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Many thanks for your  
Minneapolis address,  
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Mrs  
Sept 1883

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My Dear Dr Dawson

It was with great regret  
that I passed through Montreal  
without seeing you. At an earlier  
date I had contemplated the  
probability of being able to tarry  
at the coast so as to adapt  
my return to admitting my  
tarrying to be present on the  
happy occasion of the wedding.  
But the resignation of our  
French lecturer, and a vacant  
Fellowship, demanded my  
immediate attention here.  
I was pained to learn from

Sybel's letter that you had taken  
the trouble to go down to  
the train, and met with so  
ungracious a reception  
there. But there is no use  
dwelling on what cannot now  
be amended.

You, no doubt, have many  
things claiming your attention  
preparatory to your Great  
Crusade. But you are to  
be envied. So soon as you  
are fairly on board the Atlantic  
Steamer you will feel that  
your responsibilities are at  
an end; and all cares will  
vanish. I am back, as  
Sybel will have told you,  
from a most pleasant holiday  
in which, while you were  
faithful to the claims of

Sciences at Minneapolis, I  
idled to my heart's content.  
Indeed I had enough of it;  
and was glad to start for  
home again, to resume  
work. We have every  
prospect of a good entry;  
and, as I trust, a prosperous  
session. I hope you  
will not allow the British  
Association Meeting any  
place in your thoughts  
till you are back to  
Montreal, with your mind  
stored & enriched with  
all the delights of eastern  
travel. You cannot fail  
to enjoy it thoroughly. May  
the kind care of a gracious  
providence have you and  
dear Mrs Dawson in keeping

and bring you back in safety  
to rejoice us all with a  
share in the fruits of  
your travel. A visit to the  
classic lands of Italy & Greece  
and a pilgrimage to Egypt  
and the Holy Land are pleasant  
dreams that I have cherished  
in earlier years. Now I must  
be content to see them with  
other eyes; and as, after all,  
the richest fruits of travel  
are in the memories they  
create; I anticipate some  
share in your enjoyments.  
The interval will seem won-  
derfully brief before I have  
the pleasure of welcoming you  
as returned pilgrims. May  
all choicest blessings be yours  
as you journey over seas & sands  
to so many hallowed resem-  
brances. Yours faithfully  
Dan. Wilson.

Many thanks for your Minneapolis address,  
which I will send to you.