The First Three Generations
of the
Jacob GRASS Family
of
Augusta County, Virginia

Chronological Listings
of all of the Records
found for them
1965 to 2006

GRASS - Early German Immigrants
GRASS - Revolutionary War Records - Virginia
Jacob GRASS\(^1\) of Augusta Co., VA
Jacob GRASS\(^2\) of Augusta Co., VA
Peter GRASS\(^2\) of Augusta Co., VA, Greenbrier Co.,
(W)VA, Bath Co., VA and Kanawha Co., (W)VA
Frederick GRASS\(^2\) of Augusta Co., VA
John GRASS\(^3\) of Augusta Co., VA, Illinois and Iowa
(son of Jacob GRASS\(^2\))
Augusta Co., VA Court Martials, 1766-1789

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EARLY GERMAN IMMIGRANTS
in the 18th Century

GRASS & Possible Variant Spellings
(and some possibly related families)

The ship’s passenger lists for persons from what is now Germany during the 18th Century (1727-1808) have been published in three volumes by Strassburger-Hinke\(^1\) and there are numerous entries for persons who could be the Jacob GRASS, Sr. or a relative of his.

According to this book, only lists of 138 ships out of the 324 that arrived between 1727 and 1775 survived......so our Jacob may have been on one of those lists which did not survive. Only males age 16 and over were listed and females appear in only a few lists.

Because there are so many possibilities for the spelling of the name GRASS, this researcher has copied here all entries that could be variant spellings of the name. Others may be able to think of more possibilities.

Not all names on these lists are included here. The other names included are surnames found associated in some way in records of areas where our GRASS family settled and some families which “married-into” our GRASS family. However, those families listed here may not be related to those “other” families. These “other names” are included here merely for study. Other possible spellings of some names are added by this researcher in italics in parentheses with a question mark.

Only those immigrants who came before 1770 have been included here since we know that our Jacob GRASS was in Augusta County, Virginia by 1769. All entries copied here are from Volume I of the above-named books. All of the ships listed in this book arrived in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Those with no mark after their names signed their own names. The others signed by mark (copied here when given). A blank space enclosed in parentheses ( ) denotes that the man was absent and that the clerk of court signed his name for him.

All dates before 1752 are from the Old (Julian) Calendar which began March 25th and ended the next March 24th. England and the Colonies did not accept the New (Gregorian) Calendar which began the year on January 1st until 1752. Therefore the true dates would be eleven (11) days later than given. When a month is given such as “8brn” before 1752, it must be counted from March (ie. “8brn” would be October).

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The "Page & List No." heading here gives the page of Vol. I of this book where the record can be found. The "(List No.)" refers to the number of the lists given by the authors of this book.

Most ships only show one list of passengers, but some two and even three lists of the same passengers, but the spellings may be different in each. Items in parentheses after the name above show different spellings of the same name which appear in different lists of the passengers in the same ship.

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<td>Anna Cristin, age 49</td>
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NOTE: This is probably the Jacob Crist, Mennonite, who settled in Manor Twp., Lancaster Co., PA and who md. Anna Kauffman. This Jacob died there in 1752 leaving a widow and six children. The Anna Cristin, on the same ship, may have been his mother since it was customary to add an "in" to women's names when appear in the list without their husbands or if they were single.

<p>| 71-78 (21A,B,C) | Hans Jacob Krauss (Kress?) | Pink Johnson | 18 Sep 1732 |
|                 | (Jacob Cruiss)             |              |             |
|                 | (Jacob Cruz)               |              |             |</p>
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| 261 - 263        | Johan Peder Dressler | Samuel       | 27 Aug 1739  |
| (69-70C)         | Hans Adam Diehl      |              |              |
|                  | Johann Daniel Diehl  |              |              |

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Christian Seyfert

NOTE: Seyfert was a Reformed school-teacher and preacher at Great Swamp, Lehigh Co., PA.

|                  | Friederich (X) Seitz | Snow Betsie  | (same date) |
|                  | Martin (X) Hock      |              |             |
|                  | Conradt Graff        |              |             |

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| 286 - 289        | Jurich Philip Kress  | Robert & Alice | 3 Dec 1740  |
| (79A,B,C)        | (Jurich (J) Cress)   |              |             |
|                  | (Jeorge Philip (J) Cress) |        |             |
|                  | Jacob Kress          |              |             |
|                  | (Jacob (H) Cress)    |              |             |

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| 310 - 313        | Martin Gref, age 29  | Molley       | 16 Oct 1741  |
| (87A,B,C)        | (Martin (X) Gref)    |              |             |
|                  | (Martin (X) Grefie)  |              |             |
|                  | Jacob Gref, age 50   |              |             |
|                  | (Johan Jacob Gref)   |              |             |

NOTE: There was also an Allexander Stockschleder on this list. His name was also given as Alexand' Stocksleger, age 28, and Johannes Stockschleger. A man of this name md. the widow of Jacob Crist who came over in 1732 and settled in Lancaster Co., PA.
GRASS & Possibly Related Immigrants in the 18th Century

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<td>334 - 339 (97A,B,C)</td>
<td>Valedin Hamen, age 20</td>
<td>Loyal Judith</td>
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NOTE: A Valentin Hamm(e) md. into the GRASS family of York Co., PA

|                      | Stoffel Graffert, age 22 |                |              |
|                      | (Christoffel Graffert)   |                |              |
|                      | Jacob Grosskopf, age 30   |                |              |
|                      | (Jacob (X) Groskopf)     |                |              |
|                      | (Jacob (X) Grosskopff)   |                |              |
|                      | Peter Bott, age 35        |                |              |
|                      | Hans Emrich Bott, age 42  |                |              |

NOTE: There were also MEY/MAY names on this ship. The BOTi' people settled in York Co., PA as did a number of others who arrived on this ship, including the WENTZes.

| 339 - 340 (98 C)   | Johannes Gross         | Snow Charlotta  | 5 Sep 1743   |

NOTE: There was only one list for this ship.

| 364 - 365 (114C)   | Jacob Graff            | Restoration     | 9 8th 1747   |
|                    | Mardin Strecker        |                 |              |
|                    | Johann Lorentz Strecker/Sträcker |          |              |

NOTE: For those also interested in other related GRASS families, Mardin and Johann Lorentz STRECKER/ STRÄCKER (possibly married into the DETTER/DOTTER family) on this ship.

| 369 - 370 (116B)   | Johannes Gress         |                   | 20 Oct 1747  |
|                    | Jacob (X) Spring       |                   |              |
|                    | Philip Henrich Seng    |                   |              |

NOTE: SPRING and SENG – surnames later in Augusta Co., VA.
**Note:** The WINTERMEYER and WOLF families are later associated with the GRASS families of York Co., PA and the TRESSLER/DRESSLER family with the GRASS family of Virginia.

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NOTE: The above copied because of this researcher’s interest in the DETTER family which settled in York Co., PA and later married into the GRASS family of Augusta Co., VA. Also on this ship were families named KRESS (no Jacob), SEYLER, TRAUDT, HOCH and BAUMAN.

| 420 - 422 (142C) | Leonhardt Groninger | Lydia | 19th 8ber 1749 |
|                  | Ruprecht Haug      |      |              |

| 422 - 424 (143C) | Jacob Griess | Dragon | 17th 8hr 1749 |
|                  | Johann Adam Weier |          |              |

NOTE: The above Jacob Griess went to Lancaster Co., PA and md. Anna Cath. Schupp. The “Weier” name was copied because a WEHR family was connected by marriage to a family which md. into the DETTOR family of Robert E. Rutherford, husband of this researcher. Robert is a descendant of the Jacob GRASS, Sr. of Augusta Co., VA by 1769.

| 425 - 426 (145C) | Johannis Greiner | Snow Good Intent | 9 Nov 1749 |

NOTE: The above name was copied because of a “possible” GREINER connection to an Augusta Co., VA GRASS man.

| 426 - 428 (145C) | Hans Peter Groff | Patience | 11 Aug 1750 |
|                  | Hans Jacob (X) Groffe |      |              |
|                  | Peter (O) Groffe     |      |              |

NOTE: The previous three names were next to each other in this list.

|                  | Georg Friederich Haug |          |              |
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NOTE: The HAUG and MEIER names were copied because those surnames were associated with the Augusta Co., VA GRASS families.
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<td>Martin Croll Andreas Bushon</td>
<td>Recovery</td>
<td>23 8* 1754</td>
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| 660 - 665 (230A,B,C) | Philip Somer (Philip (+) Summer) | Recovery | 23 8* 1754 |
| 665-671 (231A,B,C) | Philip Christian Gross (Philip Christian (X) Gross) (P. Christian (+) Gross) | John & Elizabeth | 8 Nov 1754 |
|                    | Johan Jacob Gross (J. Jacob (+) Gross) (J. Jacob (X) Gross) |              |             |

**NOTE:** The names of Philip and Johan Jacob Gross were next to each other in these lists. The spellings in parentheses after their first names are as they are spelling in the other lists.

|                | Christophel Mey (Christopher (+) Mey) (Christoph (+) Mey) |              |             |

**NOTE:** Christophel's name appeared right after the GROSS names in two of the three lists, but one name is between the GROSS name and MEY's in the third list.
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<td>Valentin Hamm</td>
<td>Betsy</td>
<td>13 Oct 1766</td>
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REVOLUTION WAR SERVICE  
of  
The GRASS Family of Augusta County, Virginia

There were three men named Frederick Grass in the records of the VA Regiments. I believe that they (and the following records) are for the same man. One was given the enlistment date of 17 Feb 1777, another of 17 Feb 1778 and the third one of 27 Feb 1778. I “think” that these are one and the same man with the person giving the information being mixed up on the dates. A Private was paid £2 (6 2/3 Continental dollars) a month.

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<td>Point Pleasant</td>
<td>10/10/1774</td>
<td>Peter Grass</td>
<td>With the 12th VA Regt.</td>
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<td>(now WV)</td>
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<td>Dec to Mar 1776-1777</td>
<td>Jacob Grass</td>
<td>Continental Troops, German Battalion, Capt. Wm. Heyser’s Co., commanded by Lt. Col. George Stricker (see Reference #2 on p. 7)</td>
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<td>May &amp; July 1777</td>
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<td>Augusta Co., VA 1777-1778</td>
<td>Jacob Grass, Sen’, Fred &amp; Peter</td>
<td>All listed together in William Bowyer’s List of Capt. Zachariah Johnston’s &amp; Capt. Thomas Smith’s Companies (see Reference #3 on p. 7)</td>
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NOTE: The above record is the only one available giving a record of the Militia in Augusta Co. at this time. It is actually the tax list of 1777, but shows the names of taxable males in the County and therefore lists the men of an age to serve in the Militia.

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<td>Fort Union</td>
<td>1777</td>
<td>Peter Grass</td>
<td>First under Capt. Thos Smith &amp; Lt. Chas. Baskins of Augusta Co. and joined with soldiers from Rockbridge, Rockingham &amp; Greenbrier Cos. Under Cols. Adam Dickinson, George Shillilen &amp; Major Samuel McDowell (see Reference #1 on p. 7)</td>
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<td>(now Lewisburg in Greenbrier Co., WV)</td>
<td>3 months (fighting Indians)</td>
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<td>&amp; later at Point</td>
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<td>Jacob Grass</td>
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**NOTE:** Another record says that he deserted on 6 Jan 1777. A Peter Grove/Graff also served in the German Battalion under Lt. Col. Geo. Stricker from 1 Dec 1776 variously to June 1777 at which time he also “deserted”. Could this be Frederick Grass’ brother Peter????

There also was a Henry Hauck who was also Lt. Col. Geo. Stricker’s Co. in the German Battalion from 1 Dec 1776 to 1 Mar 1777 and a Henry HAGG was in the unit of the German Regt. commanded by Col. Baron Arendt from May to June 1777. Could one of these have been our Henry Hawk???? A Henry Hauch/Hauck was a corporal in the 7th and 11th VA Regts. (See the records of these men also done by this researcher.)

This researcher thinks that one of these Henry Hauck/Haucs or all of them is the father of Elizabeth Hawk, dau. of Henry, who md. Jacob Grass, Jr. of Augusta Co., VA by the 1780’s.

- Clover Licks (Greenbrier Co.) Spring 1777 Peter Grass (three months) Drafted from Augusta Co. as a rifleman under Wm. Anderson (see Reference #1 on p. 7)

- Valley Forge (PA) April 1778 May 1778 Frederick Grass (Enlisted: 17 Feb 1778 for 3 yrs. - “Joyn’d 14 Apr 1778”) 12th VA Regt. - Mich’l Bowyer’s Co., Col. James Wood, commander (for all references for Frederick Grass, Reference #3, p. 7)


**NOTE:** The 12th VA Regt. became so depleated because of death, disease and desertion, that it was combined with the 4th and 8th VA Regts. about this time. The 4th Regt. was also originally called the German Regiment and was under the command of Col. Peter Muhlenberg, a German minister of Frederick Co., VA from Mar 1776 to Feb 1777.
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<td>Camp White Plains (NY)</td>
<td>July-Aug 1778</td>
<td>Frederick Grass</td>
<td>8th VA Regt. - Capt. Michael Bowyer’s Co., commanded by Col. James Wood</td>
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<td>Camp Robinson’s (?)</td>
<td>Sept 1778</td>
<td>Fred Grass</td>
<td>(same)</td>
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<td>Camp Middle Brook (NJ)</td>
<td>Oct-Dec 1778</td>
<td>Fredrick Grass</td>
<td>8th VA Regt. of Foot - Col. Charles Fleming’s Co., Col. James Wood</td>
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<td>West Fork of the Monongehela River (SW PA)</td>
<td>April 1779</td>
<td>Peter Grass</td>
<td>Drafted into a Co. in Augusta Co. commanded by Capt. Wm. Kincaid</td>
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<td>Richmond, VA</td>
<td>May-Jun 1779</td>
<td>Peter Grass</td>
<td>Drafted again under Capt. Thomas Smith</td>
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<td>Camp Smith’s Clove (prob. NJ)</td>
<td>May-Jun 1779</td>
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<td>8th VA Regt. - Col. Wallace’s Co., Col. James Wood</td>
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<td>Smith’s Clove (prob. NJ)</td>
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<td>Haverstraw &amp; Camp near Moristown (the latter place is in NJ)</td>
<td>Nov-Dec 1779</td>
<td>Frederick Grass</td>
<td>8th Regt. of Foot - Col. Wood’s Company</td>
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<td>Nov 1779</td>
<td>Fredrick Grass (continued)</td>
<td>NOTE: &quot;Moristown&quot; in this record is Morristown, NJ. I think that &quot;Haverstraw&quot; is/was in PA, but I can find no such town on the PA maps now. This unit may have moved from one place to the other in the same month.</td>
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- 1 Oct 1778 to 1 Jan 1779  
  Frederick Grass $20.00 (he signed by mark "X")  
  Received and paid by Abraham Hite, Pay master of the 8th VA Regt. of Foot to the Officers & privates of said Regiment, from the 1st day of October 1778 to the first day of January 1779 -

| Staunton, VA then Point of Forks on the James River | Spring, 1780  | Peter Grass (3 months) | Appointed by Col. Mathews to guard the magazine at Staunton, Augusta Co., then to guard the transport of powder from Staunton to Pt. of Forks where Lynchburg is now situated. (see Reference #1 on p. 7) |

NOTE: The Augusta Co., VA County Court Martial Records 1756-1789 show entries for some of the GRASS men on the following dates which shows that they continued to serve in the County Militia even after they left the Continental Service during this war.

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<th>Augusta Co., VA</th>
<th>19 Aug 1778</th>
<th>Jacob Grass, Jun'r</th>
<th>Failed to appear at the muster of Capt. Smith's Co.-acquitted on 28 Oct 1778) (See Reference #4 on p. 7 for all listed under this category)</th>
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<td>(same)</td>
<td>20 Oct 1778</td>
<td>Peter Grass</td>
<td>Failed to appear at the general muster of Capt. Smith's Co. (acquitted on 28 Oct 1778)</td>
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<td>Jacob Grass</td>
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<td>Failed to appear at the muster of Capt. Thomas Smith’s Co. - fined on 29 Mar 1780</td>
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<td>Peter Grass</td>
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<td>29 Dec 1781</td>
<td>Peter Grass</td>
<td>Failed to appear at a private muster of Capt. Thomas Smith’s Co. (fined on 15 Mar 1782)</td>
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<td>Jacob Grass</td>
<td>Failed to appear at a private muster of Capt. Buchanan’s Co. (fined on 9 Oct 1782)</td>
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<td>Jacob Grass</td>
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<td>30 Nov 1782</td>
<td>Peter Grass</td>
<td>Failed to appear at the muster of Capt. Thos. Smith’s Co. (fined on 26 Mar 1783)</td>
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<td>13 Mar 1784</td>
<td>Peter Grass</td>
<td>Failed to appear at the muster of Capt. Thos. Smith’s Co. (fined on 25 Mar 1784)</td>
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**NOTE:** My main reason to feel that all of these GRASS men were the ones who lived in Augusta Co., VA was that the commanders of the Companies to which they belonged all lived either in Augusta County or some of the other counties directly north of it—Rockingham (made in 1778 from Augusta County) and Frederick. Also, I’ve found no other GRASS families who lived in that area before the Revolutionary War. A Nicholas GRASS moved to that area, but not until after the war.

Peter and Frederick Grass both applied for pensions for their Revolutionary War service. I have abstracted their pension applications in my Chronological Listings for them.

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NOTE: (continued)

The Jacob Grass entries without a “Jr.” after them are “probably all for Jacob Grass, Jr., but some could be for his father, Jacob Grass, Sr.. However, Jacob, Sr. would have been rather old to serve.

Jacob Grass, Jr. died in 1785 in Augusta Co., VA (intestate) and his widow remarried, so there is no pension application for him.

Jacob Grass, Sr. died in 1789 in Augusta Co., VA leaving a will which he obviously wrote shortly after his son Jacob, Jr. died in 1785.
REFERENCES

1. Peter Grass' Revolutionary War Service information was taken from his pension application. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Pensions, Washington, D.C. - #S-8599.

2. Jacob Grass' Revolutionary War Service information was from the National Archives Microfilm #137 of Revolutionary War Pay Vouchers for the Continental Troops, German Battalion, “G - Ha”.

3. Frederick Grass' Revolutionary War Service information was taken from two sources:
   a. The pay vouchers for his service in the various regiments which are filed under the records of the 4th, 8th & 12th Regiments, “E - Y” - Family History Library Film #1486258 copied from the National Archives Film of the actual pay vouchers submitted during the Revolutionary War.
   b. Frederick’s affidavit in his application for a pension for his service made in 1822. (National Archives & Record Administration, Washington, D.C. - File #S-39607)

4. Augusta Co., VA Tithables, 1777-1778, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA.
All efforts to locate Jacob or determine just when he was born or came to this country have been fruitless to date. That he was of German ancestry is certain, however. It is possible that the name GRASS was Anglicized by the time that Jacob and his family first appear in the Augusta County, Virginia records. The name may have begun with a "C" or a "K" since the German pronunciation of this letter is somewhere between a "G" and a "K".

The first record found to date for Jacob Grass is when he first appears in the Augusta County court records in August of 1769, but all efforts to find where he lived before that date have been unsuccessful. He continues to appear in the Augusta County records (deeds, tax and court) through 1789, the year that he died leaving a will naming his children, but no wife.

Jacob Grass's wife (probably the mother of all of his children) was dead by 1778 as, by this date, he had married again. His second wife was Barbara (? ) Suss Bosang, widow of Henry Suss and David (Devault) Bosang. Barbara was twice widowed before she married Jacob and we have no date for her marriage to Jacob Grass. Her first husband was Henry Suss who came to Pennsylvania in 1751 and who died there sometime before 15 May 1758 when Barbara married 2) Devault (David) Bosang in the Trinity Lutheran Church, Lancaster, Pennsylvania. (Marriage Records of the Trinity Lutheran Church, Lancaster, PA)

David Bosang had immigrated to Pennsylvania in 1753 from Burbach, now the State of North Rhine-Westphalia in Germany. David "purchased land in Strasburg, Virginia in 1762 and 1763....sold it in 1767....and was living in Staunton, Virginia by 1773". Sometime between these dates, he was living in Frederick County, Virginia. (This information by courtesy of John Greer of Orcas, Washington who has written a book on the Greer family).

David Bosang operated a tavern in Staunton, Augusta County, Virginia and died there sometime after 5 February 1775 and before 18 November 1777 when his will was proved. David's will stipulated that if his widow, Barbara, married within two years of his decease that his estate "shall be divided into three equal shares" between his two children and his step-son, Henry Suss. Augusta County court records show that Barbara died married Jacob Grass sometime before 20 April 1778 when Barbara claimed her dower rights in the Bosang estate as Barbara Grass. Jacob Grass was taxed in Staunton and operating David Bosang's tavern from 1779 (continued on the next page)
onward until the son, John Bosang was old enough to take over. Records show the Bosang land to be 10 acres and ½ a lot in the town of Staunton. Jacob was taxed on this land from 1779 through 1788.

The court records show that Jacob was often a bit tardy in posting the bond to "retail liquors" and "keep an ordinary" in Staunton; but he always managed to pay it and was not, by any means, the only person late to do so.

One has to wonder if the GRASS and BOSANG families knew each other before they arrived in Augusta County since they arrived there within three years of each other and Jacob and Barbara were married so soon after David Bosang's decease. But research into the Pennsylvania and the Frederick County, Virginia records shed no light on this theory.

Jacob Grass's will was signed on 6 April 1785 and probated on 15 September 1789 in Augusta County. It was made after the death of his eldest son, Jacob, Jr. in 1783. Jacob Grass, Jr., the eldest son, had died in 1783 and "Jr.'s" widow had remarried. This would explain why Jacob Grass, Jr. was not mentioned in old Jacob Sr.'s will. His wife and family were being taken care of. In his will, Jacob names all of his children except Jacob, Jr.. His wife, Barbara, is not mentioned, so it probably can be assumed that she was probably dead by that time.

The name of his first wife and Jacob's burial place has never been found. All of the children were by a wife (or wives?) before Barbara. There was no issue from this last marriage.

According to Jacob's will, we know that he had the following children---not necessarily. Because we can more precisely determine the birthdates of his sons, they will be listed first with the daughters following. Jacob Grass (Jr.) is placed here as a son using circumstantial evidence as put forth in my chronological chart for him.

Jacob Grass, Jr. (probably the eldest son)
Peter Grass, prob. b. ca. 1754-55
Frederick Grass, prob. b. ca. 1755-56
Mary Grass, b. ?
Barbara Grass, b. ?

Jacob's descendants joined other families northward and westward into (West) Virginia, Illinois, Iowa and Michigan before spreading out to other parts of the country.

SEE ALSO my CHRONOLOGICAL CHART for JACOB GRASS which contains my research on him.
JACOB GRASS

Chronological Chart

The following chronological chart includes references to Jacob Grass of Augusta Co., Va. taken mostly from the original deed, court, probate, land taxes and other records consulted by this preparer. Each entry is referenced here. Not included below are readings for Jacob Grass in the Augusta County Personal Property Tax Lists which have been abstracted separately. The listing and birthdates of his children are not included chronologically here, but are given at the end.

Underlining is used by this researcher to denote unusual spellings in the original record. Items in parentheses in the body of a record and NOTES are comments by this researcher to clarify some items or to add further information.

1769 - 9 Aug - Jacob Grass against Thos. Evans.
(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 14, p. 17)
NOTE: What the case was about was not given. It must have just been introduced to the Court.

“ - 19 Oct - Jacob Grass against Thomas Evans.
(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 14, p. 56)
NOTE: This case was just listed again. It was evidently referred to the next court.

