

McGill College
Montreal
Nov 4, 1889

My dear Sir,

Prof. Baird of
The Smithsonian having in-
timated to me your kind
consent to name our
collection of Canadian
Coleoptera, I have
put up and shall
send by express in a
day or two, a case
containing two large trays

being the "Cooper Collection"
formed by Mr. Wm Cooper of
Proctor, and purchased
of him by the University.

I have authorized from
the college to send them
to you to be determined and
catalogued, and described
if there are any new species;
with permission to take
duplicates for your col-
lection.

We can publish here

in the Canadian Naturalist,
the catalogue and descriptions;
but this not
to interfere with your
publishing elsewhere any
thing of general interest.

The species to which
names are attached, have
I believe been published
by Mr Cooper in the
Canadian Journal of Zoology.
I have not the numbers
to send; but the vols.

are no doubt in the
Academy of Sciences.

I shall be glad to
hear from you when
the box arrives, and to
learn that its contents
have reached you safely.

The box is prepaid.

Recd at 24 Centre St, New York
1/15/88
Yours very truly
W. Dawson

P.S. The cover is fastened by screws;
and by removing a screw at the
side, a board which holds the
trays will come out. W.D.