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J. W. Dawson L.L.D.

Dear Sir

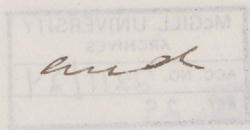
May I take the liberty
of soliciting the influence of
your name in my application
for the office of Secretary of the
U. C. Bible Society. The office
of permanent Secretary has
recently been created. The
election of the Officers will
take place on the 14th inst.

Thus far I am the only Clerical
Candidate. The Wes Church
has at present no officer in
connection with the Toronto

Bible Society. And has had none since the agency held by W^m Lachlan Taylor. There have been, at least four vacancies since his resignation. I am justified in saying that, in the general impression, the next election to office should be in favour, (if a suitable candidate be presented) be in favour of the Wesleyan Church. I have received very agreeable testimonials from all sections of the Church in Ontario. I am advised to seek some from Montreal, where I resided three years.

The duties of the Secretary will include correspondence with all the other societies in the

in the Dominion; and it may
be hoped that such correspondence,
by a secretary whose whole
time will be devoted to the
duties of the office, will
be promotive of a closer
and more valuable intimacy
between the different Societies
in our country. The early
date at which the elections
takes place compels me
to request that you will
favour me with a reply
at your earliest convenience.
I write, with a similar
request, by to days mail
to the Hon Mr Ferris and



and to Revs Dr Taylor, Dr Milke,
Mr. McEwen & Mr Dunlop.

Nothing but the importance
to me, of securing the use
of your valuable name,
could have induced me
to solicit a moment of
your valuable time.
As I totally unknown to
you I could not have taken
this liberty,

I am dear Sir
Very respectfully Yours

John Gentry

Please direct

Care Rev Jackson Taylor D.D.

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