

St John N.B. 16 Dec '68

My dear Sir,

After hunting around among the offices of the Nat. Hist. Soc. here I have at length recovered list and letter explanatory of contents of boxes of Devonian plants returned by you last summer. Without reference to these I could not reply to your last letter respecting them.

At a council meeting held last week I mentioned the distribution which you had made to in Canada and to a Professor in Florence.

They wish that the following Canadian Societies (if they all have Museums) should be supplied - if that has not been already done - : Historical Society, Quebec, Canadian Institute Toronto & some leading institution in Kingston. ~~and the Natural History Society of Montreal~~ ~~They do not~~ if that body desires a set. They also wish collections sent to the Nat. Hist. Soc.

of Buffalo, the Academy of Chicago
a Society in St Louis if not too expensive
and any others to which you may think
it desirable to distribute. They particularly
particularly wish sets sent to societies
in Europe ^{and elsewhere} if the expense will not be too
heavy. The matter is left principally
to your judgment as to which bodies
would most likely make returns to
increase our collections in many points
in which they are deficient, as in Geo-
logy the Pleiocene Miocene, and all the
secondaries ^{and} Permian. Tropical
^{and Extratropical American} Zoology & Botany. They will reimburse
expenses incurred in distributing to amount
of \$20. It was ordered at the meeting
to send from here a set to the Smithsonian
one to Essex Institute and another to Cornell
University -

So long as the season permitted
I was at work for Survey - but now being
released shall as soon as time & opportunity
allow have a look for vegetable remains

in graphite led.

With nothing more of
interest to communicate at present

I remain very truly and respectfully
yours

Wm. Brewster.