

25	CHRISTOPHER C. WHITMIRE SR. {s/o Michael & Cathene Whitmire)	SOURCES
	b. 24 Dec 1774 SC	3,5,9,*
	d. 25 Nov 1842 bur. Whitmire Cem., Rosman, NC	5,14
	m. by 1799 _____	3
	m. _____ (unclear if married 2 or 3 times)	
	m. by 1823 Elizabeth Galloway	10,13
	b. Apr 1797-1801 NC	9,14
	d. 23-26 Apr 1885 bur. same	10,14
	d/o William & [ _____ Essary] Galloway	28
Issue:		
+251	SUSANNAH	1
	b. ca 1799 SC (per 1860 Cherokee Co., GA census)	
	d. post 1870 probably Upshur Co., TX	33
	m. 16 May 1813 Zachariah Cox Pendleton Dist., SC	30
+252	CATHERINE	1
	b. 17 Oct 1800 SC	1,19
	d. 13 Apr 1862 Gilmer/Forsyth, GA	19
	m. 2 Oct 1817 James R. Findley	19
+253	NANCY	1
	b. by 1800 SC (1850c)	1,3
	d. post 1850 (1850 Pickens Co., SC census)	
	m. pre 1820 Daniel Moore	1,34
254	MARY	1
	b. post 1800 SC	1,3
	d. post 1838	1
	m. pre 1838 _____ Ellet/Elliott	1
+255	RICHARD	1,2,6
	b. 29 Oct 1806 SC	7,9
	d. 30 Apr 1891 bur. Mt. Moriah Cem., Catheys Creek, NC	14
	m. ca 1826 Judith Susanna Jordan	4,6,7,8, 20,27
+256	ELEANOR	1
	b. ca [1808] SC	1,3
	d. post 1838	1
	m. 21 Dec 1828 George W. Adair/Adear	15,*
+257	ANDREW P.	1,17
	b. ca 1810 SC	16
	d. post 1880	16
	m. Elizabeth [Gillespie/Moorehead]	*
	m. 5 Mar 1863 Elizabeth Knight Forsyth Co., GA	29

258	REBECCA			1,2
	b.		[SC]	
	d. post	1838		1
	m.			
+259	JANE			1
	b.	13 Oct 1812	SC	9,14,*
	d.	2 Mar 1891	Old Toxaway Upper Cem. Rosman., NC	14
	m. ca	1832	William Jackson Galloway	14
25-10-	ELIZABETH			1
	b.		[SC]	
	d. post	1838		1
	m. pre	1838	_____ Trammel	1
+25-11-	CHRISTOPER JR.			1,2
	b. ca	1814-15	SC	7,8,9,*
	d. [ca	1885]		11
	m.	1838	Jane Galloway	7,11
	m. 2 Dec	1871	Martha Ann Dreiman	12
25-12-	CHRISTINA			1,2,*
	b. ca	1814-1815	[SC]	*,-
	d. post	1841	(bastardy case)	*
	m.			
Issue by Elizabeth -				
+25-13-	WILLIAM			2,10
	b.	5 Jul 1824	NC/SC	2,7,14
	d.	31 Dec 1872	bur. Whitmire Cem., Rosman, NC	14
	m. ca	1843	Rebecca Gillespie	6,14,32
+25-14-	JOHN "Honest John"			2
	b.	26 Mar 1828	NC	9,14
	d.	16 Jan 1903	bur. Whitmire Cem., Rosman, NC	14
	m. ca	1850	Elizabeth Owens	7,18
+25-15-	GEORGE WASHINGTON			2,10,*
	b.	12 Dec 1830	NC	7,14
	d.	8 May 1877	bur. Whitmire Cem., Rosman, NC	14
	m. by	1850	Elizabeth Galloway	6,21
+25-16-	SARAH "Sallie"			31,*
	b. ca	1826	NC/SC	8,9
	d.	1894	bur. Owen Cem., Gloucester, NC	14
	m. ca	1845	William Owen	6,22

