



COMMITTEE ON

Young People's
Societies

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA

Rev. R. Douglas Fraser, M.A., Convener

ST. PAUL'S MANSE,

BOWMANVILLE, ONT.

1st October 1897 189

Sir William Dawson
293 University Street
MONTREAL

My dear Sir William

I have your letters of the 22nd and 27th of September and also the Missionary Magazine containing Mrs Harrington's article. I think with yourself that if the series were completed and properly edited it would prove a readable book and it would certainly, if out in time for our Topic on Dr Geddie, add greatly to the interest of the discussion of the Topic in our Young People's Societies. At your suggestion I shall write to Mrs Harrington mentioning the two courses that occur to you, namely, - that she revise the letters, publish them in the Children's Record, and afterwards collect them into a little book; or that she should seek a publisher and that her book should be recommended to the Young People's Societies. It is very difficult without a full knowledge of the length to which Mrs Harrington's sketches might extend to say which of the two courses would be the better. I am perfectly persuaded of this, however, that her unique experiences should not remain unutilized. I shall so write her. The Topic as at present arranged comes in April; a transposition might be made so that it would come in November if this would facilitate the getting out of a new edition of Dr Patterson's book or of Mrs Harrington's sketches, or of both.



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The Committee feel deeply grateful to you for your interest in this matter and are only sorry that the young people are not to have the benefit of an article from your pen. I shall be glad to hear from you at any time with further suggestions that may occur to you in regard to this matter.

I notice that your letters to me have been addressed "Belleville". My address, as you will notice, is Bowmanville.

I am, my dear Sir William,

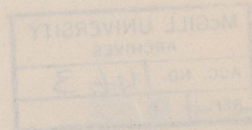
Yours very sincerely,

R. Douglas Fraser

P.S. I return the letter from Mrs Harrington to yourself and also the copy of the Children's Missionary, as I suppose you are desirous of having them. *The Missionary is in separate wrapper.*

R.D.F.

Encs.



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*Recd
R Douglas Fraser
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to Chesham
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