1770 - 27 Mar - Jacob Grass against Thomas Evans.
(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 14, p. 79)
NOTE: This case was just listed again.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 14, p. 145)

1773 - 20 Mar - Sampson & George Matthews against John Raidpath(?).
On Attachment.

Jacob Grass “a Garnisher in this _?_ declared that of the estate of the Defendant he had Two pounds Sixteen Shillings and Sixpence and William Bowyer, Gent. another Garnishee in this cause _?_ that the deft. is indebted to him £80,12,4 with Interest thereon....(lots more here)” and that “he has a bond of

(this record is continued on the next page)
1773 - (continued)

- 20 Mar - Sampson & George Matthews against John Raidpath(?)
  (cont'd)
  the said Raidpath in the penalty of £200 for making a title to four
  lots of land in the Town of Staunton and that it was agreed
  between them that he might sell and dispose of the said lots and
  effects at any time and discharge the debt”.
  (Augusta County, VA Court Order Bk.15, p. 47)
  NOTE: This case was continued in subsequent courts; but,
  because there were no more references to Jacob Grass, that
  information is not included in these Listings.

1774 - 15 Nov - Daniel Kidd and John Graham deed to "Theobald, alias
  Devault Bosang" all of Augusta County. One half of Lot #7
  (¼ acre) "Joining the Lott (No 4) and Fronting Fredrick street
  together with ten acres of Woodland belonging to the said lott" in
  the town of Staunton. Owners of lands bordering this lot were
  listed as John David Greiner, Wm. Preston, John Cawley,
  Sampson (no first name given) and George Mathews.
  Deed made: 15 Nov 1774
  Recorded: 16 Nov 1774
  (Augusta County, VA Deed Bk. 20, p. 437)
  NOTE: The following appears in the left hand margin of
  the above deed: "Delivered: John Bosang, February, 1776".
  This “John Bosang” should be “David Bosang” as David’s son
  would not be “of age” at this date. This record is included here
  because Jacob Grass¹ later married Barbara, the widow of this
  Theobald/Devault/David Bosang and was taxed on this same
  “lot” and “woodland” in Staunton by 1779.

1776 - 24 Feb - Philip Fogal (Fogle) and his wife Catrin to Michael Bowyer
  all of Augusta County - for £20 - 174½ acres of land (part of
  344 acres) in "Beverley Mannor on sume drafts of Christians
  Creek - borders Lewis’ corner.
  Witnesses: Wm. Robertson, Abraham Goodpasture and
  William Smith.
  Recorded: 27 August, 1776.
  (Augusta Co., VA Deed Bk. 21, p. 340-342)
  NOTE: The above included here because it is the land later
  sold to Jacob Grass¹. See the next two entries.
1776 - (continued)

- 2 Aug - Michael Bowyer acknowledged a deed to Jacob Grass and it was ordered to be recorded.
  *(Augusta County, VA Ct. Order Bk. 16, p. 114)*

- 22 Aug - Michael Bowyer to Jacob Grass, both of Augusta County - for £165 - release of 174½ acres of land (part of 334 acres) "in Beverley Manner.....on sume drafts of Christian Creek" bordering the land of Lewis (no first name), the patent line and "the brow of a hill". No witnesses.
  Recorded: 21 August 1776.
  *(Augusta Co., VA Deed Bk. 21, p. 327-328)*

  NOTE: The court record whereby this deed was acknowledged gave the date of the deed as 2 August 1776 rather than 22 August. See the previous entry.

1777 - - - - - - Capt. Wm. Bowyer's List of Capt. Zachariah Johnston's Company (of taxable males) - among those listed was:

  Jacob Grass, Senr, Fred & Peter - 3 tithables, 224 acres.
  *(Augusta Co., VA Tithables, 1777-1778, read at the VA State Archives in Richmond, VA)*

  NOTE: This list was very pale and unreadable in some places, so some names may have been missed. In these years, "tithables" included all males black and white over the age of 16. The above tax list is the only one available before 1782.

- 23 Oct - The will of David Bosang, deceased, was presented to the court and proved by the oaths of Daniel Kidd and David Griner. Casper Snider and Peter Hanger, the executors named in the will refused to serve. Barbara Bosang, the widow, was issued Letters of Administration in the estate and David Griner, Casper Snider, Jacob Grass and James Hill (or any three of them) ordered by the court to appraise the slaves and personal estate of David Bosang.
  *(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 16, p. 245)*

  NOTE: The previous item and the one following involving David Bosang are included here because Jacob Grass later married David's widow.
The will of David Bosang, deceased, was recorded. In his will, David names the following persons:

- wife, Barbara - to have possession of his estate where he lives during her natural life, but if she should marry within two years after his death, she is to pay his son-in-law, Philip Gruber, Jr., £50 out David's estate and only £25 if she remains single. At wife's marriage, the rest of the estate is to be divided into three equal shares among his three (nothing after this word). These three persons would be: Margaret Gruber (Griever), Henry Suese and John Bosang

- son-in-law, Philip Gruber (Griever) - clothing

Executors - Peter Hanger and Casper Scheyder
Witnesses: Dan'l Kidd, John David Greiner, and Valentine Cloninger
Will dated: 5 February 1775
Will probated: 18 Nov 1777
(Augusta Co., VA Will Bk. 5, p. 543-544)

Barbara Gross*, late Barbara Bosand, disclaimed the provisions of the will of her husband, David Bosand, and claimed her dower.

- NOTE: This should be Grass as Barbara had md. Jacob Grass by this time.

- 21 May - George Wilson against David Bosang - case of debt. "Suit abates by the death of the Plaintiff"
(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 16, p. 308)

NOTE: It was the defendant who had died not the plaintiff... or could both have died??!!

- (same) - Petition of David Bosang against Abraham Haines abates by the death of the plaintiff.
(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 16, p. 311)

(the 1778 records are continued on the next page)
1778 - (continued)

- 10 Jun - Jacob Grass, Richard Madison, Thos. Smith, Wm. Bowyer and Eleijah Meclanachan witness a deed from Windle Bright and his wife Elizabeth to Peter Hanger. Jacob Grass signed by mark (see below). This deed was acknowledged by Rich'd Madison, Thos. Smith and Ja'b Grafs on 16 March 1779 and recorded the same day.

   Jacob's signature (by mark): \[signature\]

   (Augusta Co., VA Deed Bk. 22, p. 489-492)

1779

"List of Tithables for the Town of Staunton to be collected at $4 each to be applied to the Repair of Streets, 1779-1780. Samuel Armstrong:") Among the names was:

   Jacob Grass

   ("Chronicles of the Scotch-Irish Settlement in Virginia, 1745-1800" Extracted by Lyman Chalkley, Vol. II: 421 - This book will henceforth be referred to here as Chalkley.)

- 21 May - Phillip Grever & wife against Jacob Grass - "In Chancery". The attorneys for both parties came to court and the parties were granted time to the next court to file their bills.

   (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 17, p. 9)

   NOTE: Chalkley has the defendant as John Grass, but I read it as Jacob Grass. There was no John Grass in this County at this time. See the entry dated 20 August. This is obviously for the bequests due the Grever/Grievers from the estate of Phillip's wife, the daughter of David Bosang.

- 22 May - "John Poage's bond with Thos. Smith, Jacob Grass, David Greiner, Daniel Kidd (as his securities) for collection of public taxes."

   (Chalkley, Vol. III: 154) & (Augusta Co., VA Will Bk. 6: 72)

   NOTE: John Poage was posting a bond so that he could be a tax processioneer (or list taker).

   (the 1779 entries are continued on the next page)
1779 - (continued)

- 17 Aug - "Appraisement of the estate of David Bosang by David Greiner, Jas. Hill, Casper Snider and Jacob Grass."

(also see p. 17)

(Chalkley, Vol. III, p. 154) and (Augusta Co., VA Will Bk. 6, p. 77)

- 20 Aug - Phillip Griever against Jacob Grass - "In Chancery". "By agreement of the parties these Suites" (suits)" are ordered to be discontinued."

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 17, p. 122)

NOTE: This probably means that the case was settled out of court.

- 16 Nov - Grand Jury presentments to a number of persons for "retailing liquors without license". The list included:

  Jacob Grass

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 17, p. 143-144)

- 19 Nov - License granted to Jacob Grass to keep an ordinary license.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 17, p. 174)

NOTE: An "ordinary" in those days was a "tavern or eating house serving regular meals". This was the tavern that Jacob's wife's previous husband, David Bosang, owned. Jacob was operating it until David's son, John Bosang, was old enough to take it over.

1780 - 21 Mar - Wm. Gibson, Alexr Reid and Jacob Grass witness a deed from David Taylor of Augusta County to Christopher Favour of Rockingham County for 80 acres of land (part of a tract of 260 acres granted to Barbara Smith by patent in 1777). Land borders that of Hugh Green and James Allen. Jacob Grass signed by mark. Deed made and recorded on 21 March 1780.

(Augusta Co., VA Deed Bk. 23, p. 197-200)

NOTE: This was a long deed and I couldn't read it all.

- 24 Mar - "Commonwealth" against Jacob Grass for retailing liquors without a license.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 17, p. 205)

(the 1780 entries are continued on the next page)
1780 - (continued)

" - 19 May - Alexr Sinclair, Jacob Grass (by mk.), and Valentine Cloninger witness a deed from Martha Cowdon, late Martha Wilson, widow and executrix of Samuel Wilson deceased of the town of Staunton, Augusta Co. to Patrick M. David for Lot #4 and an "out lott" of wood land in Staunton, plus 50 acres on Lewis Creek near the town of Staunton.
Recorded: 16 May 1780*.
(Augusta Co., VA Deed Bk. 23, p. 282) also (Chalkley, Vol. III, p. 563)

" - 20 May - Commonwealth against several persons for retailing liquors without a license. Jacob Grass among them.
(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 17, p. 255)

" - 24 Nov - Jacob Grass granted an ordinary license.
(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 17, p. 320)

" - 19 Dec - Jacob Grass granted an ordinary license.
(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 17, p. 322)

1781 - 21 Nov - Jacob Grass granted an ordinary license.
(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 17, p. 356)

1782 - - - - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Taxes

Tho' Hughes - Southern District:

Jacob Graf - 2 white males 21+; 1 horses, colts, mules, & mares; 2 cattle*

(Augusta County, Virginia Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA - the Virginia State Archives will henceforth be abbreviated to VSA)

* The category "horses, colts, mules & mares" will henceforth be given here as "horses, etc.".

" - - - - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Land Tax Lists:

Jacob Grass, Senr. taxed on 10 acres and ½ a lot
(Augusta Co., VA Land Taxes, VSA, Richmond, VA)

NOTE: This is the land in the town of Staunton)
1782 - (continued)

Augusta Co., VA Land Tax Lists: (cont’d)

NOTE: This is the earliest year that the Land Taxes are available for this county. Jacob obviously lived on this land before this year. Although the list doesn’t say so, this land is all in the town of Staunton where Jacob had evidently moved soon after his marriage to the widow Barbara Bosang. Jacob operated an ordinary on this land for which he obtained a license as early as 1779 as indicated by the court records given here. His son Peter is now taxed on Jacob’s original land.


NOTE: It is not clear as to whether this case pertains to Jacob Grass, Sr. or to Jacob Grass, Jr.

1783

Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

List of Cap’ Robt. Buchanan & Tho’ Smith - taken by Thos. Hughes:

Jacob Grass - 1 w.m. 21+, 1 cattle

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VSA)

- 21 Jan - Jacob Grass agst. Moses Hay. Doesn’t say what about.

Case discontinued by agreement. (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 18, p. 4)

NOTE: I’ve decided that this case involves Jacob Grass, Sr. because of the cases dated 16 Mar and 18 May of 1785.

- 19 Mar - Commonwealth against Grass (no first name given). Suit discontinued. Doesn’t say what it was about. (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 18, p. 13)

NOTE: Most of these Commonwealth cases involved the operation of a tavern or serving liquor with a license. Jacob Grass, Sr. was operating David Bosang’s tavern, so these two suits probably involve him.

- (same) - Commonwealth against Grass (no first name given). Doesn’t say what it was about and no other information was given. (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 18, p. 18)
1783 - (continued)

- 22 May - John McGimsey agst. Jacob Grass - "In Debt". Def. didn't come to ct. so the plt. won the amt. of the debt plus ct. costs and interest until paid.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 18, p. 65)

NOTE: This could be either Jacob Grass, Sr. or Jacob Grass, Jr.

- (same) - William Gilham agst. Jacob Grass - "In Debt". Parties consent and the suit is abated.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 18, p. 67)

NOTE: This is a continuance of the case in Ct. Order Bk. 17, p. 456. It could involve either Jacob Grass, Sr. or Jacob Grass, Jr.

- 17 Jun - John Bosang agst. Moses Hays and Grass (no first name given for the latter) - "In Covenant Broken". Jeremiah Ofuel(?) gave security for the defendants to appear at the next ct.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 18, p. 75)

NOTE: This is obviously a continuance of the David Bosang estate.

1783-1786 - - - - - - There were no Land Tax Lists available for these years for Augusta County, VA.

1784 - - - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

List of Cap' Robt. Buchanan & Tho' Smith - taken by Thos. Hughes:

Jacob Grafs - 1 w.m. 21+, 1 cattle

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VSA)

- 19 Aug - Caspar Snider agst. Jacob Grass and Handley (no first name given for the latter). The defendant prays "oyer". It is granted and Grass' suit was abated.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 18, p. 274)

NOTE: "Oyer" means that he wants a hearing on the case. This case carries over into Court Order Books 19 and 20.)
1785 - - - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

List of Cap' Robt. Buchanan & Tho' Smith - taken by Thos. Hughes:

Jacob Grafs - 1 w.m. 21+, 1 cattle
(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VSA)

- 16 Mar - Jacob Syler agst. Moses Hays and Jacob Grass - "In Covenant Broken:. Referred to the next ct..
(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 2)

- 6 Apr - Jacob Grass makes and signs his will on this date.
(See under date of 21 Jul 1789 when it was probated)

- 18 May - John Bosang agst. Moses Hays and Jacob Grass - "In Covenant Broken". Referred to the next ct..
(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 30)

NOTE: The previous two cases involve the heirs of David Bosang. After David's death, his widow Barbara had md.
Jacob Grass and these cases obviously involve that estate.
This would be Jacob Grass, Sr..

- 20 May - Gasper Snider agst. Jacob Grass & John Handley "In Debt".
Deft. didn't come to ct. so the plt. was awarded a judgement
of £607, but the case was settled for £353.10 "agreeable to the
"Scale of Depreciation in October MDCCCLXXX" (1780) "and
Specie £4.16.10 with Lawful Interest" at the rate of 5% from
"Apr MDCCCLXXXI" (1781) until paid.
(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 96)

NOTE: The above record could pertain to either Jacob Grass, Sr. or
Jacob Grass, Jr.. Handley obviously gave security for the deft..

Defts. didn't come to ct., so a jury found them
guilty of breach of covenant and ordered them to pay damages
of £60 plus ct. costs.
(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 148)

(so the next record is not separated,
it will begin on the next page)
Jacob Grass¹
Chronological Chart
1786

Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

List of Cap¹ Robt. Buchanan & Tho¹ Smith - taken by Thos. Hughes:

Jacob Grove - 2 w.m. 21+, 2 w.m. 16-21, 4 horses etc., 1 cattle

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VSA)

NOTE: This was the only entry that “could possibly be” Jacob Grass this year. His name was right next to Frederick Grove’s and a short distance away from Peter Grass’ name.

21 Feb - Henry Cease, aged 6 years and 3 months, to be bound to Francis Huff. Peter Reed, aged 7 years 20th April last, to be bound to Jacob Grove*. (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 271)

NOTE: Jacob Grove probably should be Jacob Grass. There was no Jacob Grove in the tax lists of Augusta Co. at this time. The Henry Cease who was bound to Francis Huff was the son of Henry Cease and grandson of Barbara Bosang/Grass through her first marriage to Henry Cease (the 1st) who died in Pennsylvania where she md. 2) David Bosang. See the entry dated 18 Nov 1777.

1787

Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

Joseph Bell’s District:

Jacob Groavis(?) (28 Mar) - 1 w.m. 21+, 1 w.m. 16-21, 4 horses etc., 1 cattle

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VSA)

NOTE: This was the only entry that “could possibly be” Jacob Grass this year. His name was right next to Frederick Groave’s and Peter Grafs.

Augusta Co., VA Land Taxes - J. Ramsay’s List:

Jacob Gras, Senr. - 10 acres

(Augusta Co., VA Land Taxes, VA State Archives)

NOTE: Jacob was listed in the 1782 Land Tax Lists, but these lists for the years 1783-1786 only include what is called the "Alteration" or "Alienation" Lists. These lists are only for
1787 - (continued)

" - (not given) - Augusta Co., VA Land Taxes - J. Ramsay's List: (cont'd)

NOTE: (cont'd)

the transfers of ownership of lands and no GRASS entries appear during these years. So, it would appear that the "½ lot" on which Jacob was taxed in 1782 was the lot in Staunton which had belonged to David Bosang, the former husband of Jacob's last wife, Barbara. Jacob was no doubt maintaining this property until David and Barbara Bosang's son, John reached his majority. John now lives on this lot and operates the ordinary. Jacob Grass is evidently allowed to live on the other property formerly owned by Barbara Cease/Bosang/Grass. She has died prior to the date that Jacob Grass wrote and signed his will—6 April 1785—as she is not named in his will.

1788 - - - - - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

James Ramsay's List:

Jacob Craft - nothing listed after his name

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VSA)

NOTE: This was the only entry that "could possibly be" Jacob Grass this year. It is the same list that John Bosang is in. It's the closest to Jacob's name that was found and he is in the right area.

" - - - - - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Land Taxes - James Ramsay's List:

Jacob Grass, Sr. taxed on 10 acres

(Augusta Co., VA Land Taxes, Virginia State Archives)

" - 16 Dec - Peter Grass and wife Mary to Michael Syford, all of Augusta County - for £15.5 - 22 acres "Being Part of the Plantation the Said Peter Grass now lives on....in Beverly manner" - no names of persons, creeks or rivers mentioned. No witnesses. Recorded on the same day.

(Augusta Co., VA Deed Bk. 26, p. 267-268)

NOTE: This item included here because this was part of the land purchased by Jacob Grass in 1776. However, no deed for this transfer from Jacob to Peter appears in the Augusta County deed books. Probably the bequest in the will of Jacob Grass recorded on 21 July 1789 takes care of this.
1789 - August Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

**James Ramsay's List:**

Jacob Craft - nothing listed after his name

*(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VSA)*

NOTE: This was the only entry that "could possibly be" Jacob Grass this year. It is the same list that John Bosang is in. It's the closest to Jacob's name that was found and he is in the right area. This is the last year that this Jacob Craft is shown and it is known that our Jacob Grass died this year.

" - August Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

**James Ramsay's List:**

Jacob Craft - nothing listed after his name

*(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VSA)*

NOTE: This was the only entry that "could possibly be" Jacob Grass this year. It is the same list that John Bosang is in. It's the closest to Jacob's name that was found and he is in the right area.

" - August Co., VA Land Taxes:

Negative for Jacob Grass.

" - 21 July - The will of Jacob Grass was proved by the oath of Hugh McDowell, one of the witnesses thereto.

*(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 21, p. 99)*

" - 21 July - The will of Jacob Grass was recorded. It was made and signed on 6 April 1785. Following is an abstract of the will:

FIRST "to my beloved daughter", not named - "my best Feather Bed my Large Walnut Table and Liberty to Live on my Plantation in the small House thereon built by Anthony Mustoe with half an acre of ground most convenient for a garding (garden) &c with Liberty to water & Firewood so long as she may remain Single"

*(this record is continued on the next page)*
ITEM - "cattle & all other Household Furniture belonging to me in Staunton" to be sold and monies from them to be equally between son Peter, "my Daughter" and John Bosang "if they choose whether to Divide...or sale.... Reserving such things to my son Peter as shall appear in an Invoice made & given under my hand & Lodged in Anthony Mustoe's hands dated VIZ. one Feather bed Iron Shovel & tongs five Walnut Chairs Twenty eighth day of January 1782"

ITEM - son Frederick - "two shillings & Six Pence and all my wearing apparel he having sold his share of my Estate to his Brother Peter" as may appear...

ITEM - daughter Barbara - £6 "to be paid two years after my death by my son Peter".

ITEM - daughter Mary - £15 "currency one half to be paid Six months after my Death the other to be paid in Eighteen Months from that date by my son Peter".

ITEM - son Peter Grass - "all and singular my lands Messueges & tenaments Except such as is before Excepted by him freely to be possessed & Enjoyed".

EXECUTOR & to arrange his funeral: son, Peter

"and I do hereby utterly Disallow revoke & Disannul all and Every other former Will Testament, Legacies, Bequeaths & Executors in any ways before named will or Bequeathed Ratifying & Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will & testament.....".

WITNESSES: John Griffin, Hugh McDowell, Stoffel ___, A. Mustoe

SIGNED: Jacob Grass (by mark ☑️)

Proved by oath of Hugh McDowell, one of the witnesses thereto at a court held on 21 July 1789

PROBATED at a Court held 15 September 1789
(Augusta Co., VA Will Bk. 7, p. 178-180)

(this record is continued on the next page)
1789 - (continued)

" - 21 July - The will of Jacob Grass (cont'd)

NOTE: Jacob had married Barbara, widow of Theobald / David Bosang and her son, John Bosang, then became Jacob's step-son. His wife Barbara was not mentioned in the will, so was probably dead in 1785 when the will was written.

Also, note Jacob's signature on this will. It appears to be a "J" and a "K". Could this mean that his name was originally spelled with a "K" (Kress)?

" - 15 Sep - The will of Jacob Grass, deceased, was further proved by the oath of Anthony Mustoe, another of the witnesses thereto, and is ordered to be recorded.
(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 21, p. 136)

" - 15 Sep - Peter Grass and wife, Mary to Henry Moury (Mowry) - all of Augusta County - for £200 - 152 acres in Beverly "Manner" on the waters of Christian's Creek. Borders lands of Michal Syford and Lewis (no first name given).
Witnesses: Frederick Grass (by mk.), Henry Swink and Walter Dunn.
(Augusta Co., VA Deed Bk. 26, p. 366-367)

NOTE: The previous deed and the one shown Deed Bk. 26, p. 267, executed 16 December 1788 involve the 174½ acres previously owned by Jacob Grass. They are entered here to show the final disposition Jacob's land.
The Family of Jacob GRASS, Sr.

Jacob GRASS\(^1\) was married at least twice. He had no children by his last wife and the names of any earlier wives is not known at this time. Therefore, I cannot state at this time who the mother (or mothers) of his children were and I can only list his children as named in his will here: (not necessarily in order of birth as their birthdates can only be estimated from available records)

1. Mary ("Polly") GRASS\(^2\)
2. Peter GRASS\(^2\), b. ca. 1754-1755
3. Frederick GRASS\(^3\), b. ca. 1755-1756
4. Barbara GRASS\(^2\)
   and Augusta Co., VA records indicate that the following man was probably his eldest son who died before him
5. Jacob GRASS\(^2\) (he would have been the eldest son)

(See the individual Chronological Listings for these children)

END
ADDENDA

1783 - 18 Mar - Deed from Benjamin Bennett of Rockbridge Co., “Son and Heir at Law of Richard Bennett deceased” to James Campbell of Augusta Co. - 55 acres of land in Beverly Manor on the waters of Christian’s Creek

“being the Plantation where Jacob Grass Liv’d.....
and bounded as Follows Viz beginning at a W oak Corner to Alexander Mupheetees’ and with his Line and Jn° Handley’s Line North two hundred and forty Poles to a W oake Corner to Jn° Handley and his own Corner and with his own Line west fifty Eight Poles to a B. oak Corner to archibald Scott and with his line South thirty one East fifty Poles to some Some (?) poplins Corner to archibald Scott and with his Line South one Hundred and ninety Eight Poles to a white Oak Corner to M’Scott and East thirty Seven Poles to the Beginning.....”

