

(OF INTEREST * * * continued)

Also in 1820, Nancy was in Clarke County, Isaac in Walton County and others were in Jasper, Oglethorpe and various other Georgia counties. James and Shadrack were listed in the Walton County lottery.

Uriah left a will in Clark County, Georgia dated 1816. He stated his children in Virginia had already been provided for, but said they may contest the will. They did contest the will and apparently won, for we have records showing those children selling land in Clarke and Jackson County, Georgia where Uriah had owned vast amounts of land. George Washington Humphries, his son by Sarah, was acting as his attorney in some of his land transactions in Georgia.

Nancy was made guardian of the minor children after the death of Uriah. Census records show Nancy in Clarke Co., Georgia for several years after Uriah's death. We know some of the children moved west in the 1830's and 1840's. We find Elijah and Presley T. in Randolph Co., Alabama 1850 census. Elijah was there in 1844, because records show that he was elected tax collector in that year.

We can find a large amount of history on Uriah in Virginia, but there's still some unclear history on his marriages and children. We think Uriah married Sarah Statham and she is the mother of the children Uriah speaks of in Virginia. He speaks of these children in his will. Some say Uriah may have had another wife in Virginia because Sarah filed for divorce in 1798 in that state and it was granted. Others say there are illegitimate children by a woman in Virginia or North Carolina. If so this would prove the theory of some people that Uriah fathered children named Pelham, Jesse C., and Sarah. Needless to say, we are still searching. There is a deed recorded in Jackson Co. Georgia (6-15-1803). Sarah and Judith Lane are mentioned as daughters of Uriah, and Sarah is still a Humphries. This being the case, Sarah and Pelham were both left out of Uriah's will, along with Jesse C. Very interesting....This has not been proven at this time. We are still searching. At this time, we are hoping the geneologist from England will find the answer to this puzzle..

If it weren't for Uriah's will and some other wills, we wouldn't have anywhere near the information we do on any of the families. Sarah Statham's father was Love Statham. In his will he mentioned two daughters that had married a man or men by the last name of Humphrey. Needless to say, Sarah Statham Humphrey was one of those daughters. In Uriah's will, he said he and children by another woman in Virginia. Even though he only makes slight mention of those children in his will. He left them a grand total of one shilling each and it is a known fact that he left one, two, and possibly three of his children completely out of his will, which really wasn't all that unusual back then.

Uriah did not inherit from his father, Joseph. Joseph's estate went to Hannah's children--Joseph's 2nd wife. One of the three above mentioned children could have been Pelham Humphries.