

MAKING THE WAY WEST

Directly across the Chesapeake Bay from Westmoreland County, Virginia, lies the Delaware-Maryland-Virginia peninsula commonly known as "Delmarva". The Nanticoke River's mouth is almost due east of Westmoreland County across the Bay and winds through that section of southern Maryland crossing Dorchester County, Maryland, into Delaware. A branch of this river forks northeastward as the Marshyhope River into Caroline County. It is not more than fifty miles across the Bay and up the Nanticoke into Delaware, and at that current boundary of Maryland and Delaware the river almost ends at Broad Creek Hundred, Sussex County, Delaware. The present town of Laurel is almost at that exact spot, and this is from where the Graces have been researched to have begun their periodic moves westward, ending finally in Texas a hundred years later.

Broad Creek at first extended into Maryland, but in the early 1800's was separated and the permanent boundaries set. Agriculture was the earliest use, and to this day is good farming land. It was originally granted to the Penns, but no grants were given by them prior to 1776. Actually, there were very few settlements there prior to 1730, and large areas of land remained vacant for years. Earliest settlers came from Virginia and Maryland, and after 1776 large numbers came from the upper part of Delaware. [J. Thomas Scharf, History of Delaware, Philadelphia: L. J. Richards & Co., 1888, p. 1285.]

The first tract of land was to William Green in 1680. By 1717, the Nanticoke Indians were given a reservation in the area. As the Indians moved westward, numerous tracts were bought by various early settlers, including John Mitchell, Dr. James Derrickson, S. J. Wheatley, Levin Hitch, William S. Moore, Henry Clay Lewis, and Caleb Ross. Names such as "Snow Hill" and "Puzzle" were given to these early homesteads. Also, new families included John Cannon and Philip Wingate. In 1776, the family of Peter Dolbee came and settled a tract called "Addition to Right's Choice." By 1785, the assessment list counted 222 individuals and their families. [Scharf, op. cit., pp. 1286-1287.]

It has been estimated that anywhere from half to four-fifths of the 14,000 residents of Sussex County in 1776 were either strong loyalists and committed, if not to the King, then at least committed to a cautious approach to independence. Up until then they had been very isolated and very conservative.

This is where John² Grace is first found in any substantial records, and he is documented in Sussex County as early as 1775. [Note: while it has not been proved that this John is indeed a second generation resident in America, this writer feels that previously compelling evidence allows the reader fairly accurately to assume that it is likely, and so John² shall be treated.] He was counted in the 1790 census as being in Delaware with his family. Whether his antecedents are in Virginia or Maryland, numerous legal entries tell a fascinating story about this early Irish American.

3. JOHN² GRACE, SR. was probably born around 1730. If he be the son of William¹ Grace of Westmoreland County, Virginia, he would have been born in Ireland. If he be the son or grandson of William¹ Grace of Talbot County, Maryland, or Thomas¹ Grace of Talbot County, or some related John previously documented in St. Mary's and Anne Arundel Counties, he would be American born. Documents speak of him dying "at a very old age" in 1802, so it reasons that a person in his seventies would be considered very old even by today's standards.

He was married to Sarah (Sally) Dolbee, daughter of Peter Dolbee of Sussex County, whose name is Swede in origin. [From Maryellen Horrigan in an electronic mail, October 20, 1999.] Anders Larsen Daalbo was part of the 1638 colony of Swedes on the Delaware R. He was a soldier at Fort Christina and was elected provost marshal then in 1648 under Peter Stuyvesant. He went back and forth to Sweden at least twice. There is nothing of his family except that he is supposed to have had at least a son Edward Dolbee. There are land records and military records and ships' and colonies' lists on

Anders, but nothing on Edward. Then there are two Peters. The first was born before 1699 and died April 8, 1748, in Worcester Co. Maryland, and had a wife named Mary. The second Peter [from Kathy Ellis in October 1999, and who can be found at the internet address of < Famfinder@aol.com>] and Mary had four children: John, Johnathon, Leer and Peter born 1725 in Delaware and died after 1774 in Sussex Co., Delaware. This Peter married Hannah Melson in 1745. She was the daughter of Benjamin Melson and Hannah Hammer. They had 6 children: Peter 1745, Sarah 1748, Benjamin 1750, Betsy 1752, Selah 1756, Tabitha 1758. This family is found all over PA, DE, MD, and NJ. Early associated names are Rambo, Cock (Cox), Bengtson, (Bankson), Bonde (Boon). All of these names later marry into or live near the Riggins, Raspberry, Childress, Walker families. There exists a land purchase record for Peter Dalboe I dated 1675 for 300 acres on the west side of the Delaware River and on the eastward side of the "Schuyle Kill".

In Delaware Archives records there is deposition from a Mr. Cross that he had known Sarah from 1776 until 1802. Someone else referred to her as "very old." One thing for certain was that she was somewhat fiery, as there are numerous references of legal battles with her son-in-law, William Dixon, and her son, John, Jr.³ Sarah could not stand the sight of her son's wife. In one particular court record she complains that John, Jr.³ and his wife keep her practically a prisoner in her room in their house.

Besides probably being a farmer, John, Sr.² owned a mill. [Scharf, *op. cit.*, p. 1292.] Actually, Broad Creek had many mills at this particular time with Warren's or Hitch's Mill being the most important. Other neighborhood mills operated concurrently with the Grace mill were Short's Mill, the Elliot Mill, Chipman's Mill and Vinson's Mill. The family owned various parcels of land called "Settlement," "Wainwright's Old Tract," and "Survey." Also, "Hard Fortune", 54 acres [from the Record Book Caveat Docket, 1793, p. 55]; and 600 unnamed acres [from the Record Book Liber R, No. 17, 1792, p. 56]. He owned two slaves, Sam and Dave.

The family also attended the Broad Creek Primitive Baptist Church, known locally for many years as "Benson's Old Side Church" and located six miles northeast of Laurel. It was organized on May 31, 1781, and its minister was the Reverend John Benson. John's² son Thomas³ and his wife were two of the original 47 members.

John² Grace died in May, 1802, and his will-- which was made in 1799-- was proved by his son-in-law, Jonathan Martineo, and his widow on June 1, 1802. [Dover, Delaware Archives, Vol. A 72, pp. 238-241.] It is very likely that he and Sarah are both buried in the Broad Creek Baptist Church cemetery, but unfortunately many of the headstones have not survived the years. His will was witnessed by Anthony Nickars and Jesse Shiles.

Children, listed in his will, include:

- i. Mary Polly³, m. (1). Jonathan Martineo, with a son:
 - i. Silas⁴ (There is on record a chancery petition by this grandson of John Grace, Sr. reciting the various lands owned by his grandfather, and making a complaint claiming that his mother and others were reducing the value of his future inheritance by felling trees to build a log cabin.) and (2). Elzy Collins (d. March 1819).
- ii. Nancy, b. ca. 1779; m. William Dixon after 1799; listed in the 1810 Sussex County, Delaware, Census as having one daughter 16-26 years of age and three sons under age 10. [Mrs. M. B. Rowan, 342 Beechwood Road, Ridgewood, New Jersey, list sons names as Samuel⁴, Hiram, Greenbury, and Arovenstanslee, while Maryellen Horrigan amends two names to Samuel Dixon Dixon and (--) Dixon Dixon. According to Horrigan, the wills of John Grace, Sr. and William Dixon suggest that Nancy walked out on her husband and three children so that when William Dixon died young the three

had to have guardians. Among them, one was left to his sister Nancy (Dixon).]

- iii. John, Jr., b. ca 1769, m. Nelly (--); listed in the 1800 Sussex County, Delaware, Census as having one daughter under 10 years of age. The wills of John Grace, Sr. and William Dixon suggest that John, Jr. ran off possibly for bad debt.
 - iv. Thomas, m. Sally Maddox.
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13. THOMAS3 GRACE was probably born in approximately 1750 in Maryland, and this writer feels that he was possibly the first born because he is mentioned almost concurrently with his father John2 Grace in any early listing.

He married Sally Maddox (b. 1750 and d. August 12, 1825, in Mount Zion, GA), whose family was undoubtedly neighbors as there are many Maddox families recorded in southern Maryland and Delaware.

Very close to the end of the Eighteenth Century all members of the Grace family moved from Delaware. In *The History of Delaware* by Scharf, is stated, p. 1288, that the church decreased from forty-seven members to twenty three by reason of the removal of several families to Georgia and North Carolina and some to another church in 1784-5. Thomas Grace and family was one who went to Georgia.

In the records of The Powellton Baptist Church, Hancock County, Georgia, it states" the first church building was completed in 1787, according to the minutes of the church. The minutes read: November 30, 1787, during conference Brethren Benjamin Thompson and Henry Graybill were appointed to settle with Thomas Grace for building the meeting house. A balance of three pounds and thirteen Shillings were due Mr. Grace. The above sum was subscribed and paid in full." This church building was located about a half mile north of Powells Creek, and about two miles from Powelton on the property of Benjamin Thompson, Sr. It was first named Powell's Creek Baptist Church and later changed to Powelton.

