

Geographical Society of Quebec.

Quebec, March 27 1880

My Dear Sir,

I write to ask your notice of the claims of the Geographical Society which was founded here a little more than 2 years ago, enclosing abstract of its last annual report - & sending at the same time report of a meeting lately held to initiate the current winter's course of papers &c -

I venture to hope that between now & the 10<sup>th</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> week of May you would kindly consent to favour us with a paper or address on some topic connected with the Society's proper work which I am sure would be a great help to the young Society - We have many difficulties to <sup>meet</sup> struggling into a position of usefulness -

We had a meeting the other day, at which the Lieut-Gov<sup>r</sup> was present &

I enclose a report of it which I have cut out from one of our local papers. Your talented son who lectured here some years ago, having, since then, been occupied in travel surveying &c in the far North West might possibly consent also, to come & assist us during our present course — but I do not know for certain whether or not he is in Montreal or absent on outside duty, otherwise I would write to him also in the same sense as I now write to you —

I would be extremely obliged if you would forward this letter to him on that understanding —

We send a P.M. pass to any gentleman coming from a distance to give us a paper or address —

Hoping you will favorably consider this application

I am

My dear Sir

Your obed<sup>t</sup>. serv<sup>t</sup>.

H. H. Miles

President

Dr. Dawson —

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