

Mrs Bayfield

Charlottetown Prince Ed? Is?

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a plea for their son.

My dear Mrs Dawson

I have thought a long time before venturing to write to you. Not being assured that your motherly heart will make allowances for me I will lay my request before you and your kind husband.

You may have heard that our son Horace is in Montreal, and it is to ask you to allow him to call upon you that I now write. He has been urged by our friends in Montreal to call on those who knew him years ago, but we think that you would like to know how thoroughly reformed he is, before receiving him.

For nearly two years he has been perfectly steady - so much so that
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Christian friends in England who
have had him staying with them
have urged us to allow him to make
a new beginning in life in the
New Dominion. An old friend of ours
(Mr. J. B. Stevenson) has taken him into
his office, and now, we are so anxious
that he should not be ignored by the
few whose countenances would be of
so much importance to him - at least
not knowing you would be against
him. - And now, I must beg of
you not to misunderstand me - I ask
of you no hospitality beyond a kind
word now and then - nor would
I do thus much had we not such
long and strong testimony to his
complete reform.

My dear husband is too old now

to write unless very much pressed
But he sends his very kindest regards
to you and Dr. Dawson - in which
I sincerely join. —

Do not give yourself the trouble
of answering this - for I know that
you will do all that your conscience
will permit - and, (may I say it?)
We have learned the lesson of
leaving the event in our Heavenly
Father's hands, in whatever we
do. — Praying God to bless you in
your dear children believe me

Sincerely yours
J. Mayfield