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years. Its acquisition of buildings, equipments, and endowments, have placed it, I believe, far in the Man among American colleges. In the field of science, I am convinced that it has no equal, and, if a little more were known of it in this particular branch, throug out the United States, it would doubtless draw a very large patronage from this side of the line.

It was indeed with the deepest regret that I learned of your retirement from active duties in the University, but I hope that many years may be spared you to exercise that benificent influence over the institution which has made it what it is to-day, and that you may yet live to see the day when it shall be in all respects, the equal, if not the superior, to the best university in the western world.

With kindest regards to Lady Dawson and yourself, believe me,

Yours very sincerely,

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Sir. J. William Dawson,

McGill University, Montreal, P. Q.,

Canada.

My dear Sir William:

It is a long time since we have has any correspondence, but I hope that we have not entirely forgotten me. My business connections in New York have so completely engrossed my attention of late that I have shad but little time for anything excepting some of my more favorite studies. I have been compiling a series of articles recently on Geological subjects, and am just now looking for some information obtainable from the geological reports of the Dominion of Canada I believe. I write to ask you from whom I can obtain a set or series of the Canadian reports covering the last ten years of the survey, and, if such reports are published annually. I have consulted very extensively, the American publications in my field of special research to very much advantage, but find a con-

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tinual reference to work in Canada of which I have not sufficient data. I would be very much obliged to you if you could indicate the proper channel through which I am to obtain the desired information.

Through all the years that have elapsed since my graduation from McGill, I have strenuously endeavored to devote a certain amount of time to the work begun in your classes, and have, in a measure, succeeded in accomplishing a good deal. It is a difficult task, however, and a constant struggle against business encroachments and demands. Occassionally I see some graduates from my Alma Mater in this City, but, on the whole, it does not seem a place which attracts many of them. My esteemed friend, Dr. Murray, has called on my while in New York, and we have had very description.

Nothing has given me greater pride than to be able to realize the great progress made by the University during the last few