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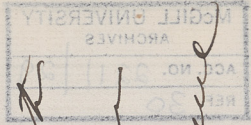
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My dear Sir

George Venturo in his last letter that you had kindly shown him the U.S. of Weir's paper on the Late Carboniferous plants, and states one or two references to American Devonian which I would be sorry if Weir should publish. More especially, my "St John Bed" are far below "Chemung & Cattskill". Stratigraphically they are at least Middle Devonian, and their flora is nearer akin to Lower Devonian than it is even to Upper Devonian.

With regard to percentage of species it is to be observed that there are far more Carboniferous species than

I do not know Keen's address or <sup>should wish to be</sup> but he  
will have the manuscript to <sup>copy</sup> sent <sup>all</sup> <sup>of</sup> <sup>the</sup>  
reference to my plants, <sup>until</sup> <sup>I</sup>  
can have an opportunity to find  
him correct in print. He will ob-  
lige me a great favor as I have no  
time to spare to correct printed  
mistakes, and would see where he  
study his paper and see where  
I might find the right lines with  
no complete brain series. I  
have to contact him. I shall



Deerian & make comparisons  
with — that my identifications  
with Carboniferous species are  
stated to be in great part  
uncertain, and made on  
the principle that where a  
distinct specific difference  
does not appear it is better  
not to make a distinction.

Further in my lists I can  
only make out 7 species com-  
mon to St John & Carboniferous  
and if these two are removed  
by the later facts in my  
paper now in the hands  
of the Royal Society <sup>even then I do not know</sup> <sub>not a word of</sub>

I cannot understand  
how Beer can have got  
his <sup>specimens unless he has</sup> <sub>referred to St John's without seeing them</sub>  
referred to <sup>as</sup> <sub>St John's</sub> <sup>in</sup> <sub>his</sub> <sup>Geology</sup> in which of course  
the St John Beds alone  
are mentioned and not  
the other Deerian masses  
at Gaspi and elsewhere.

Just received a new lot of <sup>copies of</sup> paper  
German plants from the State  
I am just what I presume will  
be needed the number of Mrs  
"Mrs" stage than the middle  
German of it than can be. I  
shall hope to publish them  
this winter. They contain magnificent  
trunks of the ferns.

With all kind regards

Yours sincerely

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