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My Dear Sir,

I have been appointed
State Geologist. After a
time of Geological Survey
Atlanta will be my
official address.

As I had the support here,
and in the State of all
the Scientific men, it was
perhaps not necessary that
I should have asked you.
But there was politics -
family influence which
is still strong in the South,
and a political friend
requested me to get the
outside support, which was
given cheerfully by several
whom I asked.

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The law does not allow the holding of a double office.

When I leave here, the Chair will lie in abeyance, as the Department is unequipped, and there are no funds available.

I need a change, after a long time of hard work, and I think of leaving here early - as soon as I can get my court closed up, and take a trip for a couple of months. I may possibly go to London, and return to Montreal.

My heart is in my unfinished work, which I have laid aside for months. I have about fifteen unwritten chapters.

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I would go to London, meet
and get to better know
those men in sympathy
with my work, and get
refreshed for my duties
in this warm climate (now
end of May weather for Montreal).

What I wish about I have
referred to a possible separa-
tion of the Chair and
leaving relieving Dr. Chapman
of Geology, to which he prefers
Mineralogy. This move has
been on foot for three years.

I find that even reading the
proof of my paper in
Proc. Roy. Soc. much more
interesting than that of
my summer's Economic
works, of which I will read a copy
in a few days.

Yours faithfully
J. W. Spencer

Always remains, my address