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Dear Robert,

I have encountered a puzzler and want to acquaint you with it. I continue to try to confirm/document the maiden name of the mother of Martha Rippon (Mrs. Richard Jenkins, who married Thomas Hanabaw after Richard's death). Mrs. Edward Rippon's given name was Ann. Mike!!

underlining is mine,

William John Grayson in his Autobiography published in SCH & G Mag wrote of his father's mother [I think she was born Sarah Zigg] "She had a neighbour, Mrs. Ann Rippon of her own age whose plantation ^(This was Parris Island) lay on the opposite side of the Island, on the Broad River shore, about three miles off. The brother of one of the friends had married the sister of the other and a son, the only offspring of the marriage, bound the two old aunts in a closer intimacy. I was a frequent and willing guest at Mrs. Rippon's. Never was a hostess more devoted to the comfort and enjoyment of her friends"

* Grayson identifies the island in the preceding paragraph and "Grayson" appears on Mills Atlas Map (1820 data) on side of Parris Island opposite Broad River. Rippon does not appear 1820

It would seem that with such a clue I could resolve it but I cannot. One brother of Sarah Wigg, Hillersdon Wigg, married Elizabeth Sergeant but in a Deed Abstract Elizabeth Sergeant is made reference to as the only ~~daughter~~ child of Rowland Sergeant.

Colonel Thomas Wigg left three daughters (but they may have been married several times)

- Mrs. Hazzard
- Mrs. Heyward
- Mrs. Grayson

and two sons - one of the sons left a daughter, the mother of Captain John Rivers of James Island, the other had a son who died in early manhood without issue.

I do not know where I copied this except perhaps in Wigg file at SC#67

Somehow the Cattells may figure in this. Please give it some thought at your leisure. I continue to rattle around seeking answers to old puzzles.

Please give your dear Cora my warmest best wishes.

Sincerely,
Bill

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Deed of 21-22 August 1752

"..... formerly belonging to Rowland Sergeant
 & inherited by his only child Elizabeth
 who married Hillersdon Thigg.

Rowland Sergeant was granted 5 April 1734
 78 acres called Roses Island,

Robert, as I recall Rowland Sergeant was
 connected in some way with Edisto
 Island (but who wasn't!).

I wrote to and heard from Louisa
 Montgomery but she could not
 confirm Ann Ripps's maiden name,