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The Rev. Mr. Robert E. H. Peeples
Hilton Head Island, South Carolina

Dear Bob:

I have been wanting to write ever since Julia Fisher and I met you and your lovely wife in Charleston, but as you know we are always very busy during the legislative sessions. That was really a wonderful day, and as always it was the people who made it so. I am certainly looking forward to seeing you all again.

Of course I am asking for your help. As I told you, we have literally thousands of House members on whom we need information. I am not at all sure that these are of your Rhodes family, but we have from St. Helena's John Rhodes, who served 1800-1804, and Nathaniel Henry Rhodes, 1816 until his death July 10, 1817.

Of the Bellingers, we have Edmund, from St. Bartholomew's, 1788-90; Dr. George, St. Bartholomew's, 1782-84; and Burnaby Bull, St. Helena's, 1788-89 (elected Ordinary of Beaufort District January 26, 1789). I have not really tried to ^{get data on} identify these yet. Later ^{on}, we have my great-grandfather, Edmund Bellinger ^{of} Barnwell, but I know about him, and Joseph Bellinger, who was a Senator and a Congressman, so we have information on him. Incidentally, we provided the BIOGRAPHICAL DIRECTORY OF THE ~~AMERICAN~~ CONGRESS with data on Joseph, which actually was readily available; no obody had ever sent it to them.

We have the Rev. Darling Peeples, who was of course a Senator, and Jesse Williamson Peeples, St. Peter's, 1854-56. Thomas Hay Peeples' wife has sent data on him.

I do hope that you will be able to give us information about some of these gentlemen -- and I know that I can count on your help.

It may be that Doug and I will be coming to Hilton Head this fall for an ~~accounts~~ ~~meeting~~ accountants' meeting (they have been holding it there) and if so we will look forward to seeing both of you.

If there is anything I can do to help you in your research, please call on me.

With all best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours, *Joan R. Faunt*