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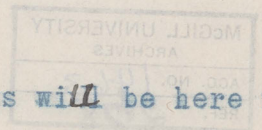
My Dear Sir.

I am here with my old President who used to be in Missouri., and
shall remain about ten days. Then I shall go to Cuba and perhaps to Jamaica

The object is to continue my investigations on continental changes of
level of which there was an abstract in the summer number of the Bull. Geol.
Soc. AS I had the opportunity to go in winter I have availed myself of it
There is very little literature that I can get which will assist me on Cuba.
and from the disturbed political condition I may not succeed as well as I
should like, but it will break the ice and may lead to a future trip if this
be not as successful as I desire.

My object in writing is that Dr. Harrington might mention my trip to you
and you might think that we had given up the Arctic expedition. This is not the
case. Baron Nordenskjöld of Sweeden has subscribed \$ 1000 himself for the
expedition and now with three or four thousand ^{dollars} more we can go. Some seven
thousand are now promised. I should be very glad if in Canada something could
be obtained. I have never announced the reason of my subsidence studies in the
West India region. With the mobility of the continent accepted in southern
regions the objections to Pleistocene movements in the north will be somewhat
favored. Again if there were a Pleistocene Atlantis cutting off tropical heat
with a simultaneous subsidence in the north, glacial conditions would be favored.
After going to the West Indies, I am the more anxious for the northern trip.
I am now completing my Niagara and intend to have it read in England sometime
this winter. There is a great deal more in it than I had expected when commenc-
ing it.

I hope that Your health is good this winter. My address will be here for



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ten days, and in Cuba it will be care of Lawton Bros. Agents for the Plant
Steamship Line, Havana Cuba.

If there be any chance of getting any material aid for the Arctic, I should
be glad if you would let me know. I enclose a letter which if you could approve,
I should be glad if you could say so and forward.

Dr. Laws wishes to be remembered and says that he is under obligations to
you for all your writings. He has retired from Presidential work and is Prof. of
Relations of Natural Science to Religion in the Presbyterian college here.

Yours faithfully
J.W. Spencer

Sir Wm Dawson F.R.S. etc.

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