# Col. John Frogg

# "Sheriff of Prince William County, Virginia"

(c1710 - December 1794)

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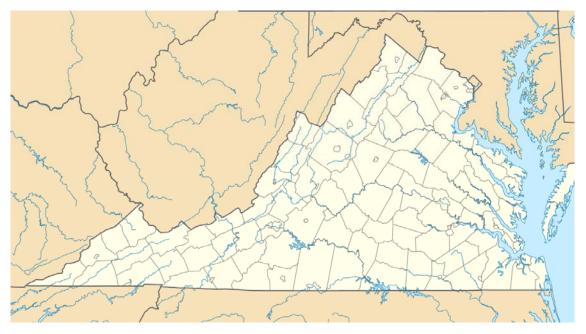
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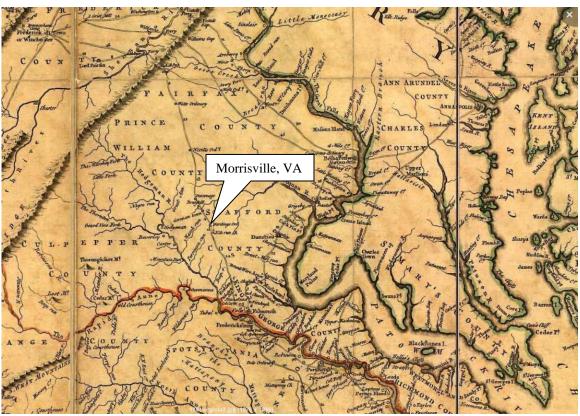
## **Outline**

- Father: John Frogg, "Merchant of Christiana"
- Mother: Mary (\_\_) Battell
- Born: About 1710
- Married: Elizabeth Strother on 9 Nov 1738
- Married where: Overwharton Parrish, Stafford Co, VA
- Died: About December 1794
- Buried: Bath County, Virginia, grave location not known
- Occupation: Sheriff in Prince William County Virginia and Col in French and Indian War.

#### Children:

- Captain William Frogg (c1740 aft 1810) m. Mary Mitchell c1770 VA
- Jane Frogg (11 Nov 1741 1845) m. Manoah Crawley (1735-1823) in 1767
- Agness "Agathy" Frogg (c1743 c1805) m1 sheriff Capt. John Oliver (c1740 1799) m2. constable Thomas Edington 26 Mar 1801, Bath Co. VA [66].
- <u>Captain John Frogg "The Sutler"</u> (May 26, 1745 10 Oct 1774) m. Agatha Lewis (1753 1836) on 18 Oct. 1770. She m2 Col. John Stewart on November 18, 1776
- Mary "Polly" Frogg (c 1748 aft 1820) m. (sheriff) Col. John Cowardin bef. 1787
- Margaret Frogg (c1750 aft 1820) m. (sheriff) John Lewis (1 Nov 1749 -1789) in 1776 Culpepper Co, VA.
- Arthur Frogg, date of birth unknown but tradition has said that he was killed in a duel before 1771. He died intestate and may have left a son, John Frogg, see explanation below.

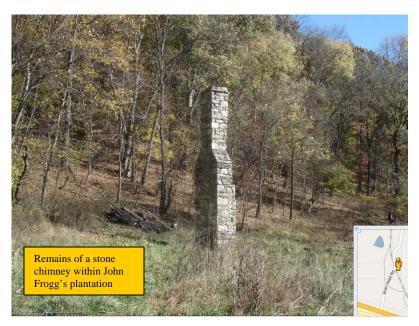




# The Evolution of John Frogg

Although absolute proof is lacking, **John Frogg**, was born about 1710 in Christiana, Pennsylvania to Scottish-born merchants who immigrated to Philadelphia about 1702 from Edinburough. The only known record of John's date of birth is when in 1793, his age was listed at age 83 in a court document over a land title dispute.

If John Frogg "The **Sheriff**" was the son of Frogg, Iohn <u>Christiana"</u> John was orphaned at about the age of four when his young father, merchant in Philadelphia, died in 1717 and his mother a few year later who died intestate. John would have been reared by his older step-brother and merchant, Captain William Battell (1696 -



1734), who learned the trade of sheriff from his father-in-law **Col. John French** (c1672 – c1728) of New Castle County, Delaware. As stated in Newcastle County Court records, William Battell was given full rights to the plantation formerly owned by John Frogg "of Christiana", deceased and his widow Mary, also mother of William. Captain William Battell married **Parnell French** on 19 Jun 1718 in New Castle County likely at the Emmanuel Church where they were among the vestry. It is this author's opinion that the marriage between Captain Battell and Mrs. French is what would bring John Frogg to Virginia and give John the skills required of a County Sheriff. The French's and **Strothers** were related through the marriage of **Margaret French** and **James Strother**. [21; pg 240]

When John reached adulthood, he took a job as Sheriff for Prince William County and settled near present day Morrisville in Prince William County where he married **Elizabeth Strother** on 9 Nov 1738. This land in Prince William County was probably the land Elizabeth's father had mentioned in his will in 1732. John and Elizabeth remained at this home most of their lives and raised all of their children on this plantation. **John Frogg** married into a very rich and well established family, most of whom were burgesses, councilors, sheriffs and members of the gentry class of the colony of Virginia.

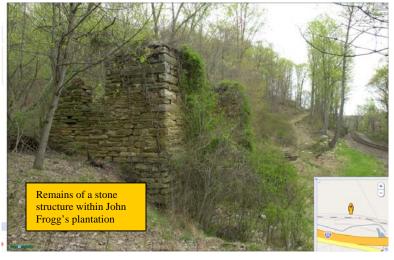
John and Elizabeth were Virginia plantation owners and operated the areas first grist mill. John served for decades as sheriff for Prince William County and later became Major in the Virginia Militia for Prince William County, Virginia. He was in charge of "manning a line of forts from Great-Cape Capon in Hampshire Co. to the south fork of the Mayo River in Halifax" during the French and Indian War and by the end of the war earned the rank of Colonel. John was elected in the Virginia House of Burgesses and was among the justices responsible for creating Fauquier County.

John Frogg's most notable friends, neighbors, relatives and business partners included, John Madison, (uncle to president James Madison), George Washington, James Monroe, the distinguished Lewis family of Colonial Virginia, Indian Fighters and ancestors to Meriwether Lewis ["Lewis & Clark]). William Clark also married a daughter of Margaret Strother. His children also married into the Stuart family of Colonial Virginia. John's business partner who jointly purchased tens of thousands of acres of Virginia land was his neighbor, Dr. Michael Wallace of Ellerslie, King George County, Virginia, son of William Wallace of Galrigs and direct male descendant of William Wallace of Ellerslie (1270-1305), Scotland, aka "Braveheart".

John Frogg was also Major of the militia and commanded founding father and Supreme Court Chief Justice, <u>John Marshall</u> (1735-1855) during the French and Indian War. Through his marriage with the Strothers, he was brother-in-law to

Patrick Henry and the uncle to President Zachary Taylor.

John and Elizabeth were wealthy plantation owners who speculated a considerable amount of land in northern Virginia. According to one of the first Frogge historians, Bettie Brittain Myers Egle,



DAR 33990: The land upon which the Court House for Fauquier County was built was provided by John and Elizabeth Frogg.

The Frogg plantations were used to cultivate Sweet Virginian Tobacco which was tended by slaves. These slaves were given to John's heirs after his death.

One of John and Elizabeth's son, Arthur died at a young age. Oral tradition states that he killed a duel. Other than one obscure reference in Chalkley, no other documents exist for him signifying he died young. Another son, John Frogg, Jr. was killed at the Battle of Point Pleasant in October 1774 while acting as sutler for the American militia against the Indians.

As was the expected custom of the gentry class, all of John and Elizabeth's children married into wealthy prominent families including military officers, sheriffs and large land holders.

John and Elizabeth's sole surviving namesake, **William Frogg** would spawn some of the first settlers of present day Pall Mall, Tennessee. Most of the **Froedge** and **Frogge** families of America today can trace their roots to Col. John Frogg and Elizabeth Strother Frogg.

John Frogg, being referred to as a captain at an early age had gained experience as a sheriff from his step-brother, **Captain William Battell**. He would have been moderately educated as a youth and probably had periodic private tutors paid for by his adopted family.

The area of Augusta and Prince William County that John Frogg had lived can best be described by Colonel Byrd during his visit in 1732:

"Besides Colonel Willis, who is the top man of the place, there are only one merchant, a tailor, a smith, an ordinary-keeper, and a lady who acts both as a doctress and coffee woman" [19].

The Valley of Virginia was also described as being, "Between the Alleghany mountains and the Ohio river, within the present limits of Virginia, there were some villages interspersed, inhabited by small numbers of Indians; the most of whom retired north west of that river, as the tide of emigration rolled towards it. Some however remained in the interior, after settlements began to be made in their vicinity. This region of country was then only used as a hunting ground, and as a highway for belligerent parties of different nations, in their military expeditions against each other. In consequence of the almost continued hostilities between the northern and southern Indians, these expeditions were very frequent, and tended somewhat to retard the settlement of the valley, and render a residence in it, for some time, insecure and unpleasant" [50].

One of the earliest churches where **John Frogg** resided was Saint George's Parish Church in Spotsylvania was established in 1732. Below are some of the early vestrymen:

Augustus Smith, William Grayson, John Waller Thomas Chew, Geo. Wheatle, William Hansford, H. Sharpe, John Taliafero, Francis Thorton, Goodrich Lightfoot, Larkin Chew, Z. Lewis, Hon. John Robinson [father of Beverley Robinson, loyalists], Henry Beverley [former Governor of Jamaica and prisoner at Vera Cruz], Ambrose Grayson, Henry Beverley, Edward hickman, John Chew, F. Taliafero, John Waller, Jr., Wm. Robinson [John's Uncle, m. Ann Watts], Rice Curtis, William Battaley [Battaile], John Taliafero, Jr. Richard Tutt, John Thornton, Rice Curtis, Jr., William Waller Edward Herndon, Robert Jackson, John Spottswood, Feilding Lewis, Joseph Brock

Most of these families were inter-related or their children would later marry into each others families. The names in bold would play and integral role in John Frogg's life.

Sometime prior to 1794, the elderly John and Elizabeth Frogg sold their home and moved into the home of their daughter Mary Frogg Cowardin and her husband, Col. John Cowardin who lived near Fort Lewis in Bath County. John wrote his will on 19 August 1794 at their home in Bath County which was proven 14 Jul 1795. John died nearing the age of 84. John's widow, Elizabeth survived a short time later appointing her son-in-law John Cowardin executor of John's will.

## Timeline

## 15 Jan 1723/4 (age 14)

An unknown **Thomas Frogg** is listed as ship's captain for the "Colchester Adventure" entering the Patuxent River in Prince George's County, Maryland.

## 5 Feb 1725/6 (age 16)

Thomas Frogg again is listed in the Ships' Freight records for the same county.

## 15 Apr 1725/6 (age 16)

Thomas Frogg again is listed in the Ship's Freight records. This time on the ship, "Edeleford Adventure"

#### 1734 (age 24)

John Frogg's future business partner, Michael Wallace arrives in Maryland from Scotland. He is apprenticed to **Dr. Gustavus Brown** in Maryland.

#### 1734 (age 20)

John Frogg is listed in the estate inventory records of **James Gregg** in Overwharton Parish, Stafford County Virginia, "brother of Thomas Gregg". His estate was divided by his other brother, John, Justice of Stafford County. Their parents had ties with the **Watts** family.

JAMES GREGG ESTATE DIVISION 1734

[John] ffrogg 2 milk picks and leather chairs and broken Do (horse) [76]

**William Cave** also listed in Gregg's Estate Division. His sister married a **Strother**. He was also a fellow sheriff and John Frogg witnesses Cave's will in 1742.

#### 9 November 1738 (age 24)

Captain John Frogg marries Elizabeth Strother (1721 - aft. Jul 1795) in Overwharton Parrish, Stafford County, VA [14]. Elizabeth was 17-years old and was second daughter of thirteen children of William Strother III (1697-1732) and his second wife, Margaret Watts (1700-1754). Elizabeth's parents were wealthy Virginia planters who married circa 1718 and resided in King George County Virginia "on Ye Branches of Hassell Run" of which he paid 100 pounds sterling on October 1, 1725. Elizabeth's mother, Margaret was the daughter of Richard Watts and Mary (\_\_) Watts. According to [73] Elizabeth died in 1752. However, it is likely in error as Elizabeth was mentioned in John Frogg's will written 19 Aug 1794. It is unlikely John married a second Elizabeth with no marriage record, but it is possible.

The **Strothers** had and would have remarkable ties with the gentry of Virginia. Margaret (Watts) Strother had a sister named **Mary Watts** who married first **Col. Henry Ashton** (7/30/1671-11/3/1731) and second **John Ashton** whose families married into the **John** and **Augustine Washington** families of Virginia. Margaret had another sister **Ann Watts** who married **William Robinson** of King George County, vestry of Hanover Parish and signer of the Northern Neck Declaration (Lord Fairfax). The Strothers sold land, opposite of Fredericksburg, to **Augustine Washington**, father of **George Washington** in 1738. William passed away at the age of 35, Margaret married second, **Captain John Grant** (?- 1754) of Stafford County between 1732 and before 1739 [32].

#### 2 Aug 1739 (age 29)

Pr Wm Co, Capt Saml Skinker (to 11 Apr 1740) 545 acres on head of Marsh Run adj Wm Allen, Edw Price, Hopper, Marr, Jno Brown, Jno Allen, Capt Frogg. Col Thorntons buildings drawn across Marsh Run, 82 acres granted to John Hopper who gave it to his son in law Thos Duncan who sold it to Skinker. CC Christr Marr, Wm Sparks, Surv James Thomas Jr. (FHL 975.5 R2 V 3 Northern Neck Warrants & Surveys also Northern Neck Grants-Vol 1- Gray)

#### August 5, 1740 (age 26)

Possibly due to his role as a sheriff, John Frogg is listed as the security in the will of **George Wheatley** and in 1752 when George dies, John also attests the will. George was likely born in the Isle of Wight or Prince George County where John (1670) and Thomas (1717) can be seen probating their wills, respectively. George received a patent on **Wild Cat Run** in Fauquier County on 24 Dec 1716 adjacent to where John Frogg would settle. George became an early vestryman at St. George's Parish Church in Fredericksburg, Virginia. He married **Mary Henry** on 3 Dec 1729 in Spotsylvania County, Virginia. She was the sister of **John Henry** (?-1773) and aunt to the orator, Patrick **Henry** (1736-1799), Governor of Virginia.

Virginia County Records SPOTSYLVANIA COUNTY 1721-1800 ADMINISTRATION BONDS WILL BOOK A page 56

£2000 **Andrew Ross**, admr. of Nico. C. Bontrue, decd., with **John Frogg**, sec. Aug. 5, 1740

**Andrew Ross** "merchant at Fallmouth, Virginia" was originally from Glasgow, Scotland. Andrew Ross, along with Morgan Bryan, who together obtained a grant in 1730 by order of the Governor and the Council of the Virginia Colony for 100,000 acres on which to settle families from Delaware, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Ross "of Fallmouth" married **Margaret Brown**, sister of **James Brown** of **Monkton Mains**. They had, at least, one son, William, who was alive in 1750.

pp 132-134 30 August 1756. Whereas a dispute has lately arose between WILLIAM WITHERS of City of Williamsburg, Gent., claiming the same as heir male of JOHN WITHERS deceased, and SAMUEL WASHINGTON claiming under the Will of his Father, AUGUSTINE WASHINGTON [father of the President], late of King George County, deceased, to which dispute an agreement was made between WILLIAM WITHERS and AUGUSTINE WASHINGTON, Gent. Brother of said SAMUEL same book pp. 147-149. 9/10 February 1757

between **WILLIAM ROSSE** of City of Glasgow, Malster, Brother and Heir at Law of **ANDREW ROSSE** late of Falmouth in County of King George in the Colony of Virginia Merchant, deceased, which land was given to **CHARLES HINSON** by his Father, JOSEPH HINSON, late of the County of Stafford by his Last Will and Testa-ment bearing date the 14th of March 1697/8; which CHARLES HINSON by his Last Will and Testament bearing date the 21st of February 1749 did devise to **JOSEPH HINSON** who afterwards by Deed bearing date the 12th of November 1751, duly recorded, sold the land to **ANDREW ROSSE** after whose death it descended to WILLIAM ROSSE, party to the presents and Heir at Law to ANDREW

#### 1740 (age 27)

Circa 1740 John Frogg and Elizabeth (Strother) Frogg give birth to <u>William Frogg</u>, in Prince William Co, VA. William married **Mary Mitchell** (c1745 - aft 4 Sep 1804), daughter of **Cornelius** and **Jane Mitchell** of Beverly Manor. William Frogg died in Cumberland County (Overton, TN), Kentucky after purchasing land in 1806 and after apparently being enumerated in his son's household when the 1810 census was taken for Burkesville, Cumberland County, Kentucky.

Cornelius Mitchell can be found in Culpepper County in March 1756 in Henning's Statutes (Vol. 7), listed as a foot soldier under Captains **John** and **Francis Strother** for 95 days of service.

#### November 24, 1740 (age 26)

**John Frogg and Elizabeth Frogg** as young newlyweds become guardians of, **Sarah** and **Thomas Bullock** (3 mos. old) whose parents had become deceased. Typically, guardians were relatives. In order to feed a three month old baby, Elizabeth had to have been nursing at this time.

From Prince Wm County, VA Will Book C 1734-1744 p 267 Bond of **John Frogg** and Samuel Earle unto the Worshl. Justices of Prince William County. For L200. 24 Nov. 1740. **John Frogg** is guardian of **Thomas Bullock**, orphan. (Thomas was three months).

#### March 22, 1741 (age 27)

From Prince Wm County, VA Will Book C 1734-1744 p 340 Bond of **John Frogg** and Wm. Blackwell unto the Worshl. **Justices** of Prince William County. For L200. **John Frogg** is guardian of **Sarah Bullock**, orphan. (Sarah was about 16 months).

