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ROBERT

DEAR DR. PEEPLES,

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF MAY 30TH, ALSO, THE MAP WITH THE AREA IN WHICH OUR ROBERT FAMILY LIVED IN SWITZERLAND FOR CENTURIES, AND, THE ENCYCLOPAEDIA ARTICLE RELATED TO OUR ROBERT FAMILY.

ALWAYS SO NICE TO SEE OTHER RELATIVES LIKE YOURSELF, MR. TOM LAWTON, MR. ED ROBERTS WORKING, DOING FURTHER STUDIES AND RESEARCH TO ESTABLISH MORE FAMILY HISTORY THAT IS SO ADVANTAGEOUS TO US THAT ARE INTERESTED AND, SEARCHING TO KNOW MORE ABOUT OUR ANCESTORS. WE OWE YOU EACH A DEEP DEBT OF PRAISE AND THANKS. PLEASE KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

WE ARE ACQUAINTED WITH MRS. MARTHA B. BURNS, SECRETARY OF OUR HUGUENOT SOCIETY IN CHARLESTON. IT WAS MRS. BURNS, WHO, ADVISED ME THREE YEARS AGO TO CONTACT MR. ED ROBERTS IN MONROE, LA., TO SEE IF HE COULD BE OF HELP IN FINDING FAMILY CONNECTIONS WITH MY G-G-G-G- GRANDFATHER ZACHARIAH (PATERNAL) ROBERTS, WITH G-G-G- GRANFATHER ABRAHAM ISAAC ROBERTS/ROBARTS, OF WHOM, I MADE MENTION OF IN MY LETTER TO YOU.

KNOWING MR. ED ROBERTS WAS A VERY BUSY PERSON PURSUING FURTHER STUDIES ON ROBERT LINE, I WAS HESITANT IN WRITING HIM IN REGARDS TO THE HEZIKAH ROBERTS FAMILY, BUT, MUST ADD I WAS GLAD I DID. HE WORKED VERY HARD TO FIND AN AUTHENTIC PROOF FOR ME, AND, AS TIME PERMITS FOR FURTHER STUDIES BY ME ON THIS END, I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO HIS HELP IN GETTING THIS LINE CORRECT FOR ME. WE MEET SO MANY NICE PEOPLE IN OUR FAMILY LINES THAT ARE SO WILLING TO BE OF HELP, AND, THEIR EFFORTS ARE INVALUABLE.

ONCE A YEAR IN OCTOBER RELATIVES, FRIENDS, AND NEIGHBOR'S GATHER FOR ANNUAL HOMECOMING AT OUR OLD BETHEL CHURCH, WHICH MOST OF OUR DESCENDANT'S REFER TO AS OUR "MOTHER CHURCH". AS A USUAL THING PEOPLE COME FROM OUT OF STATE TO ATTEND. I WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO LET THE FOLKS KNOW ABOUT ANNE BRADBURY PEEBLES' BOOK. TO MY KNOWLEGE FROM THE LIMITED RESEARCH I HAVE DONE RELATED TO BRYANT/ PEEPLE LINE, THERE WAS SEVERAL CHILDREN MARRIED INTO THE MATTOX FAMILY, WHICH DID RETURN BACK TO COLUMBIA COUNTY TO LIVE. ANYONE INTERESTED IN THE FAMILY SURELY, THIS WOULD BE A GOLDEN ANSWER TO HAVE IN PRINT RELATED TO PEEPLE'S ANCESTORS. THANKS FOR SHARING THIS INFORMATION.

I AM VERY DELIGHTED ABOUT YOU BEING ABLE TO OBTAIN A COPY OF "OUR FAMILY CIRCLE" FOR ME, ALL I CAN SAY IS MANY THANKS, AND I DO APPRECIATE IT. THERE IS NOT A COPY IN OUR LOCAL LIBRARY, ONE IN TALLAHASSEE WHERE I ORDERED THE FEW EXCERPTS THAT I HAVE, AND I AM SURE WE ARE GOING TO ENJOY AND USE IT IN THE YEARS TO COME.

