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My dear Marsh,

A few weeks ago I left at your lodging a fossil from the Coal region of West Virginia. Mr. Samuel Coit of this city bought it to me with the request that I give it to the College if it should prove of small value, otherwise he desired to have it back again that he might contribute it to Rome.
juvenile cabinet here in our neighborhood.
Therefore if you don't care for it yourself, please keep it till it is called for.
My object in writing is to prevent its being given away or cast aside as rubbish.
You need not send it back, for I shall probably be down before Corp and can bring it.

Yours, very truly,

J. H. Mitchell
Dear March,

I congratulate you and Yale University and the United States on the award of the Cuvier Prize announced in the paper this morning. To all three parties I have above named it is a noble honor.

Thousands of Yale men and of other Americans are proud of you and of the trophy you have won this Christmas day.

Sincerely yours,

Joseph H. Thirbee