



Knowlton, 15 Sep.  
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My dear Principal, Thanks for  
your note received last night, &  
for the very kind invitation if  
conveyed. But it has been for ever  
so long a clearly understood thing  
that we were to go to the Snithens;  
& I could not suggest a change  
in this respect without in effect  
being un courteous to them.

I am to-day suddenly detained  
here, for over to-morrow; & so, shall  
not be able to get in before some  
hour of Friday.

Your news of Wilson's appoint-  
ment pleases me much. I roach his  
deal; & I am glad he has it.

In haste, till we meet,

Yours ever truly  
Christie Smith.

Principal Dawson,  
F.R.S.

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