Chesterfield Conn June 27th 1877-

Prof. O. C. Marsh.

My dear Sir;

Have you arrived at any more definite conclusions in regard to those bones which Prof. L. (Lakes) + I sent you from Colorado.

The day that I called on you, you decided that the large vertebra belonged to the sacrum of a very large Dinosaur but you did not express any opinion in regards to the other bones.

I am looking forward with pleasure, to my return to Colorado, in the fall, when I trust, I shall be able to do more in the same direction.

Pardon me for trespassing upon your time +

I am Yours truly

H. C. Beckwith-

Passed Asst. Engr U. S. N.

Chesterfield, Conn.
July 17th 1877.

Prof O. C. Marsh.

My dear Sir:

Your Kind letter,
and pamphlets containing
an account of those bones
found by Prof. Lo. (Lakes) and myself,
came duly to hand - many
thanks.

Believing that we shall
receive at your hands, any
credit that may be due us, for
finding + securing the bones

in question, I most cordially comply with your request, in regard to presenting my share in the same to your College.

If you will kindly inform me when the next lot of bones (Lakes) arrive, from Prof. Lo., I will come on to see them as soon after I receive your notice, as my health + the matter will permit.

I am not entitled to be called Captain - my rank is Passed Asst. Engineer, which I wish you would use in the future, should you have occasion to use my name, otherwise, you will readily see, that any credit to which I may be entitled, is given to a branch of the Naval service, other than that to which I belong.

On my return to Colo., I am in hopes, of securing for your College, a fine collection of fossil leaves. I have, I think, the only collection of Cret. leaves that has ever been collected in that state, together with a very fine collection from the debatable territory.

I am, sincerely yours,

H. G. Beckwith-

P. A. Engr U. S. N.

Chesterfield, Conn.

Sept. 5th 1877.

Prof. O. C. Marsh,

New Haven, Conn.

Dear Sir:

Your Kind favor of July 8th came duly to hand, + was immediately answered, but from the fact, that I have not since heard from you, I think that my answer did not come to hands, or that you have, owing to pressure of business overlooked it. I am fully aware, of the great

amount of work, that you han on your hands.

In my communicatin, I most cordially complyed with your suggestion, in regards to presenting my share of the saurian bones, to your College. I also Kindly thanked you, for the pamphlets, which of cruse had a peculiar interest to me.

If you are in the receipt of mor specimens from Prof L. (Lakes) ~~will~~ will you be so Kind as to inform me of the fact, & I will try to come over and see them, — I han not heard from Prof L. (Lakes) since early in the summer. I am now thinking of spending my winter in the S. W. part of Colo.

Very respectfully,
H. B. Bickmith,
P. A. Engineer,
U. S. Navy.

United States
Postal Card.

WRITE THE ADDRESS ONLY ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

To Prof. O. C. Marsh

New Haven.

Conn.

Amenia N. Y. Oct 15" 1877.

My dear Sir:

Your Kind letter of the 4" just Came duely to hand. I shall Come to See you before I go West. Should have been to See you before this but a Remembrance prevented

Yours Beckwith.

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Amenia, N. Y. Oct., 29th 1877

My dear Prof.

A few days since, I wrote a letter to Prof Lakes, making quite a number of suggestions in regards to his work, which I think will be of use to him. I gave them as my own ideas, and not as coming from you. I now expect to be with him in about ten days.

I was sorry that the Tribune reporter neglected to mention Prof. Lakes and myself in

connection with those "big bones",
in his abstract of your address,
to the "Nat. Academy of Sciences".
It would have been a very pleasant
thing for me, + substantiated
what I have been telling my
friends in regard to them.

Sincerely yours,

H. L. Beckwith,

Passed Asst. Eng'r

U. S. N.

Prof. O. C. Marsh,

New Haven,

Conn.

Manitou Colo. Nov. 17th 1877.

Prof. O. C. Marsh,
New Haven Conn.

My dear Sir:

Read and inclosed Prof. Cook's bill as made up by himself. He says, that out of the money which you have sent him including the $100.— which you sent for the first lot of bones, he has expended for the pay of the men, and other necessary expenses, connected with his excavations— He has received from you to-day, check which he has paid out, & there still remains due, to date, to men & store about $100.—

In regard to his own services he says, that Prof Kludge agreed with him for $100.— per month, and in case that he was successful $125.— per month, subject to your approval— Your decision in the matter will be satisfactory.

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for says that he has kept the party as organized by Prof. Hayden.

