

60 Princess Street  
Edinburgh

17 Sept

Dear Sir

Your letter addressed to my  
late brother Alexander who died  
in 1866 has been handed to me  
in answer to which I beg to  
inform you that Mr Sanderson  
did work for Mr Nicol to a small  
extent but you are aware that  
it was Mr Nicol that first  
showed how sections of fossil  
woods could be prepared thin  
enough for microscopic examination  
but almost the whole of the  
sections of fossil woods purchased  
by the British Museum from

the Nicol collections were  
made by his own hands  
I cannot assert that  
Lenderson worked for Witham  
~~but~~ I believe he did

I may mention that I  
issue a series of <sup>30</sup> sections  
for the microscope of the  
typical rocks of Scotland  
from specimens supplied  
to me by the head of the  
Geological Survey (Leitch)  
and described by him

Be good enough to remember  
me kindly to your wife

whom I knew as Miss  
Murray

I am  
Yours truly  
James M. Bryson

Professor Dawson

Bryson  
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