

Quebec Grande Allee'  
30<sup>th</sup> September 1841

My Dear Doctor Dawson

I wrote you at once in reply to your last letter in me Whale, but I suppose you have been so much occupied with your preparations for the opening of the session, that you have not had leisure to reply.

As I propose to leave Quebec on Tuesday next in the Secret for Pictou, where I shall possibly remain till the close of the Navigation, and as my young friend Mr Woodalkem, Student of Medicine is proceeding to McGill to resume his studies, I avail myself of the opportunity to forward by him the plates of the Baleen which I promised you, and a short paper on the Whale which you requested me to prepare—

With reference to the latter, you are at liberty to do what you please with it. You can either accept it or reject it as a whole, or accept it or reject it in part, or you can write a paper yourself taking from it any of the facts which it contains. I am fully aware that you are not in the habit of paying contributors to the Journal "just fifteen pence a sheet" I cannot be charged with having written it from mercenary motives and I have long ago got over the feeling of "appearing in all the glory of print."

With kind regards to all the members of your family, in which all here join me I remain very faithfully

Yours  
Wm Jas Anderson

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