There is a record that Thomas3 on June 27, 1788, appointed Andrew Frazier as his attorney to sell a bond of Jonathan Wooten of Sussex County, Delaware, and this transaction was witnessed by William Maddox and R. Middleton, Justice of the Peace. [Green County, Georgia, Deeds, Book I, p. 207; as well as Allen Associates, Early Records of Hancock County, Georgia, (975.862-A), p. 5]. Thomas3 Grace's will is dated November1, 1806, in Hancock County, Georgia, but there is no date for its probate. Its executors were his wife and Agrippa Atkinson. [Court Records, Hancock County, Georgia, Book C., pp. 326, 334.]

His children included [Depositional information received by Lacy Simms, 1211 14th Street, Alamogordo, New Mexico, on January 15, 1969, from Grace (Mrs. Walter A., Sr.) Freeman, 135 Adams Street, Decatur, Georgia, who had copied the names and dates from the family record book in her possession]:

- i4. i. James4 , b. August 3, 1769, in Maryland; m. Nancy Jane Betts; d. August 2, 1859.
- ii. Silas, b. 1790, Talbot Ga.: m. Elizabeth Lockhart, daughter of Richard Lockhart and sisiter to Colonel Jesse Lockhart, on October 17, 1817 (she later married (--)) Huff); lived after 1840 in Ouchita County, Arkansas, and is found in the 1850 Census of Rusk County, Texas [from Betty (Mrs. Hart) Brown, a descendent of Martha5 Ann Grace, 2505 Yorktown, Houston, Texas, in a letter to Mrs. David Anthony Potter, Lewes, Delaware]; also one source list the marriage year as 1816 [from Josephine Perkins (Mrs. Donald V.) Moore, a descendent of Thomas3 Grace, 3242 Regent Drive, Dallas, Texas)]; children include:
 - i. William5 D., b. June 7, 1819 in Georgia, m. (l). Lou Averett (b. July 17, 1826 in Taylor County, Georgia, d.

- July 28, 1974, in Russell City, Alabama, but buried in Talbot County, Georgia), on September 12, 1844, d. May 11, 1883 in Talbot County, Georgia, with children [in a letter from Clarence Douglas Johnson, a descendant of William D. Grace, to Phillip M. Grace, May, 1999; and a detailed biography of William D. Grace is William H. Davidson's *A Rockaway in Talbot*, Volumes I and II, Genealogy Department, Bradley Library, Georgia.]:
- i. Sarah⁶ Elizabeth, b. May 10, 1847; d. May 5, 1892
 - ii. Ezekiel Smith, b. November 23, 1848; d. July 5, 1926.
 - iii. John Dodson, b. October 2, 1850.
 - iv. Adeline, b. January 7, 1854.
 - v. Charles Jennings, b. July 22, 1855; d. April 29, 1924; daughters: Vallie and Alma, who are buried in Savannah, Georgia.
 - vi. Martha Ann, b. June 20, 1857; d. July 28, 1884.
 15. vii. William Henry, b. April 18, 1859; m. Mary Willie Douglas (b. February 12, 1862 in Georgia; d. November 3, 1925, in Hatchechubbee, Alabama); d. February 6, 1935; with children including:
 - i. Carrie⁷ Lee
 - ii. Lucy Inez, b. January 30, 1900, in Hatchechubbee, Alabama; m. George Dixon Johnston (d. August 18, 1945, in Columbus, Georgia; son of John Walker Johnston, b. September 2, 1842; d. January 10, 1925, and Sara Jane Davis, b. September 12, 1843; d. August 24, 1942) on August 25, 1920, in Alabama; d. March 5, 1986, in Columbus, Georgia. Children:
 - i. Clarence⁸ Douglas Johnston, b. May 15, 1926 in Hatchechubbee, Alabama; m. Alma Formby Thomason (b. April 3, 1930) in Columbus, Georgia; child: Agnes⁹ Genie m. Lt. Colonel Patrick Vye; children: Jena¹⁰ Christina, b. June 30, 1985 and Anthony Patrick, b. November 30, 1986..
 - ii. George Dixon, b. October 3, 1889; d. August 18, 1945 (Hatchechubbee, AL); m. Willie Lou _____ on August 25, 1920; one child: George Dixon Jr, b. February 12 1924.
 - iii. Margie Inez Johnston, b. August 6, 1926; m. _____ Jones.
 - viii. Samatha Virginia, b. April 13, 1861; d. August 23, 1916.
 - ix. Georgia Lula, b. June 30, 1863; d. March 22, 1949.
 - x. Jessee Allen, b. August 31, 1865.
 16. xi. Walter Fulwood, b. April 5, 1867; d. October 25, 1938.
 - xii. Clarence Ignatius, b. January 2, 1870; d. January 28,

1938.

15. WILLIAM⁶ HENRY GRACE was born on April 18, 1859, in Georgia and married Mary Willie Douglas on December 13, 1888 in Hatchechubbee, Alabama. He died on February 5, 1935. In the sited letter from his grandson, "Grandpa William Henry Grace lived with us and I well remember the night that he died as I was about eight years old. He was the depot agent of the little town of Hatchechubbee, Alabama, which is about 25 miles south west of Columbus, Georgia. Meeting the train at night were exciting times for us young people in those days. Grandpa would flag the train down at times with his lantern and then walk home swinging his lantern."

16. WALTER F. GRACE was born on April 5, 1867, died on October 25, 1938. From the sited letter from his great-nephew, C. Douglas Johnston, "...Walter F. Grace...was blind, worked out of Martin Furniture Store in Columbus, Georgia, tuning pianos and he had two large brail Bibles that he could read as fast as most anyone that could see. Each morning he would put his left hand on my right shoulder for me to lead him to the small town post office in hope he would get some mail and he enjoyed talking to the post master and getting him to do favors for him, plus order special chewing tobacco. One kind he liked was called Micky Twist. I don't know what happened to the Bibles but a nephew has his watch.... Aunt Lula Grace Simpson would visit each year for a few days and when I think of her, I would remember she liked for us kids to get her small pieces of black gum limbs, then chew the ends of make a grush to dip her snuff with. Her daughter we knew as Bess Bynn and was a live-wire and worked in the court house. She played the organ at Lion Episcopal Church."

- (2). Nancy Adams Lloyd [Johnston, *op. cit.*, states Mrs. Nannie W. Lloyd] on May 6, 1875, with one child: Jessie⁶ Marvin (b. November 4, 1878; d. February 18, 1935), and (3). Jennie Butt (d. May 8, 1883 at age 38) on November 6, 1879; one child: Elizabeth "Lizzie" (adopted by her uncle W. B. Butt and named Lizze Grace Butt; d. May 8, 1883) [Moore, *op. cit.*, adds a wife, Sarah V. instead of Jennie Butt.]
- ii. Martha Ann, b. ca. 1822 in Georgia; m. Jackson Cogburn on January 29, 1839 in Hancock Co., Ga. Children are:
 - i. Elizabeth⁶, b. ca. 1839, Georgia; m. James B. Carlton.
 - ii. Desdemonia, b. ca. February 14, 1841; d. January 21, 1918, Rusk, Texas; m. John Wesley Coats, August 25, 1855, Rusk Texas.
 - iii. Mary, b. ca. 1843, Al.; d. Rusk Texas; m. James Andrew Birdwell.
 - iv. Ophelia Day, b. ca. 1845, Ouachita, Arkansas; m. William W. Downs.
 - v. Jane Cicero, b. ca. 1847, Panola Texas; m. J. Wesley.
 - iii. Desdemonie, m. Thomas Blackman.
 - iv. John H.
 - v. Thomas R.
 - vi. Jessie L., b. 1829 in Talbot County, Georgia; m. Margaret Julina Harris on September 25, 1853, in Talbot County; d. 1854 in Talbot County children:
 - i. Jessie⁷ Elizabeth, b. June 29, 1855, in Talbot County; m. William Franklin Lloyd on December 7, 1876 in Talbot County; d. February 25, 1933, in Erath County, Texas; children:

- i. Stuart⁸ M.
- ii. Ernest L.
- iii. Hermon F.
- iv. Charles A.;
- v. Paul A.
- vi. Wilbur K.
- vii. Frances
- viii. Mary
- ix. Jessie Grace, b. September 9, 1893, in Tarrant County, Texas; m. Joe Streeter Perkins on April 23, 1916, in Erath County, Texas; d. June 8, 1967, in Harris County, Texas; one child:
 - Josephine⁹, b. April 29, 1920, in Erath County; m. Donald Vincent Moore on May 30, 1942, in Harris County; children:
 - Linda¹⁰ Lloyd
 - Donald Vincent

vii. Elise A.

