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Dr. James Silver
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Dear Jim:

I've been out of town a few days, and just got to your classic reader's report on the Daniel manuscript. It is easily the best (or worst actually) appraisal I have ever had on a manuscript.

Believe it or not, this study was read and highly recommended by a well known and highly respected historian (who shall here be nameless). Since my own impression of this study more nearly corresponded to yours, I had another reading of it by Ralph Morrow. His report too was largely negative. Now yours is conclusive. ~~Now~~ ^{So} back it goes to the author.

How could I possibly refuse your request to be paid for this job? I enclose our last Fall catalogue: check the books you want sent to Rust College in Holly Springs, and they will go there with your compliments. (None of our books are selling too well.)

When are you going to come down this way?

Most cordially,

Don

Donald R. Ellegood
Director

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