

George
Chyffers

Canot B.C.
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My dear Father,

I have your several
notes, & am much obliged
for the further remittance which
you have sent to for me. After
writing about it I thought I
might as well have made a
draft on the bank & saved you
the trouble, as it occurred to
me when you told that you might
not soon be in Montreal but at
Quebec. However it has
fortunately occurred that you have
been able to come. Since leaving
here last I have put round a great

many miles of Coast with
 rocks largely of a volcanic character,
 that is to say basaltic granite &
 gneiss. The little patch of
 corals & sandstones found on the
 East side of the Strait behind
 Texada Island appears to be
 Tertiary rather than Cretaceous.

I had bought to light a few leaves
 which may possibly be sufficient
 to decide the matter. The Gophers
 have arrived all right. I have
 quite a pile of them which I
 have not had time to go
 through. I am glad you have
 been able to give some time to the

Cretaceous plants, but hope
 you will not allow the matter to
 become a burden in any sense.
 The paper by me on Boulder Clay
 Mesozoic organisms is not more
 than an opening into the subject
 which is more extensive than
 I thought, some other work is
 comprised to a few samples,
 I presume it will be published
 in the Trans. Chic. Acad. Sci.,
 but have not yet heard from
 them as an absolute fact.

whether there be five or all

suspects so far good for
 Surveys work. Tomorrow
 we leave to begin coast north
 of Seymour narrows, & hope to
 examine both sides of the Channel
 as far as both end of Island.
 Postal facilities after this date will be
 rather small but I will endeavor
 to let you hear when I can

Your affectionate son
 George