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292 ST. JAMES STREET,

Montreal, March 10 1876.

Principal Dawson P.D.

Dear Sir

I have to thank you again for your kindness.

The Hon. J. C. Abbott has written me to the effect that no Manager will be appointed for two years to come. I cannot afford to wait for the mere chance of being elected, but if the Government should consider me a suitable person, and would now engage me to enter upon the duties when they may require me to do so, I would with pleasure hold myself free; - and further, I would, from the present time assist the Government in any preparatory arrangements, without

Remuneration.

I feel some delicacy in offering this suggestion - but I am naturally anxious to have my mind set as best in reference to employment - as soon as I can.

My eldest Son (a Sculptor) is just completing his apprenticeship in England. And his movements will be regulated very much by my own. If I am likely to remain in Montreal he will come out - but if I do not speedily find some thing to hold me here, it will be necessary for my Son to seek employment in the Old Country.

I am, my dear Sir

Very respectfully Yours

J. Osbourne