

Kalmar Station. 15<sup>th</sup> Contract.

Canadian Pacific Railway, Keewatin.

Manitoba District, Engineer's Office,

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My Dear Bernard

Let me

apologise for troubling you with a letter, but my excuse

must be that I would like

you to look at this enclosed piece of stone. I came across

it in my wanderings thro' this country, and I can

form no idea of its component  
parts. of course I hope for  
silver as I fancy some of the  
Lake Superior country veins  
must be continued thro' here.  
There is copper in it, and I must  
confess, to my shame, that in  
following up my profession I  
have become awfully rusty  
about minerals. I may add  
that there is any quantity of this  
quartz, the surface veins being

2. Robert M. Smith  
Jan 77



being 2½ feet wide. I shall be extremely obliged for your opinion on the subject, and shall value it very highly -

Since commencing I find it necessary to send the specimen in a small parcel.

If you are interested in weather reports let me give you an extract from my last

one	1847	MIN. TEMP.
JAN.	8.	-38.5
	9.	-40.5
	10.	-38.5
	11.	-56.0
	12.	-57.0
	13.	-41.5
	14.	-63.0

and this will shew you that  
volunteers for the next Arctic  
Expedition should be asked  
from here, as we are getting  
accustomed to the cold.

With kindest regards,  
believe me, as ever

Yours, very sincerely  
Dav. Rodger