



My dear Sir

I write in haste  
on the eve of leaving town  
for a day or two

Unfortunately I have  
not been able to identify  
Harzia matthewi in the ma-  
terial I have worked at,  
and indeed have little or  
nothing from the locality where  
it probably was found - Rad-  
cliff Stream - I thus have  
no means of testing Walcott's  
interpretation, and have not ac-  
cess to the Regents Report Vol. 23.

You will find that  
Walcott has changed the re-

ference of Discina Acadica  
to Stenotheca see Am. Jour.  
Sci. & Art. early last summer  
or in the Spring.

You will see the true  
form of this shell in <sup>the</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> plate of  
my article now in Mr. Boodle's hands.  
The compressed examples in the  
shale give but an imperfect  
representation of the species.

I enclose proof of an  
article I have written for  
the Record which will give  
you the result of my ex-  
amination of the species.  
Although Carmophorus is slightly  
emarginate in front the form of  
the shell and the straight umbo  
pointed backward comes nearest  
to that of Acadica than any modern  
shell I know of.

The only object I met  
with resembling *Hurtia* was  
a probable ventral valve (cast  
of) of *Acrotreta* *Guillemi* of  
my paper, see lithog. or engrav. of  
my first plate now probably with Dawson  
Bro.

This is all I can think  
of in reference to the two fos-  
sils to which you refer.

I remain dear Sir

yours very truly

J. M. Smith.