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The publication in a recent number of this journal of a paper by Mr. David White on "Certain Palaeobotanic Aspects of the Upper Palaeozoic in Nova Scotia"¹ appears to call for some comment in regard to certain statements therein made. The paper seems, as a whole, to be written in an apologetic spirit rather than from the argumentative standpoint, and does not add greatly to our knowledge regarding a somewhat complicated problem presented in certain rock formations which occur both in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

Several other papers bearing upon this question have recently appeared in the transactions of the Nova Scotia Institute of Science² and elsewhere, and it is to be deplored that a controversy should have arisen on what, in the natural order of geological investigation, should be a comparatively simple question.

¹ Can. Rec. Sci., Vol. VIII., No. 5, Jan., 1901.

² Trans. N. S. Inst. Sci., Vol. X., pp. 162 and 235, Amer. Assoc., Aug., 1899. Ottawa Nat., Vol. XIII., pp. 207, 256, Vol. XIV., pp. 1 and 99.