

Pictou 21<sup>st</sup> May 1874.

Principal Dawson - Macgill College Montreal.

My dear Sir

Yours of 11<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> Inst: are rec<sup>d</sup>.  
and we will be happy to see William on his arrival  
here. We feel much disappointed today on receiving  
your letter of 16<sup>th</sup> stating that it is now reported that  
Prentice will not be here till June.

We do not recognize any claims  
McKay may make. Prentice and he must settle  
their own disputes. We have nothing to do with them.

We always thought that Georges  
engagement was with and for Mr. Prentice and not on  
account of the joint proprietors and if Prentice tenders  
the amount of the Mortgage and interest it would  
be impossible to refuse it but I shall be very glad  
if I can assist you in this matter without imperil-  
-ing the interests of the Associates.

You will find our arrangement  
with yourself in full as regards your own remunera-  
-tion for assistance in the sale of outside properties  
contained in my letter of 24<sup>th</sup> June last which  
was fully confirmed in yours to my father of date  
1<sup>st</sup> July last and as to the services otherwise rendered  
the parties here they understood it was fixed at  
\$1000 which was paid in full out of the first settle-  
ment - altho it was properly not payable in full



until the whole was paid by Prentice. This, at least, was the understanding of all parties here but if you view it differently we will lay your view of the case before them.

We have nothing further from Mr Prentice since the receipt of Mr Barnetts letter and the time for payment expires today. We are now in a critical position and scarcely know how to act. We do not wish Mr Kay to interfere at all, to make a ground work for other charges or delays. Mr Prentice must pay here and we think of cabling Barnett tomorrow that the time has expired and cannot be extended otherwise he may think himself entitled to take his own time.

We will telegraph you at once should we hear anything of importance. Please do so yourself to us should you receive such intelligence as we will all feel anxious until the matter of payment by Prentice is settled.

Your very truly

Howard Primmer

The "Secret" is expected here tonight. I have a tel. for William waiting his arrival here.

H.P.



Noted the whole was paid by *Pratt*. This at least was the understanding of all parties here but if you are not differently advised we will lay your view of the case before them.

We have nothing further from *Mr. Pratt* since the receipt of *Mr. Pratt's* letter and the time for payment appears to be. We are now in a critical position and are exceedingly anxious to get the money paid. We are not sure that we can afford to wait for other changes or delays. We think it best to pay here and we think of calling on *Mr. Pratt* to see that the time has expired and that he will be satisfied to pay his account. We are not sure that we can afford to wait for other changes or delays. We think it best to pay here and we think of calling on *Mr. Pratt* to see that the time has expired and that he will be satisfied to pay his account.

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We will telegraph you at once should we hear anything of importance. Please do so yourself to us should you receive such intelligence as we will all feel anxious to get the matter of payment by *Pratt* settled.

*Wm. Pratt*  
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The secret is kept as tight as possible. There is no doubt for *Pratt* is waiting his chance here.



