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Dr. Paul Errington
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Dear Paul:

I was at Prairie du Sac with Albert yesterday and enclose his notebook for the winter for your usual scrutiny. The spring summary of quail is on the last page. Do you check the total as ~~1457~~ ¹⁴⁵⁸ ~~144~~?

After you are through with the notebook, will you file it with Walter Scott as last year?

The area was also inspected recently by Mr. Hubbard, representing the Department.

Gastrow as usual has gathered a collection of horned owl pellets, labeled as to locality from which they were gathered, and including both adult and nestling owls' pellets. This raises the question of who shall work these pellets. If they are to be worked in relation to the history of the local quail coveys, you are the only man who could work them, and the question answers itself.

On the other hand, the Department is soon taking on a food habits man at Poynette. If the pellets are to be worked only in relation to general food habits, it might be a good job for him to break in on. It might also be thinkable that the pellets could be worked for both purposes.

Walter Scott asked me to write you to determine your preferences. We are both in doubt about your wants, because now that the horned owl bulletin is out, you may not be amassing further analyses. I am also uncertain as to whether Fran Hamerstrom wants further pellets.

Let me know your wishes, and I will get together with Walter.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,

Aldo Leopold

Aldo Leopold
Professor of Wildlife Management

P.S. Albert Gastrow collected some miscellaneous ornithological notes for Walter Scott's use in the Passenger Pigeon. I am sending this notebook directly to Walter Scott.