

Montreal  
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My dear Dr. Dawson,

As Anna has  
herself written to Mr Dawson  
5-day, it will be unnecessary  
for me to do so. She is I  
think rapidly gaining strength  
and looks as blooming and  
happy as can be. Metis  
air did her a great deal  
of good and no doubt she  
is recovering much more  
rapidly than she would  
have done had she remained  
all summer in town.

Your garden is looking  
very well as Edward has

been at work there for several days. The tomatoes are ripening fast and we have made use of a few.

I called at Parmori's the other day and saw the loon. It is stuffed and set up and on the whole looks very well, the skin being an unusually fine one. Old P. says he had a great deal of trouble with it. As for my wild-car and mink skins, they are being skinned and prove to be worth more than double what I paid for them; so that my speculation is not such a bad one.

William is at-work for Shaulz, making preliminary surveys for the proposed tunnel. He seems highly delighted that the work has actually begun.

If the tunnel really goes  
on, he may have much  
longer employment than  
he anticipates.

George must have had  
a capital voyage, as the  
news has been telegraphed  
from the other side.

I enclose Dawson Bros'  
receipt for \$75.00, and  
would have paid the  
amount sooner, but could  
not get to town until to-day  
as I am acting not only in  
the capacity of husband &  
mother, but also of general  
housekeeper.

Very sincerely yours  
B. J. Harrington.

P.S. Do you think it would be  
any advantage to me to become a  
member of the Am. Assoc.? I have had  
friends sent me twice requesting me to join.

Barrett  
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