

Montreal  
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My dear Clara,

You will be glad to hear that Agda arrived safely and on time last evening. She reported all well at Mitis, specially stating that Ruth was better than when I left. Hilda also came in in the evening and is to join Agda to-morrow. She seemed quite pleased at the prospect of coming back.

I am very sorry that you have not Agda with you to help with packing etc., but no doubt she will do a good deal here in the way of getting the house settled.

I thought it was going to  
clear up yesterday morning,  
but it rained all day.

This morning, however, it is  
lovely and I am now sitting  
out on the roof to write.

I saw Mrs. M. yesterday and  
found her wonderfully bright  
and anxious to get news about  
everything at Metis. I was  
also in the Coxes for a few  
minutes last evening and found  
them all looking well after  
their summer at Gaspe. The  
Walters are back also and  
spent a week at the Island  
of Orleans on the way home,  
being at the same hotel as  
Mrs. Barrell.

Some of the flowers which  
I brought up were the excellent

condition, others not. Strange  
 to relate the single red  
 poppies looked as fresh  
 as if they had just been  
 brought in from the garden.  
 The dahlias were somewhat  
 crushed, as I packed them too  
 hurriedly, but the sweet peas  
 and asters stood the journey  
 better than I did myself.

The Pullman that I came up  
 in was not a quarter full &  
 I fancy that if Grandmama  
 decides to come on Friday  
 it will be quite possible  
 to get the necessary accom-  
 modation. The weather is likely  
 to be fine up here now and  
 everything is looking beautifully.  
 The summer has been so wet  
 that the foliage is fine not.

withstanday the late frost in  
the spring.

I see grandmama that I  
I have arranged with Olivier  
to cut her grass to-morrow  
or next day. Our garden  
has been levelled up nicely  
but only part of the grass  
has taken, owing to the shade  
The Cherry tree was so badly  
smashed by the boys that I  
think what is left had  
better be cut down.

I told Sucky to give you all  
the assistance he could and  
hope he will not neglect to  
do so. It will certainly be  
less fatiguing for you to come  
by the afternoon train and I  
hope you will get off comfortably &  
not be too tired. As her there  
is always a rush at the last.

With love to all  
Your affec<sup>t</sup> Father.