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Mr. Stuart W. Gentling
4801 Harley Street
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Dear Mr. Gentling:

I thoroughly enjoyed your most informative letter of January 27th and all its enclosures. Please forgive me for not responding more promptly but, between the flu and our need to receive a proper color transparency of your Audubon from you, I have been unable to respond earlier. Your brother was kind enough to call yesterday and tell me that your Audubon is now safely at the New York Historical Society. We therefore shall try at the earliest possible moment to go over and take a look at it so that we might assist you with an appraisal for insurance purposes.

I'm happy to enclose with this note a color transparency and some information on our Audubon, A Chaffinch, Bullfinch, and Greenfinch on a Branch of Budding Chestnuts. I'm sure you will enjoy seeing this and learning about the interesting history behind our picture.

I can't tell you how delighted I am that you and your brother are the happy owners of the Boat-Tailed Grackle. It could not be more appropriate in that you not only are artists yourselves but had singled out that particular bird to mention in your introduction to your publication Of Birds and Texas. Your book, by the way, looks most handsome and I am delighted to know that you have done so well with both the limited edition and artist copies, not to mention the original paintings purchased by the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History.

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I do hope that you will stop in some day and introduce yourself when you come to New York. We shall be in touch soon again when we have had the chance to go and take a look at your Grackle.

With best wishes to both you and your brother,

Sincerely,

M.P. Naud

(Mrs.) M.P. Naud

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