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Dear Mrs. Austin,

You researched several of my family lines in the early 1970's. Since that time (off and on as time and resources allowed) I have been doing my own research. In the process of conducting that research I discovered proof (in some lines) and very convincing evidence (in other lines) that some of your conclusions on my lines were in error. In some cases it was simply that I descend from a different brother or other close relative; in other cases I believe that I descend from a more remote branch of the same family or even from an unconnected family of the same name.

I know that you have published some of the genealogies in question in print and/or online. For the sake of accuracy, I am listing (below) the differences in our conclusions, showing the proof or evidence leading to my conclusion, as well as a little additional information. I am also showing your conclusion, either as shown in the research you sent to me in the 1970's or from your book, THE GEORGIANS, as I don't own any of your other books of genealogies and I am not a subscriber to your site.

LIGHTNER - Kate Lightner (Catherine Augusta Lightner, b. 1891; d. 1961) was named, as were her siblings, in the 28 June 1900 Chattahoochee Co., GA will of her father, James Marion Lightner. Kate, Marion's youngest child by Catherine Augusta Adams (mother of all of his children), was left a large amount of land in Item 3<sup>rd</sup> of J. M. Lightner's will. Kate's living siblings (Ennis, Charlie, Alice, Mary Ella & Clark) were given a large amount of property later in the Will. Marion appointed his brother-in-law, Willis M. Smith (husband of Marion's sister, Martha Amanda "Mandy" Lightner) as Testamentary Guardian of his daughter, Kate. Later in the Will, Marion appointed his wife, Ellen Lightner (Mrs. Ellen Psalmonds Lightner - see below) Testamentary guardian of his other minor children, Alice, Mary Ella & Clark. (Your information did not show Kate Lightner as being named in her father's Will.)

James Marion Lightner (1836-1909), to my knowledge, did not have a wife named Ellen Smith. I apologize if anything in the information I sent you in the 1970's, when I was a teenager, led to "Ellen Smith" being named by you as a wife of Marion. James Marion Lightner's first wife and the mother of all of his children, Catherine Augusta Adams, whom he married in Chattahoochee Co. in 1869, died in 1891, three days after the birth of her daughter, Kate. Kate was partly raised by Marion's sister, Mrs. Martha Amanda "Mandy" Lightner Smith (wife of Willis M. Smith). Kate's descendants referred to Mandy as both "Aunt Mandy" and "Grandma Smith." Later in 1891, James Marion Lightner married (2) Miss Alesy Ellen Psalmonds. Marion's descendants called her

"Grandma Ellen."

James Marion Lightner's father, Eli Lightner, was a son of Philip Lightner (son of John Lightner of Fairfield Co., SC) and Elizabeth (maiden name unknown). (You showed Eli as a son of Michael Lightner.) Several years ago quite a bit of evidence (Jones County, Georgia land & tax records, and names of some of Eli's brother's children) made me decide, as did other descendants, that Philip Lightner was Eli's father. The proof appeared online in the form of a message posted by KarolJay at Ancestry.com's Family History & Genealogy Message Board (surname Leitner) on 23 Jun 2008 under the title, Phillip Leitner. That message concerned the estate papers of John Leitner who died in Fairfield Co., SC in 1832 (estate settled in 1837). The papers mentioned John's siblings and the heirs of the deceased brother, Philip Lightner. The message states, "Apparently the heirs did not get their share because years later, in 1855, his heirs requested their share." The heirs were Timothy McFerson and wife Lavinia, Arthur McFerson and wife Luvicis(?), John Leightner and Eli Leightner. The message gives the information that the other heirs of John's estate were the heirs of Elizabeth Gibson (mother of Humphrey Gibson), heirs of Christian Lightner, & Mary Lightner. It states that "another sister who did not receive a distributive share..." was "Barbary Kennedy" and that "another daughter" (of John Lightner who d. 1802) was Caty. (Please check the Message Board for the exact message)

Jones Co., GA marriage records show that Vina Lidner (Lightner) md. Timothy McPherson in 1826, Barbary Louisa Litner (or Litener) (Lightner) md. (Timothy's brother) Arthur McPherson in 1827, John Thomas Lightner md. Caroline Harrington in 1834 and Eli Lightner md. Lucinda P. Tucker in 1835. Vina's full name was probably Mary Lavinia "Vina" Lightner. She and Timothy moved to Bibb County and had a large family. Barbary's middle name was Luvicie (per a relative) or Louisa (per the marriage record). A census also shows the initial, E, as part of Barbary's name. John Thomas Lightner moved to Marion & Schley Counties.

