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2.30 P.M.

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Traveling back to
gives to take home
Municipal

P.S. The
Delescope
has not
come yet,
but I hope
it will come
soon.

I got a
15-cent
Canada
Stamp
when I
was in
Victoria.

Dear George,

My last letter, I believe, was dated from Victoria. Both you & Anna object to my ~~put~~ being so particular about the time, or "condensing ~~the~~ ^{my} letters so much" as Anna says. But I have so much news to put in such a limited space that I must condense it.

On Tuesday the 4th, we started in the train at 2.20 for Halifax. We got to Truro at 4.45 & to Halifax at 7.50 & drove over to the Waverly Hotel.

On Wednesday, we ~~the~~ visited some people in town & returned to the Hotel for dinner. In the afternoon we went to see the citidal or rather, Fort George, & afterwards to Mr. Willis' to see his collection of shells. In the evening at 5.30 we drove out with Mr. Thompson to ~~the~~ his house on the N.W. corner, & took tea there & returned at 10.

On Thursday, we went out in the ~~morning~~ fore noon to Point Pleasant. We returned to the Hotel again & started at 11.20 to get some things to take ~~at~~ home. We got a shall pin for Anna, made out

of a nugget of gold just taken
in the rough from the quartz; a gold
brooch for Eva with a piece of
coral in it; & a ^{small} box of drawing
instruments for Rankine, consisting
of a compass with a moveable leg
& a pen & pencil to go in. We got
our dinner & went out at 5.30
& went ~~on board the~~ over to Dartmouth
in the ferry; & went up to the Fraser's;
& staid there for tea; & came over
again at about 10.

On Friday, We went out at
6.30 in the train to the Uncia gold
mines, & arrived there at 8.20. We
then walked 3 miles ^{from the station} out to the mines.
We went all about & had our dinner
at a sort of hotel at the mines, &
then went round again till 3.40 when
we started in a cart for the station.
We started in the train at 5.40 & got
into Halifax at 6.50, & went to
the hotel & got our tea

On Saturday we drove over to
the station at 6.30 & ~~drove~~ started
for Windsor at 7 A.M. where we arrived
at 9 A.M. We drove over to Prof. Hinds
& went with him to some gypsum
quarries & returned to his house, &

then drove to the Clifton House,
& had our dinner there. We started
in the steamer "Empress" for St. John
at 3 P.M. We called at Passborough at
5.20. I went to bed at 7.20 for
I ~~the~~ knew that we would get into
St. John about midnight, which
proved to be the case, for we got
in at 12.10 & as we found Mr.
Stewart waiting for us we drove
up to his house & went to bed.

On Sunday we went to church
as usual. It was foggy almost
all day, & Mr. Stewart said that
it was just as often foggy there
as not.

On Monday, we got into a carriage
& drove to the steamer "New England"
at 7.35 & started at about 8. It was
~~very~~ very foggy. We arrived at
Eastport at 12.20. It was clear
in the harbour ~~but~~ but was foggy
whenever we left again, but
cleared up about 6.

On Tuesday we got into Portland
at 6 A.M. & drove over to the railway
station, & went into the eating room
& tried to get our breakfast, but
the room was ~~for~~ pretty full of people,

& there were only three waitresses,
or maids, so ~~after~~ after ordering
something several times, & not getting
it we went away. We found out
that there was a Deloch train
so we thought we had better
go in it, so we got on board,
& started for Montreal at 7.15
We arrived at Island Pond at
2.20 & got our dinner. We ~~then~~
started again at 3 Pm. We arrived
at Richmond at 6 Pm, & got our
tea, & started again at 6.30, &
arrived here (at Montreal) at 10.
(We only took 3 minutes coming through
the bridge)

When we were at St. John
Mrs Stewart gave me a fine case,
for Anna, a gold \$2½ piece for
Kathrine, & another for Eva, a
gold \$5 piece for you & another for
me. Is there anything particular you
want done with yours? such as being put
in the bank, &c.; if so, let me know.
Your regards &c., are getting on splendidly.
It is ~~not~~ ~~very~~ ~~at~~ all not here now.

Believe me your affectionate brother

William.