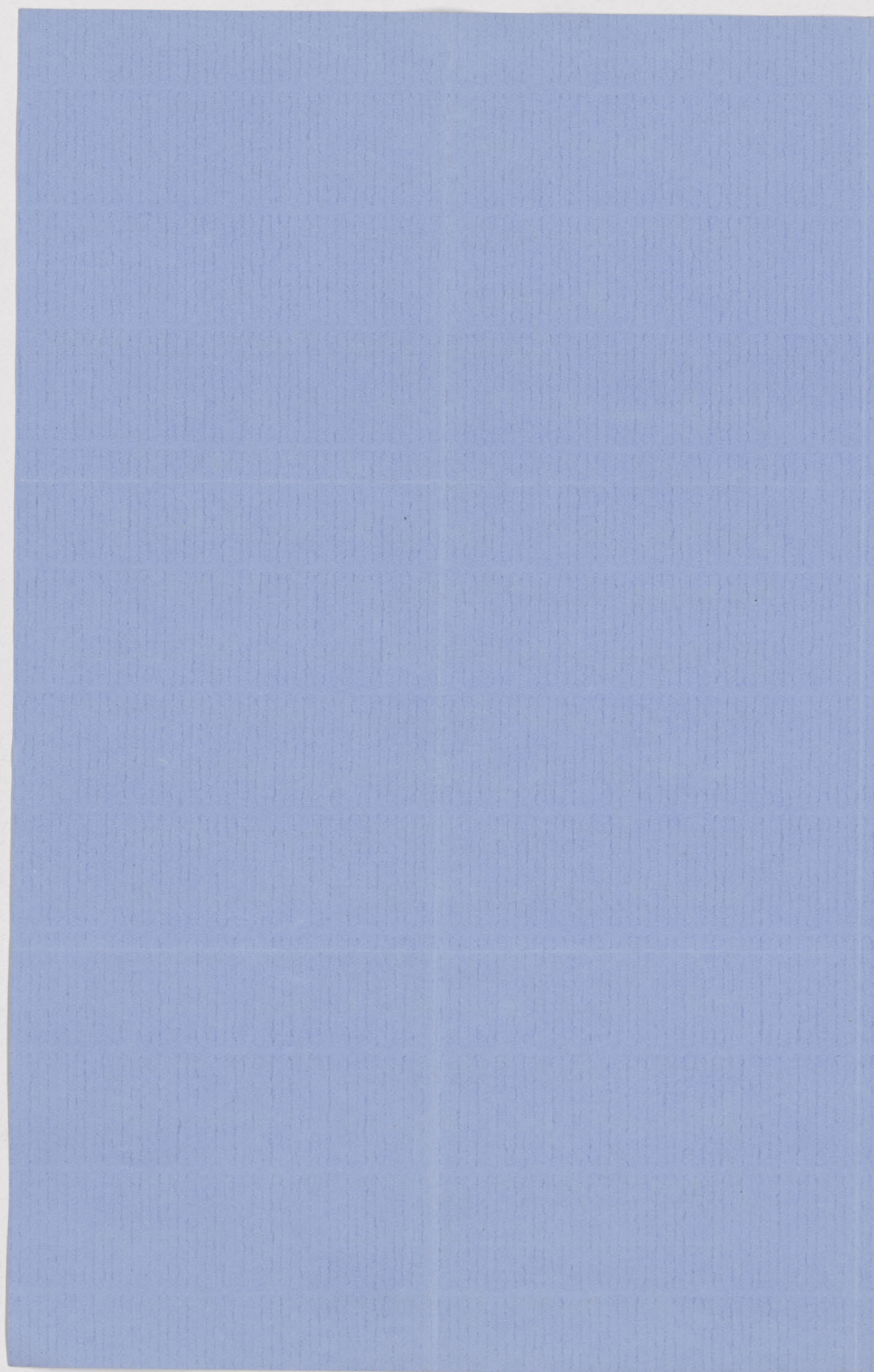


Nov. 20 1881.

Pres. J. M. Dawson

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 5th inst in the matter of the Devonian plants. I had sent you has been rec'd & I thank you for the suggestion you have made of giving the new *Dadoxylon* my name. Although, as I have said to you before, in sending such an indiscriminate mass of material to you, it was not in the expectation of finding many of them new forms, but rather to satisfy myself of the nature & relations of the commoner forms in the rocks, I am still a little surprised that nothing more than the three forms you mention prove to be new. I will surely fall in with your suggestion to preserve all fragments from the Green *Styliola* layer, but would like to know my privileges in the matter of submitting them to



you. I can send you a box of material
as soon as I can get time to collect
it. To what extent can I venture
to send to you? I must not over-
burden you with material but am
happy to have all these plant remains
worked into proper shape, my duty
to science will not allow me
to keep them where it is possible
to have their nature known. If I had
two lifetimes I should undertake to
make the examinations myself for
my own satisfaction as a sort of
protective tariff, but I have only one.

Love Very Truly Yours

John W. Caste

Northampton Mass

Please direct to above

Pap Clarke
Nov 82