Phila., Apr. 6th 1862

Rev. O.C. Marsh.

I write to inform you of my geological collection as yet retained, and I shall be pleased to have you examine it this spring.

It will not be desirable to sell a part of it separately. (The Author)

It would be preferable to make a present of half the price to the College and have the whole collection together, at that offer it would be an object for the Trustees of the to loan the money and secure the collection before it is purchased by others.

Will you please write me
When you will be here that I may be at home as I wish to take a geological excursion as soon as the weather will admit. Read (2½ miles directly South of Pulaski depot, towards Greenacres) with Kind regards.

As ever,
John Obert Smith

Prof. L. W. Taylor, Pulaski
Onawa, Gen. N.B.

B. You will probably find the collection the best in this state from the formations from which it has been collected except Prof. James Hall’s

Birdseye, Black River, Trenton, Hudson River and Helderburg formations.