

Monday ^{12:00}
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Dearest Cousins —

It was so good to hear from you dear Ones at Christmastime - always love your letters, they're so interesting.

Do tell me - is the Georgia Hist. Society going to publish your edited and annotated Grinnell Journal? If they do I'd surely love to get a copy. I had that it was going to be published in the S.C. Historical magazine this year - is that out? I do hope you have them straightened out concerning it for they surely were not with it when I wrote them for documentation, etc. Incidentally, the papers I did for my cousin to join Colonial Dames in N.Y.C. on Paul Grinnell were accepted, praise the Lord! I surely am pleased about it as it's the first time we've ever done this (and probably the last). Now the family has another line to use besides the Lawton and Pierre Robert lineage - and also Col. John Barnwell.

Appreciate so much all the info. you sent me regarding places to stay when we come down there. I'd like to come stay about a week during time of Lawton Reunion for I want to visit that whole area. Wilkey hasn't committed himself to anything yet - but I'm hoping he'll consent to all of it and that we can do this. It would be nice to do it when it's not so hot but then I couldn't attend reunion, too. So... - will let you know as soon

as I know, what we're going to do. You all are smart not to have a larger house at Neilton Road for there are some people, I'm sure, who'd worry you to death about coming for visits!! Surely hope you will show us around while we're there and I'd also like to see some of your family charts, family memorabilia, etc., etc.!!

Am so happy to report that our Camille came thru her two hip resurfacing operations on 12/31 and 1/7 beautifully, praise the Lord. Now she's walking, going the stairs, everything without the help of crutches, cane, or anything! - and driving her car. Her recovery was quick and good. She does find that she still tires easily - but otherwise seems nearly back to normal. Hopes to return to work at her church Kindergarten on a part time basis this month - hope she's not rushing things. Her younger daughter fell at the skating rink on Saturday and broke her left arm!! Otherwise I believe all of our family is fine, thank the good Lord. We'll all be glad to see Spring come, however - we had our second snow of the winter this past weekend and we wonder what March holds for us. Our water table should be greatly improved now, from all the rain and the snows we've had!

The Lord sailing in heading down to Cokerston about Wednesday - will pick up Ethel at the lake at Prosperity and go on down. Will be staying with Bobby Olivros part of the time -

• indeed I'm wondering what you can tell me about what I should see on Edisto Island? If you can, drop me a note %

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We are going there ^{probably on Friday or Saturday} to search for our ancestor, Edwin Sturgis Lovell - we don't know where or when he died nor where he's buried and, since he was married to Caroline Olivia Jenkins, we wonder if he could be buried in the Jenkins Burying Ground on Edisto. They were married in the Presbyterian Church on Edisto. I also want to visit the Bernard Burying Grounds and the Lawton one - what family homes or plantations should I see there?? I really want to see all I can while I'm there, and you know so much more about these things than I do.

Robert, how reliable and good are Joseph E. Hart's genealogies and charts? And what about Chisom's book on The Edings and the Hebrusham papers? How about our late cousin, Richard Archibald Ellis? I find these people don't agree on names and dates and I don't know whose accounts to go by - still trying to get at the truth and the facts on the Calders - Baileys and Beynards. And that Thillingsham - Thinningham thing - I tend not to accept that but I maybe wrong about that. Want to ask Mrs. Torse

about it. One of the three cousins who was responsible for that - Cousin Rosalie Kellery Thellingham (Broadus, Jr.) is still living but very senile and doesn't remember anything about it!! Bob Thellingham's Aunt, Mrs. Harris Thellingham, is dead as is Virginia Marshall Flatau. I always seem to get onto these things a bit too late!! - but I try!

Robert and Cora, do hope you all have had a good winter and that all is well with you two. Do enjoy the glorious Spring that is ahead of us and speaks so loud and clear to us of rebirth, renewal and hope!! I love it - God bless you all and do keep in touch.

Love you -
Cornille

I understand Carolyn Lawton Farrell's book is at the publishers - I'm really looking forward to it for that's the kind of thing I love! A character sketch that brings my beloved ancestors alive - so that they're not just names, statistics, etc. - and I can picture them as ^{the} live human beings that they were - who felt the gamut of emotions we all have and experienced things peculiar to their particular times on this good earth. Bye now -