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WHOLESALE GROCERS.

Waco, Texas, Jan 1st 1900.

Thos J. Upshur Esq —

My dear Sir:

From my friend Col E. A. Jones

I have your address and his permission to use his name in introducing myself to you —

My daughter, just 19, is desirous of becoming a member of either the Colonial Dames or of one of the "Daughters of the Rev Societies, Col Jones tells me that you are engaged professionally in such work, hence I write for terms or the probable cost of getting up the record that is necessary to qualify me for such membership — It is barely possible that in your researches you may already have some of the data needed —

I enclose a memo of what I know from traditional sources of my Mother's ancestry who are from Maryland E. Shen, and her husband —

Will you kindly give me an idea of the probable cost so that I may know whether or no I can stand the expense —

Yrs truly
Woodson Tilton White

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--- Tilton, from Eng Set^t at Gravesend L. I. had sons
 Saml Tilton. Set^t in N. Eng.
 Geo Tilton " " N. Jersey
 Thos² Tilton² " " Delaware and in w^{ar} Miss Rhodes Thos² had sons

John Tilton
 Joseph "
 James " sury Gen US. 1812
 Nehemiah³ " said to have been a Major in "The Blue Hens Chickens"
 Nehemiah³ m^{ar} Lydia Hanson Woolman and had children

James Tilton
 John "
 Elizabeth "
 Mary "
 Henry "
 Ann "
 Susan "
 Timothy² "

Samuel "
 Lydia A. " m^{ar} M^r Wright
 Nehemiah³ " assassin^t at Opelousas La
 Mrs Killeen "
 Jennette J. " m^{ar} Edw^d Reynolds Gibson and had children

Jacob Gibson
 Eow N. "
 Eng J. -
 Rebecca -
 Josephine -
 Emily⁵ - m^{ar} My Father

Pleasant to Woodson White.

Waco, Texas Col Ric^d Woolman Justice m^{ar} Arundelle 1659-
 Member of House of Burgesses 1659.
 Moved to Talbot Co.
 1st Rep from Talbot Co
 Member from Talbot Co 1662 till 1680-
 Alice Woolman² his daughter m^{ar} Jacob Gibson of Talbot Co Md and had a son
 Woolman³ Gibson, who m^{ar} Elizabeth Tilton and had

Woolman³ Gibson m^{ar} Burgess from Talbot 1758 and other years
 Jonathan " Col Rev Army
 Jacob⁴ "
 Bartholomew⁴
 Margaret⁴ "
 Mary⁴ "
 Alice " Jacob m^{ar} 1st Elizabeth Caulk and had

Mary Eliz Gibson Jacob m^{ar} 2nd Rebecca Reynolds and had
 Edw^d R⁵ " m^{ar} Jennette Tilton and had

Ann "
 Francis -
 Harriet "
 Jayette "

See over

The father of Miss Rhodes who married I have till now
was named John Rhodes a corn merchant - I have a
copy of his Certificate which he signed - shown to me
June 17/85 to 1799 the original was in the possession of
my grand-mother when I made this copy -

The father of the said Hamman who married
Doe Mellemick I believe was a Quaker named Jemistry
Hamman - His father was also named Jemistry Hamman
and called the 15th and Jemistry Hamman gave the
place to the Green Hamman as "Jemistry" He having
introduced it to the no. 12 of Jammers at that time - I
am curious to know if there is any Certificate to prove
this statement and the names of Jemistry Co. not
So far as my family know the whole line of our Hamman
because I think of the descent of the above named Jemistry
named above

W. L. M.

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J. T. Upshur, Esq.,

Dear Sir:

Your kind letter in reply to my enquiries has been rec^d several days - I must be candid and say that at present I am unable to stand the expense - I must confess to absolute ignorance of the necessities of the case, you will understand that I do not complain that your charges are not reasonable but I labour under the mistaken idea that in such a small area as is comprised in Del & Md you may have had full abstracts of such data as would suffice without being obliged to go to the various localities -

The expense would be of small consequence to me if I had the money or could see my way clear to get it without incurrence to my family - As a salaried man my income is fixed but Corporations are not in a hurry to increase wages - So I cannot rely on any such expectations - If you are also married you will know that expenses are not fixed but continually increase - I trust therefore you will not take it amiss if I defer to some more prosperous time my attempt in this direction - The information I have regarding my family is through memoranda sent me by my Cousin - He is now in Cuba and I am unable to find out whether he has any data - The mere statement of Marriages, Births, & deaths furnishes my whole data for Genealogical purposes - I have copied all the same in my possession and make the same, and make this proposition, If during your trips to

