

Wethersfield Aug. 16th, 1870.
Prof. Gilman,

Dear Sir,

I have concluded to offer for sale my extensive collection of antiquities, curiosities, rare books, pamphlets, mss., &c, & I have thought you might know of some party or Society that might like to purchase it - I have several thousand books, pamphlets, (many of them very scarce) a large quantity of writings, autographs; a great variety of Indian - implements, natural curiosities, minerals, relics of by-gone years, coins, &c - The collection embraces enough to form a large museum, if it was suitably spread out.

I would sell the entire collection, (only reserving my family writings) for ten thousand dollars

I would, by no means, offer
the collections for sale did my means
permit me to retain it, as I have
been all my life collecting it —

I should be very grateful if you
would give me the P. O. address of
any Historical Society that you
think might like to purchase, or any
individual —

Most Respectfully Yours,
Charles M. Taintor.

My dear Maunt,

I mail this to your New Haven
address, trusting it will hit you
some where.

I have written the man
that his price is too high, but
that I will call the letter to
your notice

Yrs. Sincerely
D. C. Gilman

New Haven, Aug. 20. 1870.

CANTONMACK

Wethersfield, Conn., March 9, A. D. 1871.
Prof. Marsh.

Dear Sir,

I saw Mr Gilman last autumn, in regard to my collection of books, pamphlets, MSS., Coins, ancient Indian-implements, old relics, natural curiosities, etc., & he, afterward, by letter informed me that after your arrival home he & yourself would visit Wethersfield or communicate with me, with a view of buying the collection: but I have neither seen or heard anything from him since — Please inform me whether the collection, or any part of it, is wanted & whether you will be up to see the collection, & when, &c.

Most Respectfully yours,

Charles M. Taintor.

Glastonbury Conn.

Aug. 24th '75

Prof. O. C. Marsh

Dear Sir,

I have not-as yet-disposed of the collection of Indian implements. I have had correspondence with a dealer in New York in reference to them and shall send them to him next week to sell for me. If they would be wanted for your college, can not-you come up to see the collection this week some-time or the first of next? I would like to have them kept-together in some Public Institution much better than to have them scattered every where. I think I have given you a description of them already. I have no com-

plus
catalogue of them. Please accept
my thanks for your interesting pamphlet
on Indian affairs, also please let
me hear from you, whether you can
come to S. or not;

Respectfully
Chas. M. Taintor

per. C. W. F.

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Glastenbury, Conn., Oct. 11th. A. D. 1875.

Prof. O. C. Marsh,

Dear Sir,

If you desire it I will send you a box of Indian stones by Express, including about twenty-five large & nice specimens I have bought within a few weeks, with my price for the same, for you to examine if you will pay the Express charges ~~to~~ from Hartford, in case you do not buy them - Truly, C. M. Taintor



WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE-THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

To —

Prof. O. C. Marsh,
New-Haven,
Connecticut.