Cheyenne, Wyoming, Nov 11th 1873

Frie Bluff
Rof C. Marsh

Dr Sir

I arrived here

The "Mr. Y. shipped you one box of specimens,

They were obtained in

the vicinity of Pawnee Butte. I

Have considerable many more specimens

Aside these which I will forward

to you soon. we are having tolerable

success. I discovered the head enclosed

to you about 142 miles west of Butte

I left the boys in camp at pond springs

I intend to work thoroughly while the

weather is favorable. I see your letter
Starting to go south of that will do so if possible but so long as I have fair success in the locality where we are I will endeavor to clean it. I am in hopes to hear from you well had no drawbacks I will drop you a line soon.

This box shall do.

Yours respectfully

Erwin Devendorf
Union Pacific Railroad Co.

Agent's Office, Pine Bluff Station, Nov 12th, 1873

Prof. O.C. Marsh

Dr. Sir

I enclose receipt for Box No. you in this... I wish you would forward it to this Station One Hundred Dollars in Money by Express to me. I need some & the men also & will give you credit for the same to be deducted from wages if it would be agreeable with you. You may expect more specimens soon. Will you inform me of what species is this Head? I also show you like the specimens. How do they meet your approbation whenever you feel disposed to discontinue this "outfit" please inform me. If our success is detrimental to a fair dividend say so if not & we succeed well I will continue it until the weather compels us to stop. Yours truly

Erwin Devendorf

Nov 12th and money $100.00

(ends with dict. note)
The Bluffs, Wyoming
Nov 27th 1888.

Prof O C Marsh
Dr Sir

I arrived at this station last night & read 2 letters from you and express package. I acknowledge its receipt. I was pleased to find you so prompt in writing... I went as far east as the Cedars and found fair specimens there. I think last Sunday I went ten miles east of Camp to examine a large line of Chalk Cliffs. Found a few specimens there but no water. Our "Chuck" being nearly gone. I did not make a camp over there. But I believe from the appearance of the grounds it would be a good locality.
To work in...we discovered a Large Head (marked B) 4 miles south of pond springs. I intend to forward you this one box by Express...you mentioned certain bones to be collected such as vertebrae, coupling bones of back &c. I saw a great many of them, some of large proportion belonging to some gigantic animals from the appearance of them, I did not preserve them thinking they might be of minor importance & probably you might not wish to pay freight upon same specimens. From here on...I will collect such bones as you desire. Also...we have had much better success than I anticipated prior to starting out. And as regards these Mammoth Heads. I believe they are very scarce. But if they are in existence in the localities we are working over I am positive they can be found providing the same are perceptible above "old lora firma" or the least particles of them. I left the boys in Camp 2 miles west of Pearson's Buttes & told them to examine those grounds again thoroughly while I was at the station. When I get back I intend to work off to the north for the month of February down upon the Wild Cat Flume & south Flume and endeavors to find Brushe Ranches. But the weather to dry is very unfavorable for hunting Fossils...we have had since your departure for the east extremely fine weather and I was in hopes it would continue so for at least one month more...but it is am fearful the result will be detrimental to our business...it is snowing hard to day from the north east. I presume you are not very particular when I leave the Ponies and "traps" for the ensuing winter providing I get them upon a good Ranches...

There appears to be some misunderstanding as regards your bargain with Carpin & Co. Transactions you told me providing are not less than one month he was to...
receive 6.00 per day if it exceeded one month the road to receive forty dollars per day. Now the claim that if he returned in less than six weeks he was to receive 5.00 per day it makes considerable difference the 1/2 month. I shall give in this time just as you informed me it was unless you countermand the order...

it would have been a great deal cheaper if you had hired a team by the month for this kind of work you could save at the least 50 per cent by so doing... I ordered four sacks oats from Jones for Carpenters + 5 sacks for the Panies & the time I was these first + yesterday I order 2 more and some provision... I will get a bill for the commodities ordered + deduct our party individual expenses from wages... I will send you Telephone when the boat is delivered. receipt for and enclose Receipt to you...

