

X SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION,

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 17 1862.

Dear Mr. Marsh:

I enclose  
a sample of coral bead, such  
as in great demand among the  
North American Indians, & I  
would be much obliged if you  
will find out in any way the  
name of the makers in Italy -  
possibly somewhere on the Med-  
iterranean - & the cost per  
string of definite length or number.

We are preparing a grand  
crusade against the possessions of