Philip Lightner's widow was apparently Elizabeth \_\_\_\_\_, b. c. 1785 in South Carolina, who apparently married (although there is no marriage record for her in Jones Co., GA) about 1819 a widower named Josiah Erwin/Irwin/Irvin (information from another descendant of Eli Lightner). It appears that Josiah and Elizabeth had at least one child together: Christian or Christina Erwin, who was on the 1850 Jones Co. Census in their household. Christian/Christina md. Julius Mitchell Owens in Jones Co. Josiah died bet. 1860 - 1870. Elizabeth was living in Bibb Co., GA at the time of the 1870 census, but was not shown on the 1880 census. I think that Dutson Erwin of Bibb County was a son of Josiah by a previous wife.

The children of Eli Lightner & Lucinda Tucker were James Marion Lightner (md. 1. Catherine Augusta Adams & 2. Alesy Ellen Psalmonds; John Mitchell Lightner (md. Laura Virginia Paulk); Catherine Camilla (or Camilla Catherine) Lightner (md. Neal Washington Albrecht); Martha Amanda "Mandy" Lightner (md. Willis M. Smith); Fannie Lightner (middle initial was E. and/or R.) (md. 1. John D. Cooksey & 2., as his 2<sup>nd</sup> wife, William James Lightner, son of John Thomas Lightner & Caroline

Harrington); & Lucinda "Lucy" Harriet Lightner (md. Benjamin Franklin "Tobe" Williams, son of Nathaniel Jackson Williams & Louisa Cleveland).

I discovered online ([www.palmettoroots.org](http://www.palmettoroots.org) & [dutchforkchapter.org](http://dutchforkchapter.org)) that Christian Leytner (aka Christopher Lightner/Leitner) a wife, daughter, Eva, age 24, son, Michael, age 18, and son, John, age 15, arrived at Charleston, SC in 1752 on the Rowand, a snow out of the port of Rotterdam. This conflicts with some researchers' theories that Christopher Lightner of SC was from Pennsylvania.

TUCKER - Lucinda Tucker (1815 GA-1880 Chattahoochee Co., GA) (wife of Eli Lightner). Descendants show her as Amanda Lucinda Tucker or Lucinda Amanda Tucker, but her Jones Co., GA marriage record (online at GA Archives site) shows her as Lucinda P. Tucker. I have recently been told that my grandmother's sister (a granddaughter of Lucinda) told two of her own granddaughters that Lucinda was an Indian (Native American) woman. Timothy Tucker, who is listed in the online Index to the 1809 Tax Digest for Jackson County, Georgia, was dismissed from the militia in Hancock Co., GA in 18\_\_, as he had reached the age of 45. He was on the 1830 census of Jones Co., GA and had females in his household who were in Lucinda Tucker's age group. If Lucinda was Timothy's daughter, perhaps she was only half Native American. Possible siblings of Lucinda Tucker were Mary J. Tucker who married Jeremiah Culpepper in Jones Co., GA in 1831 (marriage performed by M. L. McPherson, J.P., who was a brother of Timothy McPherson & Arthur McPherson), moved to Muscogee and Chattahoochee Counties and later Autauga Co., AL (She had a daughter named Lucinda), Joseph Tarpley (or Tapley) Tucker, and Martha Tucker. The following Tucker children were listed in 1829-30 Jones Co. GA Poor School Records, which are online: Mary, 16, Lucinda, 14, Martha, 10 & Tapley, 9. The records also showed Tuckner, Lucy E., 14 & Tuckner, Joseph H., 9. Fannie Lightner, daughter of Eli Lightner & Lucinda Tucker, married (1) John D. Cooksey, son of Duncan Cooksey & Gilly Ann Tucker (b. c. 1822 GA). Duncan Cooksey's sister, Jane (or Janet) Cooksey, married Joseph Tarpley Tucker (b. c. 1820 GA). Some of these Cooksey & Tucker families resided in Russell Co., AL.