You will understand, that the first lot of bones, (2167 lbs) were secured, boxed, and placed in the R.R. depot at my own expense, which I do not wish to be repaid / non of the money which you have sent out here, has been expended for any Expenses connected with that lot.

I arrived here but a few days since and shall leave soon for the Northern part of the state - I now expect to spend the most of my winter in Canon City but should you have occasion to address me direct to Morrison Colo / the same will be forwarded.

Sincerely Yours,
H. C. Beckwith,
Passed Asst Engineer,
U. S. Navy.

Western Union Telegraph Office in the House.

MANITOU HOUSE,

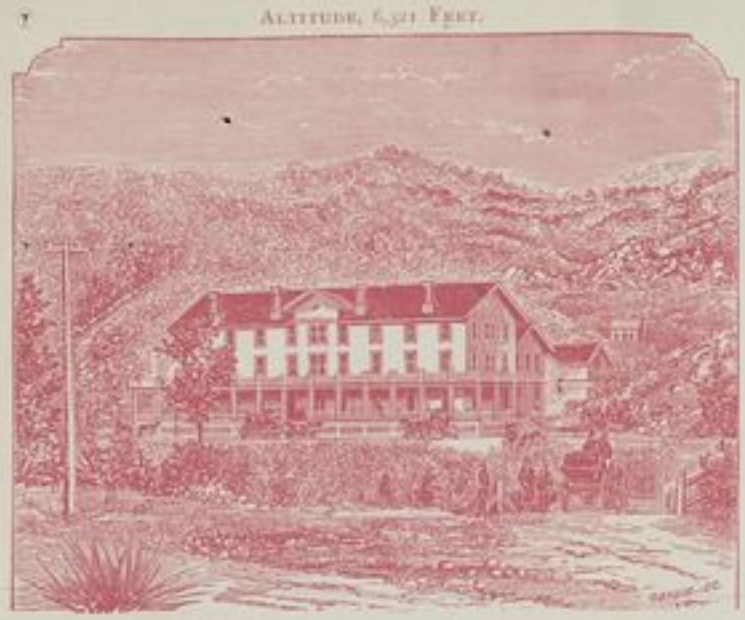
C. W. BARKER, Prop'r.

COLORADO.

Manitou Springs, Dec 7th 1877.

Prof. O. C. Marsh,
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Sir: Your very kind favor of the 24th ult came to hand just as I was stepping on board of the cars at Morrison for this part of the State & I now embrace the first opportunity that I have had to answer the same. The official acknowledgent, of which you speak, I shall prize very much - shall consider that I am very much honored by the same, & with it as a voucher, shall consider that I am justified in making the acquaintance of scientific men, who can assist me in my amateur investigations. In regard to that first item in Prof Lakes account viz: "On first lot of bones $100." I would say; that I had sufficient time before the cars started to call his attention to it, and we came to the conclusion, that it ought to be erased, & that the first charge should be, 'Services for June $100'. The Prof was under the impression, that you wished to present him with that amount, for his share of the original discovery viz the first lot of bones sent, but in view of the fact, that he presented his share to you, it would



ALTITUDE, 6,521 FEET.

WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH OFFICE IN THE HOUSE.

MANITOU HOUSE,

C. W. BARKER, Prop'r.

COLORADO.

Manitou Springs, 187

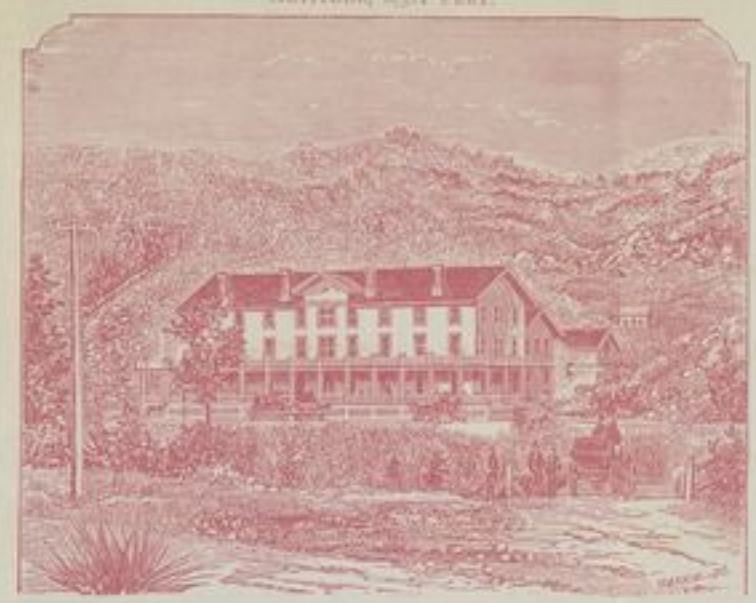
Not to night, we decided. to charge you for the same. This you will understand has reference to the lot of 2167 lbs.

