

Christopher Graham, born in Scotland about 1670, emigrated to America before 1700, settled first in Pennsylvania, then moved to Augusta County, Virginia, before 1740 where he died in 1748. He married Margaret Risk, a widow. Their children were:

- John Graham, born 1700, died 1771, married Elizabeth Walkup.
- Robert Graham, born 1712, died 1763, married 1734 Jean Kicklin who came from Scotland to Pennsylvania. He was a pioneer settler on Bull Pasture.
- Archibald Graham, died 1748, married ~~Jane~~ Margaret Shed.
- William Graham, died 1748, married Jane May.
- Elizabeth Graham, married Thomas Feemster.
- Jane Graham, married Joseph Walkup.

The first appearance in the records of Augusta County, Virginia, of the name of Thomas Feemster was on February 15, 1748, as appraiser of the estate of his father-in-law, Christopher Graham. Thomas Feemster was a man of quite some local prominence in Virginia, having been appointed Surveyor of a road from Walker's to Charles Lewis (1763); processioner from the head of Cowpasture River to the mouth and waters thereof (1764); many times as appraiser of estates and witness to wills; made claims for furnishing provisions to the Militia (1765). As an appraiser of an estate in 1778 it entitles descendants to membership in The Daughters of The Revolution. In a deed to 590 acres of land in 1752 (he later obtained 185 acres) on Cowpasture from William Lewis, he is described as Wheelwright, that is a Miller.

On this land,

a very short distance south of Williamsville and thirty miles west of Staunton, he established his home. He built a mill and erected a fort sometime before the line of frontier forts were established by George Washington. His fort, known for decades as Fort Feemster or Feemster's Fort was a stockade which enclosed his home and a very large spring in a beautiful valley of a few square miles. The spring comes straight up out of the ground. A broad low mound yet ~~exists~~ exists where his house crumbled down. (Morton's History of Alleghany County, Virginia. P.P. 193-194.)

~~Thomas Feemster and Elizabeth Graham Feemster~~

The children of Thomas and Elizabeth Graham Feemster were:

- (1) William (see second generation)
- (2) John, married December 9, 1797 Mary Keziele, a widow, the daughter of Moses Hall, in Garrard County, Kentucky, and died in July 1808. They had children: Thomas, Hiram; William and Margaret, who were in Woodford County, Kentucky in 1808.
- (3) Martha, married John McCreary, a Revolutionary War soldier and died in Fayette County, Kentucky. Her will is recorded