

18 July 1872.

D^r Dawson, &c &c.

Dear Sir,

Will you be good enough not to mention my conversation with you, on the subject of Mr Pearce's proposal. I have talked the matter over with Mr Summoud, & we do not see our way to undertake a liability jointly with unknown parties; We may be induced hereafter to lend our assistance, when further information reaches us, you will therefore be kind enough to keep the matter quiet in the meantime.

Yours very truly

Henry A. Pudding

