

Lefroy

82 Queen's Gate. April 18<sup>th</sup> '85

My dear Sir William

Your letter of the 9 Feb  
came to light the other <sup>day</sup>, as I  
felt sure that it would, and  
I am much concerned  
to observe that the remark  
I could not recall, is  
precisely the one I should  
have been the most desirous  
Sir W. Dawson of

of noting, I mean, the effect  
of your visit to London in  
1883 in determining the  
decision of the Council of  
the B.A. Your good nature  
will I am sure excuse this  
omission, as you can so  
well afford to do, but I not  
the less very much regret it.  
I also observe that you said  
that the grounds of McGill  
are less than 20 acres. I thought  
it was 'little over 20 acres'

but

but this is not of much con-  
-sequence.

We are all very much sur-  
-prized by this outbreak in  
the NW, having had no pre-  
-monition. I greatly dread  
the revival of the horrors of  
former Indian wars. Families  
surprized and massacred.  
Homesteads given to the flames  
vengeful feelings awaked  
which it will take years to  
allay But your Governmt  
seems

seems to be acting with spirit  
and promptitude, and  
will no doubt restore order,  
but at a serious cost: finan-  
-cial and social. It may be  
a consolation that the money  
expended, or much of it, will  
benefit Manitoba and help  
to float the C.P.R.

I write from Fowey in Corn-  
-wall where we are staying for  
the sake of the milder climate,  
our spring is unusually back-  
-ward. Believe me  
Faithfully yours J. H. Fry