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July 14, 2002

Dear Judith:

Here are rolls 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of the slides of the flies of the authors of Two Centuries. Roll 1 was with Aimie, and I requested she send it to me so I could identify each slide, which I did. They are all named and numbered and accompanying them are the named and numbered listing of all of them. The names and numbers are also written on each slide, so they can be compared to the names and numbers on the printed sheets.

There will be a few more slides of some real flies tied by Roger Wooley, which I have in my possession, and slides of some of the pages from the book, A QUAIN TREATISE ON FLEES AND THE ART A ARTYFICALL FLEE MAKING, by W. H. Aldam, which I happened to have in my possession for a time. If you have any other photo ideas for the book, or the fishing newspaper, the Fishing Gazette, please let me know because I can borrow or see just about any of the books featured here.

In additional writing, I need only the introduction, is that right?

As an author, I feel I went far above the usual demands made on him in the preparation for publishing of such a book as TWO CENTURIES. I spent several days photographing 125 flies (after spending at least as much time in tying the flies) and paying for 6 rolls of slide film and the processing. I also had to obtain and use some highly specialized kind of photo equipment to photograph the flies. (Many similar books, usually have the photography done by someone other than the author, at a separate cost. You suggested this, yourself, and the charges, I'm sure would have been in keeping with today's typical professional photo cost. More important, I feel, is the new and different way, we photographed the flies.)

I look forward to your response to this letter:

Sincerely,

Syl

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I would like: at this photo  
time separate from the book  
contract, to negotiate  
I await your immediate  
Publication Date



Syl Nemes  
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August 28, 2002

Dear Judith:

I would like to start discussing some of the contract conditions relating to TWO CENTURIES, and go over some of the items that still need to be done on the book before it can be ready for printing.

There is first, and most important, the introduction, which could include the reason for the book and its coverage. Why did we stop with two centuries, and why did we pick the books we did and not include some which may have been more popular? We should thank people like Judith Bowman and Vernon Gallup for loaning me books which I didn't have.

Because there are many books quoted and written about, we will need an index, and I guess this is the responsibility of the publisher.

We may want color photos of certain pages from certain books such as Aldam, where flies and their elements are shown, and color pages from other books such as Blacker, and Pritt. I have actual flies tied by Wooley which will be photographed.

We have to discuss a payment or advance from Stackpole now, because the printing date for the book is a year and a half away. I turned 80 last April, and I do not want to wait until the end of next year to get any money for work and expenses I have incurred during the last three years, because that will be nearly five years of work on the book, without a dime to show for it.

I know I cannot finish this letter without suggesting an advance amount I would accept at this time. The advance is not just some number I picked out of the blue, but is based on the cost and earnings of my last book, SIX MONTHS IN SCOTLAND. I would like to suggest a total advance of \$15,000 with half the amount payable now and the other half payable when the book is published.

Sincerely,

Syl



Sylvester Nemes  
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April 9, 1999

Dear Judith

Enclosed is what could be the title page of my next and last book on soft hackled flies. I'm calling it **TWO CENTURIES OF SOFT-HACKLED FLIES**, because that's about as far back as I have found direct and indirect references to soft-hackled flies and fishing in fly fishing literature. One could argue, the flies were on the scene from the Dame's book or at least from Walton, but I think that might be a bit flimsy. (All fly fishing began with the dame and Walton) It wasn't until the late part of the 1800's that I found the actual use of the term soft-hackled fly (EM Tod, *Wet Fly Fishing*), but the book will contain references and soft hackled flies from books just before 1800, and colored photos of all of them (which adds up to **TWO CENTURIES**) because many authors were writing about the flies and the simple downstream fishing method before they were called soft hackles.

One of the more important ways to tell if the author was writing about soft hackled flies and to include his fly or flies in **TWO CENTURIES**, is through his description of the fly or flies he's writing about. If he suggests partridge, starling, moorhen, snipe, owl, grouse, woodcock, hen pheasant, coot, jackdaw, and golden plover, his dressings go in **TWO CENTURIES**. If he suggests two or three or more droppers, his patterns go into **TWO CENTURIES**. If he describes flies without wings and just hackled in the front, he goes into **TWO CENTURIES**.

Look at Geo. C Bainbridge, *The Fly Fisher's Guide*, for example, published in 1816. He writes about the Iron blue fly, March Brown, Mealy Brown or Fern Fly, Orange Fly, Oak Fly or Downlooker, to name a few. There are colored plates of some of the flies, and a couple look just like Pritts flies. The first *Angler's Entomology* by Alfred Ronald was printed in 1836. In it are soft hackled styled flies such as the water cricket, gravel bed, Jenny Spinner, Green Drake, Grey Drake, Marlow Buzz, Wren Tail B, and Willow Fly. Patterns from Robert Salter, *The Modern Angler*, 1811, would be included because of stuff like, "This fly is often made with a light dun hackle instead of a wing..."

