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Dear Dr. Keen:

In connection with the chapter on Ostreidae for the Treatise on Invertebrate Paleontology, which I am struggling to compose, I would like to have your present opinion of the generic names "Gryphaeigenus" and "Ostreigenus" of S. A. Renier's *Tavole per servire alla Classificazione* etc. Do you consider them substitute names or emendations, or do you consider Renier as not binomial, because, after all, he gave knowingly separate names for the soft parts and for the shells of the same species. I have never had the opportunity to see Renier's *Tavole*; therefore, I am unable to form my own opinion in this matter.

With best regards.

Sincerely yours,

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