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Prof. O. C. Marsh
New Haven

Dear Sir,

Some three
weeks since, I addressed you, as
Chairman of the Committee on
Lectures of the Peabody Institute,
of this City, requesting you to give
us a course of lectures we are
organizing for the ensuing winter.
Stating the proposition on the
part of the Committee and
requesting your reply at your earliest
convenience. We are without
a reply as yet, and thinking it
probable it may have been
sent and gone astray, I

take the liberty of drawing your
 attention to the contents of my
 first, that you may, as soon as
 possible, whether it will be in
 your power to be with us for the
 purpose indicated. I may say,
 that since last addressing
 you, several of those invited have
 accepted, and arrangements have
 been made with them which
 will run up to about February;
 so that if your conveniences will
 and duties will permit you, we
 shall be happy to have you indicate
 some time in February towards the
 end, or in March: Tuesday and
 Thursday of the week being the
 lecture evening. Also we would
 also ask you to name subjects,
 so that the Committee may

pass upon them, to avoid
 repetition is the cause. We would
 prefer that the subject should
 extend over the three or four
 evenings - that is, should be
 serial.

Would you oblige me by
 letting me hear from you as soon
 as possible. Taking care to
 underscore the $\frac{1}{2}$, so as to
 prevent the letter getting into
 my father's mail - which
 sometimes causes my letters
 to go astray.

I am very respectfully
 yours
 Rev. J. Johnson