

If there are two Stephens I am no nearer solving this problem - my descent is still from Stephen and Sarah (Chalk)!

I am continuing to look at the Titchfield Overseers' A/cs which may yet reveal further clues....I would be pleased to hear of other members' opinions on my conclusions. Does anyone know of something I don't!
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Muriel has an interesting problem. The overseers' A/cs for 1789/90 are very confusing:

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Jan 24	Elizth Whitlock	1	Mo	relief	6	-
Mar 21	Elizth Kinchenton	3	Mo	relief	18	-
Mar 21	By Caish of Stephen Whitlock for Elizth Kinchenton Child	4	7	-		
Apr 11	Elizabeth Kinchenton Child	3	weeks		4	6
Jul 4	Stephen Whitlocks Child	3	Mo		18	-
Aug 29	Elizabeth Kinchenton Child				12	-
Nov 21	Elizth Whitlock	3	Mo		18	-
1790						
Feb.13	Elizabeth Kinchentons Child	3	Mo		18	-

It is not clear from this record which child is referred to or whether Elizabeth Kincherton is still alive. Is the Elizabeth Whitlock referred to the mother or the child?

A couple of other interesting entries from the accounts are in 1786:

Mar 4 For Mr. Newberry for searching the Register of the parish of Plaitford for Stephen Whitlocks Age 3s 6d

Oct 27 By Caish of Francis Whitlock for the maintenance of his sons bastard by E. Kinchenton up to 25 Dec £3 4s 6d

I was interested in the Mar 4 entry where they searched in Plaitford for Stephen's birth as opposed to Landford where he stated he was born.

Obviously a gold mine of family history detail is contained in the Overseers accounts. It will be interesting to see if we can determine if this was one Stephen or two. If anyone can assist Muriel with this I am sure she would be pleased to hear from you.

Sources: X1953; X1954; R1131-3