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My dear Dr Dawson

I shall not claim that Specimen
as an insect until I am com-
pelled by irresistible argument -
What appear to be concentric lines of
growth militate absolutely against
such an idea - These are indicated both
by elevations of the stone and by cracks
in the radiating lines "!!!"; and I am
now inclined on that account to look
upon it as molluscan

It is returned to day by express
together with the fragment of the
Gigantic Myriapod with a Sepula?

(I judge you are correct) ~~the~~ between
the legs where the printed marks. If
it requires no further examination please
return it at once; otherwise please let
me have it as soon as convenient
as it belongs to what I have borrowed

for casting and am to return as soon
as you send this back

It comes from Mayan Creek
& is the property of Mr J. C. Carr of ^{Wisconsin}
who permits me to send it to you -
You will find an account of my
studies on these giants in the next
Silliman - This is another species major
Meek & Worthen (Ecol Ill III)

Yours very truly

Sam N. Souder

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