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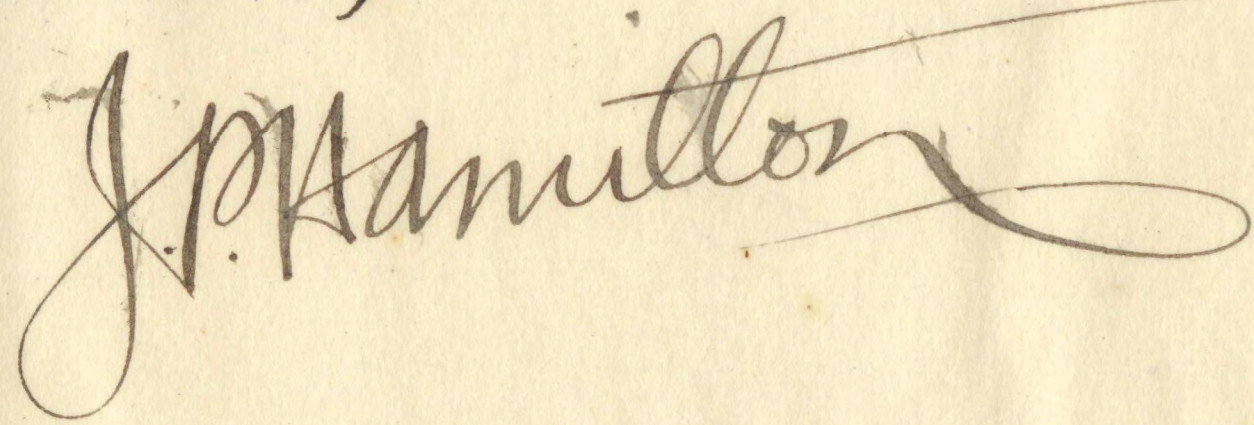
April 1st to Dec. 1st, West Chester, Butler Co., Ohio
Dec. 1st to April 1st, Miramar, San Diego Co., California

Miramar, Cal., January 5th, 1905.

Dear Miss Scripps:-

Enclosed find draft of joint letter to President
Benj. I. Wheeler, and Professor W. E. Ritter, of the University of California,
prepared by Mr. Scripps; also copy of a letter to President Wheeler,
which Mr. Scripps expected to sign. These letters should have gone to
you Wednesday, but in the rush of work I overlooked sending them to you,
for which I am sorry.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. Hamilton". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed closing "Very respectfully,".

To Miss E. B. Scripps,

La Jolla, Calif.

Miramar, Cal., February 9th, 1905.

Prof. Wm. E. Ritter,
University of California,
Berkeley, Cal.

Dear Prof. Ritter:

Yours of the 7th inst. at hand. I have today forwarded check for \$2432.50 to the Union Gas Engine Co., in payment of their bill and check for \$150.00, favor H.B. Clark, to cover the cost of sending the "LOMA" down to San Diego. I understand that Dr. Baker has transferred to my credit checks to the amount of \$477.16, and that he has paid bills to the amount of \$1022.84.

I have therefore paid out on the "LOMA", to the present time, \$3605.34. The Association, through its officers, should give me a receipt, then, for \$2105.34, which I may, if I elect, present as an offset to certain subscriptions I am to make. It is quite probable that the LOMA will be so much more useful to the Association now than to me that I may feel inclined to forego much use of it. However, we will decide on this later.

What our Association's needs, of course, is cash funds. I would feel very much inclined to donate the full possession and title of the boat to the Association if other parties in San Diego and elsewhere would should a disposition to give such support to the Association as would make my contribution, as a whole--providing I presented the LOMA--a reasonable and consistent proportion of the whole outlay.

I recognize that under ordinary circumstances my contribution would not be an excessive one, were the work one that appealed strongly, or even mildly, to my interests. But this is not the case. I am not a scientist; nor do I aspire to play the part of a public spirited Citizen or philanthropist. I have my own field ~~in~~ of work and interests--a field

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in which I am peculiarly fitted by temperament & training to work in
I feel that I cannot mix with and meddle in the affairs of men of your calling and sympathies without appearing at a disadvantage, and without actually being very disagreeable. I have been so schooled and trained in business that I have acquired the vulgar habits of my vulgar class; and, as a consequence, I am more provoked by any sort of a business mistake, bookkeeping or otherwise, than I could possibly be exhilarated by the feeling that I had helped to discover ten thousand new kinds of bugs.

