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Dear Sir:

Thank you very much for your letter of a year ago. Please accept my apologies for so late a reply. My health is not always what I would like it to be; as a consequence, my working hours are very limited, and most of them have to be used at the office and for the mere mechanics of living. Sometimes there seems to be no end to little and big errands I have to do to keep things going.

Your proposal of exchanging fossils interests me very much, and I hope to be able to send you material that you are interested in. However, I would much prefer to buy fossils whenever it is possible, simply because it would save me a considerable amount of time I would otherwise have to spend in selecting and labeling specimens for exchange.

You may have seen my name in T. H. Withers: Catalogue of Fossil Cirripedia, vol. 3, Tertiary. At the time I had more cirripedian material available than anyone else in North America; most of it was sent to Withers and is now kept in the permanent collection of the University of Texas and no longer available. Therefore, I may not be able to send you any material. My interest is in the higher crustacea (shrimp, crabs, lobsters, etc.), and I would very much like to have European material from the Cretaceous or Tertiary. Perhaps your friend would be interested in a small exchange.

I have been charged with writing the chapter on Ostreidae (oysters) for the Treatise of Invertebrate Paleontology. For this purpose there is great need of all kinds of oyster material, for instance, the *Gryphaea*s from the Liassic of England, the *Ostrea gigantea* Solander, 1766, from Barton, the *Lopha solitaria* (Sowerby, 1824) or *Ostrea solitaria* from the Upper Jurassic of Weymouth, the *Ostrea delta* Smith, 1817, from the Kimeridge clay at the foot of Shotover Hill, Oxford, and of course *Ostrea edulis* Linné. These are all type species of genera or so-called genera (compare Journal of Paleontology, vol. 21, no. 2, pp. 165-185).

I hope to be in England sometime between July 17 and September 1 and hope to have a few days of study at the British Museum, where many of the oysters should be available for study. My address will be c/o American Express Company, London.

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By separate mail there is being sent to you several topotype specimens of Rotularia votula (S. G. Morton) from the Vincentown marl (Paleocene or Lower Eocene) of Vincentown, New Jersey, U.S.A.; compare Wrigley, 1951, Some Eocene Serpulids: Proc. Geologists' Association, vol. 62, pt. 3, pp. 177-184.

I hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

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