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SPILLER, Burton L.

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March 25, 1947

Mr. Burton L. Spiller c/o Macmillan Company 60 Fifth Avenue New York 11, New York

Dear Mr. Spiller:

Reading recently of the new issue of GROUSE FEATHERS, we were delighted to be reminded that you are a Maine man, and to deplore anew the sad omission of this book from the Maine Author Collection.

It has been our aim, through years of building this permanent exhibit, to include all the works of all Maine authors. It is a project of broad scope, and we are constantly discovering new names, so that this collection of inscribed presentation copies increases steadily in worth and interest to visitors and students.

GROUSE FEATHERS is a book which is Maine in background and authorship, and we hope that you may want to inscribe a copy for inclusion in the collection. It would give us great pleasure to place it with other Maine books.

Sincerely yours

In Charge of Maine Author Collection

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Burton L. Spiller East Rochester, New Hampshire

OUTDOORS,

April 14, 1947

HUNTING AND FISHING, OUTDOOR LIFE

Mrs. F. V. Jacob Maine State Library Augusta, Naine

Dear Mrs. Jacobs:

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Thank you very much for the opportunity to contribute to the Maine Author Collection.

An inscribed copy of GROUSE FEATHERS will be forwarded to you immediately.

Simerely yours, Durlow Burton L. Spiller filler

April 22, 1947

Mr. Burton L. Spiller East Rochester New Hampshire

Dear Mr. Spiller:

The Maine Author Collection copy of your beautiful book, GROUSE FEATHERS, has been received. We are delighted to be able to add this fascinating book to the exhibit, and we appreciate the generous interest which you have shown.

Thank you for adding such a fine inscription. Its words reflect a feeling which is noticeable in Maine people, an affection which seems to grow stronger year by year.

Our files do lack one bit of information which we like to have about our Maine authors: your exact birthplace and birth date. If, at your convenience you would be so kind as to let us know, we should be most grateful.

Please accept our warm thanks for GROUSE FEATHERS which goes immediately into the Maine Author Collection.

Sincerely yours

hmj Encl--15¢ postal refund In Charge of Maine Author Collection OUTDOORS,

May 13, 1947

HUNTING AND FISHING.

OUTDOOR

LIFE

Mrs. F. W. Jacobs Maine State Library Augusta - Maine

Dear Mrs. Jacobs:

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STREAM,

The wheels of progress have ground around to the point where I can answer your letter of April 22, requesting my birthplace and birth date for your files.

The place: North Deering, Maine, which I believe is now incorporated into the city of Portland. I visit that neighborhood occasionally, but as yet no tablet marks the spot.

The date: December 21, 1886, and though I have gained much by being ushered in at that period, I still feel that it was entirely yoo long ago.

Cordially yours Junton & Spiller Burton L. Spiller

May 15, 1947

Mr. Burton L. Spiller East Rochester New Hampshire

Dear Mr. Spiller:

Thank you very much for troubling to send us the biographical information. We cannot understand the oversight about a memorial tablet, but perhaps something may yet be done!

Come in and call when you are in this vicinity.

Sincerely yours

In Charge of Maine Author Collection

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