

January 28<sup>th</sup>. 1869

D<sup>r</sup> Sir,  
For your sympathies accept  
my thanks - I am progressing  
favourably - Nature will take  
her course, therefore I possess  
my soul with patience and  
thank God the fracture of my  
leg was neither aggravated nor  
compounded -

In your debitorian's  
acknowledg<sup>ment</sup> of the two Nos  
of the "Microscopic Quarterly",  
omission is made of a  
Quarterly

of a "Search" Clock at a remote distance

Volume, published by the U.S. Government, when Jeff<sup>r</sup> Davis was Secy of War, the result of a commission appointed to Enquire into the mode of European Warfare during the Crimean Campaign - The book was left at Dawson Bros and with it another Quarto Volume that Mr. W.H. Rintoul gave me for "Mcfile" -

There is another item - a magnetical Instrument for getting the Simultaneous beat



of a "Search" clock at a remote distance  
from the Observatory - He shot in the power  
of Dr. Hallward and lent to him - I  
wish to transfer it to "Acfile" - when I shall  
the receipt got is acknowledged then I shall  
know it has become the property of the Mass.

Yours faithfully

W. D. King

Wm. Mitchell Danson  
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W. H. King  
July 1889

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Quebec 8<sup>th</sup> March 1869

Dear Sir,

I am a B.A. of three years standing of McGill University (McGill College) or rather, will be of three years standing in May next, and I am anxious to obtain my Master's degree, & in accordance with the rules of the university I am preparing a Thesis to be submitted to the faculty of arts. The subject which I have selected is - The advantages of Coes, being an examination into the comparative merits of the systems of written & unwritten

Jos W. Dawson C.P.S.  
Montreal

Law,



law." This subject I venture to hope is of the character required, and it is with the view of obtaining your approval of it that I have taken the liberty of addressing you. Should you find it suitable, I shall be able to submit it to the faculty in the course of a week or so, as I have it already drafted in the rough.

If you would kindly inform me of any necessary formalities, I should feel under very great obligations.

I have the honor to remain

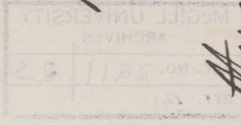
Yours very respectfully  
J. W. Wetherston

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P.S.

I have a degree of L. L. B. from Laval University, & if there were a possibility of obtaining an ad eund. from Mc Gill it would please me very much.

L. J. W.



W. H. ...  
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Pictou 10<sup>th</sup> March 1869

My dear Sir

The subscription to the Montreal Papers you kindly ordered for our Youngs Men's Christian Association here expires on 26 Inst. and we want the "Toronto Globe" and "Montreal Herald" only, renewed for 12 mos. - let the subn to the <sup>Montreal</sup> Gazette be stopped. Would you do us the favor to attend to these matters for our Assn and send me the Bills charging our Assn the amount. The Editions we take are "Weekly Globe" "Semi Weekly Herald". If not too much trouble would you select a good Commercial Quebec Paper for our Assn. A Weekly Edition preferred

If not to be had, order a semi-weekly

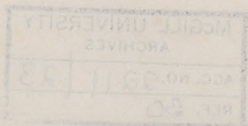
You must excuse my giving you so much trouble but I feel assured you will not be unwilling to assist in promoting the welfare of our Ap<sup>n</sup> which I am happy to state is in a healthy condition.

All your friends here are well and with our united kind regards I remain

Yours sincerely

H. Pinmore

Principal Dawson



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New Castle  
16<sup>th</sup> March 1869

Sir,

I am requested by the School  
Commissioners of Ex. to ascertain  
from you, if they could pro-  
cure from the Free University, the  
services of a Protestant School  
Teacher for their School in New  
Castle, Salary Sixty pounds  
per Annum, part paid by  
Government Grant, the remainder  
in Cash or Orders equivalent to  
Cash, besides Dressing Gown and  
One Year Langt, per, the Teacher.  
Would he be required to teach a  
Good sound English Education,  
the Commissioners would feel thank-  
ful for an early reply —  
I remain

Dr Dawson

Principal the Free University

Wrote

Sir

Yours Obedient Servant  
George & Corbin  
Sect. Great  
S. M. of Ex.



Carbon  
New Carbine  
July 1867

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New York  
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McGill College,  
Montreal, Apr 24/69

My dear sir,

I should probably  
have mentioned to you  
before, that Mr W. S. Rogers's  
Memo on the subject  
of the proposed Mining  
School, is now in Mr  
Rogers' hands and  
that he has expressed  
himself favorably in  
opinion of it. The details  
can all be sent to



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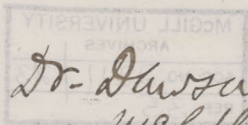
Montreal, 16<sup>th</sup> Mar. 1869.

My dear Sir,

Mr. M. Munro requests  
me to get him a Scholarship of  
McGill College for the present  
Session. He is not a Theological  
Student, but I think that a  
note from you in his favor  
to W. Wilson Esq. would secure  
what he desires.

Yours very truly  
D. A. MacArthur

Dr. Dawson  
McGill Col.



We hear  
Feb 1/99

Printed 10 to Nov. 1899.

My dear Sir,

Mr. W. M. Munro reports  
we have been a scholarship at  
McGill College for the present  
session. He is not a biological  
student, but I think that a  
note from you in this form  
to W. M. Munro will be  
what we require.

