Dear Sir,

Being occupied to establish in our University Museum, Basel, a collection exhibiting the chief features of fossil Mammalia and therefore mostly composed of plaster casts, it is evident, that the Dinosauria would belong to the type of the highest importance.

Although absolutely impractical, had the well known casts of Skull & Foot of Dinosaur Parasaurolophus Mirabilis & Dinosaurier impress did reach several European Museum's, I am so bold to ask, if I could hope, and under what conditions, to obtain them for the project in view.

Believe me, faithfully yours,

Basel 29 December 1886. F. Rütimeyer