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Mr. P. Whitlock,
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Dear Mr. Whitlock,

I noticed your name recorded in the Register of One-Name Studies, 1985, as having researched the name WHITLOCK, and was wondering if you might be able to assist me.

I am trying to trace the family name WHITELOCKE - I have found that it also has been spelt Whitelock and Whitlock. My maternal grandmother's maiden name was Elizabeth Alice Whitelocke. I believe she was eighth in lineal descent from the youngest son of Sir Bulstrode Whitelocke (Sir Bulstrode Whitelocke 1605-76). I understand that the son's name was Samuel b.1651 - d.1670, and had married Elizabeth Gough. Unfortunately the genealogical records kept in family papers are very poor. This is especially so far some four generations or so prior to the birth of my grandmother's father, Nelson Paget Whitelocke, born Kensington, London, 22.12.1861

Nelson Paget's father, Robert Alexander Whitelocke married Sarah (Sophia) Hallen at Kensington, 14.5.1858; his father was also named Robert, marrying Frances, daughter of Admiral Burport Becher. I understand that this Whitelocke's father was a Lt. Colonel Whitelocke who had suffered a serious defeat in the Argentine and whose action had not only earned him the national toast "success to grey hairs, but bad luck to white locks", but also managed to send my stepfather, a British colonial officer, quite apoplectic when he recalled the British Standards he had seen hanging in the Cathedral at Buenos Ayres.

As you will see, I have very little information about the family - there is a gap between Samuel Whitelocke and the Lt. Colonel (whose Christian name I do not know). Unfortunately, my family have seemed very cavalier about recording dates (birth, death and marriage) and names of wives.

I would like to collate a clear record of the Whitelocke family up to Sir Bulstrode - in fact, as far back as the family can be traced. I believe that the family can be traced back some twenty-one generations from the time of my great-grandfather, Nelson Paget Whitelocke - this being with heraldic proof; but also that the College of Heralds recognizes that the family can be traced even further back to the "middle hundreds" (I quote from Nelson's writings).

I do hope you can help me. If not, would you be able to advise me whom to contact, or of documentary material which might be of assistance. I realise that this Whitelocke family may not have been the family name you have researched, but perhaps you may have come across relevant information during your study.

Hoping to hear from you at your earliest convenience, and I enclose two International Reply Coupons to offset postage costs.

Yours faithfully,

Danielle James.

Danielle James (Mrs. W.D.)

P.S. I have yet to look at Debrett's, which could furnish me with details of the Whitelocke family during the 16th and 17th centuries.

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