

which he is investigating, it seems to me that with all such deductions there remains a large contribution to our knowledge of the physics of the globe but which cannot but influence all the efforts whether of geologists or of naturalists to reconstruct the past history of our planet. If anything important bearing on these questions should appear in the scientific transactions or periodicals in the United States I shall be very thankful for a reference (on a post-card) which will enable me to make myself acquainted with it.

Pray give my own & my wife's very kind remembrances to Mrs Gray & believe me always sincerely yours

John Ball

P.S. I came to Italy for my wife's health now quite satisfactory & we are about starting homewards

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My dear Dr Gray - It is
have heard of you or Mr
is owing to the fact that
so to say out of the way
the present year - I have
to be able at least partially
one of the dreams of my youth
the tour of South America
indeed too short - only for
which more than half was
the season unfavorable for
Chili, Magellan Strait & the Pl
finally my own ignorance.
portion of the tropical flora
way - but with all these
had a most delightful & suc
and saw nearly as much as
in the time - In spite of the
four delightful days in the
In Chili in late autumn the
rather low but I saw a good
fine valleys - those of the C



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