

Gloucester 5th January 1871

My dear Dr. Dawson

I send you a
memorandum of the changes
which seem to me necessary
for meeting the new relations
of the High School, and the
admission of the Chairman of
the Board to the Corporation.
It might be done in a longer
way but unless I have
overlooked some point. The
Memorandum

Memorandum will I think
do with such modifications
& additions as you may
think fit to make in it.

- The Honor I suppose will
continue while a member of
Corporation He may be appointed
under the power already possessed
by ~~Gov~~ to appoint five ^{Fellows} ~~fellows~~
from graduates -

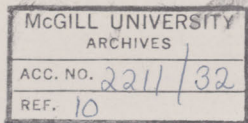
You will see that I have
~~not~~ put a qualification upon
the appointment of the Chairman
that he should be a graduate
of a University - Is this right? -
me

We are in ~~to~~ all the principles of
wishes here, but have enough
of fiscal matters within
state left, to wish you all
a ~~Happy~~ New Year

Yours Sincerely

W B Day

I send also a printed copy
of the Statutes with the alterations
- the 17th chapter shows the
formalities necessary to be observed



My Dear
I am glad to hear that you are all
well and happy, but I am sorry
to hear that you are all
still left, I would have all
a happy journey
Yours sincerely
Chas. D. [unclear]

I was also a printed copy
after I had written the letter
- the 17th Professor also
four other copies to be
sent to the [unclear]

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Wm. H. Hunt

Omaha, 21 Jan. '71.

My dear Principal, you may remember my telling you lately I want the help of a first class man. The name of Mr. Rand, lately your successer as Superintendent of Schools in D.S., has been suggested to me. Can you tell me anything about him? I need not say how strictly confidential I should regard your answer. You know I want a man a great way out of the common. And I certainly know no one I can ask, whose answer I should more trust than yours, - or indeed, so much - for that matter. It signifies a very great deal to me, that I should not make a mistake.

In haste,

Yours very faithfully,
Principal Dawson, Wm. H. Hunt

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McGill College.
Montreal.

July 30/41

My dear Sir,

On looking over
the Reports of the Sec
partment of Science
and Art I find that
they receive donations
from all quarters subject
to the approval of experts
that they are arranging
such donations as their
building is enlarged —
that the Director of the
Museum advertises in his
Report the principle of

Applied History
Lancaster

National arrangement

in some cases at least.

The President of the

Board is At Home the Earl

of Grey and Bishop. The

V. P. is the Hon. W. E.

Foster M. P., and the

Director of the Museum

is Henry Cole Esq. C. B.

I presume that an

application from the

Government will

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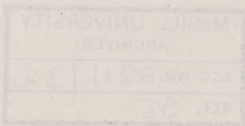
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G. M. Dawson

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Stawa

Jan^y 31st 1841.

My dear Principal,

I am much obliged
by your note received
today. You do not say
however, whether you
have yet seen Mr. Selwyn,
and I presume therefore
you have not. I
shall be very glad if
you, ^(or either of you) could find an early
opportunity of doing so.
I am anxious to have
from him and yourself
a practical suggestion as
to the probable cost of
doing something in the
direction indicated; I
mean of the probable
cost

Cost of doing it on a
small scale. To propose
a heavy expenditure at
first, is to kill the scheme,
and yet to propose less
than can be made of
use is, also, to insure its
failure. A man like
myself having no
practical acquaintance
with the matter, can
form no idea of the
amount that ought to be
proposed in the first
instance. I should
even like to receive a hint
or two from Mr. Selwyn
& yourself before I under-
-take to write, however
informally, to the authorities
at home. I am writing
to Selwyn in the same
Sense

sense. Please try and give me such answer as you can at a pretty early day; as if anything is to be done at all there is hardly an hour to lose.

I am glad to hear that the Arts Faculty are likely to take a cooler view. A little time in such matters often does a world of good.

Yours very faithfully

Christy Franklin.

P.S. of course in the matter of suggested expense, (although you remember that my ideas go beyond the merely geological ground. & I shall be glad therefore
of

Dear Sir
Jan 11/32

of suggestions ranging
beyond it, yet I do not
press Mr. Selwyn and
yourself to speak of more
than your own specialties.

J.R.S.

Principal Dawson

J.R.S.

McGill University
Montreal

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Halifax

July 17th 1871.

