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Honoured and dear Sir William,  
Eight, or  
nathurme months having passed  
since I arrived in Leipzig, I am  
beginning to be ashamed of my-  
self for not having sooner written  
to you, to whom I owe so much.  
I find in Germany everything  
as good as I expected, and in  
some regards the advantages  
to be obtained here are even  
better than I had thought.

I am every day more pleased with  
my decision to study in Germany,  
not so much that it is possible  
to enjoy the instruction of so many  
great specialists, as that I become  
acquainted with the German  
people, their language and ideas,  
and have opportunities for special  
study such as I could not obtain

at home.

The German language was a great difficulty to me at first, but this is now rapidly diminishing, and I hope very soon to be able to use German books with as much facility as English.

During the Winter Semester I heard but one course of lectures, on History of Philosophy by Prof. Heineze, but at present I have four courses, two in Ethics and Logic and two in Political Economy. I had intended also to hear a course on Pedagogics, but it will be better to leave this for next Semester, which I hope to spend in Berlin.

In one regard I have turned over a new leaf and feel very proud of it, in that I attend lectures as early in the morning as seven o'clock, necessitating my rising a little after six every morning. I think I remember your

since saying that you had always  
been accustomed to early hours,  
and here I congratulate myself  
on following your example.

I intend to spend at least two  
years more in Germany, after  
which if circumstances permit,  
I may spend some time in Eng-  
land or Scotland.

I have found the professors here  
very kind and helpful, taking an  
interest in my work and giving  
me advice which I value highly.  
The principal professor in Philosophy  
is Wundt, who is also "Rector  
Magnificus" for this year.

In Political Economy Roscher is  
by far the most important, but  
a younger man, Brentano from  
Vienna is largely taking his  
place, and hundreds of students  
attend his classes.

He is the professor who lectures  
early in the morning, at seven  
in summer and eight in  
winter. Another reason why

I enjoy living in Germany so  
that I have opportunity for  
travel. I lately spent over three  
weeks in this way, mostly in  
Italy, and next Summer I hope  
again to visit England and per-  
haps Scotland, returning through  
France. Switzerland I shall reserve  
for another Summer if all goes  
well.

But notwithstanding all this I  
shall be glad ~~me~~ to return to Can-  
ada, and I look forward with the  
greatest pleasure to my return, two  
years from now.

I do not forget that I was a student  
of McGill, ~~and~~ <sup>and</sup> that I owe a debt of gra-  
titude to my instructors there, and  
I am delighted at the progress McGill  
seems to be making in every way.

I visited Mr. Evans at Freiberg the  
other day, and found him busy and  
enjoying his work, but quite rightly com-  
plaining of the tiresomeness of that  
little <sup>simple</sup> town Freiberg.

Trusting that you are enjoying good health  
and that you will spend a pleasant  
Summer, I am

Your grateful pupil  
J. E. Delorsaigne