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Prof: C. C. Marsh

Dear Sir

Knowing you to be such a lover
of bones - Do not think me presumptuous
in thus addressing you. I had the pleasure
of meeting you acc. in this city, in com-
pany with my Brother, you will recollect
that you paid him a visit at New Hope
Pennas - Well you will say, "What have
you got to say"? Here goes

I am engaged in the bituminous paving
business. for the said paving it requires
a great quantity of Sand -
Whilst fulfilling a contract at Pittsburg
this summer, The Captain of the
Dredging Machine, came to me and
said he found a tooth which weighed
10 lbs. He also said he had dug up quite

225
a number of different kinds of bones
Something like a spine and huge
thigh bones. Well said I. What have you
done with them? why said he. "I threw
them overboard. I wanted sand not
bones." he said they were 15ft below
the bottom of the river. (Monongahela)
I asked if he could find that place
again. He said "Oh yes without any
trouble" — the tooth he has —

Well I write this to you. if you want
any more information concerning
this skeleton. (there is not the least doubt
but that it is all there) please address

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