Dear Sir

I send you a Copy of
the "Selections from the Public
Documents of this Province
published by order of the House of
Assembly, for the Library of
McGill College. Also a Copy
I'm yourself believing that every
thing which relates to your
Native Province is interesting

to

to you. They are sent under
a Government frank to your

address -

I am

Dear

Yours truly

Thos. B. Sims.

Robert Dawson

Pres. McGill Coll.

Montreal

P.S. If you can send me a report or
a Catalogue of your College or any
other pamphlets they will be most acceptable

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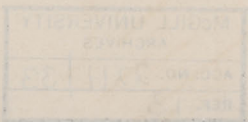
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399 North Duane St
Montreal 3 March '91

Principal J. W. Dawson LL.D. &c.
Mc Gill College
& Sir,

A party in the
book trade has requested
me to try & dispose of
a set of the "Naturalist's
Library", (new) 33 vols, which
I am authorized to offer
at \$3. per vol. The pub-
lished price of the book
is \$6. I thought if the
college library did not
possess this work they
might be disposed to ac-
quire it on these low
terms, Resp^d Chas Humphrey

Ruby Reed / 41

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Ottawa 4th March 1871

My dear Sir

I am in receipt of your favor of yesterday's date & I am sorry to hear that Hopkins estimate is so high. I quite agree with your idea, to pay Hopkins for his plans & specifications & take in estimates ourselves, Dr Campbell, will better get his account with the plans & specifications, we can let them lay over a little, Mr Baynes can give Dr Campbell the money to pay for what Hopkins has done in the mean time until the governors decide.

I will write Mr Baynes to call Estate Committee for Saturday at 4 o'clock & I hope the Estimates for our School House in Piffintown will be received, which

will be a large building in Brick
and from what I could learn, will
be tendered for at a much more
reasonable rate & through a more
humble individual than Mr Hopkins.
Whatever the tenders may be they will
help us as to value of work at
present.

I have seen Mr Solley, twice he
has come about the removal of the
palace, this morning he said he
did not see how any arrangement
can be made at present, until this
arbitration matter is settled, I know it
cannot, Mr Dunham has talked over the
matter & we hope it will all come out
right, since even Mr McKim's claim was
settled, I have had no fears about our settlement.

I hope we will be through this session
by Easter -

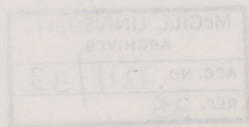
Yours truly

J. Dorrice

Principal Samson

P.S. I received your private
circular and gave one to
Mr. Byrdges & directed his attention
to the subject, he appeared
pleased to hear & receive it -

J. D.



W. L. G. -

Jervis
Feb 17/71

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Montreal March 10/71

Prof. J. W. Dawson L.L.D.
McGill College
Dear Sir

I have the honor
to request that you will
kindly accept the dedication
of Part No 2 of my "Medals
of Canada" which I have
decided to entitle "The
McGill College and its
Medals". In this part
I propose furnishing a short
sketch of the Rise and

Progress of the College -

The circumstances which led to the founding of the Medals - and the names of the successful competitors up to date of publication. To secure the latter information I must avise myself of the letter so kindly furnished ~~me~~, by you about one year ago.

Trusting your puppy which I trust may be favorable

I am
Yours obedt servt;

Alfred Sanderson

A. W. W. W.
W. W. W.

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House of Commons
Ottawa April 3^d 1871

My dear Sir

I have received two letters from friends in Montreal advising me that the Board of Governors of McGill College intend creating a Medical School with dissection rooms attached, on a most central part of the North East half of "the park", and in close proximity to the dwellings erected, or to be erected there. I am certainly very much astonished at this, and I hope it is not true. You are well aware of my opinions on this subject and I will not now repeat

them here. I wish at present
merely to state in writing
that I will exceedingly
regret any such action on
the part of the Governors,
as I conceive it to be in
direct opposition to the
wishes and opinions of every
friend of the College
as well as every citizen
residing in the West End.
If this project is carried
out, in opposition to the
feelings of myself and
hundreds of others, I wish
you to understand that
the College shall never
one shilling of money
from me, and that a
future disputation, which

I had decided upon writing
in its favor, shall be
cancelled.

You will please pardon
me for speaking thus plainly
but I think it is always
better to come to a clear
understanding on all such
matters. I thought I had
already expressed my
sentiments distinctly enough
on this very subject, and
I still indulge the hope
that I have been well informed
of the intentions of the
Governors of the College
I remain Dear Sir

Yours very respectfully
Thomas Westerman

Principal Dawson
McGill College

W. W. Adams
April 1844

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Apr 4, 1881

My dear Mr Whelan,

I do not think
that the Governors intended
at any time to place the
Medical School any nearer
to the houses than the
place marked on the
plan which you saw;
but as they felt that
even this might in
some respects be objec-
tionable they have
finally decided with



UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
MEDICAL SCHOOL
AD. NO. 5411
ST. J.

