

6. Nov. 1881.

Jardins

9, SALISBURY ROAD,
WEST BRIGHTON.

My dear Sir

It is many years since we
corresponded with reference to
Nova scotia Brachiopoda &
I fear by this time you must
have forgotten me, or the old
Brachiopod as I am sometimes
called. — It is now, 32 years
since I began my investigations
among the British fossil
Brachiopods for the Pal. Soc
& I am at present publishing
the V. thick volume of that
monograph. Two years
longer will be required to
complete the task I imposed
upon myself. I have spared
neither expense, time or labour
in the endeavor to produce

a creditable & useful work.
The reason why I write at
present is that we find in
our British Lower Silurian
rocks, a Brachiopod that
resembles me particularly
& that I am most anxious
if possible to determine to
what genus it really belongs.
Billings told me years
ago that it had spirals
like Atrypa but that he
never that I am aware
of been positively ascertained.

The A. Heardi is described
by Billings. In the Geol
of Canada Palaeozoic
fauna vol. 1, 1877.
It is stated to occur
1 on the shore of the St. Lawrence

opposite Three Bridges Hudson river
formation

2. on Lake St John, on the
River Saguenay.
3. in the Hudson River
formation near English
Head, Connecticut.

I am most anxious of course
to get some species that my
able friend the Rev. N. Sars
may endeavor to develop
as spirals. & I would to
ask if you know of
any one I could apply
to in Canada who might
have duplicated species,
he would give me for that
purpose -

In my Devonian & Silurian
Fossils now shortly you
will see what admirable
results have been obtained
from the development of the

species & unions of Special
Beary species & genera.

~~If~~ you can assist me in
this matter I feel sure you
will do so, but if unable
do not take any trouble
in the matter

I with many thanks,
I remain yours very

Sincerely

Yrs Davidson

F.R.S. F.L.S. &c
