daughter Mary H. Loudermilk--one Do to my daughter Elizabeth M. Elmore--one Do to my daughter Marthey Harveys children being the 12th and las of the sd. shares--my soine John H. Walker & my soine Archibald W. Walker each has got from me what porsion I had allowed them previous to this time so I dont allow them any more & lastly I appoint Newton K. Walker executor for this my last will given under my hand this 29th day of Jul 1861. <signed> Andrew Walker

The foregoing wil was acknowledged by Andrew Walker in our presence and at his request we signed the same as witness".

This will was not witnessed, but it was admitted to probate on the testimony of Samuel A. Clark and George Loudermilk that the entire will was written in the handwriting of the said Andrew Walker. Newton K. Walker with James M. Byrns and Thomas J. Clark as his securities.

He married Elizabeth Handley, daughter of John and Mary Handley.

Children of Andrew Woods Walker and Elizabeth Handley:

77. i Henry Walker b. 2 Feb 1806 m. Maria Rankin Shauver
78. ii John Walker m. Susan Nutter
79. iii Archibald Walker m. Elizabeth Story
80. iv Margaret H. Walker b. 25 Jul 1807 m. Thomas Jefferson Harvey
81. v Martha W. Walker b. 30 Apr 1811 m. Joseph Harvey
Children of William Walker (which wife is unknown):

91. i Robert Walker
92. ii Henry Walker m. Stephen Eaken
93. iii Martha Walker
94. iv John L. Walker
95. v Catherine Walker m. William J. Landram
96. vi Adeline Walker

12. WILLIAM WALKER

William Walker (Henry, William) was born in Botetourt Co., VA. He married Eleanor Moore, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Moore. The marriage bond was issued 29 May 1806 in Botetourt and was signed by William Walker and Robert Logan. Joseph and Elizabeth Moore sent a permission slip, the signatures on which were attested to by the Rev. Robert Logan. William Walker married second Sarah Lapsley. He was a farmer in Warren Co., KY. 24 Jun 1820 he sold the land he inherited from his grandfather (William Walker Sr.) to his brothers Henry and Archibald Walker. William was then living in Lincoln Co., KY. There is a marriage bond of his daughter in Botetourt Co. in 1826, which states that her father William was living in Garrard Co., KY.

Children of Robert Woods Walker and Jane (Allen) Walker:

97. i Adaliza Walker d. 22 Dec 1855 unmarried
98. ii Henry Walker m. Agnes Johnson
99. iii Robert Woods Walker b. 7 Apr 1826 m. Martha Ann Robertson
100. iv Martha Walker b. ca. 1810 m. Jackson Clark
101. v Lydia Walker

13. ROBERT WOODS WALKER

Robert Woods Walker (Henry, William) was born in Botetourt Co., VA. He married Jane Allen. He lived in Gap Mills, Monroe County, WV, and was a farmer.

Children of James Walker and Margaret (Bailey) Walker:

14. JAMES WALKER

James Walker (Henry, William) was born in Botetourt Co., VA. He married Margaret Bailey. He moved to Adair Co., KY in 1818 and lived there until he died 18 Sep 1822. His widow and children later moved to McDonough Co., IL.

Children of James Walker and Margaret (Bailey) Walker:
123. iv Albert Walker  b. 11 Dec 1832  m. Alattie Anna Lewis

Children of Barclay Nutter and Susan (Eakin) Walker Nutter:

v  Zadock Nutter  b. ca. 1838
vi  Melvina Nutter  b. ca. 1841

19.  MARY WOODS WALKER

Mary Woods Walker (Henry, William) was born in Botetourt County, VA, 17 Feb 1795. She married Tilghman Snodgrass. In 1854 they moved to Jackson Co., TX. She died 23 Jun 1859 in Port Lavacca, TX. Her husband died 20 Feb 1869.

