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Dear Tucker:

In your Caribbean Seashells (p. 172) you use Ostrea equestris Say, 1834 in preference over O. cristata Boru, 1778, which McLean (Notulae Naturae 67, p. 6) preferred. What is causing that change? Not that I object to it, but I would like to use the correct name in my next publication.

Dr. Anna M. Bidder of Cambridge, England stopped by here on her way home from the southwest Pacific, where she studied Nautilus. She has very interesting observations on it.

Did you have any success getting support from the place I told you about? Your project was recommended highly, when it came to Houston for analysis.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

H. B. Stenzel

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