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Dearst William

It has been a  
great pleasure to me to  
receive so many letters from  
you. As I confess I have been  
a little anxious about your  
health. Lately I got your  
very nice pencil letter written  
from Quebec which has  
set my mind more at rest.  
I have been watching the

the newspapers regularly. I  
noticed how hot it had been  
at Montreal the days gone  
then & the severe thunder storm  
that took place at the very  
hour of the "Georgina's" departure.  
I thank you very much for  
your thoughtfulness in writing  
from Quebec. The English  
Steamer passed upwards on  
Saturday afternoon & I had  
counted on receiving letters  
from Percy by the late  
mail of last evg. So sent up  
this



my only to be disappointed.  
Should they come by tonight  
merit I will write again  
tomorrow enclosing his. As yet  
there are no letters for you, but  
as far as I can I will follow  
the directions you gave me  
both in regard to them & "proofs".

I should hesitate to decide  
for engineering professors wholly  
on Mr. Baynes judgement, but  
a Cambridge's man is a strong  
point of recommendation. I  
think so many wd. for that alone  
set a higher value upon him

if the decision can be delayed  
long enough to get farther  
& more full particulars about  
his qualifications I will, other  
things being equal, give the  
Englishman a preference. I only  
wish you could see him for half  
an hour.

The weather here since you  
left has been precisely of the  
character of that which you have  
been fine with continual  
recurrence of rain. & the daily  
doings wd: be put down in  
exactly the same category.



I have called on the rest  
of the people who I thought  
has the faintest claim on  
my civility. Sam Campbell  
spends the day with Rankine  
yesterday, & in the evening he  
had Willie Padgett, Maurice  
Drummond, Hastings & Katie  
Bullock at tea. This morning  
I had cake made (after the  
Nova Scotia mode of giving  
the parties) - & then Anna & I  
called first in different directions  
to invite our guests for the eve.

but was as unfortunate  
as the man represented  
in the parable, for we  
did not succeed in getting  
one to come. - Afterwards A.  
I was invited to Mrs Cass's  
Rankine to Mr Campbell's & then  
to Mrs Budden's. A little interval  
of quiet after the two letters are  
off & before A. & I go I am never  
wishing to talk to you. Please  
in replying address your  
letters to; Principal Dawson or  
I should not on the present  
occasion object in the least



to you styling me Mrs  
(Principal) I am so annoyed  
at some Mrs Saunders  
presumably opening my letters  
& adding insult to injury, instead  
of apologizing, by writing outside  
as if injured. "Q. B. there are

more Mrs Saunders's in the  
hills than Mrs J. W. Saunders".

Whatever you put about put  
Mrs J. W. after that!

I might earlier to have acknow-  
ledged I thanked both William  
& yourself for being so mindful  
of all the little things we  
wanted & other besides that you  
thought of

for our pleasure & Comfort  
We received the basket & list  
of Contents in safety. It was a  
happy excitement for all of us &  
kept the children up "till ten  
o'cl. & more". The letter with ten  
dollars. all right. The half railway  
ticket. &c. &c. We hope you asked Katie  
Parker to bring the satchel. We have  
heard nothing of or from her.

We are all very well & pray  
regularly for about loved ones  
Percy dear Percy is I think some  
what home longing. I long to hear  
his destination for the holidays & which  
if to his liking will cheer him up again  
With all love to W. to whom A is writing &  
much to your own dear self.  
Believe me your loving wife - Margaret