- iii. Jephtha, b. 1792, Talbot Ga.; m. Martha Calver (Horrigan reports Culvar, *op.cit.*) on May 13, 1821, in Hancock County, Georgia, with children [as reported by Lee Ann _____?_____ in an electronic mail <lag@gci.net>, November 11, 1999]:
 - i. Mary Ann⁶
 - ii. Louisa
 - iii. Henry
 - iv. (George ?) Thomas, b. Henry County, AL; m. Louisa Elmore (as reported by Connie Grace Cooper, electronic message from <RCOOPER14@NETZERO.NET> to Phillip Grace, April 6, 2000); a child:
 - i. Mary, b. circa 1861 Henry County, AL; illegitimate child:
 - i. Carl Sr. (believed to be known as Hezekiah), b. Geneva County, AL, March 31 1889-1893?; m. Mary Jane Griffith; a child:
 - i. Carl Raymond Jr., b. May 18, 1916; m. Emmer L. Autrey; a child:
 - i. Connie
 - v. William
 - vi. Hardy Culver

17. iv. Joshua, b. January 26, 1874 in Delaware; m. (1), Elizabeth Alford in January 1805, and (2) Susan Jane Simmons in 1807.

v. Thomas, b. 1776, Maryland; d. 1875, Tattall, Alabama; m. Elizabeth Hudspeth, June 02, 1808, Jefferson Co., Georgia; [Mary Lee Barnes reports that in the 1850 Rusk County, TX Census a Thomas Grace, age 74, (would make birth about 1776) appears and is this son of Thomas Sr.; b. Maryland and living with the William Berryhill Family]

vi. Polly, m. David Melson (Maryellen Charron Horrigan of Ohio at her website<<http://familytreemaker.com/users/h/o/r/Maryellen-C-Horrigan/index.html>> reports her name as Mary, b. 1779, Hancock Ga; m. Daniel Nelson, November 1806.)

18. vii. Martha Patsey, b. ca. 1781; d. ca. 1833, Bibb Co. Alabama; m.

Agrippa Atkinson.

viii. Margaret (Peggy), b. 1787, Talbot Ga.; m. Isaac Culver on November 21, 1816, in Hancock County, Georgia.

[Sam Casey, Jr., 1604 Montcliffe Dr, Dothan, Alabama 36303, at his family website <www.familytreemaker.com/users/c/a/s/Sam-Casey-jr/index.html> adds the following:]

b. March 25, 1792, in Hancock Co. Georgia; d. August 29, 1868; children:

i. Levin Delphous, b. 1813 in Sparta, Georgia.

ii. George Washington, b. ca. 1814 in Sparta; d. April 6, 1862 in the Battle of Shiloh.

iii. Leroy C., b. ca. 1816 in Sparta; d. February 6, 1854.

iv. Lucinda Sarah, b. 1817 in Sparta.

v. Jephtha Grace, b. 1821, Hancock Co. Georgia; d. 1865 near Jonesboro, Georgia; m. Louisa L. Latimer (b. 1826 in Georgia; d. 1851) in 1841 in Hancock Co., Georgia; children: James Washington, Walter Artemus, Milton Taylor, and Tasso Uranus.

vi. Luverna Elizabeth, b. 1822.

vii. Louisiana G., b. 1827.

viii. William, b. 1828.

ix. Isaac, b. October 20, 1830, in Sparta; d. February 1, 1917 in Pike Co., Alabama.

* ix. Comfort Mattox, b. February 2, 1798, in North Carolina; m. John Simms (b. June 9, 1782 in North Carolina; d. December 1, 1863) on September 16, 1816, in Hancock County, Georgia; d. July 18, 1885, in Newman, Georgia.

i. Franklin, b. March 8, 1823; m. (2). Mary Louisa Speer on October 18, 1864.

ii. George Leoard (correct spelling), b. June 27, 1876, in Coosa County, AL; m. Alice Jane King on November 20, 1898, in Hopkins County, TX.

i. Lila Corinne, b. April 4, 1904, in Morenci, AZ; m. George L. Reese, Jr. on June 25, 1926, in Panhandle, TX.

i. Ann, b. October 13, 1931, in Lubbock, TX.

[Ethel S. (Mrs. Bob D.) Gilbert, Drawer B, LaFayette, Georgia, in a letter to Phillip M. Grace, November 4, 1983, and from the 1850 Census, Coweta County, Georgia, adds:]
19. x. Elizabeth (Betsy), b. 1782, Maryland; m. William Eli Whaley, 1799

[from Mary Lee Barnes, electronic message, April 2000] .

xi. Dolby, b. 1786, Sussex Co. Delaware.

xii. Tabitha, m. (--) Alford. [listed by Gordon Eugene Nettles, Houston, Texas, and Horrigan, op.cit. adds b. 1783, Sussex Co. Delaware; m. 1801..]

14. JAMES4 GRACE was born August 3, 1769, in Maryland. He married Nancy Jane Betts, daughter of Samuel and Ibbey Betts, probably in Delaware as both the Betts and Grace families were living in Sussex County prior to 1795. The Betts family came to Jackson County, Georgia, and then moved to Conecuh County in 1816 as the first white family. They are counted in the Monroe Territorial Census of 1816. There were two adults and eleven children listed in this household. According to Riley's History of Conecuh County, Alabama, they were the first settlers in the little village of Burnt Corn when Conecuh was a wilderness. [Miss Mary E. Brantley, 301 East Horner Street, Atmore, Alabama, a niece of Nancy Jane Betts Grace, in a letter to Phillip M. Grace on October 9, 1967.] Nancy Jane was born on July 6, 1775, in Maryland, and died on October 4, 1863.

They had numerous children including [Benjamin Franklin Riley, *History of Conecuh County, Alabama*]:

20. i. Samuel5, b. 1795 in Hancock County, Georgia; m.

- (1). Hetty Sawyer on October 4, 1863, and
- (2). Catherine Skinner on August 1, 1871; d. August 4, 1882.
- 21. ii. Agrippa A. (some sources list him as James Agrippa), b. ca 1818; m. Elizabeth Davison on December 23, 1841.
- 22. iii. Joshua Betts, b. May 9, 1802 in Georgia; m. Terrissa Lewis on October 19, 1826; d. July 12, 1875, in Allenton, Alabama.
- iv. Elizabeth, m. Jonathan Wright and lived near Camden, Alabama.
- v. Martha, m. William Stuckey
- vi. Thomas, moved to Louisiana

[Kay Taylor-Bryant Anderson, an Alabama decedent, adds the following son:]

- vii. Christopher Columbus, m. Gatsey Page
 - i. John Green, m. Anzonetta Violonia Bennett
 - i. Thomas Columbus, m Catherine Melissa Page
 - i. Zell Bradley, b. April 2, 1899; m. Ulmer Fuller on May 30, 1926; d. February 2, 1958.
 - ii. John Elmo, b. May 9, 1900; m. Essie Audrey Coker on May 15, 1921; d. July 3, 1965.
 - i. Jennie Kathleen, m. (?)
 - i. Kay Taylor
 - iii. Estel Barto , b. October 1. 1901; m. Estelle (--).
 - iv. Curtis Murihugh, b. January 10, 1903; d. July 24, 1904.
 - v. Eldred Jackson, b. November 18, 1904; m. Pansy Ola Salter on December 28, 1925; d. January 18, 1993 in Monroeville AL.
 - vi. Katie Lou, b. August 12, 1906; m. J. Hamilton Watson on June 5, 1927.
 - vii. James Kendrick, b. June 2, 1909; d. May 19, 1910.
 - viii. Glenn Edward, b. August 14, 1911; M. Fannie Miller on April 4, 1944; d. May 20, 1962.
 - ix. Mattie Mae, b. November 25, 1912; d. March 11, 1937.
 - x. Thomas Wilton, b. August 17, 1914; m. Gladys Ellis on February 12, 1938; d. October 12, 1995.
 - xi. Henry Clanton (Dude), b. May 21, 1916; m. Nellie Ruth Stewart on April 7, 1946; d. February 20, 2000.

- i. Henry C., Jr. living in Satsuma AL.

- ii. George Thomas

[These last three names and marriage

records are found in the Probate Office in the Monroeville, Alabama, courthouse. They could have been the children of Samuel Grace⁵.]

- viii. Caroline, m. Henry Mims on August 5, 1835.

- ix. Solomon W., m. Mary Cobb on May 12, 1839.

- x. Amanda M., m. George R. Hixon on September 3, 1846.

18. MARTHA PATSEY⁴ GRACE was born ca. 1781, and died Abt. 1833 in Bibb Co., Alabama. She married Agrippa Atkinson, who officiated over weddings, ca. 1797 in HancockCo. Georgia. (Horrigan, *op.cit.*); children:

- i. Arthur⁵, b. ca. 1798, Jackson Co. Ga.; d. 1863, Smith Co., Texas.

- ii. Alfred, b. 1802, Jackson Co. Ga.; d. March 23, 1857, Cherokee, Texas;

- m. Rebecca Smitherman, March 31, 1825, Bibb Co Al.

