Washington D.C.
Dec. 15, 1890

Prof. O. C. Marsh
President N. A. of S.

Dear Sir:

I am informed by the Secretary under date of Nov. 25 that you have appointed me to prepare a biographical Memoir of our deceased colleague Dr. Peters. I have been considering the matter since and find myself embarrassed by my familiarity with memorial composition and want of knowledge of his astronomical labors scattered over different countries, comprising fully half a century. I would therefore beg that you may be pleased to appoint some one better qualified to do justice to the Dr's Memory.
than I could do.

I remain

Yours very truly,

Chas. A. Schott
Washington, D.C.
Jan 9, 24, 1891

Dear Prof. Hall,

I have given further consideration to the matter of the memorial of Dr. Peters but find that my want of experience in this kind of writing would neither do justice to his memory nor be satisfactory to me—I trust you may be able to suggest some one else to perform this duty which otherwise I would not have been justified to decline.

I remain yours truly

O. A. Schott

P.S. Thanks for your kind communication of Bezner's papers.
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