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My dear Professor Tacchini,

Thank you for your kind letter of Sept 15th, from Modena, telling of your trip to Sweden, and your conversation with Professor Dunér. I am very glad to know that he takes a real interest in the matter, for his assistance will be of no small value to us.

Since my return to Chicago, I have devoted most of my time to the new journal, and have secured a guarantee fund of One Thousand Dollars a year for five years, which will be available in case the receipts from subscriptions and advertising are not sufficient to meet all expenses of publication. I have arranged with Professor Payne that "Astronomy and Astro-Physics" be discontinued in our favor, and the Board of Trustees of the University of Chicago have authorized me to commence the publication on January 1 1895. I need hardly say that we would be greatly pleased to receive from you a paper for this first number, as we naturally wish it to be a very attractive one.

I am sorry to say that the construction of the Yerkes Observatory has not yet commenced, but I trust that it will not be delayed much longer. We still count on seeing you here at the time of the dedication.

How often I look back with pleasure to the delightful afternoons I passed with you in the Collegio Romano, and wish that I might renew those pleasant experiences. Thanks to your kindness, our stay in Rome was made so pleasant that we shall never forget it.

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Mrs. Hale joins me in kindest regards, and in the hope that  
you are now enjoying much better health.

Very sincerely yours,

*George E. Hale*