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# **Aaron W. Lyon letter**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Arkansas State Archives
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## **Biographical/Historical Note**

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Aaron W. Lyon was born in 1797 in Elizabeth, New Jersey. At age fifteen, he joined the military and fought in the War of 1812. He graduated from Union College in New York and attended two years at Princeton Theological Seminary. He left Princeton due to health reasons. In 1828, he moved to Batesville, Arkansas, where he taught school for many years, including Batesville Academy of which he was a trustee. In 1835, he was appointed Receiver of the Land Office in Batesville. In 1842, he began a mercantile, and from 1846 to 1850, he partnered with John Ringgold. He died in 1888 in California.

John Dunn Hunter (1796-1817), according to his Memoirs, was raised by the Kansas and the Osage Natives from the age of two. He left the tribe 1816 to live among the white communities in the United States and England. Hunter wrote a book titled, "Memoirs of a Captivity Among the Indians of North America" which was first published 1823 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and then in London, England in 1824.

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## **Scope and Contents**

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This letter was written by A.W. Lyon to C.B. Moore concerning John Dunn Hunter, a boy who was raised among Native Americans in Missouri.

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## **Administrative Information**

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