

E. M. Smith
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36 McGill College Ave.
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Sir Wm. Dawson, C.M.G.
Montreal

Dear Sir -

I have the honor herewith to
hand you the August and September
issues of the Canadian Magazine,
marked respectively at pages 330 ^{and} 435.

I am bringing out, through Mr.
J. Fisher Unwin of London, Eng. the
story, of which these are the two
opening chapters, which book will be
printed in December and ready for

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circulation, and I am most anxious that you should permit me to dedicate it to you.

As a young Canadian having embarked in the field of literature, for which you and the great University, of which you were so long the honored head, have done so much, I feel that it would not only be an honor to me as the author to have your name associated with my book; but that it - coming out as it were, under your sanction, would serve to encourage my brethren in the profession, with a

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proper idea as to the rank that
profession is entitled to occupy in
our country.

Trusting you will not con-
sider that I have presumed too
much in asking you, for the motives
I have given, to allow me to dedicate
this work to you, I remain, with
great respect

Your obedient servant
Edgar M. Smith

