

2. I was given the Cater and Furse portions of a copy of a privately published document "Garrett-Sharpe Brown-Poindexter and Allied Lines -- A Genealogical Study With Biographical Notes" -- published by The American Historical Company, Inc., New York and West Palm Beach, 1971. Are you familiar with this publication? If so, what is your opinion of this publication and its credibility from a genealogy point of view? Do you know who wrote this?
3. I am trying to find and document my Cater ties to the McPhersons. I believe (as a novice) there is only one, but a possible second if my data is incorrect about which of Capt. Andrew Postell's wives had his children.:

- a. Rachel Miles (b. c. 1700) m. James McPherson (1688-1771) - "The Indian Fighter". I believe their daughter, Susannah McPherson, married Capt. Andrew Postell. (Is this correct or do I have the wrong Rachel Miles???) Did Susannah McPherson and Capt. Andrew Postell have any children? Do you know when Susannah died?

I believe Capt. Andrew Postell married in 1785 (2) Sarah Laird McPherson, widow of Ulysses McPherson (Ulysses McPherson was also the brother of Susannah McPherson to whom Capt. Andrew Postell was first married.)

Capt. Andrew Postell had two children, both daughters: Sarah McPherson Postell, b. 1786 and Mary Postell, b. 1787. Mary married James Jervy. Sarah married Thomas Miles Cater from whom I am descended.

If Capt. Andrew Postell's daughter, Sarah McPherson Postell, was by his second wife, Sarah (Laird) McPherson Postell, as I suspect based on the date of his second marriage and the birth dates of Sarah and Mary, then I have no connection to the McPhersons through Andrew Postell/Susannah McPherson.

- b. Thomas Miles (1687-1756) of St. Paul's Parish and wife, Mary, were the parents of Silas Miles (later Capt. Silas Miles). Capt. Silas Miles married Elizabeth McPherson, daughter of Capt. James McPherson (___ -1771) of Prince Williams Parish and Rachel Miles McPherson.

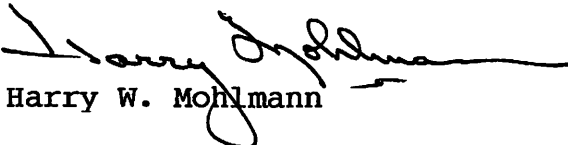
Capt. Silas Miles and Elizabeth had a daughter, Rachel Miles (1755-1802). This Rachel Miles married Thomas Cater, father of Thomas Miles Cater from whom I am descended.

If you do not have ready access to your data for these people, do not bother, I will eventually solve the puzzle. I am not in a hurry.

After some delay due to time limitations due to several professional commitments plus some procrastination, I recently sent my application for membership in the First Families of South Carolina which you had so thoughtfully provided earlier this year. I expect to hear from them soon. Thank you so very much for your help.

I hope the opportunity arises so that I will have the pleasure of meeting you soon. Do you get to Charleston often? I would like the chance to welcome you here and spend some time with you. Give me a call when you are planning your next trip. (803) 853-6616.

With warm best wishes for a fine holiday season,


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