

task of trying to exclude
papers that no popular
Magazine would accept
a gift of!

You ought to be off to
the good emigrants at Metis.
I am much in need of a
holiday; but shall not
be able to escape for some
weeks yet.

Your most truly
Daniel Wilson

P. S. Sybil is with friends
at Collingwood, on the
Georgian Bay; or she would
join me in all kindly
writings to Lady Dawson
and yourself.
We hope to have a Residence for Students at
Metis, will you?



Wm
Peezy

Toronto

21st June 1887

My dear Mr William

On the death of Dr. Appham
Todd, I nominated Mr Horatio
Hale. The section preferred Dr
Withrow, a respectable nonentity.
On the next vacancy I again
named him; and they preferred
Mr Dent - a disreputable
nonentity. I then said I
would never again interfere
in their elections. The fact
is the section is scarcely
reputable. It is becoming
ridiculous.

I shall ask Mr Hale
what he thinks of it; and

if he is willing, I have a pertinent
letter from one of his former
opponents, so he may possibly
be nominated. I doubt, however,
if he will now allow his
name to be proposed.

I have a letter from Bro
Patterson, whom you name.
I dare say he may do very
well; though the fact of
Cawany for election should
disqualify any one. Sir
A. Archibald is also under-
stood to love the honor,
and would certainly be
an improvement on the
past elections. But beyond
what I have done, in
reference to Mr. Hale, I
shall not interfere. Until

the section is recast, and
relieved of the absurdities of
"English Literature"; it will
remain a drag upon you;
and probably culminate
in printing some of your
worthy namesake, Father
Dawson's poems!

You have no difficulty
in Section IV, either for
good news; or good papers.
But I saw from the
first the danger of a
mere literary section.
Any good paper, worth
printing, can find access
to popular journals,
with a handsome sum
to its authors. We have to
undertake the unpleasant



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Dear Sir William

Thank you for your note
of 19th My attention was called
to the paragraph in the Witness
to which you refer. I had not
previously heard anything of the
matter.

Yours sincerely

Alfred R. C. Selwyn.

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Treasurer
