



Little Metes,  
July 4/88

Dear Rankine,

I have broken  
off from work and worry  
at Montreal to join  
mamma here for a  
little. I have been  
so driven of late  
that I have hardly kept  
up the thread of your  
movements. Indeed I  
suspect some letter has  
gone astray, for though  
in a letter of some  
time ago to Lou you  
mentioned incidentally  
your wish to go on  
another voyage, no

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Facts as to date, destination  
or ship have reached us,  
but scope of notes as  
found time to write from  
Montreal, have therefore  
been addressed to 25 Cash.  
Open St.

Your old friend Dr  
Murray has, all last  
winter and up to my  
leaving, kept up a  
deadly fight against me,  
insidious, faithless, un-  
grateful and truthless,  
and though I believe  
the Germans see full

his utter worthlessness and  
rascality, they have not  
the moral courage to  
dismiss him; and  
I do not blame them  
for the row we should  
get into and the weaken-  
ing of our work at a  
time when we have  
to fight for life with  
the devil here, and  
be very injurious.

I think I mentioned  
to you that by a great  
effort we managed  
to defeat the new  
Medical bill, which

would have had a  
very serious effect on  
the Medical Faculty.  
In case the Senate  
Doctors managed to  
take a step too far,  
and to break their  
own ranks. But we  
have failed to secure  
any safety for the  
Faculty of Law or  
as to the entrance  
examinations.

Feel it is a losing  
fight, but it must be  
fought if possible, till  
the Senate and P.C.,

Phalaris breaks of the  
weight of its own  
iniquities, and then  
honest men may  
have a chance.

I am bent, when  
here this summer <sup>to</sup>  
finish up some of  
my long - standing  
articles, and to do  
all that I can in  
strengthening the College,  
in the prospect that  
next winter may be  
my last fight.

We have quite a  
little colony here this  
summer. Besides Lou

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There are the Harringtons  
and Fleener, with  
the two boys. George  
is in British Columbia  
— headquarters Kamloops  
— William is in Vancouver,  
attending to  
C. P. R. interests —  
an arbitrator about  
a section of road  
there, & does not  
expect to be home  
till August. He  
has had a fine

have travelled over  
with Van Horn &  
other magnates, and  
stopping to see places  
on the way. Sarge  
joined <sup>the</sup> party at  
Winnipeg and travelled  
with them. I am  
very thankful for these  
things, as I must prefer  
any food to the prairie  
people than to manna  
and self, whose time  
is nearly out.

My book "Modern  
Science & Bible Lands,"  
which I think I mean

handed to you, is just  
out. I would write to  
the publishers & send  
a copy to you; but  
do not know how  
best to address it  
& I should be glad  
for a copy in this  
so that you may direct  
them what to do  
with it.

This is a rambling  
epistle; but I have come  
here much run down as  
usual, and have not  
yet quite got my wits about  
me or my spirits up.

We hope soon to have a  
letter from you — In the  
mean time all send love  
and good wishes,  
Dear yours  
J. M. Dawson