

[1878 Jun]

Pro. O. C. Marsh  
New Haven

Dear

Sir I take  
privilege writing to you to  
ascertain whether you would like  
me to dig out and send you  
Bones from the deposit where  
those came from that Mr  
Veltman sent to you I dug  
them out the first - that we  
sent I dug out with my  
pocket knife and as Mr Veltman  
and myself were in Partnership  
and he claimed to be personally  
acquainted with you so I left the  
business with him and last  
fall I supposed he shipped some  
more to you but I have since

found out that he gave them  
away. if you would like me to  
dig them let me know on what terms  
or I will dig them and send them  
to you and you can pay what  
you think just

hoping to hear from  
you soon I remain

James Rumbell  
Evansford  
Wyoming

Evansford N.Y.

July 17<sup>th</sup> 1878

To

Prof. O. C. Marsh

New Haven Conn

Sir I

ship to you to day the boxes  
 of ahead I think are different  
 specimens from the one shipped  
 to you by Veltman from  
 the same place but however  
 I will leave that to you as  
 I am not positive sufficient  
 to classify they are not in  
 as good a state as I would  
 like to have them but as  
 good as I could possibly  
 get them out for the rock  
 has been exposed to the  
 weather and is cracked  
 by the frost and air

This is considerable of the  
 strata washed away by  
 the river and I am afraid  
 the balance of the remains  
 are lying in the River bed  
 I have saved all the pieces  
 that I could find I think by  
 the pieces of rib bones that are  
 here that there is other animals  
 in the same deposit I think  
 I have some traces of bird bones  
 as well as animal in the same  
 place. the next time I send  
 I will send you pieces of the Rock  
 above and below the strata so  
 you can determine what period  
 I will take a sketch of the  
 place I will leave you to set  
 the value of this shipment  
 if you wish it I will send  
 the knife that I dug the first  
 bone with. shipped to you

I will wait until I hear  
 from you before doing any thing  
 further hoping to hear from  
 you soon I remain  
 James. Dumble  
 Evansston  
 Tenta Co  
 Wyoming

Crawford Wyo  
October 8 1878

Dr O. C. Marsh

Sir I ship by  
to day by an small box containing  
bones, all that I could find at present  
and I am afraid all that I can find  
belonging to that animal. and as I am  
a working man and have but limited means  
I can not afford to spend much time, but  
if your reward for what I have send pays  
enough I will endeavor to get more. I like  
the study and if I could I would follow  
it up but I can not afford to do so  
hoping to hear from you soon and  
that you will visit as my dollar helps  
at present I remain your servant

James Rumble  
Crawford  
Wyo

James Rumble  
Oct 8 1878  
Fragments sent for examination  
(Check \$40 sent Dec 12. 78)

Evansford Wyo  
Nov 29<sup>th</sup> 1878  
Prof O. C. Marsh  
Sir

I sent specimens  
and wrote to you some time  
ago and have not heard  
from it yet. I am in  
need of money and if  
you will please send  
what you think the  
specimens are worth. I  
sent you some by ex  
and have not heard whether  
you have received them or  
not please answer  
immediately and oblige  
James Rumble  
Evansford  
Wyoming