

Plaster  
Ottawa 21 July/85

Dear Sir-

With <sup>this</sup> Enclose

Copies of a newspaper  
"Man" - to your address.

We should much like to  
give our readers a brief  
biographical sketch of your  
life in next number if you  
will be good enough to con-  
sent to it - later we hope to  
give that of your son Mr. G. B.  
Dawson. The only expense <sup>to you</sup> will  
be that of engraving for portrait.  
We want them uniform - the  
last of Mr. Canon was a blun-  
der - as to size especially - They  
do them very well in Toronto  
at the <sup>Toronto</sup> Lithography Co.  
for \$7 or \$8. Will you please let

You know by first mail  
at all convenient if you  
will aid our work thus  
far. We would require cut  
by about 27<sup>th</sup> inst. also  
notes for biography &c. &c.  
Engraving could likely be done  
as well & as low in price in  
Montreal. We should have  
given more time but over  
pressure in the new work  
has prevented. Hoping you  
will kindly comply & for the  
Aug 1<sup>st</sup> number, I am Sir

Yours truly  
E. Playter

Sir William Dawson  
Montreal