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My dear Father,

I return by same post your
proof, having read it over & made a
few corrections, some of them only tentative.
I have also queried in pencil several
places where italics might be used for generic
names etc.

Of several parts I note the following. —
I am not quite clear about the use of the
term Lower Cretaceous. As Dr White
has I think proposed some standard for
"Lower Cretaceous of America" which I don't
fully believe in. The Cretaceous of America
seems to consist of two parts, one an
Asiatic & one a European & if so there
is no proper American Cretaceous as a
unit. I mean only that the sense in
which L. Cret. is used ^{in my copy of} would probably better
be avoided. I think you have White's
Cretaceous Correlation Report, which should

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be referred to & followed as noted & departed from. If you have not this report I will look for it here, as it may have been returned to me, & even if so find & send it to you.

Second about the Intermediate Series. I know of no stratigraphical evidence to show the position of the outcrops included in this. You placed it higher because of the plants, but it must be remembered that Lourus Croninensis was first described from Saskwa River, where it was in association with Quinis Saskuensis (Trans. R. S. C. Vol. I. Sec IV. p. 23)

Thus one cannot fairly locate the Intermediate Series by its plants & then argue as to the succession of the plants in time by the location of the series.

I enclose with the proof a copy of my paper of 89, in which the reference to may be found is wanted further, to older Cretaceous in B.C. etc your
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