

Salmons & Batchelder,

Pala, Cal.

11/13/08.

Dear Sirs:

Many thanks for yours of Nov. 7th, also basket which has just arrived and with which I am very much pleased. I think in preceding letters you stated you would give me the names of Indian women making any baskets you might send to me. In addition to this I want to know what the brown shaded material^{used} in these baskets is. I have had a number of pieces of mission work, but the star which is shown in this basket is entirely different from any star that I have in any of the mission work of which I have specimens. Some time ago there was forwarded to me from your part of the country by a personal friend of mine a star basket said to have been made by an Indian woman named Ramona. With it was sent a piece made by Ramona's daughter. Do you know anything about Ramona and to what tribe does she belong?. I take pleasure in sending you New York draft for the cost of this basket for which please accept my thanks. I have quite a number of pieces of Mission work in my collection gathered from different Missions. Possibly no two of them alike. I want to say no work pleases me better than that put forth by the different Mission Indians.

Yours very truly,