#### 11 Nov 1741 (age 27)

John and Elizabeth give birth to Jane "Janey" Frogg (11 Nov 1741 - aft 1830) who later married her neighbor, Manoah Crawley (1740 - 26 May 1823) who lived just south of Broad Run in Faugier County. Manoah may have also been born with the first name John and his surname was typically spelled "Cralle" or "Crallie" or Cralley. He was likely born at Cherry Point Neck in Northumberland County and had close ties with the Ball and Kenner families. The marriage record between Jane and Manoah has not been found by this author but likely took place about 1765 and likely before the birth of their first son, Richard named after Manoah's father. The Crawley family are among the Cavaliers and Pioneers of American settlers in Virginia. The Crawley name appears to have corrupted to Corley. According to some researchers, Manoah took a lease in the Manor of Leeds in 1767 and this is apparently the land where Manoah lived until his death in Fauquier County. During the Revolution, he was wealthy enough to appoint his neighbor, James Smoot (1764 - 1783) to take his place in service. Manoah made his 'Will' on 19 Dec 1817, and it was proven 26 May 1823. He declared his wife's name as Janney Corley. Menoah can be seen paying taxes in 1782 on one white poll and one slave in Fauquier County and in 1799 for the personal taxes in Faquier County. When the 1810 Census for Fauquier County, Virginia, Manoah Corley and Jane Frogg can be seen living with Hezekiah and Elizabeth, their two youngest children. Manoah and Jane are enumerated in the 1820 census for Faugier County, VA [71]. When the 1830 census was taken for Fauguier County, Jane Crawley can be seen listed as head of household enumerated between age 80 and 90 [70].

## Children of MANOAH CRAWLEY and JANE FROGG are:

- i. LEWIS CRAWLEY, b. 1765, ,Culpepper Co., VA; d. February 11, 1871, , Rappahannock Co., VA. (Named after the Lewis family; Jane's brother married Agatha Lewis)
- ii. JOHN MANOAH CRAWLEY, b. April 20, 1767, , Culpepper Co., VA; d. January 16, 1851, , Bath Co., VA.
- iii. GABRIEL CRAWLEY, b. Bet. 1767 1807, Virginia. (Jane's uncle was Gabriel Jones, prominent lawyer in Virginia who married a Strother)
- iv. MARGARET CRAWLEY, b. January 19, 1769, Bowling Green, Warren Co., KY; She m. **David Braggs** on 17 Nov 1786 in Fauquier County, Manoah was listed as the bride's father. Margaret d. November 28, 1860, Bowling Green, Warren Co., KY. (Jane's sister was named Margaret)

- v. RICHARD CRAWLEY, b. June 16, 1771, Culpepper Co., VA; d. October 31, 1854, , Rappahannock Co., VA.
- vi. WILLIAM FROGG CRAWLEY, b. Abt. 1772, ,Culpepper Co., VA; d. November 23, 1825, Harding, Randolph Co., WV. (Jane's brother was named William)
- vii. AGATHA CRAWLEY, b. 1775, VA; d. February 11, 1871, , Co., VA. (Jane's sister was named Agatha)
- viii. EFFERILLA CRAWLEY, b. 1780, , Co., VA; d. Abt. 1850, ,Fauquier Co., VA. She never married or kept her maiden name.
- ix. CHARLOTTE CRAWLEY, b. Abt. 1788, Culpepper Co., VA; d. Abt. 1824, Fauquier Co., VA.
- x. HEZEKIAH CRAWLEY, b. 1790, , Co., VA; d. Abt. 1865, , Harrison Co., W. VA.
- xi. ELIZABETH CRAWLEY, b. 1792, , Co., VA; d. Bef. 1817, , Co., VA.

#### 27 May 1741 (age 27)

Orange County, Virginia

John Frogg witnessed a deed transfer along with his cousin, **Zachary Taylor**, ancestor the president who married a Strother.

"Thomas Callaway of St Thomas Parish, Orange County, Planter, to Francis Williams of same, Planter. Lease and release; 5 pounds current money, 150 acres, part of a greater tract of 1200 acres...corner to Capt. Rippin and Colonel Braxton in the County line...corner to James Stodgill. Thomas Callaway. Witnesses were: **Zachary Taylor, John Frogg**, William Wood."

## Thomas Lord Fairfax

No Warrant, surveyed 23 & 24 ar 1742/43; 296 a. on the Marsh Run at the Great Marsh; adj. Morgan Darnell's 427 a. tract (now John Duncan's), Colo Thornton's 301 & 230 a. tracts, Edwd Price (now the ? of Majr Dunwiddie), Wm Hackney. CC - Wm Hackney & John Duncan. Present -Mr John Grant & Mr. John Frogg. Surv. George Byrn.

#### July 17, 1742 (age 28)

William Cave of Overwharton parish wrote his will. William's sister, Sally Cave married a Strother and thus related to John Frogg. John witness the will on 17 July 1742 [Stafford County, Virginia Will book M page 338-339]. William Cave, third child to Benjamin Cave and Hannah Bledsoe, was a wealthy plantation owner and slave holder was also justice of the peace for Orange County, Virginia and married Ann (\_\_). William died 14 Aug 1742 and had son James (b. 24 Apr. 1741). Benjamin Cave came to Virginia from England in 1725. He and Abraham Bledsoe, his brother in-law, held a patent for 1,000 acres of land in Rapidan river 1728. Benjamin was vestryman of St. Mark's Parish, Culpepper County, VA., 1731-1740, and of St. Thomas' Parish, Orange County, 1740 until his death. This family were all of the Established Church of England. Benjamin Cave represented Orange County in the House of Burgess 1756. [28]

#### 4 Nov 1742.

Public Record Office, London, England. Minutes of the Council of Virginia (Executive), Colonial Office 5, 1423, p. 214]:

Ordered that a **Commission of the Peace** do issue for Prince William County and that the following Persons be appointed, vizt: Thomas Harrison, Robt. Jones, Thomas Harrison, jun., Joseph Hudnal, Richard Blackburn, Benjamin Grayson, John Disken, Valentine Peyton, John Wright, John **Grant**, William Triplet, Joseph Blackwell, William Blackwell, Samuel Earle, Qu orum: Thomas Stribling, Anthony Seal, Charles Ewell, Howson Kenner, **John Grayham [Graham]**, George Foot, **John Frogg**, **Bertrand Ewell** [fellow sheriff], John Crump, William Butler, Moses Linton, Timothy **Thornton**, and Benjamin Bullet

The aforementioned **John Graham** (30 Apr 1711 -Aug 1787) married **Christian Brown** (1720-1742), daughter of **Gustavus Brown**. **Elizabeth Brown** (1723-?) Christian's older sister married **Michael Wallace**, John Frogg's business partner and cousin from Edinburgh.

**John Graham**, son of John Graham of Wackenston and Margaret Graham, merchant, resided in Perthshire, before 1742 and settled in in Stafford County, Maryland then Prince William County Virginia. He m1. Christian Brown m2. Elizabeth C. Cocke, and fathered John, Duncan, Margaret, Robert, Mary, John William, Walter, Elizabeth, Catherine, Catesby and Jean [41].

#### 1742 (age 28)

John Frogg witnesses the survey of property: "Survey for Honorable Thomas Fairfax for his use in Prince William County called the Great Marsh. Adjacent to Morgan Darnall, line of Price, late Colonel **William Thorton**, William Hackney's Spring.

Survey by George Byrn. Present: Mr. John grant, **Captain John Frogg**. C.C. Mr. William Hackney, John Duncan owner of the adjacent land. " [44]

#### 12 Aug 1742 (age 28)

John and Elizabeth Frogg of Prince William County purchase 476 acres of land near Broad Run, along the border of Prince William and present day Fauquier County. John would build the first grist mill in the area located on Trap Branch [58]. The area for the mill was well chosen as Broad Run would become a heavily traveled path for settlers within the valley of Virginia.



John Frogg, 476 acres on South branch of **Broad Run** of Occoquan; adj John Peyton, Hugh Lambert, James Scott, CC Wm & Martin Russel. Pilot - Capt Wm Russel. Surv. Thomas Davies.

#### 30 Dec 1742 (age 28)

Captain John Frogg
Deed for 115 acres of Land
Prince William County
30 Dec 1742

The Right Honourable Thomas Lord Fairfax Baron of? in that part of great Brittain called Scotland Proprietor of the northern neck of Virginia. To call to whom this presents writing shall come sends? greeting. Know ye that causes for & in Consideration of the Composition for my use paid And for...Do give grant & confirm unto Captain John

**Frogg** of the County of Prince William a certain tract of waste land situate in the said County & is bounded by a survey their of made by M. Thomas Davis as followeth. Beginning at...to the land of **Leonard Hornsby** & running...to the land of **John Hudnal**...to the corner to **Blowers**, thence...Containing One hundred & fifteen acres..Dated the thirtieth day of December in the Sixteenth year of the reign of our Soverign Lord George the Second by the grace of God of great Brittain France & Ireland King and Defender of the Faith etc. One thousand seven hundred & forty two

Title	Frogg, John, Capt.,
Publication	30 December 1742.
Other Format	Available on microfilm. Northern Neck Grants, reels 288-311.
Note	Location: Prince William County.
	Description: 115 acres adjoining land of <b>Hornsby</b> , <b>Hudnal</b> , <b>and Blowers</b> .
	Source: Northern Neck Grants F, 1742-1754, p. 66 (Reel 292).
	Part of the index to recorded copies of land grants issued by the agents of the Fairfax Proprietary between 1690 and 1781 and by the Commonwealth between 1786 and 1874. Original and recorded surveys are also indexed when available. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.
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Note	Location: Prince William County.
	Description: 470 acres on the branches of the South Run of the <b>Broad Run</b> of Occoquan adjoining <b>Payton, Scott, and Lamberts land</b> .
	Source: Northern Neck Grants F, 1742-1754, p. 67 (Reel 292).
	Original survey exists.
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#### c1743 (age 29)

John and Elizabeth Frogg give birth to **Agnes Frogg** (1746-aft 1810) who marries first, Captain John Oliver. (c1740 - 1799) on 17 Jul 1760 [65] [66]. John Oliver must be distinguished from four other John Olivers who were living in Northumbria, Augusta, King George and King & Queen County at the time [78]. John Oliver that married Agathy Frogg settled in Warm Springs, in what would become Greenbrier County West Virginia [Chalkley]. John Oliver appears to be the same person who served as private along with his brother-in-law, John Frogg, Jr. "The **Sutler"** (Lt. White's platoon) at the Battle of Point Pleasant in 1774. He took over for Captain Samuel Vance during the Revolutionary War on 21 Nov. 1780 and he or his Augusta County relative received land warrants in the Ohio Territory for his service [74]. John Oliver was a justice of the peace for Bath County and aided in its establishment. He became one of the largest landholders in Bath County and a prominent citizen. In 1787 Chalkley recorded that he deeded land to Mary **Frogg** and her husband, **John Manoah Cowardine** in Augusta County. Chalkley states that John and Agness had no heirs. He died intestate [Chalkley] in 1799. On 26 Mar 1801 Agnes married 2nd Thomas Edington (1750-?) in Bath County, Virginia [65]. The Oliver's and Edington's were neighbors as seen in land records for Bath County. Agnes may be the woman enumerated in the house of Thomas Edington as seen in the 1810 Census for Bath County, Virginia [67]. This Thomas would have to be her stepson as his age range was less than 45 years of age. Thomas and Agnes left no issue

John Cowardine [married Mary Frogg] to John Oliver. Original deed, 1787

4th September, 1789. Cuthbert Bullitt, of Prince William, to **John Oliver**, power of attorney to lease for 21 years lands in Warm Springs Valley, except 150 acres on which Hot Springs are, and a small tract on which a mine is supposed to be. Teste: Richard Cary, Michael Bowyer [1; Vol III]

6 Jun 1795. Bond of \$2000 by Elisha Williams and **John Oliver**, to Samuel Vance, John Dean, John White and John Brown, justices, for William's service as guardian of Elizabeth Lewis, orphan of **John Lewi**s deceased. <sup>[79]</sup>

Inventory – John Oliver Submitted Oct 12, 1799 by John Dean, Andrew Bourland and Charles Cameron; sworn before John Berry. Additional inventory Jan 16, 1800 [79]

- 57 *Cattle*
- 4 Horses
- 18 Hogs
- 11 Slaves, Jerry, Tony, Charles, Ralph, Gay, Viney, Sukey, Amy, Betty and two named Hannah
  - 1 Old wagon
  - 1 Farm tools
  - queensware and glasses
  - 6 feather beds
  - household furniture
  - 6 trunks
  - kitchen and dairy furniture
  - a quantity of shoebuckles and other old storegoods
  - rye and wheat in the barn
  - corn in the crib
  - 6 old books
  - 1 barrel of tobacco

16 Jan 1800 Inventory of sale of estate of John Oliver: Buyers Agnes [Frogg] Oliver, Margaret [Frogg] Lewis...many others see [79].

Wm. Oliver, heir of Joseph Oliver, deceased, representatives of **Captain John Oliver**, deceased, and **Thomas Edington** and Agnes [Frogg], his wife, late widow of **John Oliver**<sup>[1; 1803]</sup>.

Original Bounty Land Warrants Located in Virginia Military District in Ohio: **Thomas Edington** <sup>[74]</sup>.

Joel Walker, ditto,[deceased] 5th July, 1803. Heirs of John Oliver are Thomas Oliver and \_\_\_\_\_ his wife, late \_\_\_\_. Wm. Oliver, heir of Joseph Oliver, deceased, representatives of John Oliver, deceased, and **Thomas Edington** and **Agnes**, his wife, late widow of **John. Oliver**. [1; Vol 2; pg 79]

*April* 1805 - **Thomas Edington** & **Agnes**, who was widow of **Jno. Oliver**, vs. Benj. Thompson, Miles King, Robert Douthat. Bath Co. Wr. Dower. [1; Vol II]

8 Aug 1816 Bond by Thomas Edington and John B. Lewis for \$500 for Edington's service as constable.

## 29 Mar 1744 (age 34)

Captain John Frogg's Deed for 1837 Acres of Land in Prince William County

## Whereas 1144 is surplus & waste

The Right Honourable Thomas Lord Fairfax... Captain John Frogg of the County of Prince William Having suggested that he has purchased & is in possession of a certain tract of land containing six hundred and ninety three acres granted by Deed unto Joseph Gibson bearing the 3red day of December 1730 & conceiving thereof ...being one thousand one hundred & forty four acres, and for the annual ?? ??? out of the whole One thousand Eight Hundred & Thirty seven acres...unto the said John Frogg the said including & adjoining tracts bounded as followeth. Beginning at three white oak...being corner to Lemuel Shumake's ...near the top of the Biscake [Biscuit] mountain...corner tree to Joseph Gibson on the north side of Broad run, thence under the foot of a mountain called Mother Leather Coat...corner to Captain Samuel Skinker? On the side of a branch, thence on the said Skinker's Line...Scott's line...Including one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven acres. Dated the twenty ninth day of March in the seventeenth year of the reign of our Sovern Lord George the second by the grace of God of great Britain France & Ireland Kind defender of the faith One thousand seven hundred and forty four.

#### 3 March 1744 (age 30)

Thomas Lord Fairfax to **Captain John Frogg** of Prince William County, 1,837 acres south of Nelms, on and west of **Biscake** [Biscuit] and **Leathercoat** mountains, **Broad Run** and **Trap Branch** [68].

Title	Frogg, John, Capt.,
Publication	29 March 1744.
Other Format	Available on microfilm. Northern Neck Grants, reels 288-311.
Note	Location: Prince William County.
	Description: 1837 acres beginning on a small branch of Trap Branch adjoining land of Shumate, Gibson, Nelms, Skinker, &c.
	Source: Northern Neck Grants F, 1742-1754, p. 156-157 (Reel 292).
	Part of the index to recorded copies of land grants issued by the agents of the Fairfax Proprietary between 1690 and 1781 and by the Commonwealth between 1786 and 1874. Original and recorded surveys are also indexed when available. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.
Subject - Personal	Frogg, John, Capt., grantee.

Title	Frogg, John, Capt.,
Publication	30 March 1744.
Other Format	Available on microfilm. Northern Neck Grants, reels 288-311.
Note	Location: Prince William County.
	Description: 386 acres beginning on the north west side of Brown's Run, adjoining Allen, Hopper, Brown, &c.
	Source: Northern Neck Grants F, 1742-1754, p. 158-159 (Reel 292).
	Part of the index to recorded copies of land grants issued by the agents of the Fairfax Proprietary between 1690 and 1781 and by the Commonwealth between 1786 and 1874. Original and recorded surveys are also indexed when available. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.
Subject - Personal	Frogg, John, Capt., grantee.

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	bin/GetLONN.pl?first=158&last=159&g_p=GF&collection=NN Grant
Title	Frogg, John, Capt.,
Publication	30 March 1744.
Other Format	Available on microfilm. Northern Neck Grants, reels 288-311.
Note	Location: Prince William County.
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Subject - Personal	Frogg, John, Capt., grantee.

## About 1744 (age 34)

**Elizabeth Frogg** is born and named after her mother. She is not mentioned in her father's will and likely died prior as her husband remarried twice afterwards. According to Virginia Marriage Records, **Elizabeth Frog** (c1744 – 1794) marries sheriff, **Henry Spering** (? – probate 30 Jun 1802) in Albemarle County, Virginia, (Surety **Samuel Moses**) [72] [73]. He was a testee to Isaac Waugh's will whose

executor was, **Jane Richardsons**. Henry aided in the establishment of Staunton's fire company. He married second, **Jane Price** on 9 Apr 1795 and Third, **Rebecca Blackmore** on 21 Sep 1796, both were widows. His will was probated 30 June 1802 and his administrator was **William Patrick**.

#### May 26, 1745 (age 31)

John and Elizabeth give birth to <u>Captain John Frogg "The Sutler"</u> in Prince William Co, VA. He later married his cousin, **Agatha Lewis** (1753-1836). Their marriage took place on 18 Oct. 1770. Agatha was the daughter of <u>Thomas Lewis</u> (27 Apr 1718 - 31 Jan 1790) and **Jane Strother.** Thomas Lewis and John Madison both married Strothers and were surveyors and members of the Virginia House of Burgess (1738). Along with John Frogg, they were some of the largest landholders in Prince William County. **John Frogg** "The Sutler" was killed on 10 October 1774, at Point Pleasant, VA in the battle between the Virginia militia (Commanded by General Andrew Lewis) and the Indians by Cornstalk. Capt. John was one of forty-six officers and soldiers killed on that day. His name is among those listed on the Point Pleasant Battle Monument. After John's death, Agatha married **Col. John Stewart** of Greenbrier, County. Agatha was the granddaughter of **John Lewis**:

#### 4 Nov 1745

John's brother-in-law, **John Madison** is appointed Clerk of the Court by Governor, Thomas Nelson and purchases 731 acres of land next to John Frogg in Beverly's Manor.

