

RIVERPOINT, R. I., March 10, 1905

Mrs Harvey L. Spencer,

Dear Mrs Spencer,

A friend sent me a copy of the Newport Mercury containing an historical sketch of the Huguenots in Rhode Island, and as I am a regular subscriber to that newspaper therefore have a copy, I thought that being a descendant of the Huguenot, Pierre Le Valli, you would be interested in having this duplicate, which please accept with my compliments.

I do not know that there is any Huguenot blood in my veins but my father's only brother, Christopher Rhodes Greene, born in what was called in late years "the John Greene house", facing the bridge in Centerville, in 1786, died on his wife's plantation "Fountain Grove", St Stephen's Parish, South Carolina in 1825, and mar-

was lately known as the Spalding estate. Col. Job died in this house in 1808.

ried Mary Anne, daughter of Dr. William  
Lehré, a descendant of a Huguenot of  
that name (Lehré,) who fled from perse-  
cution in France after the revocation of  
the Edict of Nantes in the 17th century.

Dr. Lehré was a practicing physician  
in Charleston S.C., where also my uncle  
had a town residence.

My middle name was given to me  
in honor of my aunt's family. It should  
be pronounced Leray, after the French  
mode.

Yours sincerely

Henry G. Greene.

The house referred to above was built by  
my grandfather, Col. Job Greene, in 1785,  
in which year he was married in Newport  
R.I. My grandparents had four child-  
ren, two sons and two daughter's, who were  
all of them, born in that house. In 1805,  
having sold to Army & Brown, the old house with  
a large tract of land Col. Job built a second house which