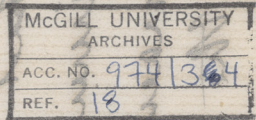


My coat does
not appear to
be made of
wool, the
weather, I
think has
helped me.
MD

Dear Rankine,

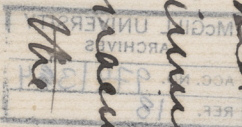
Lyon Dec 9 1853



Many thanks for your
postal received in Paris and
for the intelligence it conveyed
of your movements. My letter
from Paris must have
crossed yours, and it is just
for this reason that I did not
answer earlier. The winter
met us at Paris, heavy
snow falling on Thursday,
but nevertheless we improved
the time in visiting the Museum
and spending some time on
the Trilobite Man of Montana
and other prehistoric things,
and from this we went
directly to the modern times

as represented by the Chambre
 des Deputes, and listened for
 a time to a discussion on
 the War Budget & Japan
 & China. This finished
 our Paris work, and
 we left today morning
 for Lyons — snow on the
 summit all the way and
 the forest of Fontainebleau
 looking exactly like a Canadian
 woodland scene in December.
 Yesterday and today we
 have been in this old
 Roman city of Lugdunum,
 the scene of the Ministry of
 Genoa and of many
 things since that time.
 We visited the Museum which
 was the most full and
 satisfactory collection to be
 seen of the prehistoric men

of Spentel, and went to the top of
 the high chapel = climbed hills of the
 Testimonies, which commands a panoramic
 view space to the mountain mountain,
 in the evening the short day was returning
 in humor of the feet of the immovable
 Conception and the chapel on the hill
 with its side illuminated to the top of the
 Spentel trip, which I don't know of
 indeed from the top of a superstructure
 illumination from the sky, what and
 seems here therefore hard to be seen
 of the number of the vision on Spain's Water



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To day was about 8 or a little towards October
Christ in the line direction, and heard
a fine dinner & comfortable with
meals but almost complete of people,
the following are help of the old
the "just men of days" & the
Purdolls open,

At the call mine of 5 or 6
and help mine & have
woman weather in
at the call mine of 5 or 6
and help mine & have
woman weather in

Delivered to in my last letter I believe me
what all was from self, numerous from
M. D. Owen