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Principal Dawson

My dear Sir

Some time ago  
I promised you \$100 for Annals  
for the Department of Practical  
Science in McGill College.  
Thus far I do not feel able  
to contribute this, although I  
hope to be able to do so before  
the end of this year. I had such  
heavy burdens connected with  
our Church, which has taxed  
me to the utmost these depressed  
times, with absolute necessary  
contributions to very needy efforts  
that I have been compelled to give  
up many subscribers that I  
have been in the habit of giving.  
I do not wish you to think that

I have neglected or forgotten  
this promise therefore write you  
in a note some time ago you  
spoke of a young man named  
Robert. I am very much afraid  
that I cannot assist him as he  
needs, but should be glad to  
see him and talk with him  
and if he could come over to my  
house tomorrow Saturday at  
4. o'clock I would see him & try  
what I can do. I have been  
confined to the house for  
two weeks with a sharp severe  
attack of Bronchitis. This is  
my second day out of my bed-  
room. I am now rapidly recovering  
and expect very shortly to get out.

I remain

Yours faithfully  
A. J. Dawson