Samuel Taylor in his 1809 book, **ANGLING IN ALL ITS BRANCHES**, had the grouse hackle with: "Wings and legs: reddish brown, mottled grouse hackle,...."

One of the surest books that pays off the premise of **TWO CENTURIES** is **A QUAIN TREATISE ON FLEES AND THE ART OF ARTYFICHAL FLEE MAKING**, by W. H. Aldam, London. The book, as you may know, has the actual flies and materials used to tie them stuck on to the pages of the book. It was published in 1876, but written by an "old man, nearly 100 years old." That would make it 1776, if he started fly fishing at the age of one, but 1796 if he started fly fishing and fly tying at the age of 20.

At least a quarter of all the soft hackled fly patterns in **TWO CENTURIES**, would come from my own library. The rest would come from a friend of mine, Vernon Gallup, who lives in Montana, and who has, perhaps, the world's largest collection of books on fly fishing.

**TWO CENTURIES** would be set up in the following way. Introduction and premise of the book. Quotes from the books dealing with patterns and fishing instructions if there were any. My own patterns of my three books. Colored photos of the flies (around 400, there are nearly 100 in the Addict) shot on 35mm with electronic flash or strobe light. The flies would be tied by me from the instructions and patterns found in the books.

I have arrived at this kind of book, I think, because of the trend of the expensive, patterned, methods books like Hughes "Trout Flies" and three or four others which seem to be



selling very well even with high price tags of \$50 and \$100.

I have not seen Dave's and yours TROUT FLIES, but I would imagine that there are many soft hackles in it. Are there enough in it that you would not be interested in publishing TWO CENTURIES OF SOFT-HACKLED FLIES?

Sincerely,

Syl



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October 22, 1998

Bill Robertson  
Super Fly  
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Dear Mr. Robertson:

Thanks for the invitation to do business with your company and here are the particulars regarding the three books I have written and published, a copy of each of which is enclosed:

"Six Months in Scotland. An American View of its Salmon Fishing." Just published: Retail: \$29.95, 55%, \$13.48. "Spinners." 1995. \$34.95, 60%, \$13.98. "Soft Hackled Fly Imitations." 1991, \$27.95, 60%, \$11.18.

At these discounts, I would expect your company to take at least a carton of the new book, (34 copies) and at least 20 copies each of the two older books.

All copies will be signed by me, which is a little advantage of self publishing.

On freight costs, I would abide by the same pricing of other American publishers.

I hope we can work together.

Sincerely,

Syl Nemes



Syl Nemes  
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Dear Judith:

Enclosed are five rolls of slides, including roll 1 which Aimie sent back to me a short time ago. All of the slides are named with the name of the fly, the number, and the author in whose chapter the fly appeared.

To clarify the name and the inventor, I have listed all of the flies with the name of it, the author and the number of the slide. I am giving this information, not in numerical order, but in numerical roll number, just in case you cannot read the information written on each slide. Some flies were photographed more than once. Please choose the best one.

Roll 1. Olive Nymph, Lawrie, 42.  
Drop Fly, Scotcher, 41.  
Red Tag, Gazette, 18.  
Dark Needle, Gazette, 17.  
Bradshaw's Fancy, Gazette, 16  
Smoke Fly, Gazette. 15.  
Winter Brown, 37. Wooley.  
Blue Bottle, 11, Gazette.  
Poult Bloa, 9, Williams.  
Water Hn Bloa, 7, Williams.  
Woodcock Quill, 38, Wooley.  
Light Dun Hackle, 39, Wooley.  
Olive Nymph, 44, Lawrie.  
March Brown, 45, Lawrie.  
Iron Blue, 47, Lawrie.  
Pale Watery, 49, Lawrie.  
Iron Blue Nymph, 56, Lonsdale.  
Spanish Needle, 57, Lonsdale.  
Sedge Fly, 58, Lonsdale.  
Caenis, 59, Lonsdale.  
March Brown Nymph, 60, Lonsdale.  
February Red, 61, Lonsdale.  
Winter Brown, 62, Pritt.  
Sandy Moorgame, 63, Pritt.  
Green Sleeves, 65, Pritt.  
Grey Partridge, 66, Pritt.  
Salter, Number 1 fly, Salter.

Roll 2:

Ginger Hackle, 31, Norris.  
Dotterel Dun, 1, Williams.  
Dark Spanish Needle, 2, Williams.  
Pale Watery Dun, 3, Williams.



