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Watkins, Schuyler Co., N. Y.
Jan. 31st, 1870.

My dear Sir,

I thank the honor
to be in receipt of your
kind favor of the 19th - for
which, and copy of the inter-
esting and valuable Papers
relating to Natural History,
&c. which you had so
kindly sent - as I beg to
return acknowledgments
of my sincere thanks.
They form an important
addition to the solid sci-
entific literature in our
Library.

I take the great pleasure

in mailing you here with a
copy of "13th Rept of Repts from
various State of N. Y. on Condition
of State Cabinet," containing my
name on "Ancient Measurements
of West N. York" - and I would
be much gratified to learn
your opinion in regard to this
Paper, as your views will
possess to my mind great
value. And, when the revised,
completed History of Cen-
tral N. Y. - upon which I am
now at work - shall be
issued, I shall also be happy
in sending you a copy.

I think that I had made
request in previous letter -
and, which I will beg to repeat
that I will be extremely grati-
fied, as soon as you can
renew my favor, if you
will please allow me however

of enclosing to me your certificate
de-visite, with your autograph
written beneath picture, and which
I may thus have exceedingly pleas-
ure of placing in a very choice
Album - which I am secretly
now arranging, for the Liby. I
will indeed with anticipation
of being allowed access of seeing
your photograph, soon - it
will be most exceedingly prized.

The Liby also embraces
a room, and most valuable
souvenir - now containing au-
tographs of nearly all the illus-
trous Statesmen, jurists, authors,
artists, of United States from the
formation of Great Great - together
with autographs of few Statesmen, &c. of
Europe. - I judge me in say-
ing, that I would be very much
gratified if it may be at
your convenience to confer

especial, and invaluable
form of enclosing to me brief
letters, (or even signatures) of any
prominent Nationalists, Sci-
entific men, etc. of Europe; for
this renewed & part form I should
feel placed under deep obli-
gations, and shall gratefully prize
your kindness. I would be exten-
sively glad to obtain a brief autograph
note - a full signature, with date, of
Queen Victoria; and, perhaps, you
may have it at your convenience
to pass me with autographs of emo-
inent literary persons - British, Poets,
of Great Britain, (as Mrs Carlyle, ^{the} De-
cay - Carlyle - Irvingson - etc. etc.
Please excuse, pardon this hurried
letter - has with some fifteen to days
has yet to write. —

It will afford me great pleasure
in hearing from you, again, soon as
your convenience will permit. I remain,
My dear Sir, with best respects, truly yours,
J. Apolcan Cheney.
Prof. J. W. Dawson, L.L.D.