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Dear Peter,

I just got both of your letters which took a while to get to me since I just moved back to Salt Lake. I put my new address below. I also received the copies of the draft registration cards for my grandfather Elmer Whitlock and his brother Walter. My mother really got a kick out seeing them. Thank you very much for sending them. I also received yesterday the IGI instructions. I will give it shot when I got to the library this week and let you know how I do.

The place I initially found a James Whitlock married to Abigail Hartley was in the Ancestral File not the IGI - my mistake. I am going to try to get the name and address of the submitter which I forgot to do the first time and see if I can contact that person. I was able to verify the IGI info on the date and location that John J Whitlock and Abigail were married by reviewing the microfilm of the Russell county Kentucky marriage records. While it is possible that John J is James and used his middle name, I have no proof. Currently I am going through the Russell county records to try to get some proof or substantiation that John J and James may have been the same person.

In 1830 Kentucky there were several Whitlocks:

Whitlock, Eliza	Cumb	147
Whitlock, James	Gree	044
Whitlock, John	Warr	070
Whitlock, John	Chri	042
Whitlock, Thomas	Gree	044
Whitlock, William	Russ	123

I haven't had a chance to abstract the census records yet. I also noticed that Green county was very close to Russell county. The other puzzler will be if John J and James are the same person, if he is listed as John or James in the census records. To bad he didn't have a more unusually first name. I started on some deed records and did find in the earliest records some purchases by a John Whitlock, William Whitlock and mention of land going from John Whitlock to Charles Whitlock. This was just from the indexes so I still need to go to the actual deed records. The IGI had a Thomas Whitlock and Molly Warren from Louisa county listed as the parents of John J. Do you know much about those two? I also need to see if James and Abigail were in Illinois before going into Iowa. I suspect strongly that they were there. I also found a John Hartley in the Russell county land records in the 1830s time frame.

I located Abigail Whitlock in the 1850 Iowa Census:

1850 Federal Census for Iowa

Mahaska County (Monroe twp), p 171, taken 23 Aug 1850, Dwelling 326, Family 228

- Whitlock, Abigail 35 y/o F, born in Kentucky
- Whitlock, Asa M 15 y/o M, farmer, born in Kentucky
- Whitlock, Ezra, 13 y/o M, born in Kentucky
- Whitlock, Pinkley (?) 8y/o M, born in Kentucky
- Whitlock, Mary J 5y/o F born in Iowa

Asa is listed here as well as with the Bartletts. I assume he was working at the Bartletts when he was enumerated with them. I don't think the name Pinkley is right, but the writing on this record was poor. I had two other persons look at it and Pinkley or Binkley was the best we could do. Whoever he was he was not listed as one of the minor children of Abigail Whitlock in the probate records so maybe both Abigail and the 8 year old died of some illness. I also noticed that May was born in Iowa which means that the Whitlocks were in Iowa by about 1845. I am going to get Abigail and Asa registered as Iowa Pioneers with the Iowa Genealogical Society.

I also found some land records in Iowa regarding James Whitlock:

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Mahaska County Iowa Abstract of Original Land Entries 1848-1858 (Film 0976782)

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S33 T77N R17W, District of Fort Des Moines

SW1/4 SE1/4 40 acres for \$50 James Whitlock, Date of sale 23 March 1848, Certificate # 1051

This land matches the land sold in the probate proceedings in 1856. I searched the Mahaska county 1856 State Iowa census 3 times and have not been able to find Asa Whitlock or his siblings. I wanted to find them because that state census also listed how long the person has been a resident of the state of Iowa.

Do you happen to know of anyone else that is doing Kentucky research on Whitlocks? I would like to share information etc if so.

I am still working on abstracting censuses for Whitlock. I was delayed a little with the move, but will send you another diskette when I have abstracted enough new records.

As always, thank you very much for your help.

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