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Dear Harrington

Your three friends
 letters of winings me in summer
 vacation trip to begin about July 1st

We all want to go north and by
 consulting maps find the highest
 latitude attainable by rail is on the
 St. Lawrence river below Quebec.

Grand Metis I think is very near it.

Richardson in a report made some
 20 years describes Table Top Mountain
 some 12 or 15 miles south of this mouth
 of Mussonin River (which appears to be
 about 100 miles below Metis —

From his account it is an interesting
 region and we think we would like
 to go there if too great obstacles are
 not in the way. You will
 oblige me greatly ^{by} information
 which you may be able to give us
 any of the following points —

I would to know:

If there is a road all the

way from Netis to the Masson's
river passable by waggons

If there is a settlement at the
Masson's whence assistance in getting
supplies into the woods &c might
be obtained — If assured on these
points I think we would venture
to start with the expectation of getting
a team at Netis to carry baggage
while we would walk down the
river — If you do ^{not} know where
^{these} things do ^{not} put yourself to trouble,
and on the other ^{hand} if you know any
circumstances which ought to
discourage us from the
undertaking please mention
them also.

Yours Truly

Ch. D. Allen

Give my respects to Mr. Adams
if he is well & good — I talked over
the project of visiting the Suble to
Abbotsford with him last summer —