

Princeton April 6th 1878.

My dear Sir,

D. W. Cosh informs ^{me} that the friends of the College are very desirous of securing your services in that Institution. The Faculty of the Theological Seminary take a deep interest in this matter, as they hope, in the event of your coming to Princeton, you may be able to unite with a Professorship in the College a Lectureship in the Seminary. The subject of the Lectureship to be "The Relation of Science & Religion." The lectures to be weekly - the salary \$1,000 a year.

The appointing power in the College is its Board of Trustees; in the Seminary, the Board of Directors. All that the Faculties of the two Institutions can do is to recommend;

The Faculty of the Seminary at a recent meeting determined to recommend to our Directors the establishment of such a Lectureship, and requested me to write to you, and assure you, should the way be opened, that it is their earnest desire that you may be induced to transfer the field of your labors to Princeton.

Of course we can only look at one side of the question; the Montreal side is plainly before you, and

is true to have justice done it

we can only urge such con- siderations as the following.

1. The United States are larger than Canada.

2. Princeton College is connected with the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. the largest Presbyterian body in the world - and second to no other in its influence on the minds & character of the people in this country. It was founded by Presbyterians, before the Revolution, & in opposition to the long continued and strenuous efforts of Episcopalians, who then controlled the governments of our Middle & Southern States.

All its Trustees are Presbyterians. All its Presidents have been Presbyterians from the beginning.

3. We are sadly in want, in this country,

of scientific men who are
firm believers in the Bible. You
cannot be more needed in Mon-
treal than you are here.

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tion, intended specially for
Mr. Dawson; Princeton is nearer
the equator than Montreal -
damit ist viel gesagt.

Praying that God may
make the path of duty plain
before you, I am my dear,
very truly your friend
Charles Hodge

Principal Dawson,

