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Fort McLeod B.C.

Dear Father,

Mr Webster, the Scotteman in charge of the Hudson Bay post at this place, leaves for Fort St James tomorrow, & it is possible that a letter sent by him may reach you in about ten weeks. We arrived here yesterday & leave tomorrow, today being devoted to overhauling cargo & separating out stuff to go down the Passump & Peace, & that which is to go on with self & the Pack train by the Peace River Pass. We are not in such bad luck after all, & if I don't luck in getting through the pass without great delay there will be some weeks free for explorations on the Eastern Side of the Mountains. We have had a pleasant & uneventful trip from Ft. St James with fine weather, & travelling

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time limited by that your heavily loaded
Animals. As 3000 or 4000 pounds of stuff
goes down in the boat the animals will now be
much relieved & ready for travel in a rough
country. The train now consists of 14 pack
Animals with 22 riding & spare horses. There are
14 packers & assistants & three Indians for
trail. It may probably take nearly a month to
reach the vicinity of Denver.

It is not worth writing at length from here
with such uncertain communication, & why in
particular to communicate so with love &

Best wishes to all, believe me your affectionate friend

George

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