Title	Frogg, John, Capt.,
Publication	10 December 1745.
Other Format	Available on microfilm. Northern Neck Grants, reels 288-311.
Note	Location: Prince William County.
	Description: 181 acres adjoining land of Leonard Hornsby, John Hudnall, John Blowers, &c.
	Source: Northern Neck Grants F, 1742-1754, p. 239 (Reel 292).
	Part of the index to recorded copies of land grants issued by the agents of the Fairfax Proprietary between 1690 and 1781 and by the Commonwealth between 1786 and 1874. Original and recorded surveys are also indexed when available. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.
Subject - Personal	Frogg, John, Capt., grantee.
	Hornsby, Leonard.

Hudnall, John.
Blowers, John.

John Frogg & John Maddison 138 acres of land Prince William County 1746

The Right Honourable Thomas Lord Fairfax...grant John Frogg and John Maddison [sic] of the County of Prince William & Augusta a certain tract of land lying on the branches of Broad Run in the County of Prince William and bounded by a survey threof made by Mr. James Ginn as followeth. Beginning at a Stone and marked in Samuel Thomas's line corner to said Captain John Frogg. And continuing thence on said Frogg's Line...on the Northside of Rainey Mountain...Royal Mines Excepted & a full third part of all lead, copper, Tinn, Coals, Iron mines & Iron ore that shall...on the first day of Saint Michael the Archangel the Jee rent of one shilling for my fifty acres of land...Provided that if the said John Frogg & John Maddison their heirs ....Dated the Sixteenth day of June in the ninth? Year of our Sovergn Lord George the Second by the Grace of God of great Britian...One Thousand Seven Hundred & forty Six

#### 28 Apr 1746 (age 36)

John & Mary Morehead sell **John Frogg** tract in the Hamilton parish 192 acres running along **John Hoppers** line. Recorded Sep 1748 [54].

Title	Frogg, John.
Publication	17 June 1746.
Other Format	Available on microfilm. Northern Neck Grants, reels 288-311.
Note	Location: Prince William County.
	Grantee(s): Frogg, John and Maddison, John.
	Description: 132 acres.
	Source: Northern Neck Grants F, 1742-1754, p. 245 (Reel 292).
	Original survey exists.
	Part of the index to recorded copies of land grants issued by the agents of the Fairfax Proprietary between 1690 and 1781 and by the Commonwealth between 1786 and 1874. Original and recorded surveys are also indexed when available. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.
Subject - Personal	Frogg, John. grantee.
	Maddison, John.

17 June 1746.	
Other Format	Available on microfilm. Northern Neck Grants, reels 288-311.
Note	Location: Prince William County.
	Description: 132 acres on the branches of <b>Broad Run</b> , adjoining land of <b>Frogg</b> , and Shumate.
	Source: Northern Neck Grants F, 1742-1754, p. 245 (Reel 292).
	Part of the index to recorded copies of land grants issued by the agents of the Fairfax Proprietary between 1690 and 1781 and by the Commonwealth between 1786 and 1874. Original and recorded surveys are also indexed when available. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.
Subject - Personal	Frogg, John. grantee.
	Frogg, Maddison.
	Frogg, John.

## 1746 (age 32)

Hon. Thomas Lewis (27 Apr 1718 – 31 Jan 1790), John Frogg's brother-in law who married Jane Strother, survey's land for William Beverly for what would later become the Town of Staunton, Augusta County, Virginia. The Town of Staunton would become the birthplace of President Woodrow Wilson. In 1736 William Beverley, a wealthy planter and merchant from Essex County, Virginia was granted over 118,000 acres by the Crown in what would become Augusta County, Virginia. Lewis purchased 2,000 acres from Beverley, along the already named Lewis Creek, about a mile east of what is now Staunton, Virginia. He named his home "Bellefonte". [Wikapedia]. Thomas Lewis gave birth to many children, one of which, Agatha marries Captain John Frogg, "The Sutler".

# Helfin's Store:

Heflin's Store is located in a village initially named George Town that developed in the early nineteenth century at the nucleus of a milling and agricultural settlement on **Broad Run** west of Thoroughfare Gap. During the westward expansion of Prince William County, the earliest grantees to this fertile Broad Run Valley crossed the Carolina Road and arrived by way of the gap between the Leathercoat and Biscuit mountains of the Bull Run range in 1725. These settlers and their followers found the racing waters of Broad Run and the upper

and lower forks of its southeast-flowing Trap Branch suitable for gristmills, and there were a dozen within the vicinity by 1815.' Although **Capt. John Frogg** appears to have built the first or second earliest gristmill here before 1747 upon the same 1743 land grant that would contain the future Little Georgetown store and village, its precise location remains unclear.'



The necessary travel network from the west, east, north and south for access into the community and transport of produce to ports in the larger towns of Georgetown and Alexandria was well defined by the first quarter of the nineteenth century. The Thoroughfare Gap Road was extended beyond the Pignut Mountain to the Blue Ridge, taking it northwest past White (The) Plains and west to Calmes Gap in 1748.' Mills influenced highway development from the Winchester Road east to Thoroughfare Gap for Jonathan Chapman's mill in 1764. Indicating increasing travel, the Fauquier County court ordered improvements to this now-called Blantyre Road 6om the Broad Run Meeting House, distanced to the east on Barker's Run on the present Beverley's Mill Road, to the Thoroughfare Mill in 1799 and from the courthouse to Skinker's Trap Branch Mill in 1824. Typical of English settlement, the hamlet formed on both sides of the main Thoroughfare Gap Road that cut through the northern quarter of Captain Frogg's land grant leaving the plantations outlying, but unlike Salem (Marshall) or the village of Paris, no formal grid plan developed. Planter James Gunnell began buying multiple parcels north of the Gap Road in 1799, and the southern boundary of his 662-acre plantation comprised the northern edge of Little Georgetown, while the opposite south side belonged to James Morgan and

William Skinker, owners of the Trap Branch Mills. Gunnell, who applied for an ad quod damnum for his own water gristmill at this site in 1813, sold them this land four years later. The account books of Morgan and Skinker indicate the building of another mill at Trap Branch in 1821, and this is believed to be the addition of a sawmill which still existed in the mid-twentieth century.' It could also indicate that the plaster mill was separated 60m the gristmill. The mills and miller's house appear to have been the first buildings from which supporting trades, meeting houses, a few residences and outbuildings emerged in service to surrounding plantations. The 1727-1760 reign of King George II inspired numerous towns named after him in America, including the larger Georgetown established on the Potomac River in 1751, which seems to have caused the occasional attachment of "Little" to the evolving name of this village in Fauquier County. "George Town," first appears in an 1816 deed for four acres of land adjacent to the Trap Branch Mill dam.' Neighboring farmer Edward C. Turner of Kinloch also knew the village as George Town in 1839. In 1824, a surveyor planed James Gunnell's plantation west and south of Broad Run, north of the Gap Road and Trap Branch for his heus and placed "L Georgetown" on the plat near the crossroads site of the future Heflin's store." The surveyor located Skinker's Cooper Shop north of Trap Branch and the main road. This is important because Mr. Gunnell had requested in his will that a stonewall be erected around the graves of himself and his wife that were to be laid near the cooper shop of William Skinker. The shop, graveyard and Gunnell mansion were all located just north of the mills about five tenths of a mile to the east of "L Georgetow" on the main Thoroughfare Gap road." Of additional significance to the Little Georgetown community, Mr. Gunnell devised to his neighbors and strangers that may have occasion for it a half acre of land for a cemetery beginning at two black oaks near the cooper shop running towards the mountain for fifty percent of the distance and back again in an oblong square. He probably meant for the line to run to the east toward Biscuit Mountain because of its closer proximity than **Pignut Mountain** on the west [58].

#### 1748 (age 38)

Sixteen year old George Washington learns the trade of land surveyor and survey's land in Virginia for Lord Fairfax. Also that year, the "Harper's Ferry begins to ferry people across the Shenandoah River.

#### 1748 (age 38)

John Frogg's and Elizabeth Strother gave birth to **Mary "Polly" Frogg** (c1748 – aft 1820). Mary later marries, **Col. John Cowardine** (10 Nov 1745 – 1802) near Short Hill in Greenbrier, WV about 1778. In 1782, John and his first wife, Margaret were living in Augusta County, Virginia paying one poll and owning 3 slaves. [43]

Cowarin and his brother in law, **John Oliver** purchased land in Bath County near Warm Springs, Bath County, Virginia and lived there the remainder of their lives. According to Annals of Bath County, Virginia, Col. John Cowardin was one of the first settlers near Fort Lewis and is listed as head of household in Bath County's first district in 1791. When the 1810 census was taken, Mary Cowardin can be seen living adjacent to her sister, Margaret (Frogg) Lewis in Bath County, Virginia [81]. John and Mary (Frogg) Cowarden had the following children:

- 1. John Lewis Cowardin (1776 24 Sep 1853) m. Mary "Polly" Rhodes White (? 3 Dec 1830). She d. near Danville, VA.
- 2. Peter A. Cowardine m. Elizabeth "Betsy" Briggs
- 3. Polly Cowardine
- 4. Margaret Cowardine
- 5. Agnes Cowardine
- 6. Elizabeth Cowardine m. Meriwether Smith
- 7. Collin Cowardine

.--2d March, 1775. Thomas and William Lewis to John Cowordin, contract of rental to Cowordin of the lower plantation on the Cowpasture [Virginia] belonging to the estate of Col. Charles Lewis, deceased. [Chalkley Vol. III; Page 281] --10th August, 1774. [General] Charles Lewis' [(1736- 10 Oct 1774; Point Pleasant; son of John Lewis and Margaret Lynn] will--To wife, Sarah; to son, John, tract testator lives on, also tract on Greenbryer called the Great Glade, 1,000 acres; to son, Andrew [b. 1772], plantation gotten from John Lewis, George's son, line where his brother's survey begins; also 1 plantation on Greenbrier where Wm. Crane lives; to daughter, Elizabeth Lewis [b. 1762], plantation on Greenbrier where George Lewis lives; to daughter, Margaret [b. 1766], plantation on Greenbrier where Wm. Bleake lives. Wife is now pregnant, to such child [Charles], plantation where Mr. Cowordin lives, also Cuthbert's Lick Place on Greenbryer; to sons, the lands coming to testator as an officer. Executors, brothers Thomas and William. Teste: John Dickinson, Hugh Hicklin, Charles Cameron. Proved, 17th January, 1775, by Dickinson and Cameron. Executors qualified, with Robert (mark) Bratton, Andrew Hamilton, Wm. Christian, George Mathews [Chalkley Vol III; Page 310.]

Page 438.--18th \_\_\_\_\_\_, 1775. Peter Burns' will, of the Cowpasture Executors, **John Cowardin** and Chas. Cameron, of the Cowpasture. To John Cowardin, all estate. Teste: James Shaw, **Margaret Cowardin**, Catron Sevents. Proved, 19th November, 1776, by Cowardin. Executor Cowardin qualifies.

[1] Page 281.--2d March, 1775. Thomas and William Lewis to **John Cowordin**, contract of rental to Cowordin of the lower plantation on the Cowpasture belonging to the estate of **Col. Charles Lewis**, deceased

[1] Page 318.--2d March, 1775. Col. Charles Lewis' state appraised by John Cowordin, John and Robert McCreery: one white servant man, John Sharpley.

MAY, 1779 (F) Wm. Bowyer vs. James Hill (Coffee Smith).--Writ, 27th July, 1774. Not executed. Defendant listed in the service. Wm. Bowyer vs. Wm. Anderson (Adams's Overseer).--Writ, 30th May, 1774. Wm. Bowyer vs. John Chisum.--Writ, 22d August, 1774. "Defendant is in the service. The defendant was going out on the expedition." Wm. Bowyer vs. John Cowarden.--Writ, 26th September, 1774. Defendant is in the service.

26th February, 1787. John Lewis [married Margaret Frogg], of Warm Springs, to White, Kirk & Co., merchants at said Springs, mortgage of chattels, £38. Teste: Wm. Bell, Wm. Garrard, **John Cowardine**. [1; pg 432]

12th March, 1787. **John Cowardine and Mary [Frogg]** to William Jarid, formerly of Fauquier, and now of Augusta; patented to John. [1; pg 420]

In 1795, John Smith bought 27 acres of land in Bath Co. from John and Mary [Frogg] Cowarden on the west side of the Cowpasture River (p. 265) and in 1798, he bought 200 acres in Bath Co. from **Robert Richardson** [married **Margaret Frogg**, d/o William Frogg] between John Gillespie and the Warm Spring Rd. [75].

#### 25 Aug 1748 (age 34)

Payments made for repairing mill dam. Receipts from Mr. McGraw per account of John McKenzie, **Captain Frogg.** 

## 9 Sep 1749 (age 35)

At some point prior to 1749, John Frogg's Scottish neighbor, **Dr. Michael Wallace** (11 May 1719-Jan 1767) becomes his business partner. Whether they were related or not it is not known. Their kin were from the same area of Scotland. Together, they purchased several thousand acres of Virginia land over the next several years.

Dr. Michael Wallace (11 may 1719 – 1767) was the son of William Wallace (? - bef 1734) and Elizabeth Wallace, of Galrigs, Parish of Dundonald in Ayshire (present day Newfield), Scotland, merchant, and of the same family as Sir William Wallace, heroic defender of Scottish independence [A.K.A Braveheart]. The Wallace pedigree can be traced back to 1163 AD [21]. John Frogg's business was an indentured by his Scottish uncles via Lawrence Dinwiddie to Dr. Gustavius Brown (10 Apr 1689 - Apr 1762) and his wife Francis Fowke, of Rich Hill Plantation, Mainside, Charles County, Maryland, eldest son of Richard Brown [59]. Wallace learned the trade of "Physick", surgery and Pharmacy [27]. In 1747, Michael Wallace married the daughter of his apprentice, Elizabeth Brown after she snuck out of her second story bedroom window with the help of a fellow students. They eloped and settled at Fredericksburg, Virginia where he had a very large medical practice [27]. Michael Wallace practiced in Culpepper, Fauquier and Loudoun Counties. He was employed by the vestry of St. Mark's parish, Culpepper County in 1755 and in 1756, the vestry paid him 800 lb. of tobacco (then Va. Currency), for curing Eliza Maddox. Michael can be seen in the same tax list as John Frogg in 1756 for Elk Run (Manassas Township) Prince William County [57]. John's will was recorded in King George County in 1767. He and his wife, Mrs. Brown lie side by side in the old colonial grave yard at Falmouth, VA. Dr. Michael Wallace's family bible, printed in 1683 contains his genealogy and is now in the possession of Judge W.H. MacBrayer, Lawrenceburgh, KY [56].

#### 1748/9 (age 35)

John Frogg is listed as one of the vestrymen of Hamilton Parish Church after its second division. The records seemed to be used by both the Dettingen Parish and Hamilton Parish. He was listed as "subscribing to the test". The first minister was **James Keith**, of Peterhead, Scotland, a younger son of a distinguished family; he had been destined for the Church, but attracted to the cause of the Pretender. Keith fought in the Jacobite uprising of 1715 and on its suppression fled to Virginia.

#### 1749 (age 35)

Culpepper County is formed from Orange County, Virginia.

Title Frogg, John.
Publication 9 September 1749.

Other Format Available on microfilm. Northern Neck Grants, reels 288-311.

Note Location: Culpeper County.

Grantee(s): Frogg, John and Wallace, Michael.

Description: 300 acres.

Source: Northern Neck Grants G, p. 315 (Reel 292).

Original survey exists.

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Subject - Personal Frogg, John. grantee.

Wallace, Michael,

Title Frogg, John.
Publication 9 September 1749.

Other Format Available on microfilm. Northern Neck Grants, reels 288-311.

Note Location: Culpeper County.

Description: 300 acres in the Great Fork of Rappahannock

River, adjoining Charles Cavenaugh &c.

Source: Northern Neck Grants G, p. 315 (Reel 292).

Original survey exists.

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the agents of the Fairfax Proprietary between 1690 and 1781 and by the Commonwealth between 1786 and 1874. Original and recorded surveys are also indexed when available. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.

Subject - Personal Frogg, John. grantee.

Frogg, Wallace.

Frogg, Michael. [error verified by this author, there were no Michael Froggs -

Michael Wallace]

Cavenaugh, Charles.

Title <u>Frogg, John.</u>

Publication 11 September 1749.

Other Format Available on microfilm. Northern Neck Grants, reels 288-311.

Note Location: Culpeper County.

Grantee(s): Frogg, John and Wallace, Michael.

Description: 1150 acres adjoining Joseph Rosson, John

Delany, and John Powell.

Source: Northern Neck Grants G, p. 316 (Reel 292).

Original survey exists.

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Subject - Personal Frogg, John. grantee.

Wallace, Michael, Rosson, Joseph. Delany, John. Powell, John.

Title Frogg, John.

Publication 12 September 1749.

Other Format Available on microfilm. Northern Neck Grants, reels 288-311.

Note Location: Culpeper County.

Grantee(s): Frogg, John and Wallace, Michael.

Description: 1100 acres.

Source: Northern Neck Grants G, p. 317 (Reel 292).

Original survey exists.

Part of the index to recorded copies of land grants issued by the agents of the Fairfax Proprietary between 1690 and 1781 and by the Commonwealth between 1786 and 1874. Original and recorded surveys are also indexed when available. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.

Subject - Personal Frogg, John. grantee.

Wallace, Michael,

Title <u>Frogg, John.</u>

Publication 12 September 1749.

Other Format Available on microfilm. Northern Neck Grants, reels 288-311.

Note Location: Culpeper County.

Grantee(s): Frogg, John and Wallace, Michael.

Description: 1100 acres on the North Fork of the **Robinson** 

River.

Source: Northern Neck Grants G, p. 317 (Reel 292).

Original survey exists.

Part of the index to recorded copies of land grants issued by the agents of the Fairfax Proprietary between 1690 and 1781 and by the Commonwealth between 1786 and 1874. Original and recorded surveys are also indexed when available. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.

Subject - Personal Frogg, John. grantee.

