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Dear Peter,

I was in Trowhedge at the Bounty Record Office today and was quite excited to find the following: -

MALMESBURY PARISH REG. WRO 1548/7.

\* M 1700 Dec 27. <sup>NE1</sup> Mr Elston WHITHOCK. Minister of Old Gleave in Somersetshire and Margaret ROBINS of the Abbey.

B. 1708 Dec 3. Margaret wife of <sup>NE1</sup> Elston WHITHOCK, Clerk

By the name pattern of Elston and Whitlock I just felt it had to be something to do with your family, if not directly connected. Do you know of him - there were no baptisms for the couple in Malmesbury. There could be a marriage licence but I've not looked for it - if you want me to look send me back details again and I will see if there is a licence & if there is will obtain it for you - would only cost 18p + postage. Anyway Peter let me know, wont you.

Hope you are well also the family. I've been busy - did I tell you I've been a "mature" student (my son says just how mature can one get!!) and have been on a further education teaching course - an eye opener - I just thought teaching was lecturing, but no - adult teaching means "group activity and group involvement"!



I have commenced teaching 'Family History' at Night school - it has taken a lot of work to finalise a syllabus and it still needs adjustment in places. I have been asked to talk at the WFFS on the DRO & D+C.R.S - I nearly had a fit when I realised they had given me an hour to fill - I am now busy collecting all sources in Devon <sup>to</sup> and show how one county can be typical of all counties for research sources, ah well, keeping busy keeps me out of mischief.

The WFFS has a trip to Rendon this Wed - up at 5.30am ready for the 'off' at 6.30am - it will be a long day but I hope a fruitful one. I shall go to the P.R.O to see a census for my recently discovered 1st grandmother then on to the Manorial Register and National Register of Archives at Quality Court Chancery Lane, then back to Chancery Lane to look at Interregnum wills in P.C.C.

I am off to Exeter for a couple of days next Thursday - staying at Le Rougement in Queen St. Then Reg will come and collect me on Sat morning and we go on to Torquay to our nephew's niece's a "Ladies night", returning home on Sunday. My sister in law <sup>here</sup> is going to feed our son Peter, Sunday lunch, as he must not go hungry!!!

Please excuse scribble - it's been a long day.

but I wanted you to have my find Peter.

All the best to you and yours from

your friend in England Jean