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Kelley family
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Route #4, Gantt Rd.
Alpharetta, Ga. 30201

April 22, 1981

Dear Mrs. Stevenson,

Thank you so much for your letter of April 17th. Your early response is appreciated.

Yes, the bits and pieces of information sometimes fit. It's all like a jigsaw puzzle and a thrill when we find a piece that fits. Therefore, we do appreciate the Kelley information you included. We plan to contact Mrs. James Crowder of Chester. I'm writing to her today.

Our Joel Kelley is shown on the 1800 Federal Census as living in Fairfield County, S. C. with a wife and small child. Then, in 1814 he was drafted into the War of 1812 from Warren County, Tenn. and lived in Tennessee thereafter, we think, most of the time in Bradley County. So, apparently between 1800 and 1814 he moved to Tennessee. I have searched the 1810 Federal Census but didn't find him, but am going to the Archives again tomorrow to search to see if he was in S. C. or Tenn in 1810. His first son, Mathew, born April 1, 1799 was evidently born in Fairfield County, S. C. and is the one shown on the 1800 census.

1769

The land grant given Joseph Kelley in Union County/(across Broad River from Fairfield) might have been Joel's father.

The Kelley's Mill on Enoree River Jan. 12, 1797 might have been connected with our Kelleys.

Elijah Kelley (drawn for jury duty in Spartanburg County, July 16, 1796) was probably his brother, if not his father. The names Elijah and Elisha have appeared in every generation, even until today.

The Kelleys you listed serving in the Civil War may have been his nephews. He and his sons were living in Bradley County, Tenn. I'm not sure Joel was living at the time of the Civil War. So far, I've traced him up to 1855 when he made his last application for Bounty land, because of his service in the War of 1812. He was 80 years old in 1855 when he made application. He was granted 80 acres in Bradley County, Tenn.

I'm enclosing a check for \$15.00. I have no idea how much a person charges for searching. If you can get a photocopy of the land grant application 1769 in Union County, S. C. it might help. The \$15.00 is for you. Let me know how much the photocopy cost, if you are able to get one. Thanks ever so much.

Sincerely,

Mrs. P.W. (Alba) Smith

House W. 1887-88
Indiana, 3d. 30201

April 12, 1981

Dear Mrs. Stevenson,

Thank you so much for your letter of April 1980. Your early response is appreciated.

Yes, the data and pieces of information sometimes fit. It's all like a puzzle and a thrill when we find a piece that fits. Therefore, we do appreciate the Kelley information you included. We plan to contact Mrs. James Crowder of Spencer, Indiana, for further information.

Our local Kelley is shown on the 1880 Federal Census as living in Fairfield County, S.C. with a wife and small child. Then, in 1880 he was traced into the war of 1862 from Warren County, Tenn. and lived in Tennessee thereafter. We think most of the time in Bradley County, Mo., apparently between 1860 and 1870 he moved to Tennessee. I have searched the 1870 Federal Census but didn't find him, but in order to find out more about him, I have to search to see if he was in S.C. or Tenn. in 1870. His first son, Arthur, born April 1, 1872 was evidently born in Fairfield County, S.C. and is the one shown on the 1880 census. 1880

The last trace given for Kelley in Union County, across from River from Fairfield, Mo., have been Joel's father.

The Kelley's Bill on Moore River Jan. 12, 1927 might have been connected with our Kelley.

Alfiah Kelley (shown for duty in Spartanburg County, S.C. in 1927) was probably his brother. It was his father. The names Alfiah and Alfiah have appeared in every connection, even until today.

The Kelley you listed service in the Civil War may have been his nephew. He and his sons were living in Bradley County, Tenn. I'm not sure Joel was living at the time of the Civil War. So far, I've traced him up to 1882 when he made his last application for Bounty Land, because of his service in the war of 1862. He was 20 years old in 1862 when he made application. He was granted 80 acres in Bradley County, Tenn.

I'm enclosing a check for \$15.00. I have no idea how much a person charges for searching. If you can get a photocopy of the last grant application of 1882 in Bradley County, S.C. it might help. The \$15.00 is for you. Let me know how much the photocost, if you are able to get one. Thanks ever so much.

Sincerely,

Wm. A. (unclear)