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~~Just down~~  
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The Colley

My dear Miss Park

14<sup>th</sup> August 1885

My dear Vice-Chancellor Dawson

\* which is found to be brought out by Messrs. Gaskell & Co in a  
cheaper form so as to be within the reach of Sunday School teachers &c.

I have sent by this post  
the proof sheets of the eighth  
edition\* of my work, or rather  
a portion of the first chapter  
and the whole of the fifth

chapters; in the letter you will  
find that I have made the  
alterations you suggested, and  
have struck out altogether the  
defective wood cut putting in  
its place a quotation from your  
delightful book "The Story of the  
Earth and Man" which I am  
reading through a second time  
with intense pleasure -

If you should have time to  
glance through chapter 5 to see  
that I have made ~~these~~ the  
alterations you suggested and  
would kindly read pages 13, 14, & 15  
of the first chapter I should be  
very grateful to you indeed

Perhaps you would reconsider  
the matter of writing me a  
little note that I might be pleased  
with the rest

For these reasons -

1<sup>st</sup> The work is written entirely with a view to help Christians to feel a greater confidence in their Bible and to convince others that their opposition is groundless; it is therefore necessary that both of these should be satisfied that the scientific facts are correct, as far as our present knowledge goes, and in order

\* bound in fanny to be brought out by Press as Cassell & Co in ~

that they may have that confidence  
it is of the utmost importance  
that specialists, in each department  
of knowledge treated of by me,  
should testify to the accuracy  
of such facts - This has  
now been done on all the  
subjects excepting fossil botany  
and chemistry - Dr. Meymott  
Tidy the government analyst  
has promised to go through  
the latter and if you will  
5 kindly

testify to the former the scientific  
confirmation will be complete

29. There is also a great necessity  
for this because of the unfair  
attacks upon me last year,  
when Cartwright and others uttered  
~~made~~ a series of gross falsehoods  
& misstatements which so affected  
my prestige, that not only  
was confidence in my scientific  
statements greatly shaken, but

my character was also seriously  
injured, so much so indeed  
that my income from my  
school and every other source  
was almost destroyed.

The ~~reason~~ issue of the  
resolution passed at the Mission  
House of which I send you a  
copy has done much to restore  
my position and funds have  
been provided me to carry on  
my house and school on I

With renewed thanks of myself and committee for your very great kindness  
and trusting God will abundantly bless you in return when we

I should have sunk under the trial  
again and again I have been  
urged to prosecute Mr. Barrett here,  
that was by his chief, D. Bond,  
who was intensely indignant with him  
for using the B. Museum name in such  
an unmerited attack, but I have left the  
matter in God's hands -

3 There is one other reason which  
is, that at most, I cannot expect  
to live many years but this book  
will I trust live after me, and as  
these letters of approval will be  
put into the press, future generations  
will also feel confidence in the scientific  
facts & hence will be ready to appreciate the  
deductions in favour of the accuracy of our Bible