

Lancaster O. Aug 17. 1879

My dear Dr:

Your kind favor of the 13th inst.,
reached me a day or two since. Yesterday, I
spent an hour with Mr. DeGunnerus ^{Appley} comparing
views in regard to the ^{upper} Warley plants, of which
I have written you. We agree in this that my
larger forms, some of which are 5 or 6 inches long
with leaves nearly an inch in length, and also the
intermediate forms, between the large & the fine
feathery form, are so distinct from your Philo-
phyton as defined & illustrated by you that a new
genus will be required for them. The feathery
forms will need careful study. Those with the same
concretions with the larger kinds are fragmentary.
Although the first impression on our minds is that these
They are generically united with the larger, I shall
myself hold the question in abeyance. I have just
about the same geological horizon, but from another county,
very beautiful specimen of a feathered form which
may upon examination be specifically different.
None of all the foregoing, large or small, of which I have
a very large number of specimens, altogether,

show any tendency towards a circinate character
which marks your P. Thompsonii. But I know
from the lower Manerly, two leaves, of a different
species perhaps, with the circinate curves,
the leaflets are much longer than in your P. Thompsonii
& the structure of the stem is pretty well known,
indeed the plant has little in common with your
P. Thompsonii except the circinate feature, which
is not the most important. None of my forms have
much resemblance to your P. Thompsonii
perhaps
One is more like L. Vanuxemi. If, as now offered
probably with less accuracy will not have the time to
study & describe this material. I shall do it myself
as best I can. There is material enough in our
Manerly plants for a little monograph, & I think
you will, on examination of the drawings I hope to
obtain, agree with Mr L. that the plants are
of much interest.

It has not occurred to me that the Lepidodendron quadrilaterum, of which I sent a dim impression on poor
paper, was closely allied to Lepidophyllum. I know
a few distinct forms of the latter, but they are quite
unlike the L. quadrilaterum. I showed my specimen
to Mr. Deshayes - who, like all the older & more ex-
perienced workers, does not like to admit a new spe-
cies, if it can be avoided. He agreed with me that it
was new. I have recently obtained perfect & distinct

specimens of my Lepidodendron Rushillense,
(Vol. II. Ohio Report) & this also he considers a
new & valid species. The specimen from which
the figure in the Report was drawn was poor,
I have several forms of Lepidodendron, which
puzzle me as they do Mr. C - but I hope in
time to study them out.

I am glad you are working on the Lepidophlology
- type. It has given me some trouble & I would
welcome a thorough discussion of the subject.

I have your Report on Lower Car. & Mill Street
Fossils & Canada - thanks to your former generous
I notice - p. 9, 20 of the Report, you speak of having
rec'd from "the lowest Carbonaceous bed, Ohio"
specimens of Lepidodendron corrugatum. Do
you remember the locality? I do not remember
to have seen it.

Please do copy a letter or two or more
very kindly yours

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