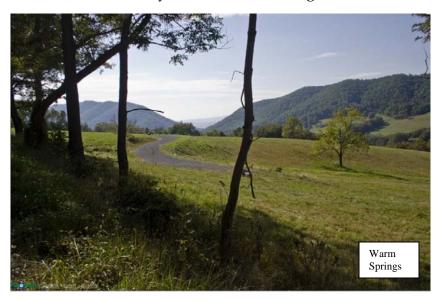
Wallace, Michael,

#### Circa 1752 (age 42)

John and Elizabeth Frogg gave birth to **Margaret Frogg** (c 1752 – aft 1820) near Morrisville, Virginia. Margaret married her cousin, **Captain John Lewis** (1 Nov 1749 – 1790) and moved to Warm Springs, Virginia in 1776. Margaret Frogg's husband was the eldest son of **Thomas Lewis** (April 27, 1718 – January 31, 1790) and **Jane (Strother) Lewis** (1731 – 19 Sep 1820), and a nephew of **General Andrew Lewis**. John was seriously wounded at Point Pleasant along with his brother-in-law, **John Frogg Junior**, "The Sutler". John Lewis recovered and served under Washington at Valley Forge and was present at the surrender of Cornwallis. He died in 1789 at the age of 39 leaving four children, one of which Thomas is listed in his will. His undated will was proven on 21 September 1790

in Augusta (later Bath) County and executed by his wife, Maragaret (Frogg) Lewis and testified by **Agatha (Lewis) Frogg**, widow of **John Frogg**, **Jr.** His wife, **Margaret (Frogg)** never remarried and retained their Warm Springs Plantation as late at 1806 [60]. In July 1804, she and John Lewis (son?) and her brother-in-law, **John Cowardine** are listed in the Inventory Estate of Andrew Sitlington. When the 1810 census was taken for Bath County, the widowed Margaret can be seen

living next to her sister, Mary (Frogg) Cowardin, owning three slaves. When the 1820 census was taken, she can be seen living next her son, John Lewis and her now widowed neighbor and sister, Mary (Frogg) Cowardin is likely also living Margaret's home [80] Margaret



listed as, my daughter, **Margaret Lewis** in her father's will when it was written in 1794.

Margaret and John Lewis "of Warm Springs" gave birth to at least the following children:

- 1. Thomas Lynn Lewis who is prob. The Thomas Lewis of Bath who m. **Elizabeth Bellor** on 12 May 1802.
- 2. John Banks Lewis m. 11 Nov 1802 to **Jane Monroe** in Bath County, VA
- 3. Charles Augustus Lewis m. **Judith Turner**
- 4. Elizabeth Strother Lewis m. Col. John Francisco on 7 Aug 1798 in Bath County, VA

John Lewis' will – to wife, **Margaret**, Warm Springs tract, and after her death to son Thomas. Executrix, wife. Teste: Margaret McFarlane, **Agatha Frogg**, Wm. Long. Proved 21<sup>st</sup> Sep 1790, by Agatha Stuart (**late Agatha Frogg**) and Wm. Long. Margaret qualifies [1].

**John Lewis**, of Warm Springs, to William Bowyer, of Staunton, assignee of Valentine White, two half-acre lots in a town laid off by John at Warm springs, on the main street thereof, on a line with the large dwelling and storehouse already built [1;pg 268]

*Margaret* [Frogg] *Lewis, for 300 pounds, placed in trust to Andrew and Samuel Moore and John Cowardin, May 14, 1793, for one year, the following* [79]:

1 negro man Patrick (given to Andrew Moore as security)

6 horses and colt (incl 15-year old swayback bay mare know as "Sway Back Dolly),

16 cows, calves, heifers; chest of drawers

2 folding walnut tables, 2 small walnut tables

1 large walnut table

3 walnut chairs

12 Walnut bedsteads

1 pine writing table

6 cots

12 feather beds and furniture

12 mattresses and furniture

5 large pots

1 large kettle

1 large brass kettle

3 Dutch ovens

1 skillet

2 axes

1 lough and tackline

2 dozen Queen ware plates

4 bowls ditto

3 doz. Pewter spoons

2 dozen cups and saucers

1 small walnut table

2 looking glasses

12 sheep

20 hogs

2 waer buckets

1 washing tub

1 half bushel

gallon measure

half-gallon measure

2 tin sconces

2 brass candlestands

3 iron candlestands

1 coffee mill

2 tin canisters

2 tea pots

1 iron tea kettle

1 coffee pot

1 pair fire...

In 1795, John Smith bought 27 acres of land in Bath Co. from **John and Mary** [Frogg] **Cowarden** on the west side of the Cowpasture River (p. 265) and in 1798, he bought 200 acres in Bath Co. from **Robert Richardson** [married Margaret Frogg, d/o William Frogg] between John Gillespie and the Warm Spring Rd [78].

6 Jun 1795. Bond of \$2000 by Elisha Williams and **John Oliver** [m. Agness Frogg], to Samuel Vance, John Dean, John White and John Brown, justices, for William's service as guardian of Elizabeth Lewis, orphan of **John Lewi**s deceased. <sup>[79]</sup>

12 Jul 1804; Sold by **Margaret** [Frogg] **Lewis** to Charles A. Lewis [son of Agatha (Lewis) Frogg Stuart] for \$133 bay mare and colt formerly property of Thomas S. Lewis (mare has lost left eye). Wit: Charles Francisco and Francis **Cowardin**. [79]

# Bath County Historical Society

The following is taken from Bath County Historical Society

#### http://www.bathcountyva.org/pastpresent.htm

Bath County was settled in 1745 by pioneers of mostly Scotch-Irish descent; many were educated, Presbyterian men from Ulster, Ireland. The "father" of Bath County was John Lewis, who first settled with his wife, Margaret Lynn, northwest of Staunton, Virginia, in 1732 at Fort Lewis. By 1740 he had purchased land on the Cowpasture River which he gave by deed to his only American born child, Charles, who settled at Fort Lewis in 1761 with his new bride, Sarah Murray. Charles later died at the Battle of Point Pleasant in 1774. Another son of John Lewis, Andrew, along with Thomas Bullitt, obtained a patent for the Hot Springs tract of 300 acres. They built the first hotel on the site of the present Homestead Resort in 1766.

Visitors began coming to the springs of Bath County by 1750 and by the early 1800's records indicate 6,000 visitors were coming to the springs annually. An act of the Virginia assembly, passed December 14, 1790, created Bath County from the counties of Augusta, Botetourt and Greenbrier. The first court in Bath County convened on May 10, 1791, at the home of **Margaret (Frogg) Lewis** in Warm Springs, which became the county seat. Named for the English resort city of Bath, the county quickly became a national resort attraction. The soothing mineral waters that flow from our springs have attracted visitors for over 200 years.

#### November 29, 1750 (age 36)

Between 1750 and 1751 John and Elizabeth purchased additional land from **Henry Downs** along the South Fork of the Shenandoah River.

William Crittenden of Orange, to John Frogg, Gent of Prince William, 200 acres on Shenandoe, bought of Henry Downs by deed recorded in Orange, part of Jacob Stover's grant, 5000 acres. Page 79.--29th November, 1750 [1].

Page 5.--10th February, 1745 (1746). Alexander Thompson to **Henry Downs**, **Sr.**, of Orange, £60.8.4; 300 acres on both sides South River, Shanando; part of 400 acres of land Alexander now lives on, granted to Alexander 8th July, 1742. Witnesses **Thomas Lewis**, Jno. Beanham, Jr.; John Nicholas. Acknowledged, 10th February 1745.

#### 1751 (age 37)

By age 37, John Frogg is now being referred to as "Major John Frogg" According to the Virginia Early Census Index in 1751 and 1753, **Major John Frogg** of Price William County (Manassas Township) pays rent role.

#### 10 Jun 1751 (age 37)

Reynolds, Margaret, assignee of **Major John Frogg** of Prince William; 10 June 1751 - 18 Sept 1751; 25 acres (forefeited) on North side of Hedgeman Run; adjacent Rout, Colo Corbin. CC - Jno Happer & Jno Garner. Surv. G. Hume.

Title Frogg, John.
Publication 23 May 1751.

Other Format Available on microfilm. Northern Neck Grants, reels 288-311.

Note Location: Culpeper County.

Grantee(s): Frogg, John ... Description: 143 acres.

Source: Northern Neck Grants G, p. 500 (Reel 292).

Original survey exists.

Part of the index to recorded copies of land grants issued by the agents of the Fairfax Proprietary between 1690 and 1781 and by the Commonwealth between 1786 and 1874. Original and recorded surveys are also indexed when available. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.

Subject - Personal Frogg, John. grantee.

Wallace, Michael,

Title <u>Frogg, John.</u>
Publication 25 May 1751.

Other Format Available on microfilm. Northern Neck Grants, reels 288-311.

Note Location: Culpeper County.

Grantee(s): Frogg, John and Wallace, Michael.

Description: 103 acres adjoining Branham and Milam at the

Double Top Mountain.

Source: Northern Neck Grants G, p. 504 (Reel 292).

Original survey exists.

Part of the index to recorded copies of land grants issued by the agents of the Fairfax Proprietary between 1690 and 1781 and by the Commonwealth between 1786 and 1874. Original and recorded surveys are also indexed when available. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.

Subject - Personal <u>Frogg, John. grantee.</u> [Major John Frogg]

Wallace, Michael, [Doctor Michael Wallace]

Title <u>Frogg, John.</u>
Publication 23 May 1751.

Other Format Available on microfilm. Northern Neck Grants, reels 288-311.

Note Location: Culpeper County.

Grantee(s): Frogg, John and Wallace, Michael.

Description: 402 acres adjoining the line of the Old Patent

purchased of Colo. Francis Thornton.

Source: Northern Neck Grants G, p. 501 (Reel 292).

Part of the index to recorded copies of land grants issued by the agents of the Fairfax Proprietary between 1690 and 1781 and by the Commonwealth between 1786 and 1874. Original and recorded surveys are also indexed when available. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.

Subject - Personal Frogg, John. grantee.

Wallace, Michael, Thorton, Francis, Col.

Title <u>Frogg, John.</u>

Publication 25 May 1751.

Other Format Available on microfilm. Northern Neck Grants, reels 288-311.

Note Location: Culpeper County.

Grantee(s): Frogg, John and Wallace, Michael.

Description: 315 acres.

Source: Northern Neck Grants G, p. 503 (Reel 292).

Original survey exists.

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Subject - Personal Frogg, John. grantee.

Wallace, Michael,

Title <u>Frogg, John.</u>
Publication 24 May 1751.

Other Format Available on microfilm. Northern Neck Grants, reels 288-311.

Note Location: Culpeper County.

Grantee(s): Frogg, John and Wallace, Michael.

Description: 416 acres.

Source: Northern Neck Grants G, p. 502 (Reel 292).

Original survey exists.

Part of the index to recorded copies of land grants issued by the agents of the Fairfax Proprietary between 1690 and 1781 and by the Commonwealth between 1786 and 1874. Original and recorded surveys are also indexed when available. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.

Subject - Personal Frogg, John. grantee.

Wallace, Michael,

Title Frogg, John.
Publication 27 June 1751.

Other Format Available on microfilm. Northern Neck Grants, reels 288-311.

Note Location: Culpeper County.

Grantee(s): Frogg, John and Wallace, Michael.

Description: 1931 acres adjoining land of George Procter

and Capt. Compton.

Source: Northern Neck Grants H, p. 22 (Reel 293).

Original survey exists.

Part of the index to recorded copies of land grants issued by the agents of the Fairfax Proprietary between 1690 and 1781 and by the Commonwealth between 1786 and 1874. Original and recorded surveys are also indexed when available. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.

Subject - Personal <u>Frogg, John. grantee.</u>

Wallace, Michael,
Procter, George.
Compton, Capt.

Title Frogg, John.
Publication 25 May 1751.

Other Format Available on microfilm. Northern Neck Grants, reels 288-311.

Note Location: Culpeper County.

Grantee(s): Frogg, John and Wallace, Michael.

Description: 315 acres on the south branch of the Robinson

**River** adjoining Alexander and Daniel Campbell. Source: Northern Neck Grants G, p. 503 (Reel 292).

Original survey exists.

Part of the index to recorded copies of land grants issued by the agents of the Fairfax Proprietary between 1690 and 1781 and by the Commonwealth between 1786 and 1874. Original and recorded surveys are also indexed when available. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.

Subject - Personal Frogg, John. grantee.

Wallace, Michael, Campbell, Alexander. Campbell, Daniel.

Title Frogg, John.
Publication 24 May 1751.

Other Format Available on microfilm. Northern Neck Grants, reels 288-311.

Note Location: Culpeper County.

Grantee(s): Frogg, John and Wallace, Michael.

Description: 416 acres on a branch of the **Robinson River** beginning on the north side of said river and crossing said river to a Chesnut on the south side.

Source: Northern Neck Grants G, p. 502 (Reel 292).

Original survey exists.

Part of the index to recorded copies of land grants issued by the agents of the Fairfax Proprietary between 1690 and 1781 and by the Commonwealth between 1786 and 1874. Original and recorded surveys are also indexed when available. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.

Subject - Personal

Frogg, John. grantee.

Wallace, Michael,

#### 28th August, 1751

Thomas Lewis' bond as surveyor, with sureties Andrew Lewis, Jno. Madison.

#### 22 Jun 1753 (age 38)

James (x) Owell requested deed to **Frogg**. Wit. G[eorge]. Hume, Thos. (x) Mylum, Thomas Allen.

#### 1753 (age 39)

**Michael Wallace** "cannot be found" in Augusta County, Virginia when titahables were performed. [1; Vol 2; pg 417]

#### January 16, 1753 (age 39)

**John Frogg**, sells his 200 acres of land to **John Madison** [uncle to President, James Madison], on Shanando [sic] River, adjoining **Wm. Frazer**, and purchased by **Frogg** from **Wm. Crittenden**. Teste: **John Jones**, **Henry Murray** [1, Page 221].

#### 26 Feb 1753

Ordered that John Wright, Joseph Hudnall, **John Frogg** or any two of them view the most convenient way for a Road from **Beverleys Ford** into the Rolling Road that leads from Hedgmens Quarter to the Marsh Bridge and report to the Court their proceedings [Prince William County Minute Book 1752-1753 page 164].

#### 22 June, 1753 (age 39)

James (X) Owell requested deed to **Frogg**. Witnessed G. Hume, Thos (X) Mylum, Thomas Allen. [in reference to 210 acres surveyed 12 May 1752 for **John Frogg** of Culpepper assignee of James Yowell of Culpepper at Blue Ridge of Mt, head of Tims R.

## July 5, 1753 (age 39)

John and Elizabeth Frogg sold their *Rich Hill Plantation* in Culpeper Co, Va to **George Rowe** who had lived upon this land when the transaction was made. After a petition was made by **John Frogg** on Aug 20 1752, **Frogg** became the sole owner. Recorded Culpepper Court, Sept 25, 1752. Rowe paid 45 pounds in Va currency for this property. It was surveyed by **George Mason** [8].

### July 25, 1753 (age 39)

As sheriff, John Frogg files a complaint against Bryan Matthews for being a vagrant. The term *vagrant* refers to a person who is idle, refused to work although capable of doing so, and lived on the charity of others (beggar). The term *vagrant* has been replaced by *homeless person* as a way of describing a person who is without means or a permanent home.

Traditionally, communities tended to regard vagrants with suspicion and view them either as beggars or as persons likely to commit crimes. In England vagrants were whipped, branded, conscripted into military service, or exiled to penal colonies. In colonial America vagrancy statutes were common. A person who wandered into a town and did not find work was told to leave the community or face criminal prosecution.

Prince William County Minute Book 1752-1753 page 193 25 Jul 1753 Bryan Matthews being brought before the court on complaint of **John Frogg** gent charging him with vagrancy and being heard and considered ordered he give security for his good behaviours and then discharged on paying fee

## 27 Aug 1753 (age 39)

Prince William County Minute Book 1752-1753 page 221 **John Frogg** is appointed **surveyor** of the road in the room of John Hopper and ordered that he keep the same in repair and that he erect stones or posts according to law.

#### August 29, 1753 (age 39)

Both Sheriff's of the county, **John Frogg** and **Bertrand Ewell** are given extra pay as militia men. Both are known Sheriffs.

### **County Militia Rosters**

29 Aug 1753, Bertrand Ewell; John Frogg

**Bertrand Ewell and John Frogg** would both achieve the rank of Colonel. **Bertrand Ewell** who married **Francis Kenner** was son of **Mary Ann Bertrand** and **Charles Ewell.** Mary married second, **William Ballendine** and third to **Maj. James Ball** in 1742.

### 1754 (age 40)

According to the Virginia Early Census Index in 1754, **Major John Frogg** of Price William County (Minassas Township) pays rent role.

## 7 Jun 1754 (age 40)

Finla McAlester, no warrant, date from survey, 7 Jun 1754 surveyed N.d.; 118a. adl. his own land, **Colo James Frogg**, Majr Roots. CC- John Rush & Jno McAlester. Surv. George Hume.

According to the Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography, v.31 1907, pg 382, John Rush was uncle to the "Signer" Benjamin Rush. John was the brother to William Rush "The sculptor, who married, Martha Wallace."

## January 28, 1754 (age 40)

Prince William County Order Book 1754-1755 page 1 24 Jan 1754 At the Courthouse of Prince William County the 28th day of January in the year of our Lord God one thousand seven hundred and fifty four a commision of Peace together with a Dedimus for administring the oaths being produced and read as usual Thomas Harrison gent haven taken the oaths appointed to be taken and repeated and subscribed the test administred the said oaths and test to Benjamin Grayson, **John FROGG**, Bertrand Ewell and Howson Hooe gent who took their places as Justices, etc

In 1754, Elizabeth (Strother) Frogg's mother, **Margaret (Watts) Strother** passes away at age 54. A portion of the family's wealth would now get divided amongst the children; there were no male heirs in this family.

## French & Indian War

In early 1754, Col. George Washington completes his Fort Necessity at Great Meadows. Receiving additional reinforcements and supplies and with no immediate French reprisal, Washington continues building his road toward the Monongahela River. By late June, having knowledge of a French expedition sent to attack him, Washington attempts to retreat east of the Alleghenies. Having failed to receive needed supplies and with his men exhausted and sick, George Washington is forced to halt his retreat at Great Meadows. On the morning of July 3, 1754, the French force with their Indian allies arrives at the Meadows and begin their attack in what becomes the first battle of the French and Indian War. The eight-hour battle fought during heavy rain results in a French victory and Washington's only formal surrender. Fort Necessity is burned to the ground the following day, July 4th, and Washington and his men are allowed to march back to Ft. Cumberland.

After the demise of the French Empire, England, now the most powerful empire in the world and the strongest since ancient Rome would celebrate for another 12 years until America declared its independence.

### June 1754 (age 40)

Benjamin Franklin puts forth first plan for a union among the Colonies; it is rejected

## March 28, 1754 (age 40)

Prince William County page 24,28 Mar 1754 John Frogg is appointed to settle the accounts of the estate of George Wheatley [Whitley] deceased with the widow Mary Wheatley and George Wheatley the executors of the said deced and also to settle the accounts of the orphans of the said deceased with the said Mary and report to the court. Whitely (Whitly, Whitlow.)

#### Feb. 23, 1755

Gen. Braddock arrives in Williamsburg, Virginia in order to bolster the British interests over the French.