Yours faithfully,  
A. Macdonald

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Glenbrook 26<sup>th</sup> April  
1869

My Dear Sir

I arrived here  
after a weeks detention for  
the time I left Montreal  
and we are all pretty  
well shaken. I found  
your letter here with the  
Mr Logan's Memorandum  
It and the other matter  
(The School of Science) shall receive

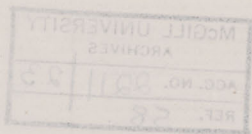
Very

my best attention when I  
go to Ottawa which I suppose  
must be before long -

As to the Convocation I cannot  
promise to be there - With the  
roads in their present condition  
I have not courage to make  
another journey over them so  
so soon - Moreover I find that  
my affairs here require a  
few days of immediate attention  
- It does not seem to me that  
my presence there is of any  
material importance although of  
course it would give me great  
pleasure

please to myself and  
might be gratifying to my  
friends <sup>if I could</sup> to be present. I write  
with a shaky hand as I was  
unintentionally beguiled into a  
little job of pruning before  
I began. But if my writing  
is shaky my regard for you  
is not and I remain  
Yours sincerely  
H. D. Day

H. Dawson Esq





July Day  
1879

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May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1869.

Dear Dr. Hudson.

Permit me to in-  
troduce to you a young  
friend of mine - Elias  
Alvord Esq. a Barrister  
from Ch.pton N.B.  
Elias is desirous to obtain  
of position - A human  
of

of graduating at  
your College. It is  
your purpose to  
conduct such exam-  
nation as may be your  
Statute or required.

I can speak of him  
in high terms - as  
one who will do  
nothing to his credit  
for Protection.



He will personally  
explain his books.

Believe me

Very truly yours

J. A. Gray

J. A. Gray

President

W. J. College

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W Gray  
May 1899

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Luebec, 18<sup>th</sup> May  
J. W. Dawson L.L.D.

Dear Sir

I duly received  
your note and beg  
to thank you for  
having been kind  
enough to draw my  
attention to the  
alterations in the  
rules concerning  
exemptions for honour  
students, they had  
escaped my notice.

I have not yet  
succeeded in finding  
a person from whom  
to take lessons in  
drawing. If I am  
unable to do so I  
will commance learn-  
ing immediately on  
my return to Mont-  
real in September.

Respectfully yours  
Ch. Joseph.



Sept  
May 1899

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Mason

2<sup>nd</sup> June 1867.

My dear D. Dawson

We have not yet definitely decided with reference to the grant for the School of Mines - I have been anxious to see whether it was possible out of our very small margin between Expenditure and anticipated Income, to grant the required amount, but I very much fear it will be impossible this year - I

assure



assure you it will be  
with much regret if I have  
to come to that conclusion,  
for I more than desire  
to second your zealous  
and disinterested efforts  
to promote the scientific spirit.

I know well the sacrifices  
you have entailed upon  
yourself, and I can only  
say that when we are a  
little less poor I shall be  
<sup>very</sup> glad to further your wishes.

Believe me to be,

Sincerely yours

Beaulieu

D. Dawson

Principal, McGill College  
Montreal

June  
May 1871

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11.40  
Montreal, Imery 1869

By Telegraph from Quebec

To St Dawson  
Quebec College

Recommend some one to  
act as Quebec Examiner  
with Archambault. Howe  
declines unless paid. Hicks  
says he cannot. I know  
not whom to ask must  
know today answer  
H A Miles

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High School  
21 June 1864

My dear Sir

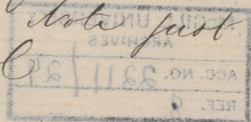
I enclose Report of the  
Sch Certif. Ex. for Corporation Meeting  
on Wednesday

I have not added our change  
of the Latin & Greek Subjects for  
next year, for I am not sure  
whether it need be brought before  
Corporation; but I have left room.

Very truly  
yours  
W. Abbeville Howe

Principal Dawson  
S. D. C.

Thanks for your cheque of \$5  
for Prize. Also for your note just  
received about the H. School.





Prof. Hume  
June 1874

My dear Sir  
I enclose Report of the  
Lab. Com. for Laboratory building  
on Wednesday  
I have not altered our change  
of the tables & fixed objects for  
next year, for I am not sure  
whether it will be bought before  
September; but I have left room  
for any change  
Yours truly  
W. H. Murray

W. H. Murray

Thanks for your check of \$2  
for paper. Also for your  
enclosed about the building

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Ministry of Public Instruction, Province of Quebec,

ASSISTANT SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Quebec, June 25<sup>th</sup> 1869

My dear Sir

Not knowing Prof. Rob-  
bins' proper address I ventured  
to send the package of Examina-  
tion papers for the philosophy  
exam. to you asking you  
to place it in his hands - not  
to be opened however till Mon-  
day morn<sup>g</sup> in presence of the  
other examiners & Candidates.

Mr Robins' name went to  
Ottawa for appointment  
day before yesterday - his  
name being placed before  
Archambault's - Here however  
I feel obliged to put my own  
name last of all - though  
perhaps



older than my colle agree here  
& having, in such an affair,  
better claims than he to  
precedence - but in our  
present transition state of  
matters I do not see fit  
to risk quarrelling with  
Mr C. & Mrs by standing  
on punctilios about  
things of no real consequence.  
Mr Robins will find instructions  
within the parcel - only  
the first thing he has to  
do is to meet the Candi-  
dates & his colleague, as  
advertised & see their



presence open the papers (or rather  
the parcel & the instructions) -

I tried to get those despatches  
written out yesterday but  
could not - they are in  
progress today & will be  
sent as soon as copied.

in haste

Yours very truly

H. H. Tucker

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Dr Dawson

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Allen  
New York

My dear Sir  
~~Dear Sir~~ Dear Sir

There makes two  
great or four each

There Monday is

The day of the

celebration! but

perhaps it will be

perhaps it will be

and see the paper

out of their volume

of the sketch.

