

Clayton

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My dear Dawson

Your notes reached me yesterday evening. I am glad to receive the support of your opinion on some points. I had been puzzled by the deep depression of the leafscar & when in Antio last week I examined all the specimens I could get at in my parents' collection but found that constant difference which you allude to. You will see however by the copy enclosed of the description which I read at the meeting of the Natural History Society there that I had done as you suggest - put it into the genus Sep. provisionally at least.

I have written a short summary of the progress of the Airway gland plants in America to accompany the description

Will you kindly tell me if I have noted every-
thing of yours that is important in the follow-
ing list (I am much obliged to you for
the volumes sent. I could not get fishes
of them even in the public library at
Cortli)

1859 paper in Z. f. G. S.

1861 Canadian Naturalists

1862 paper in Z. f. G. S.

1863 Further Remarks Z. f. G. S.

1868 Acadian Geology 2nd Ed.

1870 Bakerian Lecture R. S.

1871 paper in Z. f. G. S.

— Foss. Plants of Canada

~~1876~~

I saw the paper in the Geol. Mag. by
Count Saporita & was much interested
You ~~will shortly~~ have probably received
from Mr. Lequereux a pamphlet con-
taining a notice of some fossil plants
from the Silurian rocks of America.
(You may remember the controversy on the

subject of Protostigma in the Am. Jour-
nal 74). Among them he has Per-
lophyton gracilimum. When you re-
ceive the box from Mr Miller you
will find a parcel containing this
common fossil at Cinti. May I
ask you your opinion of it for
my own satisfaction? We have our
own down here as you will see
by the tickets but are rather an-
xious to know what you think about
it.

Some time ago I compared my specimen
with Bergenia rhombica from Scotland with
dep. tetragonum (Quenstedt's description only)
from Germany & with Darwinia fossil
from Queensland as figured by Carr
there & was convinced of its general
resemblance to that type. But the
difference in horizon is great. Are not the
seams too regular for a Free Sea?

If not trespassing upon you too much may
I use what you sent me in substance

if not in full? I hesitate because you
may perhaps feel some lurking doubts
about its age as is quite natural not
having seen it. Can I remove them by
telling you that several gentlemen ^{said they} came to
the meeting in Anti proposed to object if pos-
sible but that after I had laid the evidence
before them & shown them the slab not
a single word of the kind was said. All
were satisfied on the point.

Prof. Dunc talks me he will try & have
room for it in March but will not figure
it. So I shall study the description
& the paper to avoid delay. But I think
it ought to be figured & shall try & get
this done in some other way.

With compliments of the Season

Remain

Your truly

EW Clapp

