

Hot Springs

White Hall, Ill., Dec. 18, 1905.

Dear Professor Penins,

No doubt you have heard from Mr. Bradford by now in regard to the Kentner. If not it is out of my hands anyhow. Things here are fair only and I am not any too confident that it will be a great success. So I would be glad if you keep me still in mind for a good stone ware location as no doubt you are so doing.

I think between friends you understand, that there parties think there is a great deal of bluff in art pottery and that most any sort of a ware will be a glaze and a bit of color is to be sold for \$10. There are 4 men expecting quick profits on a very small toy plant and as I am not foreman here I feel no great worry about it. A great many false ideas have been put into their heads

until now they don't like to hear any thing except what they want to hear in regard to the clay.

We are to be pretty well equipped. We will have a slip plant, wheel and vertical lathe like yours and a 4 jar glaze mill like yours. The horizontal lathe is a trifle different from yours. We will also

have a Caulkins kiln about the capacity of the small kiln in the shed at Alfred.

These men seem very confident of success and the thrower they have come here from Rookwood. By so doing he seems to have brought down the worth of Rookwood. a number of Rookwood people including Valentin and his wife are willing to come here if the parties interested here can stand the price they ask. The principal rocks I see are those of expectation of too great and too early profits.

The fashionable season begins here the 1st of Jan. and there are for 3 months up-ward of 100000 people here daily, I am told. The town is a vast hotel as practically everyone takes roomer at that time.

Some time get out your Langledebeck and look at the analysis on page 110 of Cornwall Stone. Then look at those reported by Mr. Bradford on this "Non-Cryze" to save trouble here they are.

Non-cryze by LACLEDE MAN. Cornwall Stone

Si O ₂	74.90	-	-	-	-	-	-	73.57
Al ₂ O ₃	15.35	-	-	-	-	-	-	16.47
Fe ₂ O ₃	1.77	-	-	-	-	-	-	.27
	.88	-	-	-	-	-	-	.21
Mg O		-	-	-	-	-	-	1.17
Ca O		-	-	-	-	-	-	5.84
Alkalies	3.79	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.45
H ₂ O	4.29	-	-	-	-	-	-	

Yours truly
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