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Dear Sir,

As one of the Trustees of the Blackmore Museum, allow me to thank you most cordially for the very kind manner in which you have consented to become one of our Associates and for your most liberal offer of assistance in the way of contributions to our Museum.

You will see by the list of Mammalian remains in the accompanying Catalogue that the Pleistocene Clay or Brick Earth in this neighbourhood has already furnished some highly interesting specimens: indeed at present Salisbury is the only locality in England that has produced any fossils of Spermophiles or Demrings. And in order that the affinities of these fossils should be well understood, we are, for the sake of comparison, particularly anxious to

obtain any similar fossils from other localities
or any recent skulls and bones of the following
animals

Spermophilus Erythrogenys

" Eversmanni

" Concolor

" Citillus

" mugosaricus

Lemmus torquatus

" norvegicus

If desired I should be most happy to send
specimens of the teeth and bones of the Salisbury
fossil Spermophilus in exchange for any of
the above list.

Speaking generally we should always be
pleased to receive any fossils or carved bone
bone implements &c from foreign Caves or
other Quaternary deposits which would by
comparison serve to illustrate our English specimens.

I have been thus candid in making known
to you our wants as I am perfectly aware
that no person is so capable of assisting us
in this particular branch, as yourself.

With many thanks, believe me, Dear Sir

Yours very sincerely
Humphrey D. Blackmore