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Miss Florence Ivey Lawton,
Estill, S. C.

My dear Cousin:

I address you in sack cloth and ashes of apology. Your most interesting letter of May 22nd arrived at my house one morning just as I was leaving. Unable to read it at that time, I turned it over to Mrs. Lawton, who read it with much interest. In some way, however, it became mislaid on her desk (she is a busy woman with many papers), and only came to light again last night. Mean while I have been away from the city several times and have been very much pressed with sundry work. I must frankly confess to you that the matter entirely escaped my attention and all I can now do is to apologize and ask you to forgive me for this seeming neglect.

I am very much obliged to you for the paper which was enclosed in your letter, which I have read with a great deal of interest. It contains a good deal of information which I did not have and which I was anxious to acquire. I have put it away with my genealogical record, and I prize it very much.

I notice that you have no information back of the Joseph Lawton who is buried at Robertville. I have copy of a letter dated Allendale, S. C., June 13, 1906 from S. G. Lawton to "Dear Cousin Anna", who I believe is Mrs. Wallace Lawton of Charleston. This letter states that the father of Joseph Lawton was an elder Joseph Lawton, who had three children, Joseph, William and Bulah, Joseph being our ancestor who married Sara Robert, William being the progenitor of the Charleston branch of the Lawton family and Bulah being Mrs. William Seabrook. His letter also indicates that the Cousin Anna whom he addressed is the sister of your father Judson Lawton.

I am a member of the Huguenot Society of South Carolina. My father was a member before me, and I have proposed for membership my son Alexander Robert Lawton 3rd

I hope you will be able to join. The dues are only \$1.00 per annum. If you are not able to afford it, will you not let me do it for you? You have taken a great deal of trouble for me, and I shall be very glad, if you would accept it, to send you my check for \$10.00, which will take care of your dues to the Huguenot Society for several years. I hope you will let me do this. It would give me a great deal of pleasure.

Is the S. G. Lawton who wrote the letter above referred to from Allendale still alive, and what is his full name? He apparently has a good deal of information which I should like to get.

Again humbly begging your pardon for having so long delayed my answer, I am

Faithfully and sincerely yours,

Alexander R Lawton