

Dear Dr. Peeples,

Thank you for your letter of April 8th and the corrected information on the Chaplin, Adams, and Mosse families. I had most of the information in its correct form when I ran across the conflicting info in the DAR Patriot Index, and, needless to say, I thought that the DAR info was unquestionably correct, and thus valid. I, however, did not change my info in my family papers, and would not have done so until I had consulted with you. Again, thanks very much for the help!

Well, our family get together seems to be shaping up right nicely. It now appears that we will have a turnout of about forty-five or fifty relatives. This, as I may have already mentioned, will be the first such gathering of this family, and to say it is long overdue would be an understatement! I am extremely delighted that I had such an overwhelming response, and I am eagerly looking forward to April 26th. I was, however, disappointed that you and Mrs. Peeples cannot come due to a prior commitment, but I do understand. Maybe, if we plan another family get together for next year, you and Mrs. Peeples will be able to come. We would love to have you!

In reference to the Mary Dunn Cemetery on Daufuskie, I have not heard anything new. Things are very quiet, and, indeed, seem to be too quiet. Most of the people whom I initially wrote to did not have even the common courtesy to acknowledge my letter concerning the cemetery! But, thanks to several members of my family and Billie Burn and her family, as well as other interested parties, the Mary Dunn Cemetery Preservation Association was able to raise a fair amount of money. But, at the present time, after paying survey fees and attorney fees, there is very little left in the kitty. But, the fund, through myself and other family members, is once more on the increase. I think Bille Burn is to be commended for her diligence and fighting spirit! If she does not have Chaplin blood in her system, she surely has inherited the family's fighting spirit!!

I am sending a copy of a letter from Richard A. Ellis to Mrs. W.L. Pickard, and, if you would be so kind, ask for your comments concerning its info on the family. Have you seen this letter before? Also, the info on John Chaplin's duel at Fort Pulaski. Do you know which John Chaplin this was? His mother and father? Could it have been John Joshua Chaplin, who is buried here in Savannah?

Well, I will close for now before I run out of paper. Hope you and Mrs. Peeples have a pleasant time in Charleston at the First Families of South Carolina meeting. By the way, would you send me some info on this organization and how one would apply for membership. I am very interested in the organization.

Sincerely,

P.O. Box 3761 Savannah, Georgia 31414 March 28, 1986

Dear

On April 26th, from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M., at the picnic area at Fort Pulaski, a mini-family get together has been planned. This will be a wonderful opportunity for our family to get re-acquainted with those we have not seen in many years, and/or it will be a time to meet some of our relatives we have never met. Needless to say, we need you and yours to come.

The common thread, which, by the way, is not all that common, that binds all of us was the union of James Peto Chaplin, II, and Tallulah Clifford Millen Chaplin. For the past three years, as you may know, I have spent many an hour working on our genealogy, and I can assure you that the Chaplin and Millen families were in the forefront of building and shaping the great states of South Carolina and Georgia, and the greatness, and all that that implies, of the America that we all love so dearly. Truly, our heritage is one that we can, and should, be justly and honorably proud of.

PLease take a moment now and note the date, time, and place of the get together. If you decide to come, please bring a covered dish item with you. You will also need to bring whatever your family will drink-iced tea, lemonade, Coke, etc. There is no facility at the site to buy ice. Thus, you will need to bring some ice with you. Also, seating is very limited at the site. So, if you have lawn or folding chairs, please bring them with you. Paper plates, forks, cups, and napkins will be provided.

I would like to have an idea of how many folks will be coming by April 15th. PLease, if you are planning to come, write me at the above address or call me at (912) 233-7845. I have an answering machine. So, if I am not at home, please that your message on the recorder. If I do not hear from you by April 15th, I will assume that you and yours are not coming.

Hope to see you April 26th!

John David Humphrey

Sincerely