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My dear Dawson

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You have exceedingly obliged me by the list of Nova Scotia Localities - Carboniferous - They add greatly to my accuracy and therefore to my comfort -

It is exactly what I wanted -

I send you an improved heading for my carboniferous statistic arrangement - I do not ask you to re-improve it, because you have abundance of work, for which you have scarcely time already -

I have been reading lately with
much

interest the home-life of Sir David
Brewster -

I venture to send you a copy altho
you may think it twaddle -

I hope somebody is quietly (I do not
say, Mr Dawson) gathering up mate-
rials for the public life of a Nova
Scotian now a blessing to Montreal

Nova Scotia has no occasion to be
ashamed of its sons, Dawson, ^{The Howes,} the
Archibalds - ^{The Barclays of New York} Haleburlton + others -

If I were the biographer alluded to
I should drag into light many scenes,
customs - personalities of wit, wisdom
and worth - entwining them round the
principal figure -

If you have a good opinion of what you
are writing - almost infallibly you will
carry your readers with you -

Your son George called on me before he left London, and thanked me pleasantly and sincerely for any small attentions I showed him - I imagine that I was not very useful as a reference and protection in case of difficulty but he was his own protector, by good conduct and minding his own business.

He never told me of his prizes - which was modest - but not agreeable - I should have rejoiced with him -

I am so buried in my Thesauri that I have no news. Dr. Gladstone is working harder & harder for his dear Master - The Church of England is torn to pieces by antagonistic parties and is dropping into a more christian attitude daily -

I have a charming cousin married on the

the 25th Inst to an excellent ^{young} man Mr Gordon
a barrister at Toronto — If by chance
you meet her & say you know me, you
would please her —

I think Livingstone has to complain of
neglect - and bad management on the
part of the English Gov^t - the Geogr. Soc
and perhaps of Dr Kitcher - but much can
be said on both sides —

Tyndal is in the Euagadine & half England
will be mountaineering in a few days -

I spent a day lately in Paris with M. de
Verneuil - in a splendid Hotel (en prince)
How amiable! he is; and his family - He
went thro' my Carbonif. Localities (French)

I crossed from Calais to Dover - and have
scarcely been well since -
Give my kind and respectful remembrances
to your excellent Wife & daughter —

I am my dear Dawson
your obliged friend

J. S. Beatty

