

Logan - book

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Dear Aunt Anna,

Your welcome letter of Tuesday & Wednesday reached me this afternoon, and I read it out in the woods, whither I wandered for the sake of exercise. Though somewhat discomfited I do not feel any the better for my stay in the country, and in fact if I continue to feel as I have for the last few days, you may see me at Montic very soon. I have restless nights, capricious appetite, neuralgia, lumbago &c &c, and if I work for a couple of hours in the morning am useless during the rest of the day.

In case I should go to Montic soon you had better send me your list of "wants" so that I can attend to them while in Montreal. With regard to the interest on your money I shall make enquiry when in

town. Possibly it will be necessary for you to sign for the interest yourself. I have had the Gazette sent to me here and have been on the lookout for another of George's articles, but as yet none has appeared. Whenever one does come I shall send it to you. I suppose there will be letters from him before long.

I begin to feel now that the biggest part of the Logan biography is finished now, and although there still remains a good deal to be done it is so to speak the filling in of the skeleton, which is not quite so bad as articulating the skeleton itself. The first time I am in town I shall try to see Dawson and to come to some understanding with him about publication. The first half of the book might really be in the printer's hands now, but perhaps it will be best

to wait until everything is ready. If you think of it will you let me know what you did with the prescription from Dr. Howard for the Indian Hemp remedy. Perhaps I may give it a trial. Possibly it would do Maria some good also. She is certainly a perfect martyr to neuralgia - & scarcely a day without it.

I think I asked you in my letter of yesterday or day before about the plans of your father and mother. If I thought you were to be alone after the middle of August I should feel more strongly tempted to go down soon, as we could have quiet evenings and I could get a little work done. If on the other hand the tea-parties which have been inaugurated are to continue without intermission I

may feel differently. I am very
 sorry that poor little Edith
 felt disappointed at not
 getting a letter from me; but
 she shall have her turn.

As I have other writing to do
 this evening must close with
 love to my darlings.

Your fond B.

I am sorry now that I said
 so much about myself on
 the first page of my letter.

Do not fancy that there is
 anything specially out of the
 way. I shall feel all right
 again after a few weeks
 at the sea-side B

Do you think it would be worth
 my while to take down a saddle
 & bridle? What are the chances
 now of getting a horse? —