The convenience of the
Medical Faculty to
place the building
on the north side
of the present college
buildings. In this
position it will ap-
pear as a continuation
of the present East
wing, the deepening
sum will look toward
the college yard and

the building will form
a fine point to the
College buildings with
two good points to the
N E & South East. This
will I think offend
no one and will
I hope in the end
prove the best site
both for the Faculty
of Medicine and the
College generally.

C. W. Whymann
April 27

Personally I have all
very preferred the
site now selected; but
there were objections on
the part of the Medicine
Faculty which would
later we could not
overcome.



GEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF CANADA

(Museum and Office, 76 St. Gabriel Street) MONTREAL.

Tuesday 4th April 1871

Dear Sir -

Is there any one student in your
graduating class, who could spend the
approaching season in geological field work -
Any one, that you can recommend, I
shall be glad to have -

My field, this season will be
in the Counties of Lanark and Renfrew
Ontario - amongst the typical Laurentian
rocks, and their Economic minerals -

Our time for starting, will be early in
May - Expenses of assistant paid, -
and if necessary, some little more, per
month -

Yours most respectfully

Henry G. Venn

J. M. Dawson F.R.S. &c.
McGill College

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Edw. Bruce
April 1871

Monkton 5 April 1871

My dear Sir

Many thanks for your letter of yesterday, and I must congratulate you on the decision that avoids the destruction of your grounds for though you profess to care little for the newspapers you must remember they are Cooks that furnish the paper in which that baby the "fabric" exalts and all from Keels and Prime Ministers down most in our day stand in dread. I could today write off (prophetically) a string of paragraphs such as would to a certainty appear if the building stood out too prominent - in the next five years.

I much approve of your "Science School" and will work for it - I expect to see you here this summer where I
Professor Dawson
Principal Dawson

shall be on the way of people interested
in the College and ready to do all
I can to promote object teaching which
I take to be the end you would attain
The idea is so familiar and I think further
interest may be attracted and made
practical

Yours truly
W. J. Brown

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Montreal 17th Apr 1871

My dear Dr. Dawson.

I have received for the U.S. Signal office an intimation that the connection with the Observatory will take place in a few days & I have also received from Prof. Knigst of Toronto a letter, strongly urging me to keep up 18 hours observations more especially on Temperature.

The latter more especially will take up much time & necessitate outlay for an assistant.

The object of the present is to enquire if you think the college would be able & willing to contribute

An amount equivalent to the entire
work which will be thrown up and
I think I bring it in a shape to be
presented to the ~~meeting~~ meeting of
Corporation.

I have called three times at
the College & unfortunately found
you absent, & have deemed it best
to drop you this note.

I sincerely hope that the perpetrators
of the outrageous attack on your house
will be severely punished.

With best wishes,

Yours faithfully,

C. M. Wood

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Priv:

Opawa, N. B.,
17/71.

My dear Principal,

I drop
you a line to say I am hoping
to reach Monkeal either
Saturday or Sunday morn-
ing; so as to be at Cowoc-
ation on Monday. If dis-
appointed in my plans, I
will telegraph ^{or write} to say so.

As I see no chance of
my being with you again
for your Governors' appoint-
ment meeting, I shall hope
earnestly then to meet the
Chancellor & others, & dis-
cuss that subject & others
with you all.

Yours very faithfully,
Christie Lambin.

Durham
Apr 7

[Faint handwritten text, partially cut off]

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W. A. Day
C. P. M.

M. Gill College.
Montreal.

Apr 26, 1841

My dear Judge Day,

I should have
answered yours of the 21st
before this time but have
been kept occupied with
business. Mr Baynes has
called the meeting of yours
for the 9th May, I only
hope you can be at the
meeting. Had Abbott been
retained in the Faculty of
Law Lamb would have
been a good substitute for
him on the Board as being
a graduate, and representing
the same religious body; but

as it is I think the three
names you mention the
best we can have;
and I have no doubt
that Inman and Wash-
man will work and
will be of great service.

With regard to the
movement about Thursday
Sept 1, Runway will
not withdraw his
written so it must
come up 8-day. In
order to prevent the
evil results of a flat

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negotiate without explanation
of the graduates, I shall
ask some one to name
that it be the people
to be referred to a committee
to report in October.
In this way time may
be had to deal with
it. I shall do the
best I can and inform
you of the result. The Papers
I think will be just as to
their movement.

