

To Dr Gms

June 97

293 University St
Montreal.

June 8/97



Dear George,

I received your draft
of address at noon today,
and have devoted the
afternoon to reading it, and
shall return it with this
at once, so as not to
delay your final revision.

I like it very much.

It is clear, modest and
yet firm; and, so far as
my knowledge goes, up to
the mark in accuracy of
statement. The only points

in which my conclusions
differed at intervals extending over
a long period, which is altogether likely

as I have stated them,
offer, are — that I believe
the long continuous belts of
high inclined or vertical
gneiss and amphibole = schist
in the lower Laurentian
cannot be the result of
movement or pressure,
but must indicate a
shallowing on the great
scale of more or less
basic material in the
original mass, whatever
its origin. This struck me
very much in the great

exposures on the Saguenay; and
that it seems deemed probable
that all or even most
of the denudation the Lauze
Culm has experienced
could have occurred after
the Huronian. On the
contrary, I think you will
admit, on reflection, that
the older Laurentian at
least must have been
greatly disturbed and de-
vated and largely washed
away before a formation
so evidently shallow-water
and littoral as that of

The Harmon could have
been laid down, and could
have been enlarged made
up of Laurentian material.

This however relates
merely to a single specimen
which you might easily
modify (Page 32) *

I have marked in the
margin in pencil a few
minor corrections of a verbal
nature which you can judge
of. The word "proposed" which
you use in the first page
is not English. It should be
"advanced"

The Geog. upheaval error
* Besides you speak elsewhere as of
the folding up of the Laurentian way have

You refer to the pp 109 U as
 occurring in Sogai's book
 A 1863 I never understood,
 and have always been
 puzzled as to where he
 placed the Arimiki series,
 which I have my curiosity
 seen at Put-Atthen, and
 with no opportunity of seeing
 its relation to the Arimian
 paper.* I at best to spell
 the word Arumiki. Some
 might pronounce this By while
 I believe it is really ke. I have
 not noticed however what
 spelling is formed in the
 Sogai reports. I have always
 (Causa ephemeræ) adopted
 Arim's softer form Rewenian
 * or of undetermined, its real importance.

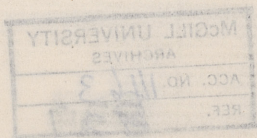
In Remedation which almost
oblivates English names in
the attempt to pronounce
it; but perhaps the aboriginal
Indian who first prepared
the name should be considered
here.

Your closing remarks
about the "Aboriginal" are
rather sarcastic, but perfectly
true and well-deserved. The
only question is if it is worth
while to write the scalping
knife of the Aborigine
tribe. I have endeavored
to treat as strongly in my
"Pieces of Personal Life" but
that is merely a "popular" book, and
its author an obscure individual;
so I do not dread attack. Still

Your address is not official,
and need not be considered
a canon belli at Washington,
and what you say is not
a whit too severe, especially
when, ^{said} in the words of a
good Christian like Sedgwick,

Letters received yesterday
indicate that Rankine may
remain in London for some
time, so we need not
wait for him, and therefore
we are still planning to
leave for ~~met~~ ^{met} Wednesday
morning. Ever yours

J. M. Dawson



Your address is not known
 and will not be furnished
 a copy will be sent
 and what you say is not
 a what you know, especially
 when in the hands of
 good Christian like yourself
 letters received yesterday
 informant that banking was
 business in London for some
 time, so we will not
 wait for you, and there
 you are still planning to
 leave for Paris, Wednesday
 morning. See you
 J. M. G.

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June 9/97

Dear George,

Your draft of
address duly arrived
yesterday; and with
Mamma's assistance as
proof-reader, I gave
yesterday PM to it;
and now return it
with this; but in a
separate envelope marked
A.H.M.S., which I think is
my fair in the circumstances,

I like the address
very much. It is clear,