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Dear Sir:

I have been writing a series of articles upon "Progress in Flying machines" and I sent you last summer the article in which I mentioned your own labors. Not knowing your address, I sent the Journals in care of Mr. W. H. Kühl, the bookseller, 73, Jäger St., but as they may not have reached you, I again send the July and the August Journals to an address which Prof. Hartmann (who represented the Verein Deutscher Ingenieure at Chicago) has been good enough to send me from Berlin (Wilhelmstr.80 a). I only know, thus far, what you have accomplished with your soaring device up to November 1892, but, as you will see by my articles, I am aware that it is capable of doing much more, and to soar upward like a bird, as well as downward, to which your latter action... you confined yourself at first.

I should very much like to be kept advised of the progress of your experiments; and you will confer a favor upon me by sending me from time to time copies of what is published on the subject. I presume that you have been experimenting during the past summer, and I would be glad to know that you have succeeded in rising upon the wind, and in circling around as the birds do, and as Lante is said to have done over the city of Perruggia

I need hardly say that I will be pleased to correspond with you, especially if you write English, as I do not read German. I think that Prof Hartmann will tell you, if you care to enquire, that I am certain not to use imprudently any information with which you may favor me.

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Yours respectfully
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