

We are now filled with the most
intense horror, indignation & sadness
on account of the murders just committed
in Ireland. Such senseless crimes
as though a government can be
slayed by assassins. I doubt
whether I ever knew such days
as the last three. Every body is full
of pain & grief. I send you a paper
we just hear an arrest has
been made. How we hope it may
be one of the perpetrators. For it will
be indeed a shame & disgrace that such
demons should be at large. I will send
you a paper again. Mrs Swan joins
me in kind regards to Mrs Patterson
Yoursely & Willie Believe me your very
Sincerely
to your purpose company W Swan
to England this summer

The Gardens
Oakley
Fallowfield
Manchester
May 9. 1882

Prof R Patterson
Dear Sir

I am sorry to
have to confess that it some
time since I last wrote you
a line or two. I however will
now endeavour to discharge that
responsibility. I must just
thank you for the papers you
send me from time to time. also
your address defining your College
this I have lent to a friend of