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Dear Mr. Sloman:

Receipt of your letter of 14 May 1954 and of the parcel post package is acknowledged.

First let me thank you for your courtesy in making available this sample of the material. However, I regret to have to say that I do not think that I would care to acquire this material and unfortunately I have no suggestion as to the name of any person or organization that might like to acquire it. I recently had another talk with Dr. Wright of the Folger Shakespeare Library and found him to be quite cool to the idea. As a matter of fact, I spent a couple of hours there last Saturday looking over the vast amount of Baconiana material which they have and which they, too, would probably like to dispose of.

I had thought there was a possibility that you had in this material some printed volumes of the work published by Dr. Owen but apparently that is not the case. In particular, I would like to obtain a copy of some of Mrs. Gallup's printed works, but apparently your collection does not include such material.

Under separate cover I am returning the package you sent me and I hope it arrives in good condition. I must call your attention to the fact that the paper is now old and rather fragile.

With regret that I can not see my way clear to giving you a more satisfactory answer, I am,

Sincerely yours,

WILLIAM F. FRIEDMAN