The arrangement to
alter your life that always
did no harm. It was for
the one we are man

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Monhe 27 Apr. '71

My dear Sir,

I shall
state & adhere to y^r. views
(as stated in y^r. letter just
rec^d.) wh. I think are
quite just & reasonable
under all the circum-
stances.

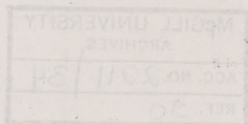
It would be
cleanly to be put into
some proper place, for
neither the pulper nor Bean
port are fit places for
him.

I do hope Judge Day
or W^t. will beat the

Comr. - There is a
Spec. 15 of the Barber
the Annual Election
of Officers, but at the
same time but we are
trying to have it held
earlier in the day
So as to let us off
for the

Robertson

Dr. Dawson
to be



Robertson
1844

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Dear Mr. Dawson
I have just received your letter
of the 10th inst. and am
glad to hear from you.

My dear Mr Dawson
Many thanks for
the lines which I shall
take great care of and highly
value - I am glad to hear
you have poured some oil
upon the waters of our antipa-
ter strife - I had some talk
with Mr Ramsay but had
not time to say anything of
your home - but I think
the matter may be quietly
disposed

desired of before we meet
again. This day joint me
in kind regard to yourself &
Mrs Sewson and I remain
as ever Yours sincerely

W B Bay
Shearwater Street
Wednesday May

P.S. We leave today so that
I cannot see you about
the law presently - all is going
on satisfactorily but Abbott
has not been in town and
I must therefore communicate
with by letter and I fear the
arrangements will not be
perfect

perfected in time for these
years Baldwin, but perhaps
there is still time - I will
write just as soon as I hear
from Abbot.

C. B. D

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JAMES DAKERS, Secretary.

HUGH ALLAN, President.

No. of Words 3-50 No. of Message 518
Montreal, May 6 1871
By Telegraph from Georgetown
To Dr. Dawson
McGill College

Cannot attend
before Thursday
better make the
appointments and
adjourn
today
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16th May 71

My dear Sir

As Judge Day is to arrive this morning, if you could arrange with him to meet me at Molsons Bank at Eleven o'clock (with yourself) to wait on Sir George Carter, I saw his partner last night, he said about Eleven o'clock was the best time to see Sir George -

Yours truly

Principal Dawson

J. Lavie

McGILL UNIVERSITY
Javier
May 11

My dear Mr
I have the pleasure of your letter
concerning the purchase of your books
and I have the honor to meet me at
McGill University of your books
with yourself and at the same
time I have the pleasure to
reply to the kind words of your
letter and to the best of my
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W. E. BESSEY, M. D., C. M., & C.

PHYSICIAN, SURGEON & ACCOUCHEUR

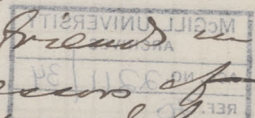
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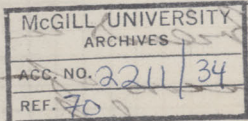
Dr Dawson — Dear Sir, I wish to suggest—that if a suitable fund were prepared in the name which runs through the College Ground a friend of mine in Ontario would be glad to contribute some fine specimens of the Wild Goose—of which he has a large flock upon his Mill pond on the Speed river. He had some beautiful specimens of Chimney Pigeon also which he contributed to an Institution in Jersey City N. J. He informed me also that if a place were prepared for their reception he would also induce his friends in the U. S. who were possessors of rare birds to contribute.—I have



Deary my self

thought also that a pair of
swans might be obtained
through some one from
England. Such a Collection
would be an object of interest
to look at and instructive also
to the public in that special
Department of Natural History
and would add an attraction to
the ground for visitors. Not
now possessed by any place
in the City. - I offer the
suggestion and if acted upon
I shall be happy to do all
in my power to assist in
procuring an attractive selection
of water fowls to inhabit it.

Yours Very truly
A. J. Beccoff



Thursday June 3rd

My dear Sir

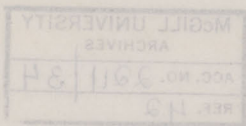
I purpose to leave
by the steamer of June 3rd

Further Consideration
has only tended to increase
my doubts of the possibility,
taking all things into
account, of obtaining
a suitable man from
Dublin.

As the loss of time, in
case of failure, would be
serious, it would be
well, I think, to provide
for the contingency.

