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Robert L. Elliott

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Dear Mr Elliott

Thank you for your completed Research Form and cheque for \$80, receipt enclosed, for an initial assessment of your Elliott enquiry.

I made a thorough search of the baptism records of all denominations within Co. Leitrim for the baptism of Thomas Elliott circa 1834 to parents John Elliott and Alice, without success. I also searched for further children baptised to this couple, also without success.

We only have Methodist baptism records for three parishes within Co. Leitrim, namely Drumshanbo from 1840, Manorhamilton from 1876 and Mohill from 1882. All of these baptism records are too late to have record of your ancestor Thomas.

Griffiths Valuation was the most accurate land record carried out between the years 1848 and 1864. The survey of Co. Leitrim was done in the years 1856-1857. It was carried out for the purpose of determining the amount of rates to be paid by each occupier, based on the estimates value of the property. It lists the occupier or householder only. The land at this time was owned by big landlords and the vast bulk of the householders were mere tenants on the property, with no rights to ownership.

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I checked this source for a John Elliott. I located two, one in Cloonclare parish in the townland of Moneenlum and the other in the townland of Askill, Kinlough, which is in Rossinver civil parish.

The John Elliott in Cloonclare is married to Frances (*no surname given*). He has seven children baptised between September 1854 and May 1866. This John cannot be Thomas Elliott's father. However, he could be a brother. Unfortunately there are no baptismal records available to prove this.

The Tithe Applotment Books record all occupiers of land who paid Tithes to the established Church at that time which was the Church of Ireland. The Tithe Books were compiled for Leitrim in 1833 and they list householders in each townland. There are no Tithes available for Askill townland. I also checked Moneenlum townland. There is a Jno (*John*) Elliott Jnr. (*Junior*) recorded paying tithes on just over two acres of land in Moneenlum (*copy of this tithe page enclosed*).

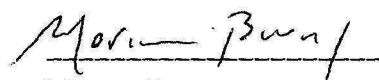
There are no baptism records available for Rossinver Church of Ireland parish prior to 1876, therefore, I cannot confirm the identity of the John Elliott, Askill townland in Griffiths Valuation.

I was unable to locate a Church marriage record in any parish in Co. Leitrim where records commenced early enough for John Elliott and Alice, prior to 1834.

The above information is all that I can locate to match the details you provided. There is a good chance that the Elliotts recorded in the townland of Moneenlum, Cloonclare parish, are your ancestors, however, I have no way of proving this. Maybe some of the information provided might mean something to you.

Sorry I could not be more helpful.

Yours sincerely



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