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THE opportunity afforded by Mr. Carpenter's visit in 1859-60 to the United States, was embraced to secure his services in naming and arranging the shells collected by the United States Exploring Expedition and other parties on the Pacific Coast of North America. Mr. Carpenter, having previously presented to the British Association a report on the state of knowledge in regard to the mollusks of the west coast of North America, embodied the additional information which he obtained, chiefly through the Smithsonian Institution, in a second report to the same Association; and now, in order to facilitate the study of this class of animals by the American student, this work is republished with supplementary papers, from stereotype copies of the original pages.

JOSEPH HENRY,  
*Secretary S. I.*

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