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Surnames: Adkins, Cobb, Cocke, Dunsmore, Easley, Gill, Grason, Grayson, Green, Johnson, Johnston, Long, Matlock, Mayes, Philips, Phillips, Senter, Shipley, Simpson, Thomason, Whiteside, Williams

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Grainger County  
County Court loose records  
1838 Peter W. Grason [Grayson], dec'd.,  
by Nelson A. Senter, J.P., et al

Warrant  
Jurors vs. Inquest

State of Tennessee}  
Grainger County } To Elisha Thomason High Sheriff of sd. county, you are hereby commanded to Summon twenty four good & lawful men of said county to appear before me Nelson A. Senter an acting Justice of the peace for said county there being no coroner at Beanstation in said county on this day July 9th 1838 then and thare to enquire of de(?) and exicute all such things as on behalf of the State shall be lawful given Them in charge touching the death of Peter W. Grason and be you then and there to certify what you have done in the premises and further to do and exicute what in behalf of said state shall be enjoined you given under my hand and seal the date above.  
N. A. Senter  
Justice of the Peace for G county

Witness Solimon S. Shipley, William Adkins, Larken Johnston, Fredrick Cobb, Thomas Whiteside, Joseph Cobb, Levy Long, John Long, John Easley, A P Green, Wm. Cocke, Moses Dunsmore, John Philips, Nathen Philips, William F. Williams  
Samuel Gill

J. P. Simpson  
G. W. Matlock

At Beans Station on the 9 day of July 1838 after electing 12 good & lawful men of the county of Graing after being duly sworn & charged by me as the law directs to make examination how and in what manner Peter W. Grason came to his death the witnesses Thomas Whiteside, John Mayes and Soloman S. Shipley for the State was duly sworn & brought before said Jurors and by them examined and their report will show the result of their examination given under my hand & seal thie date above written.

N. A. Senter  
Justice of the peace for sd. county

Came to hand 9th July 1838  
E. Thomason, Shff.

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Executed the same day  
E. Thomason, Shff.

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Executed as report will show--  
N. A. Senter

My fees & sheriffs fees is paid in full  
N. A. Senter  
J.P.

Inquisition Held over Peter W. Grason, July 9th 1838

State of Tennessee} Inquisition of murder  
Grainger County } Taken At Beans Station In said county on the ninth day of July one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight before me Nelson A. Senter an acting Justice of the peace for said county there being know coroner for sd county upon the view of the body of Peter W. Grason then and there lying dead upon the oaths of Thomas Whiteside, A. P. Green, John Easley, Joseph Cobb, G. W. Matlock, Nathan Philips, Soloman S. Shiply, Levi Long, Isaac P. Simpson, John Philips, John Long, Moses Dunsmore, good and lawful men of the county aforsaid who being sworn and charged to enquire on the part of the State aforsaid when where, how and in what manner the said Peter W. Grayson came to his death do say upon their oaths that the sd Peter W. Grason by committing suicide by shooting himself in the head with a pistol not having the fear of God before his eyes but being moved and seduced by the instigation of the devil committed in a small room in the upper story of the tavern house at Beanstation. In witness whereof as well the aforesaid Nelson A. Senter one of the acting Justices of the peace for said county there being know coroner as

the Jurors aforesaid have to this inquisition put their seals on the day and year  
aforesaid and place aforesaid.

Thos. Whiteside, foreman {seal}

A. P. Green {seal}

John Easley {seal}

Jos. Cobb {seal}

Geo. W. Matlock {seal}

Nathan Phillips {seal}

S. S. Shipley {seal}

Levi Long {seal}

Isaac P. Simpson {seal}

John Long {seal}

John Philips {seal}

Moses Dunsmore {seal}

Signed in presence of }

N. A. Senter {seal} }

Justice of the peace }

for Grainger County }

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