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D. C. Gilman Correspondence

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U.S. Commission of Fish and Fisheries.

Woods Holl, Mass.,

~~Washington, D.C.~~

Sept. 26, 1882.

SPENCER F. BAIRD,
Commissioner.

Dear Dr. Gilman:

I greatly regret that it will be impossible for me to accept your invitation for Tuesday next, as I expect to be still at Woods Holl on that day.

Awaiting your answer to my recent letter, I remain,

Yours truly,
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Dr. D. C. Gilman,
John Hopkins University,
Baltimore.

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SPENCER F. BAIRD,
Commissioner.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 22, 1882.

Dear Dr. Gilman:

Your letter of the
21st is to hand.

I am seeing my
way clear to the completion
of my plans at Woods Holl;
and shall, perhaps, very soon,
write you for the contribution
of Johns Hopkins.

This, as you remember,
gives to the college the right to
a table, in the laboratory, for a
specialist; with all the privi-
leges of apparatus, share of
material, &c.

I do not know whether I have mentioned the extension of my plan, in connection with the establishment of special laboratories and summer schools of natural history. I am about securing quite a large tract of ground in addition to that required for the immediate purposes of the Commission, on which may be erected the buildings for the establishment of laboratories and schools. I shall probably be able to ^{give} get the ground, or the privilege of using it; leaving it to each University or College desiring

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to establish a school, ^{only} the
^{expense of} erection of a suitable building, to include dormitories for the students, lecture-room, and laboratory. I will be able to furnish the pure salt water to each building; but the expense of fitting up for educational and other purposes, will be left to those interested.

Already
Harvard College, ^{and} the Boston Society of Natural History, have signified their desire to enter upon this new phase of the enterprise;

and it is probable that Yale, Princeton, and Williams, will follow suit. Some arrangement may probably be made for a common mess, so as to reduce the expense, &c., in that direction; leaving to each component of the scheme simply the matter of lodging and instruction. Supposing that from 10 to 15 persons represent the force of each establishment, we can easily find accommodations for say 100.

It is probable that the occupant of the table in the Fish Commission laboratory will have more particular

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charge of the class in the
side establishment. A course
of lectures may be improvised,
to be delivered by the different
specialists to a combined class
of students.

Very truly yours,
Spencer Baird

Prof. D. C. Gilman,
Johns Hopkins University,
Baltimore.

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U.S. Commission of Fish and Fisheries.

SPENCER F. BAIRD,
Commissioner.

Washington, D.C. *March* 12, 1883.

Dear Sir:

I have now the pleasure of informing you that the work on the construction of the pier and break-water at Woods Holl has been commenced by the Government, and that there is no reasonable doubt about its completion within the year. I have also received an appropriation of \$25,000 - from Congress for the erection of the necessary buildings for the biological station; this completing the preliminary requirements for

the object in question.

As there is now no reason for further delaying the permanent acquisition of the ground on which the biological station is to be built, I shall be pleased to have from you your subscription of \$1,000 - at your earliest convenience. In acknowledgment of this, I will give the necessary assurance as to the privilege of the College in this connection.

Yours truly,

S. W. Baird

Dr. D. C. Gilman,
Pres't Johns Hopkins University,
Baltimore

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SPENCER F. BAIRD,
Commissioner.

Washington, D.C. March 26, 1883.

Dear Dr. Gilman;

I will be very much obliged if you will let me have, at your early convenience, the \$1000- subscribed by the Johns Hopkins University towards the station at Woods Hole.

I have already paid a large part of the indebtedness, but I cannot get possession until the whole amount is in the hands of the owners; and until this is done, and I have a clear title in behalf of the U.S., the government

will not enter upon the work of construction of the pier, which is preliminary to my further operations.

Everything is now settled as to the engineering work; but of course the sooner it is begun, the sooner it will be completed.

I have, also, an appropriation of \$25,000 - for the construction of the necessary buildings; and have therefore every reason to believe that all my expectations and promises in regard to this station will be much more than realized.

