

30 May '82.

Dear Father,

There is nothing further to report concerning my prospects, or the Syndicate question, except that Mr. Creelman (Minister of Public Works) left last week for England by Rimonski. He told me before leaving that his object was merely to see that the Syndicate observed the conditions already agreed to, and did not overstep them in the way in which their bonds were issued. I shall hear next week from Mr. Plunkett if no unexpected delay occurs, as he

I return some of the pamphlets you
have sent me; and also Dr. Heer's
letter which I found in my German
letter-book. It is the one I trans-
lated some time ago, so there is nothing
new about it, but you may wish to
keep it.

promised to cable.

I hope your visit to Ottawa has proved a pleasant one. I have not seen much detail in the papers here, but I suppose no news is good news.

Halifax as usual is in statu quo, with a touch of the negative about it, as the Macleans and Oliver's are out of town. The state of affairs here may be represented by the equation: -

Enterprise = 0.

I should not omit to mention that one of the shops on Barrington Street has had a new front put up, made of old fence boards shingled over, but very neat when finished. There was also a fire last night. Other news, nil.

Your affectionate son,

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William.