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Mr George Reed

Dear Sir.

Mr Dawson and I beg leave through you to thank the members of my practical class of last winter and the other gentlemen associated with them for their handsome and unexpected present which arrived yesterday in perfect safety. I assure you that its value is very much enhanced in our estimation by the kind feelings expressed in the letter by which it is accompanied.

Our meetings in the practical class were always a source of much

pleasure to me both as giving an opportunity of entering into details of an interesting nature which could not be noticed in the lectures, and as giving some additional means of aiding those who might be desirous of making original investigations in the natural history of this Province, where there is still abundant scope for many inquirers. I only regret that Circumstances did not permit these meetings to be more frequent. It of course gives me much additional gratification to know that they were valued by so many friends whom I respect and to whom I am indebted for much attention and kindness.

I am yours very truly  
J. M. Dawson

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to Mr. Creed  
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