- iii. Elizabeth, b. May 15, 1803, Emmanuel, Ga.; d. January 26, 1883, Fayetteville, Ga..
- iv. Julian, b. 1805, Emmanuel Co., Ga..
- v. Mourning, b. ca. 1806, Jackson Co., Ga.; d. 1878, Smith, Texas.
- vi. Nancy, b. ca. 1807, Tenn; m. Thomas Madison Rasberry with child, Nancy, who married William Riggins with child, Dolby (Darby) Newton, who married Melissa Lisha with child, William Gant, who married Jencie Ellen Price with child, Bascomb Bice, who married Lula Alabama Littleton with child Eula Mea, who married Harry LaRue with child Wanda Mea, who married Edwin C. Pelaw II with child, Edwin C. Pelaw III, d. Bef. 1848.
- vii. Asa, b. June 25, 1811, Jackson Co. Ga.; d. May 25, 1895, Chilton Co. Al.
- viii. Jasper, b. 1812; m. Peggy Emeline McGough, March 08, 1832.
- ix. Sarah (Sally), b. 1813, Georgia; m. John Mink (b: ca.1801 in South Carolina; d: ca.1865 in Shelby County, Alabama) on October 13, 1827; children (as reported by Doug Walters in an email message, August, 1998):
 - i. Elias M.6, b. November 2, 1828 in Bibb County, Alabama; d. September 26, 1889; m. Francis Permelia Clark (b. February 02, 1834 in Bibb County, Alabama ?; d: December 10, 1881) on August 29, 1855 in Bibb County, Alabama
 - ii. Elizabeth, b. ca. 1829.
 - iii. Ellen, b. ca. 1834.
 - iv. Reason, b. ca. 1838.
 - v. Wiley, b. ca. 1840.
 - vi. Susan, b. ca. 1842; m. John N. Abston (b. ca. 1840) on September 09, 1860 in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama.
- vii. Amanda, b. ca. 1847
 - viii. Jacob, b. ca. 1855.
 - x. Harriet, b. 1817.
 - xi. Mary Caroline, b. January 29, 1819, Tenn.; d. January 20, 1891, Talledega Co., Alabama.

19. ELIZABETH (BETSY) GRACE⁴, was married to Eli Whaley, probably the oldest son of William Whaley, who died in Greene co., Ga. 1795, who was born ca. 1774 in Georgia according to the 1850 Walton County, Georgia Federal Census, but son, Agrippa, says he was born in Maryland. (1880 census) Hannah, wife of William and Eli were named as executrix and executor of William's will. Except for a feather bed which he devised to son, Daniel, William left all the property to Hannah and Eli for the sole purpose of raising and situating my small children

Betsy's father, Thomas Grace, was an appraiser to the will of William Whaley. In 1796 Hancock County Tax records, Eli is shown to have 100 acres on the Little Ogeechee adj. James Davis. No deed has been found as to how he got this land. Eli Whaley bought property from Jessie Wheatley in 1798 which he sold part to Ivan McGehee in 1800 and Elisha Hearn in 1801 in Hancock County. (Thomas Grace signed as witness on one of these deeds. He could sign his named) Although Eli was on the Jackson County Tax Record by 1801, he does not seem to have any land although he has a deed to Agrippa Atkinson (his brother-in-law)in 1802. and he sold toWilliam Lewelling (Ewing ?)in 1813. He was in McConnell's 1803 Tax District in Jackson County and in the 1805 Jackson County lottery. Eli, Hannah and Samuel were participants. Some records state that Hannah married (2) a Bruton or Brewton, but this seems to prove that she was still a widow ten years after William's death. In 1811 he also received headright land for himself and family. Plat of survey is shown later.He and Samuel were both on 1817 Jackson County Tax rolls. Also an older woman that could be Hannah was in Eli's HH on 1820 census. In 1810, Eli was

executor of the will of John Morris with Frederick Thompson, and he was appointed guardian for the orphans of John Berry in 1812 in Jackson county.

Deed records show that Eli bought land from Thomas C. Camp in 1811 in Jackson County and sold in 1802 to Agrippa Atkinson (his brother-in-law) and to William Lewelling in 1813. He and Samuel were both on 1817 Jackson County Tax rolls.

By 1819 Eli and Samuel were on the second term jury panel in Walton County, and both were on list of 1819 Non-Slave holders in Beek's Militia district of residents They both lived on Marbury Creek. (Walton County was taken from Jackson.)

Tragedy struck the family in 1842 when Betsy Grace Whaley and her daughter, Comfort Whaley Harris, were killed by Comfort's husband, Jordan Harris while he was on a drunken spree. Harris was killed by son, Alford Whaley, when he caught Harris who refused to surrender. Eli was named guardian of two daughters of the couple who were later raised by sons, James Russell and Thomas Jefferson Whaley.

Eli was enumerated on the 1850 Walton County, Georgia census in the household of daughter, Martha(Patsy) who married David Smith. On this census his birthplace was given as Georgia.

Eli left will in Hancock County dated 2 November 1855. Witnesses were Truman K. Smith, Joshea T. Smith, S. H. Harrison, Sol Manning and Sterling Clack. He left 5 dollars to each of his sons, Thomas , Agrippa, James R. and Alford. with the rest of the estate to be divided equally among " my other four children, namely, James Whaley, Martha Smith,Smith, Emily Thompson & Comfort Harris' heirs. " James R. Thompson, husband of Emily, was named executor. The estate pays James D. Whaley a distributive share, so presumably, he had two sons, named James as a James D. Whaley received payment in the estate distribution. He gave son, James Russell, power of attorney, to sell property and Eli moved to Hancock County with him in the last months of his life. J.R. sold the property on N.E. side of Marbury Creek to B.G.N.Chandler. Eli also deeded property to Emily Thompson, his daughter, for love and affection, the part of his property on the south side of Marbury Creek "where James R. Thompson now lives."

In his estate records James Russell Thompson is paid for room and board for Eli in 1854 and 1855 and also for having moved him from Hancock County. Presumably then he was buried in Walton County.

In Walton County Court minutes December term 1855: " A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Eli Whaley, dec'd late of the county is propounded and proven to the satisfaction of the court by the affidavit of Solomon Manning and of the subscribing witnesses---it is ordered that the said paperwriting be admitted to court as said Eli Whaley's will in common form."

In the same court James R. Thompson was appointed as the executor, and the appraisers appointed were Solomon Manning, T.K. Smith, Joshua T. Smith, S.R. Harrison and B.G.N. Chandler. " The following is the form of and appraisment with the necessary certificate annexed to it Inventory and appraisment of the estate of Eli Whaley deceased----

One note on Gideon Hendrick's for \$103 due 25 day of December 1857 One on Gideon Hendrick's for \$100 due 25 day of December 1856 One on B G. N. Chandler for \$803 with interest from the 1 day of January 1856 1 bed 1 sheet & counterpane & Quilt \$8.00

State of Georgia Walton County. We do certify upon oath that as far as was produced to us by the Executor the above and foregoing contains a true appaisement of the goods chattels and credit of the Estate of Eli Whaly decd to the best of our judgement Given under our hands and official-? Signature this 4th day of January 1858 Truman K. Smith Sol., Manning Joshua T. Smith J.P. Recorded January 18th 1858. Estate Records show that the bed and furniture, as they called it, was sold to A.G. Thompson for \$5.00. Estate Records cont:

Children of Eli Whaley and Betsy Grace [Barnes, *op. cit.*] :

- i. Thomas Jefferson, b. March 24, 1800; m. to (1). Mary.Veasey,1832, (2). Mary. Smith, 1823, (3). M Morris, 1848, (4). Susie Ivey, 1859, no children by her; d. 1872 and is buried in Horeb Baptist Cemetary, Hancock County, GA.
- ii. Agrippa, b. February 16, 1802; m. (1). Mary Johnson and (2). Elizabeth Adams in 1864, Gwinnett County, GA ; resided in Gwinnett from 1830-1880; d. after 1889 and is buried in Whaley Cem near Snellville, GA.
- iii. James D., b. February 5, 1808; m. Rachel Arthur, Clark County, GA ca. 1830; was in Paulding County, GA in 1850, Polk County, GA in1860, Hopkins County, TX in 1870, and Washington County, Arkansas, in 1880.
- iv. James Russell, b. January 4; m. (1). Martha Walker in 1840 in Hancock County, GA and (2). Susan (--) in 1862 in Hancock County, GA; resided 1850-90 in Hancock County; d. June 2, 1892, and is buried in Sparta Cemetary, Hancock County, GA.
- v. Alford, b. May 28, 1810; m. Mary Caroline Smith, daughter of Job Smith, on October 29, 1836 in Walton County, GA; resided 1850- to 1877 in Marshall County, MS; d. January 15, 1877, and is buried in Bethlehem Methodist Cemetary, Marshall County, MS.
 - i. Louisa, m. Jabez Greer in 1863 in Holly Strpings. MS, also buried in Bethlehem Methodist Cemetary.
 - i. Martha Caroline, m. Rev. John Wesley Anderson in Potts Camp, MS.
 - i. Kenneth Greer, m. Mary Lee Gauntt in Athens, TX.
 - i. Mary Lee, b. March 8, 1924; m. William R. Barnes of Marshall, TX, in 1942; living in Knoxville, TN, in 2000.
- vi. Martha (Patsy), b. January 5, 1812; m. David Smith and lived in Walton County, GA.
- vii. Emily, b. September 26, 1814; m. James R.Thompson on January 29, 1833 in Walton County, GA; d. October 7, 1912.
- viii. Lucinda, b. December 24, 1816 ; d. pre-1855.
- ix. Elis, b. April 27, 1820; d. pre-1855.
- x. Comfort, b. December 21, 1822; m. Jordan Harris on February 21,1839, in Walton County, GA; d. August 17, 1842, in Walton County.