Children of Tilghman Snodgrass and Mary Woods (Walker) Snodgrass:

124. i Robert Logan Snodgrass  b. 23 Feb 1818  unmarried
125. ii Henry Walker Snodgrass  b. 7 Aug 1819  m. Gabriella Beaumont
126. iii William Newton Snodgrass  b. 28 Jun 1821  m. Catherine Kelly
127. iv James Woods Snodgrass  b. 1 Feb 1824  m. Adaline Celia Hensley
128. v  Cyrus Snodgrass  b. 1 Mar 1828  m. Caroline Emma Acree
129. vi Charles Edward Snodgrass  b. 8 Oct 1830  m. Jessie Rebecca Sutton
130. vii Frances Thomas Snodgrass  b. 31 Jan 1833  unmarried
131. viii Lewis Archibald Snodgrass  b. 10 Oct 1836  unmarried
132. ix  Jane Elizabeth Snodgrass  b. 8 Oct 1838  m. William M. Blair
133. x  Mary Maranda Snodgrass  b. 8 Dec 1840  unmarried

20.  THOMAS HARMON

Thomas Harmon, Jr. (Nancy, William) was born 1774 in Botetourt Co., VA. He married in Kanawha Co., WV, in 1812 Jane McCallister. A descendant is Donald H. Strong, 239 South 2nd West, Preston, ID ------, 208-852-0248.

21.  HENRY HARMON

Henry Harmon (Nancy, William) was born ca. 1774. He married Elizabeth Percinger.

22.  SARAH HARMON

Sarah Harmon (Nancy, William) was born ca. 1779. She married Samuel Handley.

Children of Samuel Handley and Sarah (Harmon) Handley:

134. i  Alexander Walker Handley  b. 1803  m. Eliza Seabrid Griffin 
(probably others)

23.  MARY HARMON

Mary Harmon (Nancy, William) was born ca. 1782.

24.  ELIZABETH HARMON

Elizabeth Harmon (Nancy, William) was born 9 Jan 1786 in Putnam Co.
VA. She married Abia Rice 23 Dec 1803. He was born 15 Feb 1784 at Peaks of Oiler, VA, the son of Allen Rice/Rece and Mary (Clymer) Rice. He died 13 Jul 1879 at Milton, WV. They resided in Kanawha Co., VA. She died 19 Jan 1861 in Cabell Co., WV.

Children of Abia Rece and Elizabeth (Harmon) Rece:

135. i Joseph Addison Rece b. 3 Aug 1823 m. Parmelia Ann Wheeler (probably other children also)

25. AGNES HARMON

Agnes Harmon (Nancy, William) married Josiah Johnston.

26. JOHN HARMON

John Harmon (Nancy, William) was born ca. 1785. He married Mary ---. He died in 1860 in Putnam Co., VA.

Children of John Harmon and Mary (---) Harmon:

136. i Thomas Harmon b. 1814 m. Sigious Hutson Collins (probably other children also)

27. GEORGE HARMON

George Harmon (Nancy, William) married Nancy Jane Hedrick.

28. SUSANNAH HARMON

Susannah Harmon (Nancy, William) married James/John Shelton.

29. ESTHER WALKER

Esther Walker (William, William) was born 11 Apr 1784 in Virginia. She married 9 May 1801 her cousin, William Snodgrass (#47). They evidently moved to Knox Co., KY, where he may be the William Snodgrass who bought some personal property from, William Walker (#3). There are two other deeds in Knox Co., TN, involving William Snodgrass. Based on where their children say they were born, they evidently moved Ohio. In the 1820 census of Ohio, there is only one William Snodgrass with wife and children of the right ages to be William and Esther (Walker) Snodgrass and their family, and that is in Springhill Twp., Hamilton County. (William Snodgrass 2-1-1-1-0-1 1-1-1-0-1).

Also on the next page of the same census is an entry for Jacob Walker, who may be the Jacob Walker who in 1828 married William's daughter Mary Alvira Snodgrass as his third wife. (Jacob Walker 1 male under 10, 1 male 26-45, 1 female under 10, 1 female 10-16, and 1 female 26-45). In 1830 there are two Snodgrass entries in Hamilton Co., OH, namely William and Joseph. (William Snodgrass 2 males 15-20, 1 male 50-60, 2 females 5-10, 1 female 50-60. Joseph Snodgrass 1 male 20-30, 1 female 20-30.) In the same year William Snodgrass, Joseph Snodgrass, and Asbury Snodgrass appear on the census in Parke Co., IN. (William Snodgrass 1 male 20-30, 1 female 15-20. Joseph Snodgrass 1 male 5-10, 1 male 20-30, 1 female under 5, 1 female 20-30. Asbury Snodgrass 1 male 5-10, 2 males 10-15, 1 male 15-20, 1 female 5-10, 1 female 30-40.)
Sarah S. Walker (John, William) was born 18 Nov 179- in Botetourt Co., VA. She married first 15 May 1810 William Cunningham. On 5 Jan 1826 she married second John P. McCallaughterty, whose first wife was Sallie Dingess, daughter of Peter Dingess. According to the family Bible, Sarah (Walker) Cunningham McCallaughterty died 26 Dec 1847.

