## Meek Family of White Co., TN

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11. **Thomas Meek** was born about 1770 in Virginia according to the 1850 census of White Co., TN. He is believed to have married **Nancy Bowen** 23 Mar 1801 in Knox Co., TN according to marriage records. *Note: there is no proof that it was the same Thomas Meek.* (In the 1830 census he appears to be without a wife. However in the 1850 census he is married to Nancy.) He was listed in court minute books of White Co., TN as early as 1808. (White County was created 11 Sep 1806.) Thomas was listed in the 1820, 1830 and 1850 censuses of White Co., TN. He was also listed in 1838 tax records but cannot be found in the 1840 census. He may have had as many as 3 sons and 6 daughters but only the name Charles Meek born about 1805 has been found in the records.

<u>Speculation:</u> Some genealogists claim that Thomas was the son of John Meek and Jane McCutchen. John Meek was the son of Thomas Meek who married Agnes. Thomas was the son of John Meek born about 1707 who settled in Augusta Co., VA. It is believed that John Meek and Jane McCutchen migrated to Knox Co., TN although there is very little evidence of this. Be advised that available genealogies on this Augusta Co., VA family contain minimal data for verification and should be considered with suspicion.

<u>DNA Implications:</u> Descendants of John Meek born 1707 & his son Thomas who married Agnes fall into Meek DNA project Group C. **However** no genealogical connection has been proven and no descendants of Thomas Meek has been DNA tested.

Middle Tennessee was populated very early (around 1800 +/-) by people named Meek including DNA Groups B, C, and E.

The following is not verified and may be wrong.

- 101. Charles Meek was born 3 Oct 1805 in White Co., TN. He died 22 Feb 1875 in Sparta, TN. He married Nancy Sperry. She was born 29 Mar 1811 in Kentucky. She died 8 Apr 1881 in Sparta, TN. They were listed in the 1840 through 1870 censuses of White Co., TN.
  - 201. Emily Meek was born 8 Apr 1832. She died 23 May 1882.
  - 202. Amanda Meek was born 19 Apr 1834 in Sparta, White, TN. She died 27 Aug 1909 in Sparta, White, TN.
  - 203. **John Sperry Meek** was born 18 Sep 1837 in Sparta, White Co., TN. He died 25 Mar 1888. He married **Sara Jane Dibrell** 25 Jul 1867.
    - 301. Effic Ovova Meek was born about 1868.
    - 302. Mary Elizabeth Meek was born about 1872.
    - 303. Amos R. Meek was born about 1874.
    - 304. Lou Ritha Meek was born about 1876.
  - 204. Mary Ann Meek was born about 1838.
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205. Clark Meek was born about 1840.

206. Thomas Meek was born 1 Jul 1845 in White Co., TN. He died 25 Oct 1890.

Charles had a relationship with a slave, Bessy Jackson.

207. **James Washington Meek** was born 1 Jun 1840. He died 5 Nov 1910 in Langston, Logan Co., OK. He served in the Union Army during the Civil War. He married (1) Harriet Jane Granbery in 1868. They were divorced. He married (2) **Sarah Jane Johnson** Sep 1891. In the 1870 he was known as James Storey.

- 331. Parthenia Marie Meeks was born about 1886.
- 332. James Ellsworth Meeks was born about 1892.
- 333. Buleah Meeks was born about 1894.
- 334. Papheney Meeks was born about 1897.
- 335. Charles Meeks was born about 1899.
- 236. Cecil Luella Meeks was born about 1906.

There was a Thomas Meek in the Pulaski Co., tax list for 1799 & 1800. Pulaski Co., KY

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