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My dear Father,

Many thanks for yours
of Thursday, I still look
forward with much pleasure
to the receipt of Lettrops'
book on Forty years & Beyond
which you have ordered for
me & will read it carefully
when it arrives. It will
wonder if it should be interesting
to such old stagers as myself.

We have certainly had a lot of
unpleasant rain & damp
we ache of late & I think

now that some clear & cool
 autumn days are fully
 due. It seems most unfortunate
 that the weather should so
 injuriously affect the wheat crop
 in Manitoba, which although
 successfully harvested appears
 to be spoiling in stacks by
 the continued damps, which
 renders it impossible to
 thresh the grain.

I have yesterday managed to
 get from the Printing Bureau
 a copy of the last annual
 volume of reports & one will

do by reach you when it comes to be distributed.
 I had to cut it short, as the delays of printing
 were so great that it became necessary to
 make a beginning with the next volumes. I trust
 that you will find it up to the mark. There is
 of course a want of balance, as one can include
 only such reports as become ready & thus do not
 necessarily treat of all parts of the Country, or
 give the importance to different parts that
 might be desired in conformity with their
 wants.

Love to Mother,

Yours

Joseph