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Prof J. W. Dawson Montreal.

My dear Sir.

I sincerely thank you for the communication of the pamphlet and also for the kind favor of your letter. I owe to your obliging liberality all your memoirs separately published or reported from the Journal of the Geological Society of England. I have also bought the works of yours which were offered for sale. The only memoir not ~~yet~~ ^{formerly} obtained is that on a specimen of Diptychyon. It is very interesting and valuable. Of the Reports of Maine I have that of 1861. where p. 248 is recorded a list of species (Devonian) found in Perry County Maine, at Gaspe and St John Canada. I have also what is published by Hall in his seventh annual Report. 1863. p. 97. On the flora of the Devonian Period in North-eastern America. But I think that you published something more in a more

recent Report of ~~Wheeler~~ as an appendix
to the fossil plants of that State; and this
I do not ~~have~~ Could you therefore let
me know the titles of the Report or works
where these supplements have been published
I would be most obliged to you.

I was quite surprised of what you
say about the quotation from your fossil
Plants of the Devonian etc. in that paper
on Silurian plants. I understood that
these limestones which underlie the Gaspe
Sandstone ^(n. 66) are the same limestone where
occur the remains of *Psilophyton* and
copied nearly verbally the paragraph p. 67.
quoted between " . The addition is rather
defiguration of your words by a few of
my own, serving as points of union between
sentences, is indeed very apparent; but I
can not see how I did misrepresent
your meaning. Any how I am very
sorry for it. Of my bad English, I
know much more than you can say
or think. English is for me a dead

language. Totally deaf since about fifty years
I have not heard a word of English in my
life. Of course much is changed in the
life of a man deprived of one of his senses
and of any kind of ^{social} intercourse, and perhaps
something may be pardoned to him
on that account.

Very respectfully yours
L. S. Searcy

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