

Cape Whitehouse,  
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10, Cleveland Row,

St. James's, S.W.

June 4<sup>th</sup> 1886.

Sir J. M. Dawson, F.R.S.

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Dear Sir:

I have accepted the  
proposal of the Geog. Section that  
I should read a paper before it  
at Birmingham on my recent  
(further) explorations in the great

Depressions of the Fagorum and  
Rarian Basins which certainly  
amount to 2,000 square miles  
with a maximum elevation of  
not less than 250 feet below  
the Nile Valley in the same  
latitude. Dr. Schweinfurth's learned  
paper in the Zeitschrift of the  
Ges. für Erdkunde 122 (Bd. XXI) with

its map presents the subject in  
a striking manner. I greatly  
regret on reading your "Egypt  
and Syria" to find that this  
"physical feature in relation to  
Bible history" was not deemed  
worthy of your notice. In the  
November Proceedings of the Society  
of Bibl. Arch. you would find an

Abstract of my communications on  
Gen. XLIX. My paper on the  
Babe Jesusuf was translated into  
Arabic under Artin Pacha and  
approved by the Sheikh el-Islam.  
Should you think of republishing  
your Egyptian researches, possibly  
this great area so interesting from  
many points of view might deserve  
mention.

Very truly yours  
Cope Whitehouse