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Chas J W

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Dear Dr. Dawson

Many thanks for yours  
of this date with mem. of  
mining rights. With  
reference to the last paragraph  
about new areas you say  
that since my agreement  
they have been acquired in  
the hope that they may  
contain extensions of the  
deposits. & "if desired,  
" the purchasers of the others  
" may, I believe, have  
" the first offer of them".  
When you recollect there  
was published a printed statement

about the "whole or nearly  
"the whole" of the Iron  
areas in picton, it  
is absolutely necessary I  
should have control of  
all the other areas you  
have selected. It will  
never do to have two  
Richmonds in the field,  
or even the shadow of  
one, until my work is  
done.

Under these circumstances  
& as I am sure you fully  
appreciate the practical

I assure you will not fail  
to insist upon this matter  
being settled beyond a doubt.

I always understood from  
the frequent allusion in  
your letters to me while  
in Glasgow that any lines  
taken out on the probable  
extension of the veins or  
deposits would prove part  
of the original scheme.

Yours sincerely

Wm. A. Prentiss

Monday

Dear Sir, I understand that  
you little about I can only be

in general terms - merely  
saying that you visited the  
property with Sir William,  
& have much pleasure in  
confirming Dr Hunt's  
report estimate of possible  
out-put - or something  
to the same effect.

I wish to keep matter  
warm until the return  
of the Deputation. Mr  
Hon. W. Huntington &  
others are desirous of seeing  
us fail, & I have to watch  
& not to leave us stone  
unturned to keep matter  
right.

