

September 23, 1994

Mr. Peter Whitlock
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Re: Charles Whitlock of Hanover Co.

Dear Peter:

Margaret and I had a successful trip to Salt Lake City. She was able to get a lot of information on her side of the family. She is back to 1200 on two of her lines. I got a lot of bits and pieces but nothing dramatic.

I reviewed the land tax records and the personal property tax records for the period 1782 up to 1863 for the "lower revenue district" of Hanover County. For that period of time Hanover was divided into two taxing districts having various designations. Comparing the two districts I find that the lower revenue district contained the surnames Hughes, Talley, White, Whitlock, Burnett, Hundley and Earnest. The other revenue district generally does not.

Subsequent to our trip I obtained a deed showing a transfer of land (47 1/2 acres) recorded in Pulaski County between Henry Clay Earnest and James Edwin Earnest. I have known about this deed for a long time but it did not seem relevant to Hanover Co. To my surprise however the land in question was located in Hanover Co. and even more to my surprise the land once belonged to Charles Whitlock.

Charles lives in the lower revenue district and owns 252 acres. In 1837 he is dead according to the tax list. Those listed in the deed were James E., Henry Clay, Allen Martin, John M. Lindsay, Ezekiel Talley, Louisa Whitlock and Mary Whitlock. If five of these listed were beneficiaries then 1/5 of the 252 acres would be roughly 47 1/2 acres each. At this time we cannot know for sure because boundaries were described using the neighbors land so some of these might just be neighbors. I believe that this indicates that James E. and Henry clay were grandchildren.

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However Charles is now beginning to take shape. I estimate his birth to be abt 1780. He is married about 1803 and has two daughters by 1810, Lucy Ann and maybe Roxanna. By 1820 one daughter is 16 or so. Charles acquires 202 acres in 1811 from Charles and Billy Talley. The land designation for this

property is Whitting Swamp and Matadequin Creek which is the Old Church area where the Earnests lived. In 1814 he acquires two lots in Hanover City. By 1815 Charles has eight slaves, four horses and 12 cattle/hogs. By 1817 he has acquired another 50 acres. He is dead in 1837. Two of his grandchildren are Henry Clay and James Edwin. The land shows "Es"tate up until 1863. It appears then that Charles's wife was probably in possession of the property up until somewhere between 1863 and 1869. Henry and James therefore inherit upon the death of Charles's wife. I wonder if Mrs. Charles Whitlock was a Talley? This Charles appears to be the Charles Whitlock mentioned in the Brand and Whitlock family notes.

In researching all the Whitlock references at the FHL I came across the Christmas genealogy. I believe the FHL will copy it for you. I don't recall what they charge. Enclosed are copies of the first two pages. A copy of the deed is enclosed plus a copy of the translation. Are any of these names in the deed familiar to you?

Sincerely,


John