



## GEOLOGICAL &amp; NATURAL HISTORY SURVEY.

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Dear Dr. Harrington

I received yours of the 19<sup>th</sup> inst acknowledging the safe arrival of the specimen of jasper & am glad to learn that it will prove useful & instructive in the Museum. I am still keeping up my mineralogy and lithology when I can get leisure time to read but during this winter have been very busy compiling a map showing the lignite outcrops in the North West for Dr. G. M. Dawson and have only finished it a few days ago after working till ten & eleven nearly every night. So you see that instead of doing much in geology as I expected to do, a great deal of my time has been employed this winter in draughting a knowledge of which had been imparted to me by my father and I have the pleasure of knowing that my work pleased Dr. Dawson. There was too much work on it for one draughtsman

to do during the winter. So lately D. B.  
Dowling B.A.Sc. '83 <sup>A. G. Purdon, April 26/84</sup> has been working  
it and he will finish his part to-  
morrow. During the ensuing summer  
my field work will be in Nova Scotia  
chiefly in Cumberland & Colchester  
Counties as assistant to Mr. R. W.  
Ells M.A. with whom I worked last  
summer. I like him very much  
I have no doubt but that my know-  
ledge of mineralogy & geology will  
be increased by the practical  
work done in the field. Dowling  
is going out to the north west either  
with R. G. McConnell or Dr. Dawson.  
The McGill graduates are pretty  
numerous in the Geological Survey  
and I hope that in the future some  
of them will be appointed.

I leave Ottawa for the summer  
a week from Friday next and if  
you could say when it would be  
convenient for me to call on you  
I would be most happy to do so  
as it would afford me a great deal  
of pleasure to see you who take  
so much interest in the welfare

of McGill - I will spend a few days  
in Montreal before starting for Nova  
Scotia and hoping then to see  
you

I remain  
Yours Very Truly  
W. E. Barlow