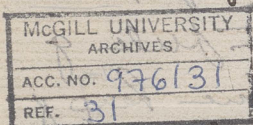


Fine most loving
kind greetings to
I don't know
how to divide my letters
October 10th 1883.
I have not yet written to S. & T.
I fancy my share of letters to write when lying
in hospital.
My dearest Anna



The Kaledra Cape
of life has again been shaken
to another great Centre of struggle.
Men & women & parents started
miles of jagged sharp-lined shores
& thousands of ^{back} huck wags filled
with incomes things & men of
courses & terrors. The number
of litres of ^{huge} ^{size} dry. Close together
quite surprising. There are
only forty fine miners from
L'Anse-au-Loup which we left yesterday
dry, but this being 3 miles from
the station it took as long to
drive here as to come from
L'Anse. We have spent a very
long time at the Cross, for in
bury

addition to the cutters characters of
 that however, we were present
 of our in special shopping as we
 found we managed to do just a
 little I came back as jaded as in Iron
 trail. At present cutters characters is at
 at their highest prices, each one ^{per} of
 gauges per the cutters displayed.
 We went to some leading glass shop,
 about gave epoxy plate. I found
 there was not a chance of getting one
 ready. ^{etc} One shop they asked 12/6 per a
 plain glass made to fit, if possible,
 but that at your risk, later we went
 with another party per of with
 the same uncertainty about fitting her
 so I drew a pattern making the center
 in a shell smaller & the plate 10 inches
 across. It is to be plain glass. Will this
 satisfy you? It was necessary to order it
 now as they will not promise such three
 or four weeks & that you know not be
 as tried. Besides shopping we were

dining out four times & had ~~camp~~
 in three times - I think we are of here
 one quiet day. This is a much smaller
 & more modest establishment. Dr & Mrs
 Williamson, a daughter, by a former wife, rather
 past early youth a little deaf, but full of
 good works. A remarkably fine ~~kept~~
 the only child of the previous lady of
 the house, who is very charming, quite as
 handsome & in the style of Mrs Howard.
 The house is a detached double one with
 small garden in front & a deep one at
 the back with a lovely Conservatory opening
 from the drawing room. I ^{hear} they two are
 going to make visitors of us. Before our
 arrival it was arranged that I should go to
 a Reception at the King's on the eve of our
 arrival to Mr & Mrs Robert W. dine here
 & took her with them. Tonight there is
 to be camping at dinner - Tomorrow a
 afternoon Reception - Saturday we to dine
 with the Principal - Dr. Greenward. Already
 paper & Dr. W. are clustered in which the family

Call the "Coal-Atlas" which fortunately (as the
strata here is so damp) is in an attic where
they are deep in Coal fossils. In the con-
nection I may also tell you that while
in Rock Ferry paper spent for the greater
part of his time in old Curiosity ^{in L'Herap} & papers
& Museums selecting specimens. With
standing he begins to look better & is
free from "nerves". He goes to Leeds to give
a lecture on Tuesday first & has also pro-
mised to speak in public somewhere here
on Wednesday next & we intend to leave
for Chatterburn Thursday next remaining
there till Saturday to see Anne Mr. Parrell
& the College — thence to the Reapert's reaching
Chiselhurst Sat: evg. What our movements
afterwards I do not know — we have heavily
imitations from the Patrons — The Carpenters
& Mr. Elliott. A great number of people have given
us their addresses & asked us to be the know
our possibilities taken at Chiselhurst. Lady
Siemen, The Misses Gladstone — Mr. Bowser &
all these being near Chiselhurst.

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Our chief experience of ^{hotels} habits has
been at Southport - papa wd not
tell me the amt. but it gave him
a shock & as every one who has travelled
in the East say that it is more expen-
sive than either England or the
Continent. I have concluded
that we shall delay our journey
as late as we can, leaving on Friday
here. Papa already says that he must
return to Montreal in Spring, he sees
so many things that ought to be done
in preparation for the meetg of the B. Ass:
It does seem very hard he shd have
this weighing on his mind. I have
to expend his acquired strength upon
such unprofitable & toilsome work.
Of course if we live through all the
dangers to wh: we may be exposed
& I am most willing to return - it is
the terrible hard work especially for papa.

~~That we dread~~ ~~And this ever home~~
 coming he adheres to I think likely
~~we~~ and go to India & only one of us go
 to Montreal (later) to prepare & hope to get paper
 to return there before the session commences
 the whole Consider of this again, ^{say}

It quite grieves to be pretty caped &
 dressed, ^{bonnets} hampers & to feel unable to
 send anything to you for if one only
 has money enough making it easier
 than to get outside garments - it is
 the smaller things - laces - ribbons -
 tashes &c wh: have to be asked for
 at separate countries & one has no defined
 pattern or want that carries & wears
 one out. however I succeeded in getting
 a lace tie wh: I have finished at the
 ends & when I weigh, if not too costly,
 I will send this week. It may not be
 what you ^{want} but it is strong
 & will do better for the neck or things &c

is a little gift do must not be criticised
too harshly. You will tell me about
the stockings after receiving my letter
also every thing else that occurs to you
as a matter we shall try to get them
I wish very much to get everything we
are likely to require for a year ahead
We hope to find the Civil Service stores
^{in London} cheap & more convenient than ordi-
nary shops. I shd. see return to England
especially to Liverpool before the winter
sales are over that is the time to get
goods cheap. I shd. like very much to
bring both you & J. a really small dress.
Our kids one day that you are very
welcome to see black pers. Cape & muffs
left she thinks in the attic.

Now I must not begin a third sheet
so it is quite time to thank you for letter
you last week to Lou & I hope had one
from Will & I one from J. all have del
into our case by Mr. Rendell as we passed

through L'pool to the Manchester train.
 to see what they at leisure in the Car
 I were so thankful to have good news
 that I assure you we did not fret
 about Ellen. It wd be comforting to get
 a woman like Joan but if it is a stranger
 we must just accept the consequences.
 What a pretty picture of Edith & Clara. the
 only drawback is Edith's mouth. her head habit
 is shown. I did not remember to think
 you for yours by the mail before. I have
 never seen that one before - it is fairly
 good. Papa has been included in a group
 of scientific men at Southport but has got
 only one copy for all so much on my
 mind - especially George & Rankin a thread
 of anguish runs through life on their account
 what will be their life's story? at present it seems
 to all sad in prospect. Since I began this we
 have to the City to visit an Art School of Drawing
 painting & modelling & there is Cooper for dinner
 so once more adieu. Tell Eric that Herbert W.
 has been two years at a Kent garden & is wise beyond
 belief. I never saw a boy with such wisdom & maturity