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Mr. Stanley Pulliam Shugert,
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Dear Mr. Shugert:

I have your letter of December 4th.

I have a large file of notes from the Culpeper records on the Monroe family of Culpeper County, Virginia, but I have only digested the early ones, particularly those relating to the holdings of President Monroe's mother in that County. I am descended from Jane Monroe Chancellor, only aunt of President Monroe on the paternal side and hence my interest. I see from my notes the Willis-and-Monroe families seem to be intermarried in Culpeper, but I have not studied the matter closely enough to offer a definite statement.

Yes, I have a couple of the Roth etchings too. The Citizen's Guild of Fredericksburg blew up when the Honorary Members (or some of them) tried to find out what the money they had given to the Active Members did with same. All they ever found out was from the Corporation Commission who said that an Honorary Member didn't have any voice in the business of an outfit and they were not privileged to make such inquiry. Honorary Members were a dime a dozen, but Active Members were very few! You held the wrong kind of membership.

I have finished the particular Coleman problem on which I was working most of last month. I have worked on this family for various clients for years. I know the lineage from which Mrs. Triplett came and have the full court proofs from the original documents, of her lineage on the Coleman side to the immigrant Captain Robert Coleman. On two of her other ancestral lines she is descended from the earliest and prominent settlers at James Town, Va. and one of these I have established his ancestry into England and Scotland to c.1000 AD. This "bridge" from Virginia to Kent, England was established by finding a series of excellent genealogical documents, and carrying one of the lines back to King Edward III (1312-1377). I drew up a large elaborate chart showing the descent of General George Washington, H.R.H. Queen Elizabeth II, and my client (Coleman) from these elegant baronial families of old England. This all took months of search here in Virginia, and elsewhere, but it has the stamp of approval of several of the leading patriotic organizations in this country. It is a book in itself, and of course the lineage in England into the ranking families of Kent and thence into Royalty is very unusual as there are very few families whose English ancestry can be firmly and positively established, and who are descended from so many persons of title and prominence also.

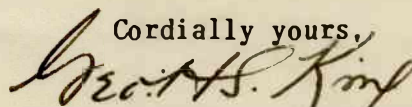
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The chart above mentioned which was developed by me shows the descent of the family from not only the English nobility , such as William the Conqueror of England, 1066, Alfred the Great, but also from King Malcolm III, King of Scotland (1024---1057) as well as from several of the English Barons who met King John on the plains of Runnymede and from him exacted the Magna Charta, 1215.

I of course have my work booked ahead for six weeks or more, but next year I could make you up a book of the Coleman lineage to the immigrant, showing the several lines on back of Mrs. Triplett which I have developed including and of course in detail with cited proof of the two early James Town lines, the ancestry in England and Scotland, with one of the charts as above mentioned. The charge would be \$300. My work is cash in advance and you should have to let me have about a month to six weeks to work on this, as I am now in a jam having promised more work out before Christmas than I am going to be able to accomplish unless I have some awful good luck. Several of my clients, for some unaccountable reason, seized upon the idea of giving their daughters, granddaughters, and relations "papers" in the Daughters of American of Revolution as Christmas presents and it is these on which I am now working. Each of course has to be accompanied with acceptable proofs in order that they will be acceptable to the examining genealogist of the N. S. D. A. R.

With kind regards and best wishes, I am

Cordially yours,



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