

Sunday April 4
Sunday June

Dec 11

I was much surprised
and ~~grieved~~ in Wood to learn from
Mr Selwyn that he felt aggrieved
by the cruelty of certain land
sales in SW Manitoba ^{in which} ~~in which~~ ^{but in which I did not participate} ~~in which I did not participate~~
Mr M Dawson was interested, and
immediately made inquiry as to
the facts, which had not appeared to me at all in the
I see that Mr Selwyn was
in the first instance acting in the interest
of the other settlers of the Selwyn party
as well as his own, but when
he found in January that his
supposed friends, with one of
whom he had left money to
secure his interests in event of
sales being made had preferred
to go in with the other parties to buy
up lands leaving him out
he felt that he was in no sense
acting any longer for them and
condemned ~~intimated~~ this to
you & son as he was aware of the
actual facts which he was at
first reluctant to believe

His intention was to have
returned to Manitoba early this
Spring after paying his medical
debts and to settle there
as a farmer and ^{medical} practitioner. The action of the land
agent ^{at Winnipeg} ~~in Manitoba~~ ^{and} in Dec and
the subsequent uncertainties have

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I am very sorry
~~unfortunately~~ had the effect of so breaking
down his strength and energies that
^{there is no prospect of his being able to sign}
that he is now obliged to ~~resign~~
his final examination in Medicine ^{this spring}
and of his going to Manitoba ^{to study}
return to Montreal next winter to
finish his ~~course~~ medical course,
and then ^{he has come to} attend to the affairs
of the parties in Manitoba in whom
he placed confidence and who of the
Seymour is very ~~unfortunate~~
disappointed.

In these circumstances it appears to me wise to
his interest to abstain all intention of settling
in ~~the~~ the district when he had ~~signed his name~~
paper to buy land. His capacity as he seems to be
his day to avoid even to place him in contact with
speculators. My intention to take this action he
authorizes me to say

may find most convenient & profitable
if he can obtain land he is prepared
to settle ^{on it}, but otherwise of course must
well himself excluded from this.

I regret very much that you
seem to have had so much trouble in
the matter and that what ^{appears} seemed to
be of justice has in consequence of the
action of some of the parties produced ~~spine~~
in the matter it has ~~been~~ been for
full believe that ~~for~~ my son has been
acting in good faith ~~and~~ ~~that~~ ~~that~~
~~with~~ ~~the~~ ~~most~~ ~~relief~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~good~~ ~~faith~~
~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~other~~ and is still prepared to help
my enquiries that by doing so he is an
sign of an opposition to his name