

From the Honble Joseph Howe late  
Provincial Secretary of the Province of  
Nova Scotia  
Halifax, Nova Scotia,  
28<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1854.

~~John~~ William Dawson,  
Esq. has been long  
known to me, and has  
ever been and is now  
highly esteemed for his  
gentle manners, sterling  
integrity, and varied in-  
formation

Mr Dawson for several  
years held the office

of Superintendent of Education  
under the Government of  
which I was a member.  
In that capacity he visited  
the Schools of New England  
and New York, and  
lectured upon Education  
and Agricultural Chemistry  
in the Chief towns of  
this Province.

Mr. Ramsden's resignation  
of his place was reluctantly  
accepted by the Government

whose confidence and  
respect he still retains

Mr Dawson's acquaintance  
with Geology and Natural  
History is extensive. His  
style, as a lecturer, is re-  
markably attractive, from  
its accuracy and precision

Joseph Horn  
Chairman of the Railway  
Board - late Provincial  
Secretary.

*Collected  
in Rome  
1818*

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