

Hill, J.J. - Early life August 30, 1903

R. Stewart Pallersor [or Patterson?] , London, to
Hill

"We used to meet frequently at Winnipeg in 1870-71 when the Ontario and Quebec Rifles occupied Fort Garry and the Stone Fort. I remember quite well going up to Pembina with you in one of your steamers. Among other things you said to me, 'Do you recollect last winter, when Archdeacon McLean and Capt. Parsons went in the big sleigh to St. Paul's I was along with them and we were joined on the way by some Americans. We all became very friendly, & at last arrived safely at our destination. I was walking, you went on to say, with the Archdeacon when we met

one of our Yankee fellow travellers, a rather amazing old fellow. After shaking hands he inquired of Mr. McLean how he was getting on in his endeavour to collect funds for Church purposes...." [got "nearly \$2,000] The old American then raised one of his great hands and came thump down on the Archdeacons back at the same time exclaiming - 'Well done old Beeswax.' So with this writer asks Hill to contribute to his church work (since 1871 as chaplain in Egypt, Ashanti and retired 4 yrs. ago, now residing at Bucarest." Lord Wolseley I saw a short time ago ... He came on to Bucarest on one occasion... I got your address from Lord Strathcona."

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