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Dear Sir

I wrote you a few lines in haste from Newport mentioning that, I was on the eve of embarking for France & that I should be much obliged to receive from you a few pieces of the meteoric stone [illegible] with me. As I shall wait here some days longer I am in hopes of receiving them & if you can add any other american specimens I shall be much obliged as my reception in F. will much depend on my mineralogical friends. — I was much disappointed in finding the large stone here as I was in hopes of your having been able to purchase it for me. I would go as far as 200. Dolls for it. — If you can tempt the owners, now or when I am gone with this sum do purchase it for me. (now if possible) — If I can get any thing for you in France let me know directing to the care of Miss Minturn & Champlin here. — If you want any of my books whilst I am gone my sister R will let you have them ~~have~~ — I expect to return by July. — in haste — Yours truly

G Gibbs —