

George
Schuyler + Belle Hunt
Some problem with advice
for his father

27 Eastbourne
Terrace

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Dear George,

I received at Amherst
your letter of March 9, and
am much obliged by your
lecture & notes on the
Coal series of the West,
which I shall of course adopt
as the latest phase of opinion
on the subject. My paper
was to have been read on
the 2d, that is yesterday; but
not being certain of getting to
London in time, I had
to have it postponed to the
23d. We have taken today
leaves here for the month,

and shall remain in London
for that time, though I shall
have to go to Edinburgh for a
few days to the bicentenary.

As we arrived on
a Friday evening, we are
scarcely yet settled, and
have little time to write.
I have however seen in
the Canadian papers here
notes of the Parliamentary
investigation for months or
more of the evidence. The
whole matter, as conducted
by Bell and Hunt, seems
to me to be perfunctory, and
I am surprised that the
Govt should permit such

evidence to be brought forward
in that way. My next
letter he weak or supposed
& injure Selwyn. The whole
affair is most inopportune,
just at this time, and more
likely to do harm than
good. I should not wonder
much if Selwyn would
knock under to Bell and
Hunt, and make peace
on any terms. This is one
of the contingencies you
should be prepared for; and
what I would say is, be
patient, and give us
all, and do not let
any provocation tempt you
partly to throw up your work,
one of the ends which despising
and trembling men have

an view is to make matters
too uncomfortable for better
men, and they too often
succeed. In writing to Lewis,
who has been I think inter-
ested in the matter, I have
given him a little of my
opinion to help him in
doing any good; and shall
enclose in this a rough
copy of what I have written.
If you think it unadvised
in the present state of affairs,
you may say so to him.

We are all well, and
I think greatly the better of
our journey, & hope now for
a few days longer in one place,
the weather is delightful and
spring-like. With all love from
Marionna wa & self yours affectionately
W. Dawson