

Robert Hamilton Harris to Martha "Mattie" Love, c.1861-1863, Sapelo Island, Georgia

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Inside you will find a sort of map of our position and neighboring places. I think it is near enough correct to give you some idea of things about us.

On the Atlantic side is a fine beach of firm white sand, with a good many shells scattered over it, not many of which are very fine however. When the winter gales begin to blow many nice ones will wash up, and then I will make a collection. Mattie, I wish you could stroll along our beach, or wander among the delightful groves of the Island, you would enjoy it so.

If you would like to have some shells and other curiosities I can bring them to you when I go home, or send them to you if I do not go.

After you get home shall I direct my letters to you peculiarly or not? I do not know whether your parents know of our correspondence or not. I have no objection to their knowing it if you have none. If I were you I think I should tell them about it, and if they object to our course, I will not act contrary to their wish; but I hope and believe they will not object to our corresponding.

If you have not received my last letter inquire at the P. O. for a letter card of Moses Greyton and maybe you will find it.

Please excuse dirt and mistakes for I have been at work and the mosquitoes are devouring me.

Yrs truly Robt.