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Dear Cousin—

The Hawthornes came into N. C. prior to the Revolution. Grandfather Adam Hawthorne married a widow McMeekin who had one son Gen. Tom McMeekin. After her marriage to Grandfather Adam Hawthorne they had one son, Adam, (this son married first Miss Ann Holmes, sister of Rev. Joseph and William Holmes). They had several daughters who married Dawkins, McKensie, Gladney, etc. (This Adam and his wife Ann are buried at the brick church Fairfield). Grandfather Adam Hawthorne married the second time (after he married McMeekin) Miss Elizabeth Bradford, daughter of Charles D. Bradford who married in Maryland a Miss Mary Lemon. They both left Maryland and came into N. C. about where the Hawthornes were. Both Hawthornes and Bradfords came into S. C. before the Revolutionary War settling in Fairfield County near Broad River.

Adam Hawthorne and his wife Elizabeth Bradford had three children, Mary, Lucy and Robert. (Robert lies buried at Bethel Church Fairfield County).

Great-grandfather Bradford was born in Maryland. He was a nephew of Charles Carroll of Carrollton, whom he was named for and who raised and educated him. He often spoke of the debt of kindness he owed his uncle Charles Carroll for his education as he became a Professor in the Monticello Academy after the war and made his support that way.

Grandfather Bradford lived near Winn's Bridge and his family and Col. Winn's had to leave their homes to the Tories, Grandfather Bradford and his oldest son being in the war. Grandmother Elizabeth Bradford was born about 1776.

I know you will excuse the disconnected way I have written as I am ninety years old and nearly blind.

Sincerely, your cousin,

Nancy Lupo

(Copy of the original letter owned by Dr. Austin, Abbeville, S. C.)
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