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Dear Dr. Blake:

This moment I received your interesting letter of the 13th. inst. regarding your question of the publication of your excellent article on the Short Eared Owls.

I am glad to inform you that Novedades Colombianas No.6, Vol.I in which it is to appear has been already printed and will be distributed this month. Also have been printed 200 reprints of your article that will be sent to you with our compliments.

There have been many problems regarding this edition of Novedades, none of which could be controlled by me. One of the most serious was that one of the Rectors of the University did not wanted to authorize to buy the paper to print the edition, after everything was ready for the press. We had to wait until another Rector came in the position to get the authorization to buy the paper. You can imagine how difficult it is to work here under such trying conditions.


Under separate cover I am sending to you a sample of your reprints via air mail.

Lately I have been more active in the field of Conservation, and the establishment of National Parks, which is a very urgent problem in our country.

Recently I was in Bogotá, but did not see Borrero that is now in Medellín, nor Olivares. I was contacting the Minister of Agriculture, the President of Colombia and other high officials of the Government in relation with the National Park program.

With very best wishes,

Most cordially yours,


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Head of Conservation.