Children of William Cunningham and Sarah (Walker) Cunningham:

151. i John M. Cunningham
152. ii Paulina Cunningham
153. iii Martha Cunningham

Children of John P. McCallaughterty and Sarah (Walker) Cunningham McCallaughterty:

154. iv Charles McCallaughterty
155. v Sarah McCallaughterty
156. vi

37. WILLIAM WALKER

William Walker (John, William) married first 29 May 1815 Agnes Eakin, daughter of Nathan Eakin. The marriage is recorded in Botetourt Co., VA, Book 1, page 226. Nathan Eakin signed as security. She was also referred to as Nancy in some documents. Her brother Thomas Eakin was born about 1787. He is named in his father's will dated 2 Jul 1823 and proved in the October Court 1823 (Botetourt Co., VA, Will Book C, pages 389, 390, etc.), along with brothers, Thomas, William, Nathan, Samuel, Stephen, Joseph, John, and Preston, and sisters, Mary Rice, Rebeka Eakin, Susannah Eakin, and Ezibela Broyles:

"I also give to my daughter Nancy Walker one half of all my lands on Johns Creek which is to be equally divided according to the quantity and quality and the other half of said land on Johns Creek I desire my Executors to rent out to the best advantage the land to go to the highest bidder and the proceeds thereof to be applied to the maintenance of my daughter Ezibela Broyles during her natural life but if it should so happen that contrary to all expectation that she will again return to live with her present husband Solomon Broyles she and her husband are to have only the sum of one dollar of my estate and her lawful heirs shall have the said land when they get married or come to the age of twenty-one years but if it should so happen that at her decease she have no lawful heirs alive then it is my will and desire that the land shall be sold and the proceeds thereof equally divided amongst all my other children and their heirs."

William Walker married second another Agnes Eakin who was born about 1809. She was the daughter of Thomas Eakin, who was born about 1770-80. The marriage bond is dated 14 Sep 1833, and the marriage took place 24 Oct 1833. Thomas Eakin signed as security. In a deed (Botetourt Deed Book 30, page 113) William Walker and wife Agnes are named along with Joseph Eakin and wife Agnes, Alexander W. Eakin and wife Margaret, and John H. Eakin and Thomas M. Eakin. It would appear that the people appearing on this deed are all the children of Thomas and Nancy (Ann) Eakin.

William Walker appears on the 1850 census in Botetourt Co., VA, with his second wife and their children (he is next to his brothers, Elisha T. Walker, and George H. Walker).
On the 1860 Craig Co., VA, census, his wife appears alone with several of their children. He is apparently deceased, and some of the children are apparently married or deceased.

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Children of William Walker and Agnes (dau. of Nathan Eakin) Walker:

157. i Perry G. Walker  b.                                       
   m/1 Mary Hanley
   m/2 Rebecca --- ?

158. ii Mary S. Walker  b. 17 Dec 1820                           
   m.      --- Henderson

159. iii John Preston Walker b. ca. 1823                          
   m.    Mary Hogshread Brown

160. iv Nathan E. Walker  b. ca. 1823                            
   m.    Elizabeth Brown

161. v Agnes A. Walker   b. 17 Dec 1820                           
   m.    John W. Peck (cousin)

162. vi William H. Walker b. 17 Dec 1820                          
   d.    before 1850
   m.    William Surber ?

163. vii Martha Ann Walker b. 17 Dec 1820                          

Children of William Walker and Agnes (dau. of Thomas Eakin) Walker:

164. viii Elizabeth J. Walker b. ca. 1834                          
   m.    Capt. Peck

165. ix Thomas G. Walker  b. ca. 1836                             

166. x Sarah M. Walker   b. ca. 1837                              
   m.    Lewis Albert

167. xi Caroline A. Walker b. ca. 1839                            
   m/1 Frank Tregnor
   m/2 Alex. Tregnor

168. xii Magdalain Walker b. ca. 1841                             

169. xiii Paulina Walker  b. ca. 1843                            

170. xiv Maria Walker   b. ca. 1845                               

171. xv Harriett V. Walker b. ca. 1847                            
   m.    Walter Cunningham