Brooke's Fancy, 89, A Dictionary of Trout Flies. Williams.  
Blue Dun, 88, A Dictionary of Trout Flies. Williams.  
Black Spider, 87, A Dictionary of Trout Flies. Williams.  
Light Dun Hackle, 85, Wooley.  
Spring Black, 84, Wooley.  
Winter Brown, 83, Wooley.  
Lunn's Dark Hare, 82, Hills River Keeper.  
Rough Olive, 91, Lonsdale.  
Brown Owl, 90, Williams.  
Dark Spider, 87. Williams.  
Red Spinner Wingless, 109, Lonsdale.  
Starling and Purple, 112, E. M. Tod.  
Greenwell's Glory, 108, Lonsdale.  
Iron Blue Dun, 107, Lonsdale.  
Little Marryott, 106, Lonsdale.  
Rusty Spinner, 105, Lonsdale.  
Blue Dun, 111, Lonsdale.  
Waterhen Bloa, 110, Lonsdale.  
Snipe Bloa, 102, Lonsdale.  
Pheasant Tail, 103, Lonsdale.  
Pale Watery, 101, Lawrie.  
Hatching Dun March Brown, 100, Lawrie.  
Pale Watery, 97, Lawrie.  
Large Pale Watery, 96, Lawrie.  
Iron Blue, 95, Lawrie.



Grey Duster, 4, Williams.  
Pale Evening Bloa, 10, Gazette.  
Honey Dun Bumble, 14, Gazette.  
August Brown, 12, Gazette.  
Honey Dun Bumble, 14, Gazette.  
Blue Bottle, 11, Gazette.  
Old Blue Dun, 19, Leisenring.  
Iron Blue Wingless, 22, Leisenring.  
Pale Watery Dun, 2, Williams.  
Dotterel Dun, 1, Williams.  
Iron Blue Nymph, 30, Leisenring.  
Black Spider, 29, Stewart.  
Ginger Hackle, 31, Norris.  
Red Spider, 28, Stewart.  
Brown Red Hackle, 21, Leisenring.  
Old Blue Dun, 19, Leisenring.  
Coachman, 23, Leisenring.  
Blue Dun Hackle, 24, Leisenring.  
Tups Nymph, 25, Leisenring.  
Pale Watery Dun, 26, Leisenring.  
Snipe and Yellow, 27, Leisenring.  
Red Spider, 28, Stewart.

Roll 3:

Lunns Little Red, 80, Hills.  
Lunns Yellow Boy, 79, Hills.  
Tups Indispensible, 78, Reid.  
Reids Assasin, 77, Reid.  
Blae and Black, 76, Reid.  
Hen Blackie, 75, Reid.  
Grouse, 74, Webster.  
Olive Nymph, 43, Lawrie.  
Salter Number 2, 68, Salter.  
Water Hen Bloa, 69, Lawrie.  
Blae Hen and Yellow, 70, Lawrie.  
Black Spider, 71, Webster.  
Red Spider, 72, Webster.  
Golden Plover Spider, 73, Webster.

Roll 4:

Partridge and Green, 96, Paul Young.  
Partridge and Orange, 95, Paul Young.  
Partridge and Yellow, 96 or 97, Paul Young.  
March Brown Hackle, 93, Lonsdale Library.  
Winged March Brown, 92, Lonsdale Library.  
Rough Olive, 91, Lonsdale Library.  
Brown Owl, 90, Williams. A Dictionary of Trout Flies.



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Oct 21, 1998

Judith Schnell

Dear Judith:

*Welcome home.*

*"Six Months" seems to be doing pretty well in its first weeks, and I am still waiting to hear from Harper Collins in London to see if they want the UK rights to it. They have had a couple copies of the book for more than a month now, which they requested after I mailed a letter and copy of the dust jacket to them. While waiting for a decision, I thought I might offer the same choice to you. What triggered this, perhaps, was your giving me the name of your British connection, (which I have forgotten, by the way) who could be instrumental in your publishing of the book in that country.*

*So, Stackpole can still be the owner of the book, even if (at this time) that ownership is only in the UK. (Money is money, whether in dollars or pounds, isn't it?)*

*If you wanted to get started right away, I could ship any number of copies to your address in the UK, or ship you the film for printing copies there, after negotiating with you on the prices of both methods.*

*I hope we can work something out here, and thanks for the consideration.*

Syl



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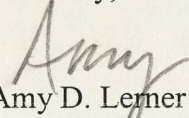
Sylvester and Hazel Nemes  
3200 Shooting Star Lane  
Bozeman, MT 59715

March 8, 2007

Dear Syl and Hazel,

When you sent the copies of *Spinners*, you also included film of the text and color photos in the book. Do you have film of the jacket? If so, we would love to be able to use it. Please let me know at your convenience. I'm in the office Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays, and my phone number is 717-796-0411 x127 and email [alerner@stackpolebooks.com](mailto:alerner@stackpolebooks.com).

Sincerely,

  
Amy D. Lerner  
Assistant Editor

DO NOT HAVE FILM OF  
COVER  
ONLY SLIDES



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Dear Syl,

Here is an advance copy of  
your book. The cover turned out very  
nice - It really has that old-fashioned  
look.

We are expecting the shipment of  
books in mid-December.

