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Dear Dr Dawson

This will be
banded you by my young
friend Mr John Black who
leaves Dartmouth to seek
his fortune in Canada.
Mr Black has been engaged
in the service of Messrs
Stairs from whom he will
have a recommendation
as to his business
qualifications. It is my
pleasing privilege to speak
of his religious and moral
character. Mr Black
has been for some time an

active & zealous member of
our church and of the
Y. M. C. association - and I
am happy to be able to
speak in the highest terms
of his Christian and
general character and
 deportment. He is a
son of Mr Martin Gay Black
whom I think you have
known.

By permitting Mr
Black to use your name as
a reference, in case, as is
very probable, such a
reference would be useful
to him, you will much
oblige.

Truly yours
W. James

John James
June 17