Johns Hopkins University,

Baltimore.

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President of McGill College
Montreal
Canada.

Dear Sir:

I have been authorized by Prof. Martin, Director of the Biological Laboratory here, to make applications for a position as instructor in Biology for the academic year of 1887-8, and it occurred to me that possibly your University might need such instruction.

My courses here during the past year have been as follows: General Biology (Dr. Martin) Lectures & Laboratory work.

Embryology of the Chick (Dr. Martin) Lectures & Laboratory work.

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Human & Comparative Osteology (Dr. Bruce & Andrews) Lectures.

Systematic Botany (Dr. Barton) Lectures & Field work.

Physiology & Histology (Dr. Howell) Lectures, Demonstrations & Laboratory work.

Elements of Zoölogy (Dr. Brooks.

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In any of these I feel confident that I could give satisfactory instruction and am pleased to be able to refer to Dr. Martin for information regarding my work & standing.

I should say, however, that, as very few colleges are as rich in physiological apperatus as this University, the course as given elsewhere might not be so exhaustive & well illustrated as here.

Necessary dissections in connection with the courses in General Biology and Physiology have familiarized me with the different parts & organs of the mammalian body. This knowledge of course, is not only necessary in giving instruction in the above branches, but, supplemented by work which I am to do this summer would enable me to give a course in Mammalian Anatomy, should it be required of me.

As regards systematic work; my attention has been given almost wholly to Ornithology and I am happy to be able to refer to Prof. N. H. Winchell of Minneapolis, State Geologist, and Dr. P. L. Hatch of the same place, State Ornithologist, under whose direction I have done

work for the state of Minnesota.

My life as a naturalist, association with systematists, and my own work, have made me familiar with the different groups of Invertebrates, & to a greater or less degree with the different divisions under each group. The course here under Dr. Brooks, with special reference to classification of Invertebrates reinforces previous knowledge on this point, while the course in Osteology treats largely on classification and its dependence on structure, & it treats also on the distribution of Vertebrates.

I should be happy to mail you a circular containing a more detailed account of

these courses. if desired.

For references of a social nature. if they are desired, I can refer to well known parties in Cambridge Mass. Boston, Washington, Chicago Ill. & Minneapolis Minnesota.

Respectfully yrs.
F. L. Washburn

Washburn
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