

Albion SC  
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Dear Louisa.

Thank you for sending this to me. It is most interesting! Still hope to see you soon.

Don't forget to get your Orange & Coffee bills together so I can contact you for you. I believe you'll have the proper "care." Since I believe among his papers is the will of Mary — Grinbass Lawton Tierling, because I found an inventory of her estate that said her personal property was to be sold in accordance with the terms of her will. One paper found about her said she lived in Prince William's Parish - she also had land next to Joseph's in St. Peter's Parish. So she may be buried in some plantation cemetery in either Parish.

In Col. I found a deed from a Wm. Sam, of Wadmalaw. in 1738 to his sons, Joseph & Robert or Edw. This was before the days of deers releasing, so no reference was made to Wm's wife. Do you think she was Susannah. I would so like to have this point straight & verified, for my paper is ready to go to print, except for that. Come to see us. Love you all.

Fondly,  
Tom

Thursday, Aug. 15, 1957

Dear Florence,

The past weeks have been so full that I've had little time of my own. I'd hoped to come to see you, so that's why I've not written sooner. However, Ben and I don't do very much traveling because we're expecting our first child in October. Last week we did take off for several days for Edisto Island (I hadn't been away from <sup>the</sup> office for over a day in almost a year). It was grand, even though we couldn't travel down side roads. Thus, I didn't even get to our "cemetery". After October, Mrs. McLeod & I hope to "goe around on jaws, Wadswold, & Edisto for clues. I hope Will also be along then, we hope!

Dr. Meriwether has offered to microfilm Jen's collection, returning the originals to him. Jen wrote he may consider this. I pray he will, for they should be there, posterity would have access to them. If you'd get your stamps and Confed. money together, I could write him, and he may trade with you! That would be grand. I'd like to see what you have before writing him. I believe we'll find Mary's will in them, since there was an inventory of her estate which said her personal property had been sold in accordance

with the terms of her will. Another paper I  
found was from Mary Trilling to 2  
orphans named Hadley. It is  
a puzzle, eh? Did you ever find your  
reference in St. Helens's register saying  
Wm. Lawton married Mary Stoney?

When you come to Allendale on  
Sunday, please come to see us. It would  
be wise to 'phone first - either at my  
residence, 2529, or at Mother's, ~~2534~~  
2534. Some people call the office by mistake -  
it's 2385; so don't make that mistake.

Come to see us, and give our love to all.

Truly,  
Love  
Lawton