

November 15, 1948

Reverend and Mrs. Carter H. Harrison
Hampton, Virginia

Dear Reverend and Mrs. Harrison:

I appreciate your kindness in writing me. Mrs. Simons was so quiet and unostentatious in all she did that even I am surprised at the breadth and depth of her friendships.

Dolph, Marie, and I all remember your interesting ministry in Lawrence, and we are sorry that Reverend and Mrs. Weatherbee have been called elsewhere.

You may be interested in knowing that my great grandfather was under the personal command of George Washington all through the Revolutionary War. He, evidently was a spy or a secret service man, and he might very well have been a prototype for J. Fennimore Cooper's, "The Spy." Mrs. Simons great grandfather, Doctor John Buckley, was born in Virginia and then went to Kentucky where he served in the War of 1812.

In preparing our genealogy, I have tried to get a line on the ancestry of Doctor John Buckley but have been unable to get any leads, and if you know of a reliable genealogist, I should be very happy to have you give me his or her name and address. I have already paid for some work there, but, seemingly, without any results.

Thank you very much for your kindness in writing me and with very best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours

W. C. Simons