

Wallingford April 2^d 1868

Mr C C Marsh

Dear Sir

I take the liberty of addressing you upon a topic of interest to you as a geologist

While on a visit last summer Mr Charles C Watchkins Alleghany City Pennsylvania

He showed me several specimens of very large petrified Serpents taken from a quarry he was then working and owned by him I should judge some of the specimens were 6 or 7 inches in diameter He has not been able to get out full length specimens as in blasting they are broken up I put together one specimen which

was in 3 pieces which would
 measure $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 feet long & had
 also the tail of a skeleton sus-
 pent showing the joints of the
 spinal bone taper and all
 as perfect as if bone. The
 ledge seems to be a sand-
 stone with seams or strata
 indicating that the rocks
 were once suitable for the
 retreat of reptiles is is
 situated but a short way
 back of the Alleghany river.
 I brought home a piece
 of one 8 or 10 inches long as a
 specimen which I should be
 happy to show you as I felt
 such opportunities should not
 be lost to us after knowledge
 I should have informed you
 before had I known whom
 to communicate to.

Yours respectfully Lucile Pomeroy

