

Colorado Springs Colo U.S.
5 March 1890

Sir William Dawson
Montreal

Dear Sir

I send you by
same mail as this letter - a type written
Ms. which I take the liberty of
submitting to you. To ask even
half an hour of your time is a
good deal, & I would not so presume
upon my acquaintance with you
were it not for the great interest
I take in the writer of the
Ms.

He is a Mr. Copley a man

of about sixty years of age.
 He has spent his life among
 the Rocky Mountains as a miner
 & prospector. He is a good
 man of rare powers of
 observing, but deficient in
 early education. His lack of
 education & the typewriter's ignorance
 have made this paper a little rough.

After years of indifferent
 success, fortune has at last
 smiled on Mr. Copley & his family.
 He has given his leisure to this
 paper which I submit to you.

Will you kindly glance over it,
 & say whether it is worth publish-
 ing in pamphlet form, or

in the Popular Science Monthly

My knowledge of geology is so imperfect that I cannot express an opinion. I have told Mr Copley this, & he knows of it is much pleased at my leaving the paper before you.

He; Copley, is a worthy man, a member of my church, & a good citizen, in every way.

Again asking pardon for this intrusion on your time

I am yours ever truly,
 J. S. Black
 Colorado Springs
 Colo. U. S.

Rev J. S. [unclear]

Mar 1/90

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th inst. in relation to the proposed change in the name of the church. I am glad to hear that you are so much pleased at my having the paper before you. The paper is a worthy man, a member of my church. I have a copy in my possession. I am writing you for the information on your part. I am yours very truly,
J. S. Black
Colorado Springs
Colo. W. S.