Yours truly

Alexander Sturson





My Dear Sir

I have your note of
yesterday's date, & I
am delighted to learn
that you have at
last issued your
announcement of the
new Department of
Practical Science, &
I shall have much
pleasure in aiding
you to the best of my

means stability

Yours faithfully

Geo. A. Prentiss

1 June 1871

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A. Beaman
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WEST VIRGINIA
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BOX 3

Nunda, Livingston Co. New York,
July 18 1871.

Prof. William Dawson, Chancellor of
McGill University,
Montreal Canada

Rev. and dear Sir:

I desire to enquire into the
Scholastic standing and ability of Mr. Albert
R. Lewis, who graduated at McGill
University in 1869, with the degree of B.A.,
with a view to his employment as the princi-
pal of a large institution of learning.

Anything you may say will be
regarded with great weight by the parties
interested.

An early answer will be highly
esteemed by me, respectfully yours

Obedient Servant,
E. W. Packard

E. W. PACKARD,

Attorney and Counselor,

Nunda, Liv. Co., N. Y.

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I mail truly at the same time
with this a letter I gave "proof" via Portland
so that sh^d you get this first. Please inquire
about the others. M.A.G.W.

SW Richards
July 17

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troubling the Government;
but for the reasons stated
to my best I could
not effect this.

In one sense I am
not sorry for the move-
ment. It seems I think
to direct your attention to
the necessity of filling up
the vacancies in the
Board of Governors with
influential resident mem-
bers of arranging in advance
for the permanent government
of the movement instead of
allowing it to drift. No
doubt has for sometime

just visited with me, and
I have felt the want of
aid and counsel. Further
I feel that I cannot endure
the present strain upon me
for more than five or six
years longer if so long and
of whom is the person
next Principal you will
need a strong woman (I must)
to encourage him. If not
you require to counsel what
is to be done. Either the
responsibility of the University must
be assumed & perhaps the
presently with an ad-
vice to the effect that what
I say myself a few
I must expect that I will

City & Day
Oct 17

look for some earnest men
and you must range
matters throughout. My
difficulty is that on the one
hand I see the necessity of
all the work I am doing
by some and well done
and on the other all the
means that can be utilized
must go to other things in
order to enable us to advance.
This dilemma will force
me out of it in a few
years, and the friends must
be prepared to deal with it.

It may seem not so
amusing with this that I
deliver lectures to ladies
and I hold the University pledge
and this is its result at
the student meeting and it
proved unprofitable to provide for
all the work. Besides it seems
we are impatient of staying to
very 200 of the first leader in
the city which find all the ladies

are and I am hopeful that this will all change
be in you in very years. The old women men & others
I am not

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Glenbrook 30th Oct 1871

My Dear Doctor Deane

I have read your two letters with your dissent from the Report on Hominy Syrus - and I write now to say that I am not unaware of the measure-able burden that has gradually accumulated upon your shoulders - or that there are indications of danger to the progress of the University which require to be vigorously acted upon

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The first step is to fill the Board
of Governors with men willing
& competent to do some work
in the office - Boydes - Allan
and Workman are perhaps
the best 3 names which have
been suggested - Ramsey of
course after what has taken
place is not to be thought of -
- The more eminent members will
by their retirement leave other
vacancies - I shall write to
day to two of them - Rose and
Morris - and I only hold my
own place until some one can
be found willing to assume the
labor & responsibility which belong to
it as well as the dignity - The
want

want of an efficient head on the spot is really the great defect of the board and one chief cause of the excessive work which you are doing outside of your legitimate duties - The President should attend every meeting of forums, - for a and committees - and assume the task of watching over and promoting the harmonious and healthful action of every department of the University - Acting in concert with the President but not exacting upon him worrying and arduous labors which he ought not to bear - I tried for some years to work up to this idea but certainly for ten years past I have done nothing as it ought to be done by the head
opine

The Institution - For your own
sake ~~you~~ will wish for the University
you had better make up your
mind to try what another can
do for you in my place -

- As to the report upon Dinning
degrees I am not uneasy about
it - I will write or see you
you after I receive the Report
before any action is necessary -

- I have long foreseen that the
Governors would be compelled
to take a decided tone with
Dr Johnston and have I believe
said or written as much to
you - He has sent a letter ~~to~~
the Board which is also sent to
me with all the papers connected
with the subject of it, and
my

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My impression^{is} that the time
for taking the decided tone has
arrived - I shall of course
communicate with you on
the subject after I have
examined the papers -
I am sorry to see by your letters
that you are somewhat depressed
and discouraged but the Community
which you have done so much
to build up must not be
permitted to decay, and it will
not by God's blessing - I heartily
wish that my means would
enable me to live half the year
in Montreal so that I could do
something to help you - With kind
wishes to Mrs Dawson your daughter
I remain your friend
A. D. D. Cuy

July Day
W. W. P.

