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Chas. Keup
28th Dec^r 1872

My Dear O^r Dawson

I do thank you very much for the fine set of fossils of the Devonian you have sent me. I value them very much. I shall not fail to send you what fossils fall in my way of the Devonian or Carboniferous. Had I thought that the Carboniferous of this region wd have any interest to you I would have sent what we have collected but I presumed unless there was some special specimen anything I could send would be only adding to your already accumulated lumber. I have a friend who lives on the

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Senoman of Iowa from whom
I hope to get fossils. He was one of
my pupils and has caught the
scientific fever. I therefore hope
to get something from him. If
Geodes would be of any use to you,
I shall in future be living near
Burlington Illinois, and could
easily send you a barrel of good
ones, in course of time.

I hope great things from
your new book I presume it
has not yet been published in
this Country as the copy I ordered
has not yet reached me. I am
glad you are giving your views
on the important questions on
which your book treats. Such
like books the results of experience
in the investigation of Natural
Science, are the books we want.
A page from a real writer such
as yourself or Dana or Hall or

Barrande to write any number
of volumes such as No. 1000 writes
or as we sometimes written, pre-
sumptuously by theologians

I am going to take a
prominent position in Trinity College
Galesburg, Ill. as an Institution
of Old standing in the State of Ill.
and is well endowed. My position
will be better there and I hope
to exert a more extensive influence
for good in that region. I flatter
myself that I am the sort of man
needed in those parts. I think I
can give breadth & thoroughness
to College culture and awaken
enthusiasm in the minds of youth.
Beyond my own expectations I have
succeeded in doing these things here and
hope to do still more during the re-
maining period of my life. I meet
with few enthusiasts in either
Philosophy or Science and

often think of the pleasant times I had
in Montreal in my steady studies
in Science.

Anything that you ^{can} spare
in the way of knowledge that is
good will be a blessing to me.
I only regret troubling you
in any way. My zeal for
knowledge is my excuse.

I shall be found in future
at Stony College Galveston
Illinois U.S.

With the Compl^{ts} of the
Season to yourself and
Mrs Dawson in which
Mrs Kemp joins

I am
Sincerely Yours
Wm. F. Kemp