

Notwithstanding all this evidence of progress, and with copies of the first volume in its hands, the Legislature of 1862, in violation of the provisions of the Act of 1857, and in violation of contract stipulations, made expressly under the provisions of the Acts of 1857 and 1860, repealed the laws and suspended all appropriations for the work. Since that time, repeated applications to successive Legislatures have met with a steady refusal to refund to the writer the money actually expended by him for the purposes of the Survey, or to pay for his own services performed according to the conditions of his contract with the GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, under the laws already cited.

Under these circumstances the "Superintendent of the Geological Survey" has been compelled to seek a publication of the results of his labors elsewhere. The investigations upon the Potsdam Sandstone, with descriptions and illustrations of the fossils of that formation in Wisconsin and adjacent parts of Iowa, have already been published. The work upon the fossils of the Trenton and Galena Limestones; of the Hudson River Group, and of the Devonian Rocks of the State, is in progress, and the results will appear in due time. The present, is the third in order, of a series of papers resulting from the study of the fossils of the Geological formations of Wisconsin.

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