(I think that you showed Lucinda as a daughter of Frederick Tucker of Hancock Co., GA.)

MORGAN - I believe that my Great-Great-Grandfather, William Morgan (aka William Solomon Morgan, Sr.) was born in Louisiana about 1819 (probably in Feliciana Parish) to Labon Morgan and his wife, Mary "Polly" Jane Prothro (b. c.1800 SC; d. bet. 1875-1880 Webster Par.,LA) daughter of William Prothro (1769 Cheraws Dist.,SC-1845 Claiborne Par., Louisiana). (Your first report on William Morgan showed him as being born in Louisiana, but in a subsequent report you said that was an error and that he was born in Georgia and was a son of Luke John Morgan.) The censuses of 1850 Stewart Co., GA and 1860-1880 Webster Co., GA all show Louisiana as William Morgan's place of birth. The 1900 census of Stewart Co., GA, in which the elderly and blind William Morgan is shown living in the household of his son, William S. Morgan, and that son's 2<sup>nd</sup> wife, Saphronia, along with the younger William's son, Frank (by his first wife Nancy "Nannie E. Sheppard, mother of all of the younger William's children), erroneously

shows the elder William's year of birth as 1826 and place of birth as Georgia. I suspect that "Fronie" (Mrs. Safronia Margaret Day Morgan) may have supplied the incorrect information. The 1870 census provided an important clue, as it showed a son, Labon L. Morgan, age 9 months, in William Morgan's household. That son was not on the 1880 census, so he evidently died in childhood. My aunt and cousin told me that they knew we were related to the Prothro family (William Prothro's brother, Nathaniel, has descendents in this area of Georgia). The 1847 Natchitoches Par., Louisiana Succession Record of John M. Prothro, which names his siblings and half-siblings, proves that Polly Prothro, wife of Laban Morgan was John M. Prothro's half-sister. At that time Labon & Mary were residents of Claiborne Par., Louisiana. Bienville Parish was later formed from Claiborne Parish. The 1880 census shows the birthplace of both of William Morgan's parents as SC. Labon Morgan was probably born in SC, as his proven father, Batson Morgan, resided in Darlington Co., SC in 1800 (per the census) and Batson's father, Rev. Solomon Morgan, was on the 1790 census of Cheraws Dist. SC and 1800 census of Darlington Co. Batson Morgan took his family, mostly by flatboat, to Feliciana Parish, Spanish West Florida (later Louisiana) about 1805 or 1806, when Labon was still a child, so that may account for the fact that his birthplace is given as MS on the 1850 census of Bienville Par., LA. That census shows that Labon's children (both those living in his household and in other households in the parish) were born in several states, including MS, LA, SC, GA, and FL. Labon's wife, Mary, was b. in SC according to that census. I have information from records which document Labon (or Laban) Morgan's travels and the fact that his wife was a daughter of William Prothro. Labon Morgan was in Stewart County, Georgia in the 1830's (see HISTORY OF STEWART COUNTY, GEORGIA, Vol. I, pages 16 & 67 & Vol. II, pages 558, 559, 561, 563 & 576) and is on an 1835 Stewart County record with John Harrell, who was an uncle of William Morgan's wife, Elizabeth Rachel Harrell. Stewart Co., GA militia records, which are in Vol. I, show that Laben (Labon, Laban) Morgan was commissioned as a Captain in the 778<sup>th</sup> Georgia Militia District in Feb. 1834 and was succeeded in Jan. 1835. U. S. General Land Office records for Louisiana prove that Mary Morgan, who lived in Webster Par., Louisiana in 1875 was the widow of Laban Morgan who had been in the Georgia Militia (Capt. Cree Wa Labon Morgan's mother was Elizabeth Waddell (daughter of Abel Waddell & Rachel Standard), the first wife of Batson Morgan.

