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Hamilton Ont.
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My Dear Dr Dawson.

I beg leave to trouble you
about a matter in regard to which
you may be able to do me an
essential service.

You will have seen
that the Chair of Natural
History is now vacant in Toronto
University College I think of
applying for it.

I feel that I could dis-
charge its duties in a way to
advance the interests of true science.

My experience in teaching
both Botany & Zoology during
the past two years gives me
assurance of being able to

to impart interest to these studies and enthusiasm to the minds of students. My class work has been successful beyond my own expectations at Oberlin. Since I went there Natural Science has become one of the most popular of studies. My class in Botany numbered 32 and their attendance and enthusiasm at the Commencement examination won universal applause. The students as a token of their esteem and affection for me presented me with a very fine picture in terms very pleasing to me.

While using the Text Book I have kept up a regular stream of oral instruction uniformly accompanied with demonstrations and Black Board elucidations. In Vegetable Physiology & Morphology I directed special attention the

Last discoveries & speculations on
these questions I made myself
familiar with and detailed to the
Class.

Since you knew me in Montreal
where, I used to do a little Amateur
work, I have made great advances
in the prosecution of Natural Science.
So Entomology I have given consid-
erable attention. Ornithology I have
not neglected. With Molluscs & Radiata
I have become familiar. The great
questions regarding Classification
I have earnestly studied & mastered
up to the present progress of Knowledge.
With Botany I am familiar
as A. B. C. The recent English
& French Methods I am familiar
with. If I have not had opportunity
of extending my geographical col-
lections, I have done the best I could

Keep my self

in the District within my reach.

My facility in communicating
knowledge of science in clear &
simple terms has been frequently
commended in the best terms by
those in whose judgment I can
rely. I like young men. After
trial I find I can secure both
their confidence & affection

It seems boasting to say
so much of myself but the cir-
cumstances may justify so much

If you feel at liberty to
write a favorable word con-
cerning me, will you oblige
by sending it as early as pos-
sible to the address at the top
of this letter; as the applications
must be put in by the 6th Sept

With sincere regards

Yours truly
A. F. Kemp