

October 23, 1933

Dear Father:

Am planning to get away, first to Alabama, then North to my home in Berdowntown, N.J., for the winter. My Mother is 87 and failing. Our estate affairs have suffered terribly. I cannot continue to carry the burdens that I have been here. Shall "run" as soon as can get started.

This history work continues to open new channels, new vistas. I don't want to handle it improperly, and I need more than I can now command to handle it properly. Up home, I can at least work into shape much material, and let other material lie on the shelf.

I will want that material I loaned you on the "Religion of the Padres carved into the Stone," of the San Jose facade; and also that material on the granary or old First Church. I will have copies made so that you can have them in your files.

I want your writing on that Concepcion doorway inscription; I liked that. It belongs in a chapter that describes this Valley of the Padres--with credit to you if you will have it that way.

May think of some other things. Will stop at some leisure time. You work hard, and my hat is off to you.

Hastily,

Harral Ayres

Suspect have found a way to properly reproduce that Sacristy Window, but it will cost some money. Photos will not work.