Very yours

Wm Brewster

in the sphere he loves so well. In the Museum, to which he generously contributed his own splendid collection, he will undertake the fuller classification of the specimens, with a view to rendering them more valuable for scientific and educational purposes, and it is understood that he will continue his literary labors as time and health permit, being already engaged in an important work on geology.

Sir William Dawson's resignation as Principal was tendered on May 26th at a meeting of the Board of Governors, and after its receipt an ad-



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## The Gazette.

MONTREAL, MONDAY, JUNE 12.

### SIR WILLIAM DAWSON.

The announcement of the resignation of Sir William Dawson from the principalship of McGill university, after nearly forty years' service, will be received with deep regret, not only by those more immediately and intimately connected with that institution, but by all friends of higher education in Canada. Nothing but the impaired state of his health, and the imperative injunctions of his medical advisers, would have led Sir William to tender, or the Board of Governors to accept the resignation, which is a cause of undisguised sorrow to both, but Sir William has felt that even under the most favorable circumstances he could hope to hold the reins of the high office only for a short time, while the present enlarged and advancing condition of the affairs of the university require a strong hand and watchful guidance. Sir William has desired to devote the remaining years of his busy life to the completion of the scientific work in which he has so long been engaged, and in which he has achieved so distinguished a reputation, for which purpose it has been absolutely necessary to withdraw from the responsibilities and cares of the principalship; and his work henceforth will be largely

labor and responsibility of the principalship, the governors hope to have the benefit of Sir William's advice, assistance and experience for many years to come, an advantage the latter's continued identification with the university happily makes possible.



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adopted at a meeting of the Board of Governors held on May 31st :—

“Having given their most careful consideration to this communication, the board, while contemplating with extreme regret the severance of the relations which have subsisted for the long period of thirty-six years between the governing body and the honored Principal of the university, are of opinion that the reasons given by Sir William Dawson for tendering his resignation, viz., the impaired state of his health, and the injunction consequently laid on him by his medical advisers, that he must in justice to himself relinquish the duties of his position of principal and professor, leave them no alternative but to accept his resignation of those important offices, as at the end of the current educational year.

“It is therefore resolved that the resignation of Sir John William Dawson, C.M.G., LL.D., be and is hereby accepted, to take effect on the 31st July, 1893.

“While deeming it wholly unnecessary to enlarge on the value of the eminent services rendered to McGill university by the principal, services recognized and appreciated, not alone by every one connected with the university, but by the whole body of Canadians, the board desire to record their sense of the deep and lasting obligation under which the university lies to one who, from very small beginnings, has done so much to raise it to its present gratifying standing among schools of learning.

“The board have very great pleasure in appointing, and do hereby appoint Sir William Dawson, emeritus principal and professor and governors' fellow, as well as honorary curator of the Peter Redphth museum, and direct that a room in the museum building be set aside for his use so long as he may desire to occupy it.

“The board trust that Sir William Dawson may be spared yet many years to pursue those valuable researches in natural science, to which he has specially and with so great success devoted much of his life, and it is their earnest hope that he and Lady Dawson may have a long enjoyment of health and happiness.”

It is understood that in addition to the formal expression of their appreciation of Sir William's invaluable services to the university, conveyed in the foregoing resolution, the Board of Governors has decided to make the retiring Principal a handsome allowance during his lifetime, as a practical mark of the esteem in which he is held by them, and their recognition of his worth and work. It may be added, in this connection, that Sir William has always been a generous contributor to the funds of the university, and that as the need and occasion arose he was among the first to extend a helping hand. Although relieved of the

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you have, and shall always, retain the warmest  
regard of every member of the governing body  
with whom you have so long co-operated, and  
the relations between whom and yourself  
have throughout been of the most cordial  
nature.

With much esteem and every good wish for  
Lady Dawson and yourself,

Believe me,

Very sincerely yours,

DONALD A. SMITH,  
Chancellor.

Sir William Dawton, C.M.G., LL.D., etc., Mc-  
Gill college, Montreal.

The following is a copy of the resolu-  
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Private

Quebec, June 26<sup>th</sup> 1864.

Dr. Dawson

My dear Sir

I telegraphed you for information about your closing day of the Mcg. Normal School - If you think I had better come a day earlier & if I can manage that I shall leave pleasure in doing so -

Mr (Chauveau showed me (or rather read very rapidly to me) your letter, so that I could scarcely catch the jist of it - and asked me if I would go - saying he could not - at first I felt bound to refuse on account of the Gilchrist affair next week - but, on reflection and as there is another examiner here

as well as myself & as I can have  
a substitute for a couple of days  
I told him I would go -

Please tell me precisely what I  
am expected to do and I will  
do it as well as I can though  
of course I shall be but  
a poor substitute considering  
(as I judge from former reports) the  
eloquence & bon homie of the  
Minister on such occasions.

After receiving notice of about  
six candidates here for the  
Gilchrist the number now  
diminutes away to one.

Mr C. thinks the whole concern  
against "our Institutions" -  
so it would be if it were the  
means of carrying off a lot  
of our most promising young



men every year - But as it takes  
only one, who might return, after  
receiving great advantage &  
being polished off in good  
British Institutions, and as  
it may be here an incentive to  
competition among the youth of  
our higher schools & Colleges, I  
am of opinion it may be  
serviceable to Education in this  
country.