172. xvi James E. Walker  b. ca. 1849                             

38. DANIEL GIVENS WALKER

Daniel Givens Walker (John, William) was born 6 Apr 1796 in Botetourt Co., VA. In Botetourt Co. 8 Nov 1838 he married Mary Jane Surber, daughter of Jacob Surber and Nancy Laura Ann (Waggoner) Surber. He moved with his family to Macon Co., MO, about 1844. He was killed 8 Nov 1856 when his team ran away.
Children of George H. Walker and Magdaline (McClougherty) Walker:

196. i Mary Jane Walker b. 24 Oct 1836 m. Jas. M. Aule
197. ii Sarah Frances Walker b. 17 Jun 1838 unmarried
198. iii Martha Ann Walker b. 25 Mar 1841 unmarried
199. iv John Floyd Walker b. 7 Jun 1843 m. Margaret Eliz. Austin Jones
200. v George Thomas Walker b. 11 Jan 1848 m. Naomie Jennie Fox
201. vi Ellen Lewis McGarre Walker b. 26 Sep 1855 d. 16 Oct 1857
202. vii Annie Walton Dingess Walker b. 5 Nov 1858 d. 5 Jan 1920

Children of George H. Walker and Sarah Bracken (McClougherty) Walker:

203. viii Gertrude McComas Walker b. 8 Sep 1869 m. M. E. Stafford
204. ix Lena Alexander Walker b. 19 Dec 1874 m. Rees T. Bowen
205. x Harry Snidow Walker m. Ada Belle Clendenin
206. xi Margaret Davis Walker m. Leon Leslie McIntyre
207. xii Virginia Walker unmarried

40. CAROLINE T. WALKER

Caroline T. Walker (John, William) married John Shauver in 1834.

Children of John Shauver and Caroline Susan (Walker) Shauver:

208. i Benton Shauver
209. ii Mandie Shauver
210. iii Daniel G. Shauver
211. iv Elisha T. Shauver
212. v James Shauver
213. vi John Anderson Shauver
214. vii George Shauver
215. viii Nancy Shauver
216. ix Robert H. Shauver
217. x Lora Shauver
218. xi Montillian Shauver

46. JOSEPH SNODGRASS

Joseph Snodgrass (Mary, William), b. ca. 1780 in Botetourt Co., VA, m. Catherine Gish, daughter of John Gish, either 20 Mar 1804 or 30 Oct 1804. According to the IGI, he got married in Botetourt Co., VA. He died 24 Jul 1852 in Howard Co., IN. Children of Joseph Snodgrass and Katherine Gish:

219. i George William Snodgrass b. 18 Mar 1805 m. Mary Zimmerman
220. ii Nancy Snodgrass b. 17 Feb 1807 m/1 Aaron Komble m/2 William Brice
221. iii Mary Snodgrass b. ca. 1810 m/1 --- Ferrell m/2 Rev. Davidson Pitzer
Henry W. Snodgrass (Mary, William) was born about 1780 in Botetourt Co., VA. He married Jesse Mann 25 Jan 1801 in the Botetourt Co., VA, Deed Book 23, page 107 (15 May 1832) Henry W. Snodgrass of Hopkins Co., KY, gives power-of-attourney to his brother Barclay <sic> Snodgrass to receive his legacy from their father, Joseph Snodgrass. Nothing further is known about him.

Isaac Snodgrass (Mary, William) was born 6 Feb 1781 in Botetourt Co., VA. On 5 Mar 1805 he married Jane Thompson, daughter of "Squire" James Thompson and Nancy (Larken) Thompson. He died 28 Oct 1857 in Rockcastle Co., KY.

Children of Isaac Snodgrass and Jane (Thompson) Snodgrass:

226. i  James Snodgrass b. ca. 1805
227. ii Walker Snodgrass b. ca. 1807
228. iii Larkin I. Snodgrass b. ca. 1809
229. iv Nancy Snodgrass b. ca. 1810 m. Owen Ransome Laswell
230. v Isaac Snodgrass b. ca. 1811 m/1 --- --- m/2 --- ---
231. vi Calvin Snodgrass b. 12 Mar 1812 m. Volicia Emaline Crawford
232. vii Robert Snodgrass b. 10 Feb 1814 m/1 Elamanda Crawford m/2 Margaret Thompson
233. viii John Snodgrass b. 6 May 1815 m. Lucinda Henderson
234. ix George Snodgrass b. ca. 1818 m. --- Stringer
235. x Andrew Jackson Snodgrass b. ca. 1821
236. xi Joseph W. Snodgrass b. ca. 1823
237. xii Larkin Snodgrass b. 11 Nov 1824 m/1 Parmaia Stringer m/2 Elizabeth H. Duke
238. xiii Elizabeth Snodgrass b. 19 Feb 1826 m. James Delaney Jr.
239. xiv Francis Marion Snodgrass b. 20 Jul 1827
240. xv Seneca Snodgrass b. ca. 1829
241. xvi Sarah Snodgrass b. ca. 1832 m. Thomas Tillman Brooks
242. xvii William Jasper Snodgrass b. 16 Oct 1835 m. Frances Yowell

