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The original of this letter is  
fastened in the front cover of  
a third edition of Acadian Geology.  
I conclude it belonged to D'Arcey  
W. Thompson.

It is held with Accession 2353.

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[Nick de Jong]



Muskeget,  
3rd Hill College. Nov 11/50

My dear Sir,

I thank you for  
your paper on Neotoma, with  
the conclusions of which I

fully agree. I however

you will kindly look into  
American Geology, at page  
454, you will see that

de Quatrefloris is not a  
name of mine but

Storobin's original name,  
which has prints on  
that of Shubley and  
Hutton; and the question  
of the Con-Sears being



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alternate & in two rows  
is of no consequence, since,  
as I have shown, this differs  
on the upper & under sides  
of the same branch;

You will also see,  
at p. 456 of *etc. Geol.*, that  
my opinion as to the scars  
having borne cones is  
founded on actual obs  
ervation in one instance.  
This was a specimen found  
more than thirty years ago,  
and sent to the Geological  
Society of London, in whose

collection <sup>it</sup> is no doubt still  
buried. Unfortunately I never  
had an opportunity to  
examine it, though I referred  
to it in an early paper  
in the Society's Journal,  
regarding it however at  
that time as a Lepiz  
nodendron with lateral  
cones.<sup>\*</sup> I had also  
examined myself of the  
nature of the scars, by a  
comparison of them with  
those of the Red Pine of  
this country, which often

\* Which was Brongniart's way regarding  
these plants at the time.



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bears large cones on  
branches two or three  
inches thick, which ~~present~~ <sup>leave</sup>  
when removed the same  
sort of deformed circles.  
My statements on this and  
other matters of fossil botany,  
have been treated with neglect  
by Cullen & others; but perhaps  
they will give heed to yours.

In case you have not  
the *Academy of Geology* in  
February, I enclose an order  
to Messrs Oliver & Boyd for  
a copy.

Truly yours

J. Dawson

Henry W. Thompson



*[Faint, illegible handwriting, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page]*

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