

Hanover N.H., May 15/1871

Principal Dawson,

My Dear Sir,

I am
much obliged for your favor of the
4th inst.

Circumstances beyond my control have
delayed the publication of the Atlas -
Instead of April there can possibly
be no printing before July - and it is not
absolutely certain but there may be
some further delay - The difficulty
arises from the fact that I am obliged
to go into field-work in New Hampshire
during - and before the text of the Atlas
is all ready - The publishers wish to
see all the Mss before beginning to
print - partly that they may know
exactly what they will have - and partly
to avoid the delay which they are afraid

will come, in case they begin to print
while some of the MSS is wanting.
I usually employ the ascending order
in describing the formations - but it is
a matter of little consequence.

If you can send the matter which you
are so kind as to promise, about the
first of July, I think I can get
the other matter ready - whether the
publishers will feel authorized to go on

Respy Yrs
C. H. Hitchcock

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