BLACKER

Forest Retreat,
Staples Road,
Loughton,
Essex,
3rd Augt 1883.

Dear Professor Jones,

You wrote some geological articles in the letter C in the Encyclopædia Britannica for which Messrs Cassell paid you and you sent them to the firm of Messrs Cassell & Co but omitted where to pay. The matter was forgotten by them, and I sent the firm a reminder upon the subject. In a letter received in reply from one

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Williams the "General Editor" of all the works issuing from New Haven and to, he says, that he has been trying to call on you for some time past, and hopes to be able to do so shortly when he will arrange matters with you. The date of the letter in which this is stated is April 5th of the present year; and as nearly four months the Law Lapse occurs then, it seems to me not too soon to ask whether Mr Williams has been able to carry out his intention. The N. is overloaded with

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work that I called on him - some time since suggesting the matter, and beginning again to be reminded of it. Would you favour me with a line to say whether or not you were paid. If you have been so, I should like a list of your kindly mention or omission whether the omission was paid remuneration or not. I called on - some time since being the nearest for I deem it necessary to make such a work as the Encyclopedia Dictionary pay the publishers. If it fall short of your expectation, please tell me in confidence how much it falls short.

When I had the pleasure of ~~seeing~~ you at
Ormonde at the Geological Society's Conversazione
I asked if you would
care to send a popular
article occasionally to the
Leisure Hour, published as
you know by the Religious
Tract Society. Finding you
not unwilling, I wrote
to the Publisher who takes
a very prominent part in
arranging for articles, and
mentioned that you would
not be unwilling to
write occasionally for
more articles reach
them weekly than can
possibly be printed; but
both the Editor and the
Publisher can appreciate
what is good, and make

a judicious selection.

I have a conviction
that in a very brief
period you could splash
off an article on the
change of species which
has taken place since
Early Neolithic time as
to the circumstances in
which the Scottish Old
Red Sandstone was de-
posited. I think that
you could allude to
Hugh Miller's examination
of the fishes, to Prof
Huxley's approximation
of them to the Silurioid
& your own Lepidosiren
researches & to the probably
appearance of
Lacustrine characters
the Sandstone in Scotland,
to the extent the
latter probably presented

I think that the non-scientific part of the public would take interest in such a sketch; and of as I presume the circulation of the Review now remains at what it was a few years ago, the audience you may use to and, what you must address would be a hundred thousand. Paper on a rule rule a guinea a page, and paid contributors, the honorarium is punctually sent when publication takes place. Publication is not prompt; for as a rule one or two months pass are ready all but a page or two

some time before they are required for actual use. I have never been officially connected with the periodical & one may contribute to it and the Sunday at Home, when less urgent than now. If you think of writing out an article name you please keep a copy of it, and let me know when you send it, so that it may provide with the Editor or the editor directing special attention to it.

Kindly excuse haste and believe me with kindest remembrances

yours very truly
Robt Hunter

P.S. My Alma Mater, the Aberdeen University last March by a unanimous vote of the Senatus conferred upon me the degree of Litt. D.