

London  
July 1871

Stamper  
Lewes  
Aug 15<sup>th</sup>

My dear Father,

Being in the  
country once more has  
brought back very  
strongly to my recollec-  
tion my Manitoba ex-  
periences, & my estate  
there, for the purpose  
of acquiring which I  
not only spent my  
summer I lost my  
winter, but risked  
my life once or twice  
during my western  
trips. I need not say  
more about this. What



2 I wanted to write  
a line about was

the demands of a scheme  
I am sincerely glad that

you have a well-  
founded opinion on my judgment  
sufficiently to put some-

thing in it for me.

I shall be perfectly able  
to pay interest & principal

and am quite willing to  
assume all responsibility

It is very easy to talk  
about making one

over money before in-  
vesting it, but this is

not at all practical &  
simply means the loss

of so many years of  
life besides which the

immediate present is

immediately on returning. I am



3) The golden opportunity for  
Manitoba; I wish I could convince  
you of this, but I can hardly expect  
to do so as you have not seen &  
studied out western country as I have  
& therefore cannot appreciate the fact  
fully. It was for this reason that  
I asked you not so much to con-  
vince yourself of the soundness &  
practicality of the scheme, as to trust  
my investigation, & I most earnestly  
hope that you have done so. If I  
had thought that there would have  
been any difficulty, I should have  
given Mr D. a decided answer here &  
assumed the responsibility at once.

Do you know has the marriage  
come off as intended, or has Redpath's  
sudden death prevented this?

If I cannot get righted with Selwyn  
or get some other foot hold in the country,  
I shall simply look forward to go from  
Canada as far as I can get, after next  
spring & try to forget all about my treat-  
ment there. This not in any way as  
a threat but merely a determination.

I am having a very enjoyable  
visit here, of which I give you some  
account, & shall not return to London  
for two or three days yet. Whether I shall  
be able to go in for any more exams.  
there at present I am as yet uncertain  
but shall make specific enquiries, im-