



Smithsonian Institution, Oct. 23. 1868.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of Sept. 8. was duly received at this Institution during my absence, and you were informed by one of my Assistants that no lectures had been given at this Establishment since 1865. on account of the destruction of our lecture room by fire. We shall, however, be much gratified to receive a visit from you during the interval of your course, to introduce you to the cultivators of science in this city and to show you the collections of the Smithsonian Institution. I think it possible the American Institute of New York would be pleased to add your name to its list of lecturers for the winter and I will suggest this to the Secretary.

Very truly, yours -

Prof. J. N. Dawson,
Montreal
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