I am glad that you are going to discontinue work on that rock ramian – a very large amount of those detached fragments, which has been secured, can be of no possible use to you. By the way, Prof. S. had some little trouble with his men just before I left N. but it has all turned out for the best. He wanted to reduce their wages, and they wanted to quit, so I advanced to the Prof. sufficient to pay them, & he obtained other men without any trouble, but after a few days one came back being very penitent, & the other the Prof does not want. I presume that he has told you all about it.

When I arrive in Canon City, which will be in some ten or three weeks, I will again see what I can do in your department. I find at this point, at this time, an excellent hotel, which is more rare in this country than big trees, & I shall remain here some time and take a rest, as I worked very hard while I was in Morrison, making several small collections – nothing in your line – for my friends.

Very respectfully, H. C. Beckwith –

Prof. Earl Ingram U. S. T.



ALTITUDE, 6,311 FEET.

WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH OFFICE IN THE HOUSE.

MANITOU HOUSE,

C. W. BARKER, Prop'r.

COLORADO.

Manitou Springs, 13 Dec 1877.

Prof. O. C. Marsh
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Sir:

Many thanks for Extract from Am. Journal of Science + arts Containing notice of new gen + sp of Dinosaurs by yourself. I will that you would send me ten or fifteen copies of the same if you have them to spare. I will if agreeable to you you mail a few copies of your various pamphlets that you have to spare to Alex. S. Young Esq 532 Huron St, Toledo, Ohio to bring under certain obligations to him from the fact that the most of these bones was obtained from land of which he had + still has a lease + being a very good friend of mine will protect your interests there - has at times given the use of his team + aided in various ways in the interim.

My address for the present is Colorado Springs, Colo, I expect to soon lean for Canon City but when I do my mail will be forwarded to me there. Colo. Springs will be my address for the winter. Very respectfully

O. C. Beckwith
P. A. Engr U. S. A

Western Union Telegraph Office in the House.

MANITOU HOUSE,

C. W. BARKER, Prop'r.

COLORADO.

Manitou Springs, 22d Dec 1874.

Prof. O. C. Marsh
New Haven Conn

My dear Sir: In regard to Prof. Reis discovery of Saurian bones in the Garden of the Gods I have to state, after having spent several days in the immediate vicinity & on the same stratum for some two miles to the south. That at present the indications are that he may be able to get out some very fine bones - he has the most of the vertebrae of a small Saurian & the fragment of a very fine tooth 2½ long 6" long by 4" in diam which are about the only bones that I have seen that I should think would be of any practical value. He has collected a large amount of fragments of Sandstone which he calls casts - in fact many of them do resemble bones but I do not think that they are casts. I saw him & had a long talk with him before he knew who I was. Consequently learned just how eager the man is on the subject. From the fact that he found these curiously formed bones along a ridge for the distance of 117 feet he calls the animal that

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length + became he has found some small holes
about mid-way of this place he concludes + puts
himself in search that they are of a smaller ~~animal~~
animal that he has swallowed - again became
he finds a large quantity of small sandstone nodules
occupying a place of some 20 feet of the place
first discovered he calls that the petroleum contents of
the entire stomach, but enough of this. He values
his discovery at Ten thousand ($10.000) dollars.
Leiby is his favorite town man. He has no means
to develop, and he wishes to retain the town men.
If agreeable to you you might perhaps make
this arrangement with him - you furnish the
means to develop + have the privilege to discover
the town. He is as crazy as a loon ~~on the subject~~
but I will approach him cautiously on the subject.
When I see him again which will be on Monday.
I anxiously watch developments from day to day.
Any instructions which you may wish to give me I will
carry out as judiciously as I am able. Address me
at this place. Yours truly H. L. Beckwith

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WM. S. BANKER, Proprietor.
BURT A. BANKER, Clerk.

