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28<sup>th</sup> January 1895

The Rt. Honble

The Earl of Derby  
Secretary of State  
for Foreign Affairs

My Lord

In the letter of which I  
enclose a copy, Mr Dawson - Geologist  
attached to the Boundary expedition  
under my direction requests authority  
to have his Report of proceedings  
printed under his own superintendence  
at Montreal.

He has informed me by  
telegram that including his own salary  
during the time he may be occupied  
in superintending the publication -  
if sanctioned - the outside cost to  
the public would be \$ 640.00 - or about  
£ 131.10 -

I addressed the Canadian  
Government on the subject before I  
had learned what the cost would be -  
and requested their concurrence  
should Her Majesty's Government  
accord assent to Mr Dawson's request

If the great importance of  
the Report to Canada there can be  
no question - and in a less degree  
it

It would not fail to deserve the attention of British subjects at home: while its high scientific interest would claim for it wide and general acceptance.

The operations of the expedition extended over 550 miles.

In this distance the narrow transverse line of the Red River Valley is alone affected by civilization. The remainder has rarely and only at a few points been visited by educated men - or even by any at all but those connected by birth with the North American Indians.

Such being the field through which Mr Dawson's investigations have been pushed during the past two years - I trust Her Majesty's Government may approve of his talented labors being utilized by the publication of his report at the public expense.

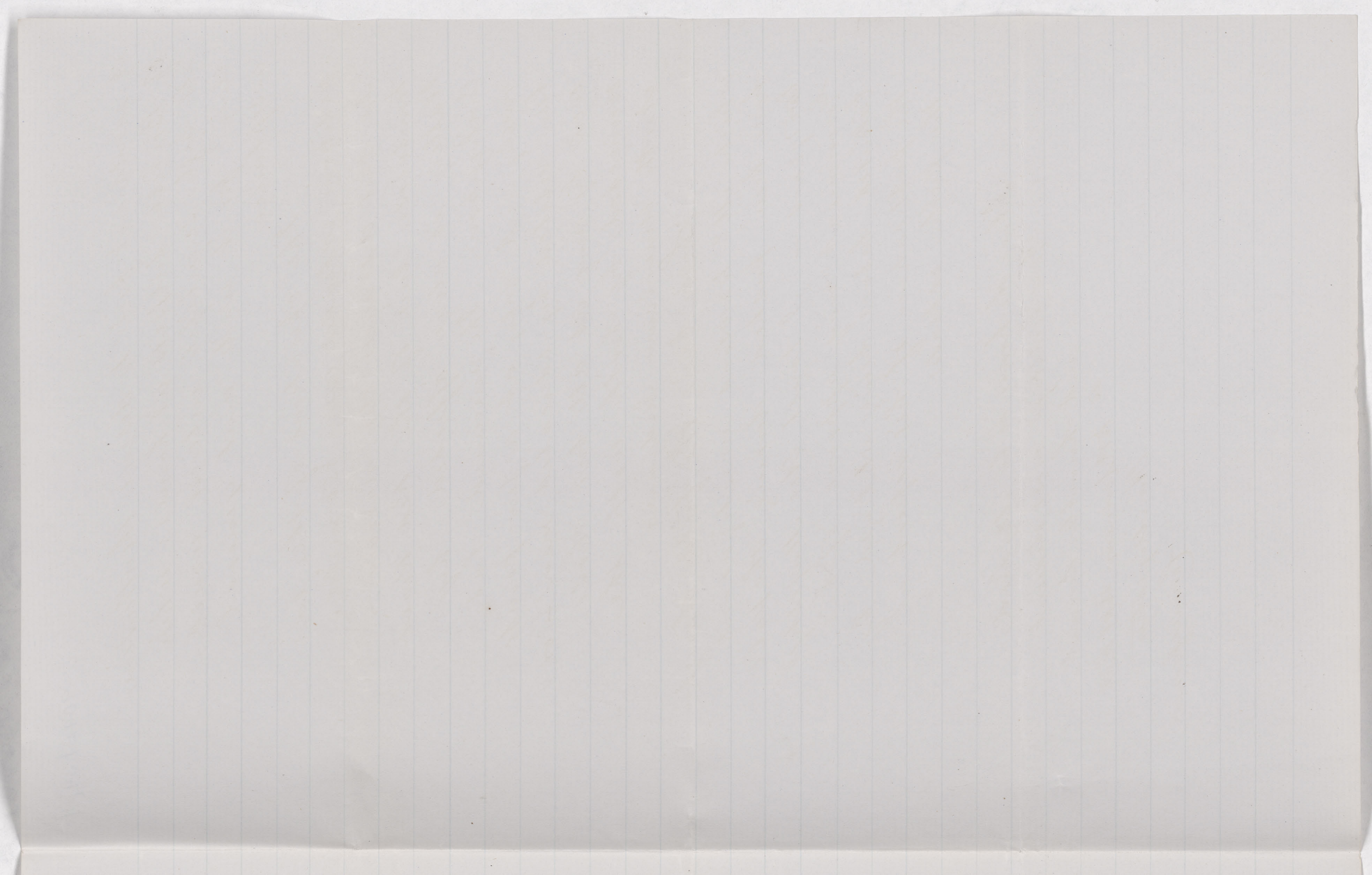
I have the honor to be, My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient  
and humble servant

Edw. Mearns Capt R.A.

Her Majesty's

Commissary



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