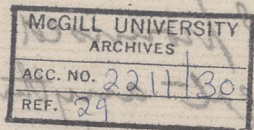


George Smith London Nov 3 /70



Dear Papa

The Bill of Exchange came quite early, arriving day before yesterday for which many thanks. You asked if letters mailed by Currier came earlier than those by Canada. Usually I have found them arrive just about the same time, though the one you sent last got here two days before. The Nichols minor only got here all right, I am glad for it is very scarce. Smyth does not use any particular text book, but recommends Nichol because his & Smyth's notation, & nomenclature are founded on the same German author (I forget his name).

Sir C Lyell asked me when I saw him on Sunday if you had found anything of interest by your examination of the Scotch Devonian fossils, such as *Sylophidites*

in the old Red & He said that you  
had written to him but not any particulars.  
I promised to ask you, & if you have  
got anything of the sort perhaps you might  
write to him. It will of course be only  
for his information, as his book, (reviewed)  
is almost out.

Etteridge says he has picked out the  
fossils for you, & that they have cost nothing.  
He intends to pack them & give them to  
me soon.

The sample post, in so far as sending  
by private people is done away with, or  
I would have sent Bradys raised  
Entomus by it. I will find out before  
next week whether they will go by book  
post or not.

Believe me your affectionate son

Henry H. Dawson.

P.S. At Amherst on Sunday, besides myself there  
was a Mr Pierre of Cambridge Mass. He is  
conducting the American eclipse expedition to  
Spain & Italy. He desired to be remembered to  
you.