

Bomey
Woodland Grove, Torquay

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Dear Dr. Dawson,

I have but lately returned to England, having spent a most enjoyable couple of months on the Continent, and am now settled at Torquay until I leave for Canada. I had heard from Mr. Armstrong that your son was at the ^{des Ponts et Chaussées} Ecole Polytechnique at Paris, and I took the opportunity, while there, to make his acquaintance. He was very kind as to show us about the

city, and I am personally very much indebted to him, for putting himself to much trouble in order to obtain some information for me. I was hoping that we might have been able to come to Canada together, but from the ~~know~~ of his last letter, I am afraid that is now impossible. I have almost decided to leave England on the 23rd of August, with the Sardinian, which arrives in Montreal about the 3rd of September. It was very good of you to send me such a kind invitation, and I shall be glad to stay with you a short time, until I can make

Further arrangements.

As yet - I have ~~fixed~~ no special
courses for the engineering
students, but in all probability
I shall change somewhat
the system pursued in
previous years. One point I
should like to mention to
you, and it is this, I think
it very advisable that the
first-year students should
be expected to attain a certain
standard ^{in an examination} in some of the
elementary subjects, before being
allowed to enter upon the
2nd year subjects. I should
be very glad if you would
give me your opinion on this.

With kind regards -

Believe me to remain

Yours sincerely

Wm. J. Borsey.

Principale Dawson