

Smithsonian Inst.,
Washington, Dec. 20th, 1872.

Prof. Dawson.

My dear Sir —

I am very much obliged to you for the suggestions, and new facts, you were so kind as to communicate, in regard to the Virginia fossil ferns. Owing to the fact that my M.S. was mislaid, and could not be found, during my absence in the far-west, last summer, my paper on these plants has not yet been printed; but it will probably soon go to press, as the lithographs are already done.

I will, of course, take note of your suggestions, giving you credit for the same. As soon as the paper is in type, I will also send you a copy.

Wishing you a happy closing up of the old year, and a pleasant entrance upon the new,

I remain very truly yours.

F. B. Meek.

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