

Brown

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Beech Hill.
Sydney Mines.
Cape Breton.
Sep 9th 1889.

My dear Sir William.

I had intended to send my son to McGill Reference department. But last winter having learned that he was using tobacco secretly at Upper Canada College, and knowing that at McGill he would be under no restraint when out of College hours, I then made up my mind to send him to the Royal Military College, Kingston, where while under strict discipline, he would get a good Engineering education. I got Mr Dickson to have him prepared for Kingston.

He underwent the examination
for entry in June, but failed
to pass in several subjects.
and I am taking measures
to have him pursue his
studies at home with a
view of trying again next
Spring. I write you of this
as you were kind enough
to take an interest in
my son. When he is older
I may yet wish to send
him to McGill.

Trusting that you and
your family are all well
I remain dear Sir William

Your obedient servant
R. H. Brown

Sir William Dawson
Principal
McGill University