William Snodgrass (Mary, William) married his cousin, Esther Walker (William, William). For an account of his life and their children, see #29.

Elizabeth Snodgrass (Mary, William) was born about 1787 in Botetourt Co., VA. She married there 14 Sep 1805 George St. Clair.

Children of George St. Clair and Elizabeth (Snodgrass) St. Clair:

47. HENRY W. SNODGRASS

48. ISAAC SNODGRASS

49. WILLIAM SNODGRASS

50. ELIZABETH SNODGRASS
51. JOHN SNODGRASS

According to the IGI John Snodgrass (Mary, William) married 14 Mar 1817
Mrs. Ann McClare. this has not yet been checked out. (According to the
Snodgrass Clan, he was born in 1743, which even they don’t believe. His
apparent children were born between the years 1778 and 1783, making him in the
wrong generation to be the son of Joseph Snodgrass and Mary Walker. This is
apparently a different John Snodgrass.)

52. ROBERT SNODGRASS

Robert Snodgrass (Mary, William) was born about 1788. He was at least 21
when his father signed his will 20 Jul 1809, making his birthdate before 20
Jul 1788. He married first his cousin Mary Walker 3 Nov 1819 in Botetourt
Co., VA. After his father-in-law, John H. Walker, died in 1835, the children
of Mary (Walker) Snodgrass sued in 1853 for their mother’s share of their
grandfather’s estate. Following is the first page of the original petition:
"To the Hon.ble the Judge of the Circuit Sept. Court of law & Chancery
for the County of Botetourt
The Arators and Aratrices John W. Snodgrass Miranda S. Snodgrass William
Blount & Martha his wife (formerly Martha A. M. Snodgrass) and Eliza A.--
Robert H. -- & George C. Snodgrass infants under the age of twenty one
years who sue by their next friend the said John W. Snodgrass would
represent in this their Bill of Complaint that some time in the year 183-
John Walker of said County died intestate seised & possessed of valuable
real & personal Estate leaving Susan his widow & heirs distributers at
law Elisha T.--Henry--William--George H.--Isaah H.--Daniel G.--& John
Walker, Martha who had intermarried with Jacob C. Peck, Caroline who had
intermarried with John Shawver, Sarah who intermarried with ___
Cunningham and the said Cunningham being decd. had intermarried with John
McClaherty, & Mary the mother of yr. Arators & Aratrices who had
intermarried with Robert Snodgrass.
They would further show that the said Henry Walker has since died
intestate leaving his widow Martha Walker, & heirs at law his children
Charles W.--John M.--George D.--& Henry A. R. Walker. The said John
Walker (the younger) has likewise died intestate leaving heirs at law his
sons Benjamin & George Walker. The said Sarah McClaherty has likewise
died, leaving her husband the said John McClaherty, & heirs at law her
children John M. Cunningham, Paulina Cunningham who has intermarried with
Reuben F. Watts, Martha Cunningham who has intermarried with Floyd
McClaherty, & Charles & Sarah McClaherty. They would further show that
their mother, Mary, has likewise departed this life leaving her husband
Robert Snodgrass & heirs at law the Arators & Aratrices her children..."
This lawsuit gives us the names of the children of all of John H. Walker's children who died before the 1850 census. We are hoping that further investigations into the file will yield additional information.

Robert Snodgrass married second Nancy Smiley 12 Oct 1836, also in Botetourt Co.

