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My dear Mrs Marsh,

We were very glad to receive here, at Woods Hole, the joint letter from yourself & Mr Marsh, to know something more definite about you. Please tell Mr Marsh that I thank him very much for his trying to get the books referred to, & was not at all surprised that he did not succeed, as the request has already baffled the efforts of a good many persons. I only wished to oblige Dr Wier Mitchell a particular friend in the fancy he had for the works of Sanctuaries.

I will write to the Consul at Leghorn about the stony marbles. I wonder if the Collegio Romana would like to make exchanges for similar articles from the United States. I think I will address a letter on the subject.

If I could have been my way clear to visiting Europe on the occasion of the Berlin Fisheries Exhibition it would have given me great pleasure to do so, & among the many