

Worthing 21th Sept. 1880.

My dear Prof. Marsh

I thank you very much for the kindness you had in sending me your beautiful book on the Brachianites. If you had got out of your dangerous excursions nothing else but these interesting birds, I think you might be satisfied, such a valuable contribution to science it is. But knowing that you have much more interesting material at hand, my first impression on getting that wonderful volume was the regret, that you had not been able till now to publish more than this one book. Where are your monkeys, and fish and Macropials &c &c? I wish you would be able to multiply by thousands your strength and your assistants; for if you go on in this rate, I shall certainly not be able to see and read the tenth part of the work you have done.

I sent you my little book on the "mysteries of existence of animals" and I trust you will have got it. If not, please tell me so and I will send you immediately another copy. Yours very truly
Please remember me to Prof. Dana, Verill and all other friends.

L. Semper