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Friday, June 23, '81.

Dear Father,

The omission you mention with respect to showing me your collections also occurred to me when I was about half-way here. On thinking over the matter it does not appear to me to be serious, as the most I shall do in the way of geology is to determine the limits of the granite areas. This I should like to do, as it will be of use to me in the field, as less detail will be required upon them than elsewhere, and they are likely to form lines of secondary watershed

which will be more inaccessible than  
the other parts of the country, & would  
occupy more time in surveying than the  
other regions.

I have received your copies of the  
reports you mention in your letter. They  
were however offered to me by Mr  
Breedman, so that I am sorry you  
should have parted with yours; but  
I can easily have other copies sent  
you if you wish. I called at  
Mr. Kimbly's for a copy of your Asi-  
atic Geology for which I am much  
obliged. I shall mark on my country  
map which I take with me, the  
limit of the "Silurian" area as a  
guide to the extent of my work,  
although in working up the river  
valleys I shall have to include more

in some instances. I shall also endeavor  
to determine the boundary of the "Silurian"  
historically at any rate.

I have now arranged with one  
of the gentlemen in Mr. Gilpin's office  
to forward my letters. Mr. G. would  
have been glad to have obliged me in  
this himself but that he is now  
most of the time. My permanent ad-  
dress will then be: -

Care of R. T. Murray, Esq.

Box 349

St. Louis.

I will keep him informed as to my  
movements.

I did not order a Montreal Paper  
and do not care to have one at  
present. The only thing I would be  
interested to see is the results of the  
"H.A." exams and of those in the

H. J. School. A weekly paper coming to me during the summer would I think be only a trouble. I will probably order some Montreal paper in the autumn.

I called yesterday on Mr. Maclean who is President of the Y. M. C. A. here. I also met Alex. Primrose who is in his office. Mr. Maclean invited me to tea yesterday evening. They are very agreeable people and much above the Mac Gregor's socially, and in their manner. Mr. Maclean has recommended a boarding home to Alex which she considers the best here. I will see it to-day, and probably arrange to board there next winter. It is situated on Pleasant Street near the Park and only a stone's throw from the shore. I have asked Alex. Primrose to dine with me this evening.

Your affect.ionate son

William.