

in your behalf, as you
have warm friends among
both the faculty and
Trustees of the School

Please let me know
if Mr. Geo. Dawson had
obtained the place vacated
by the death of Mr. Bellamy
and if not whether a letter
from me would be of any
service to him.

Absence prevented my sending
him a letter before, but I would
cheerfully do so now.

Yours Very Truly
J. S. Newberry

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New York, April 27th 1877

Prof. J. W. Dawson
My dear Sir

Some time since
I received a letter from
you in reference to an
honorary degree for
Mr. G. M. Dawson from
the School of Mines.
I need not say that
I took great pleasure
making an effort to
secure this endorsement.

by the School of one
who has proved himself
so eminently worthy
of it. I found however
that such action had
never been taken by the
Trustees, and it was finally
decided that it was
inexpedient to grant
any degrees except to
graduates of the School
Very few honorary degrees
have ever been given in
the Academical Dept.,
and I find there is much

opposition to it, a principle
Among the Trustees

I presume no honorary
degrees will ever be given
in the School of Mines,

I trust you will believe
that it would have afforded
me much pleasure to
have secured you on this
matter, and to have seen
the name of Mr George M. Dawson
placed on our rolls, —

I can also assure you
that if the action suggested
could have been taken
for any one it would have been