on the warm south side of New England and which as a boy I knew so well—very thick skin and very tart flavor. I have no doubt it still exists, but the snow would cover it now. I hear of many other vines about here, but this is the only one I have personally seen. If you want more knowledge let me know and next spring I could send you a specimen.

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St. John, N. B., 10th Dec., 1883.

My Dear Sir,-I notice your communication in Saturday's Chronicle regarding the "Wild Grape" and its Northern Limit. Some years ago I was puzzled over the statement, in Demont's account of the discovery of the St. John River, that they noticed (in June 1604 or 5) grapes growing in profusion on its shores. For some time I was under the impression that they had mistaken some other vine for that of the grape. But I found afterwards that in fact the wild grape does grow in several places on the River St. John,—on the sandy points along it, south-westerly bank at Westfield in King's County,-luxuriantly on some islands near Oak Point known as "Caton's Islands,"-a little further up and beyond this on the islands Oromoeld and Prince William. Curiously enough I have always heard of it on the south-westerly shore of the River or the Islands, never in a wild state on the northerly or easterly bank, nor can I discover it on the Kennibeeasis tributary, where I have searched for it, as I have a summer residence at Lakeside near Hampton, where I am collecting these wild vines from Westfield, Greenwich, etc., with a view to amusing myself testing them as stocks on which to bud or graft some of the hardier improved varieties.

I am, Dear Sir, yours faithfully,

W. M. JARVIS.

FREDERICTON, N. B., DEC. 29, 1883.

My Dear Doctor Lawson,—I am in receipt of your note referring to the distribution of the wild grape in New Brunswick, but regret to say that I have little information to give upon the subject. I have gathered the fruit in some of the valleys near