I sent you yesterday the copy  
of despatches relative to the  
Whitworth competition &  
hope you have now received the  
same safe -

I remain  
Yours very truly  
H. H. Miles

Miles  
Lumpkin

There been here - Most as it takes  
after  
great advantage  
off in part  
and as  
it may be here an intricate  
competition among the part of  
our paper about to collect  
an of opinion it may be  
to Election in this  
Country

I sent you yesterday the copy  
of the paper which relates to the  
wholesale competition  
I hope you have now received the  
same safe

Yours very truly  
H. H. Tucker

Tuesday Morning

My dear Sir

I leave Town this  
afternoon - I will endeavour to  
~~see~~ <sup>see</sup> Senker at his place or mine  
and will thank you to send  
me a note of the matters  
which you particularly wish  
me to discuss with him -

Have I any chance of the  
pleasure of seeing you and  
Mrs Dawson at the Lake  
this Autumn - Come if you  
can.

Dr Dawson

Wm D Day



Judge Day  
June 29

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Halifax, N.S. 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 1869.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your favor of the 7<sup>th</sup> instant, directing my attention to the commencement of a Course of Practical Geology and Mining, at McGill University, I beg to say that, I regret being unable to advert to the same through the "Mining Gazette" as its publication, after all, is not likely to be resumed this year. I have alluded, however, to the subject in recent correspondence with other journals; and I hope that the liberality and interest which yourself and Sir M<sup>r</sup> Logan have manifested by instituting these lectures, will be appreciated by all who wish to see the Mining industry of Canada expand and become permanent, results to be secured only by the proper training of its employees.

With sentiments of profound esteem,  
I have the honor to subscribe myself,  
Dear Sir,

Your very obed<sup>t</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>  
Alexander Heatherington

J. W. Dawson, Esq<sup>r</sup> C.E.D., F.G.S., F.R.S., etc. etc  
McGill University  
Montreal. Q.C.



Hetherington  
July 1843

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J. W. Brown  
No. 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200



And now to the practical question. I think it can hurt none of us to hold it over till we can discuss in all the freedom of a conversation as unreserved as its importance to all that has come from you yet, indicates for desirable. As in so many former cases, I feel sure we shall come to satisfactory conclusion. I write in this sense to Judge Day. As I told you the other day, we are to meet (he says) on or about the 14th. I shall probably go to Ottawa by the direct route. I may possibly see Hon. Seal sooner; if I do conclude, I will at once telegraph you. But I shall certainly be here till Saturday afternoon. Should you be coming down



sooner, let me particularly  
beg you to to arrange as  
to spend a day here as  
as you proposed.

I am most anxious  
to have this matter thorow-  
ly cleared up; I regret in-  
finitely the shortness of  
our talk the other day, -  
as I think it had something  
to do with the resultant  
annoyance to yourself.

You know, I am sure, the  
value I set on you & all that  
affect you, & the confidence  
I have always felt in your  
public spirit & large scope  
of view.

In haste,

Yours very faithfully,  
Wm. D. Perkins.

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Priv:

Lueben, 11 Aug. '89.

My dear Principal, I have  
hardly had time to read over  
yours of the 9th just received,  
(the enclosed to Judge Day.  
But I must hasten for I  
may not in my hurried be  
able to write for I can't tell  
when) to drop you an instant  
line.

I am truly sorry to infer  
from the tone of yours to the  
Judge that you take it a  
miss I should not have  
"referred" a position you at-  
tribute to Mr. Chauveau.  
"Resentment" by a colleague  
of a course taken by an-  
other, is a pretty serious  
matter. No colleague can  
say or hint such a thing,  
even where most called for;



I really, in this case, if you will take my word for a literal fact, I think you will see that I could not have ~~re-~~ sented practically - I could never think of doing such a thing not practically - without putting myself in a position most painfully false. The case was simply this. Mr. Chauveau said that if you were named he did not see how he could refuse the same distinction to the Principals of the other Normal Schools. I frankly confess that I did not either, - I do not, now. The question is not of your position & theirs, in any general sense, as relative. It was the mere hard practical concrete question of dealing with a claim they would be sure in a certain case to urge. I could not, with any reason,



you as it seems to me, have  
told Mr. Chauvenot to tell  
his men that their position  
(otherwise than as regarded  
official relations) was so far  
short of ~~them~~ <sup>you</sup>, as to warrant  
him in refusing to them  
a distinction which he  
suggested me to insist on  
for you. To them, such lan-  
guage in such case, would  
have involved affront to  
you, as he might stand. I  
did not think the course  
I took involved the faint-  
est suspicion of slight.  
Indeed, as I told you,  
my first inclination was to  
favor the notion of your  
repeachment from the Prin-  
cipalship. Had I been  
able to see you in time,  
I should have consulted  
you on the subject. Much  
as I felt, that your holding  
continued oversight of the  
normal school was for



Some time longer at least,  
important. Indeed - preparing  
as the matter was for time -  
I should have striven hard  
to hold it over till I could  
see you; but that, you may  
remember, you had your-  
self urged me to consider  
Day's appointment as more  
expedient than your own.  
He had done the same as to  
yours. I felt, therefore, sure  
that there was it could be  
no sense of postponement  
on either side.

As to Dr. Seach, I can  
only say (at a word of his  
of your note point to him)  
that there was never ques-  
tion of changing the Coun-  
cil by cancellation of a  
nomination already accep-  
ted & not declined. It had  
been agreed, at of course,  
to deal only with new  
nominations.



