

Montreal 8 August 1887

Dear Sir William

I received your letter in due course & am sorry to learn that D. Murray is still pressing his unreasonable claim, I hope <sup>he</sup> will be wise enough to change his mind, but as he has had so long to consider the matter I fear he is in earnest.

I have seen Mr Lawson since receiving the enclosed letters, he would <sup>like</sup> to get or have us get a 4 horse "Otto" engine from Crossley and he would do all the electric part of the work for \$100, and charge us only what the other work costs him. he said it would <sup>be good</sup> to have a storage battery but the cost would be \$200 additional. I said that we would not think of that at present, and he thought it could be done without. I think it will be best to make as good an arrangement with him as we can, as he is very anxious

to have some work to refer to, and will do  
all he can to make the working of it a  
success. I told him I would write you,  
As soon as we get Crossley's price for the  
engine, I think we could decide if the  
probable cost is not too great.

I shall be glad to have your views and if  
Dr. Johnson can be communicated with  
the things would work smoother if he were  
consulted. Hoping Lady Dawson and all  
the family are well.

Yours respectfully  
Wm. H. Reddison

to Mr. Dawson  
Littlefield's

P.S. We have had a delightful change  
in the weather since Saturday morning  
weather beautiful and cool.