

Mr Muller

Deputy Undersecretary

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It was with de-
light, dear Sir
Williams, that I
received your kind
letter, and I at
once obtained from
Mr Hewitt, (whom
you will know
as a geologist, and
who is the son of
the author and
authoress William
and Mary Hewitt)
a copy of the
two decades of ^{reprints} pub-
lications of the ~~reprintable~~

amiriforous drifts,
he being now the
Secy of the Mines
Department here.
I have sent also
by this mail some
spare-specimens
of fossil fruits, which
I happened to have
at hand. It has some
a long time been
my wish, to draw
in closer communi-
cation with your-
self. The more
recent of my works
are available for

Transmission to
you or to your
University, if you
desire them. In
all 40 volumes
large and small
have been published
by me in about as
many years, in
evidence of my share
in Bentham's *Flora
Australiensi's*.
I may perhaps be
able, to be ^{of} otherwise
useful to you. Our
never to be forgotten
friend, Sir J. Gray
wished me, on his
official invitation
some years ago, to

attend the Amer.
Assoc.; but I could
not make the neces-
sary time free. I
was an active
member of the mee-
ting of the German
Assoc. (Vereammlung
der Naturforscher
und Aerzte) in
1846! meeting then
Schlesien, Aerztel & A
Nun in January
1890) I have to preside
over the second mee-
ting of the Australasian
Assoc. for the Advance-
ment of Science, which
will be held in Melbourne

and it will then
be just 50 years,
when I commen-
ced my phytologi-
cal career by researches
on the Danish
Flora. So it will
be to me also the
celebration of a Jubilee.
Is Dr. G. Dawson, of
the geologic departm.
a relative of yours?
I had the pleasure
of being in commu-
nication with him,
and referred in the
latest edition of the
7th) of my "Select
plants for industrial

culture and naturalisation particularly to him, in reference to Canadian trees.

With respectful remembrance, I remain, dear Sir William, your

Serv. J. M. Müller

I have just completed the second volume of Substr. plants (Vascularis) and the elaboration of Sir Wm Macgregor's alpine plants from New Guinea.

Within the last
days a German
Clergyman spoke to
me in terms of
high admiration
of your religious
views. I have also
always supported
religion from the
fields of science.
Best expression
of gratitude for
sending me the
several admirable
palaeanologia
essays of yours.
When the extra-
work for the ~~month~~

Associat. 26th over
I will study these
important pub
lications care
fully.