

March. 21. 1901

Kensington Palace.

W.

Dear Mr. Dawson.

I am probably
indebted to you or to your
mother for so kindly sending to
me an Ottawa Paper with
the details of your brother
illness, and of the meeting
of his family and friends
at Ottawa to accompany
him on his last earthly
journey

In Montreal. I had heard
of him so recently as being
in good health, that I
could hardly believe the sad
Telegrams I saw in the
Papers, telling of his death.
I am deeply pained for
all of you, and trust I
may ask you to convey to
Lady Dawson the warmest

a spontaneous expression of my
sympathy. When how
pleasant his society was to
all who had the privilege of
knowing him, and can well
imagine how tenderly sad
his loss must be to her,
and to his brother and
sister. I used to look
forward with such pleasure
to having a talk with him

on his explorations and
plans, and had very recently
the intention to write to him
regarding Vermont Red States
and another subject in which
I thought he wd. take the
interest I always found he took
in all that did not immediately
concern himself - for a
more unselfish man, or
one more devoted to the public
good, I had never met.
branch of science

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I have never known
the tact and zeal that
made him surmount any
administrative difficulty,
and his kindness and forbearance
and indefatigable spirit etc
have proved him full of
genius, had he even
been made to accomplish
less than he gained of
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though that work for the
enrichment of his beloved
Canada. Very many
throughout the scientific world
who never knew him, as
well as his many friends
will deplore his
"Home-going".

Believe me

Yours truly

Agassiz