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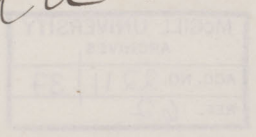
Nov 1, 1871

My dear Sir,

I see that Mr
Bynes has advertised
a meeting for the ap-
pointment of Governors
for the 7th. I am glad
of this; but - would he
come so if assured that
you could be here. Mr
Dunkin was at the
College last evening and
I had some conversation
with him about these
men. He cannot be here
on the 7th, but expects
to return and says

public matters.

One must that we
must not forget that the young
is state deans of love - many
matter. and that we
need left ourselves and
we are being to aid the student
whole as input - by last
we need also influence
men of education ^{support}
to regulate the activities
of students and workers
that we must not
attitude as soon as
you do to understand the
of our use the cell
the other end while any
can be
put into us paper report



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of Day
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Montreal Nov 8/71

J. W. Dawson L. L. D.

Dear Sir

I have seen Mr. Ferris who looked over the proposed alterations, as enclosed, which he wished submitted to you, saying anything you would propose he would refer to. He has found time to do so, and will return on Saturday and would like to take the alterations down with him. I send the volume with the act in, and will call and see you D. N. on Saturday evening.

J. Ferris

Yours truly

J. W. Dawson

McGill College

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Mr. J. L. Kelly

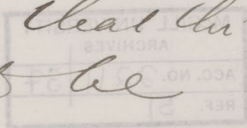


OFFICE OF THE GAZETTE,

Montreal, 12th Nov. 1871

My Dear Dawson,

M. Fenier called my attention to day to a reference to him in his speech in the Legislative Council to the action of the Cabt Government in establishing Catholic schools of science; and pointed out the error in the Circular of the Department describing the parts for these schools as equivalents for the free scholarships in the High Schools. I think it is very important that the Government should be



prevented, if possible, from com-
mitting so great an absurdity
as they appear to contemplate,
and that the heads of those
who are willing to take a
stand upon the matter in
the Legislature should be
strengthened. Could you,
with this view, give me
an editorial for the Gazette on
the subject? Its influence in
the Township makes it
influential with the Ministry
and I think its editorial
columns must be reached
their purpose, if they have
any.

Yours respectfully
A. M. White

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Glebebrook 21st Nov 1871

My dear Dr Dawson

I have requested Mr Baynes to give you my report on Dr Johnson's letters. in order that I may have the benefit of suggestions and always give you before it is submitted to the Board of Governors - I feel, myself, that Johnson has qualities which render him a dangerous man in the University and that he must be met with a good deal of decision and of necessity be allowed to go. This is of course strictly confidential and is intended to only lead you thinking about the matter if, which is very unlikely, you have not already

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already done so -

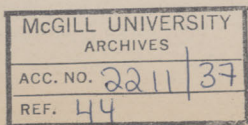
As I mentioned in my
last letter I wrote to Mr
Chauncy about the said two
science schools, both officially
with Mr Foster, and privately,
but his face is evidently set
hard against giving us any
thing - This is as I suspected. I will
write him again earnestly
on the subject, but I do not see
that I can do any good by
going to Lushbee - The article
in the Gazette uses a good and
telling statement of the matter
I think however it would be as well
to suspend any public discussion
of the matter until we have
reheated

exhausted all hope for quiet
pressure and negotiation - Mr
Foster had an interview with
the Chairman about which I suppose
he wrote you - He says the article
in the Gazette was not ^{at} all liked -
I have asked Mr Baynes to send
me a copy of the Graduates last
Peter concerning Hunt Deques -

I hope you are getting on
comfortably in university work -
and that you - New Science
Professor is equal to your likes

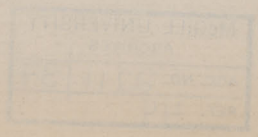
With kind regards in which
the Ladies join
Remain

Yours sincerely
J. H. Day



Her husband
Mr. P. P.

