

Fort Milleduane Kansas

Feb 29th 1871

Prof O. C. Marsh

Yale College

New Haven Conn.

Dear Sir

On the 27th inst. I discovered near this place, the remains of an unusually large - I believe, Laurian. Slight falling upon me during my work in getting out his bones, I succeeded in getting away a portion of him. I have been prevented from revisiting the place by a heavy fall of snow, so soon as the weather becomes clear I will try to secure all his remains. I have now, twenty vertebrae measuring from six to eight inches long - a portion of the forebone with five teeth, the largest being four inches long & three inches in diameter it

the base. I saw the appearance of some
of the other bones collected in the same
spot, I am inclined to believe I fell
upon the remains of more than the one
animal. I ^{have} several other fossils — of the
fish & shark family. Please let me
know you wish about this, if you
wish them forwarded, tell me how &c.
I have in all — about a thousand
pounds of bones of "the long ago"
creatures. You blubets are still
with me. I am in hopes of having
the pleasure of seeing you next Sum-
mer.

Very respectfully
Quintin Campbell
Lieut & Adj. Gen.
U. S. Army

Fort Hassen Kansas

March 21 1871.

Prof O. C. Marsh

Jale Leakey

New Haven Conn.

Dear Sir

I this day forward you by freight
— the fossil bones of the saurian discovered
by me. I am sorry I could not get the
animal out, in a better shape, but the
tough clay in which he was imbedded — and
the great decay of his bones, made it next
to impossible to do better than I did. The
text, so soon as exposed to the air, crumbled
to pieces & fell from the jaws. I have investi-
gated, with chisel, pick & hammer, a hunt
for fossils, you will hear again from me.
The bones I now send, were found in one
locality — in a row, dug out, of about fifteen
feet. I may be mistaken, but appearances
seem to indicate to me, that the bones forwarded

do not belong to the same animal. I discovered
one portion of a jaw-bone with teeth - some
five feet in a northerly direction, from the
place where a greater number of bones belong-
ing to the jaw-bone, was discovered - and
test. Thus to be too much trouble to
send me some words of explanation
concerning the bones - I send you?

Dr. Sherrin & self have now in the pro-
cess of excavation, another quarry, the
spot in which it is imbedded, given
us the assurance that we may secure
the entire, almost unbroken skeleton.
With care and the experience given us
by our first effort at "bone-digging",
we hope to send you a very fine
specimen. - If you will visit us this
spring or summer, I am at your disposal
- with my knowledge of the Country
- its superficial area, and the means of
transportation & labor I possess.

I am indebted to you for the gift
lately sent me. I have been greatly in-
terested in it - tho' my amateur knowledge

of geology - and particularly ignorance of
botany have often left me bewildered. Alone
I am undertaking the study of the Sciences
of geology - first only the little light
I gathered while a student at the Military
Academy. With the hope of soon seeing
you I am ever bearing from you
- and with grateful respects
I am respectfully, J. H. Servant

Junius Chapman
Lewiston, N. Y.

Post Quartermaster's Office
Fort Mifflin Lancaster
March 24th 1841

Prof O. C. Marsh
Jale College
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Sir

I have been delayed in forwarding the remains of the Saucier, of which I have written, hoping by more labor I could find more of him. I have dug with success. Tomorrow, I forward you three (3) boxes, containing "the bones". I regret that my efforts to secure him, intact, have met with such little success. I renew my request, that you give me some idea of my discovery, its dimensions and other items of interest in this connection, if not trespassing upon your valuable time!

With kind regards & great respect

Your obt^d servant
Quintin Campbell
Lieut 4th Army.