## March 15, 1755 (age 41)

Prince William County Order Book 1754-1755 page 185. At a court of Oyer and Terminer held at the court house of Prince William County the 15th day of March 1755 Present Thomas Harrison, **John Frogg**, John Wright and John Crump, **Justices**.

#### May 27, 1755 (age 41)

Prince William County Order Book 1754-1755 27 May 1755 page 247 - **John FROGG** is appointed to take the list of Tithables in Hamilton Parish in this county in the room and precinct of John Crump, gent.

## May 28, 1755 (age 41)

July Prince William County page 263 28 May 1755 Order Book 1754-1755 At the Court House of Prince William County the 28th day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty five A commission of the peace with a Dedimus for administring the Oaths being produced and read as usual **John Frogg** gent have taken the oaths appointed to be taken and repeated and subscribed the test administered the said oaths and test to John Churchill, John Bell and **John Bailis gent** who took their places as Justices, etc.

### July 8, 1755

**Governor Dinwiddie** writes to **Andrew Lewis** requesting the construction of forts to protect the frontiers [47].

## July 26, 1755 (age 41)

Governor of Virginia, **Robert Dinwiddie** appoints (reinstated) John Frogg Sheriff of Price William County.

Prince William County 271 (Order Book 1754-1755 25 Aug 1755 **John Frogg**, John Churchill and John Crump gent are recommend to his honour the Governor as proper persons to execute the office of Sherriff in this county.

## August 25, 1755 (age 41)

Prince William County page 273 (Order Book 1754-1755 25 Aug 1755 **John Frogg** and William Blackwell gent are appointed to agree with the court of King George County to build a bridge over Deep Run.

## September 22, 1755 (age 41)

Prince William County page 308 (Order Book 1754-1755 22 Sep 1755 By virute of a commission from the Honourable the Governor, **John Frogg** gent having first taken the oath according to law and subscribed the test was sworn Sheriff of this county who with Henry Lee and others acknowledge a bond for the faith full performance of the said office.

### September 22, 1755 (age 41)

Prince William County page 310 Order Book 1754-1755 22 Sep 1755 Ordered that the tithalbles belonging to Peter Hedgman in hamilton Parish added to the list of Tithables taken by **John Frogg**, gent this present year.

Prince William county, Virginia Selected Notes from Order Book (1755-1757) ..... **John Frogg GENT Sheriff** came into Court and refused to take the collection of the Pol Tax in this county. Ordered the Court be adjourned till the court in course, thos Harrison.

### 13 Oct 1756 (age 42)

**John Frogg's** neighbor (and relative), **John Graham** and fellow sheriff, Bertrand Ewell go to court over construction of a mill on private property. **Frogg** is witness.

page 324 Order Book 1755-1758 The Sheriff pursuant to an order of this court for viewing an acre of land belonging to **John Graham** returned the juryus report which is as followeth "Prince Wm s in obedience to the above order I have twelve free and lawfull men of my county they being first sworn been on the land s of **John Graham** and have diligently examined the lands adjacent there to and also have considered what damage the said **John Graham** may sustain by means of **Bertrand Ewell** building a Mill on Quantico Run and do agree that the acres of land where the said Ewell is to erect his millis of value of two pounds three shillings current money and no more. In witness where of as well the Sheriff of the said county as the Jurors have hereunto set our hands and seall the 13th day of October anno dom 1756 **John Frogg** Robert Wickliff, John Purnell, Thos Highland, Israel Folsom, John Murray, Richd Crupper, Thos Arrington, Jacob Calvert, Robt Hedges, John Cotten, Geo Calvert, thos Davis.

John Graham (30 Apr 1718--Aug 1787), son of John Graham of Wakenston, Perthshire, Scotland [40], clerk of the Prince William County court, lived on the south side of Quantico Creek near Dumfries. He came to Virginia from Scotland about 1740 and acquired much land in Prince William County, including the tract on which Dumfries was established in 1749 [1]. He married Elizabeth Catesby Cocke, daughter of William Cocke, secretary of state on 14 Dec 1746 [40]. He left issues, two of which are John Graham and George Graham who served under Jefferson, Madison and Monroe.

John Graham first married, Christian Brown (29 Aug 1720 -17 Sep 1742) of "Rich Hills" plantation on 13 Aug 1742 (she died one month later). This marriage made John Graham brother-in law to Michael Wallace who married Elizabeth Brown, daughter of Gustavus Brown and Frances Fowke. In his will, John Graham stated that his father was, "nearly related to Grahame of Gartur and Orchill, and his wife Margaret Graham\*, eldest dau. of John \*Grahm, of Killearn, Stirlingshire, Scot'd, Esq. who was heir at law to the estate of the Duke of Montrose, should he be d.s.p". John Grahm of Killearn was one of 19 children, of whom Catherine married her cousin, John Stewart, of Balmuren, near Belfast, Ireland [61]

Dumfries history began as early as 1690 when Richard Gibson erected a gristmill on Quantico Creek. A customhouse and warehouse followed in 1731, and many others cropped up along the estuary by 1732. The Town of Dumfries was formally

established on 60 acres of land at the head of the harbor of Quantico Creek, provided by **John Graham**. He named the town after his birthplace, Dumfries, Scotland.

## February 23, 1756 (age 42)

Prince William County page 23 Order Book 1755-1757 25 Jan 1756 **John Frogg, John Graham**, Allan Macrae, William Ashmore, William Ballendine, Nathaniel Overall, Thomas Machen and William Splane acknowledged a bond for the said **Froggs** faithfull performance in receiving the pol take in this county according to Law and the same was ordered to be recorded .... Thos Harrison Court.

### 1756 (age 42)

The French and Indian War officially begins. John Frogg is summoned as a military officer under Lieutenant **Richard Taylor**.

### March 1756 (age 42)

Due to his leadership and experience as the Sheriff of Prince William County, John Frogg was appointed Major of the Virginia Militia He has 23 days of service [62]. He is paid 20 lbs of tobacco per day for his service.

The House of Burgesses, meeting in Williamsburg, VA passed an act for raising militia in the counties of Fairfax, Prince William, Culpeper and Hampshire to man a line of forts from Great-Cape Capon in Hampshire Co. to the south fork of the Mayo River in Halifax. The Prince William militia was commanded by Major John Frogg.

According to a deposition that he made on March 22, 1780 to a recorder in an Augusta County courthouse, sometime in 1755, John Frogg travels the eastern frontiers on horseback with a garrison of men.

John Frogg proves that in March of 1756 he went out on the frontiers of this State with a body of men under his command as a Colonel or Major and served on the frontiers for some considerable time, but whether as a ranging battalion or volunteers, or what other capacity, does not appear [1; page 193].

One of **John Frogg's** soldiers was a man named **Thomas Marshall** (1730-1802) who settled on Licking Run in Prince William County, Virginia prior to 1753 [15]. Thomas married **Mary Randolf Keith** (Thomas Jefferson's cousin) first child was future Chief Justice of the United States, **John Marshall** (1755-1835), who more than any other person in American history, shaped early constitutional law. John

Marshall became the 4th Secretary of State and was succeeded by **John Frogg's** nephew, **James Madison**.

### April 25, 1756 (age 42)

Prince William County page 65 Order Book 1755-1757 **John Frogg gent** took the oaths appointed by Act of Parliament to be taken repeaded and subscribed the test as a **Military Officer.** 

### April 26, 1756 (age 42)

**John Frogg** and Bertrand Ewell take oath of office as military officers for Prince William County, Virginia.

### May 24, 1756 (age 42)

While commanding his militia in Virginia and traveling abroad, John's duties of collecting titables is given to another.

Prince William County page 68 Order Book 1755-1757 24 May 1756 William Eustace gent is appointed to take the list of Tithables in Hamilton Parish in the room of and precinct of **John Frogg, gent** 

Gleanings of Virginia History Prince William County Henning's Statutes, Vol 7 page 24

To the militia of the County of Price William [Virginia]
To **John Frogg, Major** 920- Lbs. tob

William Baylis, Captain - 2400 Lbs. tob. Richard Taylor - Lieutenant of Horse - 2790 Lbs. tob. William Splane, do - 2790 Lbs. tob. William Farrow, Cornet [2nd Lieutenant] 2325 Lbs. tob.

County Militia Rosters, 26 Apr 1756, John Frogg; Bertrand Ewell (1715- 1795)

During the French and Indian War, John Frogg was in charge of "manning a line of forts from Great-Cape Capon in Hampshire Co. to the south fork of the Mayo River in Halifax" during the French and Indian War.

When the War with France ceased, John Frogg returned to his wife in Virginia. John returned to his occupation as Sherriff of Prince William County and has earned the rank of **Colonel**.

Prince William County page 119 Order Book 1755-1757 28 Jun 1756 **John Frogg**, **Bertrand Ewell** and **William Eustace** gent are recommended to his Houour the Governor as fit persons to Execute the Office of sheriff in this county.

### June 30, 1756 (age 42)

Prince William County page 129 Order book 1755-1757 30 Jun 1756 On the motion of **John Graham** Clerk of the county court judgment is granted him against **John Frogg gent Sheriff** for the sum of twenty nine thousand five hundred and fifty eight pounds of tobacco belonging to Mr Secretary Neilson and the said **John Graham** for fees put into the said **John Froggs** hands as receipt to collect.

Prince William County page 324 Order Book 1755-1758 The Sheriff pursuant to an order of this court for viewing an acre of land belonging to **John Graham** returned the juryus report which is as followeth "Prince Wm in obedience to the above order I have twelve free and lawfull men of my county they being first sworn been on the land s of John Graham and have diligently examined the lands adjacent there to and also have considered what damage the said John Graham may sustain by means of **Bertrand Ewell** building a Mill on Quantico Run and do agree that the acres of land where the said Ewell is to erect his millis of value of two pounds three shillings current money and no more. In witness where of as well the Sheriff of the said county as the Jurors have hereunto set our hands and seall the 13th day of October anno dom 1756 John Frogg Robert Wickliff, John Purnell, Thos Highland, Israel Folsom, John Murray, Richd Crupper, Thos Arrington, Jacob Calvert, Robt Hedges, John Cotten, Geo Calvert, thos Davis.

page 309 Order Book 1755-1758 George Mason gent Plaintiff said defendant craven oyer of the write and he had also a special imparlance granted. **John Frogg** gent Defendant in Debt

## August 24, 1756 (age 42)

Prince William County page 192 Order book 1755-1757 24 Aug 1756 **John Frogg** gent Sherif came into court and prtest against the goal of this county that it is not sufficient to detain prisoners therein.

## November 22, 1756 (age 42)

Prince William County page 243 Order Book 1755-1758 22 Nov 1756 Ordered that the Sheriff raise the posse of the county and take **Willaim Smith** into custody for standing in contempt of all public authority. William Smith, a servant had trouble with his behavior.

Mary Johnston vs. William Smith, Sr.--Mary, an infant (August, 1755), by John Johnston, her next friend and father. Slander. [1]

February 12, 1745 (17) William Smith fined 5 sh.--being drunk [1] (389) Called Court on Wm. Smith--larceny--acquitted. (396) William Smith petitions that **Rob. Graham**. to whom he was bound, has not complied with the tenor of the indenture, and William is discharged from further servitude

After the court proceeded on November 22, 1756...Then the court proceeded to lay the county levy. To **John graham** Clerk for his salary 1260 pounds of tobacco, To **John Frogg** gent Sheriff for his salary 1260 pounds of tobacco.

### Feb 1757 (age 43)

**James Stuart Sr.** of Cowpasture is killed by Indians while building a fort with his brother-in-law Lafferty. James' son, James Jr. is taken prisoner along with two of the Cartmell children. James's brother, Robert Stuart took over James' farm on the Cowpasture [Kentucky Genealogies, Family archive].

## 2 May 1759 (age 45)

John Frogg and wife Elizabeth convey property to **Allen Macrae**, a merchant of Dumfries. July 24, 1758 [40].

### 17th of May, 1759 (age 45)

Sufficient pressure had been brought to push the bill for the creation of Fauquier Co. through the House of Burgesses, the justices first appointed included Thomas Harrison, Joseph Blackwell, John Wright, William Blackwell, **John Frogg**, John Bell, William Eustace, John Churchill, William Grant, John Crump, Duff Green, Yelverton Peyton, **Thomas Marshall**, George Lambkin, Wharton Ransdell, Elias Edmonds, Thomas McClanahan and Richard Foote, Gentlemen [40].

December 1758 Col. Washington resigns from the Virginia Regiment and retires to Mount Vernon. He marries Martha Dandridge in January, 1759 and settles down to the life of a Virginia "planter

#### February 1760 (age 46)

Cherokee Warriors attack the Salisbury Fort in Rowan County, North Carolina prompting **Daniel Boone**, his parents, the Morgans and many others of the Yadkin River to flee to **Culpepper County**, Virginia. He set off for hunting in

Virginia and returned to his wife, Rebecca Morgan Boone two years later, she thinking he was dead. They moved back to the Yadkin in 1762.

### November 18, 1760 (age 46)

**Colonel John Frogg** witnessed the sale of 200 acres of land in Augusta County, Virginia on Borden's tract, corner to tract sold by Francis Beaty of Flat Spring Run; corner Thomas Berry. Property conveyed by Borden, Jr. to David Kerr and by David and Katherine to grantor [1].

### April 7, 1760 (age 56)

Col. John Frogg pays Col. George Washington a visit at his home in Mount Vernon. Col. Frogg offers Mr. Washington 400 acres to Washington for 2400 acres of the Strother Family property in Culpepper County located 46 miles above the Falls of Rappahannock. He tells him that the land is valuable because of the abundance of timber and fertile soil for a plantation.

The following accounts are from <u>George Washington's diary</u> held at the Library of Congress for the year 1760.

<u>Saturday Apl. 5th</u>. [1760] Planted out 20 young Pine trees at the head of my Cherry Walk.

Recd. my Goods from York.

Hauld the Sein again catchd 2 or 3 White Fish more Herring than Yesterday & a great Number of Cats.

Richie and Ross went away.

Made another Plow the same as my former excepting that it has two Eyes and the other one.

So[uther]ly Wind, but not so fresh as that wch. blew Yesterday. However, it blew up a little Rain abt. Dark with a good deal of Lightning & some Thunder.

Sunday April 6th.[1760] Wind at No. Et. and Cool. About 3 Oclock it began Raining and continued to do so (moderately) for about an hour when it cleard, the Wind shifting So[uther]ly.

I just perceivd the Rye grass Seed wch. I sowd in the Garden to try its goodness was beginning to come up pretty thick; the Clovr., Lucerne, & Barley I discoverd above Ground, on the first Instant.

Majr. Stewart & Doctr. Johnston set out for Winchesr.

Monday April 7th. [1760] Raind till 6 Oclock pretty hard and then cleard--Wind So[uther]ly and Cloudy all day.

In the Evening **Colo. Frog** came here, and made me an offer of 2400 Acres of Land wch. he has in Culpeper for £400. This Ld. Lyes (according to his acct.) 46 Miles above The Falls of Rappahannock--is well Water'd Timberd & of a Fertile Soil--no Impr[ove]ments on it. I told him that I woud get Captn. Thomas

Fitzhugh to give me his Opinion of the Land when he went next to his Quarter not far from it--or I woud take it in my way from Fredk. when I next went up there as it lies he says only 8 Miles from the place where Josh. Nevil livd at the Pignut Ridge. One Captn. Kennelly lives within a Mile of the Land and is well acquainted with it.

People kept Holliday [Easter].

George Washington spent his boyhood years at a farm directly across the Rappahannock River from Fredericksburg, Virginia. The farm was known as the **Strother Farm** when owned by **William Strother III**. The property is now known as Ferry Farm because of the ferry across the Rappahannock River to Fredericksburg that was begun when William Strother III owned the farm. Legend tells us it was here that George cut down one of his father's favorite cherry trees and tossed a coin across the Rappahannock River [3].

George's father, Augustine purchased the **Strother Plantation** and its home on the Rappahannock River in 1738. The Rappahannock River, although not as wide as the Potomac River, was still a viable artery for commerce. The town of Fredericksburg was emerging as a thriving port of commerce as well. Augustine used his keen entrepreneurial skills by investing as a part owner of three blast iron furnaces - the closest of which was Accokeek. The Strother plantation (*later known as Ferry Farm Plantation*) was equally located between all three furnaces. Iron was desperately needed by England in its quest to defeat Spain and France in this new era of imperialism and global conquest. Augustine knew production of pig iron would be very profitable for he and his King [5].

After the death of George's Washington's father in 1743, George's mother, Mary Ball [Washington] continued to live at **Stother Plantation** across from Fredericksburg. She was assisted by her teenage son George for another 4 years. In time George Washington became the owner of **Strother Plantation**<sup>[5]</sup> "... lying about 2 miles below the Falls of the Rappahannock, close on the River Side, with a very handsome Dwelling house, 3 Store houses, several other convenient Outhouses, and a Ferry belonging to it ..."

#### **April 1762**

**Gustavus Brown** Passes away in (on) Rich Hill in Portobacco, Charles County, MD; probate Dec 5, 1762 [27].

#### 11 Feb 1762 (age 48)

**Finla McAlester** of Culpeper Co. 118 Acres in said County. Survey by George Hume. Adjacent his land, **Col John Frogg**, Major Root<sup>[46]</sup>.

### 1763 (age 49)

William Robinson v. John Frogg & John Clayton Judg't for Plf. [51; pg 40]

Nov 17, 1762

**Michael Wallace**, John's business partner, and son-in-law to **Gustavus Brown** pays tithes. James and John Wallace also mentioned. Chalkely Vol 1; pg 359

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## 16 June 1763, (age 49)

On the Petition of **Henry Netherton** & others to have the Antient [sic] Road Established at **Courtney Norman's** Plantation Alledging that the new Way turned by order of this Court is Impassible for Waggons, Whereupon It is Ordered that **William Eastham Gent, William Russell, John Frogg** & **James Kennerley** or any three of them first sworn before a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid do View as well the New Way as the Old Road and report to the Court the Conveniency & Inconveniency it may be to the Public, Courtney Norman or any other Person.

## June 26, 1763 (age 49)

Two of the boldest massacres committed by Indians were when CORNSTALK, a young Shawnee chief, led a band of about 60 of his tribesmen into Greenbrier County in 1763. The first settlement destroyed was at Muddy Creek, under the guise of friendship. Freaderick [sic] SEA, Joseph CARROL, Salty YOLKUM [Yoakum] and others were killed. This was on June 26. The next day, Cornstalk led his warriors to the CLENDENIN Settlement. Pretending to be friendly, they attended a feast given in honor of the white settlers at Archibald CLENDENINS home near Lewisburg. At a given signal, the Indians killed all but one person, more than fifty falling victims to the tomahawk and rifle.

