



Grand Trunk Railway of Canada
General Freight Agent's Office.

Montreal June 1st 1881

Dear Sir

I have been a little anxious for some time to learn if you have had any opportunity to mention my name to any of your Railroad friends and have taken the liberty of writing you asking.

If I mistake not I think you mentioned that you knew Mr Porteous who is General Freight Agent and in whose Office I have been since joining the service. I understand he is pleased with the manner in which my work is done and think if you were to, speak to, or drop him a few lines in my favor an interest should be taken. I have heard that fair salaries are offered to those engaged for the different Stations on the Canada Pacific Ry and it being a new road should think that greater chances for promotion would present themselves there. However, I will leave it with you to decide, knowing you will do the best you can for me, should you not have already done what you could. Hoping to hear from you soon. I am Sir

most respectfully yours
Alex^r. Donaldson Hunter

General James Buchanan

General Post Office

London June 1. 1841



Dear Sir

Handwritten signatures and initials, including 'Buchanan' and 'Wm. B.' with a flourish.

I have been a little anxious for some time to learn if you have had any opportunity to mention my name to any of your mutual friends and have taken the liberty of writing you of it. I am not of course to think you mentioned that you knew the persons who in General Brough's report and in whose Office I have been since joining the service. I understand he is pleased with the manner in which my work is done and think if you were to speak to each him a few lines in my favor an interest should be taken. I have heard that your relations are offered to their employer for the different stations on the Canada Pacific. It will be being a new year should think that greater chances for promotion would present themselves there. However, I will leave it with you to decide, thinking you will do the best you can for me, should you not have already done what you could. Ourselves to hear from you soon. I am Sir, most respectfully yours

Wm. Buchanan