

Sumner  
Pictou 18<sup>th</sup> June 1874.

Principal Dawson  
Macpail College Montreal

My Dear Sir

My father telegraphed you on 16<sup>th</sup> Inst: "Your telegram's this date received will give Prentice to 25<sup>th</sup> Inst: to pay up or will assign mortgage as security to whoever he may direct on receiving amount due thereon. After 25<sup>th</sup>, if not settled, will then commence foreclosure or assign to whoever will pay us the money". On rec<sup>t</sup>. of your telegram we had a full meeting of the Vendors and after careful consideration of all the circumstances came to the conclusion expressed in the above telegram and are now determined to have the matter closed without further delay for Mr. Prentice who has had ample time allowed already - and we trust nothing will be done at Montreal to lead Mr. Prentice to believe that any further postponement will be granted.

Donald Fraser has been here today - he says Mr. Hudson informed him the negotiations with the Assoc

(Fraser)  
Coy had failed and he wanted to know  
if Mr. Prentice required his further service  
or not as a number of other parties have  
been applying to him. He says he can  
not afford to be idle and that unless Mr.  
P. wants him very soon he will accept  
service elsewhere. Please let Mr. P. know  
this. Mr. Fraser says he will not wait  
longer than next week and if Mr. Prentice  
wants him he must send him the \$50  
which he promised him in his letter  
to us of 23<sup>rd</sup> May 1873 which Fraser  
accepted signing an agreement there  
for.

We may say to you that were  
Mr. Prentice once settled with us  
might engage Fraser, perhaps, and  
work on our outside areas for  
some time.

Use the wires when necessary  
but avoid the danger of recommen-  
ding any further extension. Your  
letter referred to in your tel of 16<sup>th</sup> Inst  
is not yet received.

The Diamond Drill is on the ground at 6<sup>th</sup> River  
- they are getting some pipe  
put in the hole preparatory to going to work and expect  
to commence boring the last of this or early next week.

Yours Truly  
Howard Hinman

Please return to me  
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July 17/74

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