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My dear Sir

I should think that if I can receive the ms. of your proposed paper any time before the middle or latter end of April you may make pretty sure of having it read before the Society. - If it arrives later than is now

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momentarily about the
matter, - papers coming
in May, especially when
the authors cannot be
present, an very liable
to get pushed on to the
final Massacre. -

Many thanks for the
Ezoon pamphlets,
I see you treat Hahn's
"Uryelle" as a serious work, -
I can only regard it as
a gigantic & rather

ponderous joke. - A man
who ~~was~~ declares that
the Widmanstättenian
figures in meteoric iron
are traces of plants, that
he finds plant-structures
in lava, & that all rocks
are plant-structures, so
that the crust of the
earth represents a
sort of Sargasso bank
floating on the primordial
ocean, if he does so
seriously ought to be

placed when he can do no
harm to himself or others.

I don't know that if the
book is, as I suspect,
a scientific joke, ~~that~~
it says my much
for the author's sanity.

Believe me

Yours truly

H. S. Dallas,

Principal Dawson