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Dear Tom,

I just received the volume of American Studies in Uralic Linguistics, and although I hesitate to bother you with a letter during your European Odyssey, I should like to thank you personally for it immediately, and to congratulate you upon the Uralic and Altaic Series which you are starting with this volume, that presents itself so magnificently.

I have just been able to throw a first glance at your own paper, Eighteenthth Century Chereemis: The Evidence from Pallas. Apart from your publication and treatment of the strictly mari material, your introduction and notes give a very valuable contribution to the history of linguistics and furnish facts and references that are not very well known. The topic interests me particularly because you are dealing with the materials on which Rasmus Rask was working, and my Rask studies have taken me to go through the sources you are mentioning. I may have told you so earlier, perhaps on the receipt of your publication, together with Raun, of the Sočinenija of 1775. If you think so, we might go through Rask's notes on mari on a later occasion; I shall be unable to do it now.

I hope that you are having a nice trip, and send our very best greetings to all of you from us both.

As ever,

Louis Hjelmslev