+25-17-	MARTHA "Patsy" CAROLINE	31
	b. [30 Oct 1832] NC	7,9,_
	d. post 1890 (dau. married at Caroline's home)	12
	m. [25 Jan 1846/8] James Adolphus Bagwell	7,_
+25-18-	MARGARET	25,31
	b. 12 Aug 1834 Henderson Co., NC	24
	d. 21 Jun 1917 bur. Proctor, NC	24
	m. 28 Nov 1854 Henry B. Cook Henderson Co., NC	25,26
+25-19-	JAMES MARION	13
	b. 11 Dec 1837 NC	8,13
	d. 26 Dec 1913 bur. Whitmire Cem., Rosman, NC	13
	m. 26 Feb 1857 Susan Rebecca Kenemur	26
	m. by 1865 Nancy Young	7,26
+25-20-	HENRY DECALVIE "Uncle Hen"	10,13
	b. 26 Feb 1840 NC	9,13,*
	d. 15 Nov 1920 bur. Whitmire Cem., Rosman NC	13,14
	m. by 1860 Harriet Keller	8,_

Legend: + family chart on this member  
 [ ] lack primary source  
 \* additional information

**NOTE:** Placement of the first of Christopher's children is based on the 1838 will namely Item 1 "children of my first wife" assuming they were listed in birth order as was the custom. Included were 7 married daughters which a bit of arithmetic tells us to place before child #11. Then Items 2 & 3 names Christopher & Christena. At this point we have more birth dates. All of the children are not listed in birth order because we had adopted a numbering system before all dates were acquired.

*Oral tradition had him married to two Mauldin sisters, this could never be substantiated. However a similar story about Surry Davis looks to be true, and his granddaughter m. a son of Christopher. I cannot help but wonder if someone heard the story of their grand or great grandfather marrying sisters and assumed it was on the Whitmire line in error.*

*Also note that Elizabeth was born in NC and the 1880 census say the mother of the older children was born in SC.*

\*25 The original hand carved tombstone of Christopher was located by Dora Lanning, **finally** giving us the exact date for which we had struggled so long. No middle initial on it.

- \*256 Some confusion here, Pendleton Messenger in marriage announcement says Eleanor was daughter of Henry of Buncombe Co., NC. (Henry was Christopher's brother & lived in Pendleton District, SC.) Either there were two Eleanors or maybe one who married twice. As written in Christopher's will "Adear" could refer to Adair or Lidai who had a wife Eleanor. In Lidai's will William Whitmire is executor. However this William was Lidai's neighbor on the 1840 census - this William Whitmire was son of Henry and lived in SC.
- \*257 Problems here as to his wife. John Moorhead Jr.'s will of 1836, proven 1842, Anderson, SC names a daughter Elizabeth Whitmire. Haskell Pruett's book gives her nee as Gillespie. No source provided. Curiously Elizabeth #1 was buried near Rev. Henry Alonzo Whitmire a great grandson of Samuel Whitmire (bro. to Christopher)
- \*259 Tombstone says age 78 y, 4 m, 20 d.
- \*25-11-&-12- Family tradition says Christopher and Christine were twins.
- \*25-12- Henderson Co., NC Court Minutes Feb. 1841 #19. Christina Whitmire accused William Duckworth in bastardy case. This is the only information we have on Christina so far.
- \*25-15- In 1885 Petition (source # 10) George given as son of Elizabeth.
- \*25-16- Death Record for son James (says she is a Whitmire & b. SC. Is not daughter of Richard, therefore assume Sarah is daughter of Christopher).
- \*25-20- Date of birth on census more likely to be correct - given as 1840. On Death Certificate it is given as Feb. 1838, but brother James Marion was born in Dec. of 1837.

