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Bourquin - McNish

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Dear Rev. Peoples,

A little over a year ago, I wrote you seeking information on the parents of Col. Henry McNish of St. Luke's Parish. You very generously helped me with what you knew.

In the last two weeks, I have made several discoveries that may be of interest to you. The first is a death notice from the Charleston Mercury that states that Henry McNish died September 26, 1831 at the age of 53. That means he was born 1777/1778. The 1880 census for his daughter, Virginia (McNish) McNeill, states that both her parents were born in South Carolina.

The second group of information comes from the South Carolina Historical Society and is to be found in "Punysburg Colony" file compiled by Eugenia Howard. These are her notes and abstracts on a series of civil cases involving the Bourquin family that are located in the Federal Record Center in East Point, Georgia. On several occasions Henry McNish is referred to as the son of John McNish and Mary Catherine (Keall) McNish. The December 7, 1825 report states clearly that Henry McNish was a son and "heir at law" of Mary C. McNish. It would be ^{preferable} ~~preferable~~ to see the original documents, but this will have to do for the

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present.

The some cases involve the family of David Huguenin who lived in Beaufort District. That may be of interest to you as well - or perhaps someone you know.

If you have any questions, I will gladly answer them as best I can.

Sincerely,
Foschall McNeill

Henry Bourquin

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