HARRELL - Elizabeth Rachel Harrell who married William Morgan in Stewart Co., GA in 1844 and died after 1880, was a daughter of Solomon J. Harrell and Nancy Turner who were married in Jefferson Co., GA in 1817. My copy of the 1908 Stewart County, GA Will of W. S. Morgan (son of Elizabeth Rachel Harrell & William Morgan), which I obtained directly from the Will Book, states, "...invested in tombstones, one for my grave, one for Saphronia Morgan - one for my father William Morgan, one for my mother, Rachael Morgan, one over my Uncle David B. Harrell's grave..." A biography of David B. Harrell, which is in MEMOIRS OF GEORGIA, states that he was a son of Solomon Harrell and Nancy Turner. (Your report showed Elizabeth Rachel Harrell as a daughter of John Harrell.) John Harrell was a brother of Rachel's father, Solomon J. Harrell. Another brother was Jesse P. Harrell, whose daughter, Celia Ann Lucetta Perryman Harrell (widow of Confederate soldier James Nicholson), married (as his 2<sup>nd</sup> wife) William Morgan, widower of her cousin, Elizabeth Rachel Harrell. Elizabeth

Rachel Harrell was the mother of all of William Morgan's children, but his 2<sup>nd</sup> wife, Celia, was the mother of a large family of Nicholson children. The Harrell brothers mentioned above were sons of Jesse Harrell and his wife, Rachel Kittrell, who were married in Bertie Co., NC in 1794. Their son, Solomon J. Harrell was born in 1796. Some genealogies show the above Jesse Harrell as Jesse Bryan Harrell, the son who was named in the 1810 Bertie Co., NC Will of Joshua Harrell. That could not be so, as Joshua Harrell's Will, which is online at the USGenWeb Archives site for Bertie Co., states, "...I give and bequeath unto my son Jesse Bryan Harrell twenty shillings North Carolina currency, also I lend to my son Jesse Bryan Harrell my young sorrell? Mare and her future increase and one feather bed and furniture, for his use, and also for the use of his children (if ever he should have any) during his own life and all his children's natural lives..." My ancestor, Jesse Harrell, was married and the father of several children by 1810, when Jesse Bryan Harrell, son of Joshua Harrell, was still childless. The NC Will of a Jesse Harrell, husband of Fereby, named (among his children) a son, Jesse Harrell, and a daughter, Priscilla Vinson (named as mother of Rachel Kittrell). Online genealogies show that Priscilla Harrell married 1. Jethro Kittrell and 2. John Vinson. Some descendants believe that Rachel Kittrell, the wife of Jesse Harrell, was the Rachel Kittrell who was the daughter of Jethro Kittrell and Priscilla Harrell.

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ADAMS - Edwin Adams, whose first name may have been Charles, was the father of Mrs. Catherine Augusta Adams Lightner and several other children. His wife was Sarah "Sallie" Fisher, daughter of Rev. Charles Fisher & Mary Helms. Edwin was a son of Philip Adams (son of George Adams & Sarah Proctor) & Holly D. Rudd (daughter of Fields Rudd). Most of this can be proven by Probate records, census records, and at least one Death Certificate. Books and articles on the Adams family give some of this information, including HISTORY OF STEWART COUNTY, GEORGIA, Vol. II. Philip Adams was listed next to Charles Fisher on the 1840 census of Talbot Co., GA. Their children, Edwin Adams & Sarah Fisher, had been married in that county in 1834. George Adams, husband of Malinda Jane Fisher, was a son of Robert Adams (brother of Philip) and Margaret F. Rudd (sister of Holly). (Your information showed Edwin Adams and his cousin, George Adams, as sons of Richard Adams, who was from Richland Co., SC.)

