

Paris, Sept 5<sup>th</sup> 1847

I received your letter  
and parcel on Wednesday last,  
and having had time to examine  
your specimen yesterday, I now  
send you its description. It is  
gray Manganese ore, consisting of  
sesquioxide of Manganese with  
about 10 per cent of water. The  
specimen sent is nearly quite  
pure, containing only a mere trace  
of oxide of Iron, and I think,  
in some parts, a little Peroxide

Manganese. It may be used  
in the production of Oxygen gas, in  
the manufacture of chlorine for bleach-  
ing, and in the glass manufacture,  
though for all these purposes it  
is inferior to the pure Peroxide of  
Manganese. I think however, that  
if it could be procured without  
great expense, it might be sold to  
advantage in Britain or the U States.

It would require no preparation for  
the market except to be separated  
from any other minerals with which  
it might be mixed in the vein,  
and perhaps, if a vein of this mineral  
were opened, it might be found to  
contain also some of the more valu-

all ones of the same metal.

I have specimens of the same ore  
from the Shulemachee of the East  
Amer. Boston, but yours is the best  
specimen I have seen in this Pro-  
vince, If a large quantity of it  
can be found, it should be im-  
mediately tried in the market, as  
(if the Mining company permit) a  
Mining Trade might possibly be founded  
on it, though not likely a very extensive  
one

With best wishes for your welfare  
& that of your family

I am yours truly

J. Dawson

Letter to  
Enol Boyd

~~W. Mangano~~

the case of the young man  
I have been thinking of you  
from the time I saw you  
in your letter, but I have not  
had time to write you in the  
past few days. I have been  
very busy with a large quantity  
of work. I am sorry that I  
cannot be more helpful to you  
at this time. I will be glad  
to hear from you again.

I am your  
friend  
W. Mangano