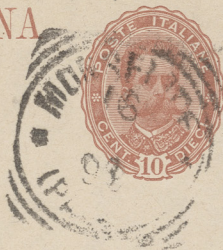


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Mr. R. Bowdler Sharpe.
Assistant Keeper to the British Museum
Cromwell Road South
Kensington Museum
London
England
J. W.

Padua (Italy) Dec. 16th
1898

Dear Sir,

To-day by means of parcel post registered I have sent you the nest of Ag. thalys pendulinus which you wished to have from the British Museum. It was collected on the river Po near Turin (Piedmont) May 25th of this year. I hope that you will be satisfied with it. I have got about forty very nice skins of Italian Birds for you and next Spring I will send you a more numerous sending of them. I firmly believe you and your amiable family are well and I beg you to accept many kind wishes for the new year. Remember kindly me to Mad. Sharpe and Miss Emily and you, dear Mr. Sharpe, accept a hearty shake of hands, yours sincerely
E. Ingham Esq. M.D.

when they must spend more than
ten fcs. for a book!! Tell me,
my dear Sharpe, how many copies
of your splendid Monographies have
been subscribed in Italy? how many
of your precious Monograph of the
Thrushes? I believe very few.

In this event the pictures would
sleep of sure on the shelves of my
library and it would be a pity
for everybody. So I hope you will
approve my determination and
will think that my regret is well
served for declining your so kind
offer.

If you want anything in this
part of the World, I shall

be always happy to help you.
And waiting for an answer,
I feel pleased to present to
you and yours the my wife's
compliments and my best greet-
ings

Your sincere friend
J. Strong and Dejeux

Florence, Via Pintti, 58

November 24th 1902.

what is always a great pleasure for me.

Regarding to your so kind offer, I am sorry to say that with the utmost regret I cannot use it. I could not find by no means an Editor in Italy for such an expensive book. I should be pleased to make the text for such a magnificent set of bird-pictures, and if I am not skilful enough for the task, I should have the whole time necessary and the entire will for; but unfortunately I could not sell here the book, here in this so lovely Italy where people are so much uncertain,

My dear friend,

Thank you for your letter, I am very proud that my book has pleased you so much, because it is an honour and a praise for me. And at the same time I take the liberty to ask you for a favour. My book has had many criticisms in Germany, Austria, France, Italy etc. In England it was sympathetically quoted in "The Zoologist", by R. Stant and I waited with some impatience the article on "The Ibis". But I found it so poor, so insipid. I don't think a lot of my book, but I believe it not too useless for our present knowledge in Ornithology; besides I think that an appreciated

Journal like "The Iris" should have
done an article better than a simple
quotation of the matter contained
in a large book like mine, which is
the only one of its kind in Italy.
Then for concluding, I should be
very obliged to you if you shall
write a criticism about it where in
you like and better in "The Iris",
where many books were quoted at
some length. I hope you are too
good friend for refusing to me such
a favour; besides you and Miss Emily
wrote to me that the book has pleased
you very much.

I and Mimi were so very sorry

for having left England so soon,
but we received some news from
Italy and were obliged to come
back at home in a very short
time. Next Winter we are thinking
to go to Russia, where Mimi has
some relations. So she wishes to see
them and I am longing to study the
Museums where there are so many
interesting series from Siberia and
eastern countries. So we hope to
come over to England at the epoch
of next Ornithological Congress for
drinking to the health of our
Dear President! Then we shall
spend many pleasant hours together,

VIA UMBERTO I.^o N^o 108th June 1905 PADOVA

My dear Dr. Sharpe,

I shall start Saturday with the Jousters for London. So it is impossible to be at Chiswick for your four o'clock; please accept my best thanks and present also to Mrs. Sharpe my excuses. We hope both to spend some nice days in England and it shall be a most pleasant thing to see again dear friends. Please say to

Dr. Marten and Mrs. Mar-
ten that also my wife
shall be of the party. We
shall lodge at the Revital's
Hotel, Piccadilly Circus, hoping
to find rooms.

Our best compliments
to you, Mrs. Sharpe and
Mrs Emily and a sincere
good-bye from
Your sincere friend
J. Maynard Lloyd.

Padua, Febr. 15th 1907

Dear Sir

A Month ago I wrote
to you asking if were
possible to get in exchange
from the British Museum
a specimen of Gallinago
nigripennis. If you rightly
remember some years ago
I sent as a present to you
for the B. M. a lot of our
Common Italian Birds. I

hope then you shall be
able to satisfy my wishes.
If you cannot please
be so kind as to write
to me where I may
found this bird, which
is necessary to me for
any research on the genus
Gallinago. Perhaps you
know any address of a
stuffer in South Africa.
I hope this my letter

will find you and
yours in good health.
We both are well and
so the little baby.
If sometimes or other you
shall reach Italy in your
travels, please remember
that we both shall be pleased
to see you at home.
And with many compli-
ments for all of you, please
accept a good shake of the
hands
Sincerely yours
L. Arizono Dybb

Padua, Dec. 29th

Dear Dr. Sharpe,

I have to ask you for a favour. For certain my researches on the genus Gallinago I want a specimen of Gallinago nigripennis from South Africa with the tail entire or, at least, with one side of it with all the feathers. Can you send me it, you shall oblige me very much. I hope you may do it, because if you rightly remember some years ago I have presented to you for

the British Museum a good
lot of Italian Birds.

