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Dear Mrs. Walton and Winfred

Thank you a million for your helpful letter. Two families - B.A. Sullivan and mine - were overjoyed. We had searched as long for Uncle Isaac Shepherd, who was brother of my g. gf. Jacob Solon Shepherd, who married Mariah Nell, daughter of Polly _____ Nell Poe, who was my g. g. g. m. We knew they went to Ark. - but our library has so little on Ark. They do not have the Goodspeed Biog. of 1889 - so, at your leisure, ^{please} ask about these puzzling questions I'll enclose.

Simon Poe was one of 1st settlers of Fayette Co. Came about 1814-1817 - probably 1817. He is in 1830 Census, also 1850. Must have been born 1775-1890. There was another Simon Poe born about 1800. I'll go to Library and get records and send you later this week. Meant to go today - but it is

pouring rain. I got this Poe data from 1830 and 1850 film of Fayette Census. Just last week the Library got copies of a new book of "Fayette Co." by Herbert Newell.

Since your town was made up of pioneers from Fayette Co., your Library would probably stock newells new books: Fayette County History

2. " " Cemeteries

3. " " Census 1830, 1840, 1850

All are splendid. Address is Herbert Newell Fayette, Ala.

I was fascinated with your history of intermarriages. Felt like I was kin to half of Arkansas population. Aunt Lou Shepherd Cates was going to ark. to visit the various kin about 1880 or 1890, when robbers held up the train. She gave them the masonic sign and ~~she~~ they did not rob her. Cousin Timina Williams and Aunt Kittie Shepherd Sullivan ^{B.A. Sullivan's mother} used to visit kin there.

They say there is one genealogist in every family - there must be two in your family. Thank you and bless you! I teach math at Woodlawn High. School starts next week. Where has the summer gone? Mrs. Sullivan and I will help with your needs. Tell us.

Sincerely,

Lucile Burton