University College
Minto
Canada.
March 1871

My dear sir,

I am glad to see that you have returned safe and sound from your long trip in the West. I have to thank you for sending me a copy of your paper on Newfound 2 Mammals. I read it with great interest and sent a notice of it to the London Athenæum with it. It will doubtless appear in due course.
I can not say that I have anything particularly new to tell you. Have just completed my Manual of Palaeontology of which I was speaking to you last year. I hope you will approve of it, when it makes its appearance in the world.

Very give my kind regards to Prof. Dana & Silliman & with the same to you self. Believe me yours very truly

A. Alleeve Nicholls

Professor O. C. Marsh
Yale College.
University
St. Andrews
Scotland
Aug. 31st /50

My dear Professor March,

I have just re-
ceived, through the hands of Mr.
Steven, a copy of your mag-
nificent work on the Oint-
ment Committee. I write this line now
to beg you, to accept my very best
thanks for your truly splendid
gift. I confidently hope that
it is only the first of a great
series of Monographs in which
you will reveal to palaeontologi-

the riches of your great collection
of vertebrae fossils. I have also
now to thank you very heartily for
your kindness in sending me a copy of
your separate memoirs, which I
value none the less highly that
I may not always acknowledge
their receipt at this time.
I have not been doing much origi-
nal work for the last seven or
eight months, having been much
occupied in carrying on the duties
of the Edinburgh Chair of Natural
History in room of J. D. Ingalis.
Edinburgh. I hope to accomplish
something during this winter.
The affairs of my own University
have unfortunately become very much disordered (in a financial aspect), so it is not possible that I may be driven, upon reasonable grounds, to seek for some more highly paid scientific appointment than the one I now hold. Under these circumstances, I should very greatly value an expression of your opinion as to my fitness for such an appointment as my present one. You know, I daresay that the bad habit of writing up testimonials for candidates prevail in this country. I know you are from whom an expression OPINION would carry greater weight than yourself.

Believe me yours very sincerely

H. Alleyn Nicholson