John Shackelford looking for his mother Caroline and seven siblings

John Shackelford placed this ad in *The Highland Weekly News* in Hillsboro, Ohio. A white man named James Brown started *The Highland Weekly News* as a Whig newspaper to counter the popular local Democrat newspaper. After several name changes, it evolved to support the Republican Party and dedicated itself to supporting "moral reform." At its peak, it had approximately 1,500 subscribers throughout southern Ohio.

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Any person knowing anything of the family, will greatly oblige John Shackelford, by addressing him a line, in care of Capt. Joseph K. Nelson, Agent of the Freedmen's Bureau, Murfreesboro, Tenn.

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