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Principal J. W. Dawson

My Dear Sir

I have taken the liberty to send you by mail a copy of my book entitled "Sparks from a Geologist's Hammer" I have not the least idea that its perusal will prove at all profitable to you, but I felt a desire to testify my deep respect for your character & for your courageous stand through so many years against a more materialistic or materialistic interpretation of the world.

I find a little hope that in the last one hundred pages of my book you may discover some ground for

gratification that at least
one student of science feels that
the Christian conception of the world
is not in the least invalidated
by the admission that the method
of nature is a method of evolution
Other parts of the book I send only
because they are bound up with
these.

I also take the liberty to send
you a copy of a paper by
myself on the "Speculative Con-
sequences of Evolution" which I
intend merely to serve the same
purpose as the more philosphi-
cal chapters in the book.

Permit me to remain

My Dear Sir

Very sincerely yours

Alexander Winchell