P, 0<sub>e</sub>, Box 5103 Columbia, S. C. 29250 July 15, 1981

Dr. Robert E. H. Peeples 8 Moon Shell Road Hilton Head Island, S. C. 29928

Dear Dr. Peeples:

d. 2 June 1981

May I come in? We were so sorry to miss the reunion of Lawton and Allied Families - however, my dear Mother was not doing well at all at that time and it was "touch and go" from day to day. On June 2md she was called to her rest. So the time from June 2 until about a month was a period filled with all sorts of goings on.

On Monday of this week my son. John, and I decided to go to work again on the family history. I was so ashemed to see that your questions have been unanswered for so long - really not nice at all. As best I can - here goes!

The work on the Jenkins family I loaned you - my Aunt in Barnwell paid a women to do that for her from the records in Barnwell County. It is at least 50 years old - the information has been with our family that long. My Mother said the whole family was provoked to think that my Aunt would pay a women \$5.00 to give information like that!!!Ha!!

John and I worked at Caroliniana for 5 hours this week and the EXCITING THING WE FOUND WAS....dates for MARTHA ANN JAUDON AND BENJAMIN WILLIAM JENKINS....HURRAH!! We have been searching for the cemetery where they are buried and have had difficulty - but there is one lone relative in her 90's whom I have solicited and sent "forme" to be completed and



have called long-distance. Her daughter has promised to see that we get the information in 2-3 weeks....so this was really a "shot in the arm".

BENJAMIN WILLIAM JENKINS b. 1810 d. 1861

Martha Ann Jaudon b. 1820 d. 1892

m 1 June 1836

It was all I could do not to "holler" when I found this. As you had previously said you did not believe that she was so much older than her husband...and you were right!

So...this is enough for today - don't want to worry you so much.

I think I told you that I have "found" a relative here in Columbia she is the relative of Benjamin Walter Jenkins who was murdered at age
58 by a man called "Bull" Hogg. We did not have anything on Benjamin
Walter before I met Mrs. Widner.

We are still looking for <u>where</u> the graves are for Martha Ann Jaudon and her husband. The death of her husband in 1861 bears out the story that she was left with a house-full of little children.

Best regards to you and Miss Cora. Hope to see you next time we are at Hilton Head - and if you come to Columbia - pleasegive us a call. 788-2202.

Sincerely,

Sac Laufmann