MY HUSBAND HAS NEVER BEEN ABLE TO ESTABLISH HIS FAMILY CONNECTION WITH OUR HUGUENOT FAMILIES, WHICH WE ARE OF THE OPINION THAT HE WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR MEMBERSHIP TO THE SOCIETY. (KENNETH'S LINE HAVIRD/ CHAMBERS/ AND STEWART. OUR LAST TRIP BY THE OFFICE, MRS. BURNS DID FIND A BOOK IN THE OFFICE THAT REGRET NOT BEING ABLE TO GET COPIES OF, AS THE PHOTO MACHINE WAS OUT OF ORDER THAT DAY. THE ARTICLE WAS RELATED TO "HAVIRD" LINE, YET, WE QUESTION "CHAMBERS AND STEWART" LINE. HIS G- GRANDATHER'S REV. KINSEY CHAMBERS B. 1814, PERHAPS? FROM S. C., TO HANCOCK, THEN SPARTA CO. GA. REV. KINSEY CHAMBERS WAS AMONG THE "FIRST" BAPTIST MINISTERS THAT WE HAVE FOUND RECORDS OF TO PREACH IN THE EARLY SETTLEMENT OF OUR COLUMBIA COUNTY. I DO BELIEVE THIS NEEDED INFORMATION WILL BE REVEALED IN O.F. CIRCLE.

DR. PEEPLES, I AM INTERESSED IN MEMBERSHIP OF "FIRST FAMILIES OF SOUTH CAROLINA". I WROTE MRS. BURNS SEVERAL WEEKS AGO FOR MEMBERSHIP PAPERS, BUT, THEY HAVE NOT ARRIVED AS OF YET. I HAVE BEEN MORE OR LESS WAITING TO JOIN HUGUENOT, F.F. S. CAROLINA, AND THE SOCIETY OF DESCENDANTS OF THE COLONIAL CLERGY, WITH HOPES WE COULD JOIN TOGETHER, BUT, AFTER BEING WITH OUT PROOFS FOR HAVIRD LINE, KEN, THOUGHT UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES, I SHOULD NOT WAIT, TO GO AHEAD AND TRY TO GET MY LINE ESTABLISHED.

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AS YOU KNOW SOME ARE INTEREST/IN THEIR ANCESTORS, SOME COULD CARE LESS. I HOPE OTHER RELATIVES WILL TAKE AN INTEREST, AND TRY PRESERVE OUR HERITAGE. AFTER HEARING FROM YOU, I HAVE GIVEN THOUGHT- THERE MAY BE STRONG POSSIBLE OUR BRYANT/ PEEPLE/ MATTOX/ BROWN ETC. WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR HUGUENOT SOCIETY THROUGH THESE LINES.

OUR G-G-G GRANDFATHER LANGLEY BRYANT 1803/04 MARRIED MARY REMHART. I WAS THINKING ABOUT HUGUENOT - ANDR'E REMBERT, A THOUGHT. WILL TRY TO SEE IF I CAN FIND A CONNECTION FOR ANYONE IN THE FAMILY THAT WOULD INTERESTED.

YES, IT WOULD BE AN HONOR TO HAVE YOU SIGN MY APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP FOR F.F. S. CAROLINA, WILL GET BUSY ON THE APPLICATION AS SOON AS IT COMES.

SO NICE TO MEET ANOTHER FAMILY MEMBER, WHO SHARES A COMMON INTEREST. MANY THANKS FOR ALL YOUR KINDNESS, IT IS DEEPLY APPRECIATED.

SINCERELY,

Aileen M. Haward
Mrs. Kenneth Haward

P. S. MRS. BURNS, WAS THE ONE WHO INVITED ME TO JOIN F.F.O.S. CAROLINA, I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT IS REQUIRED WITH MY APPLICATION, BUT, "IF" LIKE ALL OTHERS, I AM SURE I WILL NEED SEVERAL ENDORSEMENTS. YOU WERE SO KIND TO INVITE ME ALSO, AND I WANTED TO SAY THANKS FOR YOUR KINDESS TO ME IN THIS ENDEAVOR.