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Sir William Dawson,

Dear Sir,

I have received the Ms. copy of list of Turritates which you sent me, and am sincerely thankful to you for it. I will make good use of it.

I will be very glad indeed to send you such notes as I have and am getting together on the distribution of these Turritates and shall try to send you an instalment shortly. But there is a way in which you could doubtless get more reliable notes on the Mollusca than I can furnish. Prof. Verrill, in his latest "Catalogue of Marine Mollusca added to Fauna of New England Region [including N.B., N.S., and the Banks] during past ten years" - (Trans. Conn. Acad. Vol. V, 1882,) states that he has in preparation along with Mr. Sanderson Smith "a very detailed paper on the distribution of our mollusca, in which all the available information of this kind will be given in the form of tables, and illustrated by charts" p. 449. I recently ~~was~~ ^{wrote} to Prof. Verrill asking about this report and he replied that other work had so far prevented its publication, "but the tables have all been made up long ago."

This would be precisely what you want, and I should suppose that Prof. Verrill would be very glad to lend you his letters for your purposes. But whether this is practicable or not you of course know best. He did not tell me when he thinks it will be published, but I know it is to be printed by the U.S. Fish Commission. If you do not get these letters, I shall be very glad indeed to send you what I can.

Very truly yours,
W. J. Ganong.

Letter
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