

# DATABASES

I received a very interesting email from Colin Mills regarding the name Whitlock and variants that show in a wide range of data bases. This issue of the Newsletter includes several articles relating to the finds Colin made from just one database. While the volume is huge and much of the data would likely be routine, buried in these databases is a great deal of information about the family that would both be of use and interest to those researching their Whitlock ancestors.

We would likely need several volunteers with access to the various databases with the ability to copy data on to CDs and send the CDs in for cataloguing. Colin suggested that if persons were will to concentrate on one database and one name variant it would then be useful to break it down into ten year periods. The task of including this data into our files would move forward steadily and eventually all this data would be available to any researchers interested.

These are the various Databases Colin included, and each shows the number of entries per name variant:

1) The Times Archive at <http://archive.timesonline.co.uk/tol/archive/>

Whitlock 6434  
Whitelock 1067  
Wedlock 1367  
Widlock 5  
Witlock 78  
Witelock 9

This archive costs, although they do have “free days” from time to time.

Colin listed below the references for some of them:

Witelock  
Principles of levancy and ... 16 Feb 1892  
Stock exchange dealings 25 Jul 1964  
Christmas 1847 - Five Guin ... 12 Nov 1847  
Periodical Sale (establis ...) 22 Jun 1857  
French Silks, 13s 9d the dress 21 Jun 1860  
Inns of Court 30 Mar 1861  
Peter Robinson's L'incusab ... 16 Mar 1862  
Beaujolais, 20s per dozen 26 Mar 1863

Wedlock  
Personal, etc 03 Dec 1901  
Police 07 May 1897  
Probate, Divorce, Admiralty 23 Jun 1900  
Sales by Auction 26 Feb 1813  
Sales by Auction 10 Oct 1818

Colin also has access to the database of 19th Century Newspapers  
(accessible to him in the Open University Library via the British Library)

Whitlock 4061  
Whitelock 3535  
Wedlock 6292  
Widlock 9  
Witlock 68  
Witelock 25

Examples of references for Witelock:

Sunday and Tuesday's Post, The Derby Mercury (Derby), Thu 19 Nov 1807, no 3939  
Advertisements & Notices, The Newcastle Courant etc, (Newcastle-upon-Tyne), Sat 25 Apr, 1835  
Assize Intelligence, The Morning Chronicle (London), Wed 03 Mar 1852, no 28579  
Sporting, The Morning Chronicle (London), Mon 25 Jun 1855, no 27611  
Advertisements & Notices, Liverpool Mercury etc (Liverpool), Tue 07 Jun 1859, no 3528  
Law Intelligence, Daily News (London), Fri 13 Jul 1860, no 4421  
Advertisements & Notices, Liverpool Mercury etc (Liverpool), Sat 07 Dec 1867, no 6197  
Advertisements & Notices, Liverpool Mercury etc (Liverpool), Mon 19 Jul 1869, no 6702  
Advertisements & Notices, Liverpool Mercury etc (Liverpool), Mon 09 Nov 1874, no 8364  
Cricket, The Ipswich Journal (Ipswich), Tue 17 Aug 1880, no 7871  
Advertisements & Notices, The Leeds Mercury (Leeds), Wed 16 Mar 1881, no 13395  
North Country News, Northern Echo (Darlington), Fri 22 Jul, 1881, no 3571  
Provision Markets, The Leeds Mercury (Leeds), Sat 28 Jul 1883, no 14136  
Sporting, Liverpool Mercury etc (Liverpool), Fri 31 Aug 1883, no 11118  
The Oaks, Daily News (London), Sat 31 May 1884, no 11898  
Sporting Intelligence, Birmingham Daily Post (Birmingham), Fri 06 Feb 1885, no 8301  
Advertisements & Notices, Northern Echo (Darlington), Fri 12 Jun 1885, no 4774  
Sporting Intelligence, Freeman's Journal & Daily Commercial Advertiser (Dublin), Sat 21 Jun 1885, no issue number  
Sporting Intelligence, Birmingham Daily Post (Birmingham), Fri Jul 02, 1886, no 8739  
Sporting News, The Bristol Mercury & Daily Post (Bristol), Thu 22 Jul 1886, no 11915

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Sporting, Liverpool Mercury etc (Liverpool), Thu 11 Nov 1886, no 12119  
Sporting, Northern Echo (Darlington), Fri 14 Jan 1887, no 5270  
Sporting, Liverpool Mercury etc (Liverpool), Sat 26 Mar 1887, no 12234  
Advertisements & Notices, The Leeds Mercury (Leeds), Tue 31 Jan 1888, no 15543  
Cricket, The Leeds Mercury (Leeds), Thu 12 Nov 1896

References for Widlock

Advertisements & Notices, The Morning Chronicle (London), Mon 06 Aug 1804, no 10987  
Law Intelligence - Saturday, The Morning Chronicle (London), Mon 24 Jun 1844, no 23292  
The Bristol Mercury (Bristol), Sat 23 Feb 1850, no 3127  
Intelligence Extra, The Era (London), Sun 09 Jan 1853, no 748  
Advertisements & Notices, North Wales Chronicle (Bangor), Sat 13 Aug 1864, no 1923  
Law & Police, Hampshire Telegraph & Sussex Chronicle etc (Portsmouth), Sat 31 Dec 1864, no 3404  
Advertisements & Notices, The Leeds Mercury (Leeds), Sat 31 May 1882, no 13578  
Advertisements & Notices, Liverpool Mercury etc (Liverpool), Mon 25 Jul 1892, no 13901  
Outdoor sports, Liverpool Mercury etc (Liverpool), Sat 01 Dec 1900, no 16515

Colin can access the Times literary supplement centenary archive (1902-1990) via the Open University but has not done so. There is the Wellesley Index to Victorian Periodicals 1802-1900, for both there does not seem to be a text search, only keyword search. There is a database for the Scotsman too.

UKPressOnline (Daily Mirror, Daily & Sunday Express, Daily Star) has:

Whitlock 784  
Whitelock 82  
Wedlock 1434  
Widlock 0  
Witlock 3  
Witelock 0

Burney Collection (17th& 18th C newspapers:

Whitlock 1053  
Whitelock 341  
Wedlock 1993  
Widlock 22  
Wedlock 157  
Witelock 2

A huge resource with great potential for uncovering the kind of information that gives personal details about the lives of your ancestors on a particular day in time. Our thanks to Colin Mills for taking the time to analyze this huge and intriguing source of information about the Whitlock families.

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