

In addition to the Irwins and the Robinsons, the Henderson family is another that appears frequently in this collection. John Robinson (1769-1845) was originally from Charlotte; and he was educated under the tutelage of Dr. Thomas Henderson and Rev. Robert Archibald, at the Poplar Tent Academy in Cabarrus County. From there, he matriculated at Mount Zion College and the University of North Carolina, where he earned a masters degree in 1810 and a doctor of divinity degree in 1829.

John Robinson married Mary Baldwin, the step-daughter of John's tutor, Thomas Henderson.