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Prof. Robert Ridgway,

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Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

The skins of Cistothorus stellaris, loaned me by the U.S. National Museum through your courtesy, were received in due season and have proved very interesting indeed. I shall return them some time next week. Please accept thanks for your kindness.

I contemplate writing an article on the occurrence of this species in Maine with notes on its habits, etc., and with your kind permission I would like to include in my article descriptions of some of the western specimens which you have loaned me. Please inform me if I may do so.

Very respectfully

O. W. Knight

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Prof. Robert Ridgway,

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Dear Sir:-

I am very desirous of making a study of Cistothorus stellaris, and would like if possible to obtain the loan of skins of birds in the breeding plumage from different parts of the range of the species. Is there any way in which I can obtain the loan of such specimens from the U. S. National Museum or Smithsonian Institution?

I am connected with the faculty of the University of Maine, being assistant chemist at the Experiment Station, and can give plenty of good references as to my character. Can refer you to Pres. Harris of the University of Maine, Mr. William Brewster, Nathan Clifford Brown, and others.

Very respedtfully

O. W. Knight

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