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Dear Foster,

Enclosed is a memo. from
Prof. Macoun respecting Mr. Fitcher,
containing all that can be said in his favor.
I think most of your questions about plants are
answered in my reply yesterday; in which
I refer to No 59 as probably being about Dakota
origin. By the way the name attached to
the & other Middle Branch should be changed
to agree with map to North West Branch of N. Fork.
The Mill Creek lot are in sandstones which
~~rest~~ follow in regular order either above or below
a series of dark shales. All the beds are on
edge or nearly & there is no means of telling
which. It is probable that the shales are
about Benton age, from the few fossils found

over

in them. From what you say about the plants it is likely that the Semudontomes are really above the shales, in which case they must be about Stell R or Niobrara age. I think they might be assigned probably to that age.

The fern flora from the N. Branch I fear I cannot place stratigraphically at all, it must rest on its own merits.

I am sorry to hear that William is again unwell. If you think of anything I can do in the way of helping him I shall be glad to know.

Yours

G. Coyle

Memo sent
to
K. C. Coyle