

in perfect condition.

My trip to New Orleans by ship was uneventful except that without my bags I had no cloths or personal effects, however several people on the boat came to my rescue and supplied me with extra clothing for the trip.

I have just completed cataloging the collection of mammals which we trapped in Guatemala. Until the skulls are cleaned by the dermestid beetles and made available for critical examination I can only approximate the number of different kins represented. At this stage I can report to you that we have well over 75 different kinds and that there are several forms which will have to be named as new. Several of the bats have never been recorded north of Panama and many other of the mammals are extensions of range of the species. The birds are still being processed and will send a list of the kins collected at a later date.

Give my regards to all my good friends in Guatemala, especially to your assistants at the Museum. My wife asks to be remembered to you, your wife and family. I imagine that Jorge Jr. is now talking and that Claudia is probably crawling all over the place.

Sincerely,

James W. Bee