No witnesses.
Made: 18 Mar 1783
Recorded: 18 Mar 1785

(Augusta Co., VA Deed Bk. 24, p. 12-14)
The following chronological chart includes references to Jacob Grass obtained from the original deed, court, probate, personal property taxes, land taxes and various other records consulted by this researcher. The reference for each of the following records is given in italics and parentheses at the end of each entry.

Underlining is used by this researcher to denote unusual spellings in the original record. Items in parentheses in the body of a record and NOTES are comments by this researcher to clarify some items or to add further information.

Because the birthdates of Jacob’s children have not been determined, their births will not appear in this list, but the names of his children will be given at the end.

c. 1753-54 - - - - - - - Estimated birthdate of Jacob Grass

This is figured from the first record (next) found for this Jacob Grass because he would have to be at least twenty-one years of age in 1773-1774.

1773-1774 - - - - - - - A list of Augusta Co., VA levies returned by John Smith for 1773-1774 (taxes) included:

"Jacob Grass, Jr., twice returned"


NOTE: Because this Jacob Grass, Jr. is listed by himself in the above years and his brothers Peter and Frederick do not appear in the Augusta Co., VA tax lists until the year 1777 and, even then, the latter were listed in the household of their father, I believe that Jacob, Jr. was the eldest of the sons of Jacob Grass, Sr. Also, although no concrete evidence seems to exist that Jacob, Jr. was a son of Jacob, Sr., I believe that they were father and son. The circumstantial evidence for that belief will be given in these abstracts.

1777 - - - - - - - - - William Bowyer’s List of Capt. Zachariah Johnston’s and Capt. Thomas Smith’s Companies - Augusta Co., VA included Jacob Grafs, Sr. and his sons Fred and Peter, but not this Jacob Grass, Jr..

(this record is continued on the next page)
William Bowyer's List of Capt. Zachariah Johnston's and Capt. Thomas Smith's Companies - Augusta Co., VA (cont’d)

NOTE: It is my belief that Jacob, Jr. was in Augusta Co. at this time. He may have been working for someone else with a different last name and living in their household. In most instances, only the name of the head of the household was given with the number of taxable males only given under that category. Another possibility is that he was away fighting in the Revolutionary War. A Jacob Grass/Gross appears in the Compiled Service Records of the 9th Virginia Regiment of Foot in Capt. John Hays' Company under the command of Thos. Fleming and later under the command of Col. George Mathews....the latter, an Augusta County man....from Nov 1777 to Jan 1778. At least part of this time, Jacob Grass was called a "waggoner".

(Compiled Service Records of Revolutionary War Soldiers, Ninth Regiment of the State of Virginia, Nat'l Archives - read from Family History Library, Salt Lake City, UT Microfilm #1486337)

"In October 1777 Washington attacked part of Howe's army at Germantown, Pennsylvania, in a poorly timed action. The entire left wing, composed of Weedon's, Muhlenburg's, Scott's and Woodford's brigades, was forced to retreat, and the 9th Virginia Regiment was surrounded and captured almost to a man. It then ceased to exist as a fighting unit." Remaining members were assigned to other units.


Capt. Smith's Delinquents, Augusta Co., VA: (among them were:

"Alexander Sinclair, James Buchanan, George Haydon, John Whitcraft & Jacob Grass, Jun'r Returnd for not appearing at one Gen'l muster 19th August 1778."

"George Haydon, John Whitcraft and Jacob Grass Jun'r adquited" for not appearing at one Private Muster 19th August 1778.

(this record is continued on the next page)
Jacob Grass
Chronological Chart

1778 - 28 Oct - Capt. Smith’s Delinquents, Augusta Co., VA: (cont’d)

(Augusta Co., VA Court Martial Records, 1756-1789.
read from a microfilm of the original records on library
loan from the VA State Archives, Richmond, VA - this
reference will henceforth be referred to as Aug. Co., VA
Ct. Martials)

1779 - List of Debts owed to the estate of Roger North from 29 Aug 1777
to 2 Sep 1779 included:

Jacob Grass, Jun’r with Wm. Bowyer as his “security”
owed £187.0.13.0.

(Augusta Co., VA Will Bk. 6, p.334-344)

1780 - 29 Mar - Capt. Thos. Smith’s delinquents returned: (among them were:

“John Bosang, Edward Burk, Jacob Grass, David
Grainer, William Burk, Anthony Mustoe and others
were acquitted for not appearing at a private muster on
27 Nov 1779.”

Jacob Grass was fined for not appearing at a General
Muster on 25 Dec 1779.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Martials, p. 170)

1782 - Augusta Co., VA Land Tax List

Negative for this Jacob Grass

(Augusta Co., VA Land Taxes, Virginia State Archives,
Richmond, VA - this will henceforth be shown as VSA)

NOTE: From 1783-1786, these taxes only show changes
in land ownership without providing a complete list of those
who owned land. There are no deeds in the Augusta Co., VA
records showing that Jacob Grass, Jr. ever owned any land.

1782 - 10 Apr - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

Capt Buchanan & Capt Long’s Militia List (taken by Smyth
Tandy):

Jacob Grafs, Junr. 1 white male 21+; 2 horses, colts,
mules & mares*, 5 cattle

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VSA)

* This category will henceforth be shown as “horses, etc.”.

(the NOTE for the above record will appear on the next page)
1782 - (continued)

- 10 Apr - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists (continued)

Capt Buchanan & Capt Long's Militia List (taken by Smyth Tandy): (cont'd)

NOTE: This is a different list from the one in which Jacob Grass appeared. Also in this 1782 list were the names of Handley, McPheeters and Scott. See item under date of 18 March 1783.

- 9 Oct - Capt. Buchanan's delinquents: (among them was)

  Jacob Grass fined for not attending a private muster held 28 Sep 1782.

  (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Martins, p. 236)

- 22 Nov - William Gilham agst. Jacob Grass - "In Debt"

  Defendant didn't come to ct. so a habeas corpus was issued for Grass to appear at the next ct. If not, he loses the case.

  (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 17, p. 456)

1783 - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

Thos Hughes' List:

  J. Grafs - 1 white male 21+, 5 horses etc., 4 cattle.

  (Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA State Archives)

NOTE: J. Grafs, P. Grafs and F. Grafs were also in Thos. Hughes' tax list this year. The determination of which J. Grafs was which was made by comparisons of the items after their names in the 1782-1784 Personal Property Tax Lists. The f was used in olden times to denote a double "s".

- Insolvents and Delinquents, 1783.

  "Jacob Grass, dead"

  (Chalkley, Vol. II, p. 424)

NOTE: This entry shows that one of the Jacob Grass men in the previous list did not pay his tax for 1783 because he had died that year. The above entry has to be for Jacob Grass, Junr. Jacob Grass, Sr. died in 1789 leaving a will. However, it is rather odd that the estate of Jacob Grass was not entered into probate until 1785. Could this be yet another Jacob Grass????
1783 - (continued)

- 18 Mar - Benjamin Bennet of Rockbridge Co., Va., son and heir-at-law of Richard Bennet deceased to James Campbell of Augusta Co.- for £73.8 "money of Virginia" - 55 acres in Augusta Co. "in Beverly Manor on the waters of Christian Creek being the plantation where Jacob Grass Lived on". Borders the lands of "Alexander Mupheeters, Jno. Handley and Archebald Scott". Recorded the same day.

(Augusta Co., VA Deed Bk. 24, p. 12-14)

NOTE: Jacob Grass was living in Staunton and operating an "ordinary" (tavern) by 1779. His son, Peter, was taxed on Jacob, Sr.'s Christian Creek lands in 1782. Although there were no deeds to Jacob Grass and his name did not appear on the 1782 Land Tax Lists, perhaps he leased this 55 acres of land from Benjamin Bennet. The Personal Property Tax List for 1782 shows that all of the persons mentioned with land bordering on Richard Bennet's land were listed in the same tax list as Jacob Grass, Junr...also called Jacob Grass here.

- 20 Mar - Peter Kane(?) against Jacob Grass, Junr - Trespass, Assault & Battery.

Case discontinued agreed.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 18, p. 35)

- 26 Mar - Capt. Buchanan's Delinquents returned: (among them was)

Jacob Grass fined for not appearing at a private muster held 26 Oct 1782.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Martialis, p. 245)

- 22 May - John McGimsey against Jacob Grass' executors - In Debt.

Defendants didn't come to court, so plaintiff won unless the defendants do come to the next court to plead their case.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 18, p. 65)

NOTE: From 22 November 1782 through 19 August 1785, there are a number of cases in the Court Order books which are not designated "Jacob Grass, Sr." or "Jacob Grass, Jr.". Some of them can be sorted out as to which Jacob they involved, but others are questionable as to which man they refer. For this reason, the questionable ones not be included here. They will be abstracted separately.
723 - (continued)

- (same)  William Gilham agst. Jacob Grass - "In Debt"

Parties consent and suit is abated.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 18, p. 67)

" - 20 Aug - Petition of John Jackson against Jacob Grass and William Allen.

Defendants didn't come to Court, so plaintiffs won £3.2, but case to be settled for £1.11.16 plus court costs. (See also Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 140—19 July 1785)

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 18, p. 114)

NOTE: It was customary in such cases for the Court to award the original amount of a judgement, but to settle for the unpaid amount. A "Petition" was usually an appeal to the court for payment of a previous judgement that had not been honored.

- (same) - Amounts owed and paid to the estate of Roger North, deceased from 2 Nov 1776 to Mar 1777 - reported by Catharina North, administratrix: (included)

:"Jacob Grass per Acct. proved & Receipt - £0.10.0"

:"By Cash of Jacob Grass - Book Debt - £1.4.0"

(Augusta Co., VA Will Bk. 6, p. 344-349)

NOTE: The above record could belong to Jacob Grass¹ rather than to this Jacob Grass².

1784 - - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

Negative for this Jacob Grass (Jun'r).

" - 19 Aug - Caspar Snider against Jacob Grass and Handley (no first name given for Handley).

The defendant prays "oyer" (meaning he wants a hearing). It is granted and Grass' suit is abated.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 18, p. 274)
1785 - 15 Feb - "It is proved that James Elliot is nearest heir to Archibald Elliott, a soldier in Capt. Hays's Company, who was killed in the action at Germantown."

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 18, p. 347)

NOTE: The above was copied because a Jacob Grass was also a soldier in Capt. John Hay's Company of the 9th VA Regt., Col. Geo. Matthews' being the underofficer of Hays's Co.. I think that this was Jacob Grass, Jr..

" - 20 May - Gasper Snider against Jacob Grass & John Handley - In Debt.

Defendants didn't come to court, so the plaintiff was awarded £607 and costs, but the case was settled for "£15 in gold or silver" plus interest on this from 20 August 1784 and costs.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 96--also see Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 129)

NOTE: I feel that this is Jacob Grass because of the case in the Court of 23 March 1786 and later. Perhaps Handley had acted as security for Grass. See Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 333. Also see the next record which lists John Handley, Sen'r and William Handley as two of the persons ordered to inventory the estate of Jacob Grass.

" - 21 Jun - "Administrator's Bonds"

"Upon the Motion of Elizabeth Grass Administration is granted her of the Estate of Jacob Grass deceased..she having made oath and together with Peter Grass and George Hutson her securities entered into and acknowledged their Bond in five hundred pounds for the due Administration of the said Estate. Ordered that Patrick Buchanan, William Allen, John Handley, Sen'r and William Handley, or any three of them being first Sworn for that purpose appraise in Current money the Slaves & personal estate of the said decedent and make return thereof to the next Court according to Law."

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 137)

NOTE: This is Elizabeth Hawk, dau. of Henry Hawk, who had md. Jacob Grass (Jr.). The Peter Grass who acted as one of the securities for Elizabeth Grass was Peter Grass, son of Jacob Grass and brother of the deceased. I believe that this Jacob Grass died in 1783 and that his estate was not entered into probate until this year.
1785 - (continued)

- 19 Jul - Elizabeth Grass, administratrix of Jacob Grass, deceased brings a case for payment of £20 against William Allen. (See Ct. Order Bk. 18, p. 114--20 August 1783)

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 140)

- 16 Aug - Inventory and appraisement of the estate of Jacob Grass, deceased returned and recorded. Made by John Handley, Patrick Buchanan and Wm. Handley on 20 June 1785. Total: £70.12.4. Some of the things included in it were:

one flacked cow and calf, one red heifer
7 pewter plates, 3 pewter dishes, 1 pint decanter,
a pan & oven, iron tea kettle, pot hooks, a candlestick, coffee mill, smoothing iron, a bucket, a pail,
a table & spinning wheel, a big wheel, a chest,
a parcel of old iron, house(?) britch(?) bands,
grindstone, a hoe, mattock, ax, two rings, hammer
and chisel, an old bridle ax & saw, two smooth
guns, cutting knife, two feather beds & furniture & bedsteads, a bed & furniture, three costs, three jackets, two pair Drawers & stock(ings), a whetstone & two hogs, a Looking Glass and Lamp
seven sheep, one Brown Horse, one Bay Horse,
one Black Mare, one Cow, one Steer, Chains,
one saddle, one Iron Pitchfork and one Bay Mare.
(I may have left some out because they were difficult to read.)

The inventory was made on 20 Jun 1785 and returned to court on the date given first here.

(Augusta Co., VA Will Bk. 6, p. 482-3)

- 20 Aug - Elizabeth Grass, administrator of Jacob Grass, deceased against Wm. Allen - In Case.

Continued to the next court by consent of both parties. (See entry dated 19 July 1785)

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 225)
1785 - (continued)

" 5 Oct - Henry Fagus gives bond with Frederick Hawk for his marriage to Elizabeth Grass. Elizabeth's father, Henry Hawk, gave consent. And* Scott and Henry Hawk (Jr.) witnessed this consent.


NOTE: Why would Elizabeth's father have to give his consent to her marriage if she had already been married and was now widowed????

" 6 Oct - Jacob Fogas* and Elizabeth Grass, widow, were married by Archibald Scott of Bethel Presbyterian Church.


* "Jacob Fogas" was obviously an error. Elizabeth Grass married Henry Fogas. See the end of these abstracts for more information about this couple.)

1786 - 23 Mar - Elizabeth Grass admx &c of Jacob Grass, deceased, against Wm. Allen - In Case.

This case was agreed and ordered discontinued.
(Also see entries listed under dates of 19 Jul, 20 Aug 1785)

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 306)

" 6 Oct - John Handley, Jun'r against Elizabeth Grass, administratrix of Jacob Grass, deceased - "In Case".

Defendant was ordered by the court to appear at the next court and give security in the case.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 333)

NOTE: This and the next case involving Handley, Jun'r and Elizabeth Grass are evidently for his acting as "security" with Elizabeth's first husband, Jacob Grass, Jr. in the cases shown here previously involving Caspar/Gasper Snider and Jacob Grass.
1786 - (continued)
“ 22 Aug - John Handley, Jun'r against Elizabeth Grass

This is a continuance of the previous case and is again continued—-to the November Court. See the two previous entries.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 129)

“ 25 Aug - "Elizabeth Grass, administratrix &c of Jacob Grass, deceased, agst. William Allen - "In Case" - agreed and ordered discontinued."

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 306)

1787 - 16 May - John Handley, Jun'r against Elizabeth Grass - In Case.

Jury rules that the defendant must pay £9.3.52 plus court costs because of the intestate's non-performance. See the three previous entries.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 272)

NOTE: “In Case” means that the plaintiff is asking to be paid a previous judgement that has not been honored.

1787 - 17 Jul - “On the motion of Elizabeth Grass adm's &c of Jacob Grass, deceased, it is ordered that Alexander StClair & Robert Gamble Gent. examine and settle her accounts of said Estate & return The same to the Court according to Law.”

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 347)


“The plaintiff's attorney came, but the deff. didn’t appear. Judgement was awarded the plaintiff for £1.19 due by note with legal interest thereon from 15 May 1786 until paid and ct. costs.”

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 368)

NOTE: Elizabeth Fogas, widow of Jacob Grass, Jr., has md. Henry Fogas, the Brunswick soldier who deserted the English Army and stayed in this country.

“ 18 Sep - “An account of the Estate of Jacob Grass deceased being returned by the Gentlemen appointed to examine the same, together with their report thereon is ordered to be recorded.”

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 396)
Jacob Grass
Chronological Chart

Children of JACOB and Elizabeth GRASS

Jacob and Elizabeth (HAWK) GRASS are known to have had one child and I believe that they had two—both sons, but not necessarily in this order. The birthdates are not known, but are estimated here from various records.

1. **John Grass**

   John was b. ca. the mid-1780's in VA, d. 1816 in VA - md. in 1802 (marr. bond dated 26 Jan 1802) in Augusta Co., VA to Elizabeth HAWK, dau. of Henry and Catherine HAWK. **John and Elizabeth Grass** had eight children. His widow md. 2) Henry FOGUS, a Brunswick (German) soldier who fought for the British and was taken prisoner at the second Battle of Saratoga in New York. His unit was taken to Charlottesville (Albemarle Co.), VA and he was "hired out" to a family (possibly the Grass family) to earn his board and keep. Henry and Elizabeth had more children and settled in Albemarle Co., VA. This **John Grass** md Mary Magdalena MESSENCUP, d.o. Jacob, in 1802 in Augusta Co., VA. Their marriage bond was filed there on 26 Jan 1802. (See John's separate chronological chart.)

2. **Jacob Grass** - ????

   I believe that Jacob GRASS and his wife had another son and think that he was the above John's brother. He "may be" the Jacob GRASS who md. Jenny MOORE in Albemarle Co., VA on 4 Mar 1805. My reasoning for "thinking" this a possibility is that the above John GRASS was taxed in Albemarle Co., VA in 1800-1801 and there was no other GRASS family living in that county in those years. The Jacob GRASS that I think is this one was taxed in Albemarle Co., VA in 1804-1805, 1809-1812 and 1814-1820. He was the Jackob GRAFS who was in the 1810 Census of Albemarle Co., VA and his name was right next to the name of John GRASS (also spelled GRAFS). In the 1820 Census of Albemarle Co., VA, he was listed as Jacob GRAST. He also may be the Jacob GRASS who was in Knox Co., IL by 1850 with wife Jane and family. He had entered a patent in Lynn Twp. there in 1843. Mary, one of the daughters of the Knox Co., IL Jacob GRASS, md. George FITCH in Knox Co., IL in 1835, he may have gone to IL with the widow and children of the above John GRASS in about 1833-34. Another daughter of the Knox Co., IL Jacob GRASS md. Tillman KEMPER and they lived in Tazewell Co., IL —where some of the children of John GRASS (#1. above) lived. Other children of the John GRASS (listed as #1. Here) lived in Woodford Co., IL which adjoins Tazewell Co..
Henry Fogas (Heinrich Voges), who married Elizabeth (Hawk) Grass (widow of Jacob Grass), was a so-called “Hessian” soldier (although actually from Brunswick in what is now Germany). He was among those hired by the British to fight for them against the Colonists in this country in the Revolutionary War. His name was spelled Heinrich Voges in the lists of these soldiers and he was said to be age 24 when he was listed in Virginia in 1780.

Heinrich Voges (Henry Fogas) was called as a deserter in the reference given below for this information, but this probably happened after he was taken prisoner at the Battle of Saratoga in New York and transported either to Staunton or Charlottesville, Virginia in January of 1779....which destination has not been determined as yet. At any rate, he ended up in the vicinity of where the Augusta County, Virginia GRASS families lived. Because the colonists could barely support themselves at this time, they boarded the prisoners out to work for their keep.

My romantic disposition spawns the thought that Henry may have been hired as a "farmhand" by a family in Augusta County or even by Jacob Grass himself when Jacob became ill and this “may have been” the way that he met Elizabeth Hawk/Grass who was later widowed and whom he subsequently married in 1785.

Henry Fogas was taxed in Augusta County, Virginia from 1786-1791. He and Elizabeth and family then moved to Albemarle Co., Virginia where he was taxed from 1792-1802 and 1807-1827. From 1803-1806, Henry was taxed in Amherst County, Virginia. He died in Albemarle Co., VA leaving a will in 1827. The 1828 tax list of Albemarle County shows Henry’s "estate".

For further information on this Heinrich Voges/Henry Fogas, see my article “Henry Fogas/Fogas/Voges of Augusta & Albemarle Counties, Virginia” in the Spring, 1999 issue of the genealogy magazine “Central Virginia Heritage”, Vol. 16, No. 2.

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1. "Brunswick Deserter-Immigrants of the American Revolution" by Clifford Neal Smith, p. 45. (This record was consulted at the Lancaster County Historical Society, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.)
The so-called “Brunswickers” fought mainly in Canada and northern New York in the battles of Bennington, first & second Stillwater and Saratoga. After their capture, some of them were sent south to Virginia as prisoners of war.
ADDENDA
(continued)

1785 - 17 Jun - Augusta Co., VA Administrator's Bonds

“17th June, 1785—Elizabeth Grass, administrator of Jacob Grass.”

(Chalkley, Vol. II: 391)

1785 - 5 Oct - Augusta Co., VA Marriage Bonds

“1785—October 5, Henry Fagus and Elizabeth Grass, widow, daughter of Henry Hawk; surety, Fred Hawk.”

(Chalkley, Vol. II: 280)
At this time, no birth or baptismal date has been found to pinpoint the exact date of birth for Peter Grass², son of Jacob Grass¹; but in his Revolutionary War Pension Application dated November, 1833, Peter gives his age as 78. This would put his birthyear as ca. 1755 and I have estimated it as ca. 1754-55.

The following chronological chart includes references to Peter Grass² taken in most instances from the original census, court, deed, marriage, militia probate, land and personal property taxes and various other records read page-by-age by this researcher to pick up any "mentions" of the name although he would not be the principal in the record.....ie. as a witness or landowner next to the parties involved.. The births of his children are not included in the body of this Listing, but are given at the end of it.

The deeds, land and personal property tax records for all of this GRASS family have also been abstracted separately. and includes all of the GRASS names in Augusta Co., VA.

The reference for each of the following records is given in parentheses at the end of each entry. Underlining is used to show unusual spellings in the original record. Material in parentheses in the body of a record and NOTES are added by this researcher to clarify some items.

**ca. 1754-1755** - - - Approximate birthdate of Peter Grass².

*(Estimated from the first time that he appears in the Augusta Co., VA tax lists, see following. Young men became "tithable" at age 21 then.)*

**1777** - - - - - - - - - William Bowyer's List of Capt. Zachariah Johnston's and Capt. Thomas Smith's Companies - Augusta Co., VA: (includes)

Jacob Grass, Sen', Fred & Peter - 3 tithables, 224 acres

*(Augusta Co., VA Tithables, 1777-1778, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA)*

NOTE: These lists of 1777-1778 are the only ones available for this county before the Personal Property Tax Lists begin in 1782. Peter Grass² and his brother Fred(erick) were obviously unmarried at this time and over age 21. The names of Wm. Burk & Son ? and another Wm. Burk were in these lists close to the Grass names and the lists were not in alphabetical order.
Peter Grass enlisted in Staunton, Va. and served in the Revolutionary War as a private in a company of riflemen from Augusta Co., Va. commanded by Capt. Thomas Smith and Lt. Charles Baskins. The company was marched to unite with others in different parts of what is now West Virginia to fight the Indians. They marched from Augusta (Co.) to Fort Union, now Lewisburg, in the county of Greenbrier where they stayed about three weeks and then joined with several companies from the counties of Rockbridge, Augusta, Rockingham and Greenbrier to form one regiment commanded by Colonels Adam Dickinson and George Shillilen and Major Samuel McDowell. From Lewisburg, they marched through the mountains, through wilderness, to Point Pleasant (commanded by Capt. Arbuckle) at the mouth of the Great Kanawha (river) to the Ohio (river) from where they attacked "the Indians and the Sciotos" (latter also Indians). Another part of this army was supposed to march south from Pittsburg (PA) to join them to launch a large attack on the Sciotos, but intelligence thought that this force was too far apart and "cold weather already upon us" so the men were dismissed and (went) back to their homes. Service here was about three months. While at Point Pleasant, Cornstalk's (an Indian chief) sons En ? and Red Hawk who were hostages in the fort were killed by the soldiers who were prompted to this violence by the murder of some of their p ? s across the Kanawha River.

