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Frederick J. H. Merrill, *Director and state geologist*
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Charles H. Peck, *State botanist*
Ephraim Porter Felt, *State entomologist*
A. G. Richmond, *Honorary curator in archeology*

*Dictated
In reply to yours of*

*State paleontologist's office
State house, Albany N. Y.*

April 5, 1899.

Sir William Dawson,

Montreal, Canada.

My dear Sir:

I am sending you herewith a brief list of the specimens here which have come from you to Professor Hall. If it seems to you practicable and proper I should be very glad to add these to our museum but hold them subject to your advice.

Let me express the hope that the opening spring may bring you new hope and vigor. Your work has been of such wonderful beauty and symmetry and of so great value to your fellowmen that it must be a supreme pleasure to you to contemplate it, as it is to those who have been permitted to know it, at least in part.

I have long wished an opportunity to ask you for a photograph of yourself to hang on the wall of my room with those of other geologists whom I have learned to esteem and admire. I should appreciate it very much.

Believe me, with kindest regards

*Very respectfully
John M. Clarke*

Prof Clark
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