

B. R. 16<sup>th</sup> April 1881

Dear Dr Dawson

I write a line today  
that I received your note of the  
14<sup>th</sup>. I am sorry to hear of  
the likelihood of the Office  
of Superintendent or Secretary  
or whatever it may be  
in the Educational Department  
being declined by Lynch &  
I will act upon your suggestion  
and write to him about it  
— If we cannot get him I  
think we must try for Robins  
we

We have a hard battle to  
fight and mere intellectual  
qualification for the ordinary  
duties of the Office will not  
suffice - We must have the  
brains and experience - but  
we <sup>must</sup> have also the gladiatorial  
qualities -

The weather here is charming,  
and I am doing all I dare  
in the Garden -

With kind regards

Yours sincerely

O. D. Day

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