

Letter
to W. Dawson
Jan'y 1856
Montreal
Jan'y 19
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Dear Father;

I arrived yesterday.

I am very glad that
you have spent the
Christmas & New Year

so pleasantly. I think

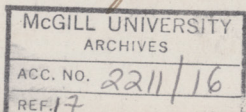
that you are con-

fortable makes me

much more happy.

Serge and Anna

thank you for your



letter and we
are all quite pleased
to have stories about
yourself. Your great
snowstorm was just
a week after ours.
I do not know that
it would be of
much interest to
have reports of
the weather. Here
they publish weekly

taller number to
the Poles, but I
have had no
time to look at
them. I have very
much pleasure to
hear in a general
way how you
have it in Peter.

If the anticipations
about the railway are
correct, you will have
a busy time in Peter.

next summer, and hope
a return of prosperous
trade. Here there seems
little trade in winter,
and everything is very
dear. We have been
paying 10^s per lb for
beef, and yesterday
to get it cheaper we
bought a quarter, at
the very low price
of 7¹/₂^s all over. It am-
ounted to £5; so you
may fancy what
housekeeping is here.
I think £100 here is
worth for any domestic

best wishes to
Agnes and all
friends we are
all well and
join in best wishes

to you. I shall
try to take time to
send in my next
a plan of the
property here, and
some improvements that
we hope to make
Yours affectionately
William

²
purchases little more
than £50 in Pictou.

I - m m m I
hope to join the com-
munion service in St
Jays church. I do
not think I mentioned
that he told me a
few days ago that
he had received my
certificate, in the
letter which you are
closed. Give my

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