FISHER - Rev. Charles Fisher was b. 1787 in either Mecklenburg Co. NC (tombstone) or in Greene Co., GA (1850 census) and died 1866 at Jamestown, Chattahoochee Co., GA. I am certain that his parents were William Fisher & Nancy Phillips (also ancestors of Pres. Carter - see ANCESTORS OF AMERICAN PRESIDENTS). Rev. Charles Fisher's wife, according to HISTORY OF CHATTAHOOCHEE COUNTY, GEORGIA, which cites the Fisher Family Bible as a reference, was Mary Helms. According to ANCESTORS OF AMERICAN PRESIDENTS, Pres. Carter's ancestors include Pamly Uriah Helms & his wife, Elizabeth Fisher (b. abt. 1792 Mecklenburg Co., NC), daughter of William Fisher & Nancy Phillips. THE FISHER SCRAP BOOK 1732-1972, by William L. Jones, Sr. shows that the latter couple had a son named Charles. Both Fisher-Helms couples used the names, William, Nancy, Charles A., George Washington, Mary Ann, Jane and Harriet(t) for their children. THE FISHER SCRAP BOOK also shows that William Fisher,

husband of Nancy Phillips, left a Will in Wilcox Co., AL (where he had moved after 1820) dated 1835, in which he named his wife, Nancy & children, Milley Walker wife of Andrew Walker, Sarah Belk, Charles Fisher, Elizabeth Helms wife of Uriah Helms, Polly Higginbotham, John Fisher, Green A. Fisher, James R. Fisher and George D. Fisher. The 1860 census of Chattahoochee Co., GA shows the household of Charles Fisher, age 72, b. in Ga, as Dwelling #142. Dwelling #145 was that of Elizabeth Helms, age 69, b. in NC. I have seen information in one of the Genealogy Forum sites that may indicate why Rev. Charles Fisher, the son of a man from Mecklenburg Co., NC, is shown on two census records as having been born in Georgia, although the engraving on his obelisk states that he was born in Mecklenburg Co., NC. I think that Charles Fisher's parents may have made an excursion into Georgia around the time of his birth, and later returned to Mecklenburg Co. NC. "The Gulf States Historical Magazine" (1902) (from Snippets found at Google Book Search) states, "George D. Fisher studied medicine at the Transylvania University,...He was killed by deserters in Middle West Florida near Geneva, Ala., in 1865...George D. had two brothers, Green and James Fisher, who went to Texas. To the same family belonged Charles Fisher, a Methodist minister, who moved to Georgia, dying at Jamestown." (You show Rev. Charles Fisher as a son of John Fisher & Mehitable Metcalf and brother of Metcalf Fisher of Washington Co., GA.)

It is true that Rev. Charles Fisher was once a resident of Washington County, Georgia. His wife, Mary Helms, was b. abt. 1793 or 1793 in either Washington County, Georgia (1850 Muscogee Co., GA census) or in NC (1880 census record of one of her daughters). Rev. Charles Fisher married Mary Helms in 1810 according to the Fisher Family Bible. Charles Fisher was a household head on the 1820 census of Washington Co., GA. Mary, wife of Charles Fisher, was named as a daughter in the 1824 Washington County, GA Will of (Rev.) John Covington. The Will also named several other daughters, including one named Malinda. Rev. Charles Fisher & Mary Helms named one of their daughters Malinda Jane Fisher. Rev. Covington's Will also named his wife, Chloe. Secondary online sources show that Rev. John Covington had a previous wife named Sarah Porter. Chloe was said to have been an Askew. I don't know if Askew was her maiden name or if she was an Askew widow. Census records seem to indicate that the wife in Rev. Covington's 1820 household was not Chloe, who was a younger woman according to later censuses. I can only speculate that Rev. John Covington was the stepfather of Mrs. Mary Helms Fisher and that Rev. John Covington's previous wife (Sarah Porter?) was the mother of Mrs. Mary Helms Fisher and that Sarah was the widow of an unknown Helms man (father of Mrs. Mary Helms Fisher) who was probably related in some way to Elizabeth Fisher's husband, Pamly Uriah Helms. One of the children of Rev. Charles Fisher & Mary Helms was named John C. Fisher.

