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R. W. Heneker,

Commissioner.

Sherbrooke, Que. 19th December 1895.

Sir William Dawson
Montreal.

My dear Sir William.

Mr. Pomeroy in a letter received yesterday notified me that you had sent in your resignation as a Member of the Council of Public Instruction. recommending that Dr. Peterson should be appointed in your place.

Some time ago, I took the liberty of writing to Mr. Taitton on the subject, requesting that the Government should consider the advisability of appointing Dr. Peterson in your place, as I knew that you contemplated sending in your resignation.

I thought I might take such a step, in a matter where I deemed to be of public interest. but I carefully guarded myself from the imputation of desiring to interfere in an act entirely wholly within

the power of the Government.

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in reply, but attach no importance to that, as
my letter was necessarily a private one. and
the Premier might not wish to commit himself
until he had consulted his colleagues -

I wish you and Lady Dawson a happy
Christmas and a prosperous New Year - permit
me to add that our Committee will greatly miss
your valuable services, and that I, personally,
shall always keep in mind your kind assistance
in my work as Chairman and your colleagues in
the Committee for so many years.

Very truly yours

R. W. Heneker

