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Dear Dr. Wood:

Thank you for your informative letter of June 5. It is really wonderful that you are back at work again. You are indeed indestructible, and I hope you will continue to improve in health. It looks to me you hardly need to improve in spirits. You have plenty of sing evidently, and I must confess you have put me to shame. So I just shall have to accept membership in your committee to keep up with Horace Wood.

I have been in Claymont, Delaware, recently visiting with my grandchildren there and meant to look you up in Newark, but my private chauffeur (daughter) was not much interested in more driving after she had negotiated all the way from Texas. Can't blame her.

As to the preliminary chart, I wish to lodge a protest about the placing of the Danian. I thought everybody quietly accepted that the Danian is in the Tertiary not in the Cretaceous. Or, to put it in another way, there are very good reasons to place the Danian in the early Paleocene. There are no Rudistids, no Exogyras, no large sea turtles, no Mesosaurs, no Dinosauria, no Ammonites, no Belemnites in the Danian of Denmark; but there are plenty of Tertiary forms.

Perhaps you might send me the list of the other members of your committee, in case I feel the urge to write them.

Sincerely,

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