

Toronto

Jan 6<sup>th</sup> 1882

My Dear Dr. Dawson;

I duly received your kind note as well as that of Mr. Wells whom I have just answered being regretfully obliged to decline the invitation to be present at the annual meeting of the Sunday School Union.

I have long promised to pay a visit to Quebec. The time had been arranged for the 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> of January. It is impossible for me to break this engagement, nor is it possible for me with

the pressure of my ordinary work  
to prolong my stay so as to  
meet the Friends in Montreal  
either on my going down to,  
or returning from Quebec.

We feel here most  
weekly the need of a  
missionary for our Sabbath  
School work, and I do  
hope the door will be  
opened shortly so that we  
may have this matter discussed  
and at once find the right  
man and be able to prosecute  
with vigour this most important  
part of our Christian work.

Wishing you most  
heartily a Happy New

Blake  
July/82

Year.

Believe me

Faithfully Yours

J. P. Blakey

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