Yours,

Amy D. Lerner



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September 29, 2005

Dear Syl,

I'm trying to sort thought the batches of new material for *The Soft-Hackled Fly* second edition and have some questions. Here goes:

Tiny Soft Hackle from Regular Soft Hackles. You mention 12 patterns but you've given only 11. Did you forget #12?

In Syl's release, when the fish takes the fly, the knot on the fly breaks and the fish takes off with the hook and the fly in its mouth. Do I have that right?

Trico. This piece begins with an introductory sentence and then *Hatches II*... I don't understand what's going on. Is what follows an excerpt from *Hatches II*? If so, then we can't simply reprint what's in another book.

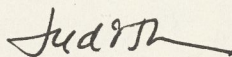
Smutting Trout and Tiny Soft Hackles. This material is mostly quotes (excerpts) from Mottram. Which parts are direct quotes and which are your writing, Syl? The article should be mostly *your* work, not excerpts from another book.

I need confirmation on which articles the slides go with. Can you mark the list of slides with the pertinent articles?

For the cover of the book I'd like to use a slide from the first edition and update the type. Can you send the original slide? Or if not, can you send a photo of you fishing, something similar to the original cover?

I think once we have these questions answered, we're on our way with getting this new edition into production. Thanks for your help.

Fondly,

  
Judith Schnell

*Cover Flys' Release*

*Keep the  
11 only.*

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Because I don't know much  
about many insects I have  
quoted information from other  
books



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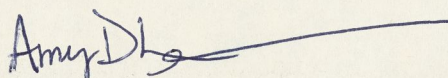
August 31, 2006

Dear Syl and Hazel,

The cost for shipping *Spinners* from your home to our warehouse in Mechanicsburg comes to about \$312. (Not knowing the exact number of copies, we based this estimate on 400.) For this shipping method, UPS will come to your house to pick up the boxes of books, and UPS will supply the labels. Once you are sure and we are ready to move forward, our warehouse manager will make the necessary contacts with UPS, and then someone from UPS will come to your home to pick up the books within 24 to 48 hours. So, you will have to let me know a time when you will be home for several days to let UPS in to pick up the books.

Please let Judith or I know if this is favorable to you, and we can work up a distribution agreement (60% net for you, 40% for Stackpole) for these remaining copies. If everything is fine and we can move forward right away, we can still introduce *Spinners* in our spring 2007 catalog.

Sincerely,



Amy D. Lerner  
Assistant Editor



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Syl Nemes  
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August 8, 2006

Dear Syl,

Judith and you were making plans for Stackpole to start distributing *Spinners* in 2007, and since she is currently traveling to the Outdoor Retailers show and fly-fishing show, I wanted to check with you on whether you thought that would happen in the spring of 2007. (We would then announce the book as becoming available sometime between January and June of 2007, depending on when we would actually have books to ship to customers.)

We are working on the catalog for the spring now, so that's why I am inquiring about your talks with Judith and the books' availability. If you need more time, for whatever reason, that's fine; we can hold off until the fall of 2007. Just let me know, please, so we know whether or not to reserve space now in the spring catalog.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Amy D. Lerner". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Amy D. Lerner  
Assistant Editor



Please bring clothes in  
I smell rain



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July 24, 2006

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Syl & Hazel Nemes  
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Dear Syl and Hazel,

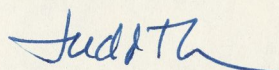
Regarding *Spinners*, we'd be happy to take it on and could announce the book in the next catalog, Spring 2007, which we're presently working on for release in November of this year. If we were to begin selling the book in January 2007, we'll have to finalize the arrangement now.

Since you have 400+ copies on hand and since we expect that supply to move through our normal distribution channels before we'd reprint, we can work with you under our usual distribution agreement on these copies (60% net for you, 40% for Stackpole) until this supply is depleted. At that time we'd consider reprinting and our way of working would then be covered under the customary author/publisher royalty arrangement. Based on inquiries to some of our trusted accounts on how the book is selling for them, we expect the 400 books will last and we wouldn't be reprinting for a while.

Where is the stock now being warehoused? We might be able to get a more favorable shipping rate than you, but normally you'd be expected to pay for shipping. Let's look into the actual cost of shipping, see what it is and talk further? The 400 copies would also require stickering with bar code and publishing contact information if it's going to be offered in the book trade, a further cost.

I'm happy to investigate, if you'll let me know where the books are presently stored.

Best regards,



Judith M. Schnell  
Publisher & Vice President

JMS:jm



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December 17, 2004

Syl Nemes  
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*Army  
Lerner*

*New  
book  
extra  
books Spring*

Dear Syl,

Here's what I propose we do:

Publish Soft-Hackled Fly in a new 224 page edition adding 96 pages of new material on small soft hackles with 14 new pages of color in addition to the 2 that are in the book now.

List price of the new edition would be \$29.95.

We'd pay you in advance of \$2,500, half on agreeing to this plan and half on delivery of the new version of the manuscript and photographs.

