M. R. Lawton 146 Lawton Avenue Estill, SC 29918 July 23, 1985

Mrs. Mary Rau 2218-A S 32nd 53215 Milwaukee, WI

Dear Cousin Mary:

Algonquin Books forwarded your letter of July 10 to me recently. I'm sorry to report that I can't trace the family connection to General Henry Ware Lawton. I have heard the story of his death in battle in the Philippines during the insurrection of about 1905. There is a boulevard in Manila named for him and is one of the few American names that still stands. You may know that as soon as they got their independece they gave most things Filipino names, ex. Dewey Blvd. was changed to Rojas Blvd, etc.

I am forwarding your letter to two cousins of the South Carolina branch of the Lawtons who are well versed in family history with the hope that they may be able to help you. They are:

> The Hon. Thomas O. Lawton, Jr. Attorney at Law Allendale, SC 29810

The Rev. Dr. Robert E. H. Peeples 8 Moonshell Road Hilton Head Island, SC

Sincerely yours,

Manny Lawton

Bot. Hope yn lan help. Best regards, Manny