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My dear son

All the severe meetings of C. body the
of M & A upon the steps which they had taken
in the way of discipline on account of the late
unhappy character at T. S. for which it appears
that some action had been taken. of the
walk and that such a step is not to be
resisted for and pledges of good behavior
for the future had been executed. It was
however suggested that a severe acknowledgment
was due to the letter. I thank you very
much for the letter and that of the letter &
express deep regret that for such a number
of years to such a manner in the state
of letters prepared & express great regret
and so were glad to write
and what the answer of the reply
has to be able to state that the first

Maps of the streets that we per-
ceive in their importance generally
and that the who that we have
achieved of the monument

That the people will not be
open of the feet of the monument
that we have for by
G.D.

C. J. & Co.
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M. C. Gill College,
Montreal.

Monday
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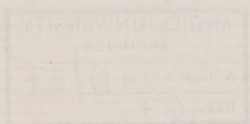
My dear Mr. Burke,

At the meeting
of the Governor on Saturday
the memorandum was
approved, and Messrs
G. Muffatt and I & Mr
Kane members of the
Board were appointed
to meet with the
Committee at any
time it may appear
point. The memo.

is in Mr. Baynes's hands
as Secretary. If Mr. Hudson
requires it before the
meeting I can send
it to him. The
manner of the meeting
whether public or
otherwise will of
course be left to your
Committee. I shall
be glad to be present
if necessary, and I

think that some
public notice of
it might be
given in a way
beneficial to the sub-
ject.

Truly yours
W. Dawson



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Montreal 9 Dec 1871
Mr. James G. Ladd
Wesleyan University
Dear Sir

I owe you an apology
for delay in acknowledgment of
your valuable favor of 16 ult. I
had intended doing so the same day
but a promise of another came up
at then the same evening, some
additional manifestations, as I
have reason to believe on the part
of some of the students, who had
been I think attending a meeting
for debate that ~~was~~ ^{was} in the college,
made me hesitate, but knowing
clearly ~~that~~ ^{that} anything ought to be
done or not... It pains me
to notice in a published statement
of a student gathering held on

that evening that a sermon of
Mr Tompkins, condemnatory
of the disorderly proceedings at
the Convocation Lecture was pulled
out of order -

I regret you personally
should have thought it necessary
to apologise to me, as surely
time and due from you. I
could have liked if the
Gulley Party had done so,
it would have done them good
I gave more hope for the
future

I am glad of the
determination of the college
authorities to interfere to stop
any repetition of such
disgraceful scenes as
have occurred. It is high
time that Rowdyism & Buffoonism

in any quarter should be stopped.

The guilty parties perhaps do not know that they run no little danger in their course.

One individual said in my hearing that he would not hesitate to adopt extreme measures in defense of the peace of a home disturbed, if again made.

The sad warning in the case of the Harvvard Students' Society whose proceedings took a political turn, should not be forgotten.

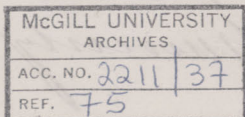
I do hope the Students will see the necessity of refraining of themselves from anything only calculated to excite public feeling against them & react of course against the University itself.

Sympathize deeply with you
in your arduous duties &
responsibilities & trust that
from henceforth you will not
be troubled as in the past
by the evil conduct of some
wicked young men, & wicked women.

Yours truly
Saml. D. D.

Very truly & respectfully yours

J. W. Matthews



Gloucester 11th Decr 1871

My Dear Dr Dawson

I recd your letter after 6^o
with one from Mr Baynes with
inclosures. With respect to Mr
Turville's letter I do not think
any doubt can be felt by the
Minister of Justice that the
law firm of the last five
is the proper person to search
the appointments of my ^{deputy}
I should wish about it. ^{men}
must visit upon ^{right} me to have
the former as a visitor as he
certainly

certainly is so under our charter
which is in no respect touched
by the act of Confederation -

- Mr Baynes will show you my
draft of letter to Dr Johnson - make
such changes in it as you
may deem advisable

I inclose a letter recd Saturday
from Mr Beaumont - I do not
lette the source from which the
aid to the Dissent School is to
come - but it is evident they
feel that it will not do to
refuse us altogether - Please
return the letter to me &
do not show it generally altho
you may state the contents
of it - as I have said in my
letter to Mr Baynes - I approve
the Resolutions for keeping orders
With kind wishes to you & ends
I remain your sincerely
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Dear Sir —

The
Committee of the
"Hannah Lyman
Memorial Scholarship"
respectfully invite
you to attend a
meeting, to be held
in the Lecture Room
of the Natural History
Society on Wednesday
the Thirteenth inst
at Three P. M., for
the purpose of
handing over the

Money subscribed
& legal documents
to the Governors
of Mc^c Gill University

I am,

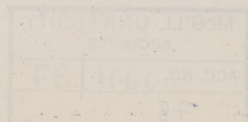
Dear Sir,

Yours Truly

Charlotte C. Mathewson
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316 St. Antoine St.