Yours truly,
Dr. D. C. Kilman,
Pres't Johns Hopkins University,
Baltimore.

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SPENCER F. BAIRD,
Commissioner.

Washington, D.C., April 3, 1883.

Dear Sir:



I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 2^d April, enclosing check for \$1,000 -, being the subscription of the Johns Hopkins University to the purchase of ground for the biological and fish-cultural station at Woods Holl, Mass.

As already explained, this payment insures to the University the right to the use, by one person, of a table in the laboratory.

with all the privileges thereto
appertaining; including the
use of material, boats, ap-
paratus, &c.; all of course
under the general control of
the superintendent of the
station.

Very respectfully Yours,
Spencer Baird
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Dr. D. C. Gilman,
President Johns Hopkins University,
Baltimore.

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U.S. Commission of Fish and Fisheries.

SPENCER F. BAIRD,
Commissioner.

Washington, D.C., April 4, 1883.

Dear Dr. Gilman:

In writing you a day or two ago I omitted to enclose the formal receipt for the \$1000- in payment on account of the Woods Hole station.

Yours truly,

Spencer Baird

Dr. D. C. Gilman,

Pres't Johns Hopkins University,

Baltimore.

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Commissioner.

Washington, D.C., Jan'y 17, 1884,

Dear Dr. Gilman:

I have had several applications in reference to the detail of Mr. Rogers ~~on~~^{to} the Fish Hawk, but the Department has positively refused to give one more Paymaster to the Commission. It constituted quite a fight between the Paymaster's department and the Appointing Bureau; the former wanting several details of this kind, ~~as~~ to the Coast Survey, Fish Commission, &c., while the

latter considered that one
for each division was suf-
ficient. The latter view has
prevailed, and at present
there is no chance for Mr R,
or any other Paymaster, in con-
nection with our service.

Yours truly,
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Dr. D. C. Gilman,
Johns Hopkins University,
Baltimore.

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Smithsonian Institution

SPENCER F. BAIRD,
SECRETARY.

Washington, D.C. Feb'y 17, 1884.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your invitation to attend the eighth anniversary assembly of the Johns Hopkins University, on Friday next. I will endeavor to be present on that occasion, if possible.

Thanking you for the invitation, I remain,
Dr. Gilman, } Respectfully Yours,
Pres't John Hopkins } Spencer F. Baird
University, }
Baltimore }

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Gilman, D.C.

JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY,

BALTIMORE.

MEMORANDUM FROM THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE.

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As we shall have this opportunity annually, - is it not best to inaugurate a plan by which our students may regard it as a privilege?

There seems to be so much doubt as to the nature of the accommodations available at Woods Hole that all our men prefer this year to go to Beaufort. I hope this summer to visit the Woods Hole laboratory and find out just what it comes to. After talking the matter over with Dr. Brooks, I would rather not suggest any plan for selecting a student, ~~we~~ until I have seen the place & talked with Baird.

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U.S. Commission of Fish and Fisheries.

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SPENCER F. BAIRD,
Commissioner.

Washington, D.C., April 21, 1885.

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE,

Dear Dr. Gilman;

The Laboratory building at Woods Hole is now so well advanced that there is no reason to doubt our being able to receive your representative to whom the facilities of the establishment will be freely furnished. We hope to be in fair running order by the middle of July.

Yours truly,

S. F. Baird

Dr. Gilman,

Johns Hopkins University,
Baltimore.

Wood's Hall
Laboratory

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Prof. Baird,
Wood's Hall,
St. Louis, Mo.
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SPENCER F. BAIRD,
SECRETARY.

Washington, D.C., Dec. 28, 1885.

Dear Dr. Gilman:

I enclose herewith
a letter received from
Passed Assistant Engineer
W. L. Bailie, U.S.N., retired,
in reference to a position
which he desires to get
in the Manual Training
School, Baltimore. He thinks
that you may possibly be
consulted in regard to
the Professor of this estab-
-lishment, and asks me
to write you on the sub-
-ject.

The rules of the Institution do not permit me to interfere in appointments; but in the present case I make a partial exception, in view of the peculiar nature of the circumstances.

