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Dear Peter:

Since I wrote to you last I have conducted additional research on Lucy Ann Whitlock of Hanover County, Virginia. Last week my wife and I spent several days in Salt Lake City at the Family History Library. We did not find much of value. However since I wrote to you last I did get the obituary showing the death of three of Lucy Ann's children. In that Lucy Ann's name does not appear in any other records that we could find, I have taken a different approach on the research.

This is what we have so far: Lucy Ann Whitlock married John H. Earnest of Hanover Co., Virginia in 1831 as recorded in the Rev. Talley's Register. Lucy Ann is John's second wife. Her children were William B., b.1835, Charles Whitlock, b.1836, Harriet Jane, b.1836, Lucy Ann, b.1838, Mary Elizabeth, b.1841, Henry Clay, b.1843, Charles B., b.1845, and James Edwin, b.1847. In October 1843 Lucy Ann(the daughter), Mary Elizabeth and Charles Whitlock die of Scarlet fever. Charles B. dies in 1855. Lucy Ann Earnest last appears in the 1850 Census, her age given as 46. I am a descendent of James Ed(win).

For research purposes I am going on the assumption that Lucy Ann's father(or grandfather) was Charles Whitlock. It was a common practice to name a son or daughter after after a grandparent and we have several good examples of this in both of our families. The 1810 Federal Census for Hanover Co. shows a Charles Whitlock. He has two females under 10 years(two females born between 1800 and 1810). In the 1820 Federal Census Charles has one female under 16 which reflects a birth date of abt 1804/05. My Lucy Ann is 46 according to the 1850 Census.

There is also a Charles Whitlock in the 1790 Census but this is not the 1810 Charles in that according to the 1820 Census Charles was still under 45 so that his birthdate. would be after 1775. He could not be a head of household in 1790. Charles Whitlock does not appear in any Virginia Census after 1820.

In the "Brand and Family Notes" which you sent me some time ago is listed a Charles Whitlock. This information comes from "Hanover Co. Taxpayers, St. Paul's Parish 1782-1815". This agrees favorably with the 1810/20 Federal Census with respect to the fortunes of Charles Whitlock.

Of course this all means nothing if Lucy Ann came from some other county or State or if her father was not Charles Whitlock. I have a note off of Prodigy(10/92). Nancy Holt tells me that her Whitlock's are also from Hanover Co.. She has a Roxanna Whitlock b. abt 1807. This fits rather well with Charles's family in that he had in 1810 two daughters born between 1800 and 1810. In that Lucy Ann was born abt. 1804/05 the other daughter would fit here. I am unable to connect Roxanna with any other Whitlock family.

The 1810/20 Charles could have been born between 1775/80. He is 20/25 in 1800 about the right marriage age. Assuming that the 1810/20 Census reflects his wife and children, by 1820 he has seven children. There are other Charles Whitlocks in Hanover County. Charles the son of David and Martha died without having children and the other Charles(b.1774) who married Elizabeth Rea did not have a child named Lucy Ann.

Richard Quarles who wrote that article I sent you told me in his letter that J.H. Earnest and Charles Whitlock are referenced in Hanover county Superior Court records for the period 1809 through 1838. Virginia State Library and Archives should have that information. Joseph Brand and his wife are listed in the D.A.R. Patriot Index. I can check this out at our local library.

I would like to start receiving your newsletter. I am enclosing \$10. If any of the foregoing rings a bell with you, please let me know.

Sincerely,


John E. Ernest