## SOURCES:

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3. 1800 Pendleton District, SC Census, page 67 # 787 - Christopher Whitmire.
4. 1830 Buncombe Co., NC census, page 208 - Christopher Whitmire.
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7. 1860 Henderson Co., NC census, Cherryfield District & East Fork.
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29. Forsyth Co., GA Marriage Record Book C page 218, Andrew Whitmire.
30. SC-21197 - War of 1812 pension - Zachariah Cox.
31. Transylvania Co., NC Deed Book 5 page 296 - Sarah Owen & Martha Bagwell, heirs of Christopher Whitmire Sr. - deeding land to William Whitmire, p. 297 - Margaret Cook. Recorded in 1885. (*Though an heir may not be a daughter, nothing has been found to indicate these to being granddaughters.* )
32. Estate of William Gillespie.
33. Texas Supreme Court , 11 Feb 1908, Cox et al vs. Brice et al.
34. 1820 Pendleton Dist., SC census, 1840 & 1850 Pickens Co., SC censi - Daniel Moore. (1820 indexed as David, but a closer look shows otherwise. This was pointed out by Sharon Gayle who has done extensive work on this line.)

Tradition says Christopher came to NC from VA and points north. However a look at the 1880 census shows that four of his sons believed he was born in SC. We feel sure he was in SC from 1795 to 1827 when he bought land in NC. He may have been born in Virginia or other place. More recent research confirms a connection with the Whitmires in Montgomery Co., VA in the 1780s.

Beginning with the 1790 census we find the earliest evidence of Whitmires in the Carolinas. In Pendleton area are Michael Sr., Michael Jr. and Stephen. There were sufficient males living with Michael Sr. to account for those in his will of 1795. In it the three unmarried sons are given land - Henry to receive 100 of a 422 acre parcel with Christopher and William to receive the balance. At the end of the will, Michael names his sons in apparent birth order: Stephen, Michael Jr., Henry, Samuel, Christopher and William.

1800

Pendleton Dist. census - in area that later became the county of Oconee, SC. Page 33 #787.

Males: 16-26 (Stephen Whitmire is # 783)

Females: 2 0-10 1 10-16 1 26-45 1 over 45.

1801

12 Feb Stephen Whitmire sold 204 1/4 acres on N. Fork of Cain Creek of Keowee bordering CHRISTOPHER & SAMUEL WHITMIRE, to Wm. Robins for \$750.

Book H page 508 Anderson Co., SC. Book 7 page 601 Oconee Co., S.C.

*(perhaps evidence regarding obtaining this property was lost in the 1873 courthouse fire at Abbeville which housed early records.)*

1802

25 Aug CHRISTOPHER bought for \$250. 158 acres on Cain Creek, N. Fork of Keowee from STEPHEN WHITMIRE. Beginning at a persimmon to a stump N45W60(68?); stake; S60, white oak; S41W; pine; S13W; stake; S81W\_ to the beg. Witness: SAMUEL X WHITMIRE.

Recorded 10 Dec 1808 Book 8 page 415 Oconee Co., SC.

Recorded 16 Dec 1808 Book 1 page 315 Anderson Co., SC.

23 Oct HENRY WHITMIRE bought 150 acres on Oconee Creek of Little River of Keowee from Thomas Robertson. Witness: CHRISTOPHER WHITMIRE & JAMES FILES. (Field?)

Recorded 17 Mar 1803 Book G page 252 Anderson Co. SC.

1808

21 Mar CHRISTOPHER bought 315 acres for \$500. from WILLIAM WHITMIRE (tract granted to Athantius Thomas) on Eastatoe beginning on a White Oak thence up said Creek to a Chesnut, a conditional line made by Wm. Lynch & Eliasha Dyer, thence on said line to original line . . . to a conditional line made by WM. WHITMIRE AND CHRISTOPHER WHITMIRE.

Witness: Peter Reece. Recorded 26 May 1819 Book O page 380 Anderson Co., SC. (sold in 1821)

1810 CHRISTOPHER SR. has not been found on the 1810 census. There is a Christopher Whit(a?)\_ms\_(??) with Males: 2 1-10, 1 26-45, 1 45+ (smudged - so uncertain if an entry) Females: 3 1-10, 2 10-16, 1 26-45. This entry is 14 from Henry Whitmire & 15 from Levi Reese (a witness to a later deed.)

