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Subject: Re: Zalmon Whitlock
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Hi Peter M.:

Thank you so much for the news about Zalmon and Sally Whitlock! That is fantastic! I found an ancestral file for another contemporary of his by the same name in Vermont. Because I felt like I had so little to go on them, I've been holding off from really believing I am descended from John Whitlock d. 1659.

I haven't heard from George Cole, but am curious. Do you have an e-mail address for him?

I read about the theory concerning John W.'s origins in the newsletter and also thought it deserving of merit. Yes, please, I would like a copy of the obituary for Sadie Whitlock from the Second Presbyterian Church, Oak Park, Illinois. And I would very much love any information at all you can send me about any of the ancestors in that line. I have almost no information about the lives of anyone before Henry W. d. 1897. I am especially curious whether you have anything that ties to

various ancestors I believe I am related to through Henry Whitlock in some as yet inconclusive way: Rachel Williams, "Grandma Stoddard," Carrie Stirrup, and Sarah Brunson. All four are referred to in my grandfather's family history file (more on that below).

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I haven't been able to open the Whitlock09.wpd file you sent. I'm using Microsoft Word 6 on a Macintosh. It can open Word files for Windows, provided they are versions 6.0 or less. But I can't seem to open the Word Perfect format you used. Please send Whitlock09 again in a different file format.

I'm concerned because my internet research clarified some relationships that I think I might have incorrectly attributed on the GEDCOM I sent you. I also have better information now for the more recent descendants of Maurice Whitlock. Attached just in case is my most recent Whitlock family file. Unfortunately, I haven't updated most of the source information yet.

You asked about my primary sources. We have a family bible for the ancestry of Shirley Billings, my grandfather's first wife (i.e., my biological grandmother). It was prepared by her brother and his wife, and it goes way back to several other early New Englanders. It has beautiful semi-circular family trees, loads of detail about several ancestors, and often cites in detail the sources of the information. So that's the model I'm following, but it didn't help much with Whitlocks. It might have stirred my grandfather, Herbert E. W., to have some interest in his own

genealogy.

My grandfather kept a very thin family history file (about 10 pages thick, most of them scraps of paper with scribbled ponderings and versions of the tree) in his desk drawer. It contains a few lists of persons with names and dates, two notarized letters by Edward Hickox Whitlock concerning Herbert A's citizenship, and three pages of typed notes transcribed from some long-lost notes by Helen Hallock that are referred to in Mabel Hallock's letter to Herbert A. W. After Shirley died, my grandfather remarried, moved away, retired, and started anew. He'd put all of his old life into boxes and files, and never looked at or talked about it. His brother, Maurice, was the primary genealogist. Maurice and his wife went to Scotland and to Salt Lake City tracing ancestry in both those places. He always said he'd found out about some early Whitlocks in New England, but couldn't trace any direct connections to them. I used to assume that all of the handwriting in my grandfather's file was my great-uncle Maurice's, but on closer inspection nearly all of the handwriting belongs to Herbert Ashby W., my great-grandfather.

The ranges of death dates for Zalmon and Sally W. were given by Herbert A. W. d. 1961, and the same ranges are faithfully repeated a few times in my grandfather's file. One note Herbert A. left calls Northfield, Connecticut the "family burial ground of the Whitlocks." Perhaps he visited Zalmon and Sally's graves there, but was unable to clearly read the death date. (On a side note: I probably will try to look for the Northfield graves some time in the next few months; is there any information I should look for there for your files?) More likely perhaps is that the dates are based on the memory of his father, Edward H. W. d. 1930, or perhaps Mabel or Helen Hallock. It appears from the file that Herbert A. W. became seriously interested in his ancestry for at least a short while shortly after World War II. Other than Helen H.'s notes, I can really only speculate on his sources.

I attempted to call my great-uncle Maurice in Oregon to ask about his genealogical digging shortly before the holiday. I spoke with his wife, Gwen Malloy W., because he wasn't home. She was very encouraging, but they seemed to have nothing more than what I had already learned.

Sadly, that was my last conversation with Gwen. She passed away in her sleep Dec. 22, while they were both visiting with the Carlson family in Georgia. I want to send everything I've found to Maurice soon, and keep xeroxes here for myself. When I get to that, I'll also send you copies of my grandfather's file for the Association files. I'd like to approach Maurice again about the family tree searching some time, but I don't feel comfortable bringing it up again right now.