(For reference, see end of entry dated Spring, 1780.)

23 Aug - Wm. Hinton, Martin Groeder and John Groeder charged with "being guilty of a breach or coming under the Act of Assembly made in this State for punishing certain offenses" and ordered to be held until discharged by the Court. Testimony of evidence against them was given by a number of persons, among them was Peter Grass.

("Chronicles of the Scotch-Irish Settlement in Virginia" by Lyman Chalkley, three volumes, publ. 1912. Vol. I, p. 510 - see also April, 1790) This book will henceforth be referred to as "Chalkley" in these abstracts.

1778 - Spring - Peter Grass was again drafted from Augusta Co. into a company of riflemen commanded by Wm. Anderson and marched to the fort at Clover Licks, the Indians being troublesome and having attacked some of the forts in Greenbrier. Service again was three months.

(For reference, see end of entry dated Spring, 1780.)
1778 - (continued)

- 28 Oct - Capt. Smith's Delinquents: (Ct. held 28 Oct 1778)

"George Potts, John Griffen, Alexander Sinclair, James Buchanan, Peter Grass & Thomas Hughes Return'd for not appearing at one Gen'muster 20 Octo'r 1778."

(Augusta Co., VA County Court Martials, 1756-1789, p. 111 - read from a microfilm of the original records from the Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA)

- (same) - Ct. held 28 Oct 1778

"Peter Grass and Thomas Hughes Acquited for not appearing at one Gen'muster 20th Octo'r 1778"

(same reference as previous entry, p. 112)

1779 - April - Indians were annoying the northwestern part of Virginia and Peter Grass was again drafted into a company in Augusta Co. commanded by Capt. Wm. Kincaid and was marched to the West Fork of Monongehela (river) where he and his company were on duty for upwards of three months. After his return from the above duty, the alarm was given that the British were planning an attack on Richmond and other James River towns. Peter Grass was again drafted into a company commanded by his former Captain Thomas Smith and marched to Richmond where he remained about 1½ months. The alarm having passed, he and his company were discharged at Richmond and came home.

(For reference, see end of entry of Spring, 1780.)

1780 - Spring - Peter Grass was appointed by Col. Mathews of Augusta Co. to guard the magazine in Staunton in said county which Mathews said was equal to an active tour of duty. He served in this capacity for three months and then was sent by Col. Mathews as one of the guards to transport powder from the magazine at Staunton to Point of Forks on the James River below where the present town of Lynchburg is situated. This was his last service.

(Dept. of the Interior, Bureau of Pensions, Washington, D.C., #5-8599)

NOTE: Above taken from his service affidavit used to determine his eligibility for a pension.)
1780 - 26 Oct - Capt. Thomas Smith’s Delinquents returned. Among them was: (this is not the complete list)

Peter Grass, Anthony Mustoe & others were acquitted for not attending a private muster on 13 May 1780.

(Augusta Co., VA Court Martial, 1756-1789, p. 192 - abstracted from a microfilm of the original records on loan from the Virginia State Archives in Richmond, VA)

“ - 19 Dec - Peter Grass was one of the persons ordered by the court to work on the road from Staunton to Christian's Creek.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 17, p. 322)

1782 - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

List of Tho' Hughes - Southern District

Petre Grafs (himself & brother)
2 w.m. 21+, 6 horses, colts, mules & mares, 8 cattle

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives in Richmond, VA)

NOTE: Peter’s father Jacob Grafs and brother, Jacob Grafs, Jun’ also appeared in the Lists this year - see their charts for their information. The “brother” living with Peter was Frederick.

“ - - - - - Augusta Co., Va. Land Tax Lists - the names were listed alphabetically for the whole county - not separated by name of list taker: (among them was)

Peter Grass - 50 acres
225 acres

(Augusta Co., VA Land Taxes, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA)

NOTE: 174½ acres of the 225 acres is the land previously owned by Peter’s father, Jacob Grass. This land was evidently farmed by Peter after his father married the widow of David Bosang and moved to Staunton. There is no deed from Jacob Grass to Peter Grass for this land, but the will of Jacob Grass explains how Peter obtained this 174½ acres.

The other 50 acres of land is unaccounted for in the deed or patent records. Perhaps this land was obtained by Peter Grass through probate, possibly through his wife. Another explanation might be that Peter was in the process of purchasing this 50 acres.

(this record is continued on the next page)
1782 - (continued)

"  - (not given) -  Augusta Co., Va. Land Tax Lists - (continued)

NOTE: (cont'd)

The lists of the Land Taxes between 1783-1787 only show transfers of ownership, called "Alterations" and "Alienations," without naming the other landowners. Peter Grass' name does not show up in these Land Tax Lists.

"  - 15 Mar -  Return of delinquents of Capt. Thos. Smith's Company:

For not appearing at a private muster on 29 Dec 1781: among them was):

Edward Burk - "acq't" (acquitted)
   Peter Grass - "find" (fined)

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Martials, 1756-1789, p. 234)

"  - 20 Mar -  Augusta Co., VA Court Records

"Ann Burk, widow of William Burk, deceased, intestate, certifies she will not administer—granted to William Burk."

(Chalkley, Vol. I: 224)

"  - 24 May -  "William Burk's death abates suit."

(Chalkley: I, p. 235)

NOTE: The above is included because it shows that the administrator of William Burk (Sr.)'s estate is now dead.

Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax List

Capt. Robt. Buchanan & Thos. Smith's Militia List:

Peter Grafs - 1 white male 21+, 5 horses etc., 10 cattle negro Ben, under 16

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA - see the other Grass Listings for their data.)

"  - 20 Mar -  Augusta Co., VA Land Taxes

Negative for Peter Grass.

(Augusta Co., VA Land Tax Lists, VA State Archives, Richmond, VA)

- 20 Mar -  Peter Grass agst. George Clendenin - In Debt.

"Suit discontinued by agreement".

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 18, p. 28)
1783 (continued)

" - 26 Mar - Capt. Thos. Smith's Delinquents returned:

Persons fined for not appearing at a private muster on 30 Nov 1782: (among them was)

Edward Burk - fined
Peter Grass - fined
William Burk - fined


" - 22 May - Petition of David Byers against Peter Grass.

Defendant didn't come to court to enter his plea so the plaintiff was awarded £4 and court costs.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 18, p. 70)

" - 20 Nov - Owen Owens against Peter Grass - "On Petition".

Defendant didn't come to court to make his plea, so the plaintiff was awarded £3 and costs.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 18, p. 157)

1784 - - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax List

Capt. Thos. Smith's Militia List:

Peter Grass - 1 white male 21+, 4 horses etc., 6 cattle

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives Richmond, VA - see the other Grass Listings for their data.)

" - - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Land Tax List

Negative for Peter Grass. Only "Land Alterations" (changes in ownership of land) were in the List this year.

(Augusta Co., VA Land Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA)

" - 25 Mar - Capt. Thos. Smith's Delinquents returned:

Persons fined for not appear at a private muster on 29 Nov 1783: (among them was)

William Burk - acquitted
Peter Grass - fined

(Augusta Co., VA Court Martial, 1756-1789, p. 259)
1784 - (continued)

- 19 Aug - Peter Grass, "assignee" against Wm. Eastham - Case of debt. Defendant didn't appear. Case continued to the next court.
  (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 18, p. 275)
  (NOTE: "assignee" means that this debt was signed over to Peter Grass. See entry under 21 September, 1784)

- 25 Aug - Petition of Peter Grass against James Coulter for £10 by note assigned from 20 Jan 1783 and costs was granted by the court.
  (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 18, p. 306)

- 21 Sep - Peter Grass, assignee of Mary Tees, against Wm. Eastham. Jacob Peck comes to court and gives security for Eastham that he will come to court and plead his case.
  (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 18, p. 312)

1785

Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax List
Capt. Perry's Company taken by Alex' St. Clair:
  Peter Grafs - 1 white male 21+, 3 horses etc., 9 cattle
  (Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA - see the Jacob Grass, Sr. Listing for his data.)

Augusta Co., VA Land Tax List
Negative for Peter Grass but only "Land Alterations" (changes in ownership of land) were in the List this year.
  (Augusta Co., VA Land Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA)

- 18 Jan - Lewis Spearman, about 14 years of age, is bound out by the Overseers of the Poor to Peter Grass.
  (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 18, p. 347)

- 16 Mar - Jacob Syler against Peter and Frederick Grass - "In Debt". Robert Russell acts as security for the defendants that they will come to court and answer the charge.
  (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 2)
Peter Grass's Chronological Chart

1785 - (continued)

- 19 May - Peter Grass, assignee of Mary Tease against Wm. Eastham - In Debt. Plaintiff came with his attorney Michael Bowyer. Plaintiff awarded 152 bushels of rye or the value thereof and his costs, but this judgement except the costs to be discharged at the payment of 76 bushels of rye with lawful interest from 1 Oct 1782.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 60)

- (same) - Peter Grass, assignee &c against James Welch - In Case. John Welch gave security for the defendant. Case continued to the next court.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 61)

- 20 May - Jacob Seiler against Peter Grass and Frederick Grass - In Debt. Defendants didn't come to court so plaintiff awarded £30 and costs, but the case was settled for £15 "in gold or silver" and interest from 20 August 1784 plus costs.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 94)

- 16 Dec - William Burk's will

Bequests to:
  brother - Edward Burk, home place
  mother - Ann Burk
  brother - Joseph Burk
  sister - Elizabeth Bosang
  half-sister - Mary Grass

Executors - Brothers Edward and John Bosang

Teste (wits.): Elijah McClenchan, Stophe! Olinger.

Proved, 18 July 1786, by witnesses.

Edward Burk and Jno. Bosang qualify.

(Chalkley, Vol. III, p. 175 and Augusta Co., VA Will Bk. 6, p. 525)

NOTE: Mary Grass of the preceding record may have been the wife of Peter Grass or she may have been the wife of Peter's brother, Frederick Grass. Edward Burk, mentioned in the above will died in 1815 and he left bequests to the three sons of Frederick Grass, but nothing to the family of Peter Grass who had left the area some years before that. The name of Peter's wife was Mary, but Frederick's wife's name is said to have been Betsy? Did both Peter and Frederick marry BURK girls? The controversy remains!
Peter Grass
Chronological Chart
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1786  ------------ Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax List

Capt. Perry's Company taken by Rob' Gamble:

Peter Grass - 2 white males 21+, 2 white males 16+, 4 horses etc., 18 cattle

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA)

NOTE: The two males over 21 are probably Peter and his father, Jacob, Sr. Jacob had turned the Bosang tavern & inn over to John Bosang, so was probably living with Peter this year as he was not shown in his own household. None of Peter's sons were old enough to be taxed. Furthermore, Peter's brother Jacob, Jr. was deceased and was not on these lists and Frederick was shown in his own household.

"  ------------ Augusta Co., VA Land Tax List

Negative for Peter Grass but only "Land Alterations" (changes in ownership of land) were in the List this year.

(Augusta Co., VA Land Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA)

"  - 23 Mar - Peter Grass against James Welch - In Case.

The defendant didn't come to court. He was ordered to come to court and produce a security for himself in case he does not appear at the next court.


"  - (same) - Wm. Blair against Jacob Cale - In Case.

Nicholas Spring and Peter Grass give security for Cale.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 331)

"  - (same) - James Crawford against James Coursey and Peter Grass - In Debt.

Defendant prayed "Oyer" and it was granted.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 332)

"  - 16 May - Robt. Beverley against Jacob Cale & Peter Cale - In Debt.

Nicholas Spring and Peter Grass act as securities for the defendant to come to the next court and answer the charge or they will do it for him.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 3)
1786 - (continued)

" - 20 May - Peter Grass against James Welch - In Case.

Just listed. This case is continued to the next court. Doesn't say what about.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 59)

" - 18 Jul - “William Burk's estate allowed for wagon hire.”

(Chalkley: I, 246)

" - 18 Aug - Peter Grass against James Welch - In Case.

This case is continued again to the next court.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 110)

" - 19 Aug - Petition of Thomas Thompson against Peter Grass.

Plaintiff won judgement for £3.9.9 with interest from 24 Jan 1786 and costs.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 123)

" - 22 Aug - James Crawford against James Coursey and Peter Grass -

In Debt. Plaintiff won judgement of £14.2 and costs, but this is to be discharged at the payment of £7.1 with interest from 28 Aug 1783 and costs.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, 151)

" - (same) - James Crawford against James Coursey and Peter Grass.

In Debt. Plaintiff won £7.10, but it was discharged for £3.15 with interest from 27 Aug 1783 plus costs. This is a different case from the one above.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 151)

1787 - (not given) - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax List

James Ramsay’s District:

Peter Grads (April 2) - 1 white males 21+, 5 horses etc., 14 cattle

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives in Richmond, VA - see the other Grass Listings for their data.)
Peter Grass
Chronological Chart

1787 - (continued)

- (not given) - Land Tax Lists - List of James Bell

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(Augusta Co., VA Land Tax Lists, VSA, Richmond, Va.)

- 16 Jan - Jacob Duford (Dewford?) against David Cale, Nicholas Spring and Peter Grass - "On a replevin bond taken on a writ of Scire facias against the defendant David Cale".

The defendant didn't come to court so the plaintiff won a judgement for £40.16.3, but this is to be discharged with the payment of £20.8.3 plus interest from 3 July 1786 and costs.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 193)

NOTE: It was customary for the court to award the winner of the case the original total of the amount and then settle for the amount of the Judgement which was unpaid at the time of the case.

- 17 May - Peter Grass against James Welch - In Case.

Case continued to a future court. No more information.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 280)

- 22 May - Peter Grass, assignee of Mary Teas, against Wm. Eastham - In Debt.

Damages of £11.10.9 plus costs were awarded to the plaintiff.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 329)

- 17 Jul - Will of David Cale presented and ordered recorded.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Book 20, p. 343)

NOTE: This item was included here to show that Cale had died—see the entry under 16 January 1787.

- 30 Jul - Peter Grass against Thomas Griffy - In Case.

John Adndal(?) & Isaac White give security for the defendant. Case continued to the next court.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 351)
1787 - (continued)


Plaintiff awarded £4 with interest and costs.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 369)

" - (same) - Henry Millar against Peter Grass - On Petition.

Plaintiff awarded £4.11.6 from 16 August 1786 plus interest and court costs.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 370)

" - 25 Aug - Peter Grass on a jury.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 392)

" - (same) - Peter Grass against James Welch & John Elliott - In Case.

Plaintiff awarded damages of "1 penny" besides his costs.

(Doesn't say what about.) James Hill is ordered to be paid 25# tobacco as a witness for Grass. John Elliott gave security for the defendant.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 393)

1788 - (not given) - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax List

Joseph Bell's List:

Peter Grafs (March 26) - 1 white males 21+, 4 horses etc.

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA)

" - (not given) - Augusta Co., VA Land Tax Lists - List of Joseph Bell

Peter Grass - 50 acres

225 acres

(Augusta Co., VA Land Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA)

" - 19 Feb - Anthony Mustoe, assignee of Peter Grass, against Thomas Thompson - In Debt.

Injunction granted to stay all further proceedings on a judgement obtained in this suit. Case continued to the March Court. Arch'd Stuart was the attorney for the defendant.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 456)
Peter Grass
Chronological Chart
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1788 - (continued)

" - 19 Mar - Peter Grass against Christopher Olinger - case continued to the May Court next.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 464)

" - (same) - Hugh McDowell against Peter Grass - On Petition.

Plaintiff awarded £1.10.5 with interest from 17 May 1787 and costs.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 465)

" - (same) - Thomas Thompson against Peter Grass - On Petition.

Neither party appeared at court, so the case was dismissed.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 466)

" - (same) - Case of "Writ of Scire Facias" entered by Peter Grass against Jacob Peck.

The previous judgement was set aside. Case now referred to the next court.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 474)

NOTE: This involves the case dated 21 Sept 1784 whereby Peck gave security for Wm. Eastham. See also 21 May 1789 entry.

" - 20 Aug - Henry Miller against Peter Grass, John Bosang and James Culbertson - "Upon a Replevy bond taken on a writ of Scire facias issued out of our said Court by the plaintiff against the Estate of the Defendant Grass".

Plaintiff won a judgement for £12.3.6, but settled for £6.1.9 with interest from 14 November 1787 and costs.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 573)

NOTE: "Estate" does not necessarily mean that the person is deceased. It can mean "property". In this case, Peter Grass was still alive, so it means the latter.

" - 21 Nov - Peter Grass against Thomas Griffy - In Case.

Jury says that the defendant "did assume upon himself in manner and form as the plaintiff against him hath complained" so the plaintiff was awarded damages by nonperformance of £8.8 and costs.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 642)
**1788 - 21 Nov** - Peter Grass was ordered by the court to pay Mary Teas 125# tobacco for appearing in court five days as a witness for him in his case against Thomas Griffy.

*(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 643)*

**1788 - 16 Dec** - Peter Grass and wife Mary to Michael Syfords, all of Augusta County - for £15.5 - 22 acres, part of the plantation where Peter Grass lives. No names of neighbors given in the description of the property. No witnesses. Peter signed by mark (B) and Mary also signed by mark (X). This deed was acknowledged in court and recorded on the same day.

*(Augusta Co., VA Deed Bk. 26, p. 267-268)*

NOTE: This 22 acres of land was part of the 174½ acres previously owned by Peter's father, Jacob Grass - now leaving 152½ acres of old Jacob's land which Peter and Mary deed away on 15 Sept 1789 - see that entry.

Evidently this 174½ acres lay adjacent to an additional 51 acres on which Peter was taxed making the parcel of 225 acres on which he was taxed in 1782, 1787 and 1788.

**1789 - (same)** - Peter Grass and his wife, Mary, acknowledge their deed to Michael Syford and Mary was examined separately from her husband to relinquish her dower rights in the land.

*(Augusta Co., Va. Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 661)*

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**Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax List**

List of Joseph Bell:

Peter Grafs (March 24) - 1 white males 21+, 4 horses etc.

*(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA)*

**Augusta Co., VA Land Tax List**

List of Joseph Bell

Peter Grass - 50 acres

203 acres

*(Augusta Co., VA Land Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, Va.)*

NOTE: The 203 acres above reflect the change in acreage of the 225 acres on which Peter was taxed in 1788 - taking into consideration the sale of the 22 acres shown in the 16 Dec 1788 entry.*)
Peter Grass
Chronological Chart
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1789 - (continued)

- 21 Jan -  James Coursey's case against Peter Grass.
  On Petition. Case referred to the next court.
  (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 676)

" - 18 Mar -  "The several petns (petitions) of James Coursey against Peter Grass."
  No more given about this case than this. Probably means that the case was presented and continued to a future court.
  (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 21, p. 9)

" - 21 Mar -  Thomas Thompson against Anthony Mustoe & Peter Grass
  - On an Injunction in Chancery.
  "Ordered that the condition Scire obtained....against the
  defendants be set aside & this suit is sent back to the rules
  to be farther procuded in."
  (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 21, p. 7, but between pages 9-26.)

" - (same) -  Peter Grass, assignee of Mary Teas, against Jacob Peck
  "On a writ of scire Facias on a recognizance of special bail
  entered into by the defendant for Wm. Eastham at the suit of
  the plaintiff." Plaintiff was awarded "two pounds 6/7½" and
  costs.
  (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 21, p. 37)

" - 22 Apr -  "On a motion of Elizabeth Linden orphan of Joseph Linden
deerd, who was bound by her father to Peter Grass & setting
forth that she is ill treated by the said Grass, It is therefore
ordered that she be discharged from the service of the said
Grass and that she be bound by the overseers of the Poor
according to Law."
  (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 21, p. 52)

" - (same) -  "The several petitions of James Coursey against Peter Grass"
  "not being executed, new process are awarded returnable
  here at June Court next".
  (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 21, p. 61)
1789 - (continued)

" - 16 Jun - "The several Petitions of James Coursey against Peter Grass"
   This case is just listed. Nothing more given on this—the case
   was evidently continued to the next court.

   (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 21, p. 96)

" - 21 Jul - "The Several Petns* of Coursey against Grass"
   No first names were given—see p. 96) - "new process are
   awarded".

   (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 21, p. 101)

* "Petns" and "ptn" in the next entry means "Petitions".

" - 18 Aug - "Upon the ptn of James Coursey against Peter Grass this day
   came the plaintiff by his attorney", but the defendant didn't
   come to court. The court awarded the plaintiff the sum of £3
   2/2 due by note with legal interest thereon from 11 Sept 1738
   until paid, plus the costs.

   (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 21, p. 108)

" - 15 Sep - Peter Grass and wife Mary to Henry Moury (Mowry), all of
   Augusta County - for £200 - 152½ acres of land in "Beverley
   Manner" on the waters of Christian's Creek bordering the
   land of Michael Syford and "the Patent line". Witnessed by
   Frederick Grass (by mk. "X"), Henry Swink and Walter Dunn.
   Proved in court on the same day.

   (Augusta Co., VA Deed Bk. 26, p. 366-368)

   NOTE: This land and the 22 acres sold in 1788 to Michael
   Syfords complete the sale of the land originally owned by
   Peter's father, Jacob Grass. Peter was taxed in Augusta Co.
   for the last time this year.

" - (same) - "Delivered: Joseph Burkley, order of Peter Grass, 1st October
   1789."

   (Chalkley, Vol. III, p. 588 - reference for this was Deed Bk. 26,
   p. 366)

1790 - - - - - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax List
   Negative for Peter Grass.

   (Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State
   Archives in Richmond, VA)
1790 - (continued)

Augusta Co., VA Land Tax Lists - Joseph Bell's List:

Peter Grass - 50 acres
51 acres

(Augusta Co., VA Land Taxes, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA)

NOTE: There are no deeds whereby Peter Grass purchased either of these tracts of land nor had he been taxed on this land before this date. Since he and his wife sold their known land in Augusta County in 1788 and 1789, these two tracts of land come as a surprise. Could they be some of the land that his father, Jacob Grass, Sr. had owned or possibly leased? Furthermore, there are no deeds whereby Peter sold them. Despite the fact that he didn't live in this county after 1789, he continues to appear in the land tax lists of Augusta County with these two tracts of land as late as 1818 with the notation "not known where he lives".

April - "District Court Judgments." - Augusta Co., VA

The court orders the sheriff to take Wm. Hinton, Martin Groeder and John Groeder into custody "of being guilty of a breach or coming under the Act of Assembly made in this State for punishing certain offenses and after learning sundry evidences" from a number of persons who gave information thereto under oath. Among those who gave information was Peter Grass. This actual document was dated 23 August 1777. (See also August, 1777)

(Chalkley, Vol. I, p. 510)

1791 - - - - - - Peter Grass first taxed in Greenbrier Co., VA

1792 - - - - - - Greenbrier Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

Peter Grass - 1 tithable, 3 horses

(This item was contributed by Janet VanDoren of Lodi, Ohio)

1792 - 16 May - Thomas Thompson against Anthony Mustoe and Peter Grass - "In Chancery".

The Court "ordered and decreed that the money returned of the Complainant by the defendant Mustoe be repended with interest and costs of this suit as well as in the former suits repended....".

