

# THOMAS WHITLOCKS OF VIRGINIA

Virginia Lee Johnston has sent in a document that is likely going to revise the ancestors of many of you descended from the Virginia lines. For years there has been confusion because of the many Thomas Whitlocks in Virginia.

In the first quarterly I published in March 1985 I did an article entitled "How Many Thomas's?". This sorted out the Thomas Whitlocks of Rappahannock Co. in the 1650-80's and determined that they were father and son and there was no connection to the Thomas Whitlock of New Jersey. This article also connected the Rappahannock Co. Thomas' to the WHITLOCK02H line, the Whitlocks of Wokingham, Berkshire and determined there were no Whitlock descendants of either Thomas Whitlock. We learned some years later that Thomas Whitlock of New Jersey came from Salisbury, Wiltshire.

In the late 1700's we have a similar problem with at least three Thomas Whitlock births in the 1750' & 1760's and four Thomas Whitlock marriages in 1776, 1788, 1792 and 1807. The question has always been which Thomas married Susannah Webb in 1788? I think we are fairly certain the 1807 marriage of Thomas Whitlock to Sally Gillehorn is the Thomas son of Thomas Whitlock and Susannah Webb. The Thomas Whitlock who married Judith Carter in 1792 appears to have only had two daughters, Sarah & Judith but we do not know who his parents were. The choices are: Thomas son of Thomas Whitlock and Elizabeth Dupree born Apr.5,1754 or Thomas son of John Whitlock and Ann Logan born Jun.15,1757 or Thomas son of Thomas Whitlock & Mary Williamson born Nov.16,1762.

The document sent in by Virginia Lee Johnston (R2160) gives us a clue to at least one of these Thomas'. The item is contained in *Virginia/West Virginia Genealogical Data from Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty Land Warrant Records* Volume 6, Ullum through Zumwalt, Compiled by Patrick G. Wardell, Lt. Col., U.S. Army Retired. On page 129 is the following entry:

"WHITLOCK, Thomas, b. 1756 Goochland Co., VA; entered service from 1778 Halifax Co. VA, in Lee's Legion, & served at Siege of Ninety-six; entered service from later in 1778 substitute for Joseph Hopson; pensioned 1832 Brunswick Co., VA, residence Kennedy, per county magistrate Isham Trotter; Nathan Mason affidavit there then; Jesse Kennedy affidavit there then he had known soldier for past 24 years; clergyman Littleberry Orgain & county justice of the peace Robert Turnbull affidavit there then; soldier then had brother-in-law James Medley resident Halifax Co., VA; Soldier's grandson George H. McCulloch wrote letter 1857 to pension agent S.D. Watkins of (sic)Petersburg, VA, saying soldier had died 8/24/42, had 2 children by 1<sup>st</sup> wife (son who died without issue & George H. McCulloch's mother who then deceased), & soldier 2<sup>nd</sup> wife died circa 1844, per witness N.B.Jones. F-S16020 R2564"

The important clue here is the brother-in-law James Medley!! This means this Thomas is the one born Apr.5,1754, the son of Thomas Whitlock and Elizabeth Dupree. Their daughter Morning married James Medley. This also means that this Thomas did not have any Whitlock descendants!! Our records show this Thomas Whitlock married Sarah Henderson Jun.9,1776 at St.James Northam, Goochland. There were two children shown, Elizabeth born May 2,1777 and Sara Thomason born Dec.3,1781. There is no mention of the son George H. McCulloch notes in this letter of 1857. Thomas married as his second wife, Sally Allen Jun.3,1819 in Brunswick This is the wife George H. McCulloch states died circa 1844.

As a result of this new information it has narrowed the possible Thomas Whitlocks down to two. Both of these appear on the WHITLOCK33 chart. The most likely choice is that Thomas Whitlock who married Susannah Webb was born Jun.15,1757, the son of John Whitlock & Ann Logan. Therefore the descendants of Thomas Whitlock and Susannah Webb have been moved from the WHITLOCK10 chart

to the WHITLOCK33 chart.

For several years I have had a note next to the Thomas Whitlock born in 1762 that he might be the one who married Susannah Webb. For the time being I have left the note. This section also contains the speculation that Thomas Whitlock and Susannah Webb had a son William born about 1789 who died February 5, 1815 in the Battle of New Orleans, leaving a son Thomas K. Whitlock born 1811(See WHITLOCK41 chart). This is based on the fact Thomas Whitlock who married Susanna Webb was the administrator of William's estate and brought Thomas K. Whitlock up as his own son.

These changes now mean all of you who had gotten used to the "W10" notation on everything will need to convert to "W33". I will make the change in the address labels and try to remember to use the new coding. This does mean the WHITLOCK33 chart is now 101 pages in length and contains some 8,000 descendants while the WHITLOCK10 chart shrinks to less than one page.

The descent to Thomas Whitlock who married Susannah Webb is now as follows:

I1) ?? WHITLOCK

-M-Grizel COLEMAN b.1705 King & Queen Co., Virginia d.Feb.1759 Goochland Co., Virginia  
1720's-1730's?

J1)John WHITLOCK b.1729? d.1774

-M-Ann LOGAN b.1735? d.1790/91

Oct.6,1754 St.James Northam, Goochland, Virginia, U.S.A.

K2)Thomas WHITLOCK b.Jun.15,1757 d.1848

-M-Susannah WEBB

Nov.28,1788 Campbell, Virginia, U.S.A.

Back in 1998, Geneva Campbell sent in a copy of the pension records (R1869) that are the subject of this article. Unfortunately there were no copies of the affidavits attached but it did include the 1857 letter from Geo.H.M. Culiely (McCulloch?) of St.Petersburg, Virginia. It may be useful for someone to attempt to get copies of the original affidavits to confirm the relationship with James Medley. Our sincere thanks to Virginia Lee Johnston for sending in this clue that had obviously eluded us for so many years. I hope the above article has clarified this issue and not just muddied the waters further.