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Dear Peter:

We are now back in Mich. after spending the winter out southwest & as I stated before I am now trying to keep up with family research as it comes across my desk, which is why I am writing you again so soon. I have several misc. family data that I want to check out with you as follows:

First - many, many years ago the following was sent to me & I am wondering how much you may have on this branch - perhaps what I am giving you below you may already have?????

JAMES RAGLAN WHITLOCK b-8/25/1791 Suffolk, VA  
d-10/2/1847 Marshall, Clark Co., ILL  
m 1814 in VA - Eliza Ann Swepson b-11/ /1798 Suffolk, Va., d-Marshall, IA  
James was not willing that his children be brought up in a slave state - Richmond, VA, so he left alone in order to establish a home to which he might bring his family. Later his brother William, accompanied his family from VA Partway by horse & part by the Ohio River, to the southern part of ILL where James met them. Their stopping place was Jonesboro, they went from there to Vandalia, capitol of the state & at that time where James was State Recorder for some time. When the capitol was moved to Springfield, Ill., I think the next move was to Chicago, where they lived until a Col. Archer persuaded James to go to his new town of Marshall. Eliza was born & raised & married in a slave state, had never arranged her own hair or fastened her own shoes, but she went happily to the North with their six small children & had 10 more born to her in Ill. She was beloved by all who knew her & all said she was the most "perfect lady" they ever knew. When the family went to Marshall from Chicago to live they brought with them a stock of dry-goods, not well suited to the needs of a new town. This was one of the first stores opened here in Marshall. They also brought the first piano to Marshall.  
Ref: 1970's Maria Irion Turner - 1490 Haynes Rd., Memphis, TN 38100

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one known child: Eliza Ann Whitlock b-8/25/1819 VA, d-12/3/1903 Marshall, Ill. cem  
m 11/7/1838 Chicago, Ill. - Jonathan K. Greenough  
Eliza att. the Catholic Convent in Kaskaskia. When she was ready to start home the stage coach could carry only one comparatively small trunk, the other, packed with books, music, paintings (all her school work) was to follow later, but was lost or stolen.  
one known child:

- a. Frances E. Greenough - lived to be in her 90's  
she is the one who supplied this info to Maria Turner.

QUESTION - Peter do you have the above already - if so, do you know where they fit into other Whitlock fams.??? I know their marriage record appears in your list of marriages, but I do not find anything further in your WHITLOCK GLEANINGS on them.

Next - Because I thought at the time I wrote, Bill Senter that his Whitlocks might have come out of Virginia (which is where mine came from) I wrote to Bill on that premise, I thought his THOMAS K. WHITLOCK (1812-1866/m?) wife - Dicey Eliz. Brogan - could??? be a son of - WILLIAM WHITLOCK (1761-1833/4/5?) & his wife Roseanna Shelton - of Virginia, then to Kentucky, thence to Illinois William & Roseanna had a son - Thomas born 1812 - same year as Bill's Thomas K. so I wrote to Bill - he wrote back that you sent him info that his Thomas b-1812, could?? be the son of a WILLIAM WHITLOCK who was killed 2/5/1815 in the Battle of New Orleans.....

my QUESTION is - who is William killed 1815 New Orleans - I can <sup>find</sup> nothing in my index on him which tells me I've missed something from your WHITLOCK FAM. NEWSLTR. Can you give me a brief outline of this William's data - I am wondering if this William could have been from state of Virginia & if so, I'd like to add to my Virginia records.

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Next - I have an extra copy of pp.164 through 171 = Bicentennial History - Powhatan Co., Va. by Richard Couture.....which covers data on:

HENRY WHITLOCK who c1820 came to Jefferson, VA, etc. etc.

QUESTION - do you know of this book, if not, let me know & I <sup>will</sup> send you a copy of what I have. I have no idea where these Whitlock's fit into the scheme of things.

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Next - Back in Vol. 12, No. 4, Dec. 1993, p.7 & 8 - you listed VIRGINIA RESEARCH that you had catalogued - REF78 - I see p. 34 & p. 36 VIRGINIA Wills 7 VIRGINIA Parishes searched, p. 75 Extracts from VA quarterlies, p. 78 - 1790 Va. census p. 79 - 83 Family Notes #1 misc VA wills & land Records p. 466 - VA Wills & Adms.

