

Canaudaugus Dec 27 1881.

Dr J. M. Dawson.

My Dear Sir:

I have enclosed to you  
a small box of plants fossils  
from the Styloba layer — all I have  
or can immediately get. Our very  
open winter has enabled me to get  
at the rocks for a little while —  
but quite contrary to my expectations,  
I recall saying that I might be  
able to send you an unlimited  
supply of material from the Genesee,  
if I could find opportunity for collecting,  
but I fear I may be obliged

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

F.S.

I do not recollect that I have sent you  
a specimen of some plant remains from  
Willsville N. Y. I enclose a specimen  
in this box.

Tell. C.

to retract it as a very rash as-  
sertion, for I find it a matter of  
hard work to get Eum as much  
as I have. I fear that what  
I send this time will be unsatis-  
factory, it surely seems so to  
me but I hope for better  
things. If my holiday leave  
were a little longer I should try  
to get into the field again, but  
this must do until the next  
season opens.

Dear Sir, Yours Very Truly

John W. Clarke

Prof Clarke  
Dec 1871