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Dear Sir,

It seems to me that it would be very convenient to students, not only that the part now in press should be pagged on from the first part, but that there should be, at the end of the volume, first a stratigraphical & botanical index to all the species in the volume & secondly, the ordinary alphabetical one.

Small isolated reports, which have no index & which are too thin to bind well, are very inconvenient to use.

If Billings' Catalogue of the Anticosti fossils had been arranged so as to form a part of Vol. 2. of the "Palaeozoic Fossils," & the whole had been properly indexed,

they would be much more convenient to use than they are now.

I shall hope to get down to Montreal next week, & to have the specimens <sup>& diagrams</sup> required for the illustration of three papers forwarded, by the end of the week.

Dr. & Miss Selwyn are expected at Sault St. Marie on the 23<sup>rd</sup> inst., or about that date, & from thence they proceed to Manitoba. We do not expect them back here until early in October.

The City council on Monday night voted \$200. ~~for~~ towards the reception of the members of the A. A. A. S. here on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

Faithfully yours,  
J. J. Whiteaves.