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If it should happen to come in your way, to procure any specimens of the Atlantic *Janthina fragilis*, Auc. in alcohol, before I get back pray do so, (or any other *Janthinas*) as I think I have struck an interesting thing; but will wait, as I may be mistaken. I have marked on the labels

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