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Dear Rev. Peeples,

I'm a little late, but here is my report on the census searches which you requested.

1850: See attached sheets. Wm. C. Harris with wife Martha is listed. I found John Harris with wife Sarah, but not wife Jane. Since he was listed immediately following Wm. C. Harris I thought he might be the right one. If not, let me know and I'll have to look further. Coleman Milam and family, also listed. Sarah Milam, with Charles Saxson, is included simply because I ran across her before coming to Coleman Milam.

1860: Coleman Milam and family, listed. W. C. Harris and family, also. I could not find John Harris. If you think it worthwhile to look for him under Martin or Samuel (sons on the 1850 listing), let me know. I included Nancy Harris only because she was listed on the page following W. C. Harris, suggesting some proximity. I included James Milum and Rose Milum because one was listed immediately before and one immediately after W. C. Harris. I did not find a John William Shelby, age 7. The nearest thing factually is the John C., with T. D. Shelby and wife Virginia in the 3d Civil Dist., Ingleside post-office.

1870: William Harris is listed. Note similarities and differences from the 1860 data. Similarities: proper age; dau. Martha of right age; son William about right age for John W.; dau. Sarah of right age; Margaret about the right age for Ellen; dau. Mary the nearest to Frances. Differences: wife's name, Emily, but about right age; no Louisa; no James, Charles, or Elizabeth, all old enough to have left home. I included Nancy Harris again but the facts do not seem to match except age. Also, there's Virginia Shelby (T. D. Shelby apparently decd.), with John age 17. In addition, you will note, there was a Nancy Shelby with ~~M~~ John H. age 18; and a Thomas W. Shelby with John W. age 15. John of T. D. and Virginia Shelby seems most nearly to fit.

Since John and Marguerite Shelby went to Arkansas in 1876 I checked the 1880 Soundex (index) for them, the earliest year with such index. There was no John and Marguerite (or Ellen) Shelby. However, the index is limited to families with a child aged 10 or younger--which would seem likely with John and Marguerite. Further searching, if you wish it, will have to be on a more time-consuming line by line perusal. Is it worthwhile to check the Soundex for Memphis, Tenn., for them in 1880?

My bill: Hours applied @ \$3.75=7:00= \$26.25, currently due. If you wish more, or should want something from the 1900 census, which is ~~not~~ now available with limitations, let me know.

Sincerely,

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William C. Harris
born 13 Oct 1818

Martha Luiza (Milam) Harris

1850
31 (Tenn)

1860
41

1870
51

6th Civil Dist
Savannah, Tenn

25 (Tenn)

36 (Emily)

47

Hardin Co.

1. Elizabeth A.

8 18

2. Martha J.

6 16

3. Charles C (Coleman)

3 12

4. John M. (W. in 1860)

1 10

5. Sarah

8 18

(1852)

6. Marguerite Ellen

6 15

(1855-1944)

7. Louisa

4 12

8. Frances

1 Mary 12

[James M.]

12

NOT a Son.
only in home
W.C. in 1860
Nephew?

9. Emily J.

9

10. Alice

6

(1864)

11. Laurie B.

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