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Hi Win,

I have just received the latest information that you have just sent on the 16th of February 1990, which included the two letters dated December 24th 1989 and February 13th 1990. Also included was information on the Halbert Family, the Surry County, N.C. Deed Books A,B, & C (1770-1788) and other information. Your comments are also very helpful because as you know this is not my family line. I do appreciate the information very very much.

After reading your letter dated February 13th, I can kind of understand the conditions existing for you. I know it is hard for some people to understand why or how we can be so interested in people that have lived in the past, spending money to know more about them etc...but I say, to each his (or her) own..I enjoy it and really don't care what others think. I kind of suspect that you feel the same way and I say, Good for you. If you get pleasure out of it, then is real good for you. As for the money, it is yours, so do as you please as long as you gain something out of it, like pleasure and interest.

I have not wrote to you are anyone else recently because I have been involved with my own family genealogy. It seems that there is a Mr. Jim Hill of Claremont, California (a reporter) that descends from a Jonathan Hill (d. 1772)SC. and his wife Margaret Hall. They had a son Thomas Hill (b. 6<sup>th</sup> March 1758, who fought in the Revolution in S.C., lived in the same general area as my Moses Hill lived.

This Jim Hill says that he thinks my Moses Hill was a twin brother of Thomas Hill. (My Moses was born ca. 1757-58). I disagree and even have doubts they are of the same family. I admit they may be cousins of some sorts but want proof or evidence.

Jim Hill says that Jonathan Hill was a son of a Moses Hill who came to South Carolina in the early 1700s. I have asked him for some type of proof that this Moses Hill existed. No one else that I know has heard of him. So far no response. He has wrote two books, Book One and Book Two of the Thomas Hill Family and did send them to me. I responded by sending a large pile of data on his Thomas Hill Family.

His Thomas Hill moved to Kentucky ca. 1790-1795 and died in Caldwell County, Kentucky. I have his family very well searched and had a lot of data that he did not have and even carried him back two more generations on the maternal (Harrison) side of his family. All I asked was for him to share data with me. No luck. (Note: These Harrisons came from Maryland, into and around Fairfax County, Virginia, then to South Carolina).

Now this man says he approached this genealogy as a "reporter" not as a genealogist. He does not list his sources but says he has several brief cases of information. It is this information that I am asking him to share, but so far nothing. Seems he is like a lot of others, they want to receive but won't exchange information. I have a lot more to send and told him so but not until I get some data from him on that Moses Hill. It could be that he is unhappy with me due to my disagreeing & denying some of his statements and facts. (I can prove these and sent the proof too).

He (as do a lot of people with out evidence) has made some erroneous statements about my Moses Hill, also has got his Thomas Hill mixed up with my 3rd great grandfather, Thomas Hill, (1780-1824) and son of Moses. I have been involved with him and it is for this reason that I have not been corresponding very much with anyone else. I am sure that you do understand.

First Item....I can't say too much about R. Voyt Hill. I have never been in contact with him but from you it seems that I

know he was working on the same Hills that you or Jerry Reid Hill are. Is that correct? From what you say of him, he seems to have the same approach to the Jim Hill that I have mentioned above. As I told him, a lot of times a reporter has not checked out all his facts and reports a lot of "sensational items," only later to have to make amends. I suggested that he slow down a bit and analysis his data more carefully.

It is quite interesting that you say that (in your opinion) there is no evidence to support that the 1785 William Hill was a Minister and that the discussion is over two different couples. That to me is very interesting to know. At first I would have to agree with your thinking that if Elizabeth Hill had married John Glenn, then it would not seem appropriate for some 16 years later to file suit for her dower's rights, but stranger things have happened.

It seems to me that in this case the sons, were against their mother having those rights and if the names of the sons agree with your listing for Rev. William Hill Jr. 5/, I would have to assume it to be correct after all, especially since the sons were fighting her "dower rights." It sure would be nice to know what the settlement was.

(By the way, that Glenn Family, did any ever go to South Carolina? A daughter of a Spilsby Glenn (of Va.) who was named Susannah Glenn, married James Hill, second son of my Moses Hill and lived in Union County, S.C.).

One thing that bothers me is the fact that we know there was another William Hill, who fought in the Revolution that was living in Surry County, N.C. (before) and other than your William Sr. 4/ and Rev. William Hill Jr. 5/. Remember the one that was born in Southampton County, Virginia and who's son Richard Hill filed his deceased father's application and who said he lived to be 100 years old?

While I tend to agree that you probably have identified the correct William Hill, (due to the associated names) we must be careful on these matters and realize that there was another William Hill in Surry Co., N.C. and I think was there before YOUR William Hill Sr. 4/. It is important to know just when HE came to Surry County, N.C.

In the SURRY CO. N.C. DEED BOOK, (BOOK A?, Pages 280/281) but your Page 19, there was William Hill Sr. receiving 200 acres dated 20th September 1779...also your comments that Quote: "I think William Hill Sr. 4/, moved from Virginia to join his son, Rev. William Hill Jr. 5/, ca. 1772 reconciliation." End of Quote. Wasn't their dispute over the fact that William Jr. 5/ joined the Baptist church? From what I know of it, I tend to agree with your thinking.

(NOTE: Did you take note of page 23, where in BOOK A, Page 328, Robert Hill was granted 180 acres on Panther Creek, adjacent to James Charles? It is the same date that William Hill Sr. got his grant, 20th September 1779).

This 1779 date strikes me as being the approximate time William Hill Sr. made up with his son, not 1772. Can you elaborate on this?

One small note, because of the fact that I have them listed above as William 4/ and William Jr. 5/ does not mean that I accept them as part of the Sion Hill Jr. 4/ family. I don't. I just copied what you have). In my records, I list William Hill Sr. as William 1/.

\*\*\*\*\* spelled checked above

Item two...Page 18 of your book, item dated 27th December 1786 on page 138...David Allen, late of Surry County to William Hill of York County, S.C....I believe this William Hill was Col. William Hill, who owned the famous Iron Works and who also fought in the Revolution. His family has been researched very well.