Mr Bailie was detailed by the Navy Department as Engineer of the U.S. Fish Commission with special reference to the establishment of the Woods Holl station, and he acquitted himself so thoroughly well in this

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matter that I cannot
refuse him any little
aid that I can give him
towards securing the
position for which he
asks.

Of course, as a
retired officer of the Navy,
his compensation is
much less than that
which he formerly had;
and as his disability is of
a nature not to affect
him excepting for active
sea service, I consider

him very well qualified. He is a Naval and Civil Engineer, and accomplished in all the details of his profession; perfectly familiar with the construction and application of tools, and with a vast amount of practical mechanical information that stands him in good stead in all technological matters.

I have no reason to suppose that his private life and personal habits are other than of the most exemplary character; having been

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intimately associated
with him during our
stay at Woods Hall for
months at a time.

Sincerely Yours,
Spencer Baird

Dr D. C. Gilman,
President Johns Hopkins Uni-
-versity,
Baltimore, Md.

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SECRETARY.

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SPENCER F. BAIRD,
SECRETARY.

Washington D.C. Dec. 30, 1885.

Dear Dr. Gilman:

Yours of the 29th is
to hand.

I think upon
the whole it will be
better for you to hold
the letter I sent you,
with its enclosure, until
further indications; as,
should there be anything
uncertain in the matter
of the Manual Labor
School, I do not wish to
be mixed up with it
in any way. I will

inform Mr Pailie of
this action. If, however,
the papers are asked for
by any one interested
in the question, please
furnish them.

Sincerely Yours,
~~Spencer~~

Dr D. C. Gilman,
President Johns Hopkins
University,
Baltimore, Md.

SPENCER F. BAIRD,
SECRETARY.

Smithsonian Institution

Washington, D.C. April 27 1887

Dear Sir:

My attention has just been called to the first volume of a work recently published by the Johns Hopkins University, entitled "Selected Morphological Monographs".

As this volume is said to embody the most recent and important results obtained in investigations of the embryology of the Crustacea, it is highly desirable that the Library of the United States National Museum should contain a copy, and I therefore write to request one for its use.

Should there be any charge for the work please have bill enclosed separately to this Institution.

Very truly yours,

S. F. Baird

Secretary.

The

President of the Johns Hopkins University,

Baltimore,

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C. Baird

80 South Bond Street
Baltimore, Md
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Prof. S. F. Baird
Washington, D.C.

Dear Professor:

Will you
kindly assist me in the following matter:

I am desirous of securing a Professorship in the Manual Training School of this city. The entire system of training in this institution is about to be reorganized, and a more thorough course of technical training adopted, for which purpose additional and proper instructors will be employed.

Whilst I desire the position, my standing in the Navy will hardly permit me to enter into competition

with others by direct application to
the Board of Public School Commissioners,
and my only course is to have my
name and desire to serve, suggested
to the Board by some influential
person. I know of no person in
Baltimore whose word would have
greater weight on educational mat-
ters than that of Professor Gillman
the President of Johns Hopkins. I
am not sufficiently acquainted with
this gentleman to approach him on
the subject. But knowing your friendly
relations with the Professor I come
to you for assistance.

I think I am well fitted for the
position by my profession of Mechanical
Engineer, and my training and experience

in the Naval service, in all branches of the profession, for the past twenty-three years. Though the salary is not so very tempting, yet the duty would be pleasant to me both in itself and being located at my home in this city.

What I request of you, Professor, is that you write to Professor Gellman in my behalf in relation to my desire and fitness for the position. If you will kindly do this for me, and advise me when you have written to him, I will call in person upon Professor Gellman after the receipt of your letter and explain

To him the matter fully, and with his
assistance I have no doubt all will
be plain sailing.

I will be under many obligations
Professor for this favor. Should I succeed
in getting the appointment, I hope still
to have ample time, as heretofore, to
do any thing in my power for the
Fish Commission.

Very Respectfully
Wm. L. Bailie.

P. A. Engineer. U.S.N.