I am not positive whether I shall return to this station again this season or not our operations now will call us too far away + I presume Greely will be the nearest point...
I will leave word with Agent here to send all Mail Matter coming here for me to forward to Greeley. I hardly know how to arrange it. If I reach Greeley I will send Agent Telegram to forward Mail to me at Greeley. This I think the better way. So direct as before and I will see if I was informed that you could pass men in your employ over the Kansas Pacific Railway free of charge... if this is a fact I wish you would send me a pass providing you can obtain one without expense... I think I will return home this winter unless I can get something to do that will pay for the winter. I cannot afford to be idle all winter & pay board... If I do return home I will work for you next spring if you wish me to... unless some thing occurs that I do not expect... my address when at home will be... Eudora Hardin Co. Iowa. I will keep you posted throughout our expedition. Tom Whalen requests a pass if you have one to spare him...
Dated Greeley Col 10 1873
Received at New Haven Dec 10
To Prof C. A. Marsh--

Express one box today from Greeley--

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6 Call ox
Greely, Dec. 16th 73

Prof. O. C. Marsh.

Dr. Sir

I have disembarked the "outfit" to-day. We have just arrived at Greely. The party suffered intensely with the cold before we could get out of that country. We proposed to spend upon good weather. I could not get down to the river as you wished me too owing to bad weather. I wished to get down upon Wild Cat and at the mouth of Beaver and our south of Brooks Ranch. I believe there would be good localities to work in, if the weather now comes off favorable. I could go down in these this winter, provided the snow soon melts off. There is now about
Two coats although there is many rare places, all I want is three men, one to hunt Bosile with me and a man with whom I wished to "write" the letter, for the purpose of buying the horses at Johnson's Ranch. I have them now, one in the stable, but I have given left which I can feed them which will lessen expense until I can hear from you. I hope you will be prompt in replying. I await your orders. I expressed you one box of specimens to day and sent you a Telegram to that effect. I considered a long time whether to send you what I concluded was a pack. I could not believe it was round by the way it broke up. I did not send the whole of it, only one piece. I hope I what it is if you please. The piece was 44 inches long.

I will give you the Miss New
Due: Lutcher Wolfe, Seventy dollars plus 75c to be sent to Columbus, Nebraska.

Edward Wills
Due: Seventy Three dollars plus 45c to be sent to Greely, Colorado.

Thos. Whalen
Due: Seventy Dollars plus 45c to be sent to Denver, Colorado.

Hummer Carpenter & Son
Due: One Hundred & Thirty Three Dollars to be sent to Denver, Colorado, by Express to three several points if you see fit.

I will send this out immediately hoping you may receive it without delay.
The man "put in" 43 days time.
Carpenter with-Com 39 days at 700
per day, 750 was deducted from
Norris wages, 15.55 from both. Both
and, "Wales wages.
from Carpenter's deduction made
of 750. This came to 112.62 or
called it & even 113. it was hard.
Traveling the was quite heavily loaded.
all the time. I hope just sent a
Telegraph to Vine Stoff for your
Mail. Please write me immediately &
direct to speedy I am at the
speedy house at present. I will write you soon again.

 Truly yours
Erie Henderson
Have disbanded letter on way for you. Good Ranch near town for horses. Do it all right. Reply.

Erwin Staverdoff

18 Cole
Dec. 12th, 1873

Prof. C. C. Marsh,
Dr. Sir

I have just received your letter from the Big Horn. I also read yours directed to myself in care of Abbott. I wrote you recently to acknowledge the receipt of your box. Subsequently I was rather worried about that box sent you from Big Horn. I could get no good news to hope it well. am pleased it arrived in such good order as you represented it to be in in my preceding letter to you. I explained why I despaired which you will receive in due time. I hope as it includes twenty four with one exception. Providing I see you next spring I will explain to
you that country we worked in to its distinct localities. There were several places I wished to visit but owing to the inclement weather it was impossible to do so.

It can go direct to any portion of that country and know each distinct locality where each of the different species were found, also where those bones of that I did not consider worth while to collect, am sorry now that omitted it. But I do not consider them lost.

Bill from Mr. Jones is accurate with a small exception of 81.33 for 50 to 500 cents in your favor, that is correct, is it satisfactory to you, if it is not wish you to inform me in your next giving your reasons to.

