

copy of my letter By Florence S. Lantton

my dear sister

I have taken up this piece of paper to beg you will pray for me that my sins may be forgiven. I feel that I am without his forgiveness, I feel that I am a sinner before God, that without his forgiveness I will be lost. pray that the influence of the Sabbath may rest upon me. and through life and may the solemn and blessed truths which I heard on Sunday in the house of prayer abide in my memory and direct my conduct. These words are continually ringing in my ears. How shall I escape if I neglect so great salvation. May I be enabled in the presence of a heart searching God day by day to declare that this Saviour is my all. my theme, my inspiration, and my crown. I acknowledge dear God that I have deserved the greatest of thine indignation <sup>or</sup>



that if thou hadst dealt with me  
according to my deserts I should  
this day be mailing my mercies  
in a sad eternity - hoping this  
may find you all well I conclude  
by remaining yours in distress I  
beg that you will make me a  
subject of prayer as ever yours -  
affectionately  
St Helena Is. - Ann Oswald

written about 1840  
letter was folded & sealed with wax.  
Sister was Caroline C. Sawo.  
Before the new Church Baptist was built  
old Baptist Ch. in Bpt was of Tabby.  
she was member of Beautiful Baptist  
Ch. - her husband Richard Reynolds Jr -  
she died 1859 - in Bpt Bapt Cem, Stone  
she had 6 children



Ernest 3-

I am so fond of her & Miss Rosy too, we saw  
a good deal of each other. Little Rosy, staying  
with Mrs J. <sup>Langton</sup> + Annie. I think they  
are living at the Phosphate works, they had  
to move there. Belle is still at the Richard  
Langtons in Macow, Ga. but I believe Janice  
intended leaving the Aars + is going to teach  
at a Mr Woodruffs, in Brunson. Wallace  
is still at the factory where he has <sup>Langton</sup> been for  
a long time it is the Phosphate Factory that  
Callie Clark established here. Alex is grown  
up but is only 16 1/2 years old he is in  
business, so you see Cecil and Olive are  
the only two going to school. If your  
uncle (Robert Oswald) could only get some  
thing to do, we could make out to live. Rosa  
has the same five children she brought  
from the Island (Janice) + no prospect of another.  
Your Uncle + the boys join me in sending  
much love to each + all of you + Olive sends  
love + kisses skip she remembers all of you.  
Tell Aunt Mary that Alex went to see her  
E. Miller. Give my love to Jaddie you write  
and tell him he has a very earnest nephew  
we will succeed down there hope you all will  
get Loyds place + the Ladies Is. My address is



20 Highland Ave. May God bless &  
be with you my dear Addie is the  
prayer of your Aunt Anna (Lawton)

Wife of Robert Corrald. mother  
of Dade, Robert, Alex. & Henry Corrald.  
of James Sr.

The Gov (U.S.) paid the Reynolds  
girls Carol Addie & Lira in the  
school farm about 240 acres on  
Corrald tract. They received \$1,500.00  
each.



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Mrs Robert Oswald Atlanta Ga  
She was Anna Lawton. Jan 27, 1889  
20 Highland Ave.

Dear Addie (Lawton)

Your truly acceptable letter came to me yesterday and as the weather is so inclement I did not attend church. I thought I could not spend the time better than in writing to you. (The words are blurred) Dade & Douglas went down there on an excursion trip and (Daddy Cupid (star)) told them that there was no school farm on his part of Jericho which of these statements are correct he was not known and would thank Jaddie (Judith Lawton) very much if he could find out for him if Mr Crofts address is Beaumont you know (the) being the first international we have had of its poor girl, she must have had very trying time indeed. I do hope she will keep on improving, also hope that your dear family has entirely recovered from sickness. By the way. I am glad you sent the letter for me to read. I am always gratified to hear from those I love & feel deeply interested in your self and sisters. Although I am



I am never able to show it in any way  
except by words & actions (Take care of this  
letter Mr L)

Your Uncle requests me to ask you to write  
to Juddie and get him to find out if Mrs  
Crofut owns any of his mother's Jericho land  
if so how much he owns & what part of it  
He said Mr Crofut told him once when he was  
down there, that he only rented it and that  
a part of it had been taken for a school  
farm but two summers ago your Uncle  
Robbie (Connell). Your Uncle and Cous when  
they were there and said Thank God he saw  
his - -- he had bought 20 acres of the  
Jericho place (land) the part they call the  
Island field, so he told Mr Connell (Robert) and  
another one of our negroes Clarrisa had  
bought another 10 acres near the dwelling  
house but she lived at little Port ~~Royale~~  
& let her daughter (Mary) live on her <sup>(Royale)</sup> land  
Clarrisa (a slave of Connells) used to be a  
right impertinent woman and hard to  
manage, but dont know how she is now?



Jericho <sup>3</sup> Arnold

Paul (Clare) used to be my carriage driver and butler, he is a good boy or man he is now. Your Uncle (Robert Arnold) says the Jericho place, belongs to the Estate, yourself (Addie Card & Lirie Reynolds) the Clowers, and <sup>Lantern</sup> himself, Sister Caroline Arnold Sams, has no claim on it as he says Mother (Lurina Arnold-Duncan) gave her big Hagar on the place of her share of Jericho, as well as I can remember, that is the way of it too but my memory is so bad I couldn't swear to it! but he says he is sure of it.

He begs that you will let him know what means you used to get what you did get and who would be the proper one for him to write to enquire about receiving anything & also that you will send him Judge address and particulars, as soon as possible a party used to write to him concerning it while we were in Charlotte but says he has forgotten who he was. as he has moved from there ever since the earthquake, letters may have been sent there for him, which he has never



Jericho

Conrad 4

referred, he has never seen Elliott's Amend-<sup>Larger</sup>ment and would like to see it. When we were in S. Carolina every now and then something would come out in the "Courier" about the property down there but we never see the Chas. papers now I think I have written all the business now. I see my children very often up here, there are 6 of them Dade and Elsie live in Avocado, Orange Co. Fla. Robbie + Douglas still live on the island (James Is.) Henry lives 6. Gadsden St Chas. S.C. has just moved there from Wentworth St. where he was living ever his marriage, their baby over a year old is named Mable. I sympathize so much with poor Nedie at the death of her youngest, she was certainly a very pretty and interesting child. I heard from her a few days ago (Nedie married ~~Samuel~~ <sup>Samuel</sup>?) (Daddy Johnston is dead old slave) I hear he is much missed on the Island (James Is.) Do write me about Cousin Min McLeod I do think so much of her, does she ever write how Hattie McLeod is? her health very poor when I left. I did not see her to say Good Bye, which I regretted very much. I am