

My dear Dawson

You ask "how many species of Decora?"

mean Corals there are in my Thes: Decora?

Genera	Spec	Sp:	Genera	Species
There are -			brought forwards	108
<i>Acrotaxia</i>	22	22	<i>Chonophyllum</i>	2
<i>Alveolites</i>		22	<i>Chonostegites</i>	1
<i>Amplexus</i>		16	<i>Cladocora</i>	3
<i>Anisophyllum</i>		1	<i>Cladopora</i>	1
<i>Anthophyllum</i>		1	<i>Clisiophyllum</i>	2
<i>Arachnophyllum</i>		1	<i>Coactes (Linaria)</i>	4
<i>Arthrophyllum</i>		1	<i>Columnaria (Beaumontia)</i>	1
<i>Asterocyclus</i>		1	<i>Lombophyllum</i>	3
<i>Astraea</i>		5	<i>Conopoterium</i>	1
<i>Aulacophyllum</i>		2	<i>Cryserpia</i>	1
<i>Aulophyllum</i>		1	<i>Cyathaxonia</i>	5
<i>Aulopora</i>		13	<i>Cyathophyllum</i>	49
<i>Baryphyllum</i>		1	<i>Cyathopora</i>	4
<i>Battersbya</i>		3	<i>Cystiphyllum</i>	11
<i>Beaumontia</i>		2	<i>Dendropora</i>	1
<i>Blothrophyllum</i>		1	<i>Discophyllum</i>	2
<i>Buccula</i>		1	<i>Diphyphyllum</i>	4
<i>Callopora</i>		2	<i>Emmonsia</i>	2
<i>Campophyllum</i>		3	<i>Endophyllum</i>	2
<i>Caryophyllia</i>		2	<i>Eridophyllum</i>	3
<i>Chaetetes</i>		72	<i>Favosites</i>	25
		108	<i>Fistulapora</i>	15
			<i>Gorgonia</i>	2
			<i>Hadrophyllum</i>	2

Genus	Spec	Genus	Spec
Brought forward	250	Prot'forward	337
Haimeophyllum	1	Syringopora	16
Halia	2	Thecostegites	3
Helcolites	6	Trachypora	2
Heliosphyllum	7	Zaphrentes	30
Helicopora	1	Total	<u>388</u>
Heliolites			
Leptopora	1		
Lithostrotion	9		
Linnatopora	2		
Lophosphyllum	2		
Lunatiopora	1		
Medusosphyllum	1		
Mebrusophyllum	2		
Michelinia	6		
Pachyphyllum	2		
Palaocycclus	1		
Petraia	17		
Phillipsastroa	4		
Plasmopora	1		
Ptychophyllum	1		
Rameria	1		
Smithia	6		
Sporosphyllum	1		
Streptastrea	2		
Strophodes	1		
Striatopora	3		
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My dear Dawson

I have pleasure in sending you
as above —

Pengelly the other day sent for the
Amorphozoa (Devon) —

With the exception of some few additions
my Devonian list is made out — but it
only contains ^{spec.} £ 5600 or 5700 — in toto —

My commentary is considerably advanced &
I think will not be without interest

I understand Sir R. Murchison is rather
improving — but I expect no real recovery
fitting him for public service

I understand Sir W. Logan has arrived
but I have not seen him —

Mr Ramsay has this year the Wollaston
Medal of the Geol. Soc. & Etheridge the
pecuniary proceeds — about £ 25 —

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to help him with his list of the Jurassic fossils — Rud an attempt (Thos Jeffrey Ramsay and Prestwich) is to be made to get Etheridge made F.R.S. — and I shall be glad if he succeed.

Sir C. Lyell is certainly in better health and has been very successful in beard-growing —

Mr Gladstone D^r is behaving well —
"occupying till I come" —

With my (our) best regards to Mrs & Miss Dawson

I am my dear Dawson

Yours sincerely

J. J. Bigsby

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From not being well and other family cares I have not seen much of George this winter but I have good accounts of him.