

295 University St
Montreal.

Monday June 17th 1895

Dearest George

Although not impugnant
I hear of paper writing to you & fear
they are mostly about science in
some form & doubtless ^{new} me at a
discount as if they are kept to me
I know I am a poor substitute. I get
much of my spare time is spent in writing.
You mt have noticed at Monte-Bello
that Miss Papineau was writing for
us, but she & Mr P. gave us a warm
welcome altho given a delightfully cool

Cool house — the walls being three
 feet thick & large windows & doors covered
 with wire gauze, by judicious management
 they maintain a steady & agreeable tem: & not
 a mosquito or fly to trouble one. We had
 early dinner & papa having expressed a
 wish to see some rack across the river
 at 12 p.m. a heavy English-made Carriage drove
 at the door & we were ferried across in
 a primitive Row? worked by 2 horses. This
 was a mistake for J^r father wanted
 to go here & there up narrow by-roads where
 the Carriage could not be turned. I & we were
 out in the blazing sun for 3½ hours, however,
 he seemed to enjoy himself & found some
 evidence of something there was pleasing.

Next day he started again but we all
 declined to go ^{to the} ~~with~~ him. So he was sup-
 plied with a one horse trap & the Coach-
 man as Companion. The third day he got
 one of Mr P's boats & off again, in short
 it was a continual anxiety for his safety
 & as we had ^{not} heard of St. as to Courcier's
 state I insisted on returning by the
 late train on Wednesday night. The
 P's have a beautiful house full of the
 best specimens of Art fr^e European Countries
 & the grounds around are extensive
 & lovely so that it was a refreshing change
 & we has brought away many pictures & these
 morning meals with pleasure. Miss P. is
 to me very charming as she is a Christian

& we found as many Congenial Subjects
 to talk about as if we had been going
 & suitable Companions. On our return
 we found that all the Harrington Plans
 had been carried out, & Amos left alone
 with Courser, who did not look any better,
 but since our return he has progressed
 favorably & the Medical men now hold out
 the hope that he may be able to go to Paris
 this week. He was out on the gallery but
 sat & yesterday. Clara & Ruth came to Paris
 with Florence on Friday so A. now has
 quiet & is not at all overworked. We do
 not think however that it will be kind to leave
 her so long as waiting for "marching
 orders." I have had toothache producing a bit

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I have done little towards pre-
parations so I am not yet at a loss
how to pass my time. Today it is on
the mending side & does not give much
trouble. We were much pleased to
hear of the fact that you had succeeded
in getting an additional grant to
carry on the haring & that it was pro-
bable that you would go yourself to see
how the work progressed. I am glad
that this may be a step & do take you off
of office work here now I trust for the
opportunity of coming to see us at Antis.

In a post Card received this morn-
 g. P. she tells me that they made jour-
 ny Comfortably & that she is delighted
 with her new Cottage. It is literally
 a new one built by one of the Aschels
 since last summer & has new furniture
 spring beds &c. hitherto she has always
 been in a muddy all places not altogether
 likely to be healthy. so I am very glad that
 my advice promises to turn out well.
 Soberly I have had letters fr. Eva & Rankine
 in Ed she expresses gratitude for your
 having written to Hope. They are now esta-
 blished at Halyhead with Mr. & Mrs. Atkin
 & Missie Crow as guides & Peter & Arthur C.
 at a lately built hotel in the neighbourhood.

with galf as their amusement. Haps
 has got a purely made, a doukey carriage
 for an grown person & the children & he
 got a doukey & saddle so they hope, together
 with this horse, to have enough to amuse
 them. They have just celebrated their fifth
 anniversary, & they have accepted an invita-
 tion to visit us in April 1897, to celebrate
 our fiftieth marriage anniversary. So
 wh: I now invite you to be present not
 withstanding my full recognition ^{of the opportunity} that we
 may be here to receive you. I send it with
 a very emphatic - Good will - . There have
 been delays in the time fixed for R^d that
 he has just had a telegram fr-
 om Archibald to ask him to join a

Laqueay on the 10th so hope they are now
 off. The Baltic is this to be this Cruising
 ground & R. hopes it will include being
 present at the opening of the Canal at
 Kiel. When it is expected 120. ships of
 war of different nations will gather to
 the celebration. This latest received letter
 is a pleasant & comforting one.

Now I have written a little instead of
 a note as I intended. I suppose because
 I am not clever enough to Condense
 where I have to say. Now I am done
 your wife excuse I believe me lies
 to be your most Affectionate

Mathias