

Letter
Read of Bayne
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Mr James Dawson

My dear friend

I am in the receipt of two very kind letters from you extending to me the hospitable entertainment of Mr. Gill's college in the event of my visit to Annapolis. I should have answered these shortly after their arrival had I been in a position to do so. I have not time however to arrange the affairs of a Congregation so as to secure sufficient time for such a visit. I have at last succeeded and mean to leave Pictou by the Lady Head on the 20th inst. There will be time for me to have an answer from you, by the return Boat, after this reaches Montreal and I should be glad to have from you minute directions as to my travel from Quebec to

Montreal wafter from my Landing in Canada
to my meeting with you - I am of course an
entire stranger to the Country and even the
route for travellers - Of course what lies beyond
your goodcity to Toronto I shall find in form a
man on the spot. I have intimated my inten-
-tion to Mr. Theobald, and reading to take Charge
of any Parcel he may have to send, and his
rejoying a postulant, mentioned having had a
letter from you to the same effect.

You will see by the Public Prints that we have
at last reached the Goal of Union with the
Free-church. We had a most happy time at
both Synods and a most delightful Conference.

The day fixed for the formal incorporation is
the 4th Oct. if you have any notion of printing
Pactum firm, would not this be a happy occasion.
I am pleased to see the movement forward
in Canada; but somewhat elated that we have
got the start of you in this good work.

All your friends here are enjoying wondrous
health. I called lately on Mrs. Dawson (Wid.)

and gave her notice of my design to
visit Canada in general, and of Sill College
in particular. Possibly she may have some
friendly tokens to send by me. Potage however is
so cheap now & deep, that the friendly conveyance
is of less moment, than it used to be.

We had our Sacrament yesterday, and it
proved the largest Communion we have ever
had and every thing moved on most comfortably.
I hope your grandchild George is much recovered
from his weakness and that you will not
be absent during the whole term of my stay in Can-
ada, as I look forward with much delight to
renewed converse with him. Give my kind regards

and those of Mrs Bayne to Mrs Aurora as the
L.L.D.
I accept the same for yourself

P.S. While with my much
pleasure I accept your
kind invitation you must
not allow me to intrude in

& bless

Yours very truly

James Bayne

(P.S.) A slight degree of Rheumatism
has been glad to go with me but
my family & care prevent. She feels deeply obliged by your kind offer
L.B.