

~~Holland Peninsula~~  
Roadside Victoria  
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My dear Mary Dawson      Acc. 976

I ~~am~~ much gratified by your kindness in sending me the interesting sketch of George's life and work. With some of it I was more or less familiar but I had no idea that his researches covered so wide an area and included not only geological but ethnological investigations. I remember well his visit to the Queen Charlotte Islands as I happened to be in Montreal shortly after his return home and heard him relate some of his experiences on these islands. His study of the language and habits of the people there must have been very comprehensive and his record of these and later on of the "Physical Character, Language of 'Primitive and Social Condition of the North Western Tribes of Canada" show how wide was the field of knowledge he had exploited.

and is a valuable contribution to our store of useful information.

Truly his was a grand and useful life and into its comparatively few years how much of beneficent work was crowded. an example to us all who tho' not so highly gifted should be as faithful as he in the use of the trusts committed to our keeping.

I am glad to have the excellent likeness of George that accompanies the sketch and shall value it highly.

We were much pleased in having a glimpse of William recently and are looking forward with pleasure to seeing more of him this summer as we learn that his work lies in this direction this season.

We are gladdened by Oliver's arrival here yesterday to spend the summer with us.

Mr Primrose joins me with kindest regards to you & your home circle and trusting that

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your stay at Metis may be  
invigorating and helpful to  
you I am dear Lady Dawson

Very sincerely yours

J. P. Kimball