

Kennedy

Kings College
Windsor, Nova Scotia

J. W. Dawson, Esq. LL.D., Ph.D., F.R.S.
Principal of McGill University —

Dear Sir

It is some time since I had the pleasure of addressing myself to you, & when I did so last, my letter was so full of the recital of the unjust treatment, of which I was made the subject, that while it afforded me some relief to record it, still it could not have been very pleasant reading for others. However, I am very thankful to say, that though some of the bigots, connected with Acadia College, did everything in their power, to destroy my usefulness in the future, still an unexpected opportunity was afforded me, of proving, to the entire satisfaction

of others better qualified to judge, the untruthfulness, of the base statements, which had been disseminated, as to my ability as a science teacher. At the meeting, of the Board of Governors of Kings College, & also at that of the Alumni Society, very pleasant & favorable comments were made, as to the manner, in which, I had performed my duties, since I have been here, as Professor of Chemistry, & Geology.

The engagement, which was made at first, before I came here, was for the year just closed. The Board of Governors, however, in the face of a good deal of financial trouble, passed a resolution, expressing their satisfaction with my work, & requested me to continue with them. This I have consented to do. Although the salary is not as much as I would like, still it is equivalent to more, than I received at Acadia.

It is very gratifying to me, that I have had such an opportunity, of proving my fitness

for the position, for while the work here, has been much heavier than it was at Acadia College, still I am by no means as fatigued, at the close of the session, as I have been in former years. Last term I had fifteen, & this term, thirteen, lectures per week.

I have been intending, for some time past, to join the Geological Society of London, & I presume in order to do so, it is necessary to be proposed, by two or more Fellows of the Society - may I ask, whether you would have any objection, either to propose me for membership, or else to second such a proposition.

I have not the form of proposition at hand, at present, & I am not quite sure, who is the foreign secretary of the Society. I would be much obliged if you ^{would} let me know before long.

I should like very much to see the new museum at McGill, but will not be able to visit Montreal this year.

Remaining Sincerely Yours
Geo. L. Kennedy.