12 Aug 1810 Land was surveyed for Samuel Maverick on waters of Keowee. This plat shows Christopher Whitmire had land "on waters of Toxaway and Eastatoee."

1814

17 Oct A Christopher witnessed a deed between Jacob and Peter Reese. The land was on Eastatoe waters of Keowee River. It could be this Christopher or it could be his nephew (who m. a Reese. (see 1821 entry) Book D page 98 Anderson Co., SC. (Catherine, his mother was buried not far from Peter Reese.)

1817

21 Apr CHRISTOPHER WHITMIRE of Pendleton bought 300 acres on Toona (sic) (Toxaway?) (see 1834 entry) River from John Prince Jr. for \$200. Wit. Joseph X Prince and Zachariah X Cox.  
Book 9 page 672 Oconee Co., SC. Also Book R page 283? Pendleton Deeds, (Anderson Co.)  
Recorded 10 or 16 May 1828.

1820

Christopher Sr. has not been found on the 1820 census though there are 2 Christophers on the Pendleton Dist., SC census. One fits the son of Samuel, the other does not fit this Christopher, unless most of his children were with grandparents or elsewhere. Males: 2 18-26 Females 1 18-26 1 26-45.  
An error could have occurred when the census was copied from the original.

1821

17 Feb CHRISTOPHER SR. of Pendleton sold 315 acres on both sides of Big Eastatoe Creek part of 2 tracts, one granted to Athantius Thomas date unknown, the other granted to James Jett (2 Sep 1793), to CHRISTOPHER JR. for \$650 (Jr. was not Sr.'s son (would have been too young.) Jr. was probable son of SAMUEL). Land bordered Wm. Lynch & Elisha Dyer, and a conditional line between John Palmour & Ratliff Boon. Witness: Jeremiah Fields, Jacob Reece.  
Recorded 3 Sep 1825 Book R page 231 Anderson Co., SC.

1824

13 Nov John Palmour of Rabun Co., GA sold 200A on W side of Big Eastatoe - cond. Line John Palmour & Ratliff Boon to a Christopher Whitmire. (which one?) Vol. R p. 232 Anderson, SC.

1827

25 Aug CHRISTOPHER bought 500 acres on both sides of French Broad including the three forks of said River where path crosses Eastatoe from Charles McDowell of Burke Co., NC. for \$1000. beg. at a Hickory on the North Bank of the River below the forks & \_\_\_ W 54 chains to the River

crossing the same course 16 ch to a black oak, then S 71.5 ch to a black oak then E 70 ch to a stake then N

(WCHRIS25 p. 8 3-07)

CHRISTOPHER WHITMIRE 25 cont.

crossing the River to the beg. Witness: Jeremiah Field, Jacob Reece. Recorded 17 Nov 1837. Book 21 page 108 Buncombe Co., NC.

1830

Buncombe County, NC. Census page 208 - Christopher Whitmire.

Males: 1 0-5 1 5-10 1 15-20 1 male 50-60  
Females: 1 0-5 2 10-15 1 15-20 (no mark for older woman)

1831

9 Apr CHRISTOPHER of Buncombe Co., NC. sold 620 acres on both sides of Cane Creek, waters of Toxaway to ELIJAH HINKLE for \$500. Land borders J. Field and Rachael Reese. This land was part of two grants, one to Wm Burton, other to Crawford Goodwin. Evidence of it being bought by Christopher has not been forthcoming. Witnesses: ANDREW P. WHITMIRE and LEVI REECE. Recorded Book 1 page 52 Oconee Co., SC. Book B-1 page 124 Pickens Co., SC.

1834

17 Feb CHRISTOPHER of Buncombe Co. sold 300 acres for \$200., on branches of Cane Creek of waters of Toxaway - being part of a survey of 977 acres to John Prince, to ELIJAH HINKLE. Witness: Fountain McKinney and Levi Reece. Book B-1 page 447 Pickens Co., SC.