20. SAMUEL5 GRACE was born in 1795 in Hancock County, Georgia. He first married Hetty Sawyer on November 15, 1816. She died in Alabama in 1868, and is buried in the Pine Orchard Methodist Cemetery. His second marriage was to Catherine Skinner in Monroe County, Alabama, on August 1, 1871. From the Southern Genealogist's Exchange 1964, "Catherine Grace, Monroe County, Alabama, 12 February 1883, resident of said County, age 43, stated she was the widow of Samuel Grace who served under a company commanded by Captain E. F. Tattnall in the 43rd U. S. Infantry. Her maiden

name was Catherine Skinner....The places of residence of Samuel Grace since his discharge from the army: Monroe County, Alabama, 1820-45; Conecuh County, 1845-62; Monroe County, 1862-82."

Quoting from his war records as witnessed by Samuel and John Brooks, "Samuel Grace was a War Veteran of 1812. He enlisted May 1814; discharged April 30, 1815. Residence in 1871--Cokesville (P. O. Evergreen) Conecuh County....Samuel Grace was honorably discharged; he was born in Hancock County, Georgia, had dark hair, and by occupation, a farmer." He died in Alabama on August 4, 1882, and is buried next to his first wife. Some of the children from his marriage to Hettie include [Riley, op. cit., pp. 167,168.]:

- i. James⁶ H., b. September 26, 1836; m. Eliza A. Salter (1828-1890) on February 29, 1852; d. February 1862 at Huntsville, Alabama, in the Civil War; children include:
 - i. Nancy⁷ Elizabeth (Bettie), m. Andrew Bradford Joyner.
 - ii. Zollie, died in infancy in 1855.
 - iii. Georgiana, died in infancy in 1857.
- ii. Epsy (Epsy) Anne, b. ca 1828; m. Thompson Hamilton Coker--a stage driver, according the the 1850 Monroe County census--on February 28, 1848; children include (and there may be three additional not listed):
 - i. Josephine⁷
 - ii. Samuel Watson
 - iii. Emma V.
 - iv. George
 - v. James
 - vi. Robert
 - vii. Fannie
 - viii. Walter
- iii. Beatrice, b. April 11, 1835; m. Andrew Jackson Salter on December 5, 1850; d. January 20, 1901; children include:
- i. Sarah⁷ Ophelia (1851-1884), m. Samuel Lafayette Ellis.
 - ii. Texana Frances (1853-1925), m. William Frank Booker.
 - iii. Jinnie Beal (1856-1917), m. Richard N. McMillan.
 - iv. John Warner (1858-1938), m. Nannie Roe Booker.
 - v. Minnie Clide (1860-1863).
 - vi. Hattie (1862-1912), m. Robert C. (Batt) Booker.
 - vii. Andrew Jackson, Jr. (1865-1924), m. Emma E. McMillan.
 - viii. Henry Clay (Hal) (1868-1917), m. Mary Nora Tatum.
 - ix. Mamie Howard (1870-1913), m. Ajax O. Brantley.
 - x. Carrie Beatrice (1872-1896), m. James E. Dean.
 - xi. Samuel William (1875-1961), m. Rosabell Joyner.

21.. AGRIPPA⁵ A. GRACE was born about 1818. He married Elizabeth Davison on December 23, 1841, and they lived at Bell's Landing in Monroe County, Alabama. In a quotation from their grand-daughter, Mrs. Julia Lee Macdonald, "The Davisons came from Scotland and they went to Monroe County and settled on plantations--naming their settlement 'Scotland.' Tunnel Springs is the nearest post office to that area. The Dennis family inherited my grandmother's old home."

Their children included [Riley, op. cit., pp. 170,171]:

- i. Alexander⁶, a lieutenant in the Confederate States army; m. Connie Davison (a cousin) and lived in Claiborne, Alabama; no children.

- ii. Martha Alabama, b. 1854; m. Evanda Finklea (b. 1850); one daughter was:
 - i. Olley⁷, b. 1879.
- iii. Nancy Jane, b. March 16, 1857; m. John Patton Grace, son of James L. and Mary P. Grace, on September 3, 1879; d. November 26, 1925; their children included:
 - i. Mary⁷ Elizabeth, b. February 17, 1883; m. Irvin Chesnut and lived in the old homeplace in Allenton, Alabama, of her uncle Joshua⁶ B. Grace; d. June 1, 1966; children:
 - Grace⁸, Irvin, Jr., Nathaniel, and Reginald.
 - ii. Mabel Arthur, m. Julius Harper of Oak Hill, Alabama; four children, one of whom was Clifford Harper, m. Julia Stuart.
 - iii. Johnnie Patton, m. Dr. James Smith; four sons, one of whom was Lee Smith of Bay Minette, Alabama.

22. JOSHUA⁵ BETTS GRACE was born on May 9, 1802 in Georgia. It is believed that he came to Burnt Corn with his parents in 1816 when he was 14 years of age.

He was married three times: (1). M. Terrissa Lewis on October 19, 1826, who was believed to be from Greenville, Alabama. Her marker at Old Sardis Cemetery near Belleville, Alabama, reads, "To the memory of M. Terrissa Grace, Consort of J. B. Grace, Born December 31, 1806; died March 18, 1831, Age 25 years, 2 months, 18 days." They had three children [Riley, op. cit., p. 168.]:

- i. a son who died at birth.
- ii. a daughter who died in infancy.
- iii. James⁶ L., b. January 31, 1831; m. Maria Patton (d. July 5, 1866) on January 10, 1855; d. February 23, 1868; one son included:
 - i. Dr. John⁷ Patton, b. March 1856; m. (1). Nancy Jane Grace, daughter of Agrippa⁵ A. Grace, on September 3, 1879, and (2). Juliet Crook; d. December 2, 1887; no children.

iv. Josephine, b. 1846 (according to the Alabama 1850 Census)

(2). Susan King, daughter of Reverend James King, a Methodist circuit rider preacher. She was born on June 3, 1809, and died on October 16, 1871. She is buried in the Oak Hill Cemetery in Wilcox County. They had six children together, including two sets of twins who died soon after birth, one of whom was a son:

- i. John⁶ T., b. May 22, 1832; d. 1859.

(3). Marina A. V. Boutwell on February 12, 1873. There is some question as to the correct spelling of her last name as her name was difficult to decipher from old Bible records. There were no children. After Joshua's death, Marina went back to Virginia where she married a Mr. Rutledge. After his death she returned to the Grace plantation in Allenton and all the grandchildren knew her as "Grandmother Rutledge". It has been told by family members that this last wife had a marriage contract, which stated exactly what she would receive as her share of his estate, drawn up before she married Joshua. Joshua's niece, Mrs. Julia Macdonald wrote Benjamin F. Riley (the compiler) the following account of his plantation which she reports to have read in a source book from the University of Alabama.

"Joshua B. Grace was described as a rich planter living in Allenton, Alabama. Apparently after the Indians were moved away, he arrived in Wilcox County with ten slaves. He went to work as an overseer for the Taits on the Tait Plantation at Camden, and Tait wrote about 'How to Make Fortunes' in this notation. He mentioned his former overseer as being a rich planter at Allenton. I know he must have been a wealthy planter, for I recall the large slave quarters there, mostly demolished now. But they occupied a wide area

about a mile from the plantation house. I recall my mother telling me that Uncle Josh owned more than a hundred slaves before he died. That would constitute wealth. I remember that this was the finest stretch of land and the finest plantation house anywhere among that section of homes owned by wealthy planters."

Joshua5 died on July 12, 1875 in Allenton, Alabama, in Wilcox County. His tomb is an ornate mound of iron with and iron marker. This grave is located in Oak Hill Cemetery in Wilcox County on Highway 10, where it crosses No. 21.

17. JOSHUA4 GRACE was born in Delaware on January 26, 1784. He undoubtedly followed his parents to Hancock County, Georgia, from Delaware at the turn of the century because most, if not all, of the records on him are based in Georgia.

His first wife was (1). Elizabeth Alford, whom he married in January 1805. He then married (2). Susan Jane Simmons (born on June 1, 1789--some sources say June 3 [Georgia Genealogical Magazine, No. 15-18 (975.8 G 29), 1965]--in North Carolina) in January 1807. She was the daughter of James and Elizabeth Hudson Simmons (who was the daughter of William Hudson, son of Isaac Hudson b. 1720 in Virginia, and Susannah Allen). Susan's paternal grandfather was John Nutt, who fought in the Battle of Cowpens. She died on November 23, 1851, in Pike County, Georgia.

Joshua4 is listed as number 14 in the Georgia Military Records (1779-1839) Which is on film in the Georgia Archives, p. 142. His name appears on the muster roll of a company of riflemen under the command of Captain John Wilson, 38th Regiment of Georgia Militia, engaged in scouting the frontier of Jasper County and under the orders of Major General David Adams (dated July 5, 1814). He died sometime after the 1850 Census of Pike County, Georgia, and his will was dated January 1, 1806, and is listed in the Hancock County Court Records in Will Book C, p. 386.