## 10 Feb 1763 (age 49)

Treaty of Paris is executed between the British and French giving all of North America east of the Mississippi, other than New Orleans, to the British. Eight months after the treaty was signed, King George III issued a proclamation whereby men who had served in military units from 1754 until such units disbanded were entitled to bounty land. The acreage was based on the rank held [7]. John Frogg was issued 200 acres of land for his duties.

#### 1764

Culpepper County Rent Rolls: Col John Frog

#### 1764

"Protection was so inadequate at the time that in March, the Indians made a raid on the home of David Cloyd, killing his on, John, tomahawking Mrs. Cloyd so that she died next day, tearing up the house and carrying off about L200 in gold and silver coins. In telling you about this, Mrs. Floyd, a daughter of Col. Wim. Preston says that Col. Preston had gone to Staunton and that Mrs Preson immediately sent a young man who lived at her house to notify the garrison of a small fort on Craig's Creek [69].

### 8 Dec 1765 (age 51)

John Frogg swore before Tho. Rutherford, J.P. of Frederick Co. that "he had stole from him a small Dark Sorrell Mare...hunting saddle," etc. by a traveling man of slender make with light hair, of a thin visage marked with small pox, and had on a blue greatcoat, etc.

On March 25, 1765, British Parliament passed the stamp act marking the beginning of the end of British rule in North America.

## March 25, 1768 (age 54)

In a letter held at the library of Congress, **John Frogg's** brother in law, **Gabriel Jones** writes to Col. George Washington on March 25, 1768 concerning George's interest in the **Strother** property. Gabriel Jones married **Margaret Strother**, sister to John Frogg's wife.

#### DEAR SIR

I have only time to inform you, that I received your's [your letter] at Frederick last Court, & have communicated the Contents to Mesrs. [John] Madison & [Thomas] Lewis my Neighbours, they agree with me of the right of your demand of Mr. Strothers estate, & as soon as you fix the sum paid, you may Draw on me for our proportionable parts, Mesrs. Henry Tyler, Francis Tyler & John Frogg are the other person's who married Mr. Strothers daughters, I am with True esteem & respect

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Gabriel Jones (1724--1806), an able but hot-tempered lawyer given to outbursts of profanity, had long been prominent in Shenandoah Valley affairs. He studied law in England and returned to Virginia in the 1740s. He was appointed king's attorney for Frederick in much of western Virginia during the next three decades. To his contemporaries he became known as "the Valley Lawyer" (GRIGSBY, 2:16--19; BLUE COAT BOYS, 44--45; BARTON, 19--22). He also served the Shenandoah counties as a burgess at various times, representing Frederick 1748--54, Hampshire 1754--55 and 1758--61, and Augusta 1756--58 and 1760--71. It was due in part to Jones's influence and activity that GW was first elected to the House of Burgesses from Frederick County in 1758 (Jones to GW, 6 July 1758; DLC:GW; GW to Jones, 29 July 1758, PHi). Jones lived in Frederick County near present-day Kernstown, Va., from 1747 to about 1753, when he moved to Augusta County, taking up residence at the place where GW visited him today, about 2½ miles down the South Fork of the Shenandoah from present-day Port Republic. His move may have been prompted by the fact that Thomas Lewis and another neighbor, John Madison [uncle to future president], were both [all three] married to sisters of Jones's wife, Margaret Strother Morton Jones (d. 1822).

After the above letter was written, a second letter to George Washington was written by John Frogg's brother in law, Gabriel Jones:

#### DEAR SIR

I acknowledged the receipt of yours of 25th. February & recommended it to ye. care of Colo. F. Lewis in hopes it might call meet you in your way to ye. Assembly in March, but whether it did I have not as yet learned & least a miscarriage should have happened, I write this to inform you of my acquainting Messrs. Lewis & Madison with your proposal of paying what you had advanced for ye. deficiency of ye Land purchased from Mr. Strother Executor, they as well as my self do readily agree to advance our proportionable parts as soon as you let me know what it is --

- ... I am with much esteem & respect Dr Sir
- ... Yr. most Obedt.<del>hble</del> Servt.
- ... GABRIEL JONES

### Jan 1767 (age 53)

John Frogg's business partner, **Michael Wallace** dies and according to his Last Testament is buried in the cemetery of Fallmouth Churchyard near his two children who have already been interred . His will is probated on 4 June 1767 in King George County, VA [27].

### June 1769 (age 55)

Page 324.--16th March, 1768. William Poage (and Ann) to William McClenachan, £260; two tracts,--A containing 104 acres in Forks of James River on a branch called Cedar Creek, corner Robt. Whitlow's land, James McGuffey's line, corner (supposed) William Mill's land; B containing 100 acres patented to William 23d May, 1763, on said creek. Teste: John Frogg. Delivered: William McClenachan, June, 1769

## 1770 (age 56)

John and Elizabeth's son, William Frogg marries Mary Mitchell.

Also **John Frogg**, Jr. "The Sutler" marries **Agatha Lewis** Oct.18,1770 Augusta Co, VA

## **January 23, 1770 (age 56)**

1770--January 23, Samuel Kilpatrick; January 24, John McClenachan; April 16, Joseph Campbell; May 15, Robert McClenachan, Jr.; June 9, **Abraham Lincoln** [grandfather of President]; July 25, Samuel Erwin; September 3, John Patterson; April 10, Pat. Buchanan; August 13, Richard Woods; October 3, Mathew Kenny; October 16, **John Frogg**; October 24, Thomas Teese; December 5, Pat. Lockhart.

## 28 March 1770 (age 56)

**James Hurt** purchases land adjacent to one of Col John Frogg's properties. The Hurt family would eventually move to Fentress County, Tennessee with the Froggs.

The Right Honourable Thomas Lord Fairfax. Baron of Cameron in that part of Great Britain called Scotland. Proprietor of the Northern Neck of Virginia. To all to whom this presents writing shall come to greeting. Know ye that for good cause for and in consideration of the compensation to me paid and for the annual part herin after named. I have given granted and conferred and by these presents for me my heirs and and assigns do give grant and confirm unto James Hurt of Culpepper County, A certain tract of land and being granted here in the said County commanded by a survey threreof made by Richard Young.

Beginning at three Chesnut Oaks on the South Side of a branch of the Great Fork therein and running thence down the said Branch East One hundred and twenty eight poles to a Spanish Oak and a White Oak on the south side of the said Branch of a Creek in a line of **Col. John Frogg**, Thence with **Frogg's Line** northeast fifty nine poles ...on the south side of the Robinson River Corner to **Frogg**. Thence leaving **Frogg's line**...corner of the said River with Richard Burdyne's Line ...twenty eighth day of March 1770

## 15 May 1770 (age 57)

John Yowell swore he saw James Yowell, his uncle, sign the above, that he carried with John Wright the chane (sic) round 210 acres his uncle sold Frogg on waters of Robbinson River on North side of ridge & he knows of no land being surveyed near it except a survey of Capt John Allen of Prince William County (Signed Geo Wetherall).

### June 26, 1770 (age 57)

Page 9.--26th June, 1770. John Stuart (Stewart), taylor, to William Bowyer, £80, mortgage, negro slave. Teste: Michael Bowyer **John Frogg**.

### November 21, 1770 (age 57)

Page 166.--2d March, 1771. Commission to William Christian and John Bowman, of Botetourt, to take privy examination of. Ann, wife of William Fleming, as to deed to **John Frogg**, dated 21st November, 1770. Executed. 20th March, 1771

#### November 29, 1770 (age 57)

It appearing that Archer Mathews is no longer capable of instructing his apprentice, Robert Shaw, as an apprentice, and that James Shaw, Robert's father, is incapable of bringing him up in a Christianlike manner--to be bound to John Frogg, to learn the same trade [1:pg 177].

Page 66.-- November, 1770. William Fleming and Ann, of Botetourt, to John Frogg, £120. 120 acres in Beverley Manor, corner Robert Reed; corner Prestons land in line of Beverley's Mill tract. Note, this could also be John Frogg, Jr. "The Sutler".

Title <u>Frogg, John, Col.,</u>
Publication 1 October 1770.

Other Format Available on microfilm. Northern Neck Grants, reels 288-311.

Note Location: Frederick County.

Description: 210 acres on the Blue Ridge.

Source: Northern Neck Grants O, 1767-1770, p. 319 (Reel 296).

Original survey exists.

Part of the index to recorded copies of land grants issued by the agents of the Fairfax Proprietary between 1690 and 1781 and by the Commonwealth between 1786 and 1874. Original and recorded surveys are also indexed when available. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.

Subject - Personal Frogg, John, Col., grantee.

## 1770 (age 57)

Sometime in 1770 or 1771, John and Elizabeth Frogg's son, **Arthur Frogg** dies. According to oral tradition, he dies in a duel in Virginia and both parties were killed. Duel's were performed typically after insulting someone's honor, especially someone who was a gentleman and whose pride was paramount. Many times both opponents shot in the air, missing their target on purpose for a matter of respect, both walking away angry but respected. However, when tempers were flaring just after the incident, the challengers each chose their location (secretly away from authorities), their weapon, their separation or pace (usually 20 steps) and aimed to kill. Some preferred to shoot first if they were comfortable with their marksmanship, but some also chose to shoot last because if the opponents shot missed, the other person would have as long as he wanted to aim his gun at the torso of the other, an experience, even if unsuccessful, would remain etched in the mind of the challenger opposer.

## January 15, 1771 (age 57)

Estate of Arthur Frogg, decd., committed to his brother John Frogg <sup>[1; pg 179]</sup>. John Frogg's bond (with John Madison Jr., Sampson Mathews) as administrator of Arthur Frogg <sup>[1; pg 365]</sup>.

#### 17 Sep 1792

**Elizabeth Frog** (c1744 – 1795) marries sheriff, **Henry Spering** (? – probate 30 Jun 1802) on 17 Sep 1792 in Albemarle County, Virginia, (Surety **Samuel Moses**) [72] [73].

#### 27 May 1771 (age 57)

After twelve intense days of raining, a wall of water came roaring down the James River valley. As water swept through the streets of the local towns, buildings, boats, animals and vegetation were lost. About one hundred fifty people were killed as rivers and tributaries surpassed flood stage and exceeded heights that were an astounding forty-five feet above normal. "... all the great rivers of this country were swept by inundations never before experienced which changed the face of nature and left traces of violence that will remain for ages."

23 May 1772 (age 58)

# Augusta County, VA

Appointed tax collector.

"Know all men by these Presents that we George Mathews and Sampson Mathews John Madison Junior and Thomas Madison are held and firmly bound unto James Lockart William Tees James Craig John Frogg and Thomas Hugart Justices in the Commission of the Peace for Augusta County for and in Behalf of and to the sole use and Behalf of the Justices of the said County & their successors in the sum of thirty three Thousand five hundred and four pounds of Tobacco to be paid to the said Justices and their Successors to the which Payment well & truly to be made we bind ourselves and every of us our heirs Executors & Administrators jointly & Severally firmly by these Presents sealed with our seals and dated his 23 day of May 1772 The Condition of this obligation is such that whereas the above bound George Mathews hath taken upon him the Collection of the Public levy amounting to Sixteen Thousand seven hundred and fifty two Pounds of Tobacco now if the said George Mathews shall pay the several Creditors their several demands then the above Obligation to be void or otherwise to be and remain in full force and Virtue Sealed and Delivered [17].

Geo. Mathews (Seal) In the Presence of Sampson Mathews (Seal) John Madison Jr. (Seal) Thomas Madison (Seal)

# 12th Year of the Reign of King George III (1749)

Trustees for the town of Staunton appointed.

V. And Whereas by an act of assembly, made in the twenty-second year of the reign of his late majesty's reign, instituted an act for **establishing the town of Staunton**, in the county of Augusta, and New London, in the county of Bedford, and Strasburg, in the county of

Frederick, certain trustees were appointed for designing, building, and carring on the said town of Staunton, who are since mostly dead or removed to distant parts, and a succession of the said trustees hath not been continued, as that act requires; and it being necessary that the said town of Staunton should be supported and maintained, and the bounds and streets thereof properly ascertained: Be it therefore enacted, by the authority aforesaid, that William Bowyer, John Frogg, Alexander Maclanahan, Sampson Mattews, George Matthews, Robert Reid, Gentlemen, be, and they are hereby, constituted and appointed trustees for building, carrying on, an maintaining the said town of Staunton, as the same was laid off, pursuant to an act, passed in the twenty-second year of the reign of his late majesty, King George the second, instituted and Act for establishing a town in Augusta County, and allowing fairs to be kept therein; and the said trustees, or any four of them,; are hereby authorized and impowered, from time to time, and at all times Hereafter, to lay off and regulate the streets of the said town, and to settle and determine all disputes concerning the bounds of the lots of the said town, and to settle and establish such rules and order for the more regulat and orderly building of all the houses in the said town, as to them shall seem best and most convenient. [William Hening, Va, Laws and Statues V.8.;

### **AUGUST 22, 1772.** (age 58)

Page 487.--19th March, 1772: Vestry met. **John Frogg**, who was elected Vestryman, refused to serve, and John Lewis is elected in his stead. John Lyle, Gent., is chosen vice James McDowel, deceased. Wm. Bowyer directed to employ a Curate. [This could be John Frogg Jr. or Senior].

**John Frogg** to be paid for repairing the jail and building the <u>ducking stool</u>. A ducking stool was a crude contraption in order to humiliate people for bad behavior, a chair was dangled over water and the person was dunked a number of times as stated in their punishment.

In 1773, son, **William Frogg** settles in Greenbrier adjacent to John Miller and his brother-in-law, John Lewis (1 Nov 1749 -1788) [1].

William Steele vs. John Lewis.--This is to certify I employed Wm. Steele to act in the business of a Sutler in the place of **John Frogg** [Jr], deceased, from the 10th of October, 1774, to the 20th of November next, at the rate of seven and six pence per day. January 19th, 1775. (Signed) John Lewis [1].

## March 16, 1773 (age 59)

(1) New commission--Justices, viz: Silas Hart, John Dickinson, Daniel Smith, John Poage,\* Abraham Smith,\* George Moffett, Alexr. McClenachan,\* Mathew Harrison, George Mathews,\* Alexr. Robertson,\* John Hays, James Craig,\* **John Frogg**,\* William

Tees, James Lockhart, John Christian, Archibald Alexander,\* Felix Gilbert, Samuel McDowell, Sampson Mathews, William Bowyer,\* John McClenachan,\* Michael Bowyer,\* John Gratton, Thos. Hugart,\* Elijah McClenachan,\* Josiah Davidson, John Skidmore.--Dated November 6, 1772.

(Those with (\*) qualified.)

- (1) Michael Bowyer qualified coroner.
- (2) Hemp certificates: Ludwick Shadow, Jacob Doran.
- (3-4) Hemp cerificates: John Tedford, Alexr. Tedford, Jr.
- (5) Hemp certificates: Jeremiah Tedford, Adam Reed.
- (5) Nicholas Butcher qualified admr. of father, Valentine Butcher.
- (6) Constable: John Lingle, vice Hieronimes Tack.
- (6) Charles Rush qualifies admr. of Henry Strutsenocker.

### 11th October, 1773 (age 59)

James Hardgraves' will--To wife Elizabeth, to son Robert Hardgrave, to son Francis Hardgrave, executors. Teste: John **Cawley**, Daniel Kidd, Elizabeth Griffin. Proved, 20th November, 1773. by the witnesses. Elizabeth qualifies with **John Frogg**, James Hill. [Chalkley; Vol III Page 185]

## Lord Dunmore's War

Too old to fight in Lord Dunmore's Militia, Colonel John Frogg lends the militia provisions and gets reimbursed on Friday, December 23, 1774

Friday Decr. 23d, 1774 (age 64)

Colo. John Frogg Dr.

To 1 knife & fork 2 3

To 1 sack salt 1 1 0

1774 (age 60)

Felix Gilberts ledger for Rockingham County, Virginia

Col. John Frogg, to 1 knife and fork, to 1 sack of salt

### March 15, 1774. (age 60)

John Frogg's son, John Frogg, Jr. qualifies as sheriff.

Page (302) New Commission of Justices, viz: Silas Hart, John Dickison, Danl. Smith, John Poage, Abram Smith, George Moffett,\* James Lockhart, John Christian, Archibald Alexander, Felix Gilbert, Samuel McDowel,\* Sampn. Mathews, Alexr. McClenachan,\* Mathew Harrison, George Mathews. Alexr. Robertson,\* John Hays, James Craig, John Frogg,\* William Tees, George Croghan, John Connelly,\* Thos. Smallman, Wm. Bowyer,\* John McClenachan,\* Michael Bowyer, John Gratton,\* Thos. Huggart, Elijah McClenachan, Josiah Davidson, John Skidmore, John Campbell, Edward Ward, Dawsey Penticost, John Gibson. (Those marked (\*) qualified.)

## June 25, 1774 (age 64)

John Frogg's son, John Frogg, Jr. is listed as an heir of Agatha (Lewis) Frogg's

**John Frogg** [Jr.], to be fully satisfied for testator's board while at his house. Executors to abide by a memorandum left with **John Lewis**. Executors, John Hervie, **Charles Lewis**, Alex. Sinclair. [1; Page 304]

### July 4, 1776 (age 66)

Declaration if Independence is signed by the Continental Congress.

## November 18, 1776 (age 66)

Colonel John Stuart receives Colonel John Frogg's permission to marry his widowed daughter, **Agatha (Lewis) Frogg**. Mr. Stuart had acted as sutler in place of John Frogg III.

## 1777 (age 67)

**John Frogg** and his son, William Frogg, signed a petition to form Greenbrier County, VA in 1777. [10]

16 May 1777 (age 67)

Major John Frogg is mentioned is deed books:

"Margaret Reynolds of Fauquier Co. 25A[cres] in said Co. Land surveyed for **Maj. John Frogg** by George Hume 18 Sept. 1751. Frogg did not comply with Advertisement of 26 Mar 1765 requiring person with Surveys before 1764 to pay for some or forfeit All Rights (BK N). Adj. Routt (Rout), on Hedgman R., Col. Corbin 12 May 1777 [45].

### 1781 (age 71)

With the threat of British invasion and possible captivity, the legislators met in Charlottesville, North Carolina, but the lawmakers were not safe there either. Congress escaped and met on June 7 at the Episcopal church in Staunton – prepared to flee farther west if necessary. In October the Assembly moved back to Richmond, in their "temporary capitol". This temporary capitol was demolished sometime before 1851 and is now marked by a small bronze plaque.

