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Dear Genealogists,

I may have an opportunity to come to your area next month and want to know ahead of time where to do my "digging".

I am searching for any information on the HENRY BURTON and ELIZABETH SMITH m. 26 Oct 1789 in Surrey Co. A Henry Burton bought land in Stokes County in 1794 (I don't yet know if there were earlier purchases). Since Stokes was made from Surrey in 1789, perhaps the county line not the people moved.

I need the parents of this couple. Are you aware of anyone else searching this family? This Henry Burton MAY have been married previously to a Catherine HILL, 1 May 1779 in Frederick Co. Maryland. The land he bought in Stokes adjoined Hill families, and if he is the same Henry Burton that ended up in Clermont Co. Ohio, he was also surrounded by Hills there.

Can you help me? I will of course visit the court house, but I need to know what other resources are available and also if there are limited hours for searching. Does your local library have a Genealogical section? Is it open whenever the library is?

I have enclosed a SASE for your response. I await your reply---

With baited breath!

Janice R. Burton

*Ans. by Cyres. Sent blurbs + data via our Ass'n.*

June 6, 1993  
Mrs. Janice R. Burton  
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Dear Mrs. Burton,

We are sorry your letter was not given to us to answer until past the time you planned to visit our county. If you came, we hope you found what you were searching for, but in case you did not perhaps we can offer some suggestions for future research.

Stokes County was formed from Surry in 1789 so records prior to that are found in the Surry County courthouse as I am sure you are already aware. Did you see the HERITAGE OF SURRY COUNTY Vol I while you were here? And did you know that Stokes County has two volumes of their Heritage book available? If you didn't see them you might want to write to them. The address is: Stokes County Historical Society, P.O. Box 250, Germanton, N.C. 27019.

We hope you visited the Surry Community College in Dobson as our genealogical records are housed in the college library. Hours are from about 8am to 9pm Monday thru Thursday and until 4pm on Friday. The library is closed on weekends.

We have had inquiries about Hill family history and two who come to mind that you might wish to contact are:

David Hill, 1117 Yarwood Ct., San Jose, CA 95128  
C.W. Hill, Rt 2, Box 33, Westfield, N.C. 27053

If one of the above isn't working on the possibility you mentioned they may can put you in touch with someone who is. Since C.W. Hill lives in the area and has done much research you might want to write to him first.

We are sending you some material about our association and remind you that you do not have to be a member to send queries for our Journal or submit family and ancestor charts and surname cards for our files. Perhaps someone would see these and contact you.

We apologize again for not answering sooner but we always have a backlog of mail. If we can be of any help to you in the future please write again.

Sincerely,

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