

fossils of N. Carolina for the State
Museum, as well as for the benefit
of Science: as many of the fossils
are unique; not being found in Va or
Md, or in Florida.

Please give my regards to Mrs
barr.

Yours very Truly
Joseph Willcox

Media Delaware Co. Pa

Aug 17th 1894

Hon Elias barr

My dear friend

I received your
very kind letter which was forward-
ed to me to Media where I usually
spend a portion of the summer.

It would afford me a great
deal of pleasure to accept your cor-
dial invitation and spend a few
days in October with you; unless

Something unforeseen occurs to prevent me.

If I go to Raleigh I hope it will be agreeable to Prof Holmes to meet me there; as I would take pleasure in assisting him in arranging the fossils and minerals in the State Museum.

I do not know in what condition they are now; but when I was in the museum, in company with Prof Kerr, the specimens were in a sad state of confusion.

I now have a much larger specimen of the transparent Feldspar (oligoclase) from Mitchel Co. N.C. but it is not polished to suit me.

When I return to Philad^a in Sep

I propose to have it repolished, and then set in a scarf pin for the Governor of N. Carolina,

I noticed in the papers the death of Rev G. D. Smith. of Franklin N.C.; and I learn from a friend who has lately seen Gen. Blingman, at Asheville, that his mental faculties are rapidly failing. In these cases a loss has been sustained to the cause of mineralogy: though neither were proficient in geology.

When I see you, especially if Prof Holmes should be present, I would like to talk with you about the importance of asking the Legislature to make a small appropriation, say \$1,000.00 to enable Prof Holmes to make a collection of the Tertiary