

Office of School Commissioners for City of Halifax,

80 ARGYLE STREET,

Dear Doctor Dawson

Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> 1869

Permit me through you to return my most grateful acknowledgments to Dr Carpenter for his kindness in sending me a choice selection of shells which were doubly acceptable inasmuch as many of those sent were new to my collection, while others enable me to accurately identify species already in my possession. I regret that from a pressing of duty I was unable to acknowledge your kind letter and accompanying parcel on the late day - if not encroaching too much on your time, would you add to your unvarying kindness to me by asking whether I can send Dr Carpenter any desiderata in the conchological way from my native collection. I can send him some fine specimens of Pecten Islandicus if desirable -

Can I not do anything for you in the same line - have you ever examined any of the so called Shale Marl from Walton - which is one mass of dead shells of paludina - Amnicola limnea - planorbis - Cyclus &c



I have just received some imperfect specimens  
of a fusus from Sable Island which in my  
opinion differ materially from either *F. Islandicus*  
or *F. pygmaeus* - I would like to send 2 or 3 for  
your inspection - Shall I send them to you  
as I have duplicates you can retain them  
if you wish - I hope to be able to enjoy  
2 or 3 days good dredging in Bedford Basin  
this season and if not disappointed I will  
show the results with you if any -

Remain

Very respectfully  
your most obliged  
J R Miller

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