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SIR,

I HAVE the honour to inform you that your paper transmitted to the Geological Society, *On the Existence of gigantic Reproductive Phanerogamic Plants in the Lower Carboniferous System* has been received.

I have also to direct your attention to the following Bye-Laws and Resolutions of the Council relative to papers communicated to the Society.

1. Every paper communicated to the Society, in order to be read at its Meetings, shall be deemed the property of the Society from the time of its being delivered at the house of the Society; unless any previous engagement to the contrary shall have been made with the author.

2. Selections of the papers read before the Society shall be published from time to time.

3. That no author shall be allowed to have his paper returned to him after it has been read and ordered to be printed, until it is in type.

4. That should the author's corrections of the press, in any paper published in the Journal or Transactions, amount to a greater sum than in the proportion of Twenty Shillings per sheet, such excess shall be borne by the author himself, and not by the Society.

5. That authors of papers printed in the Quarterly Journal, in addition to fifteen private copies presented free of expense, be allowed any further number not exceeding one hundred, they paying the expense of such extra copies.

6. That if proofs of author's papers be sent to them for correction, and be retained by them beyond three days for each sheet of such proof, not including the time needful for transmission by post, such proof shall be assumed to require no further correction.

I request you to inform me, on returning the proof of your paper sent to you for correction, whether it is your intention to avail yourself of the permission granted in the fifth of the above resolutions, and to what extent.

I remain, Sir,

Your faithful Servant,

To Prof. J. Macculloch

W. H. Holmes  
*Assistant Secretary.*

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Dear Sir  
I have not yet read your MS. but have glanced at the specimens. These look very much like the usual Lepidodroid & Sigmaroid fossils of the Coal measures - but probably your descriptions point to some peculiarities of the specimens - I will duly lay the MS specimens before the President of the Society -

Yours truly  
W. H. Holmes

To Prof. J. Macculloch

P.S. The paper from the Coalrocks looks like an Annulide tube - rather *Scolithus*; I will try to show it to Mr. Dalman who knows these things well.