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Bruce Castle

Sept^r 14th 1831-

My dear Sir.

A very intelligent &
gentlemanly young man,
Mr Floratio Smith, who was
educated at Hazelwood is
about to make a tour in
the United States of America,
would you have the kindness
to give him a letter of
introduction to your son
Mr Rob^t Dale Owen & to any
other gentlemen who would

be likely to assist him in
his object, that of obtaining
information respecting the
state of society in that
highly interesting Republic.

Mr Ho Smith says that
his father (John Smith Esq^r
Strangeways Hall near Manchester)
is not unknown to you.

Praying you will excuse
the liberty I have taken

Believe me my dear Sir

Very truly Yours

Rowland Hill

To

Wm Owen Esq^r