

Postlethwaite
Cockermouth Keswick & Penrith Railway

J. POSTLETHWAITE,
Accountant.

Office of Accountant.

No. A.O.

Keswick 16th Feby 1897

McGILL UNIVERSITY
ARCHIVES

ACC. NO. 1463

REF. 759

To Sir J. W. Dawson F.R.S.

Dear Sir

I have to acknowledge,

with much pleasure and

with many thanks, the

receipt of the printed copy

of your address, on "Science

the Ally of Religion", delivered

at the jubilee Conference of the

Evangelical Alliance, held
at Midway Park, London
on 1st July 1896, which you
kindly sent me a short
time ago. I have read the
address with much pleasure
and profit, and the pleasure
has been all the greater
owing to the fact that I had
the privilege of spending a little
time in your company, when
you visited Keswick last summer.
I had previously read your
"Geological History of Plants,"
"The Dawn of Life", and "The Cham^{er}

of Life in Geological Time, which
I have in my own little Library,
also Papers contributed by you
to the Victoria Institute, and
the Geological Society, and I
feel greatly indebted to you
for the knowledge I have
acquired from them.

After the work of the
Convention was over I entered
into correspondence with
Mr Kidston of Sterling, with
reference to my Skiddaw
State Plant, and other doubtful
fossil remains, as you
recommended me to do; I
also visited Mr Kidston at

Stirling, and partly carried
partly sent him all the
fossils of that kind in my
possession. He still has them
in hand for careful and
examination and study.

But his studies have been
interrupted by the report of
a "find" of fossil plant remains
in a Railway Cutting near Derby,
and he sought my help to
obtain for him, from the Engineer
of the Midland Railway Co, authority
to dig and search in the said
cutting. I have not yet heard
the result.

With kind regards and best
wishes, to Lady Dawson and yourself,
I am

Yours very sincerely
J. Hottelwaite