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My dear Mrs. Tallant:

As a rule we do not do any genealogical research, as our staff is very small and the queries are too numerous. However, I did spent some time looking up your line. I found that John, James, and Perrin Cooley were living near Franklin, Howard County, Missouri, and all three were in the War of 1812. I would suggest that you write to the Pension Bureau, Washington, D. C. and ask if either James, or his widow Frances, received a pension; frequently the maiden name of the wife appears in the application. I also suggest that you write to the County Clerk of Howard County, at Fayette, Missouri, and asked if the marriage of James Cooley is on record, although, as a rule, the names of the parents of the bride and groom are not given. However, you will at least learn the maiden name of the bride.

Most of the early settlers of Howard County were Kentuckians. Do you know whether or not your James emigrated from Kentucky. I found a James Cooley, revolutionary soldier, eighty years old in 1840, living in Madison, Kentucky. He might have been the father of your James.

I might add that if Mrs. Cooley received a pension, the date and place of her death would appear on the records, so I would ask for this information when writing to the Pension Bureau.

Sincerely yours,

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Stella M. Drumm, Librarian.

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Velerans administration Bureau of Pensions
Walsh. W.C.

My grandfather, miller Caoley son of James + Brafieks miller Cooley was &, inf madifion & ky in 1822; Miller Choley's father must have moved to mo, very again after that because, James died at Parrollton Ms. in 1836.