Waterbury, Conn., February 2, 1869

Prof. O. C. Marsh: Dear sir:

I received, a short time ago, your circular respecting the "Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology in Yale College." I can not do anything in the way of furnishing contributions to the Museum; but on the other hand, I can not refrain from writing to you, to express my interest in the sciences of Anthropology, and especially in the ethnology and archaeology of America. I am comparatively a beginner in these studies; but my interest in them is deep and constant, and I have a constant desire to place myself in closer relations to others who have similar tastes. It has seemed to me for some time, that we might have an Anthropological Society in Connecticut, and thus do something to advance
and systematize a very important, but very crude, science.

I am better posted with respect to the literary than the strictly physical aspects of the subject; and if I could be of service in such a direction, would give my efforts gladly.

Yours very respectfully,

Joseph Anderson.