

which a man is constantly wanted. I should prefer, (if it could be done) to remain with them till he returns. The principal pleasure which I promise myself at New Brunswick is to be with You, and under myself of service to you. If therefore you delay settling at New Brunswick till the spring, & can then find an employment for me, it would suit me better than going there this winter. At the same time

my circumstances are such that I must embrace the first eligible opportunity of putting myself forward in life - and God knows I have no future prospects but through you and your friends. If (as it is reported) the Genl. reduces my pay to 3^{ps}, I cannot remain here this winter - my whole income wouldn't pay for my Board - and I never could consent to be a brother