

amb, so sadly missed, be a heavenly & blessed influence over all their lives -
with warmest love to yourself & Sir William too, may I say, I bid you many thanks for all your kindness & believe me

Yr affec^ted
Dawson
Anne was so much
pleas'd at your
remembering her &
begged me not to forget
to thank you from her
for the cake.

So many small events have happened since I left you, that already I begin to feel as if it were weeks since I was with you, & seem'd to be a part of your household, I always feel when I am with you, as if I belonged to the family & each visit strengthens the feeling.

I had a pleasant journey; I sat up for a while in order to think over all the pleasant memories of the week, & then went to bed & to sleep, waking up in time to be ready to get off at North Toronto, where they pause

for such a short time, that you have
to be ready to jump off in a
moment. I found all right at
home & the dear old Father quite
well & glad to have me back.
Auntie & Katharine are so nice, &
dont object in the least to letting
me do the ordering, they even go the
length of being glad to have me.
Indeed I dont feel any hankering
after the Sherbrooke; my little rest,
& the new ideas gain'd abroad, make
housekeeping a pleasure.

I was so glad I did not miss the
convocation, it was the nicest one
& the most original I've ever been
at. A large tent on the lawn thro'
the gaps of which peeps of the dear
old ruins could be seen.

The Chancellor, W. Edward Blake
made a splendid speech, he was
lucky to get the 1st chance after

the fire - I brought some people home
to tea & became quite at home, from
anxiety lest cake & cream might
run short, from an uncertain number
dropping in -

Dr. Walker called & brought us good
news of Kelly, who had been allowed
to sit up for an hour or two on the
previous day - He is very doubtful,
about its being wise to take her
away with us, of course we will do as
he says; but I hope when the time
comes, she may be able for it - it
would be so much nicer for her to have
the change - I got up this morning
determined to write to you & was
the first thing; but I went to the
Butcher, & there I got some pots of flowers,
& they must be planted, & then I ran over
to the grounds & got flowers, which
had to be arranged & then a "lengthy"

visitor arrived & I began to fear that lunch would overtake me, before I got a chat with you; but it has not, though I fear Eva's account of the fine exchange for us! She can never be quite grateful enough to you & me, must wait.

In unpacking my trunk, I found so many "tokens of your regard" that you had not forgotten to enclose, that I feel like Eva, overwhelmed. My pretty China pocket I have hung up & admire so much - my photos stand up to greet me & my books are ready to pick up at will & all remind me of you dear friends for whom I have so true a love. I look back on my visit with great pleasure, & I shall always be glad I helped to marry Eva! William & I managed to cross each other - Give my dear love to Anna & her little flock, may the gathered