



Toronto

July 7th 1887

My Dear Sir William

Mr Hale declines to be
nominated for the Royal
Society; so the way is clear
for Sir A. Archibald, or
whomever else is thought
best. I deemed it right to
let Mr Hale know the facts;
and not drag his name through
another possible slight; as I
learned of a canvass for
another poet, Main. The
Author of "Pecunieth."

I shall adhere to my resolution;
and take no part in future
elections.

I congratulate you
on getting off to Metis.
I hope to get away on the
18th. But it is very difficult.
The Vice Chancellor is in
Europe; and I have been
working double tides
all the year — certainly
the hardest year I ever
had. I hold out; but I
never needed a rest more;
and here comes an urgent
request for my presence at

the A. A. A. S. meeting
in New York on the 10th of
August. A symposium
of lunatics in the dog days,
I suppose!

Give my kindest greetings
to Lady Dawson, and tell her,
like a good wife, to see
that her husband shuts up
his books, flings away his
pen, and devotes himself
to genuine holiday leisure.

Yours faithfully

Ben Wilson

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