

Clendon House. Oxford

May 31. 1870

My dear Dr. Dawson

I have waited until
I could see Dr. Helleston & assure you
from him of the warm welcome which your
scientific friends here will give you
-especially if you can come, as I
hope you will, before the Long Vacation
which is now only three weeks distant,
comes to disperse them.

You will be a welcome guest at
the Political Economy Club: it will be
just four years since the Canadian delegate,
Madame Hester, came to the club
dinner: Professor Rogers expects that
a delegate from New Zealand will also
be present on Saturday week. But we
are a small body & no speeches are
reported: Goldwin Smith was our great
light until he left for more (or less?)
luminous shores. There is perfect liberty

Prosperity, so that you need entertain
no scruples about what you think of saying.

Our plan is for a member to introduce a
subject - & then for the chairman to
call ~~up~~ upon others to speak.

We have no occupant at present
for our spare room so that whenever it is
convenient for you to come we shall be
delighted to have the pleasure of seeing you.

Mr. Hatch joins with me in my regrets
that the room is hardly large enough

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for two people - so that we cannot
include Mr Dawson in the invitation.
But if Mr Dawson would find it
convenient to come, I am sure that
more than one friend here would be
delighted to receive you both. I hope that
in any case I shall have an opportunity
of meeting Mr Dawson before you return
to Canada. Pray convey to her my own
Mrs Hatch's kindest regards.

Yours very sincerely

Principal Dawson

Edwin Hatch