

LAWTON

107 Redan Drive
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Dear Cousin Robert and Cora,

Greetings from Savannah. Hope this letter finds both of you in good health.

Thank you for your suggestion that I contact John Boineau. Eleanor Guerry and I went to Charleston on the 24th of August and stopped by Edisto Island to see John (Jack). We met him at Middleton Place Plantation and later he took us to Summit Plantation. It was quite a treat to see those old plantation homes. He took us to St. Paul's church which is the site of Robert Yonge's Toogoodoo Plantation. He said that Robert Yonge was supposed to be buried in area between church cemetery and some old rice fields in an area that is now heavily wooded. He had never seen the graves. T. W. and I might go looking sometime. He had a copy of the marriage, birth and death records from the actual bible of Francis Yonge, Sr. He made a copy for me. He was not familiar with the Johnson family of Wadmalaw Island. I may have to go back to Tom Lawton on that. I believe now that Susannah Johnson's father may have been Richard Johnson, Sr. I have some evidence that she had a brother named Richard Johnson, Jr.

We met Jack later in Charleston for lunch at Baker's Restaurant on King Street for lunch (dinner in the South). We did not meet his wife. She was at the beautician's. All in all a very enjoyable and productive day. Thanks for suggesting it.

When we spoke on the phone, you mentioned Lucretia Elvira Lawton who married Milo Miller of Rocky Ford, Ga. Recently I finally found Great Great Uncle Nathaniel Rhodes in the 1860 census of Screven County. He is in there twice, once as Nathaniel "Rose". The two listings are two days apart and they have different neighbors. One neighbor is John M. Miller and Lucretia C. Miller and their family. The children match those in Our Family Circle. I wonder if they knew each other. I have enclosed a copy of the pages from the census.

I was sorry to hear about Mrs. Powell in Sylvania. I know that T. W. spoke to you about it over the telephone.

The books should be back from the bindery in the next two weeks. I will bring your copies to you at the SAR meeting in October. See you then.

*Sincerely,
Clayton*