

Pictou N.S.
Roadside 4th March 01.

Dear Mr. Harrington

This is to bear to your dear mother and to you all my own & Mr. Primrose's deepest sympathy. We well know that we can enter but a little way into the sorrow that has so suddenly come upon you but he was closely connected with so much of our own past experiences that it is with a felt sense of personal loss I now write these lines. Such an unostentatious yet fruitful life as his is an inspiration to us all to be faithful in the use of such talents as we have. His taking away is a heavy loss not only to Canada but to the scientific world. Both Mr. Primrose & I would eagerly desire to comfort you all and especially you dear mother in this dark hour but we feel how poor any effort

Must be in that direction from
 the merely human side. The ills
 from such mysterious providences are
 in misshand than ours and our
 prayer is that consolation from its
 true source may come to you all
 in full measure to enable you
 to bear patiently this heavy stroke

If William be with you
 will you tell him that he shares
 in what I have written hereto and
 may I add that I hesitated to write
 at present to your dear Mother direct
 but to yourself that you might tell her
 as occasion might dictate to you

With every good wish
 to you all

Very sincerely Yours

Howard Prinsep

Mr. Harrington

Nephew of Lady Dawson