Their children included:

23.
 - i. Cannon5 Wingate, b. December 21, 1806; m. Mary Ann Barnes on January 7, 1827, in Hancock County, Georgia.
 - ii. James Maddison, b. February 6, 1809; m. Marion (--) in Pike County, Georgia; d. October 19, 1862, in Henry County, Alabama.
 - iii. Thomas Atwell, b. November 2, 1810; m. (1). Susan Garlington in 1849; d. 1851; one son:
 - i. Walter6 C.
24.
 - (2). Margaret Herring in LaGrange, Georgia; no children.
 - iv. William Hudson, b. September 10, 1818; m. Prudence S. Reynolds (Runnels) on October 10, 1839; d. July 23, 1854.
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 - v. Green Berry (Bury), b. May 14, 1813, in Jasper County, Georgia; m. (1). Ann Jane Johnson on September 22, 1835, and (2). Anna Henderson; d. November 25, 1884, in Kemper County, Mississippi.
 - vi. John Silas, b. January 17, 1816; d. in Greenville, Mississippi, without children.
 - vii. Elizabeth Ann, m. Henry M. Dorman on March 23, 1840, in Greenville, Mississippi [Georgia Genealogical Magazine, *op. cit.*]; children included:
 - i. John6 William
 - ii. Martha Frances
 - iii. Susan Ann
 - iv. Henry Fletcher
 - v. Joshua Wiley
 - vi. Georgia
 - vii. Green Ira, m. Lizzy Coffey in Dallas, Texas; four sons.

- viii. Martha Frances, b. November 11, 1833; m. (--) Harris in Greenville, Mississippi.
- ix. Nowel Hunt, m. Sallie (--); four children [Freeman deposition, *op. cit.*, states that according to a letter from Mrs. C. D. Grace to Mrs. S. A. Freeman this family was living in Bonham, Texas, in 1885.]
- x. Isake Simmons, b. May 31, 1825.
- xi. Patrick Henry, b. March 3, 1827.
- xii. Tabitha Caroline, b. March 8, 1830.

23. JAMES5 MADDISON GRACE was born on February 2, 1809, in Georgia. [From Jean Puleo, a descendant, 152 Butterville Road, New Paltz, New York.]

His wife was Mariam (--), and they are believed to have married in Pike County, Georgia. The family is reported to have later lived in the Graceville, Florida, area. [Zefpha Bussey Grace, Anton, Texas, whose husband Roy is a grandson of Noel6 Hamilton Grace, in a letter to Phillip M. Grace, March 7, 1984, and also her great, great grandfather William Lockhart's sister was Elizabeth Lockhart Grace, wife of Silas4 Grace]

He died on October 19, 1862, in Henry County, Alabama.

There children include:

- i. Susan6 Ann (some records use Anna), b. 1852 in Georgia; m. Henry W. Arnold in 1869; their children include:
 - i. Eliza7 Leora, b. 1870; m. William S. Cason in 1891; d. 1907.
 - ii. Emma Ernestine, b. 1871; d. 1873.
 - iii. Mattie Jane, b. 1872; m. James Buzbee in 1893.
 - iv. George Christopher, b. 1873; d. 1879.
 - v. William Henry, b. 1896; m. Agnes Davis.
 - vi. Mariam Luella, b. 1878; m. Thomas J. Sasnett; d. 1942.
 - vii. John Madison, b. 1879; d. 1928.
 - viii. Amanda Elizabeth, b. 1880; m. James W. Dean in 1897.
 - ix. Millard James, b. 1882; m. Mollie J. Clark.
 - x. Florence Stella, b. 1884; m. Fred Paremore.
 - xi. Jacob Leroy, b. 1885.
 - xii. Jesse Ernest, b. 1887; m. Fammie K. Lee in 1907.
 - xiii. Robert Davis, b. 1888; m. Clyde Tidwell.
 - xiv. Oscar Clarence, 1891.
 - xv. Anna Stasia, b. 1874; m. George W. Green in 1879; d. 1944; children include:
 - i. Anna8 Dothan, b. 1899.
 - ii. James Monroe, b. 1903.
 - iii. Georgia Leora, b. 1909.
 - iv. Augusta (Ruth) Arnold; b. 1900; m. Joseph O'Shea, 1930, in New York; d. 1961; two children: Jean, m. Vincent Puleo, 1958; and Mary Patricia. [Carolyn Nottingham, History of Upson County, Georgia, 1850, Georgia Genealogical Reprints, 1969, Chapt. XI, p. 551.]:
- ii. Joshua, b. 1835.
- iii. James Linson, b. 1838, m. Rachael (-) (b. 1843 in Georgia), with children [from the records of Joyce Ledbetter Stephens via email transmission from <ja.stephens@MCI12000.com> to Rootsweb, September 17, 1998]:
 - i. Marion B., b. 1862 in Alabama.
 - ii. Noel H., b. 1864

- iii. Elizabeth, b. 1866.
- iv. James W., b. 1868.
- v. Mariann S., b. 1871.
- vi. Thomas L., b. 1873.
- vii. Rachael L., b. 1875.
- viii. Martha T., b. 1877.
- ix. Robert Lee, b. September 21, 1879, m. Ada Bunch, d. February 26, 1958.

[Renee Grace adds the following in an electronic message under the screen name <trgrace@earthlink.net>, September 22, 2000]:

- x. Angus Dowling
 - i. Thomas Houston
- iv. Noel Hamilton, b. December 10, 1841; m. Martha Sally Anthony Barnes (b. January 6, 1851, in Florida; d. October 15, 1921, in Franklin, Robertson County, Texas, and is buried in the Owensville Cemetery) in 1877; d. February 17, 1902, and is buried near Franklin, Robertson County, Texas; children [Zefpha Grace, in a letter to Phillip M. Grace, March 21, 1984]:
 - i. Maggie Battle⁷, b. September 1878 in Florida; m. (1). Claud Leamon, three children, and (2). Jasper Tolar in 1896, three children; d. in Arizona.
 - ii. Richard T., b. 1879 in Florida; d. 1880's in Robertson County, Texas.
 - iii. Anna Lee, b. February 20, 1881, in Robertson, Texas; m. 1898 to George Wright; d. June 1950 in California and is buried in Inglewood Cemetery; twelve children.
 - iv. Clara Irene, b. September 1882 in Robertson County; m. (--) Reese; d. 1950's in California; six children.
 - v. James Cleveland, b. February 2, 1885, in Franklin, Texas; m. (1). Pallamae Carlton on December 18, 1904, in Franklin, Texas, one child, Roy⁸ E., and (2). Maude F. Marshall in 1909, five children; d. May 12, 1968, in Lubbock, Texas.
 - vi. Frances Etta, b. March 3, 1887 in Franklin, Texas; m. William David White, Sr. on February 14, 1906; d. May 18, 1977, in Hearne, Texas; nine children.
 - vii. Rosa Barnes, b. February 16, 1889, in Franklin, Texas; m. Lucian L. Luster; d. July 16, 1945; eight children.
 - viii. Willie Hamilton, b. May 13, 1890, in Franklin, Texas; m. Lizzie Baxter on July 6, 1913, in Franklin, Texas; d. August 17, 1968, in Franklin, Texas, and is buried in the Owensville Cemetery; eight children.
 - ix. Sally Anthony, b. January 22, 1892, in Franklin, Texas; m. (1). Jim Carter, one daughter, and (2). (--) Lambert, one son; d. August 30, 1981, in California.
- v. Mary E., b. 1844.
- vi. Agrippa ("Uncle Tobe") [Zefpha Grace, *op. cit.*], b. 1846; m. (1). (--) prior to 1880, and (2). Della (--) prior to 1900; numerous children including [The Early History of Upson County, Georgia, *op. cit.*, p. 551.]:
 - i. Anna⁶ S., b. ca 1873.
 - ii. Phillipp, b. 1876 in Florida.
 - vii. Morgan, b. 1848.
 - viii. Mary Ann
 - ix. Samuel S., b. 1855.

[Jefpha Grace, *op. cit.*, adds these names, as told her by Samuel Ross Grace, a

relative and from Cisco, Texas, and documented in the Brazos County, Texas, cemetery records]:

- x. Marion
- xi. William
- xii. John
- xiii. Jesse
- xiv. Robert S., b. 1884; d. 1936.
- xv. Thomas L., b. 1850; d. 1903.

