Ridgway Collection

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Dec 6-10

Dear Sir:

I have your kind favor of the 2nd inst. I judge from Dr. Bergtold's letter to me that he wants only the "Nomenclature of Colors", and Vol. V of "Birds of N. & M. America". I am sorry if I did not make this plain in my other letter, as I

appreciation of the incalculable
service you have rendered,
and are rendering, to Ornithology.
To one immersed in the rough
& tumble of human affairs, it
is indeed a pleasure to think
of a life work so fruitful in per-
manent results and apparently
so free from petty & sordid aspects
as yours has been — Sincerely yrs
Ernest Ingersoll

To
Prof. Robert Ridgway,

would not put you to
unnecessary inconvenience.
Dr. Benj Wild bought the
first four parts, or volumes,
after refusing to take mine,
(which I had had quite
handsomely bound,) as
a gift
I desire to thank you
for your kindness, and
will make this an occasion
to express my personal