The affair of the LOMA, however, has convinced me that the management of the business end of our Association should be undertaken by some business man, and that you and your professional associates should not be called upon to fret yourselves on purely business affairs. I remember when I wrote to Dr. Baker I explicitly requested him to not worry you with the subject on which I addressed him; but I think Dr. Baker is probably as little qualified to act as business agent as you are.

I am sending for our Secretary, H. P. Wood, to visit me at Miramar, for the purpose of impressing on him and others the ideas I have above set forth.

Do not misunderstand me, or suppose that I regret the part I have played in helping to found the Association. I assure you that I shall feel abundantly repaid, both for the cost of money and temper, if in the end you are finally successful in establishing the Association.

My sister, E. V. Scripps, has expressed to me her willingness, and even her desire, to take my place in the Association, both as a contributor and active agent. I have advised her that she can hardly afford to trot the pace that has been set for me, but that I think that both she and the Association would gain by her making fair contributions.

For many months past I have been devoting myself to recovering my

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health, and during the past four or five weeks I have been completely absorbed in the newspaper business.

I am planning, and about to undertake a long cherished project of mine, which I believe I spoke to you about, -namely, the establishment of a daily newspaper in a large City which shall be entirely free from the commercial influences that dominate and corrupt the daily, weekly and even monthly publications of the country. This work I must succeed in, and it will cost me tremendously in both money and energy.

I believe, and really hope, that I will be able for a long time to render some assistance to your association, but I must not be considered as a main pillar, or even one of the essential pillars, of the work.

Yours sincerely,

E. W. Scripps.

Memorandum,

Miramar, Cal., Jan. 31, 1906.

Mr. E. W. Scripps.

Dr. Fred Baker telephoned this morning that you had agreed to contribute \$500.00 toward Prof. W. E. Ritter's expenses on his proposed trip. Dr. Baker said that it had been considered best that this contribution should not be made at the present time, and that he would notify you when it was desired, if at all.

In regard to Prof. Ritter's salary, Dr. Baker stated that you had agreed to pay it all if it was found that the Association had not the funds with which to do so. He said that there was some six weeks' salary due Prof. Ritter; and that Prof. Ritter's salary was on the basis of \$225.00 a month. This would make some \$337.50 due Prof. Ritter. He said that the sum would not exceed this amount, and might possibly be less; that he could not tell exactly what the amount would be until he had received a statement from Mrs. Ritter (who is now in San Francisco) regarding the Professor's expenses for the past summer, at which time he would telephone you what the amount was, when check should be made in favor of J. Wangerheim, Treasurer of the Association.

J. P. Hamilton.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY

BERKELEY, March 20, 1905.

Miss Ellen Scripps,
La Jolla,
California.

Dear Miss Scripps:-

I remember that at our meeting in San Diego last winter you, and more particularly your sister, expressed some apprehension that should any aid for the Station be secured in Los Angeles or San Francisco it would be at the expense of an effort, at least, to remove the laboratory from San Diego. Dr. Baker writes me that this is still a matter of solicitude with you. I write now to particularly assure you again that nothing of the sort can possibly happen, and this for two reasons: in the first place, natural scientific gravitation, so to speak, has made San Diego the head-quarters of our work. It is the most advantageous location, and nothing can make it otherwise. This becomes more and more apparent the longer we work. In the second place, any persons outside who will give money will do so either because they will see in the enterprise the large ^{importance} scientific it has, and hence that the particular geographical location of the laboratory is merely an incident and hence a matter of no importance to them; or because they are solicited by some person for whom they give for personal or business reasons, and with such the question of the location of the laboratory would cut no figure. I really doubt if any of the efforts that are now being made outside will even raise the question of where the laboratory is located.

I can assure you further that so far as Judge McKinley is concerned, his feelings are nothing but the kindest toward San Diego and La Jolla, and if we get anything from Los Angeles it will be primarily through

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him. As for San Francisco People, too, were the question of location to be raised with any possible contributor here, he would certainly have no reason for being less favorable to San Diego than to some other point in the south, and San Francisco would be wholly out of the question. So I trust you will have no more uneasiness on this score.

I am naturally greatly delighted and encouraged by the interest Dr. Agassiz is manifesting in the Station. Valuable as his gifts are for the supplying of specific needs of the work, the goodwill and interest they evince are likely to mean much more for the future.

With highest regards,

I am,

Yours sincerely,

Wm. E. Ritter.

