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Dear Sir J.W. Dawson,

I suppose I
am indebted to you for the
copies of the Explorer, sent
by the Publishers, & containing
your article on Evolution &c.
In thanking you for this,
permit me also to express
my high appreciation of the
article, which must, I think,

have been read with much
 profit, & which are calculated
 to correct the tendency of
 a class of theologians, to try to
 reconcile the latest scientific,
 or pseudo-scientific, theories of the
 universe with the Scripture
 records. The Evangelist has a
 limited circulation, & I trust
 some means could be adopted
 to secure for your articles
 a wider circulation both
 in religious & scientific circles.

It might be possible for you
 as to enlarge the articles,
 as to carry out the sub-
 -stance of my suggestions
 offered some time ago, that
 you should prepare a
 sort of Manual sketching the
 various Evolutionary theories,
 the supposed evidence in
 their favor, & the facts which
 are irreconcilable with
 any of them. It would

be greatly valuable to enlarge
 upon the divorce $\&$, in some
 respects, contradictory positions
 held by Evolutionists themselves.
 Huxley as you know, confessed
 that there was nothing in
 the ~~idea~~ ^{to} working out of the
 principle, to ^{ensure} ~~ensure~~ that it
 should always be from lower to
 higher; yet this is the idea
 which so explains the unex-
 -plained of many Darwinian advocates
 of the theory.

Thanking you very heartily for
 what you have done in the Review
 above indeed, I am very sincerely
 Dawson Burns