1740 18th St., N.W. Washington, D.C. July 16, 1923

Mr. M. E. Church Falls Church, Va.

Dear Mr. Church:

I am much interested in your suggestion regarding the Joint Stock and Land Bank and believe I can put my finances on a more satisfactory basis by taking up the matter. Within a few days I shall send you a financial statement and later find out when you may be at home so as to meet you and talk it over.

Perhaps you have head that a company is forming to work the quarry on a large commercial basis. Some delay has been necessary in order to make a few adjustments from the original plans, but I hope the present week will see things all arranged. There are already prospective orders for several thousand dollars worth of stone, so anything definite in the way of actual contracts might affect my needs in a replacement trust on the property.

I have managed to break just about even for the past year, - some debts paid off or reduced, some new debts accumulated, -practically I balance.

Sincerely Yours Percy B. Tripp

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"Papers of Merton Elbridge Church, 1866-1959"