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HARVARD UNIVERSITY.

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My dear Dr. Dawson

This note will be handed to you by my friend Capt. Geo. M. Whipple, the Secretary of the Essex Institute at Salem, whom I beg the honor of introducing to you as one who will be much interested in the Museum of your city, and who wishes to confer with you in relation to an excursion of the Institute to Montreal.

The Essex Institute has organized several excursions



for its members, and in  
last years they have  
been very successful. The  
Secretary is now desirous  
of securing the co-operation  
of some individuals in  
Canada for an excursion  
this summer, and as I  
know your great interest  
in all matters pertaining  
to the diffusion of science  
I take this liberty of intruding  
on you here, which, under  
the circumstances, I trust  
you will excuse.

Very respectfully  
Yours obedt servt

J. M. Kirkman

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