Dec 11 1871



Mr. Matthew
Dec 11

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Albion 11 Dec 1841
W. Dawson Esq. L. L. D.
Dear Doctor.

I think it right to state
in reference to my note of Saturday
afternoon, that it is not my wish that
those guilty of outrages at and after the
Convocation Lecture should on my
account be summarily dealt with
by the University authorities. I
am willing that the grave offences
referred to may be forgiven on the hope
I wish the promise that the offences
shall not be repeated. The Young
men, I need not say have my best
wishes for their present & eternal
welfare and sincerely do I hope
that the disgraceful scenes of
the past may never again occur. And
that the parents & friends of the Young

men attending the Ministry, with some
of whom I am acquainted & whose
struggles to maintain their youths. I
know something of. ^{may reap a} ^{honorable conduct}
rich reward in their future success.
With best wishes,

Yours truly
Amos A. Loomis

Very truly
Yours
John

J. M. Newton

Let. Matthew
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Montreal 18th Dec 1871

My dear Sir

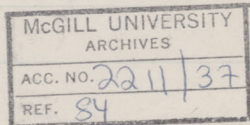
Your note of the
16th is received. I shall have
much pleasure in placing
one of our Scholarships at
your disposal for Mr
D. F. A. Wilkins

I remain

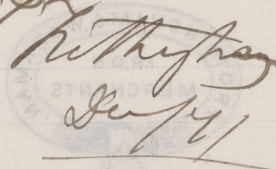
Yours truly

Genl. W. Birmingham

J. W. Dawson LL.D. F.R.S.
Principal



97th Kethyhan
July 14



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My dear Sir
I am sorry to hear
that you are in
poor health and
I hope you will
be able to return
to your studies
in the near future
I am, Sir, very
truly yours,
J. W. Dawson

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WASHINGTON, Dec: 29th - 1871.

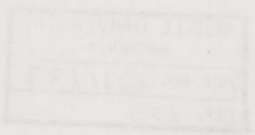
Dear Sir; We are gratified in being able to announce that the Chief of Engineers has complied with our application for the "Report of the Geological Exploration of the 40th Parallel", desired for McGill College. The work will be forwarded to you at once. Please make your acknowledgments to the Engineer Bureau, Washington.

Truly yours,

M. G. Dawson,
McGill College. }

Joseph Henry

Sect. S. D.



SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20540

Smithsonian
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Friday

D. Dr.,

I didn't know, or had forgotten, the separate pay-arrangement you speak of for the side cases, I only judged by the printed paper hung up.

My plan of acting in all such cases is, to get all that I reasonably can for a good object; but to shut up when I can't get it.

I believe the terms on which I gave the Col = were 1st the building of fire proof 2nd payment of necessary cost of arrangement. This I intended to word so as not only to include cases, glass etc, but pay for arrangement in case I was poor.

The latter I have not yet claimed; but have thus far given what the Boston N.H.S would gladly pay me \$1 per hour for doing. That being the

present market price of my personnel,
perhaps I have put into the concern some-
thing like what you have advanced.

If I can keep on pecuniary legs without
pay, I wish to give the whole arrangements
of the Col^y. But I may be driven by
poverty to present a bill! I am now
spending on the necessary wants of
my family much more than the
school income, I am even beginning
to eat the principal of the wreck of
my patrimony! I trust however ^{this is only}
^{temporary.}

In either case however, I entirely
decline any work of begging for the
College, either for cases or anything
else. That is not my misfortune;
least of all is it work I like, or
am fit for.

I can (& will, if necessary) put all
the rest of my work in Drawers. If
an app. is given me of displaying
without more, I shall thankfully embrace it.

I had rather shut the whole in
Drawers, than by a cent for the keeping
of my own gift. It reminds me of
a Bristol friend, who gave an organ
to a church; whereupon the vestry resolved
"that Mr. Frupp be requested to raise a
fund for tuning & repairing the same"

I shall certainly present a bill
for the current outlay for boy's wages,
& a variety of sundries.

If you expect the G. D. Alexis
to visit M'fill on Tuesday, please
let me know particulars tomorrow.
Paine. Dawson
Y^r faith^l Harpenter

Dr Carpenter
Sept 24

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