McGill University,

Montreal, Sept 1 1869

My dear sir,

Copy to Dr. H. J. Rogers

I wrote a hasty note yesterday for the Normal School, which I trust you have received. I wish now to mention some agreeable matter, on the inauguration of our new Museum Room, and of Carpenter's Collection. The subscribers are 13 in number, and I wish to invite them to a little collation in the Museum, and to desire if possible the presence of yourself and other leading members of the University to honour the occasion, and if possible in connection with this and the recent large additions to our geological collections, ~~and~~ to cultivate some interest in practical science education.

I know that you will be very busy while in Ottawa; but I write in hope that you and Mrs



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The University

Dunkin and Mr Rose may for  
some time, say early in autumn,  
when you could probably be here  
and at about that time a meeting  
of friends of Cooper, both  
of which are needed, and the  
little celebration I have referred  
to might come off.

I shall in any case cherish  
the hope that you will be  
able to spare an hour or two  
return from Ottawa to look at  
the large amount of work we  
have done within the last six  
months and to speak of these  
matters.



17 Duchamp Street  
Quebec Park,  
Sept. 30. 1869

Dear Mr Dawson.

I regret  
being unable to write you  
upon an ample occasion.  
I regret but a circumstance  
having happened in  
connection with the  
Ponds of the Prince of  
Wales in the College.

which I am greatly obliged  
to understand. I have been  
induced to write you  
confidentially in regard to  
the same, feeling sure  
that you will favour me  
in the like manner  
with your kind advice.

Some time back shortly  
after I had been honoured  
with a sitting by the Prince  
I agreed to execute a  
Block Book of his Regalia  
perhaps for presentation  
to the Throne for the  
simple cost to myself.



by £40: but upon  
inquiring persons are  
allowed to do so: The  
Prince of Wales, 1870  
do speak however the  
copyright of the book  
expressed the words that  
instead of being a Black  
Book. - by a Book  
without dropping, that  
he should be exactly  
similar to the original  
- with dropping. -

Proceeding the same  
as a positive command  
from the Prince and  
knowing that the

additional expense would  
only be a matter of Ten or  
Twelve pounds. - I do not  
think it worth while  
writing Mr Nelson should  
like he should be offended  
in any supposing it  
possible his presentation  
Mr Bate would be  
affected by any such small  
matter, and I therefore  
decided to proceed with the  
full work and explain  
to Mr Nelson upon any  
demanding him.

Upon any demand or however  
upon any later words to find a



who only said Mr. Johnson  
expressed himself as being  
dissatisfied but decidedly  
refused to pay any more than  
the £. 100 as agreed on the  
former place

Mr. Johnson's wish to remove  
the students of the Book  
and feeling that Mr. Johnson  
ideas must differ some  
change. I decided to leave  
the Book and the College  
but I am sorry to say  
that after such a long  
interval after the  
subject since my return  
no satisfactory understanding  
has been arrived at

In my last letter to Mr Nelson  
thinking that perhaps under  
the circumstances it could  
be the pleasure of you  
of settling the matter I  
proposed that I would  
leave it to your discretion  
of any two gentlemen in  
Montreal, - to which  
letter however I have had  
no reply.

That Mr Nelson should  
refuse to pay such an  
exorbitant additional sum -  
to being the same with  
and knowing, as he does  
that the matter is so

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The fact being that he is  
under an obligation to me,  
the Bank being under the  
Standard of James; I cannot  
understand, and it is the  
this puncture that it has  
occurred to me to inform  
you as regard to it - in the  
hope you may kindly be  
able to suggest a means  
of amicable settlement.  
In addition to the Bank's  
Ref. Dr. Jackson also  
positively refused to pay  
me the money which I  
had out of compliance.

to him, and to see him the  
brought, said to Miss  
I course my coming to  
Canada to be incidentally  
in the same steamer and bought  
the Marble had nothing  
whatsoever to do with the carriage  
but that perhaps I should  
to imagine that the Marble  
should have travelled free  
In conclusion, I would  
think that the Students  
would feel themselves  
flattered if they knew of the  
arrival of the Marble, and  
for myself I should  
very much prefer



Returning to Holton  
No £20. he sent me  
as half payment in  
advance, and presents  
the Bible to the College  
myself. Shall I allow  
any such party and  
contemptible circumstances  
to be associated with  
a work of mine?

I am sure I am sure  
of the Prince's views  
of the matter, he would  
unmistakably express  
the work to be pursued.

The Book himself -  
in addition to which he  
certainly would, or I  
very much mistake  
the Royal Hybrids -  
express his unequalled  
surprise at any English  
gentleman being guilty  
of such meanness.

Yours truly  
Francis Dawson  
Rushale Wood

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Francis Dawson  
Esq. &c. &c.

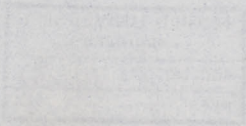


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Would you please  
tell Mr. S. properly upon  
and advise him to  
take where the  
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and leave them  
I am his secretary

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jourment was taken in order that due consideration might be given to so important a matter. There being no alternative, owing to the state of Sir William's health, the resignation was reluctantly accepted on May 31st. In his letter of resignation the Principal referred in feeling terms to the extreme cordiality of his relations with the board, his solicitude for the welfare of the university, and his profound sorrow at being compelled to withdraw from the active duties so long discharged by him. The letter of the Chancellor informing Sir William of the acceptance of his resignation is as follows:—

MY DEAR SIR WILLIAM,—While we all deeply regret the necessity for your leaving your long life work in the university, we wish you to feel assured that we are actuated in every way by a desire to do that which may be most in the interest of your own health, and altogether acceptable to you and Lady Dawson.

