

THE ROYAL SOCIETY,

BURLINGTON HOUSE, LONDON. W.

May 11. 1883

Dear D Dawson,

Your letter and post-card of April 24 have come to hand. In answer thereto I can only say that neither our Treasurer nor Secretaries have heard anything about an invitation from the Royal Society of Canada.

You say that our President has had correspondence on the subject with the Marquis of Lorne, but he (i.e. our President) is on the Continent at present, and will not return in time to hold a Council before the date of your Meeting (May 22). I fear, therefore, that your desire for a friendly

Principal Dawson, F.R.S.

Greeting by telegram will be disappointed.

Our Council will meet on the 24th inst. Your letter will then be laid before them. I cannot foresee whether they will take any step in the matter, but you may be quite sure that the venerable parent on this side the Atlantic rejoices to see the emulation of her offspring on your side, and gives ungrudgingly good wishes for its welfare.

I am,

Yours faithfully

Walter White

Asst. Sec. R.S.

The number of your "Proceedings" has come to hand.

W White
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