Newark, Ohio Jan 31, 1866.

C. C. Marsh Esq.

Dr. Li

Yours of the 21st inst.

containing much that is of great interest to me is need. You wish to know whether we have discovered anything important in the mound since your visit to this place. In answer I would say that some three or four weeks after you were here Mr. Shrock, myself and a number of others opened a mound four miles north of the city, on Mr. Elliott's farm, which of course gives it the name of "The Elliott Mound," I wrote you at the time of our discoveries but it seems you did not receive any letter.

This mound is about the same height as the Taylor mound but not so wide at its base, we opened it as we did the Taylor mound, found more human bones and in a much better state of preservation. There were the animal bones except 3 or 4 pointed ones which you have informed me to be the bone of the'Connor deer. We found great quantities of charcoal which perhaps accounts for the preservation of the bones. We came across some copper beads but they were not as well preserved as those we found...
in the Sifiable mound and another points of the story that held them together. He also found a number of pieces of cutting. (Stone hatchets, a number of arrow heads.)

But the most curious discovery in the mound was a stone pipe about twelve inches in length with the head of an animal敷 less, which I take to be a calf head. I sent you a photograph of this in my letter; don't sorry you did not receive it. I called on the Knowledge today to get another but he had none printed but will have some in a few days. I will then send you one.

The lower, head, putting, stone heads.
Hatchets, pipe, etc. more from one to two feet from the bone of the mound.

I should have examined this mound more fully but the next weather set in a presentment.

I give you a drawing of the pipe by laying it flat on the paper simply to show you the size and shape.

I would be glad to hear from you often.

Respectfully Yours,

[Signature]
Newark, Ohio, Feb 22 1866

O. T Marsh Esq.

Dr. Sir,

When you were here you expressed a desire to see a live Opossum and to dissect one yourself. I have secured one and it will be brought to me next Saturday and if so I will express it to you on Monday and I suppose you will get it by Wednesday or Thursday. I will write you what kind of food to give it in case it reaches you alive and you can keep it for a pet as long as you wish, or then you can direct it.

Respectfully,

J. H. Dennis
Newark, Ohio Feb 27, 1866

O. C. Marsh Esq.

Dr. Li

Dr. Wilson to himself this day send you by express a live Opossum, if it reaches you alive you can feed it corn or meat as long as you wish to keep it alive. The Dr. requests me to say to you that he would like to have the Agriculture want you state of sending him.

Besty Yours,

J.M. Dennis

The Opossum will eat commonly meat, mush, chickens or any thing of that kind.
Newark, Ohio, Dec 26, 1866.

O. & Marsh Co.

My Dear Sir,

Will you please inform me whether any thing is to be done the coming spring, in the way of examining the mounds of our place, under the recent endowment of a professorship by Mr. Peabody, which I understand was made partly for that purpose.

There are a few interesting mounds the right to which ought to be secured if there is to be any extended examination in the spring.

I did but little last season in mound digging for want of time, I was elected Mayor of Newark last spring and it took considerable of my time straightening up the morals of the town besides it was too wet all last season to dig in them. I hope however to be able to do some thing next season.

Please let me hear from you at your earliest convenience with the the professor or

Respectfully yours

J. E. O'Neill