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Rev. Robert Peeples
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Dear Rev. Peeples:

Appreciate your interesting letter. I have never been able to find the will of Jonathan Fitch, Sr. who died ante 1691. I had Mr. Peter Goldham do research in England for the will of Jonathan Fitch prior to 1691 and also a will for Jonathan Fitch in 1715. Mr. Goldham wrote that the only Jonathan Fitch listed was a resident of Barbados in 1659 and later. Notes on him are in Besse: Quaker Sufferings Vol.2, page 627. In 1657 he was fined 100 lbs of sugar for not appearing in arms and in 1674 amounts for the same offence and for not paying his church dues. I believe that this Jonathan Fitch is the one who died ante 1691. I just wonder if he came to this country or if ^{only} his children came.

Jonathan Fitch's will was dated 4 Nov. 1715 and his wife was named Susannah. I believe that she must have been a Stanyarne. Reference to this will is found in Charleston County deed book EE pages 5-11.

There are three reels of microfilm at the Court House which I am trying to read in my spare time. Found many references to Fitch and Stanyarne. The one reel that I have read is not indexed so the reading is slow. Also, I work at the Air Base so do not have a lot of spare time when the Court House is open. Just wish that it was open on Saturday.

The will of Ann Waight was dated 28 Nov. 1748 and she mentioned her granddaughter Izabellah Fitch. Izabellah did not marry until 15 Oct. 1762. They were married by the Rev. Mr. Skane and the Register Book for the Parish Prince Frederick Winyaw makes reference to the Rev. George Skene. I believe that Adam had his pastor for the ceremony.

The S. C. Historical Magazine Volume 58, page 226, Letters of Thomas Pinckney 1775-1780 - ***** Camp at Purysburg Janry 28th 1779 ***** The Death of poor Major McDonald has left me all the cares of a Father without its Sweets, as his dying request was that his Son should be given up entirely to my Disposal.*****

S. C. Historical Society - Gourdin Collection - Letters and Business Papers 1734-1845. Receipt dated 31 Dec. 1793 between Adam McDonald and Theodore Gourdin makes reference to the debts of Adam McDonald Senr's Estate.

The Ledger of H. Maham 1767-1790 at The Caroliniana Library re the Estate of Adam McDonald in 1782 cash to Miss Annabella and payment to Major Pinckney on account of Adam.

Based on the above, I believe that Adam McDonald and Izabellah Fitch had two daughters and one son Adam. One daughter Fanny died in 1771.

I joined First Families through Adam McDonald the son of Adam McDonald and Izabellah Fitch.

Just wish that I had more time for research as I find it fascinating.
Perhaps one of these days after I retire, I will have more time.

Mrs. H. R. Peecksen, 605 Old Plantation Road, Jekyll Island, Ga. 31520,
joined on Thomas T. Stanyarne. She is related to me through the Proctor family,
which moved to Georgia in 1799 from Pennsylvania.

Looking forward to meeting you at one of our meetings.

Sincerely,

Mabel Pace