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Dr. J. W. Dawson,

Dear Sir: The books were received on the 4th inst, and to-day I send, by express, pre-paid to you as I am, the promised fossils.

The volumes form a very valuable addition to my library and will help me greatly.

I regret exceedingly that I have not better specimens of some of our own Hamilton species, but I have been exchanging so extensively this winter that I find in many instances I am poorly off for first class specimens. I shall collect the coming season more heavily than ever and will remember you for a suit early in the fall, before they have been selected from for others.

I trust you will find some things new to the College Collection, and worthy of a place there.

My father would like to know if there is a Catalogue of Canadian Plants (Recent). He has Mr. Sommers' Cat. of Nova Scotian Plants, but there hardly a dozen sp. in it which he has not already got, and he believes that he has nearly all the sp. known to Canada. His herbarium numbers over 14,000 species, said by Dr. Gray to be the most extensive ^{private coll.} in the U.S. He has made Botany a specialty for more than 30 years. He would like to exchange Carex (a specialty) or other plants for desiderata.

Very Respectfully,

Your obt. servant

P.S.

Your card, at hand. Fossils sent via Albany, beyond which place I could not pay charges.

I will send others by mail soon. B. H. W.

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