1834

17 Feb CHRISTOPHER WHITMIRE of Buncombe to son ANDREW 65 acres on French Broad (for the natural love and affection). Witness: Ezekiel Akins, Pleasant Jordon. Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions July Term 1838 Buncombe Co., NC .... Book 21 page 315.

\_\_\_ CHRISTOPHER sold to RICHARD 90 acres on French Broad Book 21 p. 316 Buncombe Co., NC Recorded 1 Sep 1838.

1835

Poll Book North Carolina 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional District, Buncombe Co., #54, Christ'r Whittenworth, Cathey's Creek. (???)

In 1837 CHRISTOPHER wrote one will, in 1838 there is a second. (To follow.)

1839

Christopher applied to the Court to amend his taxes of 1838 for allowance of one black pole. Henderson Co., NC. (Research of Marian Schlunz - 1985)

1840

Henderson County, NC, page 140. CHRISTOPHER WHITMIRE has:

Males: 1 0-5 1 5-10 1 10-15 1 15-20 1 50-60

THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF CHRISTOPHER WHITMIRE

... I CHRISTOPHER WHITMIRE of the county of Buncombe and State of North Carolina being sick and weak in body but of perfect in mind and memory thanks be given unto God, calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hand of almighty God and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in decent Christian burial at the discretion of my executors nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the Almighty power of God and touching such worldly estate where with it has pleased God to bless me with in this life.

I give demise and dispose of in the following manner and form, first I give and bequeath to

ELIZABETH my beloved wife my dwelling house and all the furniture belonging to the same also all the horses cattle sheep and hogs and all other stock belonging to me and a negro woman named MILLY during her life

and then to be divided between **the three youngest sons** WILLIAM, JOHN and GEORGE WASHINGTON and my plantation and farming tools during her life and to be divided equally between my three sons named above at her death.

I give and bequeath to my + RICHARD a piece lying on both sides of the middle Fork of French Broad River which I give him a title for the same for his part of my estate and also one dollar.

I give and bequeath to my son ANDREW one dollar,

I give and bequeath to my + CHRISTOPHER a piece of land joining my son ANDREWS, lying on both sides of French Broad River by him freely to be possessed and enjoyed

I give and bequeath to my daughter REBECCA one dollar,

I give and bequeath to my daughter JANE one dollar,

I give and bequeath to my daughter CHRISTINA one dollar,

and do hereby utterly disallow all other wills and testaments, Given under my hand and seal this 29 day of March 1837

Test. William Paxton  
Sally M. Paxton

CHRISTOPHER WHITMIRE (seal)

**NOTE:** the above will states that Christopher was of Buncombe County. This will was written in 1837 and was not probated. The following will was written in 1838 and recorded in Henderson County. It has been suggested that the 1837 will was written to replace the other lost in possible fire. (Buncombe had a fire in 1830 and 35, but I do not know if they had one after that). Since the following will was written in 1838, it seems to me the other way around. Perhaps it was written when Henderson became a county - in 1838.

### THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF CHRISTOPHER WHITMIRE

In the name of God Amen.

I CHRISTOPHER WHITMIRE being of a sound and disposing mind and memory (thanks be to God) and calling to mind the mortality of the body & that it may return to the dust from whence it was taken, and the spirit to God who gave it.

I therefore make this my last will and testament hereby revoking and disallowing all wills heretofore by me made in any form or manner what-ever & in the first place I Recommend My Soul to God \_\_ Mercy of God through my my (sic) Blessed Redeemer & my body to be decently Buried with a Christian Burial in hope of a Glorious Resurrection at His Second Coming.

I wish all my Just debts to be paid & also for my Executors to collect all that is due me and to be applied as I May hereafter direct.

