

Letter McGill College Montreal,
J. W. Dawson Nov 17, 1855
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Dear Father

I have just received
your last kind letter of Nov 11,
and have been reading your letter
to Anna and George. George says to
tell you that we had no
quills here, and had to
make one for ourselves. Anna
says she says good things to
my father, and that she will
try to make a book mark to
send you, and that she has
been humming a tune for many
days. George says there is a nice
book here, and some books. They
have many other newspapers, but I
must tell them to wait till they
can write them themselves.

I found it was well to
buy Timothy's seed, so have done
nothing with it.

I send by this mail a
few copies of my address in

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pamphlet form which please
distribute,

I gave your last message
to Murray who has not yet
received the Acad. Society. I shall
tell him about the Harmonics.

I am not surprised that there
is no notice in the Athenaeum.
There will I think be one. I
send by this mail a paper with
a review from the Westminster
Review.

The weather here has been
very fine, and last night was
the first here for some time.
Every one here is now looking for the
beginning of winter. We have all
been well, except Miss Sedgwick,
who has been unwell for a
day or two but is getting better.

This is a fine healthy locality, and
I think the house will be comfortable.
We have kitchen, wood house, and
servants' rooms in the basement. Dining

or dining room (Cottin but furnished yet), and
bed room & the nursery on ground floor
My library & a lot of empty bed rooms
above. There is no attic.

I hope we shall have an
opportunity of talking over the
matters you mention next spring.
In the mean time I am afraid
you that we shall be most happy
to welcome you when you can
make up your mind, and that
in event of its being necessary
I am always content to be
home while we have one. What
you are not here is by far
the greatest drawback to my
comfort. If you sometimes feel
lonely, I can assure you I
often feel very sad, when I think
of you and my old home.
All has so far gone well
with us here. I commence my
regular lectures next Tuesday, and
shall not by any means be

overworked. All I must have
are very kind and at-
tentive, and I thank

There are good prospects of
staying just here. If you
were here, we would get a man
and a horse and get up
quite a pretty place here.
Alone I cannot attempt much
in gardening, &c., and can hardly
sketch as much time as I could
wish to walk with the children.
I do however what I can, and
Miss Sedgwick is a great help; and
I shall never forget family worship
and training the children as
well as I can.

Margaret sends her love
to you and Agnes, and thanks her
for her nice letter. Give my best wishes
to all friends. Yours ever affectionately
W. D. Dawson