

Hazardville, Conn.,
July 6, 1952.

Mr. W. C. Simons
Lawrence, Kan.

Dear Cousin,

This year marks the 200th anniversary of the arrival of the Gowdys to this vicinity, as your notice will state.

I have been asked to prepare a simple pageant for the occasion and would like to enlist your help. When you were here you told some interesting stories of the trek of your branch of the family to New York state. Would you write it out as a letter to be read as coming from James Gowdy to one of the family left here, giving some description of the trip as you have heard it. I would greatly ap-