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San Diego Marine Biological
Association

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Miss Ellen B. Scripps,
La Jolla, California.

Dear Miss Scripps:-

There will be a called meeting of the
San Diego Marine Biological Association in
the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce, Monday
April 17th at 3:30 p.m. It is very desirable
that there should be a quorum present and we
trust that you may find it convenient to attend.

Respectfully yours,

H. P. Wood
Secretary.

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COOL IN SUMMER

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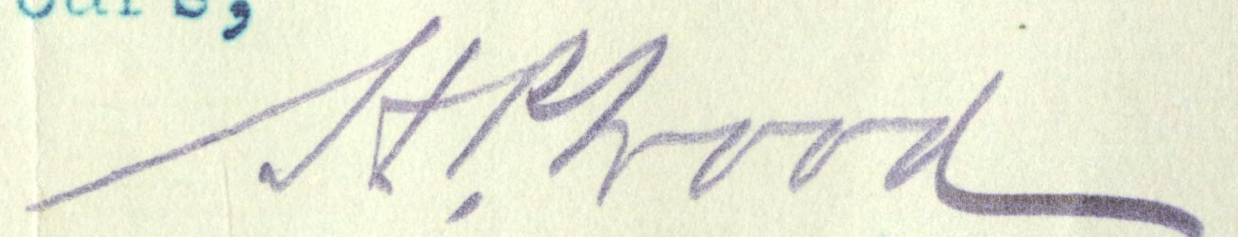
Miss Ellen B. Scripps,
 La Jolla, California.

Dear Miss Scripps:-

I seemed to be very unfortunate yesterday in my endeavors to get you by telephone to say that there would not be any meeting of the Biological Association.

The reason it was deferred, was that we saw by the paper that Mr. Peters was likely to arrive in San Diego today or tomorrow, and thought it would be better that he should be present, and would like to know if it would be convenient for you to come in next Saturday afternoon say at 3.30. We have already received two or three bids for the building at La Jolla, but are waiting for another one or two which we will undoubtedly get in time to be acted upon at Saturdays meeting.

Respectfully yours,



Secretary.

Nº 6869.

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OF SAN DIEGO

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San Diego, Cal. May 8, 1905.

Miss Ellen B. Scripps,
La Jolla, Cal.

Dear Madam:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your check for \$500, being May instalment for Biological Association. Kindly note that same will be held until your remittance arrives or until you advise us.

Very truly,

Julius Wangenheim
Treasurer.

For the Bank, I take pleasure in stating that any time that your funds are not forth coming, you will be at liberty to draw for your needs, awaiting arrival of such remittance, and we will consider it a privilege to take care of your needs at such times.

Very truly,

Julius Wangenheim
President.

SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, May 23 1905

Dear Miss Scripps:

In the rush of many undertakings I think no one has secured from Mr. E. W. Scripps his authorization to use the Loma for the work this summer - I think we have all taken it for granted that she would be used, and I have no doubt that was Mr. Scripps's intention, but it would be more businesslike to have his direct authorization for such action.

As Mr. Wood is absent from town I am taking this matter on my own hands. Will you kindly inform me if in view of all the circumstances, you as a Director of the Association would feel justified

in authorizing me to use her? If not,
will you be willing to write Mr-
Scripps for such authorization?

If you prefer not to be bothered
with the matter - will you kindly
furnish me Mr. Scripps's eastern
address?

Dr. Ritter writes me that he plans
to have the Loma in commission
Monday June 19th at which time he
hopes to have work in full swing.

Very sincerely

Fred. Baker

Miss Ellen Scripps
La Jolla, Cal.

Burnet House, Cincinnati, O., May 31st, 1905

Dr. Fred Baker,
San Diego Marine Biological Asso.,
San Diego, Cal.

My dear Sir:-

Your favors of the 25th inst. to Mr. Scripps and myself, anent the use of the "Loma", were received in this afternoon's mail, and in compliance with requested contained therein, Mr. Scripps has signed, and I enclose herewith, signed authorization favor the San Diego Marine Biological Asso., permitting them the use of the "Loma" up to January 1st, 1906.

I note with pleasure what you say about the handsome donation made by the LaJolla people for your new laboratory and museum. With best wishes for the success of the Association and its work, I am,

Very truly yours,

J. Hamilton
Private Secretary.

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SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, July 3 1905

Miss Ellen B. Scripps.

La Jolla, Cal

Dear Miss Scripps:

May I trouble you with two or three questions about Association matters for which time seemed lacking on Saturday.

