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DUKINFIELD HOUSE

Dr. W. R. CAPEHART, Owner.

Sportsman's Headquarters.

Ruaca, D. C., Feb 19<sup>th</sup> 1891

Mr. Schaffer Esq

Dear Sir

As we  
We do not put up the Hammy  
for market but I have them prepared  
for my own table. They are placed in  
salt brine & then smoked with  
Putaia wood. I would advise them -  
When I commence smoking some for  
myself & will smoke some for you if you  
wish.

Very truly

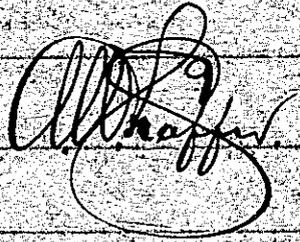
W. R. Capehart

Dear Judge, Here is Capehart's reply. It looks promising and I will  
see that he don't forget it. They will undoubtedly be of the best. If you  
want to smoke them or want too many to ask him to smoke them (since  
he only smokes for family use at home and probably is limited in  
facilities) you will please let me know. I doubt whether he means  
to charge for them, in which case I fear you will not get enough.

Write & tell me how many you want. All well here. Nothing from  
Washington. If they would howl, gesticulate and caroch a little I

would think better of it. You are always safe from a Med-Skin  
performing, but when he retires from view and closes his rat-trap, lookout  
for your hair.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Althoff". The signature is enclosed within a circular flourish.