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LOS ANGELES, CAL., July 7th,
1 9 1 7.

Dr. Casey A. Wood,

7 West Madison St.,

Chicago, Ill.

My dear Dr. Wood:-

I am greatly indebted to you for the copy of your monograph - THE FUNDUS OCULI OF BIRDS. I have a library of something like two thousand volumes on zoology, much of which is ornithological, and I consider it a valuable addition.

I recall a pamphlet which I received nearly two years ago on the Eyelids and Lachrymal Apparatus of Birds, for which I am also indebted to you.

Your work shows that the work of the structure of birds is by no means exhausted and it is a branch I have not, myself, given much attention to; therefore, it is all the more interesting.

Thanking you for your very generous donation, I am, with kind regards and best wishes,

Yours very truly,

Frank S. Daggett

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LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, December 31,
1 9 1 7.

Mr. Robt. Ridgeway,

1030 So. Morgan St.,

Olney, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Ridgeway:-

Thank you very much for yours in regard to the Utah matter, and also that you forwarded my letter to Mr. Nelson. I am enclosing copy of my own letter to Governor Bamberger which I delivered to Mr. Boyle, which will give you a line on what we are trying to do to help our Utah members. If not too much trouble, you might forward this to E. W. Nelson so he will have a better understanding of the conditions out there. I presume you both will have written 'ere the receipt of this, but it will serve to place the matter in your minds along the same lines that we understand it.

I have made requisition on the County Librarian for a copy of your "Nomenclature of Colors", and in the absence of any other address I gave them yours.

I have often thought when you are resting up why not try California? We have delightful conditions out here, and our Western men would all esteem it a great privilege to extend every courtesy while you are here.

With kind regards and best wishes, and the compliments of the season, I am

Yours very truly,

Frank S. Daggett

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Ridgway Collection

Los Angeles Cal Nov 11, 1911

Dear Mr Ridgway:-

You will be interested to know that Southern California is to have a museum. As one of a group of State and county buildings in Exposition Park the county has just completed a $275.000 building to be known as the Museum of History, Science and Art. Ample yearly income has been provided by the board and I see no reason why the museum should not become important in years to come. Los Angeles alone has a population of nearly 400.000 and there is a high average of intelligence and great wealth here, which only needs to be "shown" to become interested. Now do not be surprised when I tell you that the Board of Governors selected me to act as Director! One glimpse at that great empty structure and condolences would pour in! Seriously, we have a great number of collections ready to install, as soon as we can use them, and we expect to be able, in the

course of a year to have enough in place to open up to the public. While our Calif. men, naturally, will give us every assistance I shall value just as highly the good will and assistance of the East, especially of those connected with the National Museum. My collection of 8000 bird skins, made during the first ten years of Cooper Ornit. Club activities; the collection of 3000 species of Coleoptera, (rich in rare Calif & Arizona species) and a library of 1800 volumes (mostly zoology and kindred subjects) will be placed in the museum as a "nest egg", ornithologically speaking, only, however, as a "loan" collection for the present.

I expect to run up against a great many snags from time to time, and would appreciate the advice of those who have had a life experience. May I call upon you when the time comes?

Sincerely Yours
Frank S. Daggett.
Museum of History Science & Art.
Exposition Park,
Los Angeles
Calif.