1st. As respects My the **children of my first wife** I have **given heretofore**

to **my** daughter SUSANNAH COX, CATHERINE FINLEY, NANCY MORE, MARY ELLET - RICHARD WHITMIRE, ELEANOR ADEAR, ANDREW WHITMIRE, REBECCA WHITMIRE, JANE GALAWAY, and ELIZABETH TRAMMEL the full distributive Share each and Every One of them both Sons and dughters above named,

2nd. As to my son CHRISTOPHER, **son of my former wife**, I give and Bequeath unto him a Small tract(?) lot of land a part of the Survey I Now Live on and which Begins on a Large White Oak on the point of a Ridge thence up the Ridge on the first part there of a Southerly direction to My out Side Line thence Easterly with My line to Wm. Galaspies line thence at the Said line to the Roads Leading, from said Galaspies to My house thence westwardly with said Road through a Land (?) to the beginning.

3rd I will and bequeath unto My daughter CHRISTENA one Cow and Calf and one bed & furniture

4th I will and Bequeath unto My well beloved wife ELIZABETH all the land & premises on which I now Live together \_\_\_\_\_ with all the Stock of the Cattle & hogs and Stock of every kind &

description and all the house hold & kitchen furniture, farming utencils (sic) and all of My property of which I may die Seased (?) & possession both real personal or mixed to her Sole use during her Natural Life, and after her death to be Equally divided among **her natural born children** & all of my other property Such as that of Every Kinds House hold & kitchen furniture

also my Black woman MILLA aside all My Other property Personal & mixed as My wife Elizabeth may think proper to divide to her Children.

I do hereby Make and Ordain this to be My Last will & testament. I also Make appoint and Constitute My Well beloved wife Elizabeth and my friend Benjamin King Jr. My true & lawful Executors to this My Last will in testamoney (sic) whereof I have here unto Set My hand and Seal the 17th day of June in the year of Our Lord 1838.

Signed sealed and acknowledged

In the presence of

Benjamin Willson

Henry Lyons

Henderson County, NC, Will Book 1, page 13.

Transylvania Co., NC, Vol. 2 p. 358 Prob. 30 Jan 1884 Rec. 16 Oct 1909.

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CHRISTOPHER WHITMIRE seal

*(looks like clerk's handwriting)*

1841

10 Sep CHRISTOPHER WHITMIER SR. gave to CHRISTOPHER WHITMIER JR. both of Henderson County, land on Middle Fork of French Broad R. being a part of Crab Orchard beginning on the Old Tract between William Gillespie and said WHITMIER ...to the point of the River between said land and where said CHRISTOPHER WHITMIER now lives. 60 acres. witness: Henry Lyons, J. C. Galloway. Spring Session 1842, Book 2 pages 273-4, Henderson Co., C. On page 270-1 CHRISTOPHER sells this to WILLIAM WHITMIER (#25-13-) for \$275.

1842

Christopher Whitmire died. He is buried in Whitmire Cem., Rosman, NC.

1843

Feb Benjamin King & Elizabeth Whitmire came into Court & presented a paper Writing purporting to be the last Will & Testament of Christopher Whitmire which was Admitted to probate by the Oath of Henry Lyon a Subscribing Witness thereto, Whereupon the Court ordered Letters Testamentary to be granted which was done & the Sd. Executors Qualified. (Session Minutes of Court page 174)

1850

Henderson Co., NC census: family # 656.

Elizabeth Whitmire 49 NC \$1500.

Margaret 15

J/I U ?? 12 male

H. D. 9 male

1857

Elizabeth remarried, to Henry Lyons.

