

TO THE

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SIR :

As one of the earliest Teachers of Geology and Natural History in this country, as a lover and successful cultivator of these departments of learning, as one of high scientific attainments and moral worth, and especially as a friend, the author feels that you deserve a higher testimonial of his regards than the dedication of this work ; still, he hopes that it may be received as a mark of esteem, and an expression of his appreciation of your kindness and friendship continued through many years.

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