I think this is the best option, a way to keep the old classic in print and introduce the new information on tiny flies.

You can set the deadline, but I'd recommend delivery by June 1, 2005, and publication January of 2006. How does this sound to you?

Hope you and Hazel have a terrific Christmas!

Best regards,

*Judith M. Schnell*

Judith M. Schnell  
VP/Editorial Director

JMS:jm





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November 3, 2004

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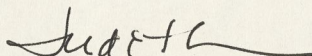
Dear Syl,

I've had a chance to read through the piece you sent on *Tiny Soft Hackled Flies* and understand what you'd like. What I'd like you to think about is:

Do you have a completely new book idea here, or is the material on small soft hackles best added to your existing Soft Hackled fly book and bringing that book out in a new edition?

Send more on the Fishing Gazette idea when you have it.

Best regards,



Judith M. Schnell  
VP/Editorial Director

JMS:jm



A large, dark, abstract ink scribble or signature that covers the right half of the page. It consists of several overlapping, jagged, and flowing lines that are difficult to decipher as specific text. The ink is dark and appears to be applied with a pen or marker.



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August 26, 2004

Mr. Syl Nemes  
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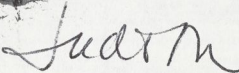
Dear Syl,

Sure, send me some copies of *The Fly Fishing Gazette*, and I will let you know what I think about publishing a book of them.

Looking forward to seeing the chapters on Tiny Soft Hackles. You sound as if you're making good progress.

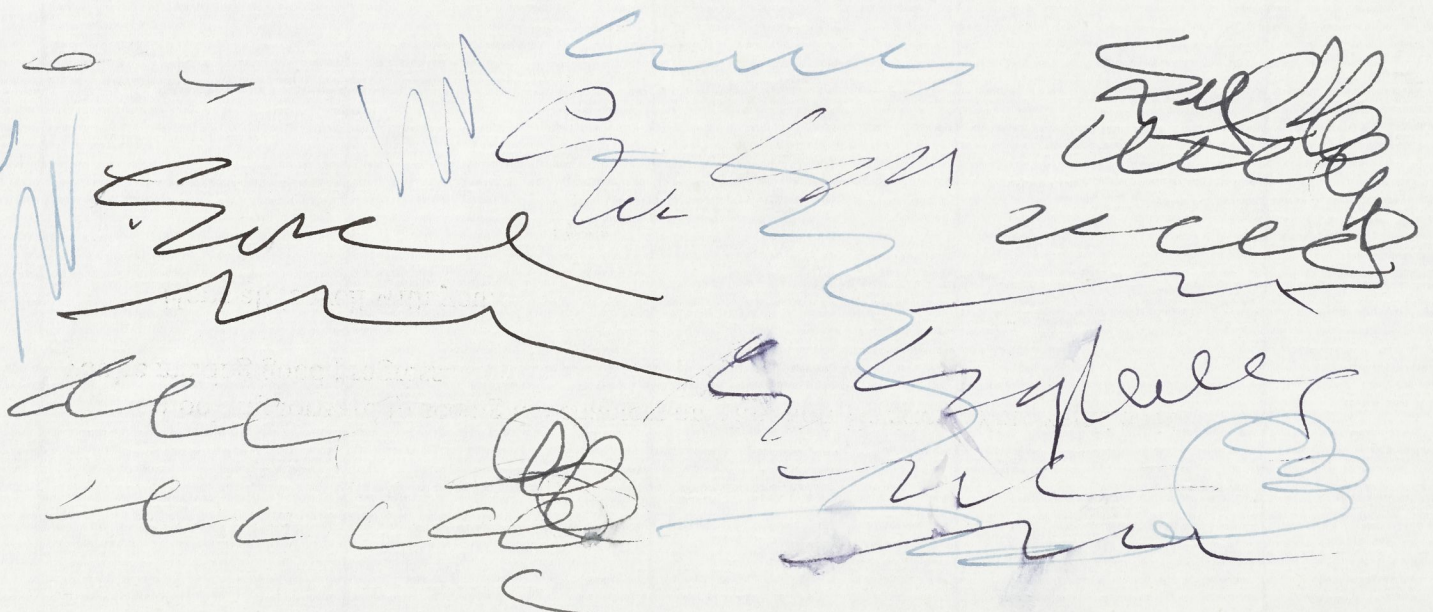
Hope all is well with you.

Best,



Judith M. Schnell  
Editorial Director/Vice President

JMS:di





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April 7, 2004

Dear Syl,

I left you a phone message yesterday, April 6, asking how to handle requests for the special edition of *Two Centuries of Soft Hackled Flies*. The person who called about the special edition is Robert Blockoff, whose phone number is (541)715-1731.

Please let me know how you'd like us to handle these requests in the future.  
Thank you.

