

Breakfast
Sanford Meigs 31-88
Maine

Sir J. W. Dawson

Dear Sir

I have just concluded the perusal of your work on "Earth & Man" and feel impelled to express to you my delight & satisfaction with it. Such a book ought to find a cordial welcome by all who not only love the Christian religion but even rational science. The evolution theory stands as much in the way of scientific progress as an article of faith maintained by force stands in the way of a true progress in the knowledge of the Scriptures. I am in no sense a scientist, but highly appreciate such works as this of yours, while I have read evolutionist literature

with a certain feeling that it
always assumes the preposi-
tion principle: The effect is great-
er than the cause. I believe the
sense of causation is funda-
mental to scientific progress, &
I am convinced that Darwinian-
ism blunts & perverts that sense
from the very first.

I see that you refer to a work
on "Fossil man" (I presume it does
not refer to an "High Protectionist"
though I do not feel quite sure) I
shall procure & read it. I have read
only a work on Scientific Sophistries
on some such a topic from Tompkin
but that gave me the desire for more.
I have Agassiz's works and es-
timate him much but have been
afraid he was more of a "literary
feller" than student of original research.
But anything to recover science
from the clouds & nebulae of Evo-
lution is as rare as it is valuable.
Your remarks on the "clay paste"

of the Glacial Age reminds me
that when the well in my back
yard was dug that something
of this kind was reached at
at depth of 18 or 20 ft. When
the workmen struck it after
descending several feet through
sand & round pebbles which
characterize the whole region
they struck this strata that was
so hard it seemed to them like
slate. but on exposure to the
air it crumbled. I presume that
with a microscope its contents
could be defined more accurately.
I shall give it some attention
when the snow is gone, for my
back yard is paved with it.

I am ever respectfully
Yours,
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