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My dear Sir

I have been away and consequently have only just received your letter of the 23rd July conveying your own & Lady Dawson's extremely kind invitation to be your guest on my arrival in Canada: I need hardly say that I accept your kind proposal with great pleasure, & I beg to thank you sincerely for thinking of the difficulty in which I should probably have found myself on my arrival. So far I have been guided by Professor Bovey, who suggested my coming out in the "Vancouver" with

him on the 24th inst and getting
off at Primowski, in that case I
suppose we should come on to
Montreal about the second week
in September, but no doubt I could
write definitely & say when I
should be coming: Professor Bovey
is coming to spend a few days at
my home in Kensington so I
could discuss your kind offer with
him & write again in the course of
four or five days.

Your letter is full of
encouragement, for which I thank
you, as I do feel what an im-
portant position I am called to,
one that might well tax the
capabilities of a far better man than

myself. It will be a great satisfaction to be able to talk the whole matter over with you, & to know more fully what is to be the scope of the new work, & what were the ideas of Mr Wakenan in founding it.

I must say that I look forward to learning as much as I teach, & that the prospect of an interchange of ideas with men of the New World has exercised a strong attraction for me.

Believe me

Yours truly
Chas. A. Carus Wilson

Sir William Dawson
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