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Christian Grim

In the course of researching my ancestry, I was led to Christian Grim. Most researchers with whom I've corresponded have given me the same basic data. Christian came to the United States, possibly served in the Revolutionary War with Hessian troops, and married Mary Morgan, sometimes referred to as Margaret. They had 9 children: Charles, Catherine, Adam, Christian, Elizabeth, Thomas, Mary, John B., and Rebecca. Christian and his family may have lived in Maryland for a while, moved to Winchester, Virginia, and eventually to Greene County, Pennsylvania.

Beyond these basic facts are a lot of speculation and conflicting data based on research. I am presenting what I know here in the hopes of others finding it and perhaps providing some definitive clues.

1. Olive Grim: "Christian was the first of the Grims to settle in the US. He was uncle to Jacob & William [sic] Grimm, authors of German dictionary and Grimm's fairy tales." [see below]
2. Helen Hunt: "Christian L. (Ludwig?) Grim from Hohegeiss, b. ca 1749/51; d. about 1723 [sic; must mean 1823]; buried Allegheny Church, Cumberland Co., PA? He was uncle to Grim brothers of fairy tales, Jacob Ludwig Carl Grimm and Wilhelm Carl Grimm, whose parents were Philipp Wilhelm Grimm and Dorothea Zimmer. Phillip's parents, also Christian's parents) were Philipp and Catherine. This Philipp was pastor of a Reformed Church in Steinau for 50 years." [see below]
3. Helen Hunt, again: "Christian Grimm was the son of Fredrich Grimm & Christiane Elizabeth Heilman of Bitberg. Fredrich was a minister of the Reformed Church in Steinau Germany for 50 years & also an Inspector of churches. His dates 1707-1777. They had 11 children. Fredrich was a son of Hermann Grimm who was son of Heinrich Grimm. He had control of lords & collected taxes on them, a royal post..." She goes on to say that "Christian came to America in 1776 with the Hessians, probably with two brothers. Christian deserted & joined American Army 2/6/1777 & then deserted that 3/16/1777 probably when his first son Charles was born in MD." [see below]

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