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Dear Sir.

Although I have not the pleasure of a personal acquaintance, I have long known you through your writings. As you are probably aware, our Southern Presbyterian Church has, during the last four or five years, been agitated on the subject of Evolution. This agitation is, I hope, now pretty well over; and yet, Dr. Woodrow, lately ^a Professor in Columbia (S.C.) Theological Seminary, seems determined not to let the agitation cease if he can help. For this reason there is a call for its discussion among us such as does not exist elsewhere.

In view of this fact, and knowing that you thoroughly sympathize with me in my views of evolution, as one of the managers of "the Presbyterian Quarterly", and the one to whom the subject of the relations of Science to Christianity has been specially committed, I invite to ask you if you will not occasionally contribute a short article to our Review, on some topic connected with the

subject mentioned above. As this is the first year of our Review in its present form and under its present management, we cannot offer pecuniary compensation to our contributors, but hope before long to do so.

I have recently read with great interest your "Egypt and Syria"; and was particularly interested with your conclusion, on geological grounds, respecting the age of Egypt; and the absence of any clear evidence of its ever having been inhabited by paleolithic man. A short article on that subject, such as you are better prepared to write than any other man I know, would be read with great interest at the present time. Should you feel willing to contribute an article on that, or any other kindred subject, please send it addressed to Revd Geo. Sumney, Chester, S.C.

Should you ever visit Norfolk, I should be pleased to receive you as a guest at my home.

Yrs. very truly,

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