Children of Robert Snodgrass and Mary (Walker) Snodgrass:

253. i  John W. Snodgrass    b. ca. 1820
254. ii  Martha Ann Snodgrass m. William Blount
255. iii Marinda Snodgrass   b. ca. 1826  prob. unmarried
256. iv  Eliza Snodgrass     b. ca. 1828  prob. unmarried
257. v   Robert Harvey Snodgrass b. ca. 1830  d. before 1870
258. vi  George F. Snodgrass b. ca. 1834

Children of Robert Snodgrass and Nancy Smiley:

259. vii Henderson Snodgrass  b. ca. 1837
260. viii Eneline Snodgrass   b. ca. 1839
261. ix  Sarah J. Snodgrass   b. ca. 1841
262. x  William Snodgrass    b. ca. 1843
263. xi  Edwin Snodgrass      b. ca. 1844  m. Virginia Mount
264. xii Rufus Snodgrass      b. ca. 1846
265. xiii Elizabeth Snodgrass b. ca. 1849
(May be others born after 1850.)

53. GEORGE SNODGRASS

George Snodgrass (Mary, William) was born after 20 Jul 1788, as he was a minor when his father signed his will. He married in Bedford Co., VA, 9 Sep 1819 Nancy C. St. Clair, daughter of Isaac and Frances St. Clair.

In the 1850 Russell Co., VA, census he is listed as head of household:

#1138 George Snodgrass  55-M-Botetourt Co., VA  --- carrier
Nancy C. Snodgrass  45-F-Bedford Co., VA
Addison A. Snodgrass  30-M-Bedford Co., VA
Virginia E. Snodgrass  17-F-Russell Co., VA

In the 1860 Wise Co., VA, census are the following listings for George Snodgrass. His son John H. (age 33) is listed in the adjacent household.

#658 George Snodgrass  65-M-VA  tanner
Nancy C. Snodgrass  52-F-VA  housekeeper
Patterson Snodgrass  30-M-VA  tanner
Lucretia Snodgrass  30-F-VA  seamstress

In the 1880 Wise Co., VA, census he appears as follows (his grandson, Joseph D. Snodgrass is in household #109):

#121 George Snodgrass  85-M-VA  farmer
Nancy C. Snodgrass  75-F-VA  wife, keeping house
Lucretia Barnes  52-F-VA  servant

Children of George Snodgrass and Nancy C. (St. Clair) Snodgrass:
Mary Snodgrass (Mary, William) was born about 1793 in Botetourt Co., VA. She married there 23 Jun 1815 Charles Old. They were married by Edward Mitchell, Methodist minister. Her uncle, Robert Snodgrass, signed the marriage bond.

Charles Old died in 1859 and left the following will:

"I Charles Old of the County of Botetourt and State of Virginia do hereby make this my last will and testament in manner and form following That is to say lst I desire my Executor herein after named first of all to pay my just debts and funeral expenses out of my personal property. 2nd The Remainder of the proceeds of my personal property I desire to be equally divided between my four following children. Thomas J. Old, Charlotte Old, Elmira Old and Jane Old. 3rd I desire that my real estate remain in the hands of my son Thomas J. Old for five years from the date of my decease for his entire benefit, with the Condition that he support at home, as they have been supported heretofore his three sisters namely Charlotte, Elmira and Jane and also the two children of my daughter Emily Scott. 5thly I desire my Executor at the expiration of the five years above named to make sale of my real Estate as best he can and the proceeds thereof divide equally among all my children with the following exceptions, that portion which I intended for my daughter Emily Scott I wish to be given to her two children. I further desire my Executor to pay to my son Madison A. Old fifty dollars in full of his portion of my estate he having received heretofore in land what would make him equal with the rest of my children. And lastly I hereby constitute and appoint my Son Thos. J. Old Executor of this my last will and testament, In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand & affixed my seal the 28th day of March 1859. . Charles (his mark) Old

Attest Rovert Hines, John Hammon Sr.
At Botetourt June Court 1859
This Instrument of writing perporting to be the last will & testament of Charles Old dec'd was this day exhibited in Court, proved by the oaths of Robert Hines and John Hammon Sen. & Subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. Teste. F. Woltz Clik"
Children of Theodore J. Walker and Melinda (---) Walker:

303. i Adeline E. Walker b. ca. 1829
304. ii James Walker b. ca. 1832
305. iii George H. Walker b. ca. 1834
306. iv Clarinda Walker b. ca. 1837
307. v Melinda Walker b. ca. 1838

60. GEORGE H. WALKER

George Walker (George, William) appears on the 1840 census in Hendricks Co., IN, with 1 male under 5, 1 male 5-10, 1 male 20-30, and 1 female 20-30. In 1850 he is still in Hendricks Co., IN, with the following listing on page 66:

