

S. S. Pannian 1884?

Between Newmarket
& Quebec

Saturday.

Dear Anna,

Your kind letter
and Bernard's were
handed to me this
morning, too late to
reply from Newmarket,
which place we passed on
the night. I hastened
onward till arrival at
Quebec, scarcely thinking
you would yet be at
Montreal, as I heard the
weather had been cold.
I shall however telegraph

from Pt Leno, which
will reach you earlier
than a letter from
Munouki,

I had to give
up the idea of re-
maining on the way
up. I have a large
amount of luggage, having
taken Mamma's extra
baggage with me, so
as to leave her free,
and also some boxes
of fragile specimens which

I wish to look after my-
self. Besides, the
meeting of corporation is
on Weddy, & that of
business on Intuesday
and I have business
to prepare for both,
and have bought
some matters from
Binney which he
wishes arranged with
the Mutual Committee.
For there, and other
reasons, I must forego
the pleasure of seeing

You now, but I shall
take the first spare day
or two to pay you a
visit, which after my
long travels does not
seem much, and in
any case will cost
as little time and expense
as landing at Rimouski
and going down and
up, besides being more
satisfactory, when I shall
have got little matters
now pressing arranged, and
my trunks unpacked.

I thank you very

time as ~~to~~ the Quebec
Lady. I do not like
an unknown person
whose pay might be un-
certain, and who might
fill the house with ob-
jectionable people. I shall
see Stanton as soon
as possible, and if
no merchant friends
care to take the horse
I shall leave it vacant,
if Bernard will kindly
attend to any repairs
needed, I shall pay.
I think Mrs. Vider should
have taken better care

of the property. He knows
I am quite willing to
pay for any necessary
work or repairs.

Tell Bernard that
I shall attend to the
matter of the cases
and the Commemorative
building when I get to
town. I think the
Committee has presented
exaggerated returns of
the volume of the British
Association. I doubt if
we shall have many
more people than we

had at the structure.
When you remember that
the British members will
probably not exceed 800
and that no local
people can get ~~aways~~
to anything without
paying \$5, my impression
is that the meetings will
be more select than is
imagined.

We have had a
pretty good passage - head
winds and sea all the
way, but clear weather.
I shall hope to get to
Montreal on Sunday
morning, and have a
good day's rest before

Anyone can trouble
me.

Give my love to all
the little people and
tell them I shall bring
some carvings, and tell
them some good stories,
when I come to meet.

I need not say that
I send all love to you
all, and look forward
with much pleasure to
seeing you again after
so long an absence.

Ever yours affectionately

W. Dawson

I shall write again to Bernard when
I get to Newcastle.