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Dear Cousin Robert

I enjoyed your last letter so much and have been intending to write sooner than this but each time I start something comes up to interfere. I was pleased to hear of my election to the Haguenet Society of South Carolina and I appreciate your help. I was interested to know that you and Miss Cora attended the annual meeting and then that of the first families of S.C.

We just returned from San Antonio and New Braunfels, Tx where we had a family reunion - It's the first I've attended and we really had a good time. My Aunt Marion and two of her children and their families were there along with my brother and sister and daughter and a cousin from San Diego - There were about 30 people in all and it was very nice.

I had the Lawton family Reunion very much in my mind and head during June 19-20 - I hope it was a success and that you enjoyed it - I would love to have been there - perhaps next June.

I have heard from dear Eleanor Strain several times now and am so grateful for all the wonderful information she has sent on the Erwins and Maners - It has been a real inspiration to me to learn something of the wonderful ancestors we have! I am most grateful to you for putting me in touch with

her.

She sent me Bessie Lubingier's son, John's, address in Brewster, Mass and I have written him. I think he may have a Bible referred to by Bessie that was purchased by my 9-9-grandfather, Jesse Wade, from Bishop Asbury in 1826 and in which is inscribed "Jesse Wade was a friend of Davy Crockett and hunted with him many times in the mountains of Tennessee."

I have finally been able to learn who your friend Lizzie Wade was. She was born Elizabeth Jones, daughter of Jennie Bostick and Seaborn Jones, Jr. She married Jesse Turpin Wade, son of Parson Peyton Lisky Wade and Elizabeth Robert. He was born Aug. 24, 1851 in Screven co. and died Aug. 30, 1918 in Augusta. I believe they called him Capt. Jesse. I believe they are buried in the cemetery near the Brick Church. They owned 8500 acres of Mill Haven plantation which I assume was another name for Lebanon forest. See pp. 302 and 316 OFC.

I wonder if you could give me a reference to a book where I could learn some of the details of the battle of Parysburg? The few references I have seen have only confused me? Was it the same as the Battle of Prier Creek? Is there a Prier Creek in South Carolina as well as Georgia? Was the battle fought on the Georgia or the South

Carolina side?

I have recently been doing some research on my maternal grandfather, William Hall (1847-1915) who during the 1870s and 80's drove cattle from Texas to Montana and Wyoming a number of times. As you know, this was the brief era of the great cattle drives and the rather brief generation of the cowboy that has been so romanticized in our American heritage. He lived in Illinois where he and his father before him were in the cattle business. He had a ranch in Montana where winter temperatures of  $30^{\circ}$ - $50^{\circ}$  below zero must have made cattle raising a night mare. He sold out in 1885 after a drought and poor range management and a depression caused many ranchers to sell out. He bought property in Iowa where he lived the rest of his life and where my mother was born. In 1886-7 after leaving Montana one of the worst blizzards recorded hit the northern plains and temperatures went to  $50^{\circ}$  below! One of the trails Texans took to Montana went west to the Pecos River across 96 miles where there was no water for the cattle. It then turned north along the Pecos through N.M. and on into Colorado. In West Texas the drives were harassed very seriously by the Comanches.

I have recently discovered C. S. Lewis and have been reading everything of his I can get my hands on - He is a brilliant Christian theologian who writes in an amusing way that even I can understand - I've particularly enjoyed Mere Christianity and The Screwtape Letters.

I hope everything is well with you and Mrs. Cora - Karen and I are expecting our latest arrival on about July 17<sup>th</sup> - We went to San Antonio with fear and trembling that it would be born there, but God looked after us all very well -

With very kindest regards,  
Brie Wade

P.S. At our family reunion my cousin Bob Wade told me that he met some people who were neighbors of Lizzie Wade and that her doctor and lawyer inherited her property at her death.

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Thurs. Mar 5  
(3 days after Texas Independence Day!)