## 1783 (age 69)

John's nephew, **John Madison** (brother to future president, James Madison) was shot and killed by Indians while on a survey in the Kanawha County, Virginia.

### November 20, 1783 (age 73)

John's brother in law was sent to the home of John Frogg to inquire about his whereabouts and well being, John Madison returned citing that he was not to be found.

**John Madison,** admr. of **John Frogg,** returned no inhabitant [1; pg 152]

## Dec 2, 1785 (age 75)

Thomas Greening and wife, Mary Greening, George Davis & wife, Elizabeth Davis, all of Fauquier Co, to Peter Grant, of Fauquier Co, 31 AC with all houses, orchards, outbuildings, etc. situate and lying in Fauquier Co, on Summerduck Run, b/b: Beginning on the Run side in the line dividing this tract from the land formerly John Edies, now the property of George Carter, or the Heirs of Cuthbert Harrison, thence N. to a marked red oak corner to the land sold by Landon Carter to Peter Grant, then south to some marked saplings, within the plantation now occupied by John Scott Heslop, then S. to Beg., "Estate of Inheritance, in fee simple". Signed: Thomas Greening, Mary Greening, George Davis, Elizabeth Davis, Wts: Thomas Keith, Daniel James, John Frogg, Jos. Blackwell. "Mary & Elizabeth cannot conveniently travel to the court of the said Co. of Fauquier to make acknowledgment of their signature" Court ordered Joseph Blackwell, & Thos. Keith to go to said Mary Greening and Elizabeth Davis, and examine them separately, and apart from their husbands, to see if they signed this deed freely and voluntarily without any persuasions or threats; which they did and reported back to the court, as being so. Deed ordr'd to be recorded.

### 1787 (age 77)

John Frogg's business partner, Michael Wallace's sister-in-law, Margaret (Brown) Stone (wife of Thomas Stone) dies. Later in 1787, after a bought of despondency, Thomas, who was a signer of Declaration of Independence is ordered by his doctor to take a voyage to cure his melancholy and dies awaiting the ship in Alexandria, Virginia [52; pg 33].

## 1791 (age 81)

John Frogg's old Virginia sheriff partner, **Col Bertrand Ewell** dies in Dumfries, Virginia.

## August 19, 1794 (age 84)

John Frogg writes his will 19 Aug 1794 in Bath Co., VA. Curiously, John Frogg writes that his wife, Elizabeth is to "Pay my son," and their son. This could possibily signify that John married second and Elizabeth who was not the mother of his children and that

# Will of John Frogg

In the name of God, Amen. I, John Frogg, of the County of Bath and State of Virginia make this my last will and testament. I resign my soul to its Creator in all humble hopes of its future happiness as in the disposal of a Being Infinitely good, as to my body I leave as to my Worldly Estate, I dispose of it in manor and form following (to wit) I give to my beloved wife Elizabeth all my lands in Culpeper County to be sold and disposed of in manner and form following. She is to pay to my son William Frogg the Sum of Fifty pounds, to my Daughter Margaret Lewis one Negro Boy and one Negro girl. To my Daughter Jane Crawley one Negro Boy and one Negro girl. To my Daughter Jane Crawley one Negro Boy and one Negro girl. To my Daughter Agathy Oliver one Negro Girl. To my Grand Daughter Elizabeth Estill one Negro girl, and the remainder of the money arising from the sale of the aforesaid lands to be to the use of my said wife and disposed of as She may think proper.

I also leave unto my said wife four Entries of Land, Three of them containing Four Hundred Acres each and one containing Two Hundred Acres adjoining the Lands of Jacob Warwick, Esq. on Jacksons River, to be sold and disposed of as my wife may think proper.

And I do hereby appoint my Beloved wife Elizabeth Frogg my whole and sole Executrix of this my last will and Testament. In Witness whereof, I have set my hand an Seal this Nineteenth day of August in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Seven hundred and Ninety four.

Signed, Sealed and Acknowledged in Presence of - Andrew Moore, Jon Deem, **Elizabeth Lewis**, Val White.

Signed and Sealed

### About December of 1794 (age 84)

About three months after writing his will, John Frogg passes away in Bath County, Virginia at his daughter Mary's home. His will was probated in court when the January Court for Bath County met the following month.

## John Frogg

Bath County, January Court 1795. This last will and testament of John Frogg Deceased was processed in Court by Executrix therein named and proved and ordered to be Recorded.

Teste Chal. Cameron, Clk.

## Jul 14, 1795 (deceased)

In an attempt to recover her husbands scattered land with poorly secured and contested title, John's wife gives her son-in-law power of attorney to act on her behalf to regain title.

Know all men by these presents that I **Elizabeth Frogg** of Bath Co in the State of VA, executor of the last will and testament of John Frogg deceased, for divers good cause and consideration, we hereinto moving grace made, ordained, constituted and appointed and by those present do make, constate and appoint **John Cowardine** in the county and state aforesaid my true and lawfully attorney for me and in my name and for my use to do and perform all and singular the last will and testament of the John Frogg deceased and particularly to recover the lands mentioned in the aforesaid will lying in Culpepper Co and all the lands elsewhere and finely to aid and perform all and singular the items of the said will in as full and ample a manner as I myself could do hereby ratifying and confirming all and whatso ever my said attorney shall lawful do or cause to become in and touching the premises in as full and ample manner as if I myself had been personally present.

In witness thereof I the said **Elizabeth Frogg** have hereto set my hand seal this 14th day of Jul 1795.

Signed ELIZABETH FROGG Seal Witness Present Val White

### \*Probably 1793 (age 83)

John Frogg's age is stated in the District Court Records over a land title dispute from **Michael Wallace**, **Jr.** son of the decease **Michael Wallace**, **Sr.** who purchased thousands of acres of land with John Frogg. \*The exact date of the record is not known because the original record has not been obtained by this author. However, using Ancestry.com's trees and substituting the known (or assumed) birthdates of each of the deponents, it appears that the record was taken closer to 1793 and definitely before the end of 1794 when John Frogg's will was probated.

1793-1798 Stafford County District Court Records Notice [prob. closer to 1793]

## Wallace vs Kirtley and Company

PLAINTIFF(s): Michael Wallace [Jr.]

DEFENDANT(s): William Kirtley Jr. [Married Sarah Early, dau of Jeremiah and Elizabeth Buford -Kirtley]

DEPONENT(s): Thomas Graves (64); George Hume (64) [1729-1802]; John Grinnen (36); Jonathan Cowhert (70) [1726-1806]; Henry Wayland (42) [1754 – 1812]; John Delany Sr. (78) [1718 - 1803]; Joseph Eddings (72) [1740 - 1825]; John Frogg (83); William Harvey (65) [1744-1819]

PLACES MENTIONED : Culpeper; Madison; Stafford; King George

REMARK(s): Plat - 1579 acres near Bushes Bluff - 1792

Plat - 863 acres adj. Garths Run - 1792

Plat - Bushes tract & Tenants tract - 1795

The above court record can more better be elaborated by the Last Will and Testament of Michael Wallace Sr. "I give and device that that tract of land in Culpepper County containing eleven hundred & fity acres on which I now have a Quarter to my son **Michael Wallace** & his heirs forever; but if he should died before the age of twenty-one years not leaving lawful issue then living, I give the same to be equally divided to my sons William & John & their heirs subject to and charged with the payment of five pounds from each of them yearly to the Mother during her Widowhood."[22 pg 696]

STYLE: Wallace vs Breeding

PLAINTIFF(s): Michael Wallace

DEFENDANT(s): Job Breeding (alias Job Cross)

DEPONENT(s): Joseph Eddings (72); John Frogg (83); John Delany Sr. (78)

PLACES MENTIONED : Stafford; Culpeper; Madison

REMARK(s): Part of Francis Thornton & Hancock Lee patent. CITATION: Wallace vs Breeding / 1797 / CR-DC-L / 392-84

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AUGUSTA COUNTY ORDER BOOK - # XI - Page 102

Dated 23 May 1767

Jurors: John Cowarden, Saml. Maggott and John Castey

- [1] Page 526.--24th August, 1767. **John Cowardin**, sadler, to William Bowyer, merchant, £40, slaves and horses. Teste: Michael Bowyer, Chas. Cameron.
- [1] Page 115.--24th November, 1767. **John Cowarden** to S. and G. Mathews, £46.11, mortgage of negro slaves.
- [1] Page 533.--23d May, 1768. Chas. Frederick Severt to John Coworden and John Murray, £5, 1 small bay horse, 1 iron pot, 5 pewter plates, 1 pewter dish, 1 duffle blanket. Mortgage

# Annals of Southwest Virginia; Summers;

At a court held for Botetourt County the 16th of August 1770

Ordered that John Murray, **John Cowarden** & William Mathews, being first sworn before a Justice of the Peace for this County, do value the improvements made on two hundred & twenty five acres of land lying on the Short Hill in the forks of James River belonging to George Taylor, & make report thereof to court

At a court held for Botetourt the 9th of October, 1770

On motion of **John Cowardon**, a licence is granted him to keep an ordinary at his house, whereupon he, together with John Allison, his security, entered into & acknd. their bond in fifty pounds conditioned as the law directs.

At a court held for Botetourt County the 11th day of December 1770 Present: Robert Breckenridge, Israel Christian, Benjamin Hawkins & Stephen Trigg, Gentlemen Justices. Ord. that John Murray, **John Cowarden**, George Francisco & Richard Matthews or any three of them being first sworn value the improvements on two hundred & twenty five acres of land, the property of George Taylor, on the Short Hill in the Fork of James River and make report thereof to the court.

At a court held for Botetourt the eleventh day of June, one thousand seven hundred & seventy one. John Cowarden prvd. a certif. for 1615 lbs. of hemp.

### 10 June 1771

**John Cowarden** to 154 acres of land on Short Hilll near the forks of the James River in Botetourt (Greenbrier) County, (West) Virginia. He purchased this land from William McBridge & Martha his wife. [23; pg 543] He later sells it to William Taylor on 20 Nov 1772.

### 20 Aug 1772

John Cowarden and his wife Margaret sell 200 acres of land at No. Beaver to William Taylor  $^{[23; pg 547]}$ 

20 Nov 1772 **John Cowarden** and his wife **Margaret** sell their 154 acres to William Taylor  $^{[23;\,pg\,548]}$ 

[1] Page 438.--18th \_\_\_\_\_, 1775. Peter Burns' will, of the Cowpasture Executors, **John Cowardin** and Chas. Cameron, of the Cowpasture. To **John Cowardin**, all estate. Teste: James Shaw, **Margaret Cowardin**, Catron Sevents. Proved, 19th November, 1776, by Cowardin. Executor Cowardin qualifies.

#### MARCH 17, 1778.

(1;271) John Fowler, runaway servant of John Cowarden.

#### MARCH 18, 1778

(1;277) John Cowarden, executor of Peter Burns, to be summoned to settle accounts.

## Abstracts for the Wheatley family

Virginia Land, Marriage, and Probate Records, 1639-1850 about John Wheatley

Name: John Wheatley Date: 2 May 1687 LOCATION: Isle of Wight

Notes: This probate record was extracted from microfilmed copies of the

original Will Book.

Henry Maddin. Dying intestate, administration requested by John

Wheatley as marrying the sister of the said Maddin.

**Description:** Administrator

Book\_Date: 2-61

Remarks:

Prove Date: 21 Oct 1687

# Virginia Land, Marriage, and Probate Records, 1639-1850

# about George Whetley

Name: George Whetley Date: 2 Mar 1730

LOCATION: Spotsylvania CO., VA

**Property:** 210 a. in fork of Rappk. River in Spts. Co.

This land record was originally published in "Virginia County

Notes: Records - Spotsylvania County, 1721-1800, Volume I" edited by

William Armstrong Crozier.

John x Bond of Spts. Co. to **George Whetley** of the same county.

Remarks: 3500 lbs. tob., 210 a. in fork of Rappk. River in Spts. Co. March 2,

1730-1. Mary, wife of John Bond, acknowledged her dower, etc.

**Description:** Grantee

Book\_Date: B

## Virginia Land, Marriage, and Probate Records, 1639-1850

# about George Whitley

Name: George Whitley LOCATION: Isle of Wight

Notes: This probate record was extracted from microfilmed copies of the

original Will Book.

Remarks: Patrick Haggard. Appraised by Thomas Calcote, William Brock,

George Whitley. Ordered Jan. 17, 1729.

**Description:** Appraiser **Book\_Date:** 3-215

Prove Date: 29 Sep 1730

#### ORANGE COUNTY ROAD ORDERS 1734-1749

#### 18 February 1734,

George Wheatley is hereby appointed Surveyor of the highways from Stantons ford to Germanna Road and it is ordered that the said Wheatley cause the highways to be cleared & Bridges repaired in the said Precinct according to Law. [

#### 18 March 1734, O.S. p. 10

Ordered that George Wheatley and the Male labouring tithables in his Precinct help Edward Abbot to clear the Road from Germanna to the Wilderness Bridge

### 18 May 1736, O.S. p. 74

Ordered that Thomas Stanton George Whitley Edward Spencer Thomas Sparks and Simon Miller be exempted from clearing the Road from Geremanna to the Wilderness bridge <u>Virginia</u>

# Land, Marriage, and Probate Records, 1639-1850

about George Whitley

Name: George Whitley LOCATION: Isle of Wight

Notes: This probate record was extracted from microfilmed copies of the

original Will Book.

Remarks: Peter Bevan. Appraised by Charles Fulgham, John Gibbs, George

Whitley. Signed Bartholomew Green.

**Description:** Appraiser **Book\_Date:** 4-108

Prove Date: 24 May 1736

### 26 March 1741, O.S. p. 324

Ordered that Henry ffield Gent George Wheatley and George Hume or any two of them view and mark a road petitioned for Thos: Stanton from the County road to the sd Thomas Stantons ferry & make report of their proceedings to the next Court.

#### 22 October 1741, O.S. p. 47

Edward Abbit is hereby appointed Overseer of ye road in the room of George Wheatley and its ordered that he cause the bridges to be repaired & the said road to be cleared according to Law

## John Oliver Abstracts

John Carter Littlepage vs. John Oliver's Admrs.--O. S. 169--N. S. 59. Involves transactions at Hot Springs. Jno. Oliver died 1799, leaving wife but no issue. William Oliver, a brother, a sister (wife of Thomas Oliver) and another brother, decd.

Virginia Colonial Abstracts, Vol I, Northumbria Collectanea, 1645-1720, M-Z Wilson, Robt. Married widow of Jno Oliver. See entry Wm Gradey. 17.152

Virginia Colonial Abstracts, Vol III, York County, Virginia 1646-1648 Bill. 24 Sept 1647. Jno Oliver of Hampton parish, planter, to Denis Steevens, mercht, 1030 lb tobo to be pd 20 oct 1648. Whole estate bound in security. Signed John Oliver. Wit: Tho Heath, Wm Taylor.

Capt. John Oliver's claim of £4, 10/, for beef furnished the Militia on duty, is allowed 19 May 1785.

English Duplicates of Lost Virginia Records, List of Patents; pg 100 28 acres in Princess Anne County to Jno. Oliver June 16-1714

Virginia Colonial Abstract, Vol 1, Northumbria Collectanea, 1645-1720, A-L; pg 535 ...Mr L'strange Mordant atty of Edmunds sold to John Oliver. Oliver dying without heirs, the land escheated and was bought by Robert Wilson who married the relict of Oliver, and by him sold to Walter Gready Dec'd from whom land descended "to me the said WM Gradey".

Virginia Colonial Abstracts, Vol III, Huntington Library Data BR Box 186; Oliver, John of Hanover Co. Dated 24 Jan 1815. Prob. 22 Mar 1815

English Duplicates..., Patents Norfolk, York, Pamunkey Neck in King & Queen, patents signed in April 1701 John Oliver - 146 acres

English Duplicates..., Quit Rent Rolls King William County 1704 John Oliver 140 acres

Virginia Colonial Soldiers, Militia Miscellany -Virginia Records, Public Record Office, London; pg 215 Charles City County, ca 1701/2 - John Oliver

Virginia Colonial Soldiers, Courts Martial Records; pg 348

Company of Capt. Jacob Bowman - List presented on behalf of Capt. Bowman by Lt.

Thomas Perry

The following fined 10sh for missing a general muster: **John Oliver** 

Valentine Papers, Vol III (Disk 2), Winston Family, Albemarle County Records; pg 1727 Precinct 18. "Ordered into one precinct for processioning the lands of Robert Allen, Thomas Bowles, William Bowles, William Henderson, John Hogg, Milbourn Hogg, Samuel Meriwether, John Kersey, George Bell, David Bell, Robert Webb, John Cobbs, Capt. Winston's Quarter & John Oliver. Capt. Winston, and Samuel Merideth to see the said processioning performed &c. "Who made the following return (viz) Feb. 6, 1731/2. In obedience to the within order, we the subscribers have processioned all the within mentioned land excepting Wm. henderson's which is now Isaac Oliver's John Cobbs and John Oliver's who did not meet according to their orders." Isaac Winston, Samuel Merideth. Oct 29, 1731 (p. 109)

Virginia Wills and Administrations, 1632-1800, Surnames O-P pg. 319; Augusta County - Jno. Oliver 1791 w. Bath County - John 1799 i.

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#### Oliver:

John, 1, 1 King & Queen John, 1, 0, King George John 1,0, Augusta John 1,2, Augusta

Marriages of Virginia Residents Vol 1, Part II, Surnames C-D; pg 112 Fanny Cocke married **John Oliver Elizabeth Cocke** married **John Graham** - relative of **John Frogg**Elizabeth Cocke married \_\_ **Stuart** 

Chalkley; AUGUSTA COUNTY COURT RECORDS. ORDER BOOK No. XVII. NOVEMBER 21, 1780.

Page

(304) John Cartmill, as Captain, and Robert Thompson, as Lieutenant, in the Company formerly commanded by Robert McCreery--recommended (304) **John Oliver** recommended Captain, vice Samuel Vance, who has resigned.

# Thomas Edington Abstracts

1810 Census for Bath County, Virginia states Thomas Edington (age 26-44) 00010-0100100 one daughter age 10-15 one woman over age 44.

NAME: Edington, Thomas RANK: Corporal-Sqt.

COMPANY: 2 Batt'n. (Peire's), La. Vols. (Orig. under Edzington, Thomas)

Louisiana Soldiers in the War of 1812

# Virginia Land, Marriage, and Probate Records, 1639-1850

# about Jno. Edington

Name: Jno. Edington Date: 3 Sep 1796

LOCATION: Spotsylvania CO., VA

214 1/2 acres in Spots. Co., joining lands of Austin Sandidge, Wm.

