

Rideau Club,  
Ottawa.

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My dear Anna,

Your kind letter  
reached me yesterday & I am  
glad to know that you are  
getting on comfortably at Metis.  
Father telegraphed to me that he  
left this morning for the Sawes  
Loren. The newspapers got  
that Behring sea business all  
mixed up & so naturally  
you formed a somewhat  
erroneous conception of it.  
I have nothing to do with any  
'arbitration' which may come on  
the same letter, but have been

Dominated to visit examine  
 & report on the condition of  
 the fort. It is being a visit  
 of observation to enable the  
 British & Canadian gorts. to  
 approach the walls in discussion  
 with some knowledge. I thought at  
 first that I should get off at once,  
 more than a week ago, but it  
 since appears that I shall have  
 to wait for Sir S. Baden Powell,  
 now in the Atlantic. Possibly  
 we may get away Saturday or  
 Monday next. We are already  
 somewhat late for some aspects of  
 the work & so far as I know  
 have not to learn it is not  
 yet decided whether we shall  
 go to Rehring sea in a

Man-of-war was on a land screw,  
 In the latter case the voyage  
 will be prolonged. You will  
 understand that the reason the  
 seals frequent the locality is  
 because of its dampness &  
 coolness or coldness & the  
 weather records give for summer  
 about 3 to 5 days fog &  
 drizzle out of 4 or 6. — So  
 that the expedition is not  
 very obviously a pleasure trip.  
 As for letters — there will probably  
 be no chance whatever of sending  
 or receiving any after leaving Victoria

till we return. Remember that  
 these Pebylor Islands are nearly  
 2000 miles North-west of Victoria  
 & that there is no regular communication  
 with them at all & not even a  
 boat harbours anywhere about them  
 By the way, you might note that  
 the Geol. Survey is no longer in  
 the Dept. of Interior but is a  
 separate Geological Survey Dept.  
 of its own.

Yours  
 George

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