

Murray Bay  
Aug 18, 1869

My dear Sir,

Your letter of  
the 13<sup>th</sup> reached me  
here yesterday, and  
I am much obliged  
by your kind and  
prompt reply. I propose  
to remain here till the  
end of the month  
in the hope of finishing  
a new edition of the  
Synopsis of my lectures  
in Zoology which I  
am preparing. I shall

however he is mentioned  
in the 31st and shall  
hope to see you.

I hope you will  
not think of de-  
clining the appointment  
of the Council, more  
especially as by doing  
so you would not  
prevent my appointment.  
Mr Chauvenet can find  
some other work and  
Mr Dunkin is not  
at all prepared to take  
any stand against his  
Apparent wishes. I feel



However that it has  
become necessary for  
me to resign the  
Normal School.

Many persons for whose  
opinion I care little have  
already affected to sneer  
at my connection with  
it and now that their  
view seems to be sanctioned  
by the Govt and if I come  
before the office ad-  
mitted by myself, it would  
become too serious to be  
overlooked. I have taken  
and continue to take  
a lively interest in the  
School; but it and will

do all in my power  
to secure its continued  
purity but it seems  
to me that the action  
of Mr Chauvenet and the  
concurrence of Mr Jenks  
in the view they have  
taken respectively  
with respect to my  
withdrawal from it, and  
this as I trust you will  
understand without any  
word on my part & urge  
myself on Mr Chauvenet  
as a candidate for  
the Council.

I hope I shall have  
an opportunity to explain  
all this more fully to you  
on the 6/18