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Dear Dr. Peeples,

If I am to answer your card, I must send you a terrible draft because I am under great pressure from many sides just now and am expecting my friend from Florida who spends the hunting season here. I do want the place to be reasonably clean. He understands my having been burglarized and the accompanying difficulties and the smallness of the place, but I am going to have to do spring cleaning in the fall since I have been doing too much visiting of old folks to get memories while they are still alive.

Also Laurie Pattison has just turned over the Youmans convention to me and normally to do one as we did for the Professional Engineers when my husband was State President and a National Director, takes nearly 6 months. Laurie had asked me to take it some time ago and I had gotten out of it, promising to help but not to be in charge. I will need many prayers if this comes off now! I shouldn't burden you with my problems but I did think you should know why I didn't give you a quick reply and a good one. My Heape papers are the worst things you ever saw. No pagination and I find the method of reflecting genealogy excessively difficult. Dr. Reddick says he can follow it and Mrs. Romaine ~~Dren~~<sup>DRYER</sup> who used Julius Heape's work in her research has sketched off for me enough that I can tell you with reasonable certainty that the names underscored in red, using arabic numerals, are the children of John Heape (I suppose John Mitchell Heape but I don't know) and Mary Jaudon. For safety, I shall repeat them here;

1. John Mitchell Heape m. Julia Marvin

2. Benjamin Joseph (The Ulmer line says Joseph; the Heape line

says Benjamin; everything else matches perfectly so I assume he had both names!)

3. James Edward m.                      McTeer

4. William m. Eliza Peeples

5. Sarah m. Samuel Marvin

6. Annie (my Zahler records have not been proved but Cousin Julius had her unmarried and the Zahlers have her married; take your choice.)

7. Hannah Rebecca m. William Bonneau

8. Mary m. Charles McKinsey

In reading back the draft, I find I speak as if the Heape and Davis family are the same. I find them intertwined from the beginning. Dr. Reddick will now untangle this whole mess since he is tired of waiting on E. Stanley Barnhill. I have xeroxed copies of what I have for him and we spend a lot of time on the phone and in corresponding. He is a music professor but I suspect he knows what he is doing except, like me, he is having a tough time with our Davis group. The family insists we are a collateral line to Jefferson Davis but neither one of us has proved this.

I am sorry I am so messy but my dog takes so much time also. She is harrasing me because I usually take her for her run in the morning and she can't understand my writing letters when I should be on my way!

As ever,

*Ruth*

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Dr. Peeples, sorry I'm in a hurry  
 but I've sketched off badly  
 the Heape-Jaudon  
 connection. I've written  
 to St. Stephen and hope  
 to hear. If you don't  
 have the St. Stephen  
 Episcopal Church book,  
 let me know and I'll  
 copy out the Jaudon  
 information.

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 County, S.C., 1671-1868!

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Charleston Free Library  
 wills for me very reasonably.  
 I've written - never had to go!  
 Somehow I can't recall too  
 much about the Jaudons from  
 hearing stories like I did about  
 other fugitives. Will write if I  
 get anything more-over  
 Ruth Elsom

Per Cousin Julius Heope's  
 attic records:

① Joseph Heope  
 Chas. S.C.

② Benjamin Heope  
 bapt. 1726  
 Chas. S.C.  
 d. 1767 (NOT  
 1748 as in SC Hist)

Elizabeth  
 Chas., S.C.

③ John Mitchell  
 Heope

④ William Heope

④ David  
 Heope

Eliza Peeples  
 dau of  
 Josiah,  
 son of  
 Isham

\* Mary  
 Jaudon

Sarah Davis  
 wife # 2

Chau of  
 Peter Jaudon  
 and sister  
 of John J. J.  
 Berkeley City,  
 S.C.)

Mary Wood  
 wife # 1

⑥ Julius Heope  
 3rd wife  
 (Siblings:  
 Davis Heope,  
 Eugene Heope,  
 Mammie Woods,  
 Isobell Heope,  
 Bessie Hall)

1st Eliza Lataen  
 2nd Susan Jeter  
 3rd Elizabeth Davis

James  
 dau. of  
 Elliott Davis + Jane  
 Elizabeth Ulmer

[note: Elizabeth Leason Davis,  
 his 3rd wife was sister to  
 James Donnere Davis (1/2)  
 John Nicholas Davis (1/2)

Unmarried \* Ellen McTeer Davis (whole)  
 Jane (whole);  
 Jesse Bellinger Davis (whole)  
 William Clarke Davis (whole)  
 \* my g.m. (Ruth Elcom)

1. John Mitchell Heope + Mary Jaudon had:  
 Benjamin m. Isabella Ulmer  
 (my Ulmer family says she m.  
 Joseph Helaper. He could be  
 Peter Joseph)
2. James Edward m. — McTeer
3. William m. Eliza Peeples
4. Sarah m. Samuel Marwin
5. Annie
6. Hannah

\* According to Marwin  
 genealogy she was  
 Shelma [Mary Jaudon] Davis.

I have Marwin  
 genealogy  
 to 1784  
 Daybrook Conn.  
 (He was son  
 of 1st Joseph  
 Marwin who m.  
 Anna Anderson  
 of Savannah)