



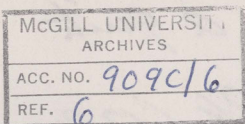
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Garnett's S Fork of Old Man  
River. N.W.S.



My dear Anna,

I find myself here, rather unexpectedly, & write to report my whereabouts. I had no intention of coming so far south, but having met with a very rough country, full of windfall etc, & having guides had very bad weather, with rain almost every day, leading to much delay, I had to strike out here for a resupply of provisions before turning north again for Marley. I shall work my way up there through the mountains by the head waters of Highwood R, & expect to connect with mail matter etc in about 20 days. As you may imagine from statements above, our trip has not so far been a very pleasant one, the continued delays particularly being very annoying. We got on the wrong side of the Elk R, which subsequently rose so much



owing to the rains, that we had to build a  
 canvas boat to cross over again, in only a day  
 or a day & a half. Here, today, I am put in a quite  
 idle time, having to send over to Pücher Ck. (12 m.)  
 for the provisions. Tomorrow I hope to get away, however,  
 in good time, & trust we will have better & more  
 seasonable weather. My party consists of self & three  
 others, viz. Mr White, Young Mountain, who was with  
 me in 1881, & a sutch half-breed named Salter,

picked up at Warley. I would have had an Indian  
 in addition, but could not procure one of any use at  
 Warley, as they have all gone off to hunt in the more  
 distant parts of the mountains, the Govt. having ceased  
 to issue rations to them. I suppose Salter is on  
 this side of the sea again, & that you will be expecting  
 another & even shortly, but hope to hear all home news  
 when I get to Warley again. With kind regards to  
 Bernard your affectionate brother  
 George