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Dr. R. W. Barker
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Dear Dr. Barker:

Many thanks for the box of echinoids which you sent sometime ago. I am indeed very glad to have this material, although I am unable at present to work on it.

I hope you like your new place and I hope it is also more permanent than Mexico was. Should you need any help in identifying gastropods, I will, of course, be very glad to do that for you. Dr. Turner and I are now busy on a card catalog of the Eocene of the East Coast of North America. We have a gigantic task before us. There are several thousand species described scattered through the literature and it proves rather difficult to round up all the scattered descriptions. We have already about 1500 preliminary cards made. However, we have to check everything very carefully as many of the descriptions are so obscure and the localities so poorly given that the catalog in that form would not be of much use.

With many thanks,

Very sincerely yours,

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