I have not disposed of the bones as yet. Hoping it might clear off so that I could get down into the localities down the river.

This winter I found last night again clear this morning. Atmospheric clear cold & sharp, you mentioned in regard to the mode of wrapping up. I do not propose to be expert in putting up boxes. That done the best I could. Those parts of jaws intermixed with teeth entire or not were to preserve you observed a Miscellaneous set. I could not see the policy of keeping each piece separate. I estimated last box sent you at $200 to guard against loss. I admit I do not know the value of those fossils my estimate may have been too low. But I anticipate its safe transit to its destination. If I go out for you in the spring again I will look carefully for any piece of bone that might be found belonging to Head, B- and look closely for other
Unclear or otherwise, you mentioned Copes getting 8 or 10 of these large heads are you positive that he did? I myself rather doubt it. I think you were misinformed. I don't believe that Copes heads entire heads in all he found would in the aggregate amount to that number. I can ascertain and will do so to-day. More in relation to those horses. I have found a good place for them within 5 miles of this town where they will have a good enclosed range on meadow land to water running directly through. The pasture charges reasonable also. I finds Maynard's Range enclosed is not very good. I am anxious to have those horses well cared for. They are good ones with one exception. I will get some boxes and pack the
Draps into them & leave them in care of Station Agent as you desired. I hardly know what I shall do this winter or where I will be to a certainty if I return home it will hardly pay me to return to Colorado so soon. I have nothing to do if I go back & finally no home to go to but where our friends are it is natural to call home. I presume I shall go up to Denver in a few days...you may remit my money to me there if you please. I have been obliged to pay out a little money now & then to get along will see what it is to inform you. I said, Whaler as you requested me to do if I had not seen your letter at Greely he would have kept your arms from appearances. He claimed them as belonging to himself. I doubted...
Dr. Thought. That is the reason I wrote you concerning them. I hope them all right. [J. Whalen & Carpenter] went to Denver day before yesterday. They started for home right of the 10th. Norris is here in Greeley. I am staying at Greeley House for the present. I forgot to enclose receipt for box to you in my last letter. I will do so in this or very soon. We as a party got along first rate. Good fellow enough. Had no disruption while out. But I think that some of the party must have been misrepresented to you. I don't like to see dead men walking about. That class of men should become extinct as soon as possible. It would be better for community & all concerned.

I will close for the present and write you again soon. I propose to ride out to dry and look at the Ranch if it does not suit me. I will not let the horses go there by any means. I will be better satisfied to see it myself and the possible. It is a good place and in cold stormy weather they need some they most assuredly. I for myself am not at all partial to the Colorado wind if this is a fair criterion to judge by a vast difference from what they were represented to be.

If you write me immediately and direct to Greeley I may be here to receive it. If I am at Denver I will send there for my mail so I will obtain it at my rate. Are you willing to stand for the bargain I make in disposing of stock providing it is a reasonable one. Mrs. Bevington drives. This place I trust is irremovable to Maynards. But if you insist upon it why too Maynards? They go. I will write again soon if you think...
of anything you wish to ascertain immediately should anything occur where the communication by mail would be too slow then please telegraph and I will reply immediately. I think the promptness and then every thing appears to me to work to better advantage.

Truly Yours

Ervin Devendorf

P.S. In returning your letter I noticed Carpenter mentioned I should to what you told me prior to our leaving Greely last fall. I allowed him $200 per day and deducted his indebtedness to you from amount whenever you feel as though I was not doing as well for you as you expected in any or all things then notify me forthwith and you will oblige me "muchly"
Greeley House,

N. M. Boynton, Proprietor.

Cor. Maple and Madison Streets.

