

Philadelphia 3^d May 81.

Prof J. W. Dawson Montreal.

My dear Sir:

Your favor of the 28th April was received at Columbus yesterday when I was on my way to the ^{PR} depot, going to Penn^a.

There is nothing against me in my remarks on the distribution of *Desoria plumosa*, but only on that line; on the identity of some of Prof Dawson's species is as yet uncertain. The impression from which this line was written comes to me th from your own Remarks, for if I am not mistaken you mention some uncertainties on the identity or relations of a few species of the *Desoria*. This I will see when I come to Columbus.

2^d. from the great difference in the species of the *Desoria* of Canada compared to those of the formation in the U. S. 3^d. from the representation of your species, some

of which, ~~as~~ the ferns are made of
seven separate leaflets. - Though, as
every palaeontologist, I try very hard
to specify by their characters the remains
of plants which come to my examina-
tion, I consider the matter as so difficult
and uncertain that I do not attach
any importance to my own specifications
of these fragments. This is perhaps wrong.
And now after reading your letter and
admitting your point of view, I ^{acknowledge} ~~admit~~
that I had not right to make that
remark and say freely that I
regret to have done it.

I shall write to Prof Hager as
much.

Very respectfully yours
O. Lagerberg

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