

Halifax 20 July 1849.

J. M. Dawson Esq  
Dear Sir

I am favoured with yours of the 25<sup>th</sup> and well know how to thank you for all the trouble you have taken to analyze the various specimens I have sent you. I felt assured that what I last forwarded were of no great value but they and such like have set some of our wisemen quite agog and have been charged with all kinds of sinister designs for merely hunting my belief that they were valuable under some delusion ~~and~~ to such extent to the value of the tinctorial when they come. I was sent for to go down to the 5 Islands and there found Mr Duncanson, Balguy and the whole paper Committee, a few old and knotty, the only old in part objects. Certainly of the metals many of any value there were plenty of them - Copper, tin, silver and a variety of other pieces, a valuable quantity was certainly found, but from the fact I ascertained there was little of anything, but iron and Sulphur and this specimen you can find, I mention just attentively in front of me, have been made - and much of my appointment I fear will result.

I am now on the point of leaving for Boston via New Brunswick, and prefer to be about about a few more weeks - in my return I must beg you to appear to me (professionally) a week or two

time and I presume to that you busily employed.  
You will be able to render me essential service  
what I will cheerfully acknowledge and you will  
at the same time acquire all the information  
you may require to enable you to prepare the  
proposed paper on the Speculation etc. - You  
must allow me to encourage this good intention  
by a contribution of 10 guineas to this object. I  
have no doubt you will make it a most interesting  
communication and as you will be doing me  
great service you must whilst engaged on the  
explorations consider yourself in my pay - I will  
send you the earliest notice of my return and I  
hope you will be able to meet me - My time  
is getting short - indeed I ought now to be employed.  
I have not the least doubt that my  
territory embraces good veins of Copper but  
perhaps they have not been sought for - at  
several places, miles apart, such specimens  
as you have seen have been found. The identical  
one that you examined was found very near  
to our iron diggings - of iron we have at the  
Great Valley Run, enormous deposits - I have  
already shipped some for Britain and

The United States -

If you should wish to communicate  
with our exhibit in the States please  
address to care of Dep<sup>y</sup> Jackson Ho  
Boston -

The red ones at the G. V. are becoming as we go  
under our own contact and pressure and  
are intermixed with specimens - indeed the red  
appears to be nearly a variety of the specimens  
partially decomposed, and much considered  
it is a better condition for exhibition - It  
also seems partly to have taken the form  
of particles in the state - I have some lead  
specimens of magnetic iron ore from one  
of the Western Counties -

The specimen from Colorado which you say  
contains some lead may lead to some good  
discoveries - It comes from the Lead region - I think  
there are good veins of Lead in my property  
but we shall know more about all these  
matters after I have had the

Wm

Please your company for 8 or 10  
Days in London - near town

Yours truly

J. J. J.

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July 1st