

Hudson's Bay Company,
85 St Peter Street,

MONTREAL, 24th June, 1895. 189

Dear Sir William,

Please accept my warm thanks for your kind and courteous attention in sending me your University Lectures and addresses from 1855 to 1895, which I shall have much pleasure in reading, and an opportunity for doing so will be given on the passage to England, as I am just going on to New York to sail by the "St. Louis" on the 26th.

Although I certainly did not wish it to appear in the newspapers, I presume there is no doubt some truth in the report about the purchase of the two houses adjoining the Buntin property. It has been

a difficult matter altogether to get suitable ground for what I had and have in view regarding the Royal Victoria College, which I had hoped would have been completed ere now, and in due time I trust it will be so.

I am afraid that in many quarters it is thought higher education has not been of so much benefit to women in general, as was expected of it by those who took an immediate and warm interest in it, yet with you, I am willing to believe that the result cannot fail to be a good one.

Miss Orkney's generosity for the Chair of Botany is most welcome, and Mrs Redpath is not less mindful of the University than was her excellent husband whose loss we all so much lament.

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Trusting you and Lady Dawson are in
the enjoyment of the best of health, and
apologising for being unable to write
this with my own hand, believe me to be
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Always sincerely yours,

Dana D. Smith

Sir William Dawson,

Little Metis,

P. Q.

Sir Donald
Smith
June 9/53

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