

St. Johns N^o.



1st November 80.

My dear Sir.

I have taken the liberty
of addressing you, at this time in
consequence of a Newspaper con-
troversy which has taken place and
is still going on, with regard to the
discovery of copper ore in this Island,
and the cause that has to do with it
which you have has been prominently
brought forward.

In the "Morning Chronicle"
of the 19th of Oct. which I have forwarded
you, you will find a letter addressed
to the "Maine Mining Journal" over
the signature of M. Harvey, who has
been acting for the Canadian Papers

for some time past on Newfoundland and
Newfoundland matters. He has inadvertently
fallen into error and has quoted you
as the person that has first given me
"a hint of the existence of copper ores
"in Newfoundland and that your predictions
"has founded on the existence here of
"the same or discovery of the Quebec
"group of rocks which have been
"ascertained by the work of a Canadian
"Geologist,"

I also forward you a copy of the
same paper of the 26th Oct. in which I
reply to the portion of Mr. Harvey
letter which refers to you. And I trust
you will corroborate what I have
stated so far as you are individually
concerned. I am desirous to be placed
in my true position, as an attempt
has been made by C. F. Bennett who is

The only defect principally, to depend
me of the credit of being the discoverer
of the existence of the extensive Mineral
deposits in the Northern section of this
Island, as well as the Serpentine Rocks
and their associates and that period
to the issue of any Canadian Geologist
or any information from you that I am
aware of, that led to their discovery.

I am sorry to trouble you on this
matter, but passing upon your valuable
time, but would you please see if
you could give me an early reply.
So that I may be in a position to
correct the ^{part} statements made, and if
you have no objections, I intend forwarding
your reply. I am

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My dear Sir
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