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Best wishes,

*Handwritten signature: Amy D. Lerner*  
Amy D. Lerner  
Assistant Editor

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Sylvester Nemes  
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February 25, 2004

Dear Syl,

Here are the two books you requested: *Midge Magic* and *Tying Small Flies*.  
Thanks again for the Scottish fishing book.

Yours,



Amy D. Lerner  
Assistant Editor



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February 24, 2004

Syl and Hazel Nemes  
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Dear Syl and Hazel,

I've been thinking about your suggestion of Stackpoles's taking on Spinners and have been doing some research on how it might sell for us.

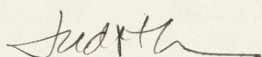
After conversations with our accounts, some of whom have a history with the book, I estimate that we would sell 150 copies a year, perhaps more (200) the first year we announce the title on our list. Based on these numbers, here's what I propose:

1. Stackpole buys your inventory of 800 plus copies.
2. We begin to publish the book January 1, 2005.
3. Stackpole pays you for the inventory of 800<sup>+</sup> books and the rights to publish the work on the following schedule:
  - \$2,000 on January 1, 2005
  - \$1,000 on each subsequent January 1, for the next four years,
  - January 1, 2006 – January 1, 2009, for a total of \$6,000 for the stock, film and rights.
4. Stackpole pays additionally a royalty of 10% net.
5. Stackpole will sell the book at your suggested list price of \$34.95
6. The 800 books will be delivered to the Stackpole warehouse at your expense.

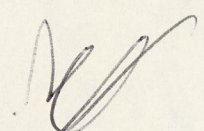
I know you'll want some time to consider this offer. I'd like to have the book on our list and think that Stackpole's reputation as the solid fly-fishing publisher would help Spinners have a long life.

Thank you for the lovely signed copy of Six Months (with fly). I'll treasure it.

Kindest regards.  
As ever,



Judith





Sgt Lane

Sgt Myers

Sgt Vickers

Sgt



# STACKPOLE BOOKS

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Dear Sylvester,

Enclosed are color prints of the jacket for Two-Centuries of Soft-Hackled Flies. I think it reflects the content of the book very well. The jacket will be finished today and sent to the printer, and the next step is for me to check the printer's proofs of the book when they come in. All is moving along smoothly.

Yours,

Amy D. Lerner



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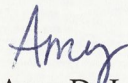
Sylvester and Hazel Nemes  
3200 Shooting Star Lane  
Bozeman, MT  
59715

October 31, 2006

Dear Syl and Hazel,

Here is your copy of the signed contract for *Spinners*.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Amy".

Amy D. Lerner  
Assistant Editor



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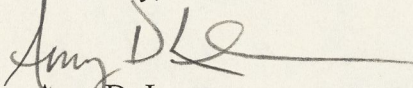
Sylvester and Hazel Nemes  
3200 Shooting Star Lane  
Bozeman, MT  
59715

September 19, 2006

Dear Syl and Hazel,

Here are the contracts for *Spinners*, as you discussed with Judith. Please sign both copies and return to us, and we'll countersign and put in for the first payment of \$1,500. Once you have signed all of the copies of *Spinners* for us, give me a call and I will work out the details to send UPS to pick them up. You only have to put the books back in the boxes and tape them closed. UPS will label them and haul them from the garage or wherever they are now. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

  
Amy D. Lerner  
Assistant Editor



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October 29, 2007

*Answered  
11/18/07*

Syl & Hazel Nemes  
3200 Shooting Star Lane  
Bozeman, MT 59772

Dear Syl and Hazel,

Thanks for your recent letter. It came while I was out of the country, on my annual trip to the Frankfurt Book Fair. Back now and settling in to day-to-day business.

I'd like more information on the two titles you mention. How many copies of Soft-Hackled Fly Imitations do you have in stock? And what have been the sales per year on this title?

I'd like to know the same about Six Months In Scotland.

This information will help me determine if I can make you an offer.

Kind regards,

*Judith M. Schnell*

Judith M. Schnell  
Publisher & Vice President

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*5000*  
*16 years*  
*312 p/year*  
*imitations*



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MONDAY 17th  
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December 7, 2007

Syl & Hazel Nemes  
3200 Shooting Star Lane  
Bozeman, MT 59772

Spoke to Annie Dodge-Smith  
12/08 Needs she said she would  
get back to us. Friday has  
not

Dear Syl and Hazel,

They don't seem to want to  
3/27/08 give info no reply

Thanks for the sales inventory information on the books. We've done some checking with our key accounts for projections on how Soft Hackled Fly Imitations and Six Months In Scotland might sell for us and based on that feedback, I must decide not to take them on.

Annual sales of Soft Hackled Fly Imitations would be too low for us to consider reprinting and the inventory for Six Months In Scotland wouldn't move quickly enough for us to take it over.

Wish I had better news for you with these two.

