

Montreal July 29. 1879

Dear Dr. Dawson.

I have a letter from Prof. Reuveny of Brussels in which he writes thus of Ezovon:—(dated July 12)—  
"The work of Moebius on Ezovon produced a considerable sensation here, and people believed the matter settled (on croyait l'affaire tranchée) when the note of Dr. Dawson arrived & put the thing again on its feet (est venue la remettre de nouveau sur pied.)"

We learn that Dr. Carpenter is about to take up the subject again. For my part, though I have no right to speak on the question, my opinion is with those who defend the organic origin of Ezovon. I have examined a great number of slices of limestone in the

past two years, and have had sufficient  
practice to be able to distinguish an  
organic structure from one which  
is not such, and moreover I say that  
I have never encountered in the substance  
of an azoic rock a structure like that  
of Lyons, as shown in the typical  
specimens which you were so good  
as to place in my hands."

Renard goes with Zirkel to be the  
guest of Sorby during the Sheffeld  
meeting of the Brit. Ass. Adv. Sci.

He writes me that the small crys-  
tals generated in the mud of the  
sea-bottom are not a new species  
but a zeolite allied to Christianite.

I am busy getting my library in  
order, but hope to get to Saratoga  
for the Amer. Assoc. Adv. Science  
and probably to meet you a day  
or two about Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> to bring back

my sisters with best regards to Mrs  
Dawson & family I am dear Dr.  
Dawson very faithfully Yrs.  
J. Steyer Ward

Dr. J. W. Dawson & Co.

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My dear Mr. Hunt  
I have the pleasure  
to inform you that  
the papers of our dear  
friend Mr. [Name] have  
been deposited in  
the [Name] Library  
at [Name] and  
are now open to  
the public.  
Very faithfully  
yours  
J. [Name]

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