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Dear Dr. Stenzel.

How have you and your family fared this summer? Had you managed to take a vacation? We have not taken any so far, but plan to keep our noses to the grindstone.

I have written a series of short papers on the Plummer Collection, and Brooks Ellis has consented to publish them. They are of a curatorial nature. A couple of nomenclatorial notes will come later. Working with Prof. Harris and Mrs. Palmer has been a stimulating experience from every angle. I shall never regret it.

One must keep moving along, and in the direction that you and I had discussed many times. I have spoken with Marshall Kay at Columbia in regard to further studies leading to the doctorate. He looked at the thesis and assorted papers, and urged me to start applying. He said that it was a long road, but the sooner started, the sooner finished. That explains the enclosed form. I would be greatly honored if you would complete it for me. I have enclosed a stamped envelope for your convenience.

Irene has found a fine position with the New York State Medical College Library. With our combined salaries (if I can find a position in New York that will allow me to take courses besides), we should make a go of it. Any suggestion that you can offer would be welcome.

Both Irene and I hope you and your family are well.

Sincerely yours,

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