

Copy to Rev. Dr. Peterson

293 University St  
Montreal

June 3/95

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Dear Dr. Peterson,

I beg to thank  
you for the copy of the  
Dundas Advertiser received  
last week, containing an  
article which has been  
copied in our local  
prints. I hope I may  
congratulate both  
you and McGill on  
your acceptance of the  
Principalship, and beg  
to send all good  
wishes for your happiness  
and success. In return  
for your kindness is

Sending the Advertiser  
I shall mail with  
two copies of my  
old inaugural of 1853;  
and of a biographical  
sketch of our Founder,  
both of which have  
been recently printed  
They have at least  
an antiquarian interest;  
and will serve to show  
our small beginnings,  
as well as the fact  
that the full constitutes  
an essential element  
in the prosperity of the  
English minority in this

Province, as well as than  
a great educational jewel  
in the whole Dominion,  
They will also show  
the complexity of our  
organisation, which, like  
that of some little animals,  
has, though comparatively  
small, all the parts of  
things of greater magnitude,  
and our varied relations  
with Dominion and Provincial  
interests, religious bodies,  
affiliated colleges and  
secondary schools and  
mixed populations. You will  
readily understand that  
each of these is alive  
only to its own affairs  
and not to those of the

others — the whole affording  
much scope for tact, forbearance  
and firmness, and  
also much scope for active  
management and progress;  
I confess that, from my point  
of view, and with reference  
to your past experiences,  
I have regarded with much  
interest the possibility of the  
Board securing your services,

Life and health permitting,  
(but both are now very  
uncertain with us) My  
wife and I will hope  
to make your acquaintance  
and that of Mrs Peterson  
in the autumn, and if  
we can be of any service  
to you shall be most happy.

Yours sincerely

J M Dawson