As ever, fondly,

Judith M. Schnell

Judith M. Schnell  
Publisher & Vice President

JMS:jm

called Annie Fri.  
March 29/08 she will  
call here Mon or Tues

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JOANN WILLIAMS  
ACCOUNTING



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9/06/06

Dear Sue and Hazel,

You're right. The second payment of the advance has not yet been paid. So sorry this fell through the cracks.

I'll put the paperwork in now and the check should be cut within the month.

So sorry. The book was a bit late getting printed and this detail was missed. My error!

Kind regards, Judith



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October 30, 2008

Mr. Sylvester Nemes  
3200 Shooting Star Lane  
Bozeman, MT 59715

RE: *Spinners*

Dear Mr. Nemes:

As I am sure you have noticed from the last several royalty reports, sales on this title have been slow. Once a year we take a hard look at our backlist and target books that are not moving as candidates for reducing inventory.

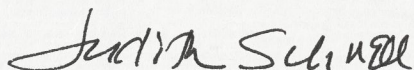
Our plan is to keep this book in print and on our backlist and to reduce stock to a level more in line with the way the book is selling annually. To do this, we plan to remainder a quantity of this title.

We are notifying you at this time, before we seek and receive remainder bids at deep discounted prices, so that if you wish to purchase any copies of your book at a special price you may do so beginning November 3, 2008 through December 1, 2008. The price, if your book is a hard cover, is \$2.50 a copy and, if paperback, the price is \$1.50 a copy plus shipping and handling.

You'll need to call the order department at 1-800-732-3669 to arrange for the purchase of the books and to prepay your order either by sending a check or using a credit card.

Thanks for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Judith M. Schnell  
Publisher

JMS:dl



- ~~• A Handbook of Angling, Edward Fitzgibbon, 1847~~ *not suitable*
- ~~• The Practical Fly Fisher, John Jackson, 1854~~ *not suitable*
- ~~• On Fly Tying, James Ogden, 1879~~ *not suitable*
- Vade Mecum of Fly Fishing for Trout, George PR Pulman, 1841 *have done*
- The Fly Fishers Legacy, George Scotcher, 1800 *have done*
- ~~• The British Angler's Manual, T.C. Hofland, 1839~~ *not suitable*
- ~~• The Drifffield Angler, Alexander Mackintosh, 1806~~
- ~~• Halcyon, Henry Wade, 1861~~
- ~~• On River Angling for Salmon and Trout, John Younger, 1840~~
- ~~• The American Angler's Book, Thadeus Norris, 1864~~ *have done*

So the chapters we do have are The Angler and the Loop Rod, David Webster; Angler's Vade Mecum, W. Carroll; The Practical Angler, Patrick Stewart; Wet Fly Fishing, E.M. Tod; The Book of the Rough Stream Nymph, Lawrie; The Angler's Guide, Salter; The Fly Fisher and the Trout's Point of View, E.W. Harding; A History of Fly Fishing for Trout, J. W. Hills; Minor Tactics and The Way of a Trout With a Fly, Gem Skues; and A Quaint Treatise in Flees and the Art of Artificial Flee Making, W.H. Aldam. We'll be looking forward to the rest of the chapters. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

*Amy Dimeler*

Amy Dimeler

Editorial Assistant

*The British  
girl with the  
high rasping  
British accent*

*May 15  
inspired  
do May 14*



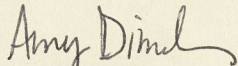
✓ SCOTTISH TROUT FLIES, W. H. LAWRIE  
✓ Vade mecum of Fly Fishing for Trout. George P. R. Pulman  
✓ Wet Fly Fishing, E.M. Tod  
✓ WORKS OF CHARLES KINGSLEY, Volume XV.

The only chapter I am missing from your latest list is Trout Fishing from All Angles (Lonsdale).

I don't have any slides from you, just the chapters on disks you have sent. It would be good to identify your slides by the fly name directly on the slide, and it would be helpful to identify which chapter they belong in as well, either on the slide or a separate chart.

Let me know if there is anything else I can do to assist in organizing this manuscript. Thank you.

Yours,



Amy Dimeler  
Editorial Assistant



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May 7, 2003

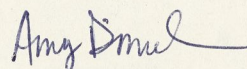
Dear Sylvester,

Here is the edited manuscript for *Soft-Hackled Flies* and the slides in a notebook (I have numbered them all with blue stickers). Please respond to each query (yellow sticky) on the manuscript by writing directly on the pages in red or some other bright color. Remember, now is also the time to add any new copy, reorder text, and make any changes before we go to typesetting. After that, changes become expensive, so naturally we discourage them. If you have any long additions or rewritten sections, please include them on a separate page in the appropriate place in the manuscript.

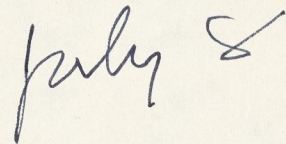
Please also look over the slides in the notebook to make sure I have placed them correctly, and take a look at the ones in the back because I wasn't sure where they fit in. They are slides #83-134. Make a note of which ones should be included in the book and where they fit in the manuscript. Also, think about what captions you want for the slides. If you just want them to be labeled with the fly name and source of the pattern, I can do that with the information you've already given, but if you want more detail in the captions, please provide that. I just talked to Judith, and she was thinking of full-color throughout.