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These localities you should happen
to come across any thing, I will be
glad to have it and am willing to pay to the
best of my ability, I do not think there will
be any trouble in proving descent from Nathaniel
Tiltan and Lydia Hanson - His niece, who was my
Grand Aunt in a letter to a relative asserts that
her husband was a Major in "The Blue Hens Children",
what that means - Miss Montgomery in her
Reminiscences of Wilmington refers to this Col
Tiltan who married Lydia Hanson as an of-
-ficer in the Militia - If you can
undertake to keep me in mind in this way without
violating the ethics of your profession I shall be
under great obligations -

Col Jones, who refers me to you is
an old friend of mine having known me
for more than twenty years. He will stand
for my Business integrity I am sure -

In my readings of the Va Hist Magazine I
had seen some communications from you, but
had no idea you were a Genealogist -

I am connected in Va with the Kenners, Woodsons,
Lewis, Phasants, and you might ask why I don't
qualify through them - But my daughter has a
preference for my Mother's side - Therefore I
venture this correspondence with you -

Pardon me for troubling you
to this extent -

Yrs Wm Woodson Jr White

Geneological Table of the Tilton Family Since Arriving in America.
(Copied from a Memorandum left by James Tilton who died in 1878.)

The first ancestor whose Christian name is forgotten emigrated from England and settled at Gravesend, Long Island and had sons, viz:

Samuel

Peter Settled in New England.

John Settled in New Jersey and had sons, viz:- John, Joseph, Thomas, James and Nehemiah.

Thomas 4th son of first ancestor settled in Delaware and had sons, viz:-

John Lost at sea.

Joseph Who had sundry children.

James Surgeon^{Gen} U.S.A. 1813 to 1815. *1st Pres? Del 30 of Cal. Died unmarried May 14 1822*

Nehemiah who had by Lydia Hanson: *Thirteen children as follows*

James Born July 7th 1775. Died July 27th 1840.

John, Elizabeth, Mary, Henry, Ann, Susan, Timothy Hanson,

Samuel, Lydia A., Nehemiah, William Killen, Jeanetta Irons.

E.R. Gibson both married in 7/2

For Miss Clara Tilton Emory,

Washington, D.C.

Copied by
Edward Gibson Tilton,
Victoria, British Columbia,
22nd. April 1894.

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Memorandum: RELATING to the WOOLMAN, GIBSON and Tilton Families.

Written by T. B. Mackall January 11th, 1893, Baltimore:

The information relating to the WOOLMAN family and to the Civil offices held by persons herein mentioned being obtained from Hon. Henry H. Goldsborough in January 1893.

COL. RICHARD WOOLMAN was originally of Ann Arundel County, Md., and was a Justice of the County Court in 1659, and in the same year one of the representatives from said county in the House of Burgesses. In 1660 or 1661 he removed from Ann Arrundel Co. to Talbot County and was in 1662 the first representative of Talbot Co. in the House of Burgesses, and continued to be a representative from 1662 until his death in 1680.

As to civil offices held by Richard Woolman and Woolman Gibson see Judge Goldsborough MSS. Calendar compiled from public Archives.

JACOB GIBSON of Talbot County in the year ----- married Alice Woolman a daughter of Col. Richard Woolman.

WOOLMAN GIBSON (Son of Jacob Gibson and Alice Woolman) married on ----- day of ----- in year ----- Elizabeth Tilton daughter of ----- and died in 1742 leaving five sons, Woolman, Jonathan, Jacob and Bartholomew and three daughters, Margaret, Mary and Alice. Woolman Gibson (2nd) was a member of the House of Burgesses from Talbot Co. 1758 and other years.

JACOB GIBSON. (Son of Woolman Gibson and Elizabeth Tilton) married:

1st Elizabeth Caulk of Delaware.

2nd Rebecca Reynolds of Calvert County, Md.

The said Jacob Gibson had by his first wife, Elizabeth Caulk, one child, Mary Elizabeth (Betsey) Gibson, who married Dr. James Tilton, of Wilmington, Del. (His first wife) Dr James Tilton was a nephew of Dr. James Tilton, Surgeon of Continental Army, and first

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surgeon Gen. U. S. A. The latter never married.

The five children of the said Jacob Gibson and his second wife Rebecca Reynolds were:

1st Edward Reynolds Gibson who married Miss Jeanette Tilton of
Wilmington, Del.

2nd Ann R. Gibson who married Joseph W. Reynolds of Calvert Co. Md.

3rd Frances who became the second wife of Dr. James Tilton
23rd Aug. 1818.

4th Harriett who married Thos. P. Bennett of Talbot Co. Md.

5th Fayette who married Miss May Chew of Calvert Co. Md.

For information as to Jacob Gibson's will, estate and family see
Gibson vs Mc.Cormick 10 Gill and Johnsons Md. reports page 65 and
Mc.Cormick vs Gibson 3 Bland Chancery Rep. p.

Written Baltimore January 11th, 1893.

T. B. Mackall.