West Brookfield, Mass.

July 24, 1872

My dear friend,

I have sent to Harry Babcock, whose store is in the basement on Orange near chapel, a box containing certain S. American relics which I brought home with me in 1867. (1) A shell
taken from an aboriginal Peruvian cemetery in the valley of Casma.

The probability is that it antedates the Spanish Conquest.

(2) Two huacas, (so called in Spanish)—wax jars taken from an old Peruvian cemetery at Pachacamac in the valley of Sucre. Good specimens of their pottery, though one is broken.

(3) A copper instrument used either as a kind of lance head in warfare or possibly for digging.
Please accept these for the College Museum.

I wish I could send something more valuable.

Yours sincerely,

L. T. Chamberlain

Prof. C. C. Marsh

I also send (upon after thought) some specimens of copper from Chili. You will find the locality designated on one of the specimens. I add likewise certain crystals and specimens whose exact origin I don't know except that all are from Chili. If they are worthless, you can throw them away.