Mr. Wanyenheim mentioned an auditing committee, but nothing further was done about it. I have long felt that some check of this kind should be put in motion, but have not exactly seen how it could best be done. We supposed, when Mr. Scripps induced Mr. Peters to take the presidency, that he did so feeling that Mr. Peters would take in hand the details of money affairs. His continued absence has made this impossible.

Mr. Scripps made a motion early in our

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work that the president - or secretary should be authorized to incur any indebtedness up to \$50⁰⁰. Mr. Peters's absence made it necessary for some one to assume charge of many things, so I have taken on myself work for which I had no authorization. I have been careful however to incur no indebtedness without Mr. Woods's express sanction, except during his absence from town when he left some checks drawn to my order, with authority to act for him.

I think the expenditures up to date should be gone over in detail by an auditing committee, but it should be a committee that would audit and criticize freely if there is ground for criticism and not simply pass the bills. So far as my work is

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concerned, I should be thankful for criticism and believe I could profit by it.

As to the work so far, Dr. Ritter, Mr. Wood and I have all originated and been responsible for various expenditures. There remain of the board, Mr. Scripps, Mr. Peters, Mr. Waugenheim and yourself. Mr. Peters is out of the question. Mr. Scripps has repeatedly refused to be troubled with details. Mr. Waugenheim is unwilling to take any initiative, holding that we the members of the directorate who only give our time are there for the purpose of spending legally the money which you give, in the manner which you direct. I agree with him in this, if we could only get you and your brother to give directions, but as neither of you has taken the initiative, we others have done so.

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It has occurred to me that you might be willing to go into the details of the business management up to date, auditing the bills and giving us the benefit of advice and criticism. If so, with Mr. Woods' help, I will prepare a detailed statement in the form of a report with bills and vouchers and meet you at La Jolla if you so desire, or in San Diego, to explain expenditures and the reasons for same. If you do not care to give this time and trouble to the matter, I would be greatly pleased if you would suggest an auditing committee to go into the accounts at once. We should all be greatly pleased if either you or your brother could and would take charge of the work, or supervise the incurrence of bills, and I would be glad to give as much time and thought to helping you as I

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now give, but I fear that will be impossible. I am willing to assume any responsibility if I can be checked up frequently by those most interested so that any mistakes can be corrected and abuses stopped before it is too late. I have been in politics too long to be thus skinned, and I have always sought honest criticism of my work. All of this of course is preliminary to securing the right man for the presidency, for whom we are all hunting assiduously.

Another matter of which I wish to speak seems to come entirely in your province. The first year of our work here Dr. Ritter put in a bill for a portion only of his personal expenses, remarking that we could pay it or not as we thought expedient. During that year the Chamber of Commerce Committee had charge, and the bill was paid. No more being tendered although Profs. Kofoid and

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Tommy received full pay on the basis of their university salaries, as they have each year since. Last year Dr. Ritter again estimated his actual expenses, but suggested that if the Association would pay him a month's salary — \$225.⁰⁰ — he would be able to go to the St. Louis meeting of some scientific society, and could make the trip a matter of profit to our undertaking. He has probably informed you how he carried out the project, and where in we have gained thereby, both in advice of experts, and in bringing our undertaking more prominently before to the attention of scientific men from all over the world.

This year he simply reported an estimate of his personal expenses. By an early resolution of our directors Dr. Ritter was authorized to appoint a scientific staff, and to fix salaries. Of course he would feel a delicacy about fixing his own salary.

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although there is also a resolution of the board that college professors should be paid for their work in proportion to their regular college salaries. which would give him \$225⁰⁰ a month.

It happens that the question is more important to him this year than any time before. as until a year ago Mrs. Ritter held a university position besides doing some outside practice. Last year failing health and the accident which she suffered last August forced her to resign and to give up all professional work. so that, ^{there} is a marked lessening in their income. I am of the opinion that he should be paid the regular salary, especially as he gives as much time to the scientific work as any one, ^{and also} ~~but~~ gives general supervision throughout the year. This as a general proposition, but as we are short of funds, perhaps it would be best to pay him less this year, but not less than Dr. Kofoid

receives. — say \$166.⁶⁶ a month for time of service.
Can I trouble you to give us your advice on
this question?

