

P.S. My wife desires her love to Mr. Dawson & thanks
for her kind letter, which she will acknowledge
when she is about again.
A similar message also, please, to Mr.
Resjith.

Old Home
Clarendon Pk.
Leeds 30 Oct. 1883.

My dear Dr. Dawson,

Thank you very
much for your congratulations
& for wishes on our
recent "domestic" event.

You will, I am sure, be
glad to know that
satisfactory progress is
being made by my wife
towards convalescence, &

that the little boy ^{Christy} ~~is~~ ^{Oct 183}
flourishing as gaily as
we would have him
do. —

It has occurred to me
that, while you are in
London, you will very
possibly come in contact
with some, at least, of
the Dominican people who
are stationed there, & who
have the dispensing of
any little patronage that

may be stirring in connection
with Canadian business
in this country. If
this should be so, & you
should happen to hear
of any thing in the re-
juicing line - either in
connection with the Rail-
ways, or otherwise - I
should be greatly indebted
to you if you would, on
an opportunity arising,
mention my name as being
open to employment in almost

any professional capacity:-
There must be, from time
to time, appliances &c. to be
purchased here, or on the
continent, for the Dominion,
about which a professional
opinion is required & super-
vision generally needed. - And
besides this, ^{there is, one would think,} a good deal of
general engineering business
to be transacted also, which
must go somewhere; and
I think my knowledge of
the country & its requirements

might possibly be not un-
likely to enhance my fitness
to deal with it satisfactorily.

Living here, one is, of
course, out of the swim
of such things, & learns
nothing of what is taking
or likely to take place when
such work as I have re-
ferred to is to be had;—
and the only chance one
has is, ^{by} the kind thought
of friends who are on the
spot & will take the trouble

to put in a good word.

A great portion of the Rails
&c: for the Pacific, ^{By} I imagine,
will be ordered in this country,
for instance, & all of it will
have to be professionally in-
spected & passed before being
sent out. - And any work of
this sort, also, I should be
very glad to undertake.

All love and best regards &
kindly greetings to all at the
Manor House - (that is the
simplest way I think, I can
put it!) - & believe that I am,
Very faithfully Yours,
J. F. Armstrong.