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Subject: acct books for Arnold

Thomas Judd Account Book 1742-1800

This is the earliest and perhaps most interesting of the three books. It is also the most difficult to transcribe. It has 220 pages. Estimated transcription time is 1/2 hour per page. Estimate 110 hours for transcription. \$1,100

Solomon Judd (son of Thomas) Account Book 1807-1824

This book is 70 pages. At 1/2 hour per page, estimated time for transcription is 35 to 40 hours. \$400

William Judd Account Book 1832-1845

This book is about 40 pages. Handwriting and spelling are quite legible. Estimate about 20 minutes per page for transcription for approximately 15 hours of work. \$150

Dear Arnold:

The total estimate for the three books is at least 165 hours. At \$10 per hour, that would be at least \$1,650 for the three books. The cost of a print-out of the entire transcription (hard copy) as well as the transcription on disk could be absorbed by the museum. The advantages of having the information on disk are considerable. You (or whoever is using the information) would be able to do word or name searches on the computer to eke out information on particular topics, people, activities. If you want to proceed, I think we should start with the least expensive book to see how it goes and how you like the results. Also, down the line, maybe we could find additional funding.

Hope this is of any use to you.

Mary Beth