



Cambridge, Mass.,
Gore Hall, Feb. 7 1871

Dear Dr. Dawson

Cartilaginous

In studying one of the *Lupinus*-
pods of Manns Creek I discovered
between the legs a ^{single} minute Nautilus-
like shell, tolerably well preserved.

I have written to the owner, asking
permission to send you the speci-
men for study - To expedite matters
I write next to you to see if you
wish to study it. If he says you
may see it

I have the specimens here for
casting, and if expense from both
sides is payable will send the
specimens as soon as ~~the~~ a good
mould is secured

Yours truly
Wm. A. Peckham

Cambridge, Mass.,
Coxs Hall, Feb 7, 1871

Dr Scudder
Feb 7/71

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