

THOMAS WHITLOCK OF BARBADOS, 1688

In the June 1984 issue of Tom Roach's Whitlock Gleanings Newsletter there was an item that may provide one of the missing links between the Whitlocks of American and their connection back to England.

Tom listed the will of Thomas Whitlock who died at St. Phillips, Barbados in 1688. The will mentions his wife Elizabeth and children Thomas, James, Mary and Elizabeth. We have not been able to determine who this Thomas was or how old he was at the time of his death. I have no Thomas and Elizabeth marriages between 1636 and 1688 but there are a couple of Thomas & Elizabeths that could be possible candidates.

The first couple were living at St. Dunstan, Stepney, London where their daughter Elizabeth was baptised May 1, 1682. The second is in the form of an administration granted in 1717. It is in latin but we can tell Thomas lived in the parish of St. George, Southwark, Surrey and what is not clear is the meaning of the meaning of the phrase, "Merchant of King Solomon". Strangely there is another administration granted in 1688 to Maria, widow of Thomas Whitlock of St. George, Southwark, Surrey.

Tom mentions his source for the will of Thomas Whitlock was the following publication: Barbados Records, Wills & Administrations. Vol.2 1681-1700. The will was dated Oct.14,1687 RB/41 p.82

If anyone is willing to take on tracking down some of the Barbados records I would say this will and any other references we can find to Thomas Whitlock are worth further investigation. If anyone is planning a trip to Salt Lake City it may be interesting to know what might be available there.

Sources: WG3:2:22; PRO29; LDS