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President
Hilton Head Island Historical Society
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Dear President:

I am doing research on the Cater line from South Carolina. My husband's great grandfather was John Smith Cater who was born in 1850 (death records) in Wood County, Texas. The 1860 Wood County census shows:

1860

William Cater	Age 47	b. SC
Mary A. Cater	Age 14	b. Ala
Wm. M. Cater	Age 12	b. Ala
John Cater	Age 8	b. TX
Nancy Cater	Age 83	b. SC

1777

I surmise that Nancy Cater is William's mother. In researching backward I found no William Cater in Alabama in 1850, but did find William Cater in Jefferson County, Mississippi. The 1850 Mississippi census shows:

1850

William Cater	Age 34	b. MS
Adeline	Age 25	b. MS
Matilda	Age 13	b. MS
Eph	Age 11	b. MS
Mary	Age 7	b. MS
Ruth	Age 4	b. MS
Jas	Age 2	b. MS

(1815-1822) Wm Green Cater

1850 Adelia Emmons

Mary K. (Collins) Cater 75 b. Va.

In 1835 William Cater married Adelia May in Jefferson County, Mississippi. I think that the above William and Adeline are one and the same. Also the 1860 Texas Mortality Schedule shows that Emoline Cater died in Wood County in 1859 at age 42. I also believe that Adeline, Adelia, and Emoline are one and the same.

This is all leading up to the question of Nancy Cater that was listed on the 1850 Wood County census. I am trying to find out if she is the same Nancy Cater that was married to William Cater (Catoe) of Orangeburg District in South Carolina. William Catoe and wife, Nancy Catoe sold 200 acres on Mactin (McTier) Creek and recorded 8 Dec 1807 in Edgefield County, South Carolina. The deed was witnessed by Benjamin Catoe.

I have a copy of letter (?) that is signed by G. J. Hubbard who makes the statement that William Catoe (Cater) of Orangeburg District is a descendent of Thomas Cater who died in 1730/1731.

Do you have any records that you may be able to share with me

concerning William Cater (Catoe) that may possibly help me to make the correct connection on the Cater's. I will be glad to pay for any copies and for the postage if you will let me know the cost.

I would like to correspond with anyone that maybe able to help me in my Cater research. I have quite a bit of information on Thomas Cater and on several of his descendants, but none on his son William.

I would appreciate any help or information that you may be able to furnish to me in my research.

Sincerely,

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