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Dear Dr. Peeples,

Hope you've had time by now to digest my last mailing, because here comes more! I'm sure you never bargained for this when you kindly answered my first letter.

You asked about William, the father of James, and questioned William, the son, so I have been trying to put together what I have on them. It was really the push I needed to get started and to write down some of this information, so I thank you for that.

But it has been a chore in that I didn't realize how much information I had on them and how difficult it would be to try and set it out clearly. I remember some of the spotty stories I've read on other families from that era and area, and realize how few records exist, so I guess I'm fortunate to have this much.

I have tried as much as possible to include other names and associates both for broader interest and a better picture of the connections. The many remarriages complicate the task, as do the same names running in family lines, so that you're never quite certain who did what to who. Anyway, this is what I've come up with on the early Greens. I've also started pages on Benjamin & Josiah, but have some gaps to fill yet. You said you had information on Samuel, so I'll make him and the Daufuskie Greens my next project.

I really would like your help, advice, and counsel on this. I know it's a lot to ask and very time consuming, but I hope it contains something of enough interest to you, and maybe later to others, that sometime when you're already bored to tears, you'll have time to critique it and offer any suggestions you might have.

I have run across two more questions, the answers to which would go a long way in filling in some blanks in the Benjamin & Samuel pages, and they both concern families with which you are connected. In Jonathan Norton's Will dated 14 April 1774 he mentions a grandson, JOHN FENDIN. Which of Jonathan's daughters married a Fendin, and which Fendin? Also, in John Fendin's Will of 25 Oct. 1758, he mentions his daughter, Sarah LADSON. Do you know which Ladson male Sarah married?

And of course I'm very anxious to find out about the reference to a Benjamin Green Jr. as I've not found anything to indicate that Benjamin had a son that lived. This would certainly affect any inheritance the daughter Elizabeth Green would have gotten had she had a brother. And did those birth years for the Green brothers come from the Green chart or from some family record? I would certainly accept them even though earlier than I had thought, unless you think the chart too flawed to be reliable.

Oh, and lastly, the source for William Green of Daufuskie's birth and death dates as 24 June 1754 - 13 Sept 1812? I'm really interested in that one. You asked if I thought he could be the son of Josiah who married 18 March 1754? You betcha! You are much too gracious with their morality. Josiah was a scoundrel, and Catherine a damsel in distress, so Edward Beale, Benjamin Green, and Samuel Green took turns holding the shotgun while the Rev. Peasley did his duty.

I hesitate to continue to ask questions, you've been such a help in the past, but I so value your expertise and knowledge, and very much need your guidance in this. Again, I just hope there is something of interest or merit in it to warrant your time.

With best regards,

