

Newham College.

May. 14th 1855.

Dear Sir. W^m Dawson.

I regretted very much
missing you, when I called
last Tuesday afternoon -
I wished very much to leave
if there seemed any little
likelihood of my obtaining
work in any way, except
full, in connection with
the classes for forming
Women attending the
University. I have been
hoping that in some
way, another year might
bring with it, the necessity
of employing a Lady
Superintendent or Matron

In connection with the
probable opening of the
Kafalgar Institute - do
you think I can probably
look forward with any
certainty - to obtaining
the position of Principal
there? If the appointments
aside from influence
are to be looked upon
in any way in a sectarian
light, I think that on
that point, if raised,
much influence could
be raised in my favor -
I may say that almost
all of the original Trustees,
the late Donald Ross
himself, were men to

Whom, my Father, the late
Rev. Walter Roach, Minister of
Scotland, was well known.
A short time ago, W. J. L.
Davis, advised me to write
to you in reference to
Hafalgar - enquire when
the proper time would be
to send him a formal
Application - I thought
it better not to trouble
you at that time. However
the circumstances of my
present position & uncertainty
- by of my future, must
plead for trespassing on
y^r. valuable time. Remains
Sincerely,
Mary E. Holden

Mrs Holden



May 16/85

My dear Mrs Holden,

I had some
conversations yesterday with
Dr Robins respecting the
Napalyn Inst, and he
permitted to write to you. I
scarcely think any work can
be done there until the
autumn of 1887, but in the
mean time it would be
well to make applications
Rev Mr Bowdler is the Rector of
the Board and Rev Mr Hills
of St Andrews Ch. and Principal
Grant & Rev. Prof. Pop^x of Kingston
are on the Board. I shall

Mr Alexander Mitchell and Mr S. McPherson & I dead
are also members. Mr A. F. Niddell 22 St John St
is Secretary.



be very glad to promote
your candidature in the
matter.

As to our classes, we
want merely a lady for a
few hours daily to attend
to the students and prepare
to employ Miss Gardner the
day of the Ladies' Educational
& to give perhaps \$100 or \$150

of any other purpose ap-
pears I shall not forget
to inform you. Truly yours

J. M. Dawson

P.S. Regret that I was not at
home when you called. M.D.