(this record is continued on the next page)
1792 - 16 May - Thompson against Mustoe and Peter Grass - (cont'd)
(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 22, p. 118)

NOTE: Peter Grass was evidently the "security" for Anthony Mustoe in this case and the case dealt with a probate record since it was "In Chancery".

1794 - 8 Jan - Peter Grass purchases items from the estate of Sam'l Brown.
(Greenbrier Co., VA Will Bk. 1773-1833, p. 97)

NOTE: The above item was contributed by Janet VanDoren of Lodi, Ohio.

“ - 17 Sep - Greenbrier Co., VA

Henry Magnet & wf. Sarah (McGart, Magret, Maguet, McGirt spellings also used) to Peter Grass (places of residence not given for either party)

For £30 - 110 acres in Greenbrier Co. adjoining the lands of Samuel Williams and John Boon on the waters of Second Creek and Howard's Creek.

Deed Made: 17 Sep 1794 Recorded: Sep Ct 1794
(Greenbrier Co., VA Deed Bk. 1, p. 430)

1795 - 30 Oct - Greenbrier Co., VA

Peter Grass & wf. Mary to Thomas Creigh, both parties of Greenbrier Co., VA

For £40 - 110 acres "adjoining the lands of Samuel Williams & John Boon on the Waters of Second Creek and Howards Creek". Further description is given with but no other names of neighbors are given.

Deed Made: 30 Oct 1795 Recorded: Oct Ct 1795
(Greenbrier Co., VA Deed Bk. 1, p. 513)

1796 - Greenbrier Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

Peter Grass - 1 tithable, 2 horses, 1 book
(The above item was contributed by Janet VanDoren of Lodi, Ohio)
1797 Feb - Greenbrier Co., VA - Early Court Records


(Greenbrier County West Virginia Records, Vol. I: 221. Transcribed by Larry Shuck, 1988)

NOTE: There was nothing more about this case in this record.

1799 Greenbrier Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

Peter Grass - 1 tithable, 1 horse

(The above item was contributed by Janet Van Doren of Lodi, Ohio)

1800 Personal Property Tax List of Greenbrier Co., VA:

Peter Grass - 2 white males over 21

("The Virginia Genealogist", Vol. 25, #4, October-December issue, 1981, p. 252)

NOTE: This is the last year that Peter Grass appears in the Greenbrier Co., VA tax lists. From 1791 through 1799, he has only one white tithe in his household. This is the first year that he has two white tithes. One has to be one of his sons, Jacob, who was the only one old enough to be taxed this year...giving Jacob a birthdate of ca. 1778-1779.

1801 Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA:

List of James Vance:

Peter Grass (16 Apr) 2 white male tithes, 1 horse

(Bath County, Virginia Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives in Richmond, VA)

NOTE: Peter did not move. The area where he lived was taken from Greenbrier County and put into Bath County, Virginia. He appears in these lists at least through 1821 and possibly after that. I have read the tax records for Bath Co., VA for the GRASS name only through 1821 and Peter was there. I did not read them for 1822 onward. There were other GRASS families in this county all years also. This has to be Peter's son Jacob who was the only one old enough to be taxed this year.

- 30 Jan - Peter Grass purchased items from the estate of John Rodgers.

(Greenbrier Co., VA Will Bk. 1773-1833, p. 158)

(The above item was contributed by Janet Van Doren of Lodi, OH)
1802  

Augusta Co., VA Land Tax List

**Peter Grass** - 50 acres in the 2nd District
51 acres in the 2nd District

*(Augusta Co., VA Land Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA)*

NOTE: Peter continued to be taxed on this land although he is not living here.

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Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA

**Peter Grass** (29 Apr) 2 white male tithes, 2 horses

*(Bath County, Virginia Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives in Richmond, VA)*

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Mar 24 - Bath County, VA

Jacob Grass posts a marriage bond with his security William Taylor for his marriage to Deborah Hawkins. Deborah consents for herself. The witness was William Taylor.

*(Bath County Marriage Bonds and Minister’s Returns 1791-1853” by Constance Corley Metheny & Eliza Warwick Wise: 29. Published by the Bath Co., VA Historical Society, Warm Springs, VA.)*

NOTE: This has to be Peter’s son Jacob, Jr.

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Mar 29 - Bath County Marriages

Jacob Grass and Deborah Hawkins were md. by Jeremiah Burns.

*(Same reference and page as the previous entry.)*

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Jun - Inventory of William McClintick submitted to the Bath Co., VA Court by Alexander McClintic and William Morris, executors - included “money, bonds and accounts” owed by various persons, including Peter Grass.

*(“Abstracts of the Wills and Inventories of Bath County, Virginia 1791-1842”, abstracted by Jean Randolph Bruns. Publ. by Clearfield Company: 28.)*

1803  

Augusta Co., VA Land Tax

**Peter Grass** - 50 acres in the 2nd District
51 acres in the 2nd District

*(Augusta Co., VA Land Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA)*

(the NOTE for the above record is on the next page)
NOTE: Peter continued to be taxed on this land although he is not living here. Perhaps he was leasing this land to be purchased by someone.

1803 Augusta Co., VA Land Tax - (continued)

NOTE: Peter continued to be taxed on this land although he is not living here. Perhaps he was leasing this land to be purchased by someone.

1804 Augusta Co., VA Land Tax

NOTE: Peter continues to be taxed on this land although he is not living here. He is not taxed on the 51 acres this year, but there is no deed accounting for the sale of this land.

1805 Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA:

Note: The above three names were next to each other in this list. Jacob Grafs, Jr. is Peter’s son. Jacob Grafs must be Peter’s nephew — the son of his brother Jacob Grass, Jr.
1805 - - - - - - - - - - Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA - (continued)

List of Thomas Mayse (cont'd)

NOTE: The above three names were next to each other in this list. One of the Jacobs was the son of Peter. The other one "may have been" his nephew, son of Jacob Grass, Jr.? ? ?

1806 - - - - - - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Land Tax

Peter Grass - 50 acres in the 2nd District
51 acres in the 2nd District

(Augusta Co., VA Land Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA)

NOTE: Peter continued to be taxed on this land although he is not living here. He is again taxed on both parcels. There was no listing for 1805.

" - - - - - - - - - - Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA:

Jacob Grafs (17 April) 1 white male 16+, 2 horses etc.
Jacob Grafs, (16 April) 1 white male 16+, 2 horses etc.
Peter Grafs (17 April) 1 white male 16+, 3 horses etc.

(Bath County, Virginia Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives in Richmond, VA)

NOTE: These three names were next to each other in this list. One of the Jacobs was the son of Peter.

1807 - - - - - - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Land Tax

Peter Grass - 50 acres in the 2nd District
51 acres in the 2nd District

(Augusta Co., VA Land Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA)

NOTE: Peter continued to be taxed on this land although he is not living here. No list was made for 1808 and no taxes were charged that year.

" - - - - - - - - - - Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA:

Jacob Grafs (22 March) 1 white male 16+, 5 horses etc.
Jacob Grafs (22 March) 1 white male 16+, 1 horse etc.
Peter Grafs (22 March) 1 white male 16+, 1 horse etc.

(Bath County, Virginia Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives in Richmond, VA)

NOTE: These three names were next to each other in this list.
1808 - - - - - - - No Tax Lists made or taxes collected this year.

" - 7 Jul - Inventory of the estate of William Morris submitted to the Bath Co., VA Court by Elisha B. Williams, George Hull and Lewis Payne - included a debt owed to his estate by Peter Grass. The amount of this debt was not given.

("Abstracts of the Wills and Inventories of Bath County, Virginia 1791-1842": 51. Abstracted by Jean Randolph Bruns, date???. Publ. by Clearfield Company.)

1809 - - - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Land Tax

Peter Grass - 50 acres in the 2nd District
51 acres in the 2nd District

(Augusta Co., VA Land Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA)

NOTE: Peter continued to be taxed on this land although he is not living here. This is the last year that he appears in these lists.

" - - - - - - - Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA:

Jacob Grafs R Run* (13 Apr) 1 white male 16+, 1 horse etc.
Peter Grafs (13 Apr) 1 white male 16+, 1 horse etc.
Jacob Grafs J.R.** (13 Apr) 1 white male 16+, 4 horses etc.

(Bath County, Virginia Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives in Richmond, VA)

* "R Run" probably means a watercourse where this Jacob Grafs lived.
** "J.R." probably means "Jr." - this would be Peter's son, Jacob.

NOTE: These three names were next to each other in this list.

1810 - - - - - - - Census of Bath Co., VA

Jacob Grass (p. 439)
1 white male 16-26 1 white female 16-26
1 " " under 10 1 " " under 10

Peter Grass (p. 440)
1 white male over 45 1 female over 45
1 " " 16-26 1 " " 16-26
2 " " 10-16

(1810 Census of Bath Co., VA, p. 439-440)

NOTE: This is Peter and his son Jacob. The older Jacob Grass had already moved to Kanawha Co., (W)VA where he appears in the census this year.
1810  ----------------  Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA:

List of Thomas Mayes:

Jacob Grafs (12 Mar)  1 white male 16+, 3 horses etc.
Peter Grafs (12 Mar)  2 white males 16+, 2 horses etc.

(Bath County, Virginia Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives in Richmond, VA)

NOTE: These two names were next to each other in this list. This is no doubt Peter and his son Jacob since the older Jacob had moved to Kanawha Co., (W)VA.

1811  ----------------  Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA:

List of Thomas Mayes:

Jacob Grafs (16 Mar)  1 white male 16+, 3 horses etc.
Peter Grafs (16 Mar)  3 white males 16+, 3 horses etc.

(Bath County, Virginia Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives in Richmond, VA)

NOTE: These two names were next to each other in this list.

" Oct 3 - Bath County, VA

Jos. McAllister filed a marriage bond for his marriage to Elizabeth Grass. Surety: Peter Grass.

(Bath County Marriage Bonds and Minister’s Returns 1791-1853” by Constance Corley Metheny & Eliza Warwick Wise: 41. Published by the Bath Co., VA Historical Society, Warm Springs, VA.

NOTE: This has to be Jacob’s daughter, Elizabeth.

" (same) - Bath County, VA

Joseph McCallester and Elizabeth Grass were md. by Jeremiah Burns, minister.

(Bath County Marriage Bonds and Minister’s Returns 1791-1853” by Constance Corley Metheny & Eliza Warwick Wise, published by the Bath Co., VA Historical Society, Warm Springs, VA. I didn’t copy the date that it was published or the page number.
1812 - - - - - - - - - - - - Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA:

List of Sam'l W. Hamilton:

Peter Grafs (29 Apr)
2 white males 16+, 1 horse etc.
Jacob Grafs (2 May)
1 white male 16+, 3 horses etc.
John Grafs (2 May)
1 white male 16+, 1 horse

(Bath County, Virginia Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives in Richmond, VA)

NOTE: These three names were next to each other in this list. John and Jacob Grafs are Peter's sons.

1813 - - - - - - - - - - - - Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA:

Western District by Alexander Hamilton:

John Grafs (9 Mar) 1 white male 16+, 3 horses etc.
Jacob Grafs (29 Mar) 1 white male 16+, 4 horses etc.
Peter Grafs (31 Mar) 3 white males 16+, 2 horses etc.

(Bath County, Virginia Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives in Richmond, VA)

NOTE: The last two names were next to each other in this list. John and Jacob were Peter's sons.

1814 - - - - - - - - - - - - Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA:

List of Robert McClintic:

Peter Grafs (11 Mar) 2 white males 16+, 3 horses etc.
John Grafs (11 Mar) 1 white male 16+, 3 horses etc.
Jacob Grafs (14 Apr) 1 white male 16+, 5 horses etc.

(Bath County, Virginia Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives in Richmond, VA)

NOTE: Peter and John's names were next to each other in this list. John is Peter's son. It is not known whether the Jacob Grafs is Peter's son or the older man of that name who was there before. This Jacob may be the Jacob Groce/Grose in these tax records before and after this date.
1815  

Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA:

List of William D. Kincaid:

Peter Grass (6 Mar)
2 white males 16+, 4 horses etc., 4 cattle
John Grass (6 Mar)
1 white male 16+, 3 horses etc., 10 cattle

(Bath County, Virginia Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives in Richmond, VA)

NOTE: The above two names were next to each other in this list. Jacob Grass is gone this year and no Jacob Groce is listed.

1816  

Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA:

List of William D. Kincaid: (cattle not taxed from here on)

Peter Grass (Sen') (26 Feb)
2 white males 16+, 3 horses etc.,
John Grass (26 Feb) 1 white male 16+, 1 horse etc.,

(Bath County, Virginia Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives in Richmond, VA)

NOTE: The above two names were next to each other in this list.

1817  

Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA:

List of William D. Kincaid:

Peter Grass (21 Feb)
2 white males 16+, 4 horses etc.,
John Grass (21 Feb) 1 white male 16+, 1 horse etc.,

(Bath County, Virginia Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives in Richmond, VA)

NOTE: The above two names were next to each other in this list.

1818  

Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA:

List of Wm. D. Kincaid:

Peter Grass, S' (11 Mar)
1 white male 16+, 2 horses etc.
Peter Grass, Jr' (11 Mar)
1 white male 16+, 2 horses etc.

(this record is continued on the next page)
Peter Grass
Chronological Chart

1818 - - - - - - Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA - (continued)

List of Wm. D. Kincaid - (cont'd)

John Grass (11 Mar)
1 white male 16+, 1 horse etc.,

(Bath County, Virginia Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives in Richmond, VA)

NOTE: The above three names were next to each other in this list.

Feb 2 - Bath Co., VA

Peter Grass filed his bond for his marriage to Mary Dresler. His "surety" was Charles Dreasler.

(Bath County Marriage Bonds and Minister's Returns 1791-1853" by Constance Corley Metheny & Eliza Warwick Wise: 53, published by the Bath Co., VA Historical Society, Warm Springs, VA.

Feb 5 - (same)

Peter Grass and Mary Dusler were married by Elisha Knox, Jr.

(Same reference and page as the previous record.)

1819 - - - - - - Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA:

List of Wm. D. Kincaid:

Peter Grass, J' (11 Feb)
1 white male 16+, 2 horses etc.

Peter Grass, S' (20 Feb)
1 white male 16+, 2 horses etc.

John Grass (20 Feb)
1 white male 16+, 3 horses etc.,

(Bath County, Virginia Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives in Richmond, VA)

NOTE: The above names were next to each other in this list.

1820 - - - - - - Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA:

List of Wm. D. Kincaid: (dates are not given)

Peter Grass, J'
1 white male 16+, 1 horse etc.

Peter Grass
1 white male 16+, no horses etc.

(this record is continued on the next page)
1820 - - - - - - - - - - Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA:

List of Wm. D. Kincaid: (dates are not given)

(the names are on the previous page)

(Bath County, Virginia Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives in Richmond, VA)

NOTE: These two names were next to each other in this list. Peter, Sr.'s son, John is now in Kanawha Co., (W)VA.

1820 - - - - - - - - - - Census of Bath Co., VA

Peter Grass
1 white male 16-26 1 white female 16-26
1 in agriculture

Peter Grass, Senr:
1 white male over 45 1 female over 45
1 in agriculture

(1820 Census of Bath Co., VA, p. 74)

NOTE: This is Peter and his son Peter, Jr. Peter's son Jacob had moved to Kanawha Co., (W) VA by this time. Although Peter and his family lived in Bath Co., they evidently did not own any land in that county. The Grantee and Grantor Deed Indexes of Bath Co. show no land transactions involving anyone named GRASS. There was a GROCE/GRASE/GROSE family there, but this was not GRASS.

1821 - - - - - - - - - - Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA:

List of Wm. McClung: (only the name of the person charged with tax is given - he should be listed as 1 white male 16+, but that category is not used this year.

Peter Grass (29 Mar) 2 horses etc.
John Grass (29 Mar) 3 horses etc.

(Bath County, Virginia Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives in Richmond, VA)

NOTE: The above two names were next to each other in this list.

1822 - - - - - - - - - - Personal Property Tax List of Bath Co., VA:

NOTE: This list was negative for the name Grass, any possible spelling.
1830 - 1830 Census of Kanawha Co., VA (now W. VA)

Edward Grass (p. 191)
1 w.m. 30-40 1 w.f. 30-40
1 w.m. 10-15 2 w.f. 10-15
1 w.m. 5-10 1 w.f. 5-10
1 w.m. under 5 1 w.f. under 5

Peter Grass (p. 191)
1 w.m. 70-80 1 w.f. 70-80

Jacob Grass (p. 191)
1 w.m. 40-50 1 w.f. 40-50
2 w.m. 15-20 1 w.f. 20-30
1 w.m. 10-15 1 w.f. 15-20
1 w.m. 5-10

John Grass (p. 191)
1 w.m. 20-30 1 w.f. 15-20
1 w.m. 0-5

Jacob Grass (p. 192)
1 w.m. 50-60 1 w.f. 50-60
1 w.m. 10-15 1 w.f. 15-20
2 w.m. 5-10 2 w.f. 10-15
2 w.f. 5-10

(1830 Census, Kanawha Co., VA, p. 191-192)

NOTE: The first four are sons of Peter Grass.
The last name (Jacob Grass) is probably a nephew of Peter....possibly the son of Jacob Grass, Peter's brother.

1831 - 4 Mar - Peter Grass of Kanawha, State of Virginia, who was a private in the Company of Capt. Smith in the Revolutionary War served in that company for 13 months and was approved to receive the sum of $43.33 per annum pension to begin on 4 March 1831.

(Above was included in his pension information--see reference at the end of 12 Nov 1833 entry.)

NOTE: This is "odd" considering the next entry.
Peter Grass filed his application for a pension for his service in the Revolutionary War. In this application, Peter stated that he was 78 years old (in 1833) and had been a resident of Mud River, Kanawha Co., VA (now West Virginia) about eight years. He signed the application. The Dept. of Interior reported that Peter's record did not indicate that he had been in any battles and that no data on his family was given in his application. See entries at beginning of this abstract for details of his service.

(Department of the Interior, Bureau of Pensions, Washington, D.C., #5-3599)

Certificate of Pension issued for Peter Grass authorizing the amount of $43.33 to be paid to him annually. At this time, he was paid the sum of $108.00 which was labeled "Arrears to the 4th of Sept 1833 plus "Semi-annual allowance ending 4 March 1834 for $21.00----total amount of $130.

(Department of the Interior, Bureau of Pensions, Washington, D.C., #5-8599)

It appears on the Pension Record of Peter Grass that the authorities were "Notified 23d Feb 1841". This was the notification that Peter had died by this date. The last payment of Peter's pension was labeled "from 4 Sep 1840 to 4 March 1841".

(Department of Interior, Bureau of Pensions, Washington, D.C., #5-8599)

NOTE: I was unable to find Peter Grass in the 1840 census of VA (WV). No male of his age was listed with any male GRASS this year, but he may have been living with a daughter whose married name is unknown to me at this time. At any rate, it may be reasonable to assume that Peter was dead by 4 March 1841 as indicated by this record.


**Children of Peter and Mary GRASS**

Peter and Mary Grass had the following children: (ages not known are estimated from census records)

1. Jacob Grass, b. ca. 1779-1780 (age 70 in 1850, Kanawha Co., VA), d. ca. 1840-50 in (W)VA (probably Kanawha Co.) - md. Deborah HAWKINS in 1804 in Bath Co., VA - had at least ten children.

2. Elizabeth Grass, b. ca. 1783 (age 67 in 1850, Kanawha Co., VA), d. - md. Joseph McALLISTER in 1811-12 in Bath Co., VA. He died sometime before 1832 and she is reported to have md. (or lived with) his brother James McALLISTER. Joseph and Elizabeth had eight children and she had two more by James.

3. John Grass, b. ca. 1791 (age 59 in 1850, Monroe Co., VA), d. in 1876 in Richardson Co., WI - md. Susanna COTTON in 1820 in Greenbrier Co., (W)VA. John and Susanna had six (and possibly seven) children. Some of their children changed the spelling of the name to GRESS.

4. Edward Grass, b. ca. 1793 (age 56 in 1850, age 67 in 1860, Putnam Co., VA), d. ca. 1865 (probably in Putnam Co., WV) - md. Martha (“Patsy”) ?. They lived in the part of Kanawha Co., (W)VA that, in 1848, was put into the newly created county of Putnam. Edward and Martha had ten or eleven children.

  NOTE: The use of the first name “Edward” strongly suggests a connection to the BURK family of Augusta Co., VA.

5. Peter Grass, b. ca. 1796 (age 54 in 1850, Montgomery Co., VA), d. (?) (probably in Indiana) - md. Mary DRESSLER/TRESSLER on 5 Feb 1818 in Bath Co., VA. They moved to Alleghany Co., VA by 1830 and were in Johnson Co., IN in 1840 and Clay Co., IN in 1850.

Peter’s wife, Mary/Maria, was the daughter of Valentin HEIZER and his 2nd wife Ann HOWE. See HEIZER information following. Ann (HOWE) HEIZER md. 2) William BURK(E) and they moved to Augusta Co., VA ca. 1774.

Although a record of the marriage of Peter GRASS and Mary/Maria HEIZER has never been found, the fact that William BURK, Jr.’s will (probated in Augusta Co., VA in 1786 in Augusta Co., VA clearly names his mother, Ann BURKE, and his half-sister, Mary GRASS tends to support this marriage. See the following sections for Peter GRASS for details.
With subsequent research, the following records are added to this Table and should be considered in the time period that they occurred.

1780 - 26 Oct - Augusta Co., VA
Capt. Thomas Smith's delinquents returned. Among them was: (this is not the complete list)

Peter Grass, Anthony Mustoe & others were acquitted for not attending a private muster on 13 May 1780.

(Augusta Co., VA Court Materials, 1756-1789, p. 192. Abstracted from a microfilm of the original records on loan from the Virginia State Archives in Richmond, VA.)

1782 - 15 Mar - Augusta Co., VA
Return of delinquents of Capt. Thos. Smith's Company:
For not appearing at a private muster on 29 Dec 1781: (Among those listed was)

Edward Burk - "acq't" (acquitted)
Peter Grass - "find" (fined)

(same reference as the previous record, p. 234)

1783 - 26 Mar - Augusta Co., VA
Return of delinquents of Capt. Thos. Smith's Company:
Persons fined for not appearing at a private muster on 30 Nov 1782: (among them was)

Edward Burk - fined
Peter Grass - fined
William Burk - fined

(same reference in 1780, p. 247)

1784 - 25 Mar - Augusta Co., VA
Capt. Thos. Smith's delinquents returned: (among those listed were)

William Burk - acquitted
Peter Grass - fined

(same reference as in 1780, p. 259)
He owns two horses each about 9 or 10 years old, one cow and calf, one old walnut square table, two iron pots, one oven, one skillet, a few plates and dishes, one tea kettle, half dozen knives and forks, for plain Windsor chairs, two split bottom chairs, valued in all at $99.00.

[His earlier declaration, presumably made 26 July 1819, was missing from the file 20 Dec. 1916.]

Frederic Grass of Augusta Co., Va., private in the regiment of Col. Nevill of the Virginia line for two years, was placed on the Virginia pension roll at $8 per month from 26 July 1819 under the Act of 1818. Certificate 15299 was issued 9 Sept. 1819.

