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18 Feb. 76.

My dear Sir,

Allow me to thank you for your kindness in sending me a copy of your paper on the structure and affinities of *Sigillaria* &c. which I regret was omitted in my list of memoirs. I am sorry to state that I had not previously seen it.

From the note on the first page of your paper it appears to me that you have scarcely observed my small specimens of *Sig. var.* figured and described in the Quart. Jour. for 1862, which are certainly as perfect as have ever been described, and so

I send you a copy of it -

In the course of forty years I have examined hundreds of stems of Sigillaria and in large specimens I have rarely found the usual marks ribs and furrows seen on smaller specimens -

Many different trees have been lumped in the genus Sigillaria but at the present time probably it is as well for them to remain as they are until we obtain more information. Certainly such a course is preferable to manufacturing new genera from imperfect fragments.

Pray accept my thanks for your kind offer to see the specimens in Professor Williamson's

Profession -

Believe me to remain

Yours truly
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