

MacKay  
Gibbs



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Sir J. W. Dawson,

My dear Sir, I cannot sufficiently thank you for your very kind letter of the 16<sup>th</sup> inst. I would be quite happy were I sure that my scientific career would eventually justify such recognition as you propose.

I send, as requested, a list of my principal biological papers. You will find them abounding in the "Crude and incomplete." My life has been so busy, that I have not







man able to finish even  
one subject of several which  
for some time have been  
engaging attention. Time for  
laboratory work being in much  
greater demand than time  
for collecting, as President  
of our little "Pict. Acad. Sci.  
Assn." I have had to spend  
a great deal of time which  
might otherwise be occupied  
in doing original work on my  
own account, in encourag-  
ing and assisting "post-grad-  
uate" scientific work on the  
part of some of my students,  
I have had some success,  
and that accounts for my  
being (reluctantly) pushed  
into the presidency of our  
still untried New Section Divi-  
sion School of Science, I presume.

Many thanks for your  
kind word for the "Education-  
al Review," - need with self, fee,

Ever grateful for your  
interest in me,

Love,

Your own truly,

A. H. Mackay