

Ottawa, Feb. 1, 1873.

My dear old friend  
Few things have  
given me more pleasure  
since I have been in  
Ottawa than the appointment  
of your son to the place  
he applied for as Naturalist  
to the Commission, which  
has been conferred upon  
him today by the Mayor  
Dr Dawson

Council. I can congratulate  
you upon having a son  
so worthy, and it has  
given me much pleasure  
to advocate his claims

Believe me ever

Truly Yours

Joseph Horner