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Harlton Rectory
Cambridge
19 Oct 1876

My dear Rutherford Jones.

I have this day received the very handsome gift you have sent me of your new edition of Dixon. It is certainly a splendid and exhaustive work. There has been a mistake in the book reaching me through the fault of a publican at Cambridge who took in the parcel and never let me know he had it so that I could send Smith & say the book had not arrived and he sent a second copy. I have written to him to ask him how I can get

with the second copy whether there is any place at Cambridge & which you wish one kind or another he is to have it back.

We have been finding a fine lot of mammalian bones lately at Barrington close by here. Keeping has been digging here for the Woodwardian. His photographs is remarkably abundant.

Congratulating you on the successful termination of your work

I remain
very sincerely yours
Edmund Fisher

25 Jany 1873
Hartree Rectory
~~Jesus College~~,
Cambridge.

My Dear Jones

I am intending to offer myself a Candidate for the Geological Professorship here. If you think me capable of filling that Chair I should be very much obliged to you if you would kindly give me a testimonial to that Effect.

I shall not come forward publicly until the place is

declared vacant but I think
it desirable to lose no time
in obtaining testimonials.

Believe me
very truly yours
Osmond Fisher

It is a blue clay about your miles across containg 8 or 10 individuals of Archaeocidaris.

If you are ready of Cyprides from the Purbecks I could furnish you with some specimens.

Believe me
my dear sir
very truly yours
Edmund Tiller

Professor Jones

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Chestead
Colchester
8 Nov 1862

My dear Sir.

My friend Mr Austen forwarded me your letter to him respecting the Estheria noted in his trial as occurring in Dudley Bay.

When I was collecting from that locality I found a stratum of fine indurated calcareous clay which we used to call "marl" of an olive green colour containing a species of archaeocidaris distinct I believe

from A. Brodiei and in the same matrix a number of small thin shells as far as I recollect of this size and shape — some perhaps longer. But I have not set eyes on them for something like ten years so you must excuse my recollection being vague. Once I showed to E Forbes & he said he thought they were the shells of Estheria (a monomyarian entomostracon I believe). It was upon this information that Austen noted them in his book.

Now I found one excellent specimen of Archaeomiscus from this bed which on being split open yielded two surfaces with some of the animals on each. One of these is I think in the Dorchester museum & the other I fancy at Cambridge. It is highly probable that some specimens of Estheria may be seen on these blocks. Nevertheless I must own my suspicion that the so called Estheria are detached plates of the tail of Archaeomiscus.

At any rate if you could fetch upon the proper layer of rock, which is correctly noted in Austens book, you would be sure to find plenty of the specimens.

Possibly Salter could tell you if two specimen I think he is at Cambridge

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I have two pebbles from
the Hastings sands of Dorsetshire,
If I can lay my hands on them
I will send them to you. I have
a large pebble of what I am told
is Lydian stone weighing about
4 oz from Lulworth.
There is much mica in the drift
at Lulworth.
My observation goes to show that
the drifts of Dorsetshire and the
Isle of Wight become gradually
finer as you pass Eastward.

I remain dear Sir
Yours truly
Osmond Fisher

author of Physics of the Earth's Crust