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Sir William Dawson
Principal McGill College
Montreal

Dear Sir:-

I have just-finished reading your admirable
works on Geology. lately published and am
pleased to-welcome it, as a great-aid to my
works, as far as, it bears on Appl. Science

The arrangement-adopted is attractive
The introduction of the cuts-at-places, where they
are discussed is a great-improvement-on the
old way of having them at-the back of the books.
The list-of economic products with each
series of rocks is a great-advantage and
becomes of much service to-the student

Your summary of Canadian Geology in
the second part is admirable and furnishes
Canadian students with a handy compendium
on the subject as far as our Dominion
is concerned

W. Dawson
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I notice, that you use the word System with
Eocene as reached, then the term age is adapted

There is nothing I find more perplexing
to my students, than the use of the terms
period, age, system etc as occur among geologists

You have done much to simplify the
difficulty in your note on the subject.

I hope the time is not far distant
when geologists will be uniform in their
use of technical terms.

Accept my sincere thanks
for your kind donation to my library
and I hope your late work will meet
with a wide circulation and be as fully
appreciated as your former contributions
to Scientific literature

Yours respectfully
J. Hays Parson