Greeley, Colorado Dec 15th 1878

My dear Mr. Marsh,

Dr. Sir,

I have just received of those horses for the winter & the parties I left them with one will recommend. I presume they will be well cared for, if not they are responsible. Your Field glasses & keys I will leave with Mr. Boynton, proprietor of Greeley House for you. The balance of the articles I have left in good order at the station subject to your order. I see Telegram said if for 2 sacks Cal 300 cwt at 1 3/4 cts per pound $5.25 to your credit to be applied upon the Horse bill. I intend to go up to Denver in the morning & sell 4 1/2. I will receive all communications from you there will leave word with Post Master at this place to forward my mail to Denver. What proposition do you offer me for work next summer or shall I wait until
The text is not legible due to the handwriting style and quality of the image.
This is to certify that to Esquire
Defendorf, have delivered to Ed. C. Tyler
Three Head of Horses, described as follows: One
Grey Horse, One Charcoal Grey Mare and
One Black Horse with white stripe in face.
Said Horses are to be well kept and provided
with plenty of hay whenever it is necessary.
said Tyler considers himself responsible for
safe delivery of horses when ever called for
and they are to be returned in good condition
as when received, unless death ensues from
natural causes. Rate per month per head
One Dollar & fifty-cents.

This Agreement fully acknowledged by me:

Ed. Tyler For

Ady & M. Pherson
Denver City

Carr House. Dec 18th 1873

Prof. C. C. Marsh
Dr. sir

I arrived at this time day before yesterday. I left the stock & goods all right as I informed you & sent the receipt to you from there. I presume you saw the line of the party all correct with the exception of myself. Here it is. I must say from your paid carpenter $100 & the balance I kept. I spoke to the boys and they told me they had enough. I was obliged to sell some money occasion for to pay freight or expenses and for other matters all above is true but little. I had none of my own and
was obliged to borrow of the boys prior to receiving this from you so you may change to me Eighty dollars of that One Hundred, the share of provisions etc. Cartridges &c. &c. I have deducted accuracy of the several accounts, those while we were not got for the purpose of use in your outfit &c. &c. Unbeknownst that were sent to Cheyenne from the Bluffs I changed up to the party with whom my, we did not the very well.

In regard to the party you requested to know who were the men of the party for this business, North &c. etc. were the poorest men in Camp &c. out of Camp's Don. Whatever done much better than either of them the is there in town now waiting for this money &c. &c. &c. I have your revolver will see you in the spring and will be responsible for it safe return to you.

Of commenced work for you the 26th of October 19th. I was obliged to pay out &c. &c. at the time. I was strengthening things up Boyton charged me $800 & my horse from Denver cost me $500 if you feel disposed to see me through all right of not all right in regard to that head B you propose to pay your it is left to your option. said head was found while I was at the Bluffs before I started for the Railroad I told the boys to go and search down the creek for 6 or 8 miles and search thoroughly they done so & found head B. I will tell you this that do not think it prudent to offer any certain one of the party a premium for finding certain specimens. It has a tendency to create a feeling of jealousy and desire faction among a small party of men. I observed it some time ago that made no remark about it to the boys.
But I saw it distinctly, and by what I have been told since breaking up I find I was not mistaken. 

But every thing worked as well as could be expected in the party. No quarrelling among the men. I am in good health. Home is easy to enjoy good food. I am Camp a good first rate hand in Camp a good book &c. and does thoroughly well in 

Hunting &c. Old Carpenter is hunting.Twelling. 

you are a Judge of Human Nature you can judge for yourself, 

my opinion of North is, and was when I first saw him at the America 

House of a Man. That he was naturally a Spy breaking under hands. Fellow. &c. Have not altered my mind. as yet in regard to him. I both my the 

mistaken hope I am mistaken that I cannot see it as yet. That Cheyne 

Bill was against party 62. My Share 

of this account of including my spares 

of Cartridges. 15-05 to be deducted from 

account. Also I credit you with 1200 Co. 

Annoyance and 

you know the time. I am no you 

Matters all arranged and reached 

due the 16th inst. I leave this with you 

I am waiting impatiently to hear from you. I believe I have given you an 

accurate account of how Matters stand 

we'll take an other sheet.
No 2. "What do you propose to pay me per month and what are the conditions?" If you will inform me or about what you will do I will give you a definite answer. I can take a small party and show that country and if there will be successful. I hope that there will be considerable want in those galaxies this winter and spring. I believe it will reveal something good. There were several more places I wished to visit but the bad weather would not admit of it. I am nearly trapped again and I hope what letter is coming to me will be sent at your earliest convenience. Please remit by Express. I will write you again when I hear from you. I would like to know whether I go out for you in the spring or not. If not, I wish to secure a chance of this same character from one one else, for I rather like the business. I did not at first but as I
Think better of it now; it has become rather interesting.

