

School Museum.

Clow, Ont. Oct. 30, 1876.

Dr. Dawson.

Dear Sir, I am greatly obliged to you for the trouble you have taken in the examination of the fossils I sent to you from the Guelph Formation. If you think any of them possess characteristics sufficiently peculiar to warrant specific designation, you would still further oblige me by giving them names.

I shall follow your advice in the matter of searching carefully for more perfect specimens, but have only a slender hope of being at all successful. I have not met with anything new in the Stromatopora way, or I should have sent it to you. If you have not *S. ortidala* (Michelson, Pal. of Ont. Vol II) although it does not occur here, or nearer than Guelph, I shall endeavor to procure specimens for you, if desirable.

Please to forward my specimens by Express from Montreal - payable here. I would like to get them as soon as possible as I am engaged in the preparation of a chart and catalogue of all the organic forms of this formation. Please also to let me have with the parcel, the piece of *E. Canadensis* you kindly alluded to last time you wrote. I have been anxious to get a specimen ever since our collection here was formed. The small polished bit you previously sent I have very coolly kept for my private cabinet.

I am very respectfully yours
David Boyle.

