Hoping that you are quite well,
Believe me,
Truly Yrs,
J. B. Biddle.

Vicarage,
Rowington,
Warwick.
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Rupert Jones Esq.

author's
Austin &
Fossil Insects

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Dear Professor Jones

I have just read a very interesting paper of yrs in the last number of the Geol Magazine "Primeval rivers of Britain" & which appears in Proceedings of Cardiff Naturalists Soc'y. I judge by this that you know some of its members. If so can you give me the name & address of any Geologist amongst them likely to make

an exchange as I want
to obtain all the
news some of the
new shells found in
the Welsh beds &
of which I have
scarcely any and
be of great
interest to me.
I am so overcrowded
that I cannot add
any thing more
unless news or
specials, but these
Southern Aspids I
have long wished
for & I daresay
some local collector
will be glad to send
me a lot in exchange
but I know no one
there. If you can
help me I shall
feel obliged. I hope
some day to visit
all the localities
of interest there
as I much want
to see the district
but at present
see no hope of it
& in the mean time
I'd be glad to
have some of the
new forms found
there.

for L. Yken as quarry is now worked, but do not find one but hope thro' the men he & he to secure one
Mr Sharp & Etheridge will be glad to hear of this further addition to our Oxas list & trails that strangely he has omitted the Palaeoniscus & several other Phillips Geol. (entre nous) in his edit. I suppose he will not undertake the fish. I wanted to know whether the Rotts shell at both valves was Isotheria or Pullastra in Rhatic I sent you & if the other bed example — Westbury was different to any of the ordinary Rhetic shells tho' probably Pleurophorus. See this Mr Sharp you have got them named,

Yrs truly,
P. B. Brodie.

Rowington May 3 1866.

S. DAVIES SHERBORN DONAVIT.

My dear Sir

Triassically I am in luck. On Saturday I went with my Son to the Shrewley Quarry expecting to find nothing — but to my surprise my son drew my attention to 3 indistinct looking objects on a slab of rough sand-stone with a big footprint between them Labyrinthodon; we brought them home cleaned them as far as we dared & they turned out to be fish — & I suspect will turn out new for there is something very peculiar about them. They are ill preserved, one shows fortunately a side view minus tail & fins the others lie on their backs & are crushed & contorted. They are

small only a few inches long. Do not appear to be Palaeo-niscus, nor semionotus - the head is odd more like the fish called bull head & one spec-men fortunately shows the form of the head & 1 tooth & 2 fins, tail &c I think they can be determined & I write to ask who is the best person to take them in hand. I suppose Mr Newton (I presume a relation of Y.'s) & the Surveyor Dr Farquair of Dimboro', but I shd prefer former as nearer & now my late friend Sir C. Lyell is no more, probably the best man I dnt know either, but will write to either & propose that one of them shd if willing undertake them, practically my son Douglas, Scientific Master at Whitgift's School Croydon, discovered these treasures This is the third fossil fish discovered in the Warwicks-hire, one I found here, one in Cas lands found at same quarry & undescribed & !! this on Sat - y.r. in 32 years. I hope one this to have got a good Selathyo-te