

Prof. J. W. Dawson

Dear Sir:

Your figure of *Syillaria*
Lorwayana Dr. in your Report on the
Fossil Plants of the L. Carb. of Canada is
precisely like specimens from the Anthra-
cite coal basins of Penn. as far as the
shape of the leaf-seams is concerned.

I have thought of figuring several of
my specimens, including those resembling
S. Lorwayana in a brief paper. But
I would first like to know how you
regard that form at present. I shall
be grateful for any observations you
may choose to make upon this.

In your description of the species
S. Lorwayana you describe the leaf bases
as separated only by a slight-ridge. I have
many specimens with a transverse furrow

immediately above each leaf base which
is, of course, a ridge upon the cut
of the bark. I understand that *S.*
Lomayana has a ridge upon the cortex.

Hoping that I may have a
word from you soon I remain

Yours with profound respect

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