

50 Lombard St. London
31 Jan 1871.

My dear Sir

The articles are beginning
to excite attention & as
soon as the series is per-
haps advanced they will be
criticised in the *fort. Mag.* &
otherwise brought to the fore. You
will probably after completion in
present form have them published
here (not by the *R. S.*) as a
separate volume to which you
can easily add from your already
published books & brochures.

My friend Mr. A. Taylor wants

You to notice his ⁹ Pluvial
period², as the best name for
the quaternary, founded on a
real character which explains
much. He considers that he has
established the excess of rainfall as
a preparation for the last phase
of the drift - the best period. I
am not clear that he is right
but there may be some general
truth in the proposition that
it cannot be maintained universally
was much as we undoubtedly have
feet at the base as well as
summit of the boulder clay.

J. Macaulay is in high
feather at the scientific
table you have given to Science
House. I consider the publication
worthy to be thus distinguished for
it really contains more good stuff
than than any other periodical tho'
single number of them very
outstrip it in immediate interest
& other serials may acquire display
more sensational work.

I wish you could be with us
to support Mr Prestwich at our
dinner: dinner in Feb. We are
at present sadly wanting in
stars throughout the London sky

Yours faithfully

Dr Dawson

J. Mattison

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~~W. L. G.~~

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