#919 George Walker 40-M-VA farmer
Mary Walker 37-F-VA
Robert Walker 16-M-IN farmer
William Walker 14-M-IN
Harriet Walker 10-F-IN
Clarinda A. Walker 6-F-IN
James O. Walker 1-M-IN

Children of George Walker and Mary (---) Walker:

308. i Robert Walker b. ca. 1834
309. ii William Walker b. ca. 1836
310. iii Harriet Walker b. ca. 1840
311. iv Clarinda A. Walker b. ca. 1844
312. v James O. Walker b. ca. 1849

61. JOHN WOODS WALKER

John Woods Walker (George, William) gave the information for a biographical sketch in the book, BIOGRAPHICAL HISTORY OF EMINENT AND SELF-MADE MEN OF THE STATE OF INDIANA (Cincinnati: Western Biographical Pub. Co., 1880) from which we quote:

"Walker, Judge John W. of Greenfield, was born in Monroe County, Virginia, July 22, 1812. He is of Irish descent, his grandfather having been born and brought up in the Northern part of Ireland. His parents, George and Clarinda Walker, were among the pioneers of the Blue Ridge Mountains. His father owning an extensive tract of land in that region--then an almost unbroken wilderness--Mr. Walker early learned the use of the woodman's ax and hunter's rifle. The only educational advantages within his reach were those afforded at the distant log school-house, where he was taught the rudiments of the English branches. October 12, 1831, he married Miss Nancy B. Cook,
daughter of Rev. Jacob Cook, and niece of the celebrated divine, Rev. Valentine Cook. Two years later, Mr. Walker left the home of his boyhood and settled on a farm near Pendleton, (Madison Co.) Indiana, in and about which place he lived for the next fourteen years. During this period he was engaged, at different times, in farming, the blacksmith's trade, mercantile pursuits, and finally, in the grain and produce business. An unfortunate venture in the last reduced his property to a few hundred dollars, and he removed to Greenfield, (Hancock Co.) his present home. In 1858 he opened a store in partnership with his brother and son, under the firm name of G. H. Walker & Co. This continued six years, when Mr. Walker's brother sold out his interest to the other members of the firm. In 1869 Mr. Edwards purchased a share in the business, which was conducted by Walker & Edwards until 1872. The store was then sold, and for three years Mr. Walker was not actively engaged in any occupation. At the end of that time, he, with several other gentlemen, organized the Greenfield Banking Company, which is still a prosperous institution. Mr. Walker is a quiet, unassuming man, and no seeker for public office; yet he has been several times chosen to positions of trust and honor. During the first years of his residence in Pendleton he served as constable of Fall Creek Township, and afterwards as Justice of the Peace. At the expiration of his term as Justice, he was elected Associate Judge of Madison County. After his removal to Greenfield, Judge Walker was trustee of Center Township during the years 1862, 1863, and 1864. He has been an earnest advocate of all enterprises to advance the interests of Hancock County, aiding in building railroads, turnpikes, school-houses, and churches. In 1860 he took a trip to the Rocky Mountains, and visited Denver and the gold mines on the Platte River. Although not a member of any religious denomination, Judge Walker's inclinations are towards the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was a Whig in the days of that party, and has since been a Republican. He is firm in his convictions, outspoken, clear-headed, and accurate. He is a good conversationalist, well informed on current topics, and his uniformly kind and social disposition has endeared him to a large circle of friends. At the age of sixty-seven, Judge Walker retains much of his original vigor, and it is to be hoped that his career of usefulness may be prolonged many years.

It is interesting to note, that John W. Walker says his grandfather, who was William Walker of Botetourt Co., VA, was born and brought up in Ireland. Unfortunately, sketches in county histories are not noted for their accuracy, the most common mistake being leaving out a generation. Since William Walker died before John W. Walker was born, John W. evidently heard about him from his father, which increases the chances of inaccuracies. It is safe, however, to assume that either William Walker or his father was born in northern Ireland. This definitely eliminates an old Virginia family as the background for William Walker, but still leaves the possibility that he came to this country with his parents. Whether he came in through Pennsylvania (the normal route for the people in the Botetourt area) or through North Carolina, or directly through Virginia, is still not known at this time.

Children of John W. Walker and Nancy B. Cook:

313. Sarah M. Walker  b. ca. 1833  unmarried (apparently)
314. J. Ward Walker  b. 11 Mar 1836  m. Mary J. Todd
315. James B. Walker  b. ca. 1838