Dear Robert

You have been such a blessing with your most interesting and informative letters. I have treasured each one - and our new found friendship. I received the copy of OFF and was thrilled; but when I looked through it and saw all the notes you had made and the corrections, I was speechless! - What a treasure that volume will be for years to come! I have read each of the pamphlets and enjoyed them thoroughly. Yours on the Anti-Bellum Helton Head families was most interesting. I had no idea that Dr Woodward about whom I have read was part of OFF! I also loved the pamphlet by Elizabeth Hoboyier on Cousin Annie - I would like to get two more copies for my Aunt and my sister if they are available - I am enclosing a five dollar check believing this will cover their cost - One item mentioned that really caught my attention is her mention of the old family Bible bought from Bishop Asbury. I believe it was bought by my ancestor Peyton Wade ca 1798 and passed down to his son Jesse and then to my g-grandfather E.G. Wade but I didn't know what became of it. Apparently he gave it to Cousin Annie and Bessie Hoboyier had it - Have you any information about the present whereabouts of her children?

Another person I've been trying to get some information about that you may know of is Rosalya Wade Watts. My Aunt Marion (my father's

sister - born 1897 - and now living in Houston) gave me a letter from Rosalyn to Francis Wade Goodson who was a good friend of my Aunt's. In it was a reference to the Lawton Family Assn. and I'm sure she was a member. My Aunt wanted to know if she is still living and if so, where?

I think I have been able to obtain the books by Compton Reade and Arthur Smith on microfilm from the LDS Library (we have a branch library here). The other references to the Landgrave Smith genealogy will be most helpful, also.

I really appreciate your sending the papers for the Colonial Governors - I have sent them in. I appreciate the information on Medway and Westocock and Thomas Dixon. You must know how all this is creating a burning desire to see your part of the country! I would love nothing more than to come to the Lawton meeting in June but doubt that it will be possible this year - but perhaps next.

I will indeed try to obtain the court decision from the College of Herald's as to Monck's heirs - from an earlier letter from you I assume there are still copies of ofc available - Bessie Lobingjer says in her pamphlet that the last copy of the 2nd printing was sent to her - was another printing made?

With very best wishes to both you and Miss Cora and with heart felt thanks for all your kindness

Sincerely,  
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Dear Robert:

Thank you for your letter of 21 March. That was my parents wedding anniversary. (They were married in 1908 and were able to celebrate their 60th anniversary with a trip to Hawaii! They passed away a few years ago at age 86 and 88). I did indeed receive the monograph by Elizabeth Lobingier and am most grateful. I also appreciate your returning my check - I realized that it had been lost somehow.

In your letter you said you wished you could help with the old family Bible. Well, your wishes have had a powerful effect! Karen was going through some old boxes of my father's books the other day and to my utter astonishment, there was the Bible! It is a folio edition covered with leather which is so old it has been repaired by hand and the printing on it is not visible. Unfortunately, the fly leaf and first 30 or so pages are missing but in the center has been pasted a copy of what had been on the first page written in my grandfather's hand listing some Wade ancestors and then adding "Printed in Edinburgh 1793". I think the Lord safeguarded it until I became interested enough in genealogy to recognize its value. With the Bible is a copy of Aunt Annie's Carolina Pioneers which I am most glad to have.

I received notice that I have been elected to membership in the Huguenot Society of South Carolina, but have not heard from Colonial Clergy, Colonial Governors or First Families of South Carolina.

I received copies of the pages of A. M. Smith's book from the LDS Library in Salt Lake City. His genealogical tables are somewhat awesome.

I was so interested to hear of your monograph on the Jandons to appear in THSSC. I am awaiting it eagerly.

During this year of 1981 El Paso is celebrating its fourth centennial. An expedition of Spaniards from Mexico City visited this area in 1581. In 1598 another party under Juan de Oñate crossed the Rio Grande at El Paso and gave it the name of El Paso del Norte - meaning the crossing of the North. He continued northward to found the city of Santa Fe (Holy faith) which was the seat of government in the north until overwhelmed by an Indian uprising in 1681. The Spanish settlers, troops, clergy and the friendly Indians who survived the attack fled down the Rio Grande to a mission here in El Paso which is still standing. Interesting to put this history in the perspective of the early exploration and settlement of our eastern seaboard, isn't it?

Karen joins me in sending very best wishes to you and Miss Cora.

Very truly yours,

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Encl: James Erwin of Camden District, S.C. 1754-1815  
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