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Dear George,

I write to-day
in order to wish you many
happy returns of yesterday.
Having no other object than
this, you may expect my letter to
be a very short one.

William left us 10 days ago,
for Montreal, & thence for some
place near Ottawa, where he
expects to get work on the North
Shore Railroad.

About Metis
The hotel here is very full; so
much so indeed that the other day
two carriage loads of people, who
arrived by the boat, had to return
the same day by the train, not

being able to find any accommo-
dation. I suppose there are about
200 people down here now who
are merely summer visitors. Fancy
what a town Britis has degenerat-
ed into. Two hundred people.

Yesterday father and I were
out dredging all day. We
got a number of valuable things.

Again hoping that you may
have many happy returns of the
1st of August.

I am
Your affectionate brother
Franklin.