[The Early History of Upson County, Georgia, *op. cit.*, also lists the following son, along with apparent borders Martha Sawyer, age 37, and Jemmima, age 10.]:

- xvi. Phillip

24. WILLIAM⁵ HUDSON GRACE was born on January 22, 1814, in Hancock County, Georgia.

He married (1). Prudence S. Runnels (some sources give Reynolds) on October 10, 1839, in Talbot County, Georgia, near Collinsworth Church. She was the daughter of Richard Runnels (b. in 1785-1790) and Prudence Evans (b. 1790; d. before 1860 in Augusta, Georgia, while visiting her brothers). Prudence S. Grace died in Columbus, Georgia, on July 23, 1854. Their children included [Freeman, *op. cit.*]:

- i. Charles⁶ Daugherty, b. August 31, 1840, in Upson County, Georgia; m. Leonora Gabrielle Michelly (d. March 3, 1908, in Bonham, Texas), daughter of Madame Michelly; d. February 14, 1919, in Bonham, Texas; no children.
- ii. Virginia Antoinette, b. September 14, 1841, in Upson County, Georgia; m. Stinson Asbury Freeman (b. June 18, 1839; d. July 11, 1922) in Talbot County, Georgia; d. February 14, 1919, in Atlanta, Georgia, and buried with her husband at Collinsworth Church, near where they were married in the house where Emory Freeman was living in 1951; two children:
 - i. Walter⁷ Asbury
 - ii. Grace
- iii. William Florence, b. March 26, 1843; m. Ida Hamilton, daughter of Dr. Hamilton, president of Andrew Female College, on October 24, 1883; d. January 29, 1885, in Macon, Georgia; one child:
 - i. Eugene⁷ Hamilton, b. August 6, 1883, in Macon, Georgia; m. Daisey Opie; d. August 1914, in Newman, Georgia; no children.
- iv. Susan Jane, b. April 6, 1845; d. November 23, 1854, in Columbus, Georgia.
- v. Leonard Adolphus, b. February 24, 1847; d. August 23, 1843.
- vi. Eugene Berriam, b. August 6, 1849; m. Olive Harding of St Louis, Missouri, on July 30, 1886, in San Francisco, California; d. August 23, 1909, in San Francisco, but buried in Macon, Georgia; no children.
- vii. Christiana Cornelia, b. October 4, 1852; d. July 7, 1854, in Columbus, Georgia.

(2). Mrs. Georgia Ann (Nix) Hales on June 28, 1855, in Columbus, Georgia; one child:

- i. Millard⁶ Oscar, b. November 6, 1856; d. December 7, 1861, in Columbus, Georgia.

William⁵ Hudson Grace died on May 23, 1860 in Columbus, Georgia. According to the compiler of these notes, Grace Freeman, he has no Grace descendents by name, but his daughter Virginia Freeman has many scattered near and far.

25. GREEN⁵ BERRY (BURY) GRACE was born on May 14, 1812, in Jasper County, Georgia.

He married (1). Ann Jane Johnson, who was from County Antrim, Ireland, on September 22, 1835, by Jonathan Johnson in Chambers County, Alabama. [Chambers County, Alabama, Marriage Records, Vol. I] She was born on July 12, 1815, was the daughter of William Johnson [from Stella (Mrs. J. M.) Setzler, a descendent of Green5 Berry Grace, 501 Lake Shore Drive, Jackson, Mississippi, in a letter to Phillip M. Grace, December 6, 1983], and died on October 25, 1877. She is buried in the Barker Cemetery, Lauderdale County, Mississippi. She went by the nickname "A. J." and must have been very popular with her children and grandchildren, because the letters "A. J." appear through several successive generations. His second wife was (2). Anna Liza Henderson in Lauderdale County, Alabama, on March 30, 1882.

Green5 Berry was a planter and is in the 1850-1860 Census of Choctaw County, Alabama.

He died on November 25, 1884, in Kemper County, Mississippi, and is also buried in the Barker Cemetery, which is five miles north of Meridian.

It is believed that all of his children are from his first wife [Bena Kirkscey, compiler, Box 557, Rosebud, Texas--from his will and from family information supplied by Thetis Hudson and Pauline Ashlenian, Stella Setzler, the obituary of Mattie M. Harris, and the tombstone inscription for M. Pauline Grace]:

- i. Joshua6 J., b. 1836 in Sumter County, Alabama; m. Judith Ann DuBois; was a Methodist minister and a doctor practicing in Whistler, Mobile County, Alabama; no children. [Margaret Rowan, 342 Beechwood Road, Ridgewood, New Jersey, in a letter to Phillip M. Grace, March 5, 1964, reporting information from Delia6 Ann Jane Grace Rowan's, daughter of Green5 Berry Grace, family Bible.]
26. ii. William Green, b. January 14, 1839, in Sumter County, Alabama; m. Duane Augusta Welch (b. November 25, 1844, in Lauderdale County, Mississippi; d. October 2, 1923); d. January 4, 1885.
27. iii. James Simeon ("Sim"), b. 1839 (one source says 1854) in Alabama; m. Tabitha Bedford Hauk (b. in Memphis, Tennessee; later m. Catlett Perry Corley in Hill County, Texas).
- iv. Penelope H., b. 1839-1840; m. (-- Moore. (some sources ommit this child and instead list a Pauline H., b. 1854 in Choctaw County, Alabama).
- v. Margaret Caroline, b. 1841 in Sumter County, Alabama; m. Joseph Eli Platt; d. December 23, 1869; one child:
 - i. Effie7 Loretta, m. Joseph Williamson.
- vi. Susan Ann, b. April 6, 1843 in Sumter County, Alabama; m. Lewis Bryant Agnew, Sr. (b. May 12, 1838; d. June 15, 1900, in Scott County, Mississippi) on October 22, 1865; d. July 14, 1928 and is buried at the Hodgehill Cemetery, Scott County, Mississippi; only child recorded [Setzler, *op. cit.*]:
 - i. Lewis7 Bryant, Jr., b. January 13, 1877 in Scott County, Mississippi; m. Nancy Stella Youngblood (b. March 22, 1878 In Scott County; d. May 11, 1957, in Hinds County, Mississippi) on December 12, 1897; d. July 29, 1915, in Hinds County; only child recorded:
 - i. Ruby8, b. September 8, 1900, in Copiah County, Mississippi; m. Marshall McElroy Johnson (b. October 17, 1895, in Newton County, Mississippi; d. January 13, 1969, in Hinds County) on May 12, 1920; d. July 21, 1968, in Hinds County; only child recorded:
 - i. Stella Mae9, b. July 9, 1923, in Hinds

County; m. J. M. Setzler on July 3, 1942.

- vii. Martha M., b. February 3, 1844-1845; m. (--) Harris (who is buried in Hickory, Mississippi); d. April 12, 1923, in Jackson, Mississippi.
- viii. Mary Pauline ("Molly"), b. October 15, 1845; m. Dr. Cicero Luther Kirksey on October 3, 1866; d. December 5, 1922, in Bellfalls, Bell and Falls County, Texas, and is buried in Lott, Falls County, Texas.
- ix. John Larkin, b.. 1847 in Choctaw County Alabama; d. 1915 in Nerdton County, Mississippi, and is buried in the Macon County Odd Fellows Cemetery [from Carol8 Bono, great, great, granddaughter of Green5 Berry Grace].
- x. Delia A. J., b. 1852 (one source says 1861, another 1862) in Choctaw County, Alabama; possibly unmarried.
- xi. Drucilla [as added by compiler Robert Pierson, as received from Gladys Hendrix Hawkins, Charlotte, North Carolina, July 8, 1958].

26. WILLIAM6 GREEN GRACE was born on January 14, 1839.

He married Duane Augusta Welch, who was born on November 25, 1844, in Lauderdale County, Mississippi, at the Poplar Springs Methodist Church in Meridian, Mississippi. She was the daughter of Walter W. Welch, who came to Mississippi from Vermont when he was 21 years old, and Roena Welch. After William6 died, Duane married a Mr. Richardson, who had children by his first marriage. She died on October 2, 1923, and is buried in the Magnolia Cemetery in Meridian, Mississippi.

William6 was a second lieutenant in the Confederate Army, and more specifically in (Old) Company H, 41st Regiment of the Mississippi volunteers. He enlisted on February 8, 1862, at Marion Station for twelve months. In later life he was the publisher of The Meridian Gazette, a weekly newspaper that was published in Meridian, Mississippi. Its editor was William L. Spinks, and there was no doubt that it was a voice to be reckoned with throughout the area. In a effort to belittle Spinks, W. G. Grace accused him of having received a subsidy for his paper. Spinks immediately responded to the neighboring publisher, accusing him of a prevarication. W. G. replied with a challenge to a duel. Spinks accepted. Con Ray of Marion, W. G.'s second, and Colonel Higgins, a Meridian attorney acting for his editor, scheduled the affair of honor to take place within 24 hours. Spinks refused an effort to settle the quarrel and proceeded to the dueling grounds at State Line to await his opponent. A last minute interception of the Lauderdale County sheriff put an end to the dispute, and W. G. was arrested. Unusual as it may seem, given his bout with the law, he was a lawyer and also served as a member of the Mississippi legislature in 1865, 1866, and 1867.

