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Marion, Iowa, May 3, 1887.

Judge A. M. Bourger;

My dear Friend:

Thanks
for the quotation from
Shakeray containing the
progressive passive.

Christopher Gist, the surveyor
and the companion of Washington,
belonged to our family tree.
You end your note by saying;
"If so, I shall begin to believe
in ——" Alas! I cannot
decipher the last word
and I am in doubt as to
your creed.

I enjoy your "letters" to a

King" They are well
sustained, and will do
much good.

Pardon me if I ask
about an expression in
first sentence of Letter IX.
"I had intended to have
called" etc. Have not the
Rhetoricians interdicted
such expressions? Must not
our intentions have reference
to the present or future? I
admire your vigorous
English. Your letter concerning
my little book has been
widely copied. It has
helped the cause and
will help it more. Thanking
you again for it,
I remain, yours sincerely,
W. W. L. G.