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Dear Dr. Peeples,

I enjoyed getting to meet you at the researchers' meeting two weeks ago in Hampton. Rose-Marie had mentioned that you had helped immensely in tying up loose ends with the beginning generations of the Platts family in S.C. I certainly found it useful to see the other people interested in this project. I've been actively involved in research for about two years now and am ready to see some results of all our efforts.

In retrospect, I would like to modify the suggestion I made about including only the first five generations in the book. I would suggest including also the names, and maybe the spouses, of the sixth generation. I know that this would make it much easier for people on my side of the family to identify with the people in the book. All my relatives will know who Frank Platts was, but probably very few will know his father John Dexter Platts, Alfred's son. I think that if my cousins, for example, can see their name in an index with the page reference to Frank Dexter/Howard Platts to the side, then much more interest and ultimately satisfaction will be generated. I am planning to then follow up with a loose-leaf type of collection that will contain the descendants of Dexter and Susan Ayer Platts. I have almost all this information already and plan to submit these names for inclusion in the Platz/Platts book's index. What do you think on this matter?

I also wanted to thank you for giving me my great-granddad's response to your letter about his great aunt Mahala Elizabeth Platts Folk. I didn't know my great-granddad that well. He lived just behind and across from my grandparents' farm, the first that you see on the right after crossing the Little Salkehatchie going north on Highway 321. He did tell me before he died that he was of German descent; I didn't believe him at the time because I didn't realize at the age of 13 in 1980 that the name had been Platts/Platz. He was 90 at the time and was in ill health. I only wish that I had spoken with him sooner about family history and why he dropped the "s".

Please say "Hello" to your wife Cora. I enjoyed sitting next to her at lunch that day. Best wishes for a truly blessed Thanksgiving season.

Sincerely,