He died on January 4, 1885, and is buried in the Rose Hill Cemetery. Their children included:

28. i. Charles7 Patton, Sr., b. June 15, 1860 [Pierson/Hawkins, *op. cit.*; other sources list only 1859]; m. Sarah Francis Stokes; d. June 9, 1946.
- ii. Alice Jeanette, b. January 1, 1864, in Meridian Mississippi; m. Andrew Jackson Gressett in 1883; d. May 13, 1931, in Dallas, Texas, but was buried in the Rosehill Cemetery in Meridian. [from Jeanne May Thomas, compiler, Alexandria, Louisiana, April 19, 1920]
- iii. Annie Dubois, b. March 27, 1870 [Thomas, *op. cit.*, cites 1868]; m. Walter M. Boyed [Thomas, *op. cit.*, cites Boyd] (b. 1865; d. October 20, 1898); d. May 13, 1952 [Thomas, *op. cit.*] in Meridian, Mississippi.
- iv. William Green, Jr., b. 1871; d. October 20, 1898, and buried at Rose Hill Cemetery, Meridian, Mississippi. [Pierson/Hawkins, *op. cit.*]
- v. Joel Walker, b. January 20, 1884, in Meridian Mississippi; m. Leona Wilson (d. October 15, 1931, in Meridian, Mississippi); d. Decmeber 1971 in Meridian; children include [from the records of the daughter of

Annie⁸ Virginia Grace Tew]:

- i. Joel⁸ Welch, b. February 11, 1907; m. Ester McCauliff.
- ii. Mildred Elizabeth, b. February 25, 1911; m. Curtis Townsend Bush.
- iii. James Bennett, b. March 26, 1914; m. Josephine Doherty.
- iv. Dorothy Augusta, b. May 11, 1916; m. Edward C. Horn.
- v. William Green, b. December 8, 1914; m. Alice Reid Rogers.
- vi. Annie Virginia, b. September 6, 1921; m. James Preston Tew.
- vii. Sarah Alice, b. June 26, 1924; m. Leonard Alwyn Cone.

(According to some sources, also the following children of William⁷ Green Grace):

- vi. Robert Joshua, b. 1866; d. December 21, 1870, and is buried in Captain Brown's Family Cemetery. [Thomas, *op. cit.*]
- vii. Nettie, died at the age of eleven [Pierson/Hawkins, *op. cit.*]
- viii. Jeaneth, b. 1861.

28. CHARLES⁷ PATTON GRACE, SR. was born on June 15, 1860.

He married Sarah Francis Stokes, who was born October 19, 1860, and died November 19, 1903. While we have little information on her family, they lived in Demper County, and she was one of the younger children in the family. She had one elder sister named Elizabeth (m. Joe Rogers), whom the children called Aunt Lizzie, who used to visit her up to around 1900.

When Charles⁷ married, his father William⁶ Green Grace, Sr. offered him a choice of two farms. One of these farms which consisted on 120 acra was located about five miles north of Meridian, and most of it was in woods or trees. It also had running streams or creeks and was an ideal place for hunting and fishing. The other farm was about 5 miles east of Meridian near the town of Russell, and was level prairie land, but still good farm land. Charles⁷ was very fond of hunting and fishing so he took the farm north of Meridian with the hills, woods, and streams. He admitted a few years before his death that he made a mistake as the farm near Russell was the best. He farmed for about sixteen years after his marriage, raising cotton as his cash crop; however, he did raise some fine watermelons for market and got a good price for them when he got them to market early before it was flooded with melons. He also had a nice orchard with peaches, apples, pears, and plums. He raised ribbon cane and ground the cane by housedrawn mill, cooking the cane juice and making his own syrup and molasses. In 1897, he went to work at a cottonseed oil mill in Meridian and within a few years he was superintendent. He continued to operate cotton gins until he retired in 1935 at the age of 75. He was an honorable man, honest, sober, hard working, and highly respected by his neighbors. [Pierson/Hawkins, *op. cit.*]

He died on June 9, 1946. There were nine children born:

- i. John⁸ Larkin
- ii. Susan Duane, d. June 21, 1957.
- iii. Annie A.
- iv. Walter W.
- v. Charles Patton, Jr.
- vi. Robert Pierson
- vii. Hattie
- viii. Nettie
- ix. Frank Gold

27. JAMES⁶ SIMEON GRACE was born in 1839 in Sumter County, Alabama.

He married Tabitha Bedford Hauk on December 25, 1867, in Cherokee County, Texas. [Cherokee County, Texas, marriage records on film, rolls 1 and 2, 1846-1880, p. 26/Book C2, p. 164]. She was born in Memphis, Tennessee, on September 3, 1850, and was the daughter of John Greenleaf Hauk, a minister (b. December 9, 1811, in Ohio, to Conrad Hauk, who probably immigrated from Germany, and Nancy Read, married to each

other in Harrison County, Virginia in 1805; m. May 25, 1846, in Tennessee; d. June 1, 1888, in Blum, Texas, and is buried in the Blanton Cemetery) and Tebhia Nancy [from the 1860 Cherokee County, Texas, Census in which her birth is listed as 1825 in Missouri--also, probably an incorrect spelling of Tabitha. Note: some sources list James's6 wife as Sophia W. Locke (b. January 26, 1824, in Tennessee; d. May 8, 1864, in Cherokee County, Texas)]. Nevertheless, James's6 wife's siblings in both lists are the same: Perry (b. 1852 in Texas), Sallie (b. 1855 in Texas and married a (--) Walker), Lou Ella (b. 1858 in Texas and married Hardy Overall on August 19, 1875), William (b. 1848, with children Charlie, John, Willis and Luella), and Mary E. (b. 1842 and married (--) Cole and had a son named Joe). John Hauk and his family were living in Cherokee County, Texas, in 1870 near James6 Grace. [1870 Census, Cherokee County, Texas, microfilm T8-398, pp. III, 221.]

Simeon6 Grace, or "Sim", as he was called, (and some death records of the Burkburnett Genealogy Society list him as Simon) was primarily a farmer. He deserted his family while his children were very young, leaving to go on a cattle drive and never returning. Tabitha Grace then married Catlett Perry Corley on January 2, 1875, in Hill County, Texas, and had several children with him, including: Will C. (b. 1877), Perry A. (b. 1879), Lee, Oscar F., Alice, and Effie. Nevertheless, she and Mr. Corley raised the children by Simeon6 and the Corley children as one family, and she was known lovingly by successive generations as "Grandma Corley".

It is interesting to note that there is a James S. Grace in the 1880 Census of Panola County, Texas, reporting to have been born in 1834 in Alabama and having a wife, Mary L., and children Ellie, James, Magie, Ada, and Mary. One wonders if he could have been the same James6 Simeon Grace who deserted as described, and set up another family nearby.

Simeon6 and Tabitha had two children:

- i. Olivia7 ("Aunt Sissy"), b. 1869 in Texas; m. Nat Rogers in Hill County, Texas.
29. ii. John Berry, b. March 9, 1870, in Rusk County, Texas; m. Anne Elizabeth Brooks; d. February 18, 1945, in Burkburnett, Texas.

29. JOHN7 BERRY GRACE was born on March 9, 1870, in Rusk County, Texas.

He married Anne Elizabeth Brooks, who was born on September 26, 1877, in Mobile, Alabama. She was the daughter of Henry Brooks (b. February 21, 1822, in Akins, Alabama; m. in 1876; d. March 18, 1925, in Pleasant View, Texas; with siblings: Evan, Luke, Bill, Fate, George, Lazarus, Joe, Earnest, Dane, Cynthia, Polly, Martha, Sally, Katherine, and Ella) and Fannie Elizabeth Carroll (b. December 21, 1841, in Mobile, Alabama, to John Carroll and Elizabeth Sessions; d. May 15, 1917, in Pleasant View, Texas; and with siblings: Monroe, Bill, Walter, Dick, and John). Anne Elizabeth was the oldest daughter and two year older than her sister, Ida Pearl (who married (--) Martin). She was quite a spirited woman and wore her thin hair in the smallest of braids encircling the back of her head. She was a dedicated Methodist and for much of her life was probably fairly strictly disciplined and dogmatic, and could be seen wearing her apron and her bonnet when she went out. However, as the mores of the culture began to change rapidly by the turn of the century, she too changed, and in her later years was fondly remembered with her snuff can in hand and making snuff brushes with her teeth out of twigs. She died on August 16, 1968, and is buried in Burkburnett, Wichita County, Texas.

John7 Grace was initially a farmer, but retired in Burkburnett and bought a gasoline station which also served as a grocery store. He had somewhat a penchant for the ladies and on more than one occasion this good natured gentleman was strongly rebuked by his more strictly oriented wife.

He died on February 18, 1945, in Burkburnett. Their children include:

30. i. Pearl8 Olivia, b. July 11, 1894, in Hill County, Texas; m. Rance Davis Revier on November 1, 1908; d. April 11, 1984, in Burkburnett, Texas.

31. ii. Henry Simeon (some sources say Simmon), b. December 20, 1896, in Hill County, Texas; m. (1). Treecie Bell Hester on December 20, 1916, in Carrizzo, New Mexico, and (2). Hazel Hobbs; d. April 12, 1980, in Wichita Falls, Texas.
32. iii. Perry Monroe, b. Novmeber 8, 1898, in Blum, Texas; m. (1). Mary Cooper, and (2). Lodis Stewart on June 19, 1929, in Walters, Oklahoma; d. August 15, 1972, in Wichita Falls, Texas.
33. iv. A J, b. 1903; d. 1946.
34. v. Charlie Berry, b. September 9, 1900, in Hill County, Texas; m. Annie Mae Hauff on January 30, 1919; d. September 15, 1972, in Dallas, Texas.
35. vi. Willie Bedford ("Bill"), b. September 25, 1917, in Blum, Texas; m. Patria Junell on September 18, 1948 (d. June 29, 2003); d. September 22, 2003.