

She has poor accommodations  
but is the only connection we  
at present have with P. Hood  
There are good Boats to P. Hawks-  
bury every Monday Thursday  
P.M. to reach Arichat from  
P. Hawksbury you would have  
to coach it to Grandique. Steamer  
arrives late in Evg at P. Hawksbury  
coach leaves next morning for  
St. Peters & drops passengers at the  
ferry for Arichat. The roads  
to Quispboro. Sherbrooke &  
St. Mary's River are fair. There  
is daily communication by  
Coach from N.Y. Glasgow but  
the conveyances (except coach  
to Antigonish daily) are poor. You  
can hire a good team and  
driver from Church at N.Y.  
anytime. The Eastern Extension  
R. Road crosses Sutherland

Pictou 19<sup>th</sup> June 1877

Principal Dawson  
Macgill College.  
Montreal  
My dear Sir

Yours 15<sup>th</sup> Inst. rec<sup>d</sup>  
and we are much pleased  
with the prospect of a visit  
from you Rankine please  
come direct to me. Mrs P.  
will be delighted to have  
you both. As to your queries  
There is a regular Coach run  
running from Wentworth Station  
on Intercolonial to <sup>from Antigonish</sup> ~~St. John's~~  
distance abt 17 miles. <sup>Coach</sup>  
to Pictou Monday Wednesday Friday  
Steamer Albert is advertised  
to leave here for Port Hood  
every Friday morning at 7  
oclock returning same day

River 1/4 mile below Post Road Bridge follows the  
Gulf shore road through Merionish close to  
the Harbor - crosses the French River at the  
lower Bridge and thence through Piedmont  
Valley and enters the Marshy Hope Valley  
W. Gilpin tells me the cuttings on the arising  
series of strata, if such cuttings exist, would  
be thin, be limited.

I think the foregoing answers all  
your queries and shows that Pictou will be  
the best point for your head-quarters during  
your stay in N.S. and if nothing unforeseen  
occurs we will expect to see you <sup>and Rankin</sup> about 15<sup>th</sup>  
proximo. With kind regards to you all in  
which my father joins I am Yours sincerely

H. Primmer

Mr. Selwyn is in C. Pictou we saw him en route for  
an hour or two. He went to Spruizville with Gilpin but  
did not remain long enough to see further than the sur-  
face indications of the Devonian there. He had not time  
to visit the other deposits. He has been at Polsons Lake and  
Lochaber & we hear was favorably impressed with what he  
saw of the Copper Deposits. Mr. H. Rob. is writing you today  
& will give particulars. Will give your message to D. Brown