It is therefore my duty, on behalf of my colleagues of the board and myself, to hand you the enclosed resolutions come to, after considering your letter of resignation.

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**W. J. COMMON.**

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**17 ST. JOHN ST.**

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**LACHLAN MACKAY,**

**Accountant, Trustee and Auditor,**

**TEMPLE BUILDING,**

**185 ST. JAMES ST**

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My dear Sir,

Do you know any <sup>Walt</sup> Dr. McFell who would like to come down to Gaspe to reside - Dr. Moody talks of leaving us this Autumn and in case he goes we should like to replace him - The position would not be bad for a young man The merchants give a retaining fee in addition to the usual Medical fees for attendance - We should prefer a Doctor of British origin - Gaspe Basin would be head quarters but the practice would be very extensive if pushed by an active man -

If you know of any one you can recommend and will kindly drop me a line

I wd obtain a definite answer  
from ~~Dr~~ Moody about his  
plans and likewise send  
you further information

Miss Algar has accepted  
the School up S.W. Arm -

I am sorry to trouble you  
Linda & others asked me to drop  
you a line on the M<sup>d</sup> question  
and as I thought it might give  
you an opportunity of recommending  
some well deserving young man  
& likewise of doing us a kindness  
I undertook the task.

Hoping we may have the pleasure  
of your society at Paspe again  
next Summer - Believe me

Yours sincerely  
John Richmond

Municipal Dawson

Wesley College.



Re J. B. Perkins  
Sept 1869

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Montreal, Oct 21 1869

By Telegraph from Quebec

To Principal Dawson  
McGill University

Judge Day and I starting  
direct for Ottawa - Unlikely  
to be in Montreal twenty  
seventh Entirely agree  
with you as to committee

Christ Demkin  
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McGill University,

Montreal, Oct 25 1869

My dear Sir,

*Copy of handwriting*  
I have sent to Judge  
Day and to your notes of invitation  
to my Museum meeting. If you  
can come, it will be very  
profitable; but if not at least  
some part will be done, and the  
affair will be over before the  
University lecture and festival.  
I shall be glad to know if  
you have had any opportunity  
to speak of the matter to Col  
Alphurstone. We shall probably  
appoint a committee on Wednesday.

I have just received a  
letter from my friend Dr Anderson  
of Quebec, stating that he pro-



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poses to be a candidate for a  
clerkship which Mr Daniel  
Leach is about to resign, and  
asking me to give him a  
recommendation. I can safely  
say that he is a man of  
education, of literary and scientific  
tastes and of high character,  
as well as an accurate business  
man and good writer, both  
in regard to composition and  
calligraphy. The state of his health  
while unfitting him for the exposure  
attendant on medical practice, would  
not interfere with office work. If  
you can do anything to promote his  
interests, you will benefit a deserving  
man and the public will deem a good  
servant.

Sincerely yours  
W Dawson



Ottawa 26<sup>th</sup> October 1869

My dear Sir

I am very sorry to say  
it but I do not believe there is  
any possibility of my getting away  
for the Inauguration of the Museum  
to-morrow. I thought when I last  
wrote that I might manage  
it but matters have taken a  
turn which kills hope. I suppose  
however that it is of no great  
importance except in so far  
as



As my own participation is  
concerned whether I am present  
or not - I wish you all  
success and with kind regards  
to Mrs Dawson, I remain

Yours sincerely

Dr Dawson J. W. Day

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My dear Doctor

The day before yesterday I was aware of the Brickwork being required to replace the cornice at the "Museum" - Mr. Wood was going up to Mr. Allan's on Monday next & intended to do it when his men were there - but in order that there may be no delay, I have written ~~to~~ to ask him to attend to the "Museum" tomorrow if the weather permits. Yesterday & today are the description of days that outside brickwork cannot be done to advantage - and we had got Mr. Wood to work at once -

I will see that he attends to & makes a good job

Truly yours  
Wm. H. Kinnis

Dr. Dawson

Oct 29. 69

W. P. H. S.  
1862

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Montreal,  
16<sup>th</sup> November, 1869.

Dear Sir,

Prince Arthur  
has not yet been informed  
that an Address will be  
presented to him at the  
Founder's Festival - I wish  
that the College authorities  
would decide not to  
present any address to  
him - The majority of

the Graduates (on the  
Committee of Arrangements)  
are opposed to it & I  
can see no reason for  
it. Prince Arthur  
is in reality a Prince  
by courtesy only, having  
no official position  
in England or here.  
I know that many  
persons here treat him  
as though he were  
a Royal personage



& snobbery is growing  
apace. I hope that  
the University will not  
encourage it. Prince  
Arthur is a private  
gentleman, one of the  
first of the English  
aristocracy, it is true, but  
nothing more. Let him  
come to the Festival as  
other guests do & let  
him be treated as they  
are.

He himself does  
not want this official  
reception - at Lady

F. W. Mackenzie

Wyndham's reception given expressly for him, there was nothing formal or official. He accepts invitations to private houses also.

I have taken the liberty to write you as above, because I feel strongly on the subject & because I see that in this city, snobbery is getting worse & worse making people cold-hearted, selfish, unchristian, making "Burke's Peerage their Bible" as Thackeray said,

Yours sincerely  
F. Mackenzie



Frit:

Knowlton, 20 Nov.  
19.

