

Mr. James Dawson

for the Rev. Mr. Mc. Kenzie

Merchants

Pictou

Ms. F. B. Young  
Dated 31<sup>st</sup> July 1826



with the new Acts, of which I gave a notice  
in the last Nova Scotia, will alter the features  
of our Colonial Trade, & teach the Americans that  
the British Government are not to be browbeaten  
from their own policy, by obstinate & persevering counter-  
actions.

You will perceive that the other Editor  
are endeavoring to embroil me in controversy. I  
do not wish to enter into it at all. The opinions  
which I have delivered upon <sup>upon the late Reports &c.</sup> which they attack  
me, are in my own opinion perfectly just & defensible;  
but, as <sup>my opponents</sup> they are prepared to go all lengths, & to  
recourse to me one which I should consider beneath  
me, I have determined to say nothing, & to leave the  
conduct of my paper to be judged by its own  
merits. Do these attacks affect the character of  
the paper in your quarters? Do you think fur-  
ther pursuing the best policy? I write you as a  
friend whom I can trust, & one in whose judgment  
I have every confidence. Be kind  
enough to answer these queries at your convenience.

I am sorry to hear on all hands that the  
Packet does not bring any accounts of trade  
being improved. Is her shipping still continue  
extremely low. Have you heard lately of the Sea?  
or what success he meets? When does he mean  
to return.

I have sent a Scotch Paper to Mr. Mc  
Kenzie which after perusal I have desired him  
to make over to you.

There is a report that the Society will be  
again dispatched to Calcutta. The Sea speculations  
to Newfoundland & New Brunswick will not turn  
out very well.

With best respects to Mr. D., my friend  
Mr. Rankine & your brother Patrick to whom I feel  
obliged for his letter, Believe me

to remain

Your most truly

Geo: A: Young

Is the last payment made by  
John Mc Kay of Pictou or  
New Glasgow?

Is there such a man as John  
Smith in your Town? What is he?