

Ithaca, Oct. 5 '87

Sir Wm Dawson.

Dear Sir:

I am much obliged
to you for the notes you
have added to my paper,
and will take notice of them
in the paper when published.

This paper represents but
one chapter in the Report I
prepared - and the statement
you refer to, in regard to
the lower beds of the Gaspe
Sandstone, pointing out the
association of Onondaga ^{fauna} with

sections, and classifications, I believe, classed
with the upper Jamaica - Of course the precise
line of division may not every where be exact.
But the fauna when present in European rocks
appears always to appear after the *Spirigera* horizon
and shows itself in the fauna.

The paper may now appear in the December
number.

With sincere regards
Yours truly
H. J. Williamson

unmistakable Erian plants—
I had noticed in another place,
and had proposed, for that or
other reasons, the propriety of
classifying the Onitkung Sandstone
with the Devonian, rather than
with the Silurian; following
Terminals and your usage in
this matter.

The argument for associating
the Genesee Black shales with
the upper, rather than middle
Devonian, is based upon a
comparison with the order of
Lamias in Europe: supposing
^{that} the Cuboides zone, if represented
in our sections is the Sulz
limestone of the New York sections.
This zone is in all the European