My dear Principal, After seeing  
you on Thursday, I saw Mr  
Joly; who proposed to try to see  
you, & I hope has before this  
done so. I told him of your  
letter; & by his mail I now  
enclose it to him. We will talk  
further of your meeting at Quebec.  
I have no doubt of his disposi-  
tion to be fair & reasonable.

No chance, I am sorry to  
say, of my seeing Monheal  
next week. I have been laid  
up yesterday & to-day; but hope  
to get out to-morrow. And I  
shant have a moment to spare  
next week. Indeed I am busy  
now, writing; and cant be out

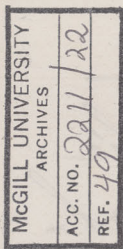
Yours very truly,  
Chris. Rankin

C. D. Smith  
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Quebec 23 hour 1869.

My dear Sir

Mr Dunkin sent me  
only to-day yours  
of the 13<sup>th</sup>. ulto. he did  
not meet me when  
he expected, which accounts  
for his not delivering  
your letter sooner.

I am sorry for the  
delay, the more so that  
I could not find time  
to call upon you, last  
week, at Mr Dunkin's  
request, when in Montreal.

Thank you for

Principal Dawson }  
McGill University }

the copy of your  
"Lessons on Scientific  
Agriculture". I had al-  
ready read the book with  
much pleasure and I  
think it will answer  
very well for young  
men who have received  
some education; I  
may be mistaken, but  
I think it is rather  
beyond the depths of our  
young farmers, in the  
country.

From the very  
day that I was appoin-  
ted one of the Board  
of Agriculture, it struck  
me that the first  
thing was to interest



our English-speaking  
countrymen in the efforts  
that are made to im-  
prove our system of  
agricultural education. It  
is true that they require  
it much less than the  
French Canadians, because  
they are far in advance  
of them, in agriculture  
but there is nevertheless  
room for improvement,  
and it is nothing but  
justice that they should  
have every chance.

Our Committee has  
recommended, in its Report  
on Agricultural Education,  
(and that part of the  
Report was adopted at

July New 1899  
once by the Board, that  
measures should be taken  
for enabling the English  
speaking youth of the  
country to be instructed  
in agriculture. We did  
not take upon ourselves  
to frame a plan for  
that purpose, but the  
Board will receive with pleasure  
and discuss fairly every plan  
that may be submitted, and  
adopt the best and most  
practicable.

I shall do myself the  
pleasure, of calling upon  
you the next time I go  
to Montreal, and hope to  
see you, whenever you come  
to Quebec

Believe me, my dear  
Sir  
Yours truly  
E. Joly



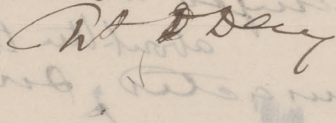
Glenbrook 24<sup>th</sup> Nov 1869

My dear Sir

I cannot be with  
you at the Founders Festival  
I hoped there I could so have  
arranged matters as to have  
about the time of the festival  
transacted some business which  
will necessarily take me to  
Munster ~~about the~~ but the  
expected letters have not come, and  
as I must go in after them ~~soon~~  
arrived I have not courage  
to make two journeys at this  
season - I am a good deal  
yours  
pnt

put out at the disappointment  
for I should really have  
liked to be there - It will  
however make no difference to  
you for as I write before I should  
have left all the official acts  
in your hands if I had been  
present. With kind regards

Yours truly

Dr Dawson 



*Day*  
*Wm. 169*

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Dear Dr Dawson

I have your  
the 30th and the S.  
of our church.

Its chief work is the  
part of 5 mission so  
and that is effected  
by through the executive  
committee which meets  
every month. The meeting  
of the association every  
quarter serve to remind  
the members of our edis-  
tence and also brings  
the S. S. teachers, together  
occasionally.

Whether it would do to  
merge our <sup>quarterly</sup> meetings <sup>into</sup> with  
the meetings of the S. S.  
Union, I am not prepa-  
red to say, but I don't  
much whether our presby-  
terian apt<sup>n</sup> would long  
exist without some dis-



such a bond of union  
such periodical meetings.

I may say however that  
I wish much to resign  
the office of President which  
I have held for upwards of  
8 years, and if you or  
Mr. Gibson could be induc-  
ed to accept of it, some  
useful reforms or a new  
organization could without  
difficulty be brought about.  
The office bearers will be  
chosen next month about  
18th January. It might  
be thought best to allow  
the association to disperse  
and allot the 5 schools  
to the several city churches,  
and do more work in this  
way than we have done,  
but I would deprecate any  
change which would prevent  
our presbyterian teachers from  
occasional association.

Yours sincerely,

F. W. Johnson

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*[Faint, mirrored handwriting, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page]*

*[Handwritten signature]*



St. Lawrence Glass Company

Montreal, Dec 18 69

Dear Sir

I received a message to the effect that you would take about a hundred of each size of these specimen jars if they could be made cheaper.

They could be made at fifty cents for small and seventy five cents for the large size - making that quantity, and could be made without delay if ordered now.

Yours truly

Wm. Cochrane  
Treas.

