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Ottawa Sunday Evening

My dear Mother

I have pretty nearly
come to the conclusion that
Ottawa is duller on Sunday than
Montreal. I thought this morning
that I would go to work at my
office as usual, but somehow did
not muster up courage to do so
& here consequently spent an
extremely uninteresting day. Did
you hear by last mail whether
Rankine sailed or rather was
to sail by the steamer of this week?
If so he should be in Montreal
in a few days. Also, when do you
expect William up. - I am writing to

ella keeps a sending a few Xmas
Cards. Please give me Anne Harris
her name & address. A sort of
wotter of action has turned up lately.
I have been volentary to go & explore
the Liard River & think it may be
arranged. I have not very much
necessary work to do here this
winter, & if the plan works
should like to leave about the end
of march. Epid civilization has
lost its charms for me already.
Cochrane who got in a few days
ago from Athabasca Lake, has been
away two summers & a winter, leaves
again in February for Edmonton &
northward. Had a letter the other day
from M^cConnell. Oct 29. He had
arrived at Calgary. The weather
has been warm & spring like
George