

MCGILL UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES	
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Dufferin

Dec. 15. 1873.

Dear Dawson.

The Commissioner told me to write to you about your letter on outfit for next year proposing alterations — The buckboard will be got and the list will be furnished you as far as possible — and he also wishes you to purchase anything that is required for your department and which has to be chosen by yourself but he wishes

Any expensive items to be submitted  
to him for his approval before purchase  
is made.

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We are getting through  
the winter here gradually - its pretty  
up hill work. the amusements in the  
snowed-out this season being limited  
Mr. Rowe and King went away about  
three weeks ago leaving the barracks  
in a less crowded condition than  
previously - I have heard from Rowe  
since who did not enjoy his

passage to Woodhead by the Stage  
and gave a frightful description of  
travelling in the district — The  
last coach upset twice the other  
side of ~~Woodhead~~ Penrith with old  
Jack and another bloated specimen  
of humanity together with a couple  
of ladies — I expect the Coachman  
must have had a gouge against  
his revenue — You won't be surprised  
to hear that there is no news here  
So hoping you are enjoying yourself  
in civilization and with all the

Good wishes of the season - I suppose  
it will be some help this teacher.

Yrs.

I remain

Yr. sincerely

A. Ward.

Dr. Buckworth is engaged as  
Assist. Butcher - Boyer  
wrote the skins of ang of the oxen  
preserved. or would you like  
me stuffed and sent by express.  
by you. - no communication has  
as yet been made with him  
at Turtle Mt. - Poulter is still here  
so you requisites for photos. still remain  
permeated