1857

19 Sep Indenture between Elizabeth Lyon & William Whitmire of the one part to George W. Whitmire of the other part all of Henderson County. Conveyed unto George W. Whitmire his division of a certain tract of land originally granted to Christopher Whitmire lying on both sides of French Broad River including the three forks of said River where the fork crosses the Eastatoe Beginning on a hickory on the North Bank of the River Below the forks & runs west 54 chains to the River crossing the same course 16 chains to a black oak then S 71 chains to a black oak thence E 70 chains to a stake thence a stake thence North crossing the River to the beginning containing 500 acres & divided into shares \_\_\_\_\_

Elizabeth Lyon & William Whitmire have conveyed unto G. W. Whitmire his share beginning on a white oak on the point of the ridge on the South side of the Mill Creek thence runs N 40 degrees W to said Mill & thence said Creek to a marker \_\_\_\_\_ at mouth of small branch . . . on the top . . . of the GRAVE YARD Ridge . . . . .

Wit. W. R. Galloway  
\_\_\_\_\_ Gillespie

Elizabeth X Lyon  
William Whitmire

State of North Carolina Probate Court  
Transylvania County  
Recorded 4 July 1881 Book 4 page 140-1.

1860

Henderson Co., NC census, East Fork, family # 1361.

Henry Lyon                   76  
Elizabeth                    60

next door is William Whitmire & wife Rebecca.

1862

14 Jul What mixed emotions of pride and fear Elizabeth must have felt when on this day sons George, Henry, and James enlisted with Co. K 62 Regt. Transylvania Co. as privates. Grandsons Jackson, John C. and Robert did likewise. In Henderson Co. the next day grandsons Flemming, Christopher C. and Andrew enlisted. Son John had enlisted a year earlier in Co. F Regt. 25. Son-in-laws and sons of daughters met the call too.

1870

Transylvania Co., NC census...This was the worst census for missing families. Apparently it was done on purpose in order to reduce the southern representation in Congress.

1880

Transylvania Co., NC Elizabeth Lyons is living with son Henry D. Whitmire.  
She is 79 a widow b. NC her parents b. SC.

1885

ca 26 Apr Elizabeth Whitmire Lyons died. She is buried beside Christopher.

1886

21 Aug Special Proceedings (Petition to Partition)

State of North Carolina Superior Court  
Transylvania County Before the Clerk

H. D. WHITMIRE, ELIZABETH WHITMIRE, C. C. WHITMIRE, BAXTER WHITMIRE,  
MARY PETTIT, JANE WHITMIRE, THOMAS WHITMIRE, SALLIE WHITMIRE, ELIZA  
WHITMIRE and FLORID WHITMIRE by their next friend ELIZABETH WHITMIRE, Plaintiffs

Against

REBECCA WHITMIRE, HOLBERT WHITMIRE, ED WHITMIRE, FLEM WHITMIRE, ROSA  
WHITMIRE, LUCINDA GALLOWAY and her husband WASHINGTON GALLOWAY and  
MARY A. GALLOWAY and her husband GEORGE GALLOWAY, Defendants.

Petition for Partition

1st. That CHRISTOPHER C. WHITMIRE, a citizen of Henderson County, died sometime about the year 1840 seized and possessed of a valuable tract of land in said county. Bounded and described as follows viz lying on both sides of French Broad River including the forks of the river where two paths cross Eastatoe ... containing about 500 acres except one or two small lots of land conveyed by the said CHRISTOPHER C. WHITMIRE out of the above boundry (sic) in his lifetime.

2nd. That the said CHRISTOPHER C. WHITMIRE by his last will and testament devised the said tract of land to his wife ELIZABETH for her lifetime and after her death to be equally divided among **her** children and the representatives of her children.

3rd. That the said ELIZABETH WHITMIRE wife of said CHRISTOPHER C. WHITMIRE died intestate in Transylvania County on or about 26th of April 1885.

4th. That the Plaintiff H.D. WHITMIRE is a son of the said CHRISTOPHER C. WHITMIRE, and ELIZABETH WHITMIRE and is the owner of **one-seventh interest** in said tract of land.

5th. That one GEORGE WHITMIRE was a son of the said CHRISTOPHER C. WHITMIRE and ELIZABETH WHITMIRE and that the plaintiff ELIZABETH WHITMIRE is his widow and that  
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CHRISTOPHER WHITMIRE SR. 25 cont.