GRASS, Peter. S.8599.
12 Nov. 1833. Kanawha Co., Va. Peter Grass of New River in said county, aged 78, declares in 1777 he resided in Staunton, Augusta Co., Va., and was drafted as a private in a company of riflemen raised in Augusta County commanded by Capt. Thomas Smith and Lt. Charles Baskins. This company was designed to unite with others formed in the different parts of west Virginia to protect the frontier and repel the hostile Indians. The company marched from Augusta to Fort Union, now Lewisburg in Greenbrier County, where they remained about a week and was there joined by several companies from Rockbridge, Augusta, Rockingham and Greenbrier counties which were formed into a regiment commanded by Colonels Adam Dickinson and George Skillilin and Maj. Saml. McDowell. From Lewisburg the regiment was marched through the mountainous regions lying between that place and the Ohio, then a perfect wilderness, to Point Pleasant at the mouth of the Great Kanawha. The fort at Point Pleasant was commanded by Capt. Arbuckle. Another division of the army under Gen. Hand was to have descended the Ohio River from Pittsburgh and to have united with the forces collected at Point Pleasant with a view to a vigorous attack on the Indians on the Scioto. Dickinson's men lay at the mouth of Kanawha some four or five weeks when intelligence was brought that Hand's army would not be able to form a union as contemplated, the season being far spent and cold weather already set in. The division to which he was allotted was then discharged at Point Pleasant. He served three months. He was in no engagement with the Indians during this trip. It was while he lay at Point Pleasant that Cornstalk, his son Enclipsias and Red Hawk, who were hostages in the fort, were killed by the soldiers who were prompted to this violence by the murder of some of their friends across the Kanawha River during a hunt or excursion on the morning of that day.

In the spring of 1778 he was again drafted from Augusta County into the company of riflemen commanded by Capt. William Anderson and was marched to the fort at Clover Lick, the Indians being troublesome and having again attacked some of the forts in Greenbrier. At this time he was in constant service for three months.
In April 1779 the Indians annoyed the northwestern frontier of Virginia. He was again drafted into a company in Augusta commanded by Capt. William Kincaid and was marched to the West Fork of Monongahela where he and his company were on duty for upwards of three months.

After his return from Monongahela and in the same year, an alarm was given that the British forces designed an attack upon Richmond and other James River towns. He was again drafted into a company commanded by his former captain, Thomas Smith, and was marched to Richmond where he remained, and in the neighborhood, about a month and a half. The alarm having passed over he and his company were discharged at Richmond and returned home. His company was attached to others rendezvoused at Richmond and was under officers from other parts of the state.

In the spring of 1780 he was appointed by Col. Mathews of Augusta to guard the magazine in Staunton which Mathews informed him was equal to an active tour of duty. He served in this capacity three months and was then sent by Col. Mathews as one of the guards to transport powder from the magazine at Staunton to Point of Fork on the James River below where the present town of Lynchburg is situated.

He has lived in Kanawha County about eight years.

Peter Grass of Kanawha Co., Va., private in the company of Capt. Smith in the Virginia militia for thirteen months, was placed on the Virginia pension roll at $43.33 per annum under the Act of 1832. Certificate 23194 was issued 29 Nov. 1833.

GRASTY, James George (Rutha). R.4202.
6 Sept. 1851. Floyd Co., Ind. Rutha Grasty of said county, aged 96, declares she is the widow of James George Grasty who was a private in the company or regiment commanded by Capt. or Col. Black. He enlisted at or near Snow Creek, Va., to serve nine months. He was engaged in the battles of Bunker Hill and the Cowpens and marched through North Carolina and other places. Her husband died in New Albany, Ind., 28 Aug. 1829. She was married to James George Grasty on 7 May 1775. She was not married to him prior to his leaving service.

GRAVATT, John (Judith). W.7605.
9 Aug. 1839. Caroline Co., Va. Judith Gravatt of said county, aged 84, declares she was married to John Gravatt by Parson Shields about the first of the year 1781. The family Bible was sold at his sale. She always understood that her husband before their marriage served an enlistment in the Continental army of three or four years. She distinctly recollects hearing him speak of being at the battle of Brandywine and she thinks he acted as sergeant. Her husband John Gravatt, at that time called Gravit, died about 1797.

12 Aug. 1839. Caroline Co., Va. Spilsbe Woolfolk of said county, aged upwards of 72, declares he knew John Gravatt or as he was always called John Gravit who was he believes a soldier
OF POINT PLEASANT

- Fort McIntosh
- Fort Pitt (Pittsburgh)
- Fort Redstone
- James Harrod's Birthplace
- Daniel Boone's Birthplace, Berks Co., PA. 187 miles east
- Braddock's Defeat
- Simon Kenton
- George Rogers Clark
- Staunton
- Shenandoah Mts.
- Blue Ridge Mts.
- Potomac River
- Shenandoah River
- Gauley River
- Gauley Mts.
- Wilderness Road

Typical 2 Family Station
Typical 1 Family Station
Four months after the death of Valentine, his widow, Anna Howe Heizer, having been left with three small children to care for, was married Dec 1753 by Pastor Muhlenberg, to a widower by name of William Burke (also Burk).

It is believed that William Burke moved his family to Augusta Co., VA soon after the sale of land in PA 2 April 1774, recorded in the same book and page as the land bought by John Heizer and wife Dorothy and then an indenture made to their son Valentine. When Valentine died in 1785, the same 160 acres fell to his widow, Anne.

Phila(14x350)delphia Co., PA Deed Bk 5, pg 219, dated 2 April 1774:  
William Burke and Ann, his wife; John, Samuel and Mary (Marie) Heizer by deed of release conveyed to Yellis Kolb 160 acres.

That William Burke had children by his first marriage is evident:

Augusta Co., VA Will Bk VI, pg 228, 20 March 1782:  
Ann Burke refuses to administer her husband's estate and nominates her eldest son, William Burke. Teste: Edward Burke.

Augusta County Court Records, Order BK XVII, p 370, 20 March 1782:  
Ann Burke, widow of William Burke, deceased intestate, certifies she will not administer - granted to William Burke.

Augusta County Court Records, Order BK No. XVII, p 391, 24 May 1782:  
William Burke's death abates suit order.

Joshua Perry appointed Capt, vice Richard Madison, William Burke (Jr.) as Lieutenant and David Perry, as Ensign.

Elizabeth married John Bosang and Mary married Peter Grass. Since Mary is referred to as Williams half sister, she is either the daughter of William, Sr. by Anne Howe or he was married a 2nd time before he married Anne Howe. Found on WFT CD Vol 7 #3550: Peter Grass was born 1754. He served in the Rev. War, died after 1833 in Kanawha, WVA, married Mary Burke. Found on the internet: Peter Grass; count Kanawha; Military Unit VA Militia; Pension notes stated he was age 79 in 1833.

Augusta County Court Records, Order BK No. XXII:  
17 Jan 1792, p 66  
Administration of estate of John Bosang granted Elizabeth Bosang and Edward Burk.

25 May 1793, p 279  
Robert Bailey and Elizabeth, his wife, late Elizabeth Bosang, administration of John Bosang, deceased.

15 Oct 1793, p 344  
Robert Bailey is appointed guardian for William and Mary Bosang, orphans of John Bosang.

Anne Howe Burke died in VA after 1785.
Delores,

I was looking to see if there was anything in the Chronicles for my Mowry family and accidentally found my ggg grandfather, John Heizer and Wm. Burke.

This is a list which begins on p. 413, Vol. 2:
The following lists of Delinquents in the Tax Levies are not copies of the complete lists as returned to the Court, but contain only the names of those for whose delinquency some reason is assigned by the officer in making his return.

On p. 422, Delinquents, Augusta County Levy for 1779 and at the very bottom of that p. and then continued on p. 423 of Vol. 2 is:

John Hyse, Mr. Burke’s son-in-law.

I didn't find this before because William Burke is not in the index and because of the spelling of grandfather John’s name as Hyse.

Best I can figure, he was delinquent on his taxes??? Has son-in-law but I am sure that means step-son.

Remember I told you, Philadelphia Co., PA Deed Bk 5 pg 219, dated 2 April 1774: William Burk and Ann, his wife; John, Samuel and Mary Heizer by deed of release conveyed to Yellis Kolb 160 acres. This is property that Valentin Heizer was given by his parents and fell to Ann when Valentin died. I feel certain it wasn’t long after this sale that the Burk/Heizer family removed to Augusta Co., VA.

This proves they were there in 1779 and it proves that my William Burk was still alive in 1779. I am more certain than ever that this is the same William Burk, with wife named Ann, and died in 1782 and had c., William, Edward, Elizabeth and Mary, are all part of my family.

I found several listings of my Mowry family. Name also spelled in Chronicals, Maurer, Mowrey and Moura. In other records spelled Mauer, Mower, and Mowery.

My 4th g. grandfather was Lewis Mowry, Sr., given name also Lutwig, Ludewig and Ludwig.

John Heizer m. Elizabeth Mowry 30 Sept 1783 in Augusta Co., VA.

In Vol. 1, Order Bk, XVII, p. 218, dated 19 Dec 1780 is a list of names of those to work on the road from Staunton to Christian’s Creek, with their tithables which includes Henry Moura, Peter Moura, Peter Grass and Wm. Burk.

Henry and Peter Moura (Mowry) were brothers of my 4th g. grandfather, Lewis Mowry, Sr.. I know this is still not concrete evidence that William Burk, who d. 1782, and his son, Wm. Burk, who d. 1786, are of my family, but it does prove that Peter Grass of your family must have been living in the same area as my Mowry family and the Wm. Burk listed, is either Wm., who married Ann, and d. 1782 or his son, Wm., who d. 1786.

I wanted to pass this on to you and see what you think.

Marie
Delores,

I think it is very possible that Mary is either a Heizer or a Burk. If she was really a half sister then either William married 2nd before he m. Ann and had Mary or he and Ann had a dau. named Mary. But I really think when Wm. said half sister it is the same as step sister and Mary is really Mary (Marie) Heizer. She was Marie when baptized, perhaps named after the Anna Marie, wife of Pastor Muhlenberg who were sponsors when Marie was baptized 14 Oct 1753. But in the sale of the land she is Mary Heizer. In the book of names, Marie and Mary are the same.

One of the Heizer clan I have been in touch with, said he thought Marie m. a Thomas Shearer and stayed in PA when the Burks moved to VA. When I checked that out only thing I could find was a Maria A. Heizer m. Thomas Shearer 21 Sep 1871 in Indiana. This cannot be Marie/Mary Heizer who was b. in 1753. She would be close to 150 years old. I have found that a lot of people, when compiling records, don't pay any attention to dates. I have seen people married before they were even born, etc.

JMH in his book, had that Valentin came over on the Thistle in 1738. When I checked that out, only thing I could find was a Valentin HIS, age 37. That would make this man almost as old as Valentin's parents. Now, everybody on the Internet has he came over on the Thistle, and assumed he was about age 16, therefore was born abt 1722. And the legend just keeps growing.

I think this is what has happened to record of William Burk who died 1754. A lot of assuming and people adding what they thought, like Wm., Jr. m. Ann Grass. All the records I have found agree that Wm., who d. 1754, was the son of John B. Burk, b. 1690 in County Kildare, Ireland and Margaret (Mary) McDougle, b. 1688 in Ireland. And William Burk was b. 1709 in Limerick, IR and Bridget was b. 1729 in Ireland. I think in the will, where it has, sister Bridget Burk, living out of this colony, was referring to the fact, she was still in Ireland.

The records on William Burk are very sparse in information. And I believe that researchers assumed that William Burk, with wife named Ann, and sons William and Edward, was the son of William, b. 1709. They give no sources at all.

We have a lot more to go on to say that William Burk, with wife Ann, was the one who came to VA about 1774.

I am anxious to see what you have on the Mowry's.

Marie
Re: BURK Family of Augusta Co.

Posted by: Jerry Grass (ID ******6823) Date: August 02, 2006 at 05:53:39

In Reply to: Re: BURK Family of Augusta Co. by Dolores C. Rutherford

I found this: Valentin Heizer died intestate leaving Andreas as the eldest male survivor of the family. On August 7, 1753, he was buried near, perhaps next to his father at the Mennonite Meeting House Cemetery. His widow, Anna Howe Heizer, was left with two small sons, aged six and three, and a two-month-old daughter. Skippack records show Valentin's heirs were:

Anna Widow Relict Age 26
John Bachelor Age 6
Samuel Bachelor Age 4
Mary Spintrress Age 1

On December 20, 1753, Pastor Muhlenberg recorded the marriage of Anna Howe Heizer to William Burke, a widower with two small sons, Edward and William. The combined families continued to live in Valentin's home for the next twenty-one years. It is also possible that William continued to operate the inn started by Valentin until 1774 when the combined family left Skippack. William Burke appears with one child and 260 acres. This was most probably the property originally given to Valentin by his father that passed to his widow and children. The records also show that William and Ann owned this property until 1774 when they sold it to Yellis Kolb (Philadelphia County Deed Book 5, page 219, dated April 2, 1774) and relocated to Augusta County, VA. The one child listed in the census may well have been Maria (b. December 26, 1752). It does seem odd that 'one child' is listed but not John and Samuel Heizer, now aged 9 and 7, and not William Burke's sons who would be about the same age. We do not know if William and Anna had children of their own.

The last we hear of William Burke is where he is listed in an Augusta County - Administration and Guardian Bond, which states-
Bond of Wm Burke, 27 March 1785, to keep in repair the bridge on the creek near Daniel Kidd's in Staunton.
The following chronological chart includes references to Frederick Grass from census, court, deed, marriage, probate, tax and various other records read by this researcher in most instances from the original records. Personal Property Tax information for this Grass family has been abstracted separately and will not be given unless important to the information presented here. Frederick's children's births will not be shown in this listing, but they will be listed at the end.

Underlining is used to show unusual spellings in the original record. Material in parentheses in the body of a record is added by this researcher to clarify these items. Bold lettering is used to emphasize the Grass name. If no month and day is given, it did not appear in the original record.

1755-1756 Frederick Grass' approximate birthdate is determined from the affidavit that he made on 25 Mar 1822 to obtain a pension for his Revolutionary War service. At that date, he stated that he was 66 years old. If he was born before 25 Mar, his birthyear would be 1756, if born after that date, it would be 1755.

(see the entry under 25 Mar 1822)

1777 William Bowyer's List of Capt. Zachariah Johnston's and Capt. Thomas Smith's Companies - Augusta Co., VA: (among those listed were)

Jacob Grass, Senr, Fred & Peter - 3 tithables - 224 acres

(Augusta Co., Va. Tithables, 1777-1778, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA)

NOTE: This is the earliest date that Frederick Grass was mentioned in the records of this county. The above record shows that Frederick was over age 21, still living in his father's household and was probably not married yet.

(so the next entry will not be separated, it will begin on the next page)

NOTE: The 12th VA Regt. was later incorporated into the 4th and 8th VA Regts. and Frederick's records show that he served in all of them. The pay vouchers for these regiments show that he was stationed at the following places at various times during his enlistment:

- Camp Robinsons (where?): Feb 1778
- Valley Forge (PA): Apr - May 1778
- Camp Paramus (NJ): Jun 1778
- Camp White Plains (NY): Jul - Aug 1778
- “Virginia Store Guard” : Sep 1778
- “Waggoner” (place not given): Oct 1778 - Jan 1779
- Middle Brook (NJ): Feb prob. to Apr 1779
- Camp Smiths Cloves (NJ): May prob. to Jun or Jul 1779
- Camp Ramepo & Smith's Close/Cloves (NJ): Aug prob. to Sep 1779
- Camp Ramipogh/Ramepo (NJ): Oct 1779
- Haverstraw (NY): Nov 1779
- “Camp near Morristown” (NJ): Dec 1779

This ends the records found for his Revolutionary War service. Although his enlistment was originally in the 12th VA Regt., all records of Frederick Grass' service are filed under the 8th VA Regt.

(Compiled Service Records of Revolutionary War Soldiers - State of Virginia - 8th Regiment. Family History Library, Salt Lake City Utah - Microfilm #1486324)

1782 - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

Thos. Hughes' List of the Southern District:

Petre Grafs (himself & brother)
2 white males 21+; 6 horses; 8 cattle

NOTE: The other “white male” with Petre has to be Frederick Grass. The only others of this last name here this year were “Jacob Grafs” and “Jacob Grafs, Jun'r” (father and son). These men (all four of them) belong to the same family, Jacob Grafs, Sr. being the father and the others being his sons. The category of “horses, colts, mares & mules” will henceforth be given as horses, etc.

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA State Archives, Richmond, VA) - this will henceforth be abbreviated Aug. Co., PP Lists, VSA in these references.
1783 - - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

List of Capt. Robt. Buchanan & Tho' Smith taken by Thos. Hughes: (included)

Frederick Groff - 1 w.m. 21+; 6 horses, etc.; 2 cattle

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

NOTE: This has to be Frederick Grass because this name is right next to the other Grafs (Grass) names in this list and there is no Frederick Groff in any of the preceding or succeeding lists.

1784 & 1785 - - - - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

Negative for Frederick Grass.

NOTE: There was a Jacob Groff with two males 21+ in his household in 1784, but it has not been proven as yet that man was a Grass although there is a possibility that he was. The 1785 Tax List is definitely negative for Frederick Grass and there are no extra taxable males living with any of the other Grass men that year although it appears from the following records that Frederick may have been there.

1785 - 16 Mar - Jacob Syler against Peter and Frederick Grass - "In Debt". Robert Russell gave security for the defendants that they would come to court to answer the charges.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 2)

" - 20 May - Jacob Seiler against Peter Grass and Frederick Grass - In Debt. Defendants didn't come to court so the plaintiff was awarded £30 and costs, but the case was to be settled for £15 "in gold or silver" with interest from 20 August 1784 and costs.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 19, p. 94)

" - 23 Aug - Frederick Grass, with Nicholas Spring as his surety, gives bond for his marriage to Betsy Worad(?). Frederick and Nicholas both signed their names by marks (X).

(Loose Marriage Bonds, Augusta County, VA Court House, Staunton, VA)

(the NOTE for the above record is on the next page)
1785 - (continued)

" 23 Aug - (cont'd)

NOTE: Betsy’s last name is difficult to read, so this may not have been her last name. Frederick evidently had a different and younger wife when he applied for his Rev. War Pension, so he was no doubt married more than once.

16 Dec - William Burk's will signed this day - names:

To brother, Edward Burk, home place
To mother, Ann Burk
To brother Joseph Burk
To sister, Elizabeth Bosang
To half sister, Mary Grass

Executors: Brothers Edward and John Bosang
Witnesses: Elijah McClencham, Stophel Olinger
Proved: 18 July 1786
Edward Burk and Jno. Bosang qualify as executors.

(Augusta Co., VA Will Bk. 6, p. 525-526)

NOTE: This entry is listed on the Chronological charts of both both Frederick and his brother Peter because the Mary Grass named in this will is unidentified at this time. She may have been the Mary who was the wife of Peter Grass—her maiden name is unknown at this time. However, the will of Edward Burk, brother of this William Burk, left bequests to the sons of Frederick Grass and nothing to the sons of Peter Grass. Frederick's marriage bond to marry a Betsy ? was filed in 1785, but the actual marriage has not been found. Betsy's maiden name has been reported as Worad, but no proof for this has been given to date. Frederick named a son William and his brother Peter named a son Edward—both BURK first names not used previously in any of these GRASS families.

1786 - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

Cap" Tinley & Smith taken by James Steele:

Frederick Grafs - 1 w.m. 21+; 4 horses etc., 1 cattle

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)
1787 - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

James Ramsay's District:

Frederick Grafs (taken Apr 7) - 1 w.m. 21+, 7 horses etc.,
3 cattle

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

- 20 Feb - Joseph Linden, 11 years old, "now in the possession of
Frederick Grass" is bound out to him.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 199)

- 19 May - Thomas Collin against Frederick Grass and Nicholas Spring
- On Petition".

   Plaintiff awarded £3.1 plus interest from 11 April 1786 and
   costs.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 296)

- 19 Jun - Deed from Peter Flack, Sr. to Peter Flack, Jr. "farther proved"
   by the oaths of George Huddel & Frederick Groff (Grass?),
   two of the witnesses thereto.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 333)

- 22 Aug - Peter Cale, assignee of Jacob Cale against Frederick Grass
- On Petition.

   The defendant didn't appear in court so the plaintiff was
   awarded £4.19 and costs.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 367)

- (same) - Elizabeth Fogas against Frederick Grass - On Petition.

   The plaintiff was represented by her Attorney, but the
   defendant did not appear in court, so the plaintiff was
   awarded "$1.19 due by note with legal interest from
   15 May 1786" and costs.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 368)

NOTE: Elizabeth Fogas was the widow of Frederick's brother
Jacob Grass who died in 1783. She married 2) Henry Fogas.
This was obviously a debt owed by Frederick to his brother.
1787 - (continued)

" - 21 Nov - "The several petitions of Sampson & George Matthews against Frederick Grass"

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 433)

NOTE: All of this entry appears above. It means that the case was continued to the next court.

" - (same) - James Agnew, assignee of Thomas Jinnet (probably Collin-see 19 May entry), against Frederick Grass and Nicholas Spring - On Petition.

Plaintiff won £3 plus interest from 2 July 1786 and costs.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 434)

NOTE: Evidently the plaintiffs had not received the settlement awarded at the 19 May 1787 court.

1788 ------------ Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

Joseph Bell’s List:

Frederick Grafs (26 Mar) - 1 w.m. 16+, nothing else

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

NOTE: All males were age 16 and over were combined under the one w.m. category of “White Males 16+” this year.

" - 19 Mar - Sampson (no first name) and George Matthews against Frederick Grass - On Petition.

Case just entered, continued to next court.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 464)

" - 20 May - Petition of Sampson & George Matthews against Frederick Grass mentioned.

Continued to a future court.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 20, p. 515)

1789 ------------ Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

NOTE: Frederick Grass/Grafs does not appear in these lists this year.
Frederick Grass' Chronological Chart

1790  ------------ Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

James Ramsay's List:

Frederick Grass - 1 w.m. 21+, nothing else

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

1791  ------------ Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

James Ramsay's 1st District - Southern District:

Frederick Grass - 1 w.m. 16+, nothing else

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

NOTE: From this date onward, all males age 16 & over are put into one category of “White Males 16+”.

"  - 19 Nov -  Thomas Thompson against Anthony Mustoe and Frederick Grass - "On an injunction in Chancery".
            Case continued to the next court.
            (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 22, p. 32)

1792  ------------ Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

James Ramsay's 1st District:

Frederick Grass (20 Jun) - 1 w.m. 16+, nothing else

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

"  - 21 May -  Petition of James Nolan against Frederick Grass "for debt due by Penal bill".
            Defendant didn't come to court so plaintiff was awarded £3 plus costs, but case to be settled for payment of £1.10 plus interest from 1 February 1786 and costs.
            (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 22, p. 142)

(so the next record is not separated, it will begin on the next page)
Several persons, listed below, testified in the examination of George Kinkead, "late of Greenbrier County" who was charged with stealing a horse valued at £14 from Michael Bowyer on 17 August:

Michael Bowyer, Frederick Grass, John Gordon, Jacob Peck and Robert Christian

The court was divided in its opinion. The defendant was deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and ordered to get two securities to insure his good behavior.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 22, p. 175)

Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists
Negative for any GRASS names.

Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists
Negative for any GRASS names.

James Ramsay's 1st District:
Frederick Grass - 1 w.m. 16+, nothing else.

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

Wm. Hederick, administrator of Jacob Barrier, deceased, against Frederick Grass - "Debt due by note".

Defendant didn't come to court, so the plaintiff was awarded £5.6 with interest from 23 May 1786 and costs.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 23, p. 338)

James Ramsay's 1st District:
Frederick Grass - 1 w.m. 16+, nothing else.

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)
Frederick Grass
Chronological Chart
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1797

Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

James Ramsay's 1st District:

Frederick Grass - 1 w.m. 16+, nothing else.

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

1798

Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

James Ramsay's 1st District:

Frederick Grass (21 Apr) - 1 w.m. 16+, nothing else

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

1799

Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

Negative for Frederick Grass, any spelling.