SHEPPARD - I believe that John M. Sheppard/Shepherd (1808 GA-1869 Webster Co., GA), was a son of Thomas Sheppard/Shepherd (1780 NC- 1872 Covington, Newton Co., GA) & Sarah "Sally" Ramey (1786 VA/NC-1865 Newton Co., GA), who was a daughter of Presley Ramey & Judith "Judy" Owen & a sister of Daniel Ramey, who md. Mary Morton. A Confederate record shown on p. 610 of HISTORY OF WEBSTER COUNTY, GEORGIA of Daniel R. Shepherd, shows that Daniel was born in Henry Co., GA in 1838. Family records and census records prove that Daniel was a son of John M.

Sheppard/Shepherd and Eliza Tarver. John M. Sheppard was on the 1830 census of Newton County, where he had married Eliza Tarver in 1827. Thomas Sheppard/Shepherd was on the Newton Co., GA census from 1830 until 1870. He was also on the 1820 census of Clarke Co., GA. Edwin Shepherd, who was on an 1843 Henry Co., GA deed with John M. Shepherd and Isaac P. Gay, was head of the household immediately after that of John M. Shepherd on the 1840 census of Henry Co., GA. Probable siblings of John M. Sheppard/ Shepherd (1808-1869) include Elizabeth Sheppard/Shepherd, b. 1805 GA (md. Isaac P. Gay and stated in an online genealogy to be a daughter of Thomas), Ruth Sheppard/Shepherd, b. bet. 1810-1815 (md. Thomas Morton Duke), Edwin Sheppard/Shepherd, b. 1812 (md. Emily Duke), and Thomas J. Sheppard/Sheppard, b. 1826 (md. Grace Ann Beck). In addition, I suspect that Thomas Sheppard/Shepherd (b. 1780) was a brother of Mrs. Ruth Sheppard/Shepherd Johnson Henderson, whose daughter, Frances Caroline Henderson, married Rufus Miltiades Tarver, brother of John M. Sheppard's wife, Eliza Tarver. Ruth's mother, Ann Shepherd, died in Newton County, Georgia in 1836. Some genealogies show Ruth as a daughter of Providence Prosperity Sheppard & Ann Walker. Providence Sheppard/Shepherd was in Hertford Co., NC from at least 1779 until at least 1790 and he was on a Jackson Co., Georgia deed record dated 1797. I also think that there may be a connection to the Shepherd family of Morgan Co., GA. (You show John M. Sheppard/Shepherd as a son of Albert Hillhouse Shepherd & Anne E. Smythe.)

TARVER - I have copies of the Wills of Andrew H. Tarver (1780 NC-1855 Kinchafoonee - later Webster - Co., GA) and his wife, Nancy H. (Draper) Tarver (1789 VA - 1878 Webster Co., GA) (from Webster County, Georgia Probate Judge's office). Both prove that Eliza Tarver, wife of John M. Sheppard, was their daughter. (You showed Mrs. Eliza Tarver Sheppard as a daughter of Ethelred Tarver..) Mrs. Nancy H. Draper Tarver was a daughter of Rev. War soldier James Draper (b. VA, d. Warren Co., GA) (Nancy's parentage is proven by the Wills of Andrew H. Tarver & James Draper) & Obedience Hudson. Mrs. Obedience Hudson Draper is believed by descendants to have been the Obedience Hudson mentioned as a granddaughter in the VA Will of Hall Hudson. The known children of Andrew H. Tarver and his wife, Nancy H. Draper were Catharine Tarver Garrett, Eliza Tarver Sheppard/Shepherd, James D. Tarver, Ellen Tarver Evans, Rufus Miltiades Tarver, and Salina O. Tarver. I have speculated that Andrew H. Tarver was the Andrew Tarver named in the Wilkes Co., GA Will of John Tarver, whose first wife, and the mother of his children, was Elizabeth Jordan. However, I have seen conflicting information in online genealogies.

