

Sept 20 Letters not
sent in. I enclosed
my bill for fuel -
for trucks for
Quinn's inspection

Keswick.
Sept 17/71

Robert Skelving by Underhill
in person

My Dear Anna
Your long & acceptable
letter arrived last week by the
Canadian mail, instead of the
Cunard. No doubt - it had been
too late for the latter.
Last week has been exceedingly
fine & we have not been obliged
to stay in a single day. Fortunately
we had not any very long
trails & the fatigue did not
accumulate. I think I get to
admitting the present state of things
with no regrets whatever.

always stumbling on some
new beautiful view or picture
just waiting to be painted.

I often wish I had time to
sit down & try my hand under
the guidance of some competent
teacher, such as yourself, but

as we are always on the move

I have not even the chance

of trying alone. I have a little
sketch book which I got in

Edinburgh which I carry in

my pocket - & I sometimes get

the chance to make a little pencil
sketch or outline. This chance

generally comes after lunch when

we usually take a few minutes

rest, so that the subject of the

sketch depends altogether on where

we sit down for that purpose
(lunch). If I get leaves enough of
my book covered to make it
worth while I will send it to you
by post - for your inspection.

Artists are very numerous here at
present & one is constantly coming
on them along the roadside or perched
on top of rocks. They generally do
not stray far from the frequented
paths, but one day we were climbing
up the stony bed of a brook (which
ran in a gully overshadowed by trees &
very much reminded me of the
Grand Russian at Murray Bay)
enduring a gentle rain which we
hoped would pass off, when what
should we see on turning a corner
but an indefatigable artist using
a rock for a table, & patiently painting
away

in front of a waterfall under
the shelter of a ponderous gingham!
Coming out of Church this morning
I was astonished to hear a lady
speaking to me, & still more so when
on turning round I saw Mrs Thomson
& her daughter Dr Rai's relations in
law. Well known to Quamma. They
have been staying here for some time
but we never chanced to meet, I
suppose because I was never about
the town during the day.

I received the "Leaflet" sent in lieu
of the tract quite safely. Have read it,
& think the author would have done a
deal better to stick to prose composition.

Excuse this unsatisfactory letter
& believe me as ever your
affectionate brother
George

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I've always busy - wed.
like to sketch more -

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finding
artist off
the path - painting
water full

Miss Dawson
Mr C Gill College
Montreal
Canada



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