

Wheaton
Ottawa. June 17th, 1882.

To Principal Dawson C. M. G., &c. &c.

Dear Sir,

I am thinking of preparing three papers for the meeting of the American Association in August, & write to ask if you can give me any information on the following points.

1. What is about the maximum time usually allotted for the reading of one paper?
2. By what date, at latest, should the M. S. P. of papers be sent in? — If mailed to the General Secretary, should they be addressed to Montreal or Boston?
3. Assuming that in order to read papers or to attend general or sectional meetings one must become a member of the Association for the current year, at least, what steps should be taken to attain that object?

The titles of the papers I intend to read are as follows.

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1. On the so-called Jurassic Rocks of North America.
2. The Fishes of the Devonian Rocks of Canada.
3. Note on the occurrence of Heteropora Neo-zealan-
-dice, Bush, on the S. coast of Vancouver
Island.

The first & second of these papers would require to be illustrated by some diagrams, & by a rather large series of specimens. Would you kindly take charge of these, if sent a little before the meeting takes place? The diagrams are all ready now, & the specimens only require selection & packing.

Faithfully yours,
J. F. Whiteaves.