

Chalchicomula
16 Nelson Sq. Bet. pines
Sep 8th 86

Dear Sir William

If you are disposed
to take a copy of my
amplified guide to the
Geological Department
of the Central Road
Collection, I think
you would not regret
the outlay - one feature
in it will be figures

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and descriptions of several
Remarkable Fossils in
the Philadelphia Aca-
demy of Sciences -
one of these, in its re-
lation to the replacement
of life structure by
Silica, as a Museum
Specimen, is probably
~~probably~~ the most
marvellous and
historical thing

of the kind in the ³
world - In 1845
the then President
of the Philadelphia
Academy trans-
mitted me ~~the~~ \$1000
dollars wishing me
to use it in hunting
up rare & choice Fos-
sils; and after deducting
my outlay, cost of

4
travelling, my Commission
L^o to forward to
him at Philadelphia
the Patheontological
Result. The specimen
to which I refer was
included in one of
my Philadelphia
Consignments, and
it was safe in the
Philadelphia M^o.
sum ~~the~~ and

Chamberlaine 5

its value fully understood
1887
when Dr Leidy came
to England some
years back. Sir H. Y
De la Beche thought
this Fossil of such
extraordinary interest
that he referred
it when President
of Geological
Society in both his

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Annual addresses.

Before it went out of
my possession I had
it more carefully drawn
on stone, and the impressions
will now be used for the
first trial. The issue
of the work (the amplified
4 to. ~~of the~~ ^{guides}) and the
official 8vo. leaves are
carefully pasted into
the right hand 4 to
pages - two copies

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of the official guide being
used so as to admit of
one page of each leaf
being wasted -

This small Literary & N.
Quail of mine involves
quite a new idea ~~and~~
^{and} so far as what I am doing
has been seen, it meets
with the strongest approval.

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ment by return, gives
full security. —

If you are coming
to London I should
much like to tell
you some of my
thoughts in respect
to abolition — a
theory which greatly
interests me, but

presents itself to me as
bristling with difficulties.

How can it be recon-
ciled with a common
plan of structure
holding good thro'
out endless modifi-
cations. - 7 pieces in
the ship's deck at the
Elephant and why
7 in the prodige only

Elongated neck of the Giraffe!!! - 4 3/4.

Latin words in number 7 in the case of the Elephant, it is only might be expected to find 20 in 17 in the neck of the Giraffe.

~~But~~ When the same my Biological

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Studies I was told
that the only true prin-
ciple of Classification
was to Group animals
& plants in circles.

But I have tried to
see that principle
die out - But for
all that evolution
may stand

as truly yours
Edw Chadworth

BRITISH MUSEUM (NATURAL HISTORY),

Cromwell Road, South Kensington.

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