

Claypole

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My dear Dr Dawson

You have perhaps wondered at my delay in sending the cost when you have been your self in the same condition. My time has been so occupied with work that I was obliged to set aside the whole subject until a more convenient season. I intend to send you the case tomorrow. Please let me know if it does not soon reach you - I suppose H. M. Cousins' Officer will not open it.

I shall feel much indebted to you for any suggestion or remarks you can give me. I have written a description of it & am compiling a short account

of the program of discovery of land
plants to accompany it.

Can you oblige me with the loan
of a copy of your "fossil plants
of the Devonian" 1871 for a
short time? I do not think
I can find it in our district
& do not possess a copy.

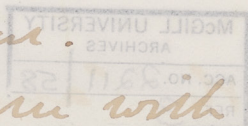
I should also like to ask you
whether in speaking of Po. principis
as U.S. in your Acadian geology?
you regard the upper part of the
Jaspé limestone in which the Ab-
erdeen fauna of it occurs as the
equivalent of the N.Y. Oriskany
Sandstone now called the
Summit of the Silurian by
Hall. I cannot deter-
mine from the language of
the Canada Survey to com-

bound with that is your A.C.
whether there remain are so
near the top as to be regarded
as Oriskany or so far down as
to come into the Lower Helder-
berg (equivalent of -). Again

I also wish to ask if you have
any opinion on the question whether
Eophyton was in any way a
land plant? I cannot (find
myself) any evidence to satis-
fy me that it was.

I am inclined ~~to~~ to
place my specimen in the
genus Lepidodendron at all
events provisionally - feeling
all evidence that might have been
derived from the vascular system
had they been present.

Will you favour me with



An opinion on the points

The case is not quite as distinct as the original but shows I think all the chief features & details of the specimen.

I propose to name it
Lep. Eatonense from the
place where it was found
Eaton O. This involves no
theory of its age or of anything else
No doubt one day some other
will come to light older still
Yours very truly

E. W. Clapton

