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LAWTON

Dear Robert -

While going through some old papers the other night, I ran across the enclosed two pages of notes, copies of which I have sent to Tommy and Mrs. Brownlee as well.

I have no idea where notes there were or where I obtained them, so I am hoping that you will be able to help me figure out where they may have come from.

What struck me first about these notes was the date they were recorded - March of 1926. Who in the world back then knew anything at all about C.W.H.? Cousin Annie Miller didn't even know about him in 1931 when she compiled OFC.

Nothing new about C.W.H. appears in these notes, but note the reference on the second page to Mary Lawton:

1736-40 p. 173 Mary Lawton to James Maxwell - 18 Oct. 1744

Which Mary Lawton was this? Since Winkens Lawton was born in 1745, I would say this would have to be his mother, since Mary Clark Lawton was already dead. What do you think?

Next, what type record is this - some part of land transaction? How do we consult the source for further information?

Next, what Lawton - Maxwell family connections do you know of? I can't find anything in my limited sources - just a bunch of Maxwells that have no obvious relationship to CWL. Do you know who this James Maxwell was?

Last - and most important - if these notes reflect what information was in the Fireproof Building in 1926, shouldn't we have someone check to see what else might be there? I eagerly will await your thoughts and suggestions.

I will close and get this in the morning mail.

Give Miss Cera my regards, and let me hear from you soon.

As ever -
Paul