Colorado Spri

It is gravely reported that Prof. J. H. Kerr has found in the Garden of the Gods, near Pike's Peak, five petrified reptiles, the largest of which was 117 feet long, and had swallowed some smaller animals, one eight or ten feet long; another with six-inch teeth, and a third with a head two feet through. This story surely should be taken with a Kernel of salt.—*Rutland (Vt.) Globe.*

The reptile above referred to is the *Septosaurus Manitouensis*, or Sacred Saurian of Manitou, thus named by Prof. Kerr, the discoverer. The *Globe* is informed that this is no "story" demanding a "Kernel of salt" to mitigate any Yankee freshness of incredulity. The petrified bones and casts of the great saurian have been examined by hundreds and the evidence that they are genuine is unquestionable.

Prof. O. C. Marsh
New Haven Conn

My dear Sir:

You will see from this that I have not gone to Baron City. I shall continue about the spring months at some point in the south of this place. You will see from the inclosed which I clip from The Mountaineer that Prof Kerr is a crazy as ever. He thinks that 'there are millions in it' with a scientific name and gold coin. I did think that I would give me of the future an article showing how ridiculous his accounts of his 'finds' were but he beg me of the Prof in the College to him, I saw that it would hurt him, & do me no good. Prof. Loring is, he tells me, his favorite specialist in this particular science. Prof. K. has really done nothing in the way of excavating where he found the bones in question.

Many thanks for pamphlets, future etc of which I have tried to make good use. & in the future will be as thankfully received.

Yours truly

H. C. Beckwith.

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" " Reina Victorias.
" " Operas.
Also the "Mulligan Guards"--the finest 5 cent cigar in the market.
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BURT A. BANKER, Clerk.

COLORADO.

These houses are combined, and will be found equal to any in the State.

Colorado Springs, Feb 9" 1878

Prof. O. C. Marsh
New Haven Conn

My dear Sir;

You will see from this that I have not yet gone to Canon City. I shall certainly spend the spring months at some point in the South of this State. You will see from the inclosed which I clip from "The Mountaineer" that Prof Kerr is as crazy as ever. He thinks that "there are millions in it" with his scientific terms and gold coin. I did think that I would give me of the future an article showing how ridiculous his accounts of his "finds" were but he beg me of the Prof. in the kindest way, I saw that it would hurt him, & do me no good. Prof. Leidy is, he tells me, his favorite specialist in this particular science. Prof. K. has really done nothing in the way of excavating where he found the bones in question.

Many thanks for pamphlets, papers etc of which I have tried to make good use. & in the future will be as thankfully received.

Yours truly

H. C. Beckwith.

Canon City June 18th 1878.

Prof O. C. Marsh
New Haven Conn

My dear Sir:

Cope has about a mile since and has been pretty well over the bone section - have been out two days with your man Baldwin. Lucas has a large quantity of what I call fine bones - he certainly has a very wonderful "find" + he does know how to take them out. He has a great number of fine bones partially exhumed + thoroughly bound together with strips of thick paper put on with glue.

I also notice Prof Mudge's memorial find. Baldwin took particular pains to show me as near as he could the horizon of the bone which you have in the red well which I should think was no more than ten feet below the horizon of

Lucas Lake town which are
in vicinity in honor of Atlan.
Tuberculosis Assn.

I have not been at
work at all during the winter
My health at present is
fair + I hope that camping
out this summer will give me
permanent relief -

Yours very truly
H. C. Beckwith -

Pueblo Colo. Apr. 12" 1879.

Prof. O. C. Marsh
New Haven Conn

My dear Sir:

Your kind letter of the 28"ult came duly to hand, + ought to have been answered before, but having had sickness in my family my time has been quite fully taken up.

When I was in Cañon City last spring I went to Garden Park and remained ten days in the immediate vicinity of Lucas' bone bed, + during that time visited him several times to see the bones which he was taking out as well as those which he had already secured. Some of his collection were certainly very fine, + he has taken them out with the greatest care. Up to this time which I speak of I think that he had found no skulls. As it was been nearly a year since I was there I cant say whether I have, or have not, seen the ones which he has for sale. I did not know until the receipt of your letter that he ever sold any except to Cope.

In regard to buying them books for you I would say, that it would be a pleasure for me to do so were it practical, but under the circumstances I hardly think that it is. I would have nothing to do with them unless I could see them bound and take charge of them myself, - as I am now intending to go East in about six weeks for the summer, I hardly think that the matter, in the mean time, will be sufficiently warm and settled for me to undertake the same. You know that some of the finest books might be, accidentally, left out when buying which would seriously impair the value of the collection.

Lalla has not as yet put in an appearance but I have just this moment received a note from him written at Manhattan.

Hoping that my delay in answering has not inconvenienced you I am,

Sincerely yours,

H. C. Beckwith -