

Fairholme Outlands Park
Weybridge Surrey
May 27th 1870

Professor Dawson
No 20 Halsey Street
Cadogan Street
Chelsea

My dear Sir,

I called on you

last week but unfortunately you were
out of town I left my card but did not
think of putting any address upon it I was
to day in your neighbourhood but had
not time to call having an appointment with
Mr J Vaughan Morgan the eldest of the
brothers who are the proprietors of the Battersea
Crucible Works I had sent them a specimen
of my Phosphago and they had made an
analysis of it a copy of which I enclose
as it may be interesting to you showing
96% of pure Carbon.

Knowing the interest you take in all such
matters Mr Morgan is going to call upon you
and invite you to go and see their Crucible

Their process is a secret being a patent
and I have not been over them myself
but they make exception with men of science
I am over here for the purpose of selling
my mine or getting up a company and
am trying to interest them in the matter
and want them to take stock and
then to be on the Board of Direction
that if you could kindly say anything
which would impress them with the
value of the mine I should feel very much
obliged to you.

Had I seen you I was going the way
if you had heard anything connected
with graphite which could be of any use to
me in my efforts to dispose of the Property and
if so if you would have kindly dropped me
a letter which you would authorize me
to make use of or if you could in any way
confirm your already excellent and full
report by a confirmation of it to this date
as several of those I have been speaking to

are trying to interest them in the matter

100 grains free from quantity yielded

Carbon ————— 96. ~~2~~

Silica ————— 2 2

Alumina ————— 1. 1

Ox Iron ————— 5

Lime very slight trace

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I have asked me if I have not had better
information it being just 18 months since
we visited the property together.

It is the St Mary Mine that I am offering
which also embraces that formerly called
the St Charles Mine.

It is 1300 being Lots Nos 15, 16, 19, 20, 21 &
22 in the 5th Range & the North Half of Lot
21 in the 4th Range

I am asking £100,000 for the Property
knowing that a very large sum will
have to be spent in getting it taken up
I fear I am trespassing too much on your
time with this long letter but from your very
kind expressions of willingness to assist me
when we had lost the pleasure of seeing you
in Montreal I have thus ventured to
trespass on your time

Believe me
Yours truly
Herbert Mortimer

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A. M. W. W.
May 7th

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