

Trinity Rectory,  
Mitchell,  
out.

Sir J. W. Dawson,  
E. S. D.: T. R. S.

July 19/88.

Dear Sir,

In the interest of cause of Truth,  
I venture to pen a line or two to you,  
to enclose a copy of a leading article  
which appeared in "The Toronto Mail",  
of the 18<sup>th</sup> inst., & to ask you to be  
kind enough to answer the enclosed questions.

I must confess that the article in  
"The Mail" has pained & shocked me.  
That it will weaken the faith of some  
weak ones, in the efficacy of Prayer,  
is, I think, certain. That it will please  
the Sceptic, I have no doubt.

Can you tell me:-

1. If the ~~Scientific~~ Christian Scientist holds that it  
is useless to pray for rain?
2. As a Scientist do you hold that the  
weather

Faylor (Pain)  
be instrumental in doing still more good,  
than answering my queries. July 1882

Love for the Master's cause is my excuse  
in thus troubling you.

Believe me,

Dear Sir,

Faithfully,

W. J. Faylor,

Rector, Mitchell,

of Dio. Sec, "C. E. P. S.," Huron.

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is influenced by a mysterious & unknown  
able "infinite & eternal energy from  
which all things proceed", or by the  
God of the Bible?

3. Should you deem it consistent with  
your standing - as a Scientist to pray  
for rain, if the country badly needed it?
4. Should you say that the researches of  
Scientists have weakened the faith of  
believers in the efficacy of Prayer for  
A. Temporal blessings: B. Spiritual Blessings?
5. Should you say that Scientists, as a body,  
are believers in Divine Revelation, as  
contained in the Bible?

By answering the above queries, & giving  
me permission to publish your reply, in  
the col. of "The Mail," you will, I feel sure,  
confer a very great favour upon thousands,  
both of Christians & non Christians, & will  
be serving the cause of Truth.

If you could see your way to send  
an article directly to "The Mail," it would,  
perhaps,