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My dear Sir,

I am very much
obliged of your kind expressions
of opinion with reference
to my report on Lepid
plants; which I can
assure you I value as
much as I could the
opinion of any one I know,
and I shall be glad
if you will kindly aid
in circulating it among
those polemic topographers with
whom you are in

From the start of all the
American paleontologists, and
it would be a great thing
for the Survey to put itself
fairly in advance on this
subject. Besides the disc-
coveries now being made
in Wales and the
very important questions
pending about the
arrangement and nomen-
clature of the Permian
rocks, invest the subject
with great present im-
portance to all geologists.

The illustrations (of Lithography)
can I think be done well
and moderately here. Mr
Seaburn has some very
good German workmen
who could I have no
doubt draw your prints
at once on the stone,
even if you cannot sup-
ply your Smith's plate
on the survey. My ex-
perience of their work has
unprepared me very favourably,
and I think you would
find it satisfactory. Such a
work as you would produce
on the Pennantial would I have
no doubt take rank with Bar-
clay's, and place Canada abreast
of, if not in advance of, Bohemia
in this subject

Fredy Jones
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