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Clarence Griffin
Editor of Forest City Courier
Forest City, N.C.

Dear Mr. Griffin, -

I regret to call on you for further information concerning my Rutherford County ancestry. I was glad to have the facts concerning the Watson family.

I entered the D.A.R. on Wm Watson (1759-1854) who married Rebecca Robinson (or Robertson) and on Burrill Blanton (1762-1860). If possible, I would like to have some information concerning the father and mother of Wm Watson, and I have been wondering whether he is the same man appointed Justice of Peace for Tryon Co. (or was it his father or brother?)

Frankly, I am interested in locating a Colonial ancestor, one who served the King (either as Justice or otherwise) in some official capacity. I know that my ancestor, George Blanton (Burrill's father) was a Colonial officer, but I have never been able to find out whether he came to N.C. from Va. or S.C. - therefore I can't prove his family's residence prior to 1750.

If you can give me any information on this subject or any data showing the Watson ancestor (through your wife's line) it will be very helpful and much appreciated.

The sketch of my great grandfather, Rev. James Melton Webb, was very fine. I hope some day to find out the names and residences of his parents.

Thanking you, etc.

Mrs. O. May Gardner

Great great grand father of Mrs. O. May Gardner
Buried at Britain Church Yard

In Memory of
Wm Watson

who died Jan. 9, 1854
age 95

(Two graves in front
of Watson ancestry)

James R. Watson Jan. 24 - 1841 age 56	} Brothers in law of Rebecca Robertson Watson
Jam. Watson Nov. 19 - 1856	

Rebecca Watson
Died Dec. 9 - 1826
age 70 years

Sarah Watson
who died Dec. 6, 1835
age 42
(Sister-in-law of Rebecca)

Rebecca Watson
Died Nov. 5 - 1840
age 3 years

Sarah Watson
Died 1840 (or 1849)
age 5 years

John Watson
Jan. 5 - 1841
age (can't read)

James Watson
Born Jan. 24 - 1798
Died July 26 - 1860

Jane Watson
Born Dec. 20 - 1801
Died Aug. 23 - 1873

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Chapter 10 - Page 198

Wm Watson and Brothers,

Maj. Pat Watson - Died Sept. 11, 1800

Capt. Jno " - " 1813 - age 59

Chapter 13 - Page 252 Refers to Gen. Thos. Love

" 13 - " 265 - Wm Robertson (Capt) cited for
bravery

" 266 - Thos. Robertson (Major)

302 - Wm Watson

421 - Maj. Chas Robertson

507

508 - Samuel Andrew's
plantation

84+87

James Watson - 1798 - 1860

Mary " Died 810

Rutherford Co. Mills - May 11 - 1812

Pro. July - 1813