The last matter I wish to trouble you with
is largely personal. You referred on Saturday to
the fact that Mr. Peters must have felt that
the directors had not moved as actively as
they should have done in securing outside
funds. This is undoubtedly true. It was tacitly
understood at the time Mr. Peters agreed to ac-
cept the presidency that he was the man to
do this, and had he chosen to act, he could un-
doubtedly have secured much more than the
\$500⁰⁰ a piece guaranteed by you three. I have
felt very strongly that we, the non-donating
members should move in this matter, but
^{not} until it was certain that Mr. Peters would
fail us. With the origination of the La Jolla

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Laboratory scheme and setting in motion
parties who have secured its successful com-
pletion I seem to have reached nearly the
end of my rope. Mr. Wood by his letter to
Mr. Carnegie, and Dr. Ritter by his attempts
in Los Angeles and San Francisco have
been working in the same line. I am so
nearly without acquaintance outside the coun-
ty, among people who could and would
donate to the enterprise that it seems nec-
essary for me to try, but I would be very much
pleased to carry out any suggestions for
work along this line.

Trusting that I am not troubling you too
much with this very long letter

I am

Very respectfully
Fred Baker

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY

BERKELEY,

Sept. 3, 1905.

Miss Ellen B. Scripps,
La Jolla, Cal.,
my dear Miss Scripps,-

When I left La Jolla I thought I should be able to get back very soon after Sept. 1. An important appointment, however, which I have found impossible to arrange for before the 9th - prevents my leaving here before that date. It will consequently, be the 15th - perhaps, before we can reach La Jolla but I go as quietly as possible after the 9th.

Counting, then, on seeing you soon, and being on hand to look after matters at the laboratory.

I am

yours cordially,

Wm. S. River.

San Diego Marine Biological
Association

SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, September 8 1905

Miss Ellen B. Scripps.
La Jolla, Cal.

Dear Miss Scripps:

Mr. A. P. Wood has sent me his resignation as Director and Secretary of the Biological Association.

In a short note to Mr. Wood, Dr. Ritter says he will be detained until Sept: 9th after which he will come quickly to San Diego. Under the circumstances, I suppose it will be best to await his arrival before calling a meeting of the Directors to fill the vacancy.

Very respectfully
Fred. Baker.

Copy for
statement if
you wish to
send him

Miramar, Cal., Dec. 29th, 1905.

President Benj. I. Wheeler,
And
Professor W. K. Ritter,

University of California,
Berkeley, Cal.

Gentlemen:--

Understanding from Prof. Ritter that it will be of great advantage to the institution known as the San Diego Marine Biological Association, that it should be perfectly well understood that this institution is to be a permanent one, and that it has, or is to have, at least a modest financial foundation, I propose myself to guarantee to it, either by gift or legacy, cash or valuable securities amounting to the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars.

I have not had time to give the subject sufficient consideration, or to make definite arrangements as to how, and when, and under what conditions, I will make the gift, or provide for the same as a legacy. The most that I can do at this moment is to make a definite promise that the money, or securities to the amount I have named, will be forthcoming not later than the date of the distribution of my estate after my death.

It is my intention to have this sum of money, or at least the major portion of it, invested in the erection of a laboratory, at or near San Diego, and that the building itself shall bear, in some form or another, the name of my deceased brother,-- George H. Scripps, a large portion of my own fortune having come as a legacy from him.

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It is possible that I may find it convenient to give my own time and attention, and part, or all, of the funds necessary during my lifetime.

I desire, if possible, that the laboratory should be under the charge of Prof. Ritter, and I hope that it will be possible for him to have direct charge of the station for many years.

It is only because Prof. Ritter is proposing to leave the country at an early date, for a good part of the year, and before I can possibly hope to make any final and definite arrangements, and because my action in this matter may assist him in formulating some of his future plans, that I have so informally, and hastily, made this proposal.

Very respectfully yours,

La Jolla, Cal., January 8th, 1905.

To The Honorable Mayor
and
City Council,
Of the City of San Diego, Cal.

Gentlemen:-

In my recent communication to you, relative to the San Diego Marine Biological Station at LaJolla, I stated, somewhat indefinitely, that the Station will become an institution of much larger proportions than it now has.

I am now authorized, by Miss Ellen B. Scripps, to announce that Fifty Thousand Dollars has been promised for the building and its work.

This will surely be a sufficient guarantee to the authorities of the City that my intimation, in my former communication, was justified, and should furnish sufficient reason for the great desire on the part of the managers of the laboratory that the sewerage problem of LaJolla be so handled that the very minimum of contamination of the water will result.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) W.E. Ritter

Keep for your files

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University of California,
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