The weather is cold & freezing with several inches of snow upon the ground. What time do you propose to get here in the proposed trip? If I go out for you it would save time. If not necessary for you to be there, not be necessary for you to be there. Prior to my starting out unless you wish to make some alteration in some things. That would rather agree you to me. Before I resume work, see you before I resume work. Providing I do so. I would rather select my men if you desire myself. Sheep & driver & two horses. I will close for this time with me immediately.

Yours truly,

E. M. Devendorf

"PS. I was informed there were some lies written to you in regard to certain matters corroborated by some of the party. Please inform me if you please."

E. D.
Greeley, Denver Dec 28, 1873

Prof O C Marsh: Dear Sir,

I have been waiting impatiently to hear from you. Hope I will receive word from you tomorrow or next day. Own Whaler & Carpenter need their draft by Post-Office before yesterday. Whaler $200 & Carpenter $113. Carpenter told me he was going to thank you & inform you that he was obliged to pay one dollar to get it cashed. He as it is received more than the earned.

Did you receive the agreement for the horses & was it all right. I wrote you from Greeley about going down the river for a week or ten days that the weather was too cold and became stormy so it wouldn't do to go this winter. I ascertained all about Copes success south of the Platte. You were misinformed as to that matter. How are you for Indian skulls &c.
...have you plenty of them... I wish you would inform me what you need
from certain ones of the party... I have been informed indirectly that they
have written you a fine mess of stuff and I hope you will post one of its
nature you would oblige me much by doing so. I called at Gallups place in
Denver to see a boat that he obtained near Julesburg while grading the rail
way... After this Labadie got hold of it and taken it off... From the description it did not
amount to anything such as I did not collect last fall... specifically... Cape intends
to come out again next spring I am told and I know he will strike directly for that
part of the country... Now I am going to get the start of them this time if I go at all
for you or some one else... I had rather have the first choice than the past anytime.
I will close for the present.

Sincerely yours

Erwin Duncan

P.S.

If I go out again for you Professor I want only three men beside myself including
Steamer... I can find Miners & do more with that
number than a party of double that and I would
like to ride my men... will you be pleased in a reply
Denver City -
Jan. 3rd, 1874

Prof. C. C. Marsh
Dr. Sir

Yours of the 23rd. Dec. came only to hand enclosing draft for $40.00. It was delayed upon the route some way. I should have used it if it had come directly through you or five days sooner you mentioned to not advertise your business as I did not know that it had been done. With one exception 4 that was to a party entirely desirous Station Agent at Pine Bluff refused so hard to see a few specimens as his young wife also that I finally did show them a few specimens of one but they considered it a favor.
and I am positive that it done no harm. I do not know what I shall do this winter. I intended to go east. But my pecuniary matters does not favor it. I put at present the weather in this locality has been very fine for the past two week. Last night about five inches of snow fell is moving to day. I would like to hear from you occasionally. When you have leisure please drop me a line. What time do you intend to arrive at Denver next spring? What was the result of your controversy with Corp. direct. Denver, Col.

Yours Truly

Ervin Devendorf
Denver Jan 12th

Dr. sir

I need a letter

This morning from Marshing for offering me a chance to work for them next season asking me when I would be ready to go to work. I have made no bargain with them as yet... I will work for you providing you will do as well by me as they will do... you have acted gentlemanly with me so far and I give you the preference what do you propose to pay me per month for next season. I would like to know what your proposition are. Please inform me at your
Easiest convenience. I was informed by Mr. Boydston, proprietor of the Greeley House that he was out upon the Ranch and saw those Horses and they were doing extremely well. Tom Whalen left here about a week ago. He told me he was going to enlist again. About what time do you intend to be here next spring? I wish you would tell me whether the last Box contained a Trunk or was it one of Barrows. What is it? The weather here has been of late quite moderate. I am doing nothing at present. Times are dull and work cannot be had. Please write immediately and give desired information.

