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## THE HAGLEY MUSEUM



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Dear Jim:

Judy and I have been diving for the newspaper each morning and huddling near the television set each evening expecting to hear that you have throttled Chancellor Williams or strangled Governor Barnett. We both wish we had been there in Oxford to help, but we would probably have become as irrational on our side as they were on theirs.

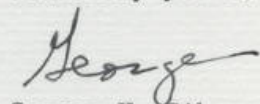
We have some marvelous pictures of all of us at Neah Bay, and the snapshots of the salmon bake on the beach are hilarious. Judy is making a small album for you and Dutch and will send it along soon. We finished our trip in New England and then came to Wilmington and started house hunting. We have bought a house in the suburbs and are busy furnishing and decorating it.

My work here at the Foundation is interesting and varied. I am spending a good bit of time exploring the resources of the area and becoming oriented in the local history, but I have also participated in some small research projects also. The Foundation will eventually inaugurate a publications program of popular and scholarly works, and I have been making some inquiries about the publishing programs of similar institutions. After a while I will probably work with our oral history program and a television series. I am reworking some seminar papers for possible articles, and I hope to start on a full-length study of the Gunpowder Trade Association, the monopoly through which the DuPont Company gobbled up its competition in the late nineteenth century.

In case you are interested, I have enclosed some leaflets about the Museum, the Foundation, and the Library and about the Fellowship Program and research grants.

I look forward to seeing you at the meeting of the Southern Historical Association in November.

Sincerely yours,

  
George H. Gibson

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