

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION,

WASHINGTON, D. C., *Feb. 6, 1880*

Dear Professor Dawson.

Can you tell me what is the port of entry, where any package of books coming here would be stopped?

I will endeavor to get a general order from the Sec. of the Treasury authorizing free delivery.

Why would it not be better to send the books by mail? I would gladly pay the postage.

Yours truly,

W. Baird

Prof. J. W. Dawson,
McGill College,
Montreal,
Canada.

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Smithsonian Institution
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd inst. in relation to the proposed purchase of the collection of minerals in the possession of the Smithsonian Institution. I have the pleasure to inform you that the same has been referred to the Secretary of the Institution, and that he has advised me that the same will be purchased at the price of \$10,000.00. I have the pleasure to inform you that the same will be purchased at the price of \$10,000.00.

Very respectfully,
J. W. Lawson
Secretary

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