Yours truly,

Erin Davendorf
Denver Jan 19th
1874

Prof. C. E. March

Dr. Sir

Yours was duly received. I will ascertain soon what I can spare for you. I am positive I can get cheap for times are hard here this winter. Money scarce and it is next to impossible to get anything to do. I am sorry now that I did not return to Iowa this winter when I got in from your expedition, but it is too late now to do so. I will tell you what I wish you to do for me if you will. I wish you would send me a check.
for 100 to "carry" me through until spring. I will make it right with you next summer if it takes all the year to do it & I will pay you interest upon the same. It is good for the amount that I am obligated to finance it if you will loan me one hundred dollars I will send you my note immediately upon receipt of it and work it out for you or give you the money just as you wish you will have nothing by it. I do not like to ask this of you but I am obligated to do it and will make it all right. Please write soon and oblige yours truly

Erwin Devendorf

PS. I send another letter from Washington since I wrote you.
Dear Sir,

I wrote you some four weeks ago but have not received any reply probably you are from home. Therefore the delay.

You asked in your letter what I could get good men for. I can hire for about $10 per month. Steam drivers different prices. I wish you would tell me what you are willing to pay per month for good hard working steady men also what I shall offer per month for steam & teamsters and the difference in finding themselves and being found.
I do not like to go on and Bargain with any one without I know that it will be satisfactory with you. I will leave for work so soon as the weather will permit. Before any one else gets in here. I suppose the success is concerned. I cannot this will be all right. If you have show no more than I could last fall concluded upon any thing in particular that I will say this much I will do the best I can in collecting sugar. If I am not successful it will be no fault of mine. But I think I can find better ground to work over than to "stirred" last fall. I will close hoping to hear from you promptly, and spare me that many if you can. It would oblige me.

Yours truly,

Ervin Desmond

Do you intend to be there can't in the spring.
Denver
Colorado. Mar 15/74

Prof. C. C. Marsh

Sir,

Yours of the 15th inst. was duly receipt yesterday. I am obliged for the favor and will enclose a note for the sum of $5.00. The weather is fine here now and I presume it will not be long before I could start out to work. I am sick and tired of Denver and hope it will be my last winter in this town. Do you intend to come West this spring? you said you would write soon again...do so.

Yours truly, From Denver
Denver
Colorado Apr 5th 14

Ref: O. C. Marsh

Dr Sir

Your letter came duly to hand, at your request I saw Mr. Fisher the horse trader and he made no bargain. He said he had ascertained that it would cost you from 5 to 6 per day for a team and driver. It will not cost that. I would like to get one about the first of May. I believe by that time grass will be up sufficiently for stock to feed upon. It is rather a small matter this getting a team, I do not think you too wish to get a team as cheap as you can if you want me to get a
Dear [Name],

I will do so, as I told you so wanted the privilege of getting my own men. You said I could. Now you wish me to take the Sioux whom I don't know and don't know when to find them. You refer to others. I believe I mentioned them to you this past winter. I am anxious to go too work. I wish to work over grounds that I have not mentioned to you. I think they are good ones will have time this summer that was limited last fall. I expect we will be troubled by the Sioux that shall not deter me from going out for you as I promised. Although there has been no terms agreed upon it is a poor plan to work upon that 19 will take the past as a criterion that we will settle that matter after a while.

She then asked me what I was getting 01/19. I did not know the word of the was in my place she would not go like that. I told them I trusted you and believed you would do right. I will do as I agreed.

Let others say what they will. I shall not influence me; there is this mind that I wish to do, and that is this. I want the privilege of getting my own men and this getting a team is a small matter and can be accomplished with our forge. I thought other parties had the disadvantage if you wish to buy a team tell me so. It will try as cheap for you so I would.

For myself a team of good Mules Harness and Wagon will cost about $300. I would not like to go out with a poor team. When you feel disposed to sell them they will be salable or if at time I will get a good one as cheap as possible do you intend to furnish supplies or not. I shall need a little money before I start at any rate. There will be more things to pay upon the Horses. I cannot get along with my own money keep account of what you let me have write soon if it takes some time to hear from you at the first I would not be well to have.
Those horses brought in off the range and fed some grain before starting out, if so I will go to see if another, and have it done. If you want me to "fit up" let me know right off and I will do it as cheap as you can do it yourself. I will close hoping to hear soon from you write right to the point for it takes quite a while to hear from you even if you are prompt in replying.