Best regards and many thanks,

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From: Peter Whitlock <whitlock@cape.com>
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Hi Peter in B.C.-

I finally found a way to look at the attachment file you sent me: Whitlock_09.wpd. It just took a while for me to think of saving the attachment to a Windows-format disk and to transfer the disk to a Windows computer (I ordinarily use a Mac that doesn't like newer Word Perfectfiles).

The section after Zalmon Whitlock bp. 1795 looks good with respect to myresearch, but there are a few holes I can fill in, and a few changes I'll recommend here:

Most important to me, the memory of my Herbert Edward Whitlock's divorce in 1961 is still fresh and hurtful in the minds of several of the living. Please do not include it in the online info. That's my fault for sending it to you. In light of Shirley Billings's death in 1964, and the lack of a marriage date with Helen Coburn Stevens (they married in 1963 if you want to record that somewhere offline), there is no need to spell out the divorce.

Marianne Cumming should be Marianne LOFTUS. Her first husband's name was Cumming, but her maiden name was Loftus. She had three sons by her first marriage, and possibly some daughters as well, but those are not necessary for inclusion of course. So my father was her second husband. Both my parents' and her first marriage ended in divorce. You can include those divorces if you like as they were less controversial among the family than the one stated above.

Also, from Q3) Maurice Hamilton Whitlock - M- Gwen Malloy, there should be the following:

R1) Bruce Alan Whitlock (b. 27 Feb 1947)

R2) Edith Margaret Whitlock (b. 19 Sep 1948) -M- Charles Carlson

S1) Christina Margaret Carlson b. 9 Jul 1979

S2) Douglas Charles Carlson b. 7 Jul 1982

R3) Maureen Gwen Whitlock (b. 12 Sep 1951??) -M- Gary Michal

S1) Matthew James Michal b. 23 Aug 1983

S2) Stephanie Ann Michal b. 17 Jun 1985

S3) Brian Thomas Michal b. 6 Jun 1988

Unless you have good evidence to the contrary, I think "O1) Lyman Whitlock" should be spelled, "Leman Whitlock." Both Mabel and Helen Hallock spelled his name with an "e" on multiple occasions in the writings I just sent you a few days ago. Maurice and Herbert A. Whitlock both repeated that spelling in their research. Your file is the only place I've seen it spelled with a "y," although I must admit I do prefer the name "Lyman" to "Leman."

O3) Rachel Amelia Whitlock - M- Hiram Ketcham Hallock on 5 Feb 1880 Adams, Nebraska (IGI record thru FamilySearch.org might have given DOB/DOD, I don't recall, but will check

soon)

P1) Helen Hallock

P2) Mabel Hallock

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Mabel adopted several children; names are included in her letter to Herbert A. Whitlock; that letter is in the same package mentioned above. I don't see the need to include them, but I can extract the names for you if you like.

Also missing seem to be siblings of Henry Whitlock and their children.
These should be as follows:

N2) Hiram Whitlock

[unclear to me now if he had children; this is not Hiram K. Hallock and definitely was a brother of Henry, possibly older; only primary source is Helen Hallock's notes, but both Maurice and Herbert A. accepted his existence in their notes. I suppose it's possible, though, that she was referring to one of the other Hiram Whitlocks contemporary with Henry.]

N3) Charles Whitlock - M - Emma _? [according to Helen Hallock, they lived in Chicago, Illinois]

O1) Albert Whitlock

O2) Belle Whitlock (Cade?)

O3) Charles Whitlock Jr.

N4) Emeline Whitlock - M - Robert I. Tolls (spelled "Tolles" on IGI Record with FamilySearch.org) 21 Sep 1841 Woodbury, Litchfield Co., Conn.

O1) Helen Tolls

O2) Sarah Tolls -M- _ Minor

I suppose I can understand your wanting to exclude these sibs of Henry W. based on the scanty paper trail; however, I did at least find a marriage record for N4) on the Internet, and it's in a town close to where Henry apparently grew up.

I'd love to learn more about any additional info or sources you have on ancestors or descendants of Zalmon Whitlock.

Thank you again for all that you do for Whitlocks and genealogists,

Peter on Cape Cod