

5 Albert St.

Regents Park London N.W.

8 July 1860

Dear Sir

During the last few days I have thought over  
the matter about which I have written you,  
and it has struck me that probably it will  
not be so easy for me to get a suitable  
position in teaching, as I imagine. In that case  
I have determined to go to New York, enter on  
a law course there, and support myself in  
the meantime by tutoring and writing. A  
line, recommendation or introduction from  
you would be of great service to me, and I  
thought that possibly you might do that for  
me from what you knew of my work when  
in N. Y. I know that it will be hard work  
for <sup>me</sup> at first in New York, but as I have hitherto

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During the last few days I have thought on  
the matter and decided to write you  
and when I think on the subject I  
feel as if I ought to say to you a  
few words in regard to the  
I have determined to do this  
I have some things which I  
the business of writing and writing  
has become a habit for  
for some of your own work  
I hope that I may be able to  
do for you and for the  
to do. I have the honor to be  
for myself in the future.

lived close to the wind, I do not fear the struggle  
much, nor need I complain for many of the noblest  
and wisest men that have lived in this world of  
shadows, have faced but badly, - had little more than  
bread and water and often as Richer says, but  
water alone. I read all my philosophy - for Competition  
in New York is keen, and the successful, <sup>those</sup> are fit  
examples of the survival of the fittest. ~~The~~ <sup>my</sup> people  
at home are farmers and not rich - they gave me  
a good common school education, - nor need I  
expect anything more. I have worked my own way  
along ever since without drawing on their resources  
and I shall attempt to do so <sup>now</sup> in New York  
I hope my necessity, will excuse my  
importunity in your eyes, and any such service  
in the way I mentioned which you may be  
able to do for me, will always be gratefully  
remembered by me

Sincerely  
Yours

D. C. Ross

Dr. Dawson

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