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Dear Sirs:

I'm writing to you in hopes that your historical information on Fairfield County will help me in my search for my roots. The main individual you may be able to help me with is my great-great grandfather, James Thomas Blain, who, according to the 1860 Georgia (Glynn County) census, listed his birthplace as South Carolina. He was several times elected mayor of Brunswick, Georgia, having moved there from Augusta, GA. in the 1850s. From family records, I know that he was born February 5, 1815.

The index to the 1800 Census of South Carolina lists two possible ancestors of mine, one of whom resided in Fairfield County, and was named James Blain. The other is William Blain of Abbeville County, who, according to "The Blains: 1794-1980", by Bernice Close Shackelton, was probably the son of James Blain of Fairfield County, who apparently lived in both counties from time to time. I believe that Ms. Shackelton may have overlooked the 1800 census in reaching that conclusion, since her William would have been only about 4 years old in 1800. The 1810 census of South Carolina, according to Ms. Shackelton, lists a William Blain in Fairfield County as well as the one in Abbeville County. I'm not out to disprove Ms. Shackelton, but only to find my own heritage.

I know that I haven't given you much to work with, but I've had to go to great lengths to find this much. My latest lead (his South Carolina birth) came from the reference librarian at the Brunswick-Glynn County Regional Library in Georgia, Ms. Marcia Hodges, who suggested that I write you. I would appreciate your help in supplying me any genealogical information on the Blains that you might have in your archives.

Sincerely.

James N. Blain
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