

Boston, Mass.

Nov. 1, 1886.

Dear Dr. Dawson:—

Your kind letter
came while I was away
from home, or it would
have been acknowledged more
promptly. It is very
gratifying to find my views
on the colors of soils so ac-
ceptable to you; and I regret
that I have learned of your
published thoughts on the same

subject too late to make
suitable reference to them
in my paper.

My regrets are none the
less keen since observing how
generously you had referred
to my work in your recent
Presidential address. I shall
hope, however, to publish
something more on the soils,
and that will afford me
the desired opportunity.

You older geologists
have a decided advantage
over us youngsters in your

more perfect command of
the literature of the Science -

Your remarks on the
origin of the till interest
me very much, for I
am very far from con-
sidering that our glaci-
alists have satisfactorily
solved this problem -

Yours Respectfully

W. O. Crosby -

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