



Harvey

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF CANADA

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My dear Dr Dawson,

I received your letter of the 20th inst. on Wednesday and was very glad to learn that you had sent in an application for George. I sincerely hope that he may get the appointment, for he would be the very man for it. The Survey is in need of good men to keep up its reputation, and George with his great ability and application would be sure to do good palaeontological work. What induced Mr. Selwyn to recommend

Whiteaves I do not know. He
never even mentioned the
subject to me, until I spoke
of it a day or two before he
left Philadelphia.

I am getting more and
more tired of my position at
the Survey and have made
up my mind to tell Selwyn
when I return that if I am
to be Chemist to the Survey
I must be allowed to devote
more time to chemical work,
and must not have so much
of other people's drudgery.

So far the Exhibition has
been little more than an
aggravation to me. Mr. S. had
entrusted nearly the whole of
the ticketing & labelling to
Richardson who made fearful

work of it. Such spelling and such mistakes from beginning to end! — "Burst Humber", "Apetite", "Hermitite"; &c &c, Gypsum from the Lower Carboniferous of New Brunswick & Nova Scotia stated to belong to the Onondaga formation, modern names marked "Laurentian" & dozens of other similar errors.

It is really heart rending. I am writing new tickets from morning till night, but it will take me a long time to get through. Hunt has not failed to observe the inaccuracies & makes a handle of them for abusing Belwyn on all possible occasions.

I was much surprised to hear through Anna today that Armstrong had resigned his professorship in McGill,

and am wondering whether
you will be able to get
a new man in time for
the next session. Do you
know whether Armstrong has
an appointment in England?

I see Prof. Newberry quite
often, & to-day he desired
me to give you his kind
regards & to say that he
hoped you would be able
to be in Philadelphia during
the month of August, as the
Director of the Geological Survey
of Sweden will be here and
is ~~an~~ exceedingly anxious to
meet you & discuss the subject
of "Drift," in which he takes a
great interest. He will return to Sweden
on the 2nd of September.

I miss my dear wife exceedingly, but
am thankful that she is in such
good hands. With love to all

Believe me

Yours sincerely

B. J. Harrington.