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, Virginia State Archives, Richmond, VA)

" - 30 Dec -

William Rediford and Frederick Grass as his surety give bond
for the marriage of Rediford and Sarah Grass, daughter of
said Frederick Grass.

(Augusta Co., VA Marriage Bonds, Augusta Co., VA Courthouse, Staunton, VA)

1800

Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

Frederick Grass does not appear in these lists which take
the place of the lost 1800 Census.

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VSA)

1801

Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

James Ramsay's 1st District:

Frederick Grass (21 Apr) - 1 w.m. 16+, nothing else

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

1802

Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

First District:

Frederick Grass (23 Mar) - 1 w.m. 16+, nothing else

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)
1803 - - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

Moses Austin's First District:

Frederick Grass (27 Apr) - 1 w.m. 16+, nothing else

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

NOTE: From 1803 onward, there are a number of cases listed that could involve Frederick Grass, but only the last names are given. Because of this, these cases are not included here unless there is proof that they belong to this Frederick Grass. By 1803, Frederick's sons were too young to be involved in court cases. His brother Jacob was dead, his brother Peter and his family had moved away from Augusta County and the only other persons of the name GRASS in the area were residents of either Albemarle or Amherst Counties, VA.

1804 - - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

Negative for any GRASS/CRESS, etc. any spellings.

" - 27 Jun - Augusta Co., VA

Frederick Grass is on a jury.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 28, p. 197)

1805 - - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

First District:

Frederick Grass (17 May) - 1 w.m. 16+, nothing else

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

" - 1 Mar - "Sawyer etc. against Grass" (no first names) - "In Case". Continued.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. '29, p. 25)

NOTE: Entry in Ct. Order Bk. 31, p. 65 dated 3 March 1809, shows that this was Frederick Grass.)

" - 31 May - "Sawyers &c against Grass" - "In Case office Jusec (?) & Wca (?) set aside now afse _?_ (obiterated) repl & Issue and court". (I copied the above verbatim as I saw it, but don't know what it means.)

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 29, p. 74)

(the above case is continued on the next page)
1805 - (continued)

- 31 May - "Sawyers &c against Grass" - (cont'd)

NOTE: This case was continued at various future courts until 3 March 1809 when it was finally settled. Unless something happened other than it's being continued to a future court, I did not include it here.

1806 - - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

First District (Southern District):

Frederick Grass - 1 w.m. 16+, nothing else

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

- 27 May - "Sawyers &c against Buchanan Grass (crossed out and Grass entered)

This case was continued for the plaintiff.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 29, p. 251)

NOTE: There was a case of "Humphrey's administrators against Grass" from June, 1806 until June, 1808 that probably involved this Frederick Grass, but no first names are given, so one cannot be sure of it.

1807 - - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

First District:

Frederick Grass - 1 w.m. 16+, nothing else

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

1808 - - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

No taxes were assessed this year, nor lists made.

1809 - - - - - - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

Negative for GRASS/CRESS, etc.

- 3 Mar - "Sawyers & Mims against Grass". A jury found for the plaintiff who was awarded 15 shillings with interest from 21 August 1802 plus costs. (Frederick Grass?????)

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 30, p. 372)
**Frederick Grass**
Chronological Chart

**1810**
-Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

*First District:*

**Frederick Grass** - 1 w.m. 16+, nothing else

*(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)*

- 1810 Census of Augusta Co., VA.

**Frederick Grass:**

- 1 white male 45+ 1 female 45+
- 1 " 16-26
- 1 " under 10

*(1810 Federal Census of Augusta Co., VA)*

**1811**
-Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

*First District:*

**Frederick Grass** - 2 w.m. 16+, nothing else

*(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)*

NOTE: Frederick's son, John, is the other male 16+ in this list and again through 1813.

**1812**
-Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

*M. Austin’s First District:*

**Frederick Grass (16 Mar)** - 2 w.m. 16+, nothing else

*(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)*

**1813**
-Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

*M. Austin’s First District:*

**Frederick Grass** - 2 w.m. 16+, nothing else

*(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)*

**1814**
-Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

*M. Austin’s First District:*

**Frederick Grass** - 1 w.m. 16+, nothing else

*(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)*

NOTE: Frederick's son, John, is in his own household. He had md. Sally Haybarger on 30 Jun this year.
Frederick Grass\(^2\)
Chronological Chart
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1815  -------------- Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

M. Austin’s First District:

Frederick Grass (15 Apr) - 1 w.m. 16+, 4 horses etc.

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

NOTE: Frederick’s sons, John and Robert, are on their own and William is not of taxable age yet.

“ - 20 Jan - “Edward Burke’s will names:

sister - Elizabeth Bailey
brother - Joseph Burke’s children
to Robert and William, infants, sons of Frederick Grass
to John Grass

Executors: Erasmus Stribling and Robert Grass
Witnesses: Joseph Wright, Elizabeth Argabright

proved: 27th February, 1815. Executors qualify on same day.

(Augusta Co., VA Will Bk. II, p. 443-444)

NOTE: Because Frederick’s sons are all named in this will and no sister named Grass is mentioned in it, it makes one wonder if Frederick may have m’d a sister of this Edward Burk as a first wife and she might be deceased by this time. Edward’s brother, William, had died in 1785 (see under date of 16 Dec 1785) named these persons in his will:

brother: Edward (this one)
mother: Ann (probably deceased by Jan 1815)
brother: Joseph
sister: Elizabeth Bosang - she had m’d John Bosang first and he had died and she m’d 2) Robert Bailey
half-sister: Mary Grass (if she was a half-sister to this Edward Grass too)

The only other person named in the William Burk will of 1785 and not named in Edward’s will were:

Mary Grass - she may have been the mother of Frederick’s sons, but was now deceased or she may have been the wife of Frederick’s brother, Peter Grass, who named a son Edward. However, if Peter’s wife, why wouldn’t this Edward Burk have left them some land----possibly because they no longer lived in the area.

(this record is continued on the next page)
1815 - (continued)

" - 20 Jan - "Edward Burke's will (cont'd)

NOTE: (cont'd)

This may explain why Robert and William Grass and not the son, John Grass (the eldest of Frederick's sons) were left bequests in Edward's will. Robert's and William's mother "may have been" a BURK and a half-sister to William and Edward BURK. John may have had a different mother. Questions, questions, questions!!!

Frederick's wife was 16 years younger than him when he signed the affidavit under the date of 25 Mar 1822 to obtain a Rev. War pension. (See that date)

1816 ------------ Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

Morris Austin's First District:

Frederick Grass (26 Mar) - 1 w.m. 16+, 6 horses etc.

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

NOTE: Frederick's sons, John and Robert, are taxed in their own households this year. Robert had md. Susan Grooms on 22 Feb of this year.

1817 ------------ Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

M. Austin's First District:

Frederick Grass (24 Mar) - 1 w.m. 16+, 6 horses etc.

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

NOTE: Frederick's sons, John and Robert, are taxed in their own households this year.

1818 ------------ Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

M. Austin's First District:

Frederick Grass (3 Mar) - 1 w.m. 16+, 5 horses etc.

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

NOTE: Frederick's sons, John and Robert, are taxed in their own households this year.
1818 - (continued)

- 23 Nov - William Grass, son of Frederick Grass, above 14 years, chooses Joseph Smith his guardian. James Crawford and Briscoe G. Baldwin give $1,000 bond and act as Smith’s securities.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 37, p. 192-193)

1819

Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

M. Austin’s First District:

Frederick Grass (3 Mar) - 2 w.m. 16+, 5 horses etc.

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

NOTE: Frederick’s sons, John and Robert, are taxed in their own households this year. William may be the other male. He could have been with his father and only chosen Joseph Smith as his guardian to look after the estate he had received from Edward Burk.

(See the under date of 20 Jan 1815)

- 26 Jul - Frederick Grass was allowed a pension of $8.00 per month commencing this date for two years’ service as a private in Col. Neville’s Regiment of Virginia Troops in the Revolutionary War. The declaration usually made by applicants for such pensions was not with the rest of the records in Frederick’s pension application.

(Virginia Historical Magazine of History and Biography, The Virginia Historical Society, Vol. XXXIV, p. 66)

NOTE: Col. (John) Neville was an officer of the 8th VA Regt. of Foot from 11 Dec 1777 to 14 Sep 1778 - so the above information does not conflict with the previous information about Frederick Grass’ service with this regiment.

1820

1820 Census of Augusta Co., VA

Frederick Grass

1 white male 45+ 1 female 45+
1 " 16-26 1 " under 10

(1820 Federal Census of Ohio - Nat’l Archives)
Frederick Grass
Chronological Chart
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1820  - (continued)  

"  ------------  Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists  

  1st District:  

  Frederick Grass (11 Feb) - 2 w.m. 16+, 5 horses etc.  
  
  (Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)  

  NOTE: Frederick's sons, John and Robert, are taxed  
  in their own households this year. The other w.m. is no  
  doubt his son William.  

"  - 25 Sep -  A deed of trust from John Hawk to Henry I. Tapp in trust for  
  Frederick and Robert Grass was acknowledged in court by  
  Hawk.  
  
  (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 38, p. 100)  

1821  20

"  ------------  Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists  

  1st District:  

  Frederick Grass (2 May) - 2 w.m. 16+, 5 horses etc.  
  
  (Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)  

  NOTE: Frederick's sons, John and Robert, are taxed  
  in their own households this year. The other w.m. here is  
  Frederick's son William.  

1822  1

"  ------------  Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists  

  Morris Austin's List:  

  Frederick Grass - 2 w.m. 16+, 2 horses etc.  
  
  (Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)  

  NOTE: Frederick's sons, John and Robert, are taxed  
  in their own households this year.  

"  - 25 Feb -  Frederick Grass, a soldier of the Revolutionary War, made a  
  deposition and his estate was awarded $99.00.  
  
  (Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 38, p. 359)  
  (Also found in Ct. Order Bk. 43, p. 303)  

  NOTE: "Estate" doesn't mean that Frederick was dead at  
  this time. This word was also used to mean "property".  

Frederick Grass' Chronological Chart
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1822 - (continued)

- (same) - Frederick Grass signed an affidavit listing his property pursuant to his application for a Rev. War Pension. In it, he gave his age as 66 and stated that he had no family except his wife who was age 50 and "infirm", that his occupation had been that of a waggoner, but "from age and infirmity he is unable to follow it". His schedule of property included:

2 horses
1 cow and calf
1 old walnut square table
2 iron pots, 1 oven, 1 skillet
A few plates and dishes
1 tea kettle
½ dozen knives and forks
4 plain Windsor chairs
2 split bottom ditto

All of this totalled $99.00 in value.

Frederick signed this by his mark (X)

(National Archives & Record Administration, Washington, D.C. - File #S-39607)

- 28 Oct - A deed from Frederick Grass to Henry I. Tapp in trust for Wm. Boyn(?) was proved by two of the witnesses (not named) thereto.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 39, p. 46)

NOTE: This appears to be a deed of mortgage (probably of personal property because Frederick didn't own any real property, but I did not get the actual record.

1823 - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists
Morris Austin's List (1st District):

Frederick Grass (4 Mar) - 1 w.m. 16+, 2 horses etc.

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

NOTE: Frederick's sons, John and Robert, are taxed in their own households this year. The name "William Greanaan"(?) appears in this list between the names of John Grass and Robert Grass - could this be William Grass? Frederick Grass has only 1 w.m. 16+ in his household this year.
1824  ------------ Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

1st District:

Frederick Grass - 1 w.m. 16+, 1 horses etc.

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

NOTE: Frederick’s sons John, Robert and William are taxed in their own households this year. William had married Nancy Alexander on 25 Nov 1823—after the 1823 tax list was taken.

1825  ------------ Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

1st District:

Frederick Grass (21 Mar) - 1 w.m. 16+, 1 horses etc.

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

NOTE: Frederick’s son William is also taxed in the 1st District this year. John, Robert and William are taxed in their own households this year in the 2nd District.

1826  ------------ Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

1st District:

Frederick Grass (10 Mar) - 1 w.m. 16+, 1 horses etc.

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

NOTE: Frederick’s sons John and William are also taxed in the 1st District this year. His son Robert is taxed in the 2nd District. A Jacob Grass and John Cress are also taxed in the 2nd District, but they are sons of Frederick’s deceased brother, Jacob Grass.

1827  ------------ Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

1st District:

Frederick Grass (26 Feb) - 1 w.m. 16+, 1 slave, 1 horses etc.

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

NOTE: Frederick’s sons John, Robert and William are also taxed in the 1st District this year.
Frederick Grass
Chronological Chart

1828

Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

1st District:

Frederick Grass (1 Feb) - 1 w.m. 16+, 1 horses etc.

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

NOTE: Frederick's sons John, Robert and William are also taxed in the 1st District this year.

1829

Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

Morris Austin's 1st District:

Frederick Grass (? May) - 1 w.m. 16+, nothing else

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

NOTE: Frederick's sons Robert and William are also taxed in the 1st District this year. I did not find Frederick's son John in this year's list, but I may have missed him. There was a John Grass listed in the 2nd District, but I feel that, because his name was near those of Christian Fauvre (his brother-in-law) and Andrew Grass (his brother), he was Frederick's nephew—son of Jacob Grass, Jr..

1830

Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

Morris Austin's 1st District:

Frederick Grass (? May) - 1 w.m. 16+, nothing else

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

NOTE: Frederick's sons John, Robert and William are also taxed in the 1st District this year.

Census of Augusta Co., VA

Negative for Frederick Grass (Cress, Crass, Gress, Krass, Kress).

(1830 Census of Augusta Co., VA - National Archives Film)

1831

Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

Morris Austin's District:

Frederick Grass - 1 w.m. 16+, nothing else

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

(this record is continued on the next page)
Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists (continued)

Morris Austin's District: (cont'd)

NOTE: Frederick's sons John, Robert and William and grandson Andrew are also taxed in this District this year. The "other" Grass men (descendants of Frederick's brother Jacob Grass, Jr. are taxed in James Nelson's (2nd District) List. In most of these later years, there are also a number of CRESS men in these lists---they belong to the family of a Nicholas CRESS which has not been proven to be related to the GRASS family.

Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

Negative for Frederick Grass

(Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

NOTE: I may not have copied the GRASS names this year. I copied the CRESS names. This year should be checked again.

- 26 Oct - Frederick Grass' motion as a soldier of the Revolutionary War from Augusta County was presented. The court approves his evidence that he enlisted as a soldier in 1778 for three years in the 12th Regt. and served for that period.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 43, p. 303)

NOTE: The same entry as the previous one appears somewhat differently in Chalkley, so I've copied it next.)

- 26 Oct - Revolutionary War Declarations

"26th October 1832---The Court certifies that it appears from satisfactory evidence that Frederick Grass, a soldier of the Revolution, enlisted in 1777 for three years in the 12th Virginia Regiment on Continental Establishments and served that time."


NOTE: See the entry dated 17 Feb 1778 on p. 2 of this Listing for information about the 12th VA Regt.
1832 - (continued)

   - 26 Oct - Revolutionary War Declarations (more - separate from previous item)

   "26th October 1832--It is certified that it is established by the testimony of Frederick Grass and Smith Thompson that Edward Richards entered the Revolution in 1777, or previous thereto, and served in the war, first in the Company of Capt. Thomas Bowyer, 12th Virginia Regiment; was appointed Drum Major and served as such to the close of the war."

   (Chalkley, Vol. II, p. 469)

   - 1 Nov - Revolutionary War Declarations (more - separate from previous item)

   "The Court certifies that the original warrant, No. 7304, issued by the Register of the Land Office in the name of Frederick Grass, has been lost, having been issued for his three years' service in the Virginia Continental Line."

   (Chalkley, Vol. II, p. 467)

1833 - Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists

   1st District:

   Frederick Grass (25 Feb) - 1 w.m. 16+, nothing else

   (Augusta Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA, VSA)

   NOTE: This is the last year that Frederick Grass is in these Lists. His sons William, John and Robert are also here this year are some grandsons. This is the last year that I read for these taxes.
Children of Frederick Grass\textsuperscript{2} and his wife (wives?)

Frederick's children are not necessarily listed in order of their birth as no records have been found to date giving their exact dates.

1. **Sarah Grass\textsuperscript{3}, b. ca. 1774-1775 - md. William REDIFER in 1799/1800 (marr. bond dated 30 Dec 1799) in Augusta Co., VA and lived in Bath Co., VA and then moved back to Augusta Co., VA.**


3. **Robert Grass\textsuperscript{3}, b. ca. 1793 in Augusta Co., VA, d. 1859 in Clay Co., IN - md. Susan GROOMS in 1816 in Augusta Co., VA.**

4. **William Grass\textsuperscript{3}, prob. b. ca. 1802-1808 (first taxed in Augusta Co., VA in 1824, so he would have to be at least 16 years of age in that year), d. ? - md. Nancy ALEXANDER (marr. bond dated 20 Nov 1823) in Augusta Co., VA.**

   and (reported by a descendant) - but not proven

5. **Elizabeth Grass\textsuperscript{3}, b. ca. 1787, d. after 1839 - md. Hazard KESTERSON in 1807 in Augusta Co., VA - moved to Campbell Co., TN. (reported by Marta Jackson Vaillancourt by E-Mail dated 22 Dec 2000 to DCR)**

Sarah, Robert and William are known to have left Augusta Co., VA. Sarah\textsuperscript{3} md. William REDIFER and they moved to Bath Co., VA for a while and then back to Augusta Co., VA.

John\textsuperscript{3} stayed in Augusta Co., VA.

Robert Grass\textsuperscript{3} migrated to Clay Co., IN.

William Grass\textsuperscript{3} migrated to IN sometime after 1840

and possibly:

Elizabeth Grass\textsuperscript{3} md. Hazard KESTERSON and migrated to Campbell Co., TN.
ADDENDA

1785 - 23 Aug - Augusta Co., VA Marriage Bonds

“1785—August 23, Frederick Grass and Betsy -----; surety, Nicholas Spring.” (Chalkley, Vol. II: 281)

“Grass, Frederick & Betsy ----- 23 Aug 1785; b-Nicholas Spring” (Augusta County Marriages, 1748-1850 by John Vogt and T. William Kethley, Jr., Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA: 96)

NOTRE: I ordered a copy of this marriage bond from Augusta Co., VA. It was difficult to read, Betsy’s last name looked WORAD to me. However, I could find no references in Chalkley’s book or in my readings of the court, deed, probate, etc. records that I read for this county.

1799 - 30 Dec - Augusta Co., VA Marriage Bonds


(Chalkley, Vol. II: 335)
JOHN GRASS ³  
Son of Jacob GRASS, Jr.²  
(revised 2006)

The following chronological chart includes references to John Grass³ abstracted from census, deed, court, probate, tax and various other records consulted by this preparer. Each entry is referenced here in parentheses and italics. The birthdates of John's children are not included here, but a listing of them will appear at the end of this chart.

Underlining is used to show unusual spellings used in the original records. Items in parentheses in the body of a record and NOTES are comments by this researcher to clarify some items or to add further information.

1781-1782 - - - - - Estimation date of birth of this John Grass³. See the next entry.

1799 - - - - - - - John Grass may have been the other white male taxed with Henry Fogus (his step-father) in James Lewis' List in Albemarle Co., VA this year. Henry had married Elizabeth, the widow of John's father Jacob Grass² and moved to Albemarle county in 1798. None of the sons of Henry and Elizabeth Fogus/Fogas would have been of taxable age at this time. Henry Fogus was taxed in Augusta Co., VA from 1786 through 1791. His whereabouts from 1792 to 1797 have not been ascertained as yet (Mar 2000).

(Albemarle Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, read from a microfilm of the original records at the VA State Archives in Richmond, VA by this researcher.)

1800-1801 - - - - - John Grass was listed in James Lewis' List of Albemarle Co., VA Personal Property Taxes these years. Henry Fogus is in the same list.

(Albemarle Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA State Archives, Richmond, VA)

(so the next entry will not be separated, it will begin on the next page)

NOTE: This record refers to a judgement in a case of debt previously listed as Jacob Gill, assignee of John Everitt against Hauneur(?) Fitzpatrick. The case was dismissed.

(Albemarle Co., VA Court Order Bk. 1799-1801, p. 390)

NOTE: There were no other references to John Grass in the court order books of this county from 1795-1803 which I read page-by-page.

1802 - The Personal Property Tax Lists for Albemarle Co., VA are negative for John Grass.

- 26 Jan - John Grass and Abraham Hawk, his surety, give bond for John's marriage to Polly Masoncup, spinster daughter of Jacob Masoncup. Frederick Wear (Weir, Wehr—German) swears that Polly is of age. John is also of age. John signed by mark (X) and Abraham signed his name.

(Augusta Co., VA Loose Marriage Bonds, Augusta County Courthouse, Staunton, VA.)

NOTE: Frederick Wear/Weir was the husband of Polly's aunt, Elizabeth Detter Weir—her mother's sister. Abraham Hawk was John Grass' uncle, the brother of John's mother, Elizabeth Hawk/Grass/Fogas.

1802-1805 - John Grass is listed in the Personal Property Taxes of Amherst Parish of Amherst Co., VA.

(Amherst Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists, VA State Archives, Richmond, VA.)

NOTE: Also listed here was Jacob Masincup/Massccope who was John Grass' father-in-law. Henry Fogus was also here from 1803-1806.

1803-1812 - The Albemarle Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists show John Grass was there these years.

(same reference as previous entry)

1810 - Census of Albemarle Co., VA (p. 158):

John Grafs
1 male age 26-45
1 female age 26-45
3 males 0-10
2 females 0-10
1812 - War of -- It is my belief that this John Grass/Cress\(^3\) served in this war. Two men of that name served in the State of VA. One of them was John Grass\(^3\), son of Frederick Grass\(^2\). I believe that this John was the other one, but that remains to be proven.

1814 -------- John Grass is listed in the Personal Property Tax Lists of Nelson Co., VA, but not after this date. He was not there in 1813.

\((\text{Nelson Co., VA Personal Property Tax Lists read at the VA State Archives in Richmond, VA})\)

13 Jun - Will of Jacob Masencop - made and signed. In this record, Jacob names the following persons:

- Wife - Catharin - "that Money that is commen from my Brother John Masencop's estate in the State of Pennsylvania" and his moveable property
- Son - John Masencop - to have the land "I now live on", and other items
- Daughter - Mary Grass - "Fifteen Acres of land, acres of the foresd Tract during her lifetime sd land is to include the said House that she now lives in....and the a fore sd 15 acres of Land is not to be sold or rented to any person or persons during her life time and at her death the said land is to be ? ? my son John Masincop.

Executrix: wife, Catharine Masencop
Witnesses: Charles McCue (+), John Dettor, Frederick Wehr (+)

\((\text{Nelson Co., VA Will Bk. A, p. 313})\)

NOTE: John Dettor was the brother of Jacob's wife Catharine and Frederick Wehr/Weir was the husband of Catharine's sister Maria Elisabeth.

25 Jul - The will of Jacob Masoncop was presented in Court and proved by the oaths of Charles McCue and Jacob Weir, two of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

\((\text{Nelson County, VA Ct. Order Bk. 1814-1817 - read from a microfilm of the original records. The page numbers were either off the edge of the pages or the pages were not numbered})\)

NOTE: Although one of the witnesses was called Jacob Weir, the will clearly shows that it was Frederick Wehr.
1820 - Census of Virginia

This census was negative for John Cress/Grass in all counties in Virginia. Neither was John's name shown the tax lists of Nelson, Amherst, Albemarle or Augusta counties after 1814.

NOTE: Could the reason be that he died ca. 1814-1815 after the 1814 tax list was taken and before the 1815 one was taken??? The last child born to John and Mary Cress/Grass was Thomas, b. in Mar 1815. He could have been born after John died....pure speculation!!!!

1821 - 29 May - "Elizabeth Cress orphan of John Cress deceased being above the age of 14 years appeared in Court" and chose Christian Fawber as her guardian. Fawber and his security, Pleasant Ewell, gave bond (amount not stated).

