

Copied from July 9, 1845,

Dear Madam,

The lamented death of
your father and my friend has
good pleased me, with you and
the grant, ~~at~~ in the position of an
executor of his will, Mr Grant's
long experience in the management
of Sir Williams's estate and
the special administrative powers
given him in the will, ~~gives~~
render my position little more
than formal; but I shall
be glad to render any
service in my power to
the estate and to the
heirs. Mr Grant will send
you by mail a copy of the
will and also a draft of
a power of attorney to his
firm which we are
advised will be necessary
to facilitate the settlement
of business transacted in the
country. He will also take
all necessary steps as to public of the
will and make a proper inventory of the
estate, and send its safe deposit.

I think that Mr William has
 made no promise ^{in the will} for the
 completion of the geological
 researches in which he was
 engaged in this country and
 which I believe it was his
 purpose to complete and
 to publish in a style worthy
 of the great labour he has
 bestowed on them, and
 of his own reputation. I do
 not know whether the work
 had attained to sufficient ma-
 turity to allow of its satisfactory
 completion by others, or if he has
 changed his views with any
 thing in respect to it. If however
 you think well to send to this
 country such notes, maps, &c,
 as he had taken with him
 to England, I shall be glad
 along with the Director of the
 geological survey Mr Selwyn, who
 co-operated with Mr William
 in these investigations, to see

~~over the matters and to~~
 report to you as I should
 deem best to be done
 I sufficiently advanced for
 publication, it would be
 a matter for the heirs whether
 they would desire to contribute
 to this in accordance with
 Mr William's design, or whether
 the whole might be trans-
 ferred to the Geological Survey
 and arrangements made with
 Mr Selwyn for such publi-
 cation as he would desire
 on the part of the Canadian
 Government.

Mr William we believe
 has also in negotiation with
 the Survey and being with the
 drawing still in a place
 selected for him, also an
 expense of about \$8000. The
 arrangements here have
 already been made by
 Mr Grant, so that ^{the} ~~it~~ can

be completed if the agreement
 has been signed by Mr Williams,
 your ~~executive~~ might per-
 haps be made to depend on
 the actual state of the cash
 and the purposes of its ~~in-~~
 complete collection.

Mr Williams' memory is
 checked here by all as a moral
 point and public benevolent way
 as an honor to our country
 and I have no doubt that
 steps will be taken by the
 public bodies with whom
 he was connected to whom
 his name, as will be
 doubt also be the case with
 the Royal and Geological Societies
 in England.

I have been able to
 find out the other relations
 between yourself and
 kind regards,

Yours
 W. D.

John James
John James
John James

be completed of the agreement
has been signed by Mr. Williams,
agent to execute
copy is made to be placed in
the central state of the bank
and the
instruments
for Williams
checked out of me on
print out further
on an issue
and there is
steps will be taken
further notes
as was commented
to the amount
should also be
the paper
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