

Mary Deakin.

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Ladies

6th Sep^r / 83.

My very dear W^{rs} Dawson

I felt as if

I must see you & Dr. Dawson before you left, but I only returned from my sorrowful visit to Godrich three weeks ago, & I have some California Cousins on a visit to me & I have not been able to go to town. But besides this I heard you had a wedding on hand this week as well as the preparations for your voyage, & I concluded under those circumstances that it would be more kind to stay away than to call upon you!

But I assure you of my heart-felt sympathy in both

counts.

I cannot express how greatly I desire that your dear Husband may be benefitted by the relaxation that I hope he will receive; & that a life so valuable may be prolonged by it. But I shall feel that Montreal is not Montreal to me while you are both absent from it!

Dear Emma intended to go to town the early part of this week to see you, but was prevented by the ailments of some of her little ones. If she knew of my writing she would send a message through me.

That you may be refreshed in mind & body, & return to us in safety in renewed health, & dear Dr. Dawson & Eva also, is the earnest hope of your loving friend
Mary Dunkin.