

Philad March 11 1873

Dear James

As I anticipated a letter from Mess. Barton & Guestier has arrived. It covered a note from M Rambaud the Notory. This is a translation.

" A M Jones Sir, the following affair (acte) was transacted before me M. Rambaud
 " notary at Bordeaux, 30 Jany. 1862: in the proceeding connected with the
 " Succession of M. Franco Columbus Fenwick, between his heirs
 " 1 The Madam Elizabeth Grandupe wife of M. John T. Alexis Bosquist de
 " Mayriet only heir of the maternal line living at Commune de Gironde
 " 2 The heirs of the line paternal being M. James Ath^{ans} Fenwick living in
 " State New Jersey. U. States. Mlle Emily Susan Fenwick living with James
 " Mdme Marg^a Howell Fenwick wife of Alex^r McLeod living in Clearfield
 " county Pennsy^a U S.

Yrs & c M Rambaud

Now this adds nothing to our previous knowledge. I cannot see how M Rambaud has neglected to reply to my inquiry so repeated to him.

My letter of last week to Barton & Guestier may bring some definite information. It went by Mr Borie & will have the advantage of his influence with them also. I wrote fully & most plainly. I proposed full inquiry thru their friends in the various communes in France as to the Mr. Fenwick--the object of our search, to obtain his late address, his administrator & C. To make the matter better I proposed to fully repay ~~all~~ costs of the inquiry--and to have the search made by M. Rambaud if they (B & G) could not do it. Also reminded them of the neglect shewn by him to my previous inquiries.

I think this will bring out all you desire in this preliminary state of the case.

Yours truly

A.M Jones

There is one passage in the note of en Rambaud which is in Referring to heirs paternal of Columbus Fenwick, he says "the heirs of the line paternal being James, Emma, Marg^{tta}." Now this may be taken to mean only heirs If so you would be the only heirs in the U-States- left of the successors of Ignatius We will see if the "unknown" is of this line. I made this a matter of inquiry of M Rambaud also

A M J

I need not say more

You cannot safely go any farther into correspondence with Mr. Hodson or any one, if you drop him it would be only fair to do it now. Let him know you have a friend who has been engaged for you & some months past. The result will be if he has a charge to make he will send his bill. It will be cheaper to have this done now.

A M Jones