

May 29, 1927.

Mr. Vause W. Marshall,
Williamsport,
W. Va.

My dear Mr. Marshall:

I have been exceedingly busy for the last few weeks or I should have answered before your letter of April 21st with its kind suggestion that my name be placed on the Advisory Board of the Nancy Hanks Memorial Committee, which will, at the suggestion of Dr. Barton, restore the Hanks cabin. I appreciate the honor that you do me, dear Mr. Marshall, but I shall have to decline. I hope, with all my heart, that Dr. Barton has the documents to prove that he has found the birth place of Nancy Hanks, but, as I am still weighing evidence and have not yet had the advantage of examining Dr. Barton's documents, I do not feel it would be quite honest for me to ally myself with your committee. I am sure, dear Mr. Marshall that you understand it is from no lack of appreciation of your courtesy that I decline the honor you offer me.

Very sincerely,

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