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 38, p. 228)

NOTE: Pleasant Ewell married Barbara Fauber in Augusta Co., VA on 27 Jan 1814. She was Christian's sister. See next entry.

" - (same) - Christian Fauber and Pleasant Ewell give bond of $150 for the marriage of Fauber and Elizabeth Grafs, spinster of Augusta County. Christian signed "Christian Faber" and Pleasant Ewell signed as written.

(Augusta Co., VA Restored Marriage Bonds, Vol. 18, 21-29)

" - 26 Nov - James West appointed guardian of Elizabeth Grass. James gives bond of $200 with Nath'l Harlow and James Brooks as his securities.

(Nelson Co., VA Probate Bk. B, p. 211)

NOTE: This probably should be Catharine Grass instead of Elizabeth Grass. See the next entry.

" - (same) - "Catherine Grafs an Infant of Jno Grafs deceased over the age of 14 years personally appeared in Court and made choice of James West for her Guardian who gave bond with Nathl Harlow security in the penalty of $200.00 with the bond reqd (required) by law."

(Nelson Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 1820-1822, p. 265)
John Grass
Chronological Chart

1823 - 1 Jan - Inventory of the estate of Catharine Hawk made by Henry Shuey, John Scott and Jacob Bare was returned to the court. Amounts of money due the estate from various persons were listed. Among those owing the estate was John Grass.

(Augusta Co., VA Will Bk. 14, p. 184-184)

NOTE: I have placed this under this John Grass because he was the grandson of Catharine. Although he was dead by 1821, this debt must have belonged to him.

1826 - 15 Aug - Deed of Trust from Jacob Grass to Benjamin Morris in trust for Catherine Macycup. For $1.00, Grass mortgages his personal property (household furniture, farm animals and implements) to Morris in order to secure a debt of $40.00 "due by note and open account owed to Catherine Macycup. If it is not paid to Catherine by 1 January 1827, this property is to be sold to the highest bidder, the expenses of the sale to be paid firstly, then the debt owed to Catherine. The residue of this sale if any, is to be paid to Jacob Grass, his assigns or his heirs. There were no witnesses to this document. Note in the margin of this record states "Examined & delivered to B. Morris this 3rd day of January 1827", probably meaning that the debt remained unpaid and the property was forfeited.

(Augusta Co., VA Will Bk. 15, p. 329-330)

NOTE: The above record and the next one are included here because these entries involve Jacob Grass the eldest son of John Grass. Catherine Macycup/Messencup was this Jacob Grass' maternal grandmother.

" - 28 Aug - Jacob Grass acknowledges the above deed to Benjamin Morris in trust for Catherine Macycup.

(Augusta Co., VA Ct. Order Bk. 41, p. 106)

1828 - 5 May - Katharine Masoncupp (mother-in-law of John Grass made and signed her will (by mark "X") on this date.

In it, she names her daughters Catharine Shriver and Mary Magdalene Cress and leaves them household items and the following items and the following bonds owed to her:

- Christian Faber - $240.00
- John Masoncupp - 240.00
- John Coghman - 50.00 (Kauffman)
- Daniel Leonard - 50.00

(this record is continued on the next page)
1828 - 5 May - Katharine Masoncupp 's Will (cont'd)

She leaves her son, John Maisoncupp $1.00 "to him & his heirs forever". Christian Faber was named as the sole executor of her will. Witnesses were Ro. Mills, Gabrial Stickley and Daniel Leonard. The will was probated at the April Court 1830.

(Nelson Co., VA Will Bk. 17, p. 217-218)

" - 1 Nov - Deed from John Masincup and wife Polly to John Critzer

For $500 - land in Nelson County on the headwaters of Rockfish (River). Land described as adjoining lands of John Wallace, George Hight, Greenberry Bernard and others "also part of the same tract sold unto James Y. Rodes". This latter part is said to border the lands of George Hite, John Critzer and the "land formerly owned by Polly Grass".

(Nelson Co., VA Deed Bk. 6, p. 413-414)

NOTE: The Polly Grass in the above record was the widow of this John Grass'.

1830 - - - - - Nelson Co., VA Census, p. 106:

Mary Grass  1 male 10-15  1 female 40-50
no slaves

NOTE: The above is included here to show that Mary Grass was still in Nelson Co. this year. She was widowed by 1821 and possibly earlier--see entry under date of 29 May 1821.)

" - 12 Mar - "Memorandum of an Agreement" made between Mary Grass and Greenberry N. Bernard, both of Nelson Co., VA"

That "the said Mary Grass having fifteen acres of land left her by her father Jacob Massincup to be hers during her life and at the death of the said Mary Grass to belong to John Massincup, and the same John Massincup having sold his right to the said Bernard"....they now agree to divide the fifteen acres. Polly/ Mary Grass agrees to "quit all claims to the upper end of said land" to Bernard and he does the same to the "part East of the cross fence" to Polly during her natural life and at her death this land is to be equally divided "between James West's children by his present wife".

Mary signed by mark (X).
Bernard signed his name.

(this record is continued on the next page)
1830 - 12 Mar - "Memorandum of an Agreement" made between Mary Grass and Greenberry N. Bernard, both of Nelson Co., VA (cont'd)
Witnesses were: Jas. Y. Rodes and George Hite
Recorded on 26 May 1830.
(Nelson Co., VA Deed Bk. 7, p. 67)

" - April Ct. - Will of Catharine Maisoncupp presented by Christian Fauver, the executor named in the will. See record dated 5 May 1828.
(Augusta Co., VA Will Bk. 17, p. 217-218)

" - May Ct. - The inventory and appraisal of the estate of Catharine Maisoncupp was made by Thomas Cullen, Charles Patrick and Henry Kenedy. It included in $720.00 in bonds due from Christian Fauber, Daniel Leonard, Jacob Gochenawe (Gochenour), Jacob Grass, Thomas James and John Critzer. The bond owed by Jacob Grass was for $10.00 "executed 11 April 1826 due 6 months after date".
(Augusta Co., VA Will Bk. 17, p. 263-264)

1831 - 21 Apr - Mary Grass of Nelson Co., VA to Jas. Y. Rodes of the same place.

Deed of Trust to Rodes as trustee for her daughter, Catharine West, wife of James West and Catharine's children by James:
Mary Susan West
Meletus West
Araminta West
Elizabeth West

"Four acres, two roods & Twenty four poles" bordering the land of George Hite, John Critzer and Greenberry N. Bernard plus household items reserving a "life estate" in the property only. Rodes "shall permit the said Catharine West to remain in quiet and peaceable possession" of the land and personal property during her natural life without it's disposal or the control of James West and that, at the death of the said Catharine West, Rodes shall sell the land and personal property and divide the money equally among Catharine's children.

Mary Grass signed by mark (+)
There were no witnesses.
Recorded on 27 June 1831.
(Nelson Co., VA Deed Bk. 7, 220-222)
1832 - Jan - "..................Ladies of Augusta County presented a petition, or Memorial, to the General Assembly of Virginia...asking for the abolishment of slavery in the Commonwealth". Among those signing was Mary M. Cress.

(Augusta Historical Bulletin, Vol. 21, #2, Fall, 1985, p. 73-82, Augusta Co., VA Historical Society)

NOTE: Elizabeth (Grass) Fauber, Mary Grass' daughter also signed the above petition.

1833 - Mar Ct. - Account and settlement of the estate of Catharina Masincup:

Accounts made by the executor, Christian Fauber were examined by John Porterfield and Thomas Cullen. This is the final account of this estate. The following persons were paid amounts "as per receipts" due them as legatees and for expenditures made:

- Henry Shiver (Shriver?), Attorney in fact for Catharine Shiver (Shriver?), a legatee, as per his receipt No 15 - $ 250.00
- Mary M. Cress, a legatee - No 16 - $ 18.50
  (same) as per her receipt No 17 - $ 2.50
  (same) as per her receipt No 18 - $ 50.00
- Christian Fauber for boarding the Testrix four years, 1827-1830 at $25 a year "as per agreement" - $ 100.00
- To Cash paid for copy of Appraisement Bill as per receipt on the copy - $ 37.00
- To Jacob Grefses (Grass') Bond (Insolvent & left the County) - $ 10.00
- and sundry other expenses

List of income to the estate included the following bonds & interest thereon:

- Christian Fauber's Bond $325.30
- Danl Lonard's Bond 55.72
- Jacob Gochinour's Bond 52.25
- Jacob Crefses (Cress') Bond 10.00
- Thomas James' Bond 4.00
- John Critzer's Bond 305.41
- Mary Ann Grefses (Gress') Bond 7.56

After settling this estate, the "Balance due by Executor" was $197.90.

(Augusta Co., VA Will Bk. 18, p. 439-441)
1835 - 31 Aug - Deed from Mary Gress, James West and Katharine West his wife of Augusta Co., Va. to Andrew Wallace of Nelson Co., VA - for $50.00 - "a certain Lot or parcel of land lying in the said County of Nelson on the waters of the north fork of Rockfish (river), containing five acres more or less adjoining the lands of Thomas I. Rodes, John Critzer and the lands formerly owned by Greenberry V. Bernard".

No witnesses - acknowledged on the same day by the grantors.

Mary Gress (+)
Katharine West (+)
James West (signed)

Recorded on the same day.

(Nelson Co., VA Deed Bk. 8, p. 366-367)

NOTE: This is part of the same land as in the 12 March 1830 entry and the 21 April 1831 entries herewith. According to family records, Mary Magdalena Grass, known as "Polly" and her family moved to Tazewell Co., Illinois this year. It is "possible" that her eldest son, Jacob Grass, had already moved to Iowa.

1840 - - - - - - Census of Tazewell Co., Illinois - p. 38:

Mary Cress 1 male 20-30 (Henry)
1 female 60-70 (Mary)

NOTE: This census shows that Mary Cress and her family had moved to Illinois. Only the information on Mary is listed below. Information on the other children of John and Mary Grass/Cress will appear on their charts. After they moved westward into Illinois and Iowa, this family used the spelling CRESS for their last name.

1850 - 12 Feb - According to her tombstone, Mary Magdalena Cress died on this date. She is buried in the Union Cemetery, Washington Township, Tazewell Co., Illinois which is in Section 3, Township 26N, Range 2-3W.

NOTE: Mary Magdalena (Messencup) Grass was born 26 Jan 1779 in either Lancaster or York Co., PA---probably the latter. She was the daughter of Jacob Messencop of Lancaster Co., PA (and later of Amherst Co., VA) and his wife and Catharina Detter of York Co., Pa.. I have much information on the MESSENCOP and DETTER families as well as the GRASS/CRESS and related families. Two articles that I wrote on the DETTER Family appeared in the Spring, 1994 and Spring, 1999 issues of the "Central Virginia Heritage".
John Grass
Chronological Chart

John and Mary Magdalena (MESSENCUP) CRESS had the following children:

1. **Jacob CRESS**, was b. ca. 1802 in VA. He md. 1) Ann WILLIAMS in Albemarle Co., VA on 5 May 1823 and moved to Linn Co., Iowa. He md. 2) Lucy Ann, widow of Stephen PORTER sometime before 27 Nov 1855 when she sold the interests of Stephen's minor children to John WISEHART in Linn Co., IA. Jacob had five children, all by his first wife.

2. **Catharine CRESS**, was b. ca. 1803 in VA. A marriage bond was filed in Albemarle Co., VA for her forthcoming marriage to James WEST on 26 Nov 1821. They moved to Tazewell Co., IL with others in this family in the 1830's. James and Catharine had eleven children.

3. **Elizabeth CRESS**, was b. ca. 1805 in VA. A marriage bond was filed on 29 May 1821 in Albemarle Co., VA for her forthcoming marriage to Christian FAUBER, Jr.. Christian and Elizabeth later moved to Tazewell Co., IL with others in this family. Christian died sometime between 1836 and 1839 in IL and Elizabeth md. 2) Daniel GUIBERT. She had seven children by her first husband and three children by the second husband.

4. **John CRESS**, was b. ca. 1806-1807 in VA, d. in 1854 in Linn Co., IA. The bond for his forthcoming marriage to Lucinda HORNER was filed on 25 Jun 1832 in Augusta Co., VA. Lucinda died in Linn Co., IA sometime before 18 Jan 1855 when she received $50.00 from John's estate. John and Lucinda had seven children.

5. **Andrew CRESS** was b. on 7 Aug 1809 in VA and d. on 4 Jan 1879 in Woodford Co., IL. Andrew went to IL about 1834 with others of this family and md. Mary, dau. of Benjamin & Esther (WITMER) KINDIG, on 21 Aug 1834 in Tazewell Co., IL. Andrew and Mary had seven children.

6. **Henry CRESS** was b. 24 May 1811 in VA, d. 11 Jan 1855 in Tazewell Co., IL. He md. Mary Jane, dau. of John CULLEN, on 8 Aug 1837 in Tazewell Co., IL. Henry and Mary Jane had ten children.


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Children of John and Mary Magdalena (MESSENCUP) CRESS³ (cont'd)

8. Thomas CRESS⁴ was b. 12 Mar 1815 in VA, d. 26 Jul 1884 in Tazewell Co., IL. He md. Catharine Anna, dau. of John P. and Susan (BARNHART) CULLEN, on 2 Oct 1834 in Augusta Co., VA. Thomas and Catharine are reported to have had eight children.
ADDENDA

There are some cases in the Augusta County, Virginia Court Order Books from 1803 onward that could belong to this John Grass and one of his sons; but, because the first names of the parties involved were not given, it is impossible to determine which GRASS family in that area was involved. Very little information on these cases was included in the records making it even more difficult to assign the cases to any particular person of that name.

Frederick Grass of this GRASS line (son of Jacob Grass) also had a son named John Grass. This John Grass was born ca. 1793-1794 in Augusta County and was younger than this John Grass by at least ten years. When the first name of John Grass is used in the county records before 1814 (when Frederick's son would have been age 21), the cases could refer to this John Grass.

There are a few cases in the early 1830's which can be assigned to one of this John Grass' sons—Henry Cress. These cases will not be included in the chronological chart for this John Grass, but the Augusta Co., VA Court Records have been abstracted separately for all of that name and the reader can choose for him/herself as to which John Grass they pertain.

Following are additional chronological entries added after the completion of this Listing.

1802 - 26 Jan - Augusta Co., VA Marriage Bonds

"1802—January 26, John Grass and Abraham Hawk, surety. John Grass and Polly Masoncup, daughter of Jacob Masoncup. Frederick Wear (Wher, German) swears Polly is of age."

(Chalkley, Vol. II: 339)
Augusta County, Virginia
County Court Martial Records, 1756-1789

The following records were abstracted from a microfilm of the original records on loan from the Virginia State Archives in Richmond, Virginia.

Underlining is used to show unusual spellings found in the original records so that they are not mistaken for a typographical error. The GRASS name is put in bold letters and underlined for further emphasis by this researcher. All other names of interest to this researcher are underlined, but not put in bold letters.

The first date that the GRASS and HAWK names were found in these records was the one shown below. Other names copied in these abstracts may have been there before, but were not copied.

NOTE: These records were negative for the name GRASS and HAWK before 1776. The other names shown here were not checked for 1756-1775.

p. 83: (Ct. held 17 Oct 1776)

"The County is Divided Into four Battalions Viz. the Upper, Middle and Lower Battalions in the Valley Between the North and South Mountains & the fourth Battalion is to be over The mountains—Capt. Lockridges Comp only Excepted Which falls into the Middle Battalion. The Upper Battalion To Consist of the following Comp' Viz Captains. Gilmers, Grays, Stewarts, Lyles, Campbells, Tates, McCutchens, Cunningham's, Longs Buckanans Moores & Willsons, The Middle Battalion Viz Captains. Lockridges, Youngs, Thompsons, Moffitts, Smiths, Johnston's, Bells Roberts, Andersons, Hendersons, Stephensons & Givens. The Lower Battalion Viz Captains Hopkins, Smiths, Lincoln's, Baggs, Readers, Harrisons, Cravens, Hewett's, Pence, Fraizers and Coggins.

It's Ordred that there Be allowed a Sallary of of forty Pounds Per year To an Adjutant To Each Battalion—Joseph Sterns (?) is appointed Adjutant To the Middle Battalion—Capt. Gilmer Capt. Steward & Capt. Gray are appointed To Imply an Adjutant for the Upper Battalion—Capt. Smith Capt. Hewett & Capt. Linkhorn are appointed to Imply an Adjutant for the Lower Battalion & Capt. Peoples Capt. Davis & Capt. McCrusey (?) To Imply an Adjutant for the Battalion over the Mountains."

(The foregoing was copied to show the Army divisions and officers that served in Augusta Co. at this time.)
p. 103: (Ct. held 27 Oct 1778)

George Berry of Capt. Young’s Company Exempted from Duty on Account of his age.

p. 111: (Ct. held 28 Oct 1778)

Capt. Smith’s Delinquents: (among them were)

“William Bowyer, Valintine Hamm, George Potts, Samuel Dust & Edward Leet/apprentice __2__ Returned for Not appearing at one Privat Muster 29th May 1778”

“Alexander Sinclair, James Buchanan, George Haydon, John Whitecraft & Jacob Grass Jun’r Returnd for not appearing at one Private Muster 19th August 1778.”

“George Potts, John Griffen, Alexander Sinclair, James Buchanan, Peter Grass & Thomas Hughes Returnd for not appearing at one Gen’l muster 20th Octo’r 1778”

“George Haydon, John Whit__(?) and Jacob Grass Jun’r adquited” for not appearing at one Private Muster 19th August 1778.”

p. 112: (Ct. held 28 Oct 1778)

“Peter Grass and Thomas Hughes Acquited for not appearing at one Gen’l muster 20th Octo’r 1778.”

“William Bowyer & Valintine Hamm To be Summoned To Next Court Martial for Not appearing at one Private Muster 29th May 1778.”

p. 137: (Ct. held 17 Apr 1779)

“Col’ Alexander M.Clinachan Proceeded To Settle his Account”:

Among those paid amounts for their Companies were: (among them were)

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p. 142: (Ct. held 17 Apr 1779)

Cap’ Smith’s Delinquents included: (among them were)

David Greiner, William Bowyer, Valintine Hamm (and others) fined five shillings Each for not appearing at one Private Muster 29 May 1778.

p. 152: (Ct. held 27 Oct 1779)

Cap’ Smith’s Delinquents Returned: (among them were)

David Greiner fined for not attending a private muster on 29 May 1779.
Edward Burk, William Burk and Anthony Mustoe acquitted for not attending a private muster on 31 July 1779.
Cap' Smith's Delinquents Returned: (among them was)

David Greiner was fined for not appearing at a General Muster on 25 Oct 1779.

"Jacob Barrier of Capt. Given's Company deserted the 6th July 1779".

James Berrey (Son To George) a Substitute in Room of Henry Lawrence Who Was a Substitute for Stephen Woods of Capt. Simpson's Comp'y to be Summ'd To Next Court Martial To answer the Charge Against him at this Court Martial of Desertion.”

Jacob Swallow in Capt. Long's Co. - acquitted of not attending a muster.

Capt. Thos. Smith's delinquents returned: (among them were)

John Bosang, Edward Burk, Jacob Grass. David Grainer, William Burk, Anthony Mustoe and others were acquitted for not appearing at a private muster on 27 Nov 1779.

Jacob Grass fined, Anthony Mustoe acquitted were among others brought up before the ct. for not appearing at one General Muster on 25 Dec 1779.

Dr. Valintine Hamm exempted from Militia Duty in the future.

James Berrey in Capt. McCutchen's Company was acquitted for not attending several Private musters.
Capt. Buchanan’s Delinquents by Lt. Alexander Scott returned: (among them was)

Jacob Hawke acquitted for not appearing at a private muster on 23 Sep 1780 and again on 23 Oct 1780.

Return of delinquents of Capt. Thomas Smith’s Company: (among them was)

James Coursey acquitted for failing to appear at the Rendezvous when ordered under the command of Lt. Col. Sam’l Lewis.

Return of delinquents of Capt. Buchanan’s Company:

For not appearing at a private muster on 28 Apr 1781: (among them was)

Jacob Hawk “find” (fined)

For not appearing at a private muster on 26 May 1781: (among them was)

Frederick Hawk - “find” (fined)
William Crieper - “acq’t” (acquitted)

Return of delinquents of Capt. Thos. Smith’s Company:

For not appearing at a private muster on 29 Dec 1781: (among them was)

Lewis Coursey - “acq’t”
William Coursey - “find”
Anthony Mustoe - “acq’t”
Edward Burk - “acq’t”
David Griner - “acq’t”
Peter Grass - “find”
William Burk - “acq’t”

For not appearing at a private muster on 12 Mar 1781: (not sure of this year date, it was off the edge of the page---could be 1782) - not a complete list

David Griner - “acq’t”
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p. 236: (Ct. held 9 Oct 1782)

Capt. Buchanan’s delinquents: (among them were)

Smith Tandey - “find” for not attending private musters on 30 Mar 1782, 27 Apr 1782, 3 Aug 1782, 28 Sep 1782, 8 Oct 1782.

Jacob Grass - “find” for not attending a private muster held 28 Sep 1782.

Fredrick Hawk - assessed a fine by the last court martial for not appearing at a private muster on 26 May 1782.

p. 238: (Ct. held 10 Oct 1782)

Capt. Smith’s delinquents: (among them was)

William Coursey and Michael Bowyer fined for not attending a private muster 27 Sep 1782.

p. 243: (Ct. held 3 May 1782) (NOTE: This date is copied correctly, but appears to be out of place in these records)

This is a Court Martial hearing held in Staunton on the above date.

Jacob Hawk of Capt. Buchanan’s Company - “for failing to go on a Tour of Duty to the frontier under the Command of Lt. John McKerney/Mckemy(?) to Rendezvous the 21st June 1782 - Aquited”.

p. 245: (Ct. held 26 Mar 1783)

Capt. Buchanan’s Delinquents returned:

Jacob Grass - fined for not appearing at a private muster held 26 Oct 1782.

Capt. Campbell’s Delinquents returned:

William Brooks - fined for not appearing at a private muster on 30 Nov 1782.

p. 247: (Ct. held 26 Mar 1783)

Capt. Thos. Smith’s Delinquents returned:

Persons fined for not appearing at a private muster on 30 Nov 1782: (among them were)

Edward Burk - fined
Peter Grass - fined
William Burk - fined
William Coursey - fined
Michael Bowyer - fined

Persons fined for not appearing at a private muster on 28 Dec 1782: (among them was)

Michael Bowyer - fined
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p. 252: (Ct. held 23 Oct 1783)

Capt. Thos. Smith's Delinquents returned:

Persons fined for not appearing at a private muster on 29 Mar 1782: (among them was)
William Coursey - fined

Persons fined for not appearing at a private muster on 26 Apr 1783: (among them was)
William Coursey - fined

p. 259: (Ct. held 25 Mar 1784)

Capt. Thos. Smith's Delinquents returned:

Persons fined for not appearing at a private muster on 29 Nov 1783: (among them was)
William Burk - acquitted

Persons fined for not appearing at a private muster on 13 Mar 1784: (among them was)
Peter Grass - fined

"Ordered that David Grainer be Exempted from Militia duty until the 25th of May 1785
Being the Expiration of his enlistment of a Soldier he put into the Service for the Term
of Three years as pr. Receipt thereof from the War Office Agreeable to Act of Assembly".

p. 268: (Ct. held 18 Mar 1788)

Capt. William's Company Delinquents returned: (among them was)

Robert Bailey - fine for not attending a private muster on 22 Nov 1787.

p. 271: (Ct. held 29 Oct 1788)

Nicholas Spring exempted from militia duty due to his age and infirmities.

NOTE: These records were only read to the 11 Nov 1789 Court.