I would like you to return the manuscript with your responses and changes by May 27. If you have any questions, my phone number is (717) 796-0411 x127. Thanks very much.

Yours,



Amy Dimeler  
Editorial Assistant





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October 20, 2003

Mr. Syl Nemes  
PO Box 3782  
Bozeman, MT 59772

Dear Syl,

Thanks for your good words in the recent letter. Amy is a terrifically hard-working assistant, and I count on her for good support.

The contract reads correctly with the 45. The key word is "of"—we are selling your books at 45% of retail cost. That means your discount is 55% off.

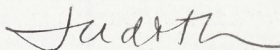
I'm willing to settle with you for the additional photography by sending another 25 unbound copies.

Send me pages of TINY SOFT HACKLES and we'll see.

Who's the new writer for the John Dillinger book?

Hope you enjoy California. I'm glad to be home with no travel for a while. I was away a lot this year and just now back from Germany. Good to be home.

Best,



Judith M. Schnell  
Editorial Director/Vice President

JMS:dl



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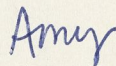
December 23, 2003

Dear Syl,

Enclosed are the rest of the slides from *Two Centuries* (the cover shots and some earlier versions of the flies). The edited version of the Aldam chapter is also enclosed. Take a look at it and let me know if you have any changes or corrections.

On your search for a bookbinder for the special editions: we haven't done any books like what you are planning, so our production manager doesn't have the contacts for bookbinders who do that. I did a little bit of research on the Internet, but since I'm not familiar with the companies or their processes, I'm not comfortable recommending one. It's too bad that our printers haven't done this sort of binding.

Yours,



Amy D. Lerner  
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Sylvester Nemes  
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July 30, 2003

Dear Syl,

Enclosed are the first galley proofs of *Two Centuries of Soft-Hackled Flies* for your review. Please read through the pages carefully, since this is the last time you'll see the text before it's a book. Use red or another bright color to mark additions, deletions, or changes. The pages are also being proofread now, and I have scheduled someone to compile the Index, too, so you don't have to do that. Please take a look at the color plates and captions, too. If you need any other plates printed in color in order to verify the captions, let me know, and I will send those to you.

Some of the changes you sent recently--like the revised introduction--were not incorporated into these pages because the paginator had already started the layout. Those changes are not reflected in these pages, but I will go through and make sure the corrections are made. I wanted to get these in the mail to you today, so I couldn't mark the changes on your copy.

To keep on schedule, I'd like to have these pages back by August 13. Let me know if you have any questions or concerns. You can reach me by phone at 717-796-0411 or by email at [alerner@stackpolebooks.com](mailto:alerner@stackpolebooks.com).

We're also looking for your input on the front cover design, which we need to start now. I did receive the *Spinners* jacket, but we'd like to do something different for this book, to make it stand out from the rest. One thought Judith had was to put a photo of one fly in a box with a sort of old-fashioned script in the background, like that used in the old books. Something classic that will reflect the nature of the book.

I look forward to hearing your comments.

Yours,

Amy Dimeler Lerner  
Editorial Assistant



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Sylvester Nemes  
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September 18, 2003

Dear Sylvester,

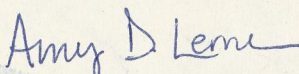
Here is the copy of the corrected pages of *Two Centuries of Soft-Hackled Flies*, and your slides from production of the book. Unfortunately, I was unable to get color copies of the pages in time since it's in production/printing now, but I think the b/w pages along with the color slides, if you plan to use them in a slide show, will give people a good idea of what the book is like. Here are the book specs, too.

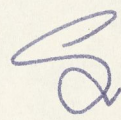
*Two Centuries of Soft-Hackled Flies*  
A Survey of the Literature Complete with Original Patterns  
1747-Present  
Sylvester Nemes  
\$34.95, HC, 188 pages, 100 color photos, 6 x 9, ISBN 0-8117-0048-8,  
Available January

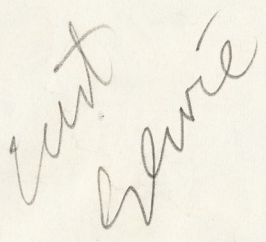


It was a joy to work with you on this book, and I'll be eager to see the final outcome.

Yours,

  
Amy Dimeler Lerner  
Editorial Assistant



  
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*2 centuries - 100 photos*



This image shows a blank, aged, cream-colored page, likely a flyleaf or endpaper from an old book. The paper has a slightly textured appearance with some minor discoloration and faint blue ink scribbles and smudges, possibly from a pen or pencil. There are no legible markings or text on the page.

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