

Palmer Hotel

Lakewood N.J.
16th febr 1897



Sir Wm Dawson
Montreal

Dear Sir William,

You will excuse
the familiarity, because you
belong to us all Canadians as
the representative par excellence
of science in Canada. Need I
tell you how deeply touched I
was by your letter of the 9th inst.
Please excuse my apparent delay
in answering, because the voyage
from Montreal to Lakewood, in my
state of health, necessitated my
taking the bed for a week. I
am getting a little stronger and

My physician allows me to write one letter a day until further orders - This is an apology, because I expect to recover, at the exception of asthma which stays by me in fair or bad weather -

Your kind words have been for me food for thought, and the only thing really that I claim for what I may have done, said or written in a public way, is honesty of purpose and your approbation is for me a Diploma that I shall prize very dearly.

I am, dear Sir William with all due admiration and veneration and thanks

Your devoted servant

W. Douglass

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