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Hi Jerry,

Well it has been quite some time since we last corresponded and I really haven't done too much genealogy work lately, that is until last night. I got to browsing through some of my old work and while skimming through some N.C. marriages I noticed the following entry..."William Bennett Hill is believed to have married Mary My source was listed as being under Miscellaneous data and Clanton." dated 1985. I have to admit that I am lost to recall just where I copied this down from and can't say for a fact that it is correct. If this is correct, then you may be searching out the wrong William Hill, even though the above is part of the same Hill Family that you have been researching. I do think I can safely say that the genealogy that you have sent to me is partly wrong and will try again to explain. You never have answered my idea on this genealogy. How about giving me what you think on this? On the chart that you sent to me (marked Page 3 & updated on 6-24-88) there is a mistake that I think is the root of your problems. You have listed as a son of Robert Hill/Tabitha, a William Hill (m. 1st Elizabeth Clanton, 2nd Lydia White Jones). You have this questioned if he is your line. I say no, eliminate him completely. Now Jerry, we know for a fact that the William C. Hill 4/, son of Robert/Tabitha was the one that married Sarah Branch and who died in 1803, because he mentioned his Aunt Lucy Harrington in his will. (I see no Clanton connection here either, from Robert or son William). Now this William C. Hill 4/ named in his will his children, Martha 5/, James 5/ & HENRY HILL 5/, who you think is the one that married Agnes Fike. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO GET THIS_CONFIRMED, even though I strongly suspect you are correct. If this is correct then your genealogy would look like this: 1. Robert Hill (ca. 1615-bef 1679/80 & Mary Webb (immigrants into Va.) 2. Sion Hill Sr. (b. ca. 1654-d. after 1684) w Elizabeth Spiltimber. 3. Robert Hill (b. 1678-d. 1765) wife /Tabitha. 4. William C. Hill (ca. 1752-1757- d. 1803), wife Sarah Branch. 5. Henry Hill (ca. 1776-d. aft 1840 & before 1850), wife Agnes Fike. 6. William C. Hill (b. 4-6-1803--d. 6-7-1883), wife Elizabeth Foushee. 7. Thomas West Hill (1850-1915), wife Elizabeth Ellington. 8. Robert Troy Hill (b. 2-19-1891, d. 11-21-1965, wife Julia Oliva Campbell. (These dates can be figured out). 9. Then a guy named Jerry Reid Hill.

Reference to the bold print, Which is day and which is month? A genealogy class I attended suggest using a format such as April 6th, 1803 as 6 Apr. 1803. The above was hard to figure out until I saw the underlined dates. Based on those dates underlined, I assume you listed the month first and then the day and year. If you think that

your Henry Hill was the grandson of Robert Hill/Tabitha, then I think you have been chasing a dead horse in trying to line up a William Hill marrying Elizabeth Clanton and would simply forget it unless you find definite proof, which I'll bet you won't find. After finding the above mentioned entry on Wm. B. Hill & a possible marriage to a Mary Clanton, I then proceeded to look up this William Bennett Hill 6/, knowing he was part of that Green Hill/Grace Bennett Family of Virginia and Northampton County, N.C. Following from book "Rev. Green Hill," by Thomas Neal Ivey, Page 6 & 7. His father was William Hill 5/, a son of Green Hill 4/ and Grace Bennett. His mother was Mary (Polly) Jones, a daughter of Edward Jones Jr. & Mary Hill, and who East Goes West says was a daughter of Sion Hill Jr 3/ & wife Elizabeth Marriott or Green. Thus the wife & husband were cousins, but this was based on the assumption that Sion Hill Jr. 3/ was father of Green Hill 4/ and which I personally believe is wrong. _This William Hill 5/ was known by his DAR records as Lt. William Hill, a Revolutionary Soldier and was born on 20th February 1750. I believe he died ca. 1787 but not too sure right now. This is from memory but his children (from his will of which I have only an abstract of it but can't find it right now) named were: 1. William Bennett Hill 6/, born ca. 1779, died 1803. (No mention of a wife here.) 2. Samuel Sugan Hill 6/, b. ca. 1781. 3. James Jones Hill 6/, b. ca. 1782, wife named Martha. 4. Charles Applewhite Hill 6/, b. 1784, married Rebecca Wesley Long in 1806. Charles Applewhite Hill 6/, was born in Franklin or Bute County, N.C. His children were: William George Hill 7/. Mary Ann Hill 7/. Daniel Shine Hill 7/, m Susan Irwin Toole in 1835. Kemp Plummer Hill 7/. Nicholas Long Hill 7/. Richard Henry Hill 7/. Martha Caroline Hill 7/. Sarah R. Hill 7/. Charles J. Hill 7/. Somewhere I have more data on this William Hill 5/ family but can't find it right off hand. (Shows I need to get a format together so that I can locate my data better & quicker. (THIS IS MY WEAKNESS). Now it could be that you have been working on the wrong William Hill and it was this William Bennett Hill 6/ that married a Clanton, Mary Clanton. I want to emphasize that I have no proof that this listing is correct but it is a clue to look for. Drop me a line and tell me what you think of my suggestion on this matter. If your Henry was the grandson of Robert Hill 3/, I'd be willing to bet I am right on this matter.

Sincerely,

Robert Hill