

Beaver Hall Hill, *W. Edwards*

Montreal May 9 1879



Principal Dawson Esq  
Scarpi,

Since I must have  
omitted notice of the Lang meeting  
from your list & enclose the notice  
in the event of my having done so.

I have just had some pressing  
work in relation to this explosion  
at Stratford & expect a summary  
every day to the Inquest so that  
I cannot do all I wish to do  
in preparation for the Annual  
Meeting - My impression is that  
Calumet Bay would be the best

Place for an Excursion  
If possible we should  
arrange to meet the  
Ottawa Naturalists — Our  
Return tickets could be made  
to pay expenses at \$1.50 for ladies  
\$2.00 for gentlemen, \$1.00  
for children (or young people)  
we should start on the regular  
train from Mile End at 4<sup>15</sup> past  
9. meet the Ottawa train at  
Calumet at 11.50 — return  
by special train at 6 — or  
ordinary train at 7.30 —  
think this would give enough  
time for our objects —  
the Ottawa party would be

an attraction —

If summoned to Stratford  
I shall probably be away  
on Tuesday Evg — but will  
have the business in as compact  
a condition as possible —

In reference to my office as Recy  
Secy I feel it necessary to make  
no attempt <sup>to retain more work</sup> than you suggested  
that is to Exchange with Mr  
Hicks — for I cannot attend  
Council meetings & keep track  
of the collection. but, if he undertakes  
it. I can doubtless help him a  
good deal — I should prefer  
however that he accepts the full  
office & full responsibility —

It is quite possible that if I go  
west I may see the officers of  
the Society in Ottawa & try to  
make an arrangement with them  
for the excursion.

Yours truly

I am  
yours ever truly

Robert Edward