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Dear Sir;

In connection with my work here as instructor in the college, I am trying to collect a scientific library for the college especially with reference to evolution, both pro & con. This library I have designated the Darwinian, not because I regard his views as the only correct ones in regard to the subject of evolution, but because he more than any one else, turned the thoughts of the scientist towards this subject.

Franklin college is yet a small college in comparison with some of our older eastern schools, but the indications are favorable to a healthy growth, and we feel that the day is not very far distant when she will take rank with the best. Although being somewhat at a disadvantage by being poor, we feel that we have the right spirit in our work, and our efforts will not be in vain.

I desire in collecting this library to have for the ac-

cell of our students - the works of each prominent-
author, so nothing will be taken second handed when
it can be gotten otherwise. To make such a collection
will take patience time and money. But to meet
these difficulties I am asking authors whose works
I should like to have in such a library, if they feel
so disposed, to contribute them, or such part as they
like. This library is not to be confined to books alone,
but to periodicals and papers as well. I just rec'd
today some eight or ten very valuable papers from
Prof C. S. Morse of Salem Mass. Prof. Cope and Le Conte also
have sent valuable papers. If you have your last vol-
dictory before the Association for the Advancement of Science
in pamphlet form and you think my object a worthy
one, I should be pleased to have it in the collection, or any
other of your valuable works that you would like to
contribute: viz "Origin of Worlds" Earth & Man &c.

Most Respectfully
Yours
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