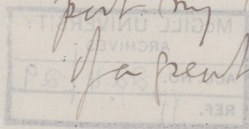


Montreal Oct 8. 1870

My Dear Sir,

I write to tell you that Mr. Richard
Sme has arrived from his northern tour. crossing
by the route of the St Maurice to those of the
Gatineau & coming on at Ottawa. He has found
the promised land of which some of our Cana-
dian writers seem to dream. but about
the shores of Lake Mistassini observed a
great extent of flat fossiliferous limestone
and south of them, resting directly in uncom-
parable stratification on the Laurentian,
a series of crystalline schists which he at once
identified as the "Altered Quebec group" of
our Eastern Township. He looked in vain
for the same black Slates (Séris) which he sup-
posed should underlie & comes back, sorely
perplexed. but with one fact more to sup-
port my notion that there are a part
of a great intermediate / Huronian? series.



Dr Wm
Accepted

It remains to be seen how Sir W. E. Logan will look upon this - I fear he will stand out to the bitter end - but evidence comes from all sides against his view just now.

I leave on Monday for Boston & shall spend a few days in Salem before my return. If I can in any way serve you a note addressed Care Prof. W. S. Shaler, Cambridge, will reach me. My sister came back home Friday after three months absence.

Very sincerely yours

7. Stern Hunt

Dr. J. W. Dawson &

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