Can I get copies of these & if so, how much do I owe you for them?

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QUESTION - have you a new (since 1991 - las one I have) list of subscribers & their addresses that I can have a copy of?

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Next - I have pp 813 & 815 from SESQUICENTENNIAL AT YORKTOWN Oct. 16th-19th, 1931 - from a paper presented by **Rosena Foster Whitlock**, then Regent of Jersey Blue Chap. New Brunswick, N.J. to the New Brunsw. Hist. Club (Minute Book V, p. 100) edited by Melvina M. Oehlers State Chairman Yorktown Bicentennial Comm., Princeton Chap., N.J.

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this item was sent to me many years ago by another researcher (1982) - I never did anything with it & just recently came across it & wondered if you have anything on a Rosena (Foster) Whitlock - ????

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Next - I came across the following while going through my Whitlock misc. records- Do you have anything from the publ. - 100 YEARS AT WARRINGTON, YORK CO., PA QUAKERS - on p. 53 there is a record of a marriage 1771 for a Joseph Elgar-Margaret Matthews of Fred. Co., MD & it lists witnesses, of which are a Sarah Whitlock & also an Isaac Whitlock - I would assume that Isaac & Sarah are probably husband & wife as the men/women were separated in the listing.

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Next - I have pp. 364-5 from - THE VIRGINIA MAGAZINE OF HIST. & BIOG.  
Vol. XX - ending Dec. 31, 1912

List of Obits. from Richmond, VA Newspapers that gives the following:

Mrs. Harriet Whitlocke, wife of John Whitlocke Nov. 24, 1807

QUESTION - do you have this in your files?

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Maybe by now, you've figured out I'm cleaning out records - I am also including pages on newspapers items I've collected through the years - IF YOU HAVE RECORDS ON ANY - would you please share with me how they connect to the various Whitlocks so I can re-check my index & place them in their proper place.

Reason why I'm doing this - I will be turning 73 in June & although I'm in good health, who knows what the future holds for me - I just inherited my son Jerry's 1991 computer (he just purch. a new one) & it behoves me to start getting all of my records in it on the premise that when I do die all of my research will be TRASHED as none of my family seems willing to pick up where I leave off - my boys couldn't care less & my grandchildren are still too young to get into it, so I figure if I can <sup>get</sup> everything on floppy disks they won't take up much space & I can leave them with my oldest son (John here in G.R.) who hopefully will preserve them for some future family member to use - ??? or, I could pass everything on floppy disks to the LDS Libr. in Utah - nobody wants my original typed/handwritten notes manuscripts - I have tons of them on umpteen surnames - I checked with the LDS, Mich. State Libr. - they only want neat typed (with indexes) manuscripts, so this is my only recourse - it kills me to have to trash my original research, but nobody wants them - I put my life blood into this research - over almost 50 years of records. The biggest probelm right now is that I know absolutely nothing about computers - I don't even know how to turn them on, plus there are 8 books of instructions that Jerry turned over to me - how in the world can running a computer be so ~~xxxx~~ "simple" - that's what everyone says - if it takes 8 books of instruction - there has got to be an easier way & if there is - I am going to find it - I am not going to use 8 books to tell me how - I don't have time, I want it done yesterday - I thought about using public educa. for seniors - but we found out that the instructor likes to "talk" his way through teaching, then getting down to bare facts & teaching the basics - & I can't afford to pay for regular classes, so it looks like I've got my work cut-out finding a way to teach myself. I've heard the LDS has PAF - but they are out of it right now, but as soon as they get them in, I'm going to get that program - have you heard of it? I have to get something that's compatible for DOS - it takes 5 1/4" ~~xxx~~ disk & I'm told that PAF will work - ~~xxxx~~ we'll see what happens!

Thanks for straightening me out on Mrs. Martha m Berkeley Co., Va. - Jas. Whitelock & her poss. connection to Martha Whitlock - Hanover Co., VA 1825 Will, proved 1839. I can cancel that out of my ideas.

Well - I have a lot of odds/ends to clean up, so will end this for now.....

