

Lebanon Vermont C. D. D. D.
13th Dec 1869.

Prof. C. C. Marston
New Haven Conn.

Dr. Sir

You will
recollect that at Chicago Meeting
Am. Ass. A. Science, I gave you
some Coal measured Trilobites for
you Prof. Dana, with the request
that you would let me hear his
determination of them.

If not too much trouble to you
I should be glad to know if they
prove new or old, and their name.

Although new abundant in the
lower Coal Seams, they are to be
found, ^{in this vicinity} as high as Coal "No 5" and
at Springfield Ill. in connection
with the uppermost level Seams.

Shells found in Trilobite bearing strata
often have Serpula on their surface.

We find not only Spirifer on plants
of the Coal age, but I have also lately

found a few specimens of Lingula
is attached or pressed down into the
Substance of Cordaites. You may
have seen the Lingulas, thus associated
with plants before, but it is new to
me.

Yours &c

John Collett

John Collett. Incl fossils.

Ans May 1870.
(margin note)

Newport, Vermillion Co., Indiana,

Feb 11 1877.

Prof. C. C. Marsh
On his

I return you
my warmest thanks for copies
of pamphlets describing some of
your grand discoveries in the
west. You have earned a crown
of laurel, and made a great advance
ment in science for which mankind
will honor you.

Have you had time to examine
the Bison tooth which I had at the
Buffalo meeting A. A. S. and which
you promised to look up & return to
me as it was borrowed.

I send by this mail some of
my County reports, etc.

Yours truly
John Collett.