

hope I have reconciled you thereby to Natural History. What remains to be done will be the work of less than half a year, during which I wish also to get together the materials for my second work, on the fossils. Of that I have already spoken with my publisher, and he will take it on more favorable conditions than I could have dictated. Do your best to find me subscribers, that we may soon make our typographical arrangements. . . .

His father's answer, full of fun as it is, shows, nevertheless, that the prospect of domesticating not only the naturalist and his collections, but artist and assistant also, was rather startling.

FROM HIS FATHER.

CONCISE, *November 16, 1830.*

. . . You speak of Christmas as the moment of your arrival ; let us call it the New Year. You will naturally pass some days at Neuchâtel to be with your brother, to see the Messrs. Coulon, etc. ; from there to Cudrefin for a look at your collection ; then to Concise, then to Montagny, Orbe, Lausanne, Geneva, etc. : M. le Docteur will be claimed and fêted by all in turn. And during all