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Dear Cousin Robert:

Here I am again! It does not seem possible that nearly two years have passed since our previous correspondence - But somehow I kept hoping that fate would make it possible that I could come back to South Carolina & meet you but at last I feel it will probably not come to pass - So - I am going to ask if your offer still holds good will you give me \$25.00 worth of research into the Fraser-Richardson family?

Here is all the information I have - all of which is hearsay & from memory - I talked to my mother so often as she was rather a silent woman & wanted to be questioned. Mary Fraser whom my mother said was a "Red" Fraser & direct descendent of Lord Lovat of Scotland - Its right interesting

that this was told me many many years  
before an article came out in Cosmopolitan  
about a Fraser, Lord Lovatt - <sup>was</sup> head of  
The British Secret Intelligence during World  
War II & a picture of Lord Lovatt was given  
showing a man with sandy-red hair &  
the kind of transparent thin skin that goes  
with it & Mather had described her grand-  
mother just such - She married ~~John~~ Henry Richards  
They lived on Helton Head Island as all of  
the stories she told of visits to her grandmother  
(evidently the grand father was dead) was  
of trips to the Island in a row boat -  
According to Mather they had 2 sons & many  
daughters - John married <sup>Elizabeth Stoney</sup> ~~Mary Henry~~ - The  
other son Henry - I don't recall who he married  
but he had a son Henry - called Hal who  
lived around there & married a Miss Aldrich  
& they had 2 sons Warren & Alfred as far  
as I know Warren lived down there &  
Alfred was game warden of South Carolina  
for many years - "Cousin" Hal lived

in Columbia and I remember as a child  
 visiting his home in Columbia -  
 of the daughters I recall one married a  
Johnston, one a Graham, one a Ceruthers  
 + several Barnwells, [one Sally - never  
 married + lived with my grandfather  
 in Savannah.] So much for Richardson -  
 Now the Stoney part that I recall - my  
 grandmother was Elizabeth Stoney +  
 I think by her father's 1<sup>st</sup> wife who  
 was a Jenkins - I recall my mother telling  
 me her grandfather was James Stoney + I  
 asked her what was her grandmother's name  
 + she replied "I think Jenkins?" + according  
 to what records have gleaned he did have  
 2 wives + Elizabeth must have been just  
 a baby when he remarried + only knew her  
 stepmother as a mother -  
 My mother lived all her youth in Savannah  
 Her father as I recall was a banker + Cotton  
 Broken lost everything during the war  
 + left Savannah for Georgetown S.C

where he bought a plantation & grew rice until  
he died -  
One of the display houses in Savannah is  
"The Old Richardson Home" & recently I saw  
in a paper that "The Savannah Historical  
Society" had just got hold of some of the  
"old Richardson Relics" from a pawn shop  
in Charleston & it was in the house - I  
was interested as I tried to find that relic  
& was unsuccessful - I had a 1<sup>st</sup> cousin John  
Richardson who died about 5 years ago -  
he lived in Charleston & had the relic -  
he had no children & his wife got the estate -  
she died & her family got it - I tried to locate  
them to offer to buy the relic but could  
never do so - So putting all this together  
I somehow wondered ??

I have recently heard from Rev. Wm  
Stoney of Seneca, S.C. about the dedication  
to take place next Sunday & would  
give anything in the world if I could  
come but fear it will be impossible

so decided I would pick up the threads with you & you might during the gathering contact some one who could add to this information & will deeply appreciate if you will find time to write me a bit about the dedication after it is all over-

William Stoney is the son of Rev. James Stoney who was pastor of Grace Episcopal Church in Camden for many years - He was a second cousin of my Mother I think. He is much younger than I - I recall him as a little tot when I left there in about 1904 - so he must be too young !!! My how I would love to be with you all -

Most cordially  
Maida Waker