Dr. Dawson }  
McGill College }

Cochran  
Whitaker  
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Jan 1893

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O. P. P. P. P.  
August 11



Recd. 4<sup>th</sup> 1869

Dear Dr. Dawson

The day after your letter respecting the roof of "Museum" came to hand I went with Mr. Mattinson, Mr. Garth's partner onto the roof & examined it thoroughly - We found the <sup>cross</sup> joints or overlaps of the last two rows of metal had been cemented up & even then close - The walls had also been cemented against quite decently & there also the work appeared secure - We were under the impression that it was the longitudinal joints or overlaps which in all probability were giving the trouble - Mr. Mattinson proposed to caulk them with yarn & red-lead - Give the whole roof a coat of the best fire proof paint - The fire walls also would be taken away & the metal carried over the towers on each side - The filling in, as proposed originally, with sawdust between the inner & outer roofs would also be considered, be of the greatest service - I have endeavored to obtain a tender for the work from Messrs. Garth & Co. & only yesterday succeeded in doing so - but in it I considered that

*W. P. ...*  
*Dec 1897*

was an error in the amount of time  
put down as necessary to do the work  
& pointed it out to Mr. Mattinson.

He promised to amend it & let me  
have another tender today. He added  
that it was a difficult thing to estimate  
but that he would do the work at as  
low a rate as possible.

I thought it better however if pos-  
sible to set an approximate estimate  
for the work at my rate.

The amount he named yes.  
Twenty was in the neighborhood of  
sixty dollars, which is too much.

I write today in order that  
you know that I have not neg-  
lected the matter. In fact I have  
been daily at Fairbairn's to try & get the  
estimate - but they have all been so  
busy with work that they have not  
had time to attend to this matter.

Would it not be advisable at  
my rate to let Mr. Wright put in the  
sawdust?

Yours truly  
Wm. P. ...

Dr. Mattinson.



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Glenbrook 11<sup>th</sup> Dec 1864

My Dear Sir

I write you now chiefly to say that I will write again when I have more to say - I recd your letter of the 2<sup>d</sup> & have since recd one from Mr Baynes and the Resolution mentioned by you - I am glad the Forester festival went off satisfactorily - I should have been glad to be there -

As to your Annual School changes I shall feel safe in

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any arrangement you may  
recommend - I shall be in  
town for a few days in the  
course of this month, probably  
next week but whenever I know  
my day of starting I will  
telegraph to you -

I intended to have written you  
at length about the new  
Subscription but must postpone  
it until another day, probably  
Monday. The man wants  
to take them to the Post Office -  
so I close abruptly -

Yours sincerely  
Dr Dawson of W D Day -



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No. 60 Little St. James Street,  
MONTREAL.

Montreal, 13<sup>th</sup> Dec 1869

P. O. Box 3914.

My Dear Sir

I am obliged for your kind note, suggesting manner of procedure. Should I feel still determined to press my motion for the granting of an honorary degree on Dr. Johnson - I have now drawn up and will deposit into the Bursar, a factum, briefly setting forth the reasons that would justify a favourable vote in support of the suggestion -

I may add that I did not venture to stir in the matter, until fortified by your own assurance that the application, if made, would certainly command the support of the University -

I have of course, taken care, to regard the conversation had in reference to this subject, as of a purely private nature

Dr Dawson

I am very faithfully  
C. P. Davidson



U. E. DAVIDSON, Esq.  
COMMISSIONER FOR OUTFITTERS  
DEPT. OF TRADE AND COMMERCE  
OTTAWA, CANADA

*C. P. Davda*  
Dec 6/9

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Quebec, 14 Dec<sup>r</sup> 69.

My dear Principal,

Your of the 8th reached me on Saturday. I wrote a note in answer almost directly, but too late for that day's mail. And I overlooked it yesterday when sending to post. Today I write anew, rather than send an old note.

I am in hopes the arrangement which puts the law under Howe, with Meredith as his Secy, will have somewhat re-appeared you. I don't know but it is better than if I had the departmental charge myself. By all means, write Horner;



I would add, write Howe  
& Meredith too, if you can  
find time. I will, as soon  
as I can.

I don't believe there can  
be any party step taken  
towards moving the Lun-  
ary from Montreal; I  
will there is, the Training  
School (sooner or later) will  
have to be organized in  
a manner more or less  
advantageous to his file.

Be sure I will do  
my best. And after you  
were gone the other day,  
the one of language of  
Logan & Helbig was say  
as I drew an ill inference  
from.

In haste,  
Yours very faithfully,  
W.H.

*C. D. ...  
Dec 1879*

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Institutions, without  
distinction, the work  
of preparation, and of  
the same, as I doubt  
not is, the most  
efficient it would be  
the most quick and  
get the most fees, all  
the others being left  
without fair grounds  
of complaint

My ideas may be  
very crude, but I  
throw them out in  
the freedom of old  
friendship, and will  
be glad to hear from  
you again.

Believe me ever

Sincerely yours

Joseph Howe



Howe  
Dec 19

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Ottawa, Dec. 16, 1869.

My dear Sir

I have before me

Your note of the 15<sup>th</sup>

and a letter from Sir

William Logan, addressed

to the Secretary of State on

the 30<sup>th</sup> Nov. I would

be glad to have your

scheme in return as

Principal Dawson



THURSDAY 1854

submitted to the Town  
Luzon.

The whole subject  
is new to me, for although  
I have visited the School  
of Misses in Georgetown  
and other kindred  
Institutions I have  
never thought much of  
the manner in which such  
establishments can be

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carried on.

I have yet had no  
talk with Sir John or  
Sir Francis, or any  
Member of the Government,  
but at the first blush,  
remembering the sectarian  
and educational rivalries  
and jealousies of Novascotia,  
and presuming that they  
prevail in Canada with-  
out equal if not greater ammu-  
tion, it appears to me that



No Government could  
venture to connect the  
School of Mines with any  
particular College

The Students seeking  
its benefits might fairly be  
required to bring from  
any public College  
or University certificates  
to show that they had  
passed through the pre-  
paratory studies before  
entering the School of  
Mines. This would