

99 Mount Vernon Street.

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My dear Sir William:

I thank you very  
sincerely for the four pamph-  
-lets you were so good as  
to send me the other day.

In the "Points of Con-  
-tact between Revelation &  
Natural Science" I have  
been greatly interested, &  
instructed. Especially  
was I pleased with your

suggester remarks on the  
answer of God to Job.

But the very great pos-  
sibility of identifying  
the Old Testament nar-  
rative with the facts  
of geologic history was  
a new idea to me, and  
an extremely interesting  
one.

The other theological  
pamphlet, - part of which  
appears in the preceding, -  
on the place of man in  
nature, - was also very  
interesting.

The two more scientific es-  
says I have read also with very  
great interest, & shall read  
them again with more, &  
am quite sure.

It was very kind to  
send them papers to me  
so much out of the line  
of your favorite pursuits;  
and I am very much obli-  
ged to you for so doing.

Believe me, with great  
respect,  
Sincerely yours

J. A. Ropes

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