

St. Antoine

Montreal 14/7/86

Dear Sir

Your enclosure previous
to your leaving our City
reached our late friend Mr
W D Shaw in his last short
illness and owing to his disease
was not acknowledged this
sudden call of one so likely
to prove useful to society is a
dark providence but we are
assured that his removal has
been to the associations of

the holy and the blessed
where his pure ambitions for
Knowledge will be fully satisfied

our hopes and expectations
to hear him relate the account
of what he was to learn at
Birmingham have been dis-
appointed we lose in him
an invaluable leader from our
Community whose highest
aim was to conserve the best
interests and true manliness
of his young associates by
leading them to study natural
history and preserve natural

objects he is therefore missed
by a large circle of the young
people in this neighbourhood
as it is but seldom we find
in one so young as many
Excellent qualities and Combined
with unusual enthusiasm

with thanks for your
many kind regards which
we find in your correspondence
to him I Remain

Very truly yours
Thos Patton

Pres Montreal Agassiz Association

To Sir W. Dawson

Principal McGill Col

Patory
De Mexico