GORDON - William Gordon (b. bet. 1815-1818 GA; d. 1870 Marion Co., GA and father of Thomas Alexander Gordon, James Madison Gordon, Robert Boyd Gordon & others) was a son of (probably) James Gordon (b. bet 1790-1795; d. bet. 1840-1850) & Agnes "Nancy" Boyd (b.c.1791-d. bet. 1860-1870) of Burke and Jefferson Counties, Georgia. Nancy was a daughter of Rev. War soldier Robert Boyd & Sarah Clements and sister of Samuel C. Boyd. See SOME GEORGIA COUNTY RECORDS, Vol. I, by The Rev. Silas Emmett Lucas, Jr. for the Jefferson Co., GA Wills of Robert Boyd & Samuel C. Boyd. The latter Will mentions Agnes Gordon's son, William. One of my ancestor, William Gordon's (d. 1870), sons was Robert Boyd Gordon (not Robert D. Gordon), according to

a descendant of the latter. (You showed my William Gordon as a son of John Gordon, the son of Samuel Gordon.) I have carefully studied the census records of Jefferson and Burke Counties and don't think that William was a son of John Gordon.

LOWERY - I have a copy of the record of the marriage of William Gordon to Miss Margaret M. Lowery which took place in Stewart Co., GA in 1844. HISTORY OF STEWART COUNTY, GEORGIA, Vol. I erroneously had Margaret's name as Mary Annett Lowery. That error was corrected in Vol. II. Vol. II also shows the following on p. 122 in Chapter XI, Abstracts - Stewart County Bond Book B: "NO 85 - Margaret M. Lowery, orphan of Sarah Lowery; DATE: July 6, 1840; GUARDIAN, John Pendry; BOND, \$3000; BONDSMEN, Robert Applewhite, Robert Little, Richard F. Pendry. I believe that is proof that Mrs. Margaret Lowery Gordon, who was born bet. 1823-1827 in GA and died after 1880, prob. in Marion Co., GA, was a daughter of Thomas Lowery & Sarah Fleeting (daughter of Richard Fleeting and wife, Margaret) who were married in Jefferson Co., GA in 1817. See SOME GEORGIA COUNTY RECORDS, Vol. 1, by The Rev. Silas Emmett Lucas, Jr. for the Wills of Richard & Margaret Fleeting. Margaret Fleeting Lowery had another granddaughter, also named Margaret Lowery (daughter of John Lowery & Elizabeth Fleeting who were also md. in Jefferson Co. in 1817), who was probably the one who married Christopher Pearson. Among the other children of Richard Fleeting & his wife were Mary Fleeting, who married John Pendry, Catherine Fleeting, who married John Spann and Margaret Fleeting who married Hugh Manson. Another child was probably Richard Fleeting, Jr. (You showed "Mary Annett Lowery" (actually Margaret M. Lowery), wife of William Gordon, as a daughter of John Lowery and wife, Margaret.)

UPTON - David W. Upton (b. 1798 NC; d. 1890 Marion Co., GA) whose middle name was either Ward or Washington, was, I believe, a son of Robert Upton (d. 1819 in Robeson Co., NC, leaving a Will which named son, David, among others) and his wife, Anna Copeland (A daughter, Anna Upton, was among those named in the Robeson Co., NC Will of John Copeland which also named his wife, Mary, etc.). David W. Upton's first wife was Malinda (Wood or Ferguson). Their daughter was Mary Ann(e) Upton. Mrs. Malinda Upton died in SC in 1826. Mary Ann Upton was named as a granddaughter in the 1834 Chester Dist., SC Will of Mary Ferguson. David W. Upton married (2) Susan Rebecca Tomlin (see below) in 1829 in Columbus, Muscogee Co., GA and they raised a large family. (You showed David W. Upton as a son of John Upton of Moore Co., NC.)

TOMLIN - Susan Rebecca Tomlin (1812 Morgan Co., GA-1879 Marion Co., GA) was evidently a daughter of Jacob Tomlin and his wife, Rebecca, whose maiden name may have been Martin. The death dates for Jacob Tomlin (1841) and Rebecca Tomlin (1842) are recorded in the Family Bible of David W. Upton. My grandmother (granddaughter of David & Susan) stated that Susan had a sister named Temperance "Tempie" Tomlin Whiteside. Research, including Muscogee Co., GA census information, proved that Tempie married (1) Joel Burt Scott, and (2) John Whiteside, and had children by both husbands. An online genealogy (RootsWeb World Connect) shows Temperance and her Scott descendants. That genealogy shows Temperance's parents as Jacob Tomlin and



Amanda Martin. Perhaps Rebecca's other given name was Amanda.

