

Letter from Mr. John H. Roberts of Cherryville,
North Carolina to Dr. Lyman Draper
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Mr. Draper,

Lt. Col. John Moore was the oldest of four children; Hester next to him; then Patrick and Barbry(?). Hester was the wife of Joshua Roberts, the same man who carried dispatches for Maj. Cranick to Col. Campbell just before the battles of Kings Mountain. He was present at that battle also at Ramsours and Stono. He was authorized by Col. Drake of Granville County, NC to raise a company along the south fork and in the Indian Creek settlement. Little was known of Patrick Moore after the Battle of Ramsours—just after that battle there were seven Tory officers captured and were in jail in Guilford County, NC. One of them was supposed to have been Patrick Moore as nothing was heard of him afterwards. Col. John Moore's letter from Carlisle, England, to his sister, my grandmother, stated that the got parted at Yadkin River and never saw him afterwards. This letter with a great many other old papers, I found among my grandfather's old papers after his death in 1844. He died on the old Moore farms which still belonged to my mother. There is no one that I can point out to you that could give you any information about the Moore family. I am the oldest of the Moses M. Roberts children and was raised with my grandfather and mother. I tried to get information from the old people of the country, but can get none. Hoping this will be of some use to you. I remain your friend.

J. H. Roberts