



Ottawa
Wednesday,
19th April 1882

Dear Dr. Dawson,

I have nothing new to write you apropos of the Royal Society. All the circulars have been forwarded, and several new names added to Dr. Hunt's section: Herbert Bayne of Military College, Kingston; Haanel of Victoria College; Dupuis of Kingston; M. de St Cyr in place of Abbé Rouvencher who declines.

The C. P. R. R. will distribute tickets over its lines to Havana at a fare of a third, on a member presenting a certificate from the Secretary. I cannot get

An answer as yet from the
Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa &
Occidental R.R. while matters are, as
you know, in a state of transition.
I have written also to the
Minister of Railways respecting the
members in the Maritime Provinces,
but no answer has yet been
received.

I send you a curious letter
Confidentially; it is from Charles
Adam, Editor of the Canadian
Monthly, who, like others, is obviously
aggrieved because he has not been
made a member. The matter I sent
him has a paragraph setting forth
briefly the objects of the Society,
& the names of some prominent members

It is currently reported that
Lord Somer contemplates leaving
his Country this year, & that he
will have only one opportunity
of meeting the Society. This will be
a pity. I am afraid it will be
difficult, as a rule, to get any large
attendance of the Society, as the
expenses of members, going & coming,
must always be considerable. I
have heard nothing more about the
proposed grant.

This will be the longest session since
1867; so will be hardly things before
the 20th, May. Last Sunday I never
left the table from 3 p.m. to half
past seven the next morning

Yours sincerely,
John B. Bowditch

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Casper