Oliver, Susannah Garnett, Jno. Edington, Wm. Bronaugh, Robert

Property: Hart and the dowry land of Mary Holladay. Lot No. 4 and is known

as Molls Pines.

This land record was originally published in "Virginia County

Notes: Records - Spotsylvania County, 1721-1800, Volume I" edited by

William Armstrong Crozier.

Septr. 3, 1796. Joseph Pulliam and Elizabeth, his wife; Wm. Oliver

and Sarah, his wife; Austin Sandidge and Mary, his wife, of Spots. Co. to Joseph Pulliam and Nathaniel Pulliam of same county, 140.

To the sd. Jos. Pulliam and Nath. Pulliam (as executor

**Description:** Neighbor

Book\_Date: O

Remarks:

## War of 1812 Service Records

## about Thomas Edington

Name: Thomas Edington

**Company:** 4 REGIMENT VIRGINIA MILITIA.

Rank - Induction: PRIVATE Rank - Discharge: PRIVATE

**Roll Box:** 64 **Roll Exct:** 602

## War of 1812 Service Records

# about Thomas E Edington

Name: Thomas E Edington

Company: 17 REG'T (FRANCESCO'S) KENTUCKY

Rank - Induction: SERGEANT

Rank - Discharge: SERGEANT

Roll Box: 64 Roll Exct: 602

## **Bath County Petitioners**

John Lewis - married Margaret Frogg

Richard Cole

Mathew Wallace

Charles Cameron

John Nelson Andrew

S. Warwick

John Brown

Andrew Lemmon

John Smith

Alex McClintic

Robert Morris

William Keyser

J. S. Brown Levi Skidmore

John Byrd

Robt. Kincaid

Jacob Evans

(Jackson River)

Wm. Venable

William Oliver

Thomas Byrd

Peter Smith

Robert Brinkley

Adam Shields

James Venable

John Callahan

Saml. Gay

Jacob Warwick

John Elliott

John Geabhart

Elisha B. Williams

Tho. Milhollin

George Hull

Geo. Mayse

Henry Mowrey

Matthias Benson

Robert Given

Adam Dickinson

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John Booth
William Mann
Moses Mann, Sr.
James Mayes
Moses Mann
William M. McClintic
George Dean
W. H. Cavendish
Butler Stonestreet
James Tallman
Thomas Lynn Lewis
John Baxter
John Woddell
Thomas Mayse
W. Sitlington
Wm. Steele
John McDannald
A. Mustoe
Robert Lockridge
P. G. Cowardin
John B. Lewis
Benjamin Morris
Wm. Poague, Jr.
John Cauley - possibly John Crawley who married Jane Frogg
Edward Morris
Nathan Crawford
Thomas Eddington -married Agatha Frogg
Jos. Carlile
Dennis O. Callaghan
John Thompson
James Given
Wm. Taylor
Val White
Jno. Carlile
Adam Given
John Hamilton
John Stewart [married Agatha Lewis, widow of John Frogg]
George Morris
John Richardson -kin later moved to Cumberland County, Kentucky and
Fentress County, TN with the Froggs
Jos. Wallace
John Bolar
Anthony Cuatner
Thomas Wallace
A. Sitlington
Thomas Brock
Alexander Miller
John Berry
William S. Littlepage
Jos. Douglas
John Mann
John Dickinson
Robert McCray
I. L. Gregory
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Wm. Roberts- kin later moved to Cumberland County, KY and Fentress

Saml. Cumins
Thomas Readmon

County, TN with the Froggs Saml. Corbit Isaac Readmon Haz. Williams Francis C. Cowardin Alaxander Reed John Boller Thomas Kinkead Henry McWhorter Jno. Byrne Lanty Lockridge David McWhorter Saml. Young John Bird B C James mcWhorter William McClintic (Back Creek) Hamilton Benson James McCutchan John Gillaspie William Benson Moses McClintic Charles A. Lewis George Benson And. Cavondish Wm. McDean Robert Benson William Byrd Wm. K. Tidd Patrick Miller Abraham Evans Joseph Mayse Jno. Miller Thos. Miller Ferdinand Kinkaid David Kinkaid Charles Kinkaid Jno. Kinkaid Jos. Stewart Jos. Bodkin C. Graham Larry Hopkins Jos. Kelly Jno. Gabhart, Junr. George Gabhart Jos. Burns Jno. Burns Jno. Crain Danl. Munrow, Senr. Thos. Pullins David Gwin - Froggs married in KY Harrison Paine Dr. John McDowell Lewis Payne

Anonymous for John Dods John Coyner Moses Mann Richard Davis, Senr. Jesse Davis Richard Davis, Junr. John Cowardine [married Mary "Polly" Frogg]

Elisha Williams, Senor.

Lewis Acres Frances Crutchfield Richd. Snead Jno. Davis (Cowpasture)

William Strother II (1663-1726), son of William Strother I (?-1709) of Cotterborne Parish, near present day Port Conway and Dorthy Savage, became sheriff of King George County and vestryman of Andover Parish [34]. He married his first cousin, Margaret Thorton, daughter of Francis Thornton and Alice Savage. Both Dorthy and Alice were daughters of Captain Anthony Savage, justice and High Sheriff of Gloucester County, Virginia.

Virginia Land, Marriage, and Probate Records, 1639-1850

about Wm. Strother

Name: Wm. Strother Date: 7 Oct 1729

Location: Spotsylvania CO., VA

Property: 2000 a. of land in St. Geo. Par., Spts. Co.

This land record was originally published in "Virginia County Records

Notes: - Spotsylvania County, 1721-1800, Volume I" edited by William

Armstrong Crozier.

**William Todd** and Martha [Margaret Cocklin], his wife, of Drysdale Par., King and Queen Co., to **Philip Todd** [m. Ann Day] of St. Stephen's Par., same county. 41 10s., 2000 a. of land, part of a tract

granted by pat. to <u>John Taliaferro</u>, [Colonel,] **Jno. Battell** [of

Rapahonnock married a Taliaferro and daugther of Lawrence Smith

26 Dec 1610 -?)] and **Wm. Todd**, in St. Geo. Par., Spts.

**Description:**Witness

Book Date: A

Remarks:

King George Co, VA Will Book 1, pg 95: Will of William Strother

In the name of God Amen. I William Strother of the County of King George in the Colony of Virginia, Gent., being sick and weak of body but of sound and perfect memory thanks be to God for the same, do make and ordain this my last Will & Testament hereby revoking making null & void all others by me formerly made.

Imps. I give and bequeath my whole estate both real and personal to be equally divided between my dear and loving wife Margaret [Watts] Strother and my six children namely Elizabeth, Alice, Agatha, Margaret, Anne & Jane Strother and further it is my will and desire that my lands in Prince William County and King George County be sold to the highest bidder in Money & Tobacco by my Executor hereafter named if she thinks convenient and the money thereon arising be equally divided as aforesaid. And my will and desire is that if my wife should dye before such sale be made that my brother Anthony Strother by these presents have full power and authority to sell the same in manner aforesaid if he shall think convenient and the money thereon arising to be equally divided among my children above named.

Lastly I do hereby constitute ordain and appoint my dear and loving wife Margaret
Strother my whole and sole Executor of this my last Will & Testament. In Witnes whereof
I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twentieth day of November Anno Dom. 1732.
Wm Strother (Seal)
Sealed published & declared
in the presence of us
R; Rogers
His
George [G] Sympson
Mark
Mary Higginson

## 28 November 1741, Orange County Road Orders p. 78

Ordered on the Motion of Captn Robert Green that the people on ye Mountain Run clear ye road from Mr: Easthams to the Gleebe And that the Tithables of ffrancis Slaughter Gent of Wm Strother Christopher Zimmerman John Newport Charles Morgan Bryan Thornton James Conner Wm Lynch Minor Will Jacob Miller Frederick Cobler Wm Watts Thos Watts James Steward James Chissum Wm Pannell Daniel Underwood Jeremiah Strother Roger Topp Joseph Bottom Wm Smith & John Lowing clear Mr: ffinlassons Road under Thos Wright their Overseer who is hereby orderd to clear ye same & keep the bridges of ye sa road in repair according to Law with the afd tithables.

#### 25 Jan 1741

Wm Strother having presented his petition into court Setting forth that the Great Mountain Road runs through the best of his Land & there being a Straighter Course to carry the said road which is both neigher and as good as the old road and less prejudicd to him the said Strother Its ordered that Robert Slaughter & Robt Green Gent view and lay off ye sd road So by the petr petitioned for & make return of their proceedings to ye next Court.

At a Court held for King George County the 2d day of March 1732 [1732/3]. The last Will & Testament of **William Strother**, Gent., Deced., was presented into Court by **Margaret Strother** his Widow and Executrix who made oath thereto and the same was proved by the oath of Richard Rogers and admitted to record. Copa:

T: Turner Cl:Cur:

## Mitchell Family

# Virginia Land, Marriage, and Probate Records, 1639-1850

# about Mary Mitchell

Name: Mary Mitchell
Date: 19 Aug 1748
Location: Augusta CO., VA

This land record was originally published in "Chronicles of the

Notes: Scotch-Irish Settlement in Virginia, 1745-1800. Extracted from the

Original Court Records of Augusta County" by Lyman Chalkley.

**Description:**Grantor's Wife

Book Date: 2-61

# Virginia Land, Marriage, and Probate Records, 1639-1850

# about Mary Mitchell

Name: Mary Mitchell
Date: 21 Aug 1754
Location: Augusta CO., VA

**Property:** 3 tracts: 112 acres, 57 acres and 43 acres.

This land record was originally published in "Chronicles of the

Notes: Scotch-Irish Settlement in Virginia, 1745-1800. Extracted from the

Original Court Records of Augusta County" by Lyman Chalkley.

35. First tract originally purchased by said Miller of Andrew and Mary Mitchell which was conveyed to Mary before her marriage with

Andrew by George Breckenridge and Ann, by the name of Mary

Coningham. The second tract was purchased by James Miller fro

**Description:** Mentioned

Remarks:

**Book Date: 6-385** 

# Virginia Land, Marriage, and Probate Records, 1639-1850

# about Mary Mitchell

Mary Mitchell Name: Date: 12 May 1746 Location: Augusta CO., VA

**Property:** 400 acres in Augusta; Benj. Borden's line.

This land record was originally published in "Chronicles of the

Scotch-Irish Settlement in Virginia, 1745-1800. Extracted from the Notes:

Original Court Records of Augusta County" by Lyman Chalkley.

Acknowledged 12 May 1746, by John Mitchell and Mary, his wife. 40 Remarks:

current money Virginia. Part originally patented to John Mitchell 15

Mar 1744.

**Description:**Grantor's Wife

Book Date: 1-73

# Virginia Census, 1607-1890

## about John Merchant Graham

John Merchant Graham Name:

State: VA

**County:** Northumberland County

**Township:** St.Ephen Parish

Year: 1748 **Record Type:**Rent Role

VA Early Census Index Database:

## Virginia Census, 1607-1890

about John Graham

Name: John Graham

State: VA

**County:** Prince William County

Rental Rolls Township:

Year: 1753 Record Type: Rent Role

**Database:** VA Early Census Index

# Indenture of Dr. Michael Wallace of Galrigs

Att Glasgow the Eighteenth Day of March One Thousand Seven hundred and Thirgfour Years Is is Contracted Indented and Agreed betwixt Lawrence Dinwiddie Merchant in Glasgow In anmae and Behalf and for the Account of Dr. Gustavus Brown of Charles County in Maryland On the One part and Michaell Wallace Lawful Son to the Deceast William Wallace of Galrigs with the Special Advice and Consent of Thomas and Micaell Wallace Merchts in Glasgow his Uncles and the said Thomas and Michaell Wallaces As Cautioners for their Said nephew on the Other part That Is to Say the said Michaell Wallace With Consent for said Has Become Bound and Obliged and hereby Binds and Obliges himself to be an Apprentice and Servant to the said Doctor Gustavus Brown in his Bussiness and Imployment of Physick Surgery and Pharmacy Dureing the space of Six Years from his Entery Which is hereby Declared to be from his first and next Arivall in the siad Charles County in Maryland During Which Space the said Michaell Wallace Junior as principall and the said Thomas and Michaell Wallaces his Uncles as Cautioners Bind and Oblidge them Conty? and Severally their...[22]

According to Virginia Genealogies, Disk 1, Brown, of Scotland and Maryland; pg 150 John Mitchelson, of Middleton, who bred to the law, was an advocate before the court of session, keeper of the register of horning, and one of the assessors of the city of Edinburgh. He m. Janet, only child of Mr. Alexander hay, of Monkton, advocate, by Helen, his wife, dau. of Sir Alex. Ramsay, Lord Abbottshall, and had 6 sons and 2 daus. 17. John, his heir. 18. Alexander, d.s. 19. Samuel Mitchelson, writer to His Majesty's Signet, who. m. Jean, dau of John Oliver, of Dinliebyre, Esq., by whom he had issue. He is named in the will of Dr. Gustavus Brown\* as his "kinsman and factor, one of the overseers of his will, and in case of failure of his male line, one of his heirs. If Dr. Brown inherited his estate in Scotland from the Mitchelsons it was probably as grt. gr. son of James Howlatson, supra, or of James Agnes Crosbie, supra. His will names first in this connection Mr. John Mitchelson of Middleton, the elder brother of Samuel showing that Dr. B. must have been heir to a part and not the whole of the land of Middleton.

\*note John Frogg's daughter, Agathy would later marry **John Oliver**.

#### Doctor Michael Wallace - Sir

I writ you the 29th Jan las advising your of your sister Mrs. Agnes Wallace's Death, the Prestingrange By whom that Letter was conveyed, is probably arrived in Virginia before this Date. I then mentioned to you her being much regretted on account of her virtuous and Good Character during her lifetime... As Mr. John Knox goes out in the Boyle, Captain Dunlop, who will now soon be Ready to Sail for Rappahannock River in Virginia, He will deliver you the Seall along with this Letter, and he Will acquaint you of the State of Public and Commercial affairs, which makes it superfluous for me to Insist theron at any Length, only, that the successes of the

British Arms in the West Indies particularly in the acquisition of Martinico, the Rupture with Spain, a very ill judged thing in that Court at a time when the Marine and American, African, and Asian Colonys of France their ally, was and had been for some time past so much distressed by Britain, and the very favourable turn the King of prussia affairs have taken by the death of the late Czarina Elizabeth, who with the Empress Queen had pressed very hard on him for some years. But now since Peter the third's accession to the Throne of Russia that Emperor has not only Shown at the Very first favourably disposed to his prussian Majesty, But has also Very lately Signed a Treaty with him for a Cessation of Hostility's and ordered the Russian troops to withdraw from the Prussian territorys, By which eh will be able either to Repell the Empress Queen with Vigour or force her, with the mediation of Russia to an honourable peace; all those Intersesting and Important Events, I say (which scarcely any Era of the British chronicle can parallel) must force France very Soon to a peace, presented to her by Britian; as for Spain it has a great Deall to Lose, and little to get from Britain, whilst the British Flag Commands the Ocean, and has in its power Spain's Richest America, and Assian Settlements, So it must be for their Interst to Sue for Peace Soon (especially as Portugal is now Supported by Britain) altho' they, the Spaniards Deserve to pay well for Peace.

Your friends here are in the same situation as I advised you in mine of the 29th of January only I am sorry to tell you that your youngest sister Miss **Betty** [Elizabeth] Wallace who had a Very Bad Cough, a considerble time before her Eldest Sister's Death continues Still in a Bad way, and is threatened with Consumption [tuberculosis] She is apprehensive of herself, and her Physicians think that her only Chance of Recovery will be Goats milk, Summer Quarters &c. I am sorry the Late and present Distress of your Nearest friends here, But Divine providence must be Submitted to, all the Human Species in every part of the Globe are Subject to the Like; and a few revolving years will Sweep this Generation of the Stage of time, of which none has a better Chance of an happy future State than your friends, for their unaffected peity & Good Life, whom I have ben mentioning to you. Your acquaintances Messrs **John Gray** and <mark>John Mitchell</mark> who Resided lately at, or near Fredericksburg on Rappanhannock, and were taken in their passage home last year, & conveyed to France, were (after being 2 months pretty well used at Donon & having the Liberty of Two Miles Round that town on Parole) exchanged, and after their getting to London, were they staid some short time they came Down here, and having settled their affairs, they are Just now on the Point of Returning to London, where they are to Embark in the may Fleet to Virginia, So youll have a Chance of Seeing them in the fall...

I am with my Sincere Salutations to yourself, Lady and Family Dr Sir Your affect Cousin & humble Servnt, William Wallace [21].

## The Book of Wallace

By Charles Rogers

John Wallace writes his will, probated 30 Apr 1723

John Wallace, second son of William Wallace in Hightrees, was sometime a travelling draper at Bury St Edmunds, and latterly a merchant in the city of Glasgow, where he died in May 1723. By his will, executed on the 30th April 1723, he appointed as his executors Thomas Wallace of Cairnhill, and Michael Wallace, merchant in Glasgow, bequeathing to each the sum of £400. He also made bequests to certain relatives at Closeburn and to the poor of that parish; together with a small amount to be used in providing for the gratuitous distribution, among the parishioners, of copies of the Scriptures and of the Westminster Confession. The residue of his estate he devised in terms of a deed of endowment executed by him on the 24th July 1717, whereby he established a school in the united parishes of Closeburn and Dalgarno, at which the children of these parishes might be gratuitously instructed in english, latin, greek, writing, and arithmetic. In order thereto, he appointed as trustees **John Wallace** of Elderslie, 1 Thomas Wallace of Cairnhill, and Michael Wallace, merchant in Glasgow, brothersgerman; also the minister of Closeburn, and the town-clerk of Glasgow. He provided that the schoolmaster should be "a man of good conversation, of Presbyterian principles, and of good literature, and be graduated at some university or college." The Presbytery of Penpont, he requested to take cognizance of the schoolmaster's personal conduct, and, in case of misdemeanour, to remove him from office. And he instructed his trustees that, " if one of the name of Wallace should on a vacancy be found qualified, he should be preferred to other applicants."

1 In his continuation of Crawfurd's Renfrew- School, was a descendant of the family of shire, edit. 1818, p. 429, Hr George Robertson Elderslie, but he omits to indicate his author-

remarks that the founder of Wallace Hall ity.

## The French Family

Margaret French who married James Strother was daughter of Hugh French (? – c1701) of St. Mary's Parish, Richmond County. Hugh was son of Daniel French, justice of the peace for Culpepper County [21].