

Burlington, Vt. 23^d August, 1872.

Hon. W^m. Marsh, Rome, Italy.

My dear Sir, Below I send a copy of my letter to Caponi & Grela of the 17th July last (which I ought perhaps to have enclosed to you before) which will speak for itself—Not having received a reply thereto, I have assumed that the model had been prepared by them, and that the work had been begun upon the marble in good faith—nevertheless, I should like to know from some other quarter, the condition of things at Carrara—and can you not, through some agency, ascertain it? I much regret to feel obliged to ask this question, but what shall I do?—I assume, of course, and trust that your health is improving.— Copy of Letter to C. G.

" Burlington 17 July 72— Yours of the 15th instant is received, in which you say
" that the model of the statue of Ethan Allen, as altered by you from in Carrara,
" has been approved by W^m. Marsh, and that they have commenced the work in
" marble. I had already written to you in mine of the 20th. Since what W^m. Marsh
" had said, and that I considered it an approval, and desired you to go ahead.
" as I understand matters, now, we are but to await the completion of the work
" according to the modified model. I was disappointed in the statement that no
" progress had been made in the marble work—but without ^{discussing} ~~explaining~~ the cause
" of the delay, I expect to abide by what I said in mine of the 15th June, as to the
" extension of time, and trust that no further obstacle will intervene in the progress
" of the work, of which I hope occasionally to hear.— Yrs. &c., John N. Pomeroy "

My last letter to you was on the 25th June—May, if possible, answer this. Our political excitement is nearly equal to 1840—but you need not entertain any fear of being disturbed by Horace Bushy. With your kindest regards to yourself & W^m. Marsh, I remain very truly & Respectfully yours, John N. Pomeroy.