Jacob Tomlin, who was on the 1800 census of Edgefield Co., SC and who was in the records of that county from at least 1792, may have been a son of James Tomlin (probably Senr.) who was on the 1790 census of that county and whose name was shown in much earlier records of the county. The family of Elijah Martin (said to have been b. 1751 in Pennsylvania and a Rev. War soldier) was also in Edgefield Co., SC in the same area and time period as Jacob Tomlin. Elijah Martin's wife, Mary Funderburg(h) (said to have been originally Von der burg), is said to have been the daughter of his neighbor, Anthony Funderburg(h) (Thunderburgh on 1790 census) and Anthony's first wife, who was perhaps Rebecca McCarthy. Jacob Tomlin's wife's name is shown as Rebecca(h) on some Edgefield Co., SC deed records of the 1800's. Jacob Tomlin moved to Georgia by 1808, settling in the part that was to become Morgan Co., GA. He resided in Morgan Co., GA until sometime in the 1830's and was a resident of Russell Co., AL by 1840, as was his son, Rev. Jesse Tomlin. Jacob Tomlin's obituary shows that he died in Girard, Russell Co., AL in 1841 and that he was survived by "an aged companion." Elijah Martin died in 1818 in Jones Co., GA, leaving a Will in which he mentions by name only his wife, Mary Martin, his daughters, Nancy Nave & Rachel Wit and his son, Levi Martin, who was his Executor. The will also named Saly Martin Coulter and "...the rest of my heirs..." One of the witnesses was Elizabeth Chapman, who is stated in online genealogies to have been another daughter. Elijah Martin's wife, Mary Martin, died in Pike Co., GA in 1833, leaving a Will which stated that she had four sons and eight daughters, all apparently living. The only descendants she mentioned by name in her Will were her son, Levi Martin, who was her Executor, and her granddaughter, Seley M. Coulter. Levi Martin, son of Elijah Martin, resided, as did Jacob Tomlin, for a time in Morgan Co., GA and his name was on at least one of Jacob Tomlin's deeds in that county. Levi Martin and Mary Martin, as well as Jacob Tomlin, were household heads on the 1820 census of Morgan Co., GA. Some of Jacob Tomlin's other children (besides Susan Rebecca Tomlin Upton & Rev. Jesse Tomlin, who md. Lydia Sparks) are known or believed to have been Mary "Polly" Tomlin (md. Isham Bailey), Elizabeth Tomlin (md. Robert Lee Lemmonds), Sarah Tomlin (md. Thomas Daugherty), Hezekiah W. Tomlin & Rev. Azariah Tomlin (md. Nancy McSwain). Three of those children (Sarah, Azariah and Susan Rebecca) were living in Marion Co., GA at the time of the 1860 census. Azariah, who was also on the Talbot Co., GA census in 1850, as was his brother-in-law, David W. Upton, moved to Drew Co., Arkansas before 1870 and was a Primitive Baptist preacher and a farmer. Another clue in the Tomlin genealogy is that there was a Jincy Tomlin mentioned in the deed records (probably 180\_) of Edgefield Co. SC who had land adjacent to land owned by Arthur Middleton. James Tomlin received a grant of land next to that of Arthur Middleton about 1786. Pleasant W. Tomlin, said to have been a son of Rev. Jesse Tomlin, had a daughter named Jincy (or Jinca) Caroline Tomlin who was born in GA abt. 1842. (You showed Susan Rebecca Tomlin as a daughter of Owen and Mary J. Tomlin, who were early residents of Marion Co., GA.)

I hope you will study my conclusions and if you agree with them, will make them available in some portion and form to other researchers of these families. Someday I may take the time to post some of my own research in genealogy forums or message boards. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

- I have more information

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Followup sent Jeannette Holl and Austin from Janice Hester