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Letter
Mr. Thompson
16 Mar 1858

Replied to
3 Apr 1858

Norway House, Sutton, N. S.
16. March 1858.

Dear Sir

I received, yesterday, yours
of 27th Ult and I was happy to hear
from you, and to learn that you were
in your usual health and spirits. But
I feel disappointed to see that ^{you} would
find any thing unsatisfactory in the
settlement about the purchase of the
House; and I cannot see how I have
been the cause of any loss you may
have sustained from the unavoidable
delay occasioned by the informality of
the first Deed. That document was con-
demned at first sight and if the second
Deed was written ~~on~~ Parchment it caused
neither delay nor expense, except the price
of the Parchment and the extra postage
both which I paid. The opportunity lost
for investing the money when stocks were
low

low is to be regretted, but could not
have been anticipated. The trifle
for Rent during the short delay
was not, so far as I recollect, claimed
by your Agent, and I certainly would
not risk giving you offence by offering
it. I shall drop the subject
with a hearty wish that our next
transaction will be settled without
the intervention of Agency, and then
we would get on as agreeably as in
our former transactions. But
unless you give me a great bargain
of the rest of the Wharf & the Water
in front of it, I know not any other
property ~~that~~ you have here that
I would purchase. The wharf
will ere long be entirely washed away,
or an useless bill of expense to you
to keep it in repair. The heavy rains
of last Autumn have washed down
much of the surface of it. The outer
end and the south side is still much
the

The same as you left it.

The business of the Bookstore continues satisfactorily; and James is all devotion to it. Mr. Donald is an excellent hand, and makes himself very useful. He has just returned from River John where he sold about \$16. worth of Books in a few days at full prices. Patterson is selling a little daily, but if he had to pay his board, the profits would not feed him.

Yours Respectfully
M. W. Pherson

James Dawson Esq^r

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