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Dear Mr. Crabtree,

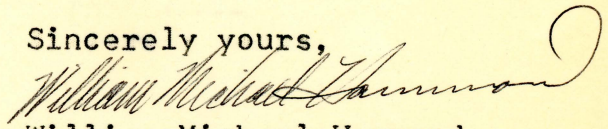
I am a graduate student in anthropology at Columbia University. As my main interest is the field of archaeology, I would very much like to attend your summer institute to learn flint knapping.

During this past semester I wrote a paper concerning the palaeocognitive patterns utilized in the making of a hand axe. To achieve this I filmed one of your former students, Lucy Lewis, making a hand axe and then described in detail the somatic patterns involved. From the somatic patterns I was able to construct a model to explain the cognitive patterns involved in the manufacturing process.

This paper has generated numerous hypotheses in regard to both archaeology and physical anthropology. I would like to learn flint knapping from you and thus continue this line of inquiry. Personal knowledge would greatly enhance and perhaps in some cases refute some of the hypotheses.

I have written Dr. Swanson for an application and would appreciate and consideration you show towards my application.

Sincerely yours,


William Michael Hammond

P.S. Lucy sends her best regards to both you and your wife.

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