Yours truly
Erin Desmond

"If I do you wish me to take in "Scotts Bluffs this summer I wish you would make arrangements at Cheyenne again so we can get "Phuks" if necessary.

E D
Denver
Colorado

Apr 21st 1874

Prof. O.C. Marsh

Dear Sir,

Yours of the 13th I received, you recommended me to telegraph that the weather indicates now we will have ample time to write you to get a reply. It is cold to day and I know we have had so far this spring the most fickle weather I ever saw. I saw Mr. Fisher yesterday. He showed me your telegram stating three dollars per all right if I wish to the point. At that rate I can get a couple of good men for 40 per month. A friend of one man offered to go with his team for 100 per month & find himself. That is have not been seen since.
learn an other offer to go for
four dollars per day & find himself
the Bank. Checks you send me
are private Checks & I am obliged
to get them endorsed before I can
get them cashed if you would get
a draft upon some Bank. I could
then get the Money upon it without
no trouble from the Banker the weather
is not very favorable for going
to work that I will start out just
as soon as I can do so. I could not
guarantee success that if there
are, fossils in that country as can
find them. I think you had better
send me twenty-five dollars there
for I do not think it will have enough
for any Nations for the party at present
after settling up all the other matters &
getting equipped you did not tell me
whether to have the horses brought in
Denver
May 20th 1884

Prof. Col. Mars L. Dr. Sir,

I see your letter of date Apr 21st in due time and I perceive you are rather anxious for me to get to work. That is right, but I don’t think it would be prudent to strike off in that country before feed was sufficiently advanced by which the stock could subsist upon the past three days have been extremely fine & promising it continues for a few days longer grass will grow rapidly. I intend to get off next week. I am anxious to get to work. I have My Men T. L. L. and all ready to go when at call upon them which will not be long you stated you did not hear from me. I write to you
Last letter too me & probability you have rec'd it before this. I will write you often & keep you posted in matter of interest to yourself & pertaining to fossils success incidents transpiring of unusual character.

you may write me in reply to this & direct to here. I will close having nothing of interest to communicate until soon.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

E. D. E.
Greely May 70

Received of Prof Marsh by the hands of Ernie Edmonds Sixty Five (65) Dollars in full of all demands for sending and receiving of Ponies

Ally M. Richardson

Greely May 20th 74
Colorado

Prof. C. C. Marsh
Dear Sir

I arrived in Greely yesterday. Have got the entire "outfit" ready to "strike" for those localities early in the morning. Have heard as others so I could so I am confident you cannot complain. The Ponies are all right about 9c found "pops" at Depot all right just as sent dispatch to Jones for 25 c. am sure paid above receipts for the Ponies at team 9c have fired they included in the above bill until tomorrow morning will write you again soon and give you full particulars. Am in hopes of
Being successful this season will be careful of stock so they shall not be stamped by Indians. I hired Dean & Man of John & Simpson in Denver at one hundred dollars per month & furnished. he told me I could do hired good steady men for thirty dollars per month & found. Simpson drew up an article of agreement so as to hold you responsible for the safe return of Dean "outfit" to Elephant Corral. I would not sign it. He told him providing this Dean was lost no one would be responsible for it. He was placing me in a position to assume all of the responsibility and himself none. Finally he came to the conclusion to run his own risk as regards Dean. You ask me to work for your interest, I will do some

But I like to have standards sufficient to work with a man in securing commodities essential to the outfit that are required, and I believe you will admit that I am right. I will write you when I reach the station (Blue Buffalo) you may write me there, and I will write you also. It will close for this time hoping to hear soon from you.

I need your 5000 check here at precisely get it cashed.

I may write you again before I leave gently if any thing occurs.

Yours truly

Erin Devendorf
THOS. T. ECKERT, Gen'l Sup't,  
NEW YORK.  

WILLIAM ORTON, Pres't.  

GEO. H. MUMFORD, Sec'y.  
NEW YORK.  

Dated Greeley Col 2/1876  
Received at New Haven May 21  
To Col. Marsh  
Yale College  

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Erwin Devendon  

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