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Brief von Christoph Friedrich Bergmann an Johann Friedrich Borgold über den Degenfeldschen Nachlaß sowie die Situation der lutherischen Gemeinde in ...

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Ebenezer (Georgia) April 30th
1829.

Respected Sir

I have the pleasure herewith to acknowledge receipt of the amount of 600 R Dors à 5 p as specified in your honored communication dated the 15th September 1828 and I beg you to accept my sincere thanks for your kind & prompt attention. The above sum has been paid over to the Trustees of the German Lutheran Congregation of this place, and their receipt for the same is enclosed for your inspection. You will I trust excuse me for not writing sooner on the subject than I have done. This was owing to some necessary arrangements which required previously to be attended to - in order to a settlement.

As Mr Gilbert vander Scrijpen is my agent in Europe it is left to your pleasure from time to time to remit the proceeds of the legacy to me in charge for the Trustees for which their acknowledgement shall be transmitted on the receipt thereof. There can be no doubt but the bequest of Col. v Doegenfels was intended for the benefit of the Church at Ebenezer and it is not probable that any other claims can be established - we cannot discover any thing about previous remittances & you need not trouble yourself with further enquiries as the Trustees feel satisfied that all things have been conducted in an honorable way.

The medicines and Books have all safely come to hand for which I would tender you my grateful acknowledgements - at present we are sufficiently supplied with these commodities and shall not order any at this time you will ^{probably} receive an order for a supply at the close of the year. Some mistake has occurred with regard to Hilmer's publications - I only wished ^{2 copies of} a recent number of that period.

cal as a specimen - The work however is interesting on the whole; still I do not feel able to continue taking the future numbers - We have many valuable English magazines printed ~~in this country~~ ^{in this country} & most of my time is taken up in their perusal - Besides the German language is so little in use on this side the water (I mean in the Southern States) that no sale can be found for them. From these considerations we hope that our good friends in Germany will not expect extensive demands for these writings - though their literary merit be highly appreciated - I am willing to take von Ammon's Journal deeming it a respectable & useful miscellany - and I hope on a future occasion to point out a few other publications which I should like to peruse.

From several notices, not previously received, I find that the eminent Theologians Kenapp and Neuviger have been removed from this stage of action - They were indeed shining lights of our Church - and an honour to this Institution over which they ^{long} presided - They are now gone to rest to receive a bright reward in the regions of unchanging felicity - and though absent from us - their useful works will long prove a blessing to posterity - may the great Head of the Church vouchsafe to raise up others - worthy to adorn the fields of science, the cause of piety & religion & to advance the interests benevolence as their supports

Hon. I remain very respectfully dear sir your

M. John F. Bergold
Inspector & Resident &c
Halle.

friend and brother
in the Gospel & peace
C. H. Bergmann.

P.S.
you will be pleased I hope to excuse me,
Should the address on the exterior of this
letter not be in accordance with exact
propriety & complimentary usage.

N. B. In a previous communication I expressed a
desire to be informed whether any documents
(written or printed) were still extant ^{among} the
archives of your Institution, relative to ^{the} history
of Georgia - any information in this respect
would be thankfully acknowledged - A gentleman
of this State is now engaged in collecting materials
for the purpose of composing its history. Any
trouble which may be incurred in such research
& enquiries - will be remunerated & gratefully received.

C. F. Bergmann



Herrn. M. Johann F. Borgardt



Inspector & Boardman

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At a Regular Meeting held at Ebenezer
on the 11th day of April 1829.

The Trustees of the German Lutheran Congregation
at Ebenezer in Georgia do hereby respectfully acknowledge
the receipt of 600 R. in 5 D'r - by the hands of the
Rev. C. I. Bergman, being the amount of interest of a
legacy of 666 $\frac{2}{3}$ rff in Gold ~~of~~ by the late Obert v. Degen-
feld - They engage to appropriate the above money for
the purpose specified, and return their thanks to the gentle-
men ~~for~~ the Administration for their prompt attention
in remitting the same

Joshua Gnanon S.T.

Ephraim Kieffer Chairman
Lewis Weidman. clk