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Brown's Row

Doer Street

London 2nd July 1885

My dear Mr. William Dawson

Your very kind letter
of the 7th has the pleasure of
reaching me on the 30th ult.

For all your so kind & very
personal to myself I should
thank you, but I do so
little that I may have been
able to give a helping hand
by you in your efforts to ad-

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vaner the education of
women in North West I am
more than amply repaid in
the knowledge that in your
hands their interests in this re-
spect will be well cared for
and that the system of separate
education will be carried
out under the best auspices.
As regards the Canadian Pacific
Railway it is a great satisfaction
and relief to those connected with
it perhaps even more so to Mr
Stephens and myself than to others,
that, as a highway from the

Atlanta to the Pacific is
practically completed, but neither
he nor I look forward with
any feeling of desire to seek
formal new positions of service
as that you refer to, altho
we doubtless are attracted,
as all good and loyal citizens
are, with feelings of respect
and regard for the enterprise.

We all sincerely and warmly
trust you may be spared
for yet many long years

To direct the education
of your University for
which you have already
done so much and I
have no doubt that under
your guiding hand the
Douce & Durand will con-
fer a great benefit on
the women of Canada.

Mrs Smith joins me
in kindest regards & best
wishes of the season for
Lady Dawson & yourself
and I hope to see you
both again very soon.
I am ever your
affectionate friend
Doubtless yours
Doubtless yours