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Dr. H. E. Vokes
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New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Vokes:

In working on Eocene nautiloids of Texas and Louisiana I have come across references to some nautiloids from New Jersey, such as *Aturia vanuxemi* (Conrad) from Long Branch, New Jersey, and *Eutrephoceras cockanum* (Whitfield) from Shark River and Squankum, New Jersey. These two specimens are supposed to be common in the Shark River marl. I wonder whether you know of a way for me to obtain some topotype material of these two specimens, which I would like to have for comparison. I understand that the Shark River is approximately middle Eocene in age, which would correspond roughly to our Claiborne here. I wonder whether you have any ideas as to the more exact correlation of the Shark River.

Presumably I do not need to tell you that you have a wonderful field in the Eocene of New Jersey, which has been neglected so long, and which is bound to give some very interesting results. Should you ever want to start working on the middle Eocene of New Jersey, I would be very glad to help you with comparative material from Texas.

More recently I have looked through a fine monograph on the Domengine. I notice with great pleasure that you have been very careful with the publication dates of your literature cited.

With best regards,

Very truly yours,

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