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WHEELER, William A

July 18, 1956

Mr. William A. Wheeler Gorham Maine

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

Your booklet, MA SEZ, is not yet in the library, and we should like to rectify the situation. Can you send us a copy with your bill?

The Maine Author Collection also cannot yet boast that MA SEZ is included. Do you know about this collection? It is a permanent exhibit of books by Maine people, or about Maine. Most of the twelve hundred volumes are inscribed presentation copies, and we are very proud of the books and the inscriptions, which range from simple autographs to pen-and-ink sketches; from tributes to Maine to autobiographical anecdotes. We gather all available information about our authors, also -- biographical and critical -- so that we may have just as much data about them as possible.

The collection is valuable and fascinating, and it constantly attracts students and visitors. It increases in interest and in worth as we add each item. We hope that you will want to inscribe a copy of MA SEZ for the Maine Author Collection. We should be delighted to add it.

Sincerely yours

In charge of Maine Author Collection

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## FORTY-TWO GRAY ROAD, GORHAM, MAINE

August 3, 1956

Dear Mrs. Jacob:

I hope you will pardon my delay in replying to your interesting letter of July 18. The fact is that it reached me in the hospital, where I was undergoing some necessary carving and pruning, and until now I have been in no condition to comply with your request or to answer your letter.

I shall be glad indeed to send you two copies of "Ma Sez", one for the Libzary, and one for the Collection. With them I will also send two copies of "Brunswick Yesterdays", a pamphlet I wrote several years ago. These will go to you under separate cover.

I also wrote a brief history of the Maine Central Railroad, a copy of which should be in the State Library. If another copy is desired I will ask the railroad people to provide it.

I note that you refer to biographical information about Maine authors. Should you wish such information concerning me, I will be glad to supply it, although I hardly rank as an author.

Sincerely,

William a wheeler

August 10, 1956

Mr. William A. Wheeler 42 Gray Road Gorham, Maine

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

Thank you for your letter, and for the two copies each of BRUNSWICK YESTERDAYS and MA SEZ. We are very glad to have these, and to assure you that we do already have your earlier history of the Maine Central Railroad.

Yes, we would like a brief biographical sketch, at your convenience. We like to know about any Maine person who writes.

We trust that your convalescence is satisfactory and comfortable.

Sincerely yours

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