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William
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Dear Father,

I have just received your
welcome letter of the 28th Nov.

and we are all so glad you
met Rankine before leaving. George
came down on Satth evening, leaving
this Morn. & so was here to learn
all the news.

I have sent a note to Mr. Baynes
enclosing 4/6ts and asking for
the amount. I prefer writing when
possible, as the office hours are not
so long as mine either morning or
evening, & I do not like disturb-
ing him at his lunch. However
it may not be so difficult now
that my hours are changed as you
will see by the enclosed memo.
I have written a note to the Manager

18th of account, asking him
pay in Deposit Receipts to your
acc as may be required. Perhaps it
might be well to pay part of the
C. + D. balance into the W^{ch} of about
real, if it wd save ^{loss of} interest. I sent
a few lines to Mr Judge to let
him know what you say about the
Students, as I know it will encourage
him in the work. I have already
subscribed to the "University Gazette"
for you, but have seen nothing of
the Presbyterian papers. The Toronto
Review are sending their "Varsity"
which comes marked "Complimentary"
so that they expect nothing appar=
ently. There are 2 or 3 religious
periodicals to which I know you
do not subscribe, "Guide to Holiness"
&c. I am writing to the publishers
to discontinue them, (as they are
only wasted) thinking them out the
same time. Have also written to

Drysdale for list of periodicals which
may be revised with advantage.

Florence & I went to an exhibition
at the Art Gallery on Sat^y. I subscrib-
ed for you some time ago, but did
not receive a ticket, but they promise
to send one. — Mr. Mc Cread has
asked me more than once to remem-
ber him to you. — I have paid
the ac^t for \$10⁵⁰ for interest due
Stamley St^y Church, which I understand
is all right. I also inquired about
the ice ac^t, and Morris returned
me by turning up past years in his
ledger to show that your ac^t was
always paid late in the autumn —
Trisk has written a further note
about the box; asking for payment
in full in the mean time, & promising
to make an effort to secure reduc-
tion from the connecting companies.
Bernard will attend to this when
he is next in town. He and I

have been making inquiry about the
mortgage & loan Co. The amount
of it is that it is useless to attempt
to sell stock at present. Craig has
resigned & his successor is said to be
a trustworthy man; there will be an
investigation of affairs, & all that
can be done is to watch its progress,
tho' there does not seem to be any
real cause for anxiety.

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I find the change of office hours
quite an improvement. It requires
early rising to be sure. Florence & I
read a chapter together in our room in
the morning; or have prayers after
dinner in the evening, & we do not
forget your request. By leaving the
office at half-past five, I have time
for a walk before dinner, or to do any
little shopping &c. Mr. Abbott is going
across to England for a few weeks leav-
ing on Saturday next. George is looking
very well indeed, & hopes to be here
again ~~too~~ ^{Christmas} about ^{or} the new year. With
love from Florence & myself,
Your affectionate son, William.