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Dear Principal Dawson

I have to thank  
you for a brochure on the  
Genesis & Migration of Plants

I have read it with much  
interest, though I suppose you do  
not feel that the problem is yet  
solved.

A paper in your paper for 289/90  
suggests to me that you may  
be interested to learn the im-  
port of our recent Boulder in-  
vestigations -

Last summer, I was able to ex-  
amine the outer Hebrides, & part of the  
West Coast of Scotland -

These seem to me to have estab-  
-lished two points, 1.<sup>st</sup> That the

Boulders, had all come across the Atlantic in a direction from N W and 2<sup>d</sup> that they had been brought by floating ice wh<sup>ch</sup> had discharged them on the Hills, & especially on the sides facing the N W

In the higher parts of the West Highlands, thick beds of Sand & gravel, stratified, occur to the height of at least 2000 ft; and many of the Boulders lie on these Beds or are buried in them

The Report is now in the hands of the printer & lithographer, with a view to publication. There will be 8 or 9 pages of diagrams to show the positions of Boulders. I happen

to have lying on my table an  
imperfect proof copy, so I send it  
merely to give you an idea of its  
general character, I will send a  
full copy when I get one.

I have been a great invalid  
this winter, & for the last 6 or  
weeks have been almost entirely  
confined to the house, when  
in London about 1<sup>st</sup> week of  
February, I caught Pleurisy, which  
required me to hurry home, &  
submit to very severe treatment  
from wh<sup>ch</sup> I am only slowly  
recovering -

The only other geological  
paper wh<sup>ch</sup> I have on the stocks is

one on Sea Terraces

In the appendix, I intend to refer to some facts which you kindly supplied from the St Lawrence. If since that time, more examples have been obtained I shall like to get them.

I refer also to the traces of high level terraces in the mountains -

Believe me,

Yours very truly

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