And now *I. nigripennis*
is a necessity for me and
as I truly cannot find
any specimen of that species.

Please give me an answer
and if you cannot supply
me with it, please inform
me when I may have it.

Some days ago I got a
letter from your dear
Emily, she tells me you

are now quite recovered
and I am glad to hear
you my best wishes for
your happiness and well-
fare.

My wife send you and
your family her best
remembrances and with
a good shake of the
hands, I am

Yours sincerely
E. Armitage Dyball

Padua, Oct. 24th 1908

Dear Mr. Sharpe,

When I was in London two
or three years ago you were
so kind as to give me as a
gift many Bulletins of the
B.S.C. and precisely the
following

Vol. I to XI Complete

Vol. XII (1902) numb. LXXXII-
XC.

Now I shall be pleased
to get the remaining Volu
mes of the Series, it is

Vol. XIII - to XXI. and
the others of Vol. XII.

Please let me know
whether you may send
them to me at a cheaper
price than from any
Bookseller in London.

I hope that this letter
finds all of you well
and with many kind
compliments and remem-
brances etc from my

Wife I am always

Your warm friend

J. Throgmorton

Padua, Jan. 7th 1910

Dear Miss Emily,

I have learned with deep affliction the loss you have experienced in the death of your father, that was communicated to me by the mutual friend Dr.

Ernst Hartert. He was a talented man whom everybody esteemed and courted for his science and doctrine.

Who can replace a
friend of such worth,
virtue, kindness and intelli-
gence of our much regretted
Dr. Shupe? It is a
pious duty for you, in these
painful circumstances, to
accept all the consolations
that friendship, and religion
especially, can supply in
such dreadful trials; and
reluctant as I am, dear Miss

Emily, to revive your
grief, I feel too desirous
of showing the interest
I take in whatever concerns
you, to persevere on this
occasion in a silence which
you might possibly regard
as a sign of indifference.
Please give me your news
and those of your family
and believe me always
Your sincere friend
E. Arizon Dyer-odd

Padua, Jan. 12th 1902

My dear Sharpe,

I have just got the last part
of your excellent Monograph
of the Turdidae and you must
allow me to send you my
best and most sincere congratu-
lations. You can be sure that
your work is of an high
scientific interest and that
the whole of the Ornithological
World shall be grateful
to you for such a book.

I hope you will have received
my last letter, but I suppose
you have no time to spare
for an article for my book,
but it is no matter.

My editor asks me about what
have said on my book those
Ornithologists to whom I
have presented my book. Do you
allow I publish your short
words of your last letter?
If you have no time to
answer to me, please tell
it to Miss Emily.

Please accept, dear friend, my
best greetings and those of my
wife and remember me very
kindly to all of you.

Your warm friend
Louis J. Tongue D.D.

from Norway, can you
tell me with a post-card
where I should be able
to address myself for
getting them.

Hoping you are well, please
dear Mr. Sharpe, accept
my most kind regards
and believe me

Your sincere friend
J. Arifon Grodz

HEATHERBANK,
WEYBRIDGE.

July 8th 1900

Dear Mr. Sharpe,

I must thank you very
much for your kind letter
and for having been so good
as to allow Miss Emily to
spend some hours with
me. I had a very nice
evening at the Exhibition and
the weather was good enough.

HEATHERBANK
WYBRIDGE
Our crossing was very
bad, many people
suffered by sea-sickness,
I hope yours very good.

I wish you a nice month
of holidays in your Kupa
Sheti Norway and that
you will succeed in finding
some interesting birds and
eggs if it is not too
late.

I am now at Mr. Wilson's
house, very nice place, I
have seen Columba toller
and laurifera from Canarian
Islands and some others
interesting birds from the
above-named locality, I
hope he will give me
some of the species I want
to have.

I should be very pleased
to have some specimens
of Phalaropus graculus

beautiful nature, amongst
so many interesting birds,
nests and eggs and my
sorrow will be certainly greater!
Patience!

Accept again my grateful
thanks and with many
kind regards for your family,
believe me with a kindest
shake of the hand

Your sincere friend

J. Arigonides Lloyd

P.S. Must I send you the box
of the bird-skins to Christchurch
or to South Kensington Museum? They
are those you recommended to me on the
beautiful day spent at Staines.



Venice, April 24th 1899

Dear Sir,

I feel very very grateful to
you for your kind invitations
and I should have been very
pleased to visit Norway
with such a companion, but
a circumstance of great im-
portance forbids me. I told
my parents about this project
and they without being contrary
at all showed me that they
did not like my going so far.
My dear friend, they are

old, they have suffered
so many trials
in their lives, amongst
them and not as the
least the loss of three
sons in about two weeks!!
Then how can I give
them a trouble, or many
thoughts about my your-
ney? I hope that you
feel how sorry I am
about it, but at the same
time I am unable

to accept your proposal.
Excuse me sincerely and
believe that in such a
thing I feel the disap-
pointed very much,
it is really the occasion
to say that I have reckoned
without my host!! When
you will be in your dear
Norway I shall remember
you much more I shall
remember that you will
be amongst a gay and

Bowdler Sharpe Collection

~~CA' ODDO MONSELICE~~

PADOVA

February the
4th 1899

Dear Sir,

I here send back to you
the proofs of the article
about the Black Bird.
I found only two or three
mistakes of print, which
I have corrected, as for the
rest all is very rightly
done, and I thank you
very much for your kind
account. Some days ago
I received from him
simply six photos of

Windsor, and I send
her many thanks.

I am very well, but dur-
ing this month we have
had dreadfully rainy wea-
ther. (Heaps of damned
weather!).

My collection has received
this winter very few birds
of any interest, amongst
them a Swan and a Whitewake,
Three Merula torquata etc., but
Professor Giglioli got from
Sardinia a Gannet, very

rare indeed in Italy.

Professor Braccina writes
to me this morning, he
is well and charges me
to present to all of you
his best regards.

Hoping you and your
nice family are well,
please present to your wife
and daughter my kind
regards and you, my dear
Sir, believe me with a
heartly shake of hands

Yours sincerely
L. Briganti Giglioli

Bowdler Sharpe Collection

CA' ODDO MONSELICE
PADOVA

November 12th 1898

Dear Sir,

I have forgotten to add in my last letter some information upon other Turdidae in Italy. As I think that ^{they} can be of interest for your Monograph, so I here send them to you, with many compliments to your amiable family, and a hearty shake hands to you, believe me, dear Sir

Yours very sincerely
Edmondo Coda

Turdus fuscatus, Pall. A straggler and very rare in Italy. I got for my Collection a fine adult male caught in Lombardy on February 18th 1893. It seems that this is the fifth specimen noticed in Italy.

Merula torquata - A bird principally of rare and irregular apparition in Italy during the cold season, more numerous when the winter is severe, and more easily found

in the Northern Regions of our country. But
I possess in my collection four specimens
got from Lanzo in Piedmontese Alps with
the following dates: -

♂ and ♀ May 15th of 1897

♀ April 22th of 1897

♀ very young August the 1st of 1897.

} all three adults.
from Lanzo
(Piedmont)

Therefore there is no doubt that this species
is also breeding and resident in Italy, however
very scarce and till now so found in Piedmont
only.

Merula alpestris. A common and resident
bird in the mountains of Piedmont, some-
times also in Venetia, it breeds commonly
and descends in the lower districts during
winter, but it is always rare in the plains.
It was also observed breeding in the Apennines,
but not frequently at all. The nearer we go
towards the South so much more this species
became less abundant. - An albino variety,
rarely found, presents the cheeks and lateral
parts of the head and neck of a white colour.

The shooters do not call with a different name
these two species.

CA' ODDO MONSELICE
PADOVA

November 10th 1898

Dear Sir,

I send you a short note upon
the white-banded Merula
merula hoping that you will
be satisfait with it, reversely
write to me with the greatest
frankness. I have immediately
returned to Miss Emily the
very nice small photographs,
which reminded me of the
most agreeable days spent
in England, especially those
at London in your amiable
society. Presently we have our
shooting-season and this
year the wild-ducks arrived

in a great quantity and
we hope in a severe winter.

I have received also many ster-
corarius from the Garda lake,
a very rare bird in Italy. When
you have time tell me if amongst
your depiderata there are also specimens
of Water-Birds, Rey-Birds or Passeres only.
I beg you to present my compliments
to Madam Sharpe and many remem-
brances to Miss Emily. Hoping
that this letter will find you
all in good health, I send
you a very hearty shake ^{of the} hands
and I beg you to believe me, dear
Sir

Yours very sincerely
L. Arigoni Gyl odd.

Padova (Italia), 15. 8. 96

Dear Sir,

I should like to know if you have received four of my ornithological tracts concerning the Family of Thrushes. I send it to you for I knew that you were writing the Monograph of the Family of Thrushes, and I thought to do you a pleasure. With my best compliments

Prof. C. Arrigoni Dely'oddi
B.O.U.