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My dear Father,

In answer to your questions about Saramie. — I think all the Mesosaurian & turtle came from the lower beds, St Mary's River or analogues, except one turtle found in Willow Creek Series. None have been found in Paraspine Hill beds yet, but this counts for nothing simply because the Paraspine Hill Series has not been enough searched. I say I think because I do not quite know that Lyell may not have found some Mesosaurian remains in the higher part of Saramie in his district. The molluscs are much in the same state,

So few & so fragmentary things have
 so far been got from the Parupine Hill
 localities that little can be said about
 them but Mr White says that as far
 as they go they appeared identical
 with the St Mary River lot. all well
 have from the Parupine Hill series
 be said to have been collected by ^{White} ~~James~~
 at Shaganappi Point, ^{See p. 2. Mr Wh. report} I am quite

opinion, however, that if anyone will
 to go & look through the Parupine Hills
 beds might be found with plenty fossils,
 & if so I should be surprised if they differed
 from that in St Mary R. series to any
 great extent. You will see in Mr Wh's

report that out of 7 species recognized in
 Souris